



Co-Cathedral of St. Thomas More

AND CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER DIOCESE OF PENSACOLA-TALLAHASSEE
We exist to reflect Jesus Christ, to worship Him, and to proclaim His good news to all.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24 2019

"LORD, WHEN YOUR GLORY APPEARS,
MY JOY WILL BE FULL." -PSALM 17



What's Happening This Week

Fellowship Sunday

Join us for Fellowship Sunday after the 10am Mass. Please come to O'Brien Hall to enjoy some time visiting with fellow parishioners along with a donut, coffee and juice.

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is Wednesday, March 6th. Mass times on Ash Wednesday are at 7 AM, 12 Noon, 5:15 PM and 7 PM. Please go to the website or see the bulletin for more information.

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday: 7:00am, 5:15pm
Saturday: 8:00am, 5:15pm Vigil
Sunday: 8:30am, 10:00am, 11:45am, 6:00pm

CONFESSION

Saturday (in the chapel) from 12:00pm - 1:00pm and 4:00pm - 5:00pm or by appointment.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: 9:00am - 5:00pm
RECTORY (EMERGENCIES ONLY)
(850) 224-4887

WIFI NETWORK: STM Guest

WIFI PASSWORD: stm1967!

Attention High School Teens!

Life Teen: This Sunday, Feb 24th, Life Teen is finishing its series Alive and Dangerous, focusing on how we are called to live extraordinary lives through God. Life Teen is held on Sundays at Blessed Sacrament in the Parish Hall at 5:00 pm with a meal and ends at 6:45 pm. All teens are welcome!



Small Groups: Come out to Small Groups and grow together as we talk about faith and life. Small Groups meet from 7:00 - 8:45 pm on Thursdays in the Miccosukee Room at Blessed Sacrament.

Attention Middle School Teens!

Edge: Edge Middle School Ministry continues its Sacraments series this Friday, March 1st. Edge meets on Fridays at Blessed Sacrament in the Parish Hall from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. All middle school students



Lectors Needed

The St. Thomas More Lector Ministry needs volunteers, especially for the 8:30 AM Sunday Mass. Lectoring is an opportunity to share this gift in a unique way. It is also a great blessing to participate in the Celebration of the Mass as a liturgical minister. No experience is necessary. Training will be provided. Please contact Jackie Lloyd at lloyd.jackiem@gmail.com or 850-556-0374 if you are interested.

Save The Date! Red Mass

Wednesday March 27: you are invited to attend the 44th Annual Red Mass on Mar. 27 at 6 PM at the Co-Cathedral of St. Thomas More. A reception will follow Mass.

We pray for all our beloved dead especially, Romero DeGracia and for those in our parish who are ill. Please email any prayer requests for those who are deceased or ill to: media@cocathedral.com.

St. Vincent de Paul Society



Please remember to support the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can continue to bring comfort and peace to our brothers and sisters who are poor and suffering.

Consider becoming an active member of the SVDP STM Conference. Conference meetings are the 2nd and 4th Tuesday each month at 6pm, Room #6, Parish Center. www.facebook.com/svdptally | svdptally@gmail.com

Adult Faith Formation

We will begin a study of Wisdom on Tuesday, March 12th at 7pm. See the website for more information and registration.

Lent

Ash Wednesday is Wednesday, March 6th. Mass times on Ash Wednesday are at 7 AM, 12 Noon, 5:15 PM and 7 PM. Please go to the website or see the bulletin for more information.

Please join us Friday evenings during Lent to share a light meal with fellow parishioners. Mass begins at 5:15 pm, a Lenten Light Meal will follow Mass, starting between 5:45 - 6:00 pm and Stations of the Cross begins at 6:30 pm. Please join us.

Mass Intentions

Mass intentions may be requested for a loved one (living or deceased) or for a special intention by coming by the office between 9am and 5pm or requesting a mass online at our Parish website.

It is not necessary for the celebrant to announce the Mass intention in order for the Mass to be offered for the donor's intention.

