

Altar Servers'

Yard Sale

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St. Rita Altar Servers

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"Catholic Charities
of NW Florida"

Saturday, September 27

7:00 Am - 12:00 PM

Sunday, September 28th

After both Masses

Mary Star of the Sea Room

Donations are greatly needed.
Please drop off in the Mary Star of
the Sea Room on Wednesday nights -
"Spirit Nite", after Saturday &
Sunday Masses.
Email Susan Penhollow at
bistrocatering215@yahoo.com
for more information or pickup.

Knitting into the Mystery: A Prayer Shawl Retreat. Location:
Ft. Mitchell, Ala., Blessed Trinity Shrine Retreat. Sept. 26-28.
The practice of knitting prayer shawls is a ministry begun by
two women who prayed as they made shawls for those who
were hurting and then offered the shawl along with their
prayers as a gift. Begins 7 p.m. on Sept. 26 and concludes with
lunch at noon on Sunday. 334-855-4474.

**Fall Craft Fair, Fourth Annual Pancake Breakfast, Bake Sale
and Christmas Card Sale.** Location: Niceville, Christ Our
Redeemer Parish. Oct 18, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sponsored by the
Knights of Columbus Chris Our Redeemer Council #13527. All
proceeds go to Knights of Columbus charities. Crafters, artists,
vendors needed. To advertise call Adam Dietrich, 897-3795;
Larry Falk, 513-260-0360 (cell) or larryfalk1@yahoo.com.

2008 Florida Respect Life Conference. Oct. 10-11. Location:
Tallahassee, Ramada Conference Center. Registration deadline
is Sept. 30. Celebrating the 40th anniversary of *Humanae Vitae*,

Pope Paul VI's Encyclical on the Sanctity of Life. If you would
like to sponsor a \$40 scholarship for college students to attend,
contact Deacon Tim Warner at 850-596-2974. For more
information:

<http://www.flacathconf.org/RL%20Event%20Brochure.pdf>

Intercessors of the Lamb prayer group, Christ Our Redeemer
Parish, Niceville, begins in September. The group is under the
authority of the Intercessors of the Lamb based in Omaha, NE.
It involves both contemplative and charismatic prayer, with the
umbrella of Mary, Our Lady, as our role model for intercession.
The formation takes two to three years to really begin the
prayers of intercession in the format and discipline of life they
teach. Mary Schwartz, 729-2194; Pearlriver@valp.net.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Along with the reform of the Roman Canon and
the redrafting of an ancient Roman prayer in Eucharistic
Prayer II, two additional prayers were announced in 1969.
Eucharistic Prayer III is a fresh composition. Like
Eucharistic Prayer II, it has no preface of its own, but the
presider chooses from a long menu of possible prefaces to
become part of the prayer on a particular occasion. Also,
like Eucharistic Prayer II it has a way to insert the name of
the deceased in Masses for the dead such as funerals and
memorials. The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*
views Eucharistic Prayer III as the best substitute for
Eucharistic Prayer I on Sundays and feasts.

In practice, this prayer is used very often at
Sunday Mass, and its texts are familiar to all members of
the assembly. In this prayer, notice that the priest extends
his hands over the gifts and calls down the Holy Spirit to
change them into the Body and Blood of Christ. This call
of the Holy Spirit is called the *epiclesis*, and Eastern
Christians consider it to be the consecration. Latin
Christians have long considered the "institution narrative"
to be the consecration. Partly in response to a deep
sensitivity to the East, the reformers took care to structure
all our new prayers with a strong *epiclesis*. The poetry and
images of Eucharistic Prayer III are fruitful sources of
meditation. Why not take a sentence or two into your
private prayer?

Mass Intentions for Week of Sept. 21, 2008

Saturday, Sept. 20 Vigil: 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time
 5:30 PM Intentions of Scott & Jan Henson by the Conley Family

Sunday, Sept. 21 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM People of St. Rita
 10:00 AM + Walter & Sophie Lawrence
 by Ed & Pat Lawrence
 12:00 PM (CTK) Alan Payne Family
 by Dad & Mom Payne

Monday, Sept. 22 Weekday
 8:00 AM +Pat Barnard
 by Knights of Columbus

Tuesday, Sept. 23 St. Pio Pietreicina
 8:00 AM Holy Communion Service

Wednesday, Sept. 24 Weekday
 5:15 PM +Denny Oakley
 by the Asteinza Family

Thursday, Sept. 25 Weekday
 8:00 AM St. Vincent de Paul Society
 by St. Rita Community

Friday, Sept. 26 Sts. Cosmas & Damian
 8:00 AM Carolyn Sittenauer
 by Joe & Lyn Colello

Saturday, Sept. 227 Vigil: 26th Sunday Of Ordinary Time
 5:30 PM +Jack Rutland
 by Don & Judi Rutland
 7:00 PM Misa En Espanol

God's Word This Week

Monday: Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Eccl 11:9 — 12:8; Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday: Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5]; Mt 21:28-32

CALL UPON THE LORD

The very first line of today's first reading summons us to seek the Lord and to call upon God. This sentiment is echoed in the refrain for today's responsorial psalm: "The Lord is near to all who call upon him" (Psalm 145:18a). Saint Paul is the embodiment of someone who constantly sought the Lord. In the excerpt we read today from his letter to the Philippians, we find Saint Paul toward the end of his life, a life he describes as completely consonant with Christ. He writes, "For to me life is Christ" (Philippians 1:21). To find out what it means to live life completely in accord with Christ we need look no further than today's Gospel. There we find that God's love and mercy are immeasurable for all those who seek and call upon the Lord.

In your prayers, please remember those whose names are in our prayer intention book in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Pray for those who are sick and recovering, especially **Marie Johnston, John LeBleu, Rosalie Sumrall, Jerry B. Johnston, Donna Boe, Curt Clauson, Rita Moran, Donna Prijatelj, Laurene Sugar, Jack Weidman, Betty Miller, Ellen Best, Concetta Loduca, Michael McKeon, Hilda Martinez, Dick & Barbara Howell, Danika Darley, David Haliday, Darya Darley, Nibby Rutland, Lynn Lowe, Janine Becker, Ed Ellington, Wendy Kulanans, Tim Kelly, Danny Wilson, James Payne, Bob James, Arlene Roberts, Kathy Linder, Paul Belardino, Chris Flow, Ellen Frye, Robert Rau, Vincent Caggiano, Helen Fogel, Sam Stokes, Annette Brewster, Linda Davis, Dorinda Lackey, Kris Ann Neihl, Mary Gianelloni & Kathleen Lackey.** If there is someone who needs special prayers at Mass, please call the office so we can include them.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Sophia Lawrence**, mother of **Ed Lawrence**, who recently died. Also for the consolation of her family & friends.

WEEKLY DONATIONS

	<i>St. Rita</i>	<i>Christ the King</i>
Offertory	\$ 5,799.97	\$ 406.00
2nd Collection	\$ 1,304.00	\$
Spanish Mass	\$ 376.52	\$
Hurricane IKE	\$ 1,526.32	

ONE MORE REQUEST

O Thou who has given us so much, mercifully grant us one thing more—a grateful heart.

—George Herbert

This Week at Saint Rita and Christ the King Mission

Sunday, Sept. 21

8:00 am 1 Room School House R.E.
 8:00 am Sunday Mass
 8:50 am 1st Holy Communion Classes for Students (Middle Portable) & Parents (Youth Portable)
 10:00 am Mass with Children's Liturgy
Catechetical Sunday – Catechist
 Commissioning during Mass
 Altar Server Training (Church)
 11:00 am Mass @ CTK
 12:00 pm CTK Altar Guild Meeting

Monday, Sept. 22

7:40 am Morning Prayer (Church)
 8:00 am Daily Mass
 8:30 am Rosary (Church)
 4:00 pm Cub Scouts (Portable)
 5:30 pm Girl Scouts (Portable)
 6:00 pm Boy Scouts (MSS)
 7:00 pm Prayer Group (Church)

Tuesday, Sept. 23

7:40 am Morning Prayer (Church)
 8:00 am Holy Communion Service
 8:30 am Rosary
 9:00 am Bible Study – Matthew (MSS)

Wednesday, Sept. 24

9:00 am Sewing Group (MSS) Everyone is welcome!
 4:00 pm R.E. Classes, K-5th (4:00 – 5:00 pm)
 5:15 pm Daily Mass
 5:45 pm Dinner (MSS)
 6:00 pm Hispanic Ministry (Church)
 6:30 pm R.E. Classes, 6th – 12th (6:30 – 7:30 pm)
 CROCS, K – 5th
 Spirit Nite - RCIA: Topic: Biblical Inspiration

Thursday, Sept. 25

7:40 pm Morning Prayer (Church)
 8:00 am Daily Mass – Installation & Blessing of new St. Vincent de Paul Officers
 8:30 am Rosary (Church)
 9:00 am St. Elizabeth Seton Study Group-Cry Rm.
 3:00 pm Cub Scouts (Portable)

Friday, Sept. 26

7:40 am Morning Prayer (Church)
 8:00 am Daily Mass
 8:30 am Holy Hour & Exposition

Saturday, Sept. 27

7:00 pm Yard Sale for Catholic Charities by St. Rita Altar Servers until noon (MSS)
 9:00 am Centering Prayer
 4:30 pm Confessions
 5:30 pm Vigil Mass
 7:00 pm New Comers' Welcome Reception at Father Tom's home.
 7:00 pm Misa en Espanol followed by dinner

Sunday, Sept. 28

8:00 am 1 Room School House R.E. (Middle Portable)
 8:00 am Sunday Mass
 8:50 am Confirmation Class for Students (Youth Portable)
 9:00 am Yard Sale for Catholic Charities by St. Rita Altar Servers (MSS)
 9:00 am RCIA Meeting (Cry Room)
 10:00 am Mass with Children's Liturgy
 11:00 am Children's Choir Practice (Church)
 12:00 pm Mass at CTK

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

If you need assistance or know of anyone in need, call St. Vincent de Paul at **888-229-6582**. The Society is open to everyone. Meetings are on the 3rd Thursday of the month. **Si necesita ayuda o conoce a alguien que la necesite, llame usted a la Sociedad de San Vincente de Paul, y pregunte por Felita al 622-2120 despues de las 5 de la tarde. La Sociedad invita a toda el mundo a participar. Las reuniones son el 3er jueves del mes.**

Caring & Sharing needs canned vegetables (corn is favorite). Donations can be dropped off at the Mary Star of the Sea Room.

Altar Linen Schedule

Sept. 21 Lorraine Maioriello
 Sept. 28 Anna Fowler

Home Visitations

If your name is on the list below, please call the office at 267-2558 to schedule a time when Father Tom can come for a home visit. This is an opportunity to get to know parishioners on a one to one basis and to bless each parishioner's home. Meals are not necessary.

Mr. & Mrs. F. Jamison
 Ms. Jennifer Jeansonne
 Mr. & Mrs. W. Johnson
 Mr. & Mrs. K. Johnston
 Mr. & Mrs. D. Dowd

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