St. Martin and the Beggar

Artist: Simone Martini (1283-1344)

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

FEBRUARY 2019 Dates: 02/11 - 02/17

Weekly Need:	\$19,000
Weekly Giving:	\$20,181
Year-to-Date Need:	\$122,000
Year-to-Date Giving:	\$120,834

To give online, visit www.cocathedral.com and go to the "Donate" page.

2019 CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL

Your support of the annual Catholic Sharing Appeal is critical to the mission of our parish and our diocese.

To date 132 parishioners have pledged \$ 71,544. Our 2019 Catholic Sharing Appeal goal is \$110,000. Please don't forget to make your gift today! If you have brought your pledge card, please place it into the Offertory basket. You may also go to our website, cocathedral.com, for more information and to make your 2019 pledge.

Thank you.

Religious Education

Join us for our Annual Stations of the Cross Shadow Play performed by our 3rd grade RE students on **Sunday March 3 at 8:45 am in O'Brien Hall.**

Lighthouse CD of the Week

Set All Afire: Why the Church Still Matters

Seven Powerful Presentations on the Catholic Faith. This one-of-a-kind CD includes seven segments, approximately 10 minutes each, covering some of the most important topics and questions in the Church today. Taken from seven of our most powerful and popular talks, these segments are sure to stir the soul and inspire you to SET ALL AFIRE for love of Christ and His Church. Choose an inspiring audio CD from our Lighthouse CD display located by the parking lot entrance. \$3/CD. Thank you always for your support!



The Catholic Student Union

Interested in learning about CSU?

Find us on our Catholic Student Union at FSU, TCC, & FAMU Facebook page, Twitter (@CatholicNoles), Instagram (@catholicnoles), and at fsucatholic.org.

This Week at Our Parish

Sunday, February 24

- 8:30am Religious Ed, 1-8gr. Upstairs/SL Classrooms
- 10am RCIA
- 10am Religious Ed Prek4 - Kg Upstairs CR# 6 and 7
- 11am Fellowship Sunday, after 10 AM Mass, O'Brien Hall, Coffee & Donuts
- 11:30am H.S.Confirmation Session #10 CR 1 & 2

Monday, February 25

- 4pm CSU, Adoration, Church
- 6:30pm Baptismal Prep Class, LCR

Tuesday, February 26

Wednesday, February 27

- 10am Amazing Parish Team Meeting, Msgr. Kerr Room
- 6:30 Adult Confirmation Class, Kerr Room
- 7:57pm Spirit Night, CSU, Social Hall

Thursday, February 28

Friday, March 1

Saturday, March 2

- 9am R.E. : Church & Chapel: Sacrament of Reconciliation
- 9am Council of Catholic Women, CR#7

Assistance for Victims of Sexual Abuse

Our Diocese has established Victim Assistance Coordinators to help anyone who has been abused by church personnel. Victims should call Dr. James Gagnon at 877-0205. To report a case, call the 24-Hour Child Abuse Hotline at 800-962-2873.

Stewardship Bulletin Reflection



In today's Gospel, taken from the sixth chapter of Luke, Jesus offers a very challenging, seemingly impossible approach to daily life. "Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat

you. To the person who strikes you on one cheek, offer the other one as well, and from the person who takes your cloak do not withhold even your tunic." It makes one want to say, "Seriously, Lord?" And He doesn't stop there. Jesus adds, "Give to everyone who asks of you, and from the one who takes what is yours do not demand it back."

It seems so unfair! That is, unless we look at this way of life from a stewardship point of view. Then, not only does it seem doable (though challenging), it actually makes perfect sense. A steward understands clearly that all he has and all that he is — his very life — is a gift from God given to him from an unfathomable abundance of love. This changes everything! This means "my" cloak, "my" tunic, "my" money and time — all of it ultimately belongs to God. He has entrusted these things to each of us in love to use for His purposes and His glory.

Does this mean we are to be passive "doormats" to anyone who wants to take advantage of us? Certainly not. Jesus explains this in the next verse of this passage when He says, "Do to others as you would have them do to you." There is nothing wrong with loving oneself since God loves us and has made us in His own image and likeness. Jesus is simply asking that we also approach others, and the sharing of our gifts, with this same attitude. He is giving us a definition here of real love, a steward's love!

Community Events

Trinity Catholic School



Trinity Catholic School's Annual

Silent and Live Auction- March 2, 2019 Visit our website for more info and to buy your tickets or reserve your table today!

<https://trinitycatholicschool.schoolauction.net/auction2019>

St. John Paul II Catholic High School



St. John Paul II Catholic High School is now accepting applications for the 2018-2019 school year. Call now to schedule a tour of our campus or a shadow day for your child. We offer several scholarship and financial assistance opportunities. Early re-enrollment discounts are being offered for current families. Re-enroll before March 1st to receive \$50 off the re-enrollment fee!

Priesthood Discernment Retreat

March 1, 2019, 6:00 PM - March 3, 2019, 12:00 PM

Location: St. John Neumann Retreat Center

This event is being held to guide and inform any men who are discerning a call to the priesthood. contact Fr. Holeda at (850) 222-9630 or frtim@cocathedral.com.

Polish Dinner Fund Raiser

at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church in Crawfordville on Sunday, March 3 from 5-8pm
Tickets are \$10 a person or \$25 for a family.

Retreat for Women, Restore the Beauty: The Four Women Doctors of the Church sponsored by the Women Study Groups is **March 23-24, 2019** at the Visitation Monastery, Mobile, AL. Leader is Michelle Benzinger. Cost is \$80 for overnight and \$40 for Saturday only. For more information or to register, please contact Nanette at 850-543-0901.

2019 Diocesan Marriage Retreat—4/26-28

A Marriage Fully Alive in Christ

Friday April 26- Sunday April 28

Cost is \$350.00 per couple

Topsail Hill Preserve State Park, Santa Rosa Beach
Space is limited! Registration and more info at ptdiocese.org

*Mass Intentions***Sunday, February 24**

8:30am † Marisol Jaramillo

10:00am † Michael Sternchek by *Del Rita Sternchek*

11:45am For the people of Saint Thomas More

6:00pm † Jared Adams by *Dawn Adams***Monday, February 25**

7:00am

5:15pm

Tuesday, February 26

7:00am

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Wednesday, February 27

7:00am

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Thursday, February 28

7:00am

5:15pm

Friday, March 17:00am Don Berlin by *Ellen Murphy*

5:15pm

Saturday, March 2

8:00am Danny Guthrie

5:15pm † Ralph Strickland by *Ed & Marietta Schroeder*

We pray for our military men and women serving overseas. Please provide the names of military service members so that they and their families can be remembered at Mass and in the prayers of our parishioners. Call the office at (850) 222-9630 to have a name added to or removed from this list.

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

Francis Jr. Medehue, Christopher Brian Jones, Joseph Legros, Matthew Pickles Chase Murray, Paul Rolston, Joseph Westberry, and Steven Vuis

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PARISH MEMBERSHIP: All Catholics who regularly worship at St. Thomas More should be registered as parishioners.

REGISTRATION: All parishioners are asked to return a completed registration form to the parish office and make identifiable contributions either through offertory envelopes or by personal checks.

MATRIMONY: Arrangements should be made with a priest at least six months in advance. Important guidelines for marriage at St. Thomas More Co-Cathedral can be found at our website: www.cocathedral.com or by calling the office.

BAPTISM: Parents must be registered members of our parish and attend Baptism Preparation Classes. To register and obtain further information, contact the church office.

TITHING: Our parish encourages parishioners to thank God for their material blessings by returning a percentage of their income to Him through charitable donations. God in return richly blesses those who tithe. The recommended distribution of tithing is half to the parish and half to other charities, including the Bishop's Catholic Sharing Appeal and second collections. A household can begin tithing by returning 2% of their income to God, and increasing it to 10% over a period of years as household finances allow. Please make parish donations by writing checks to St. Thomas More. To give on-line, go to www.securegive.com.

PRIEST OR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER VISITATION: Those needing to have a priest or extraordinary minister visit them at home, hospital or prison, call the parish office.