



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 OF LENT
APRIL 7, 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.

Lenten Penance Service

Our Parish Lenten Penance Service will be this **Thursday, April 11th at 7pm**. There will be several priests available to hear confessions.

Holy Week

See **page 5** for our Holy Week Schedule .

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

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LENT



DAILY LENTEN MASSES

MONDAY-FRIDAY
7:00 am, 5:15 pm
SATURDAY
8:00 am

LENTEN LIGHT MEALS

EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT
In the O'Brien Hall following 5:15 Mass

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT
6:30 pm

CONFESSIONS IN THE CHAPEL

SATURDAY
12 noon-1:00pm, 4:00-5:00pm
or by appointment

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

Thursday, April 11 at 7:00 pm

Check the website www.cocathedral.com and weekly bulletins for additional Lenten Activities

Attention High School Teens!

Life Teen: There will be no Life Teen this Sunday, April 7th due to the Life Teen Spring Retreat. Please pray for all of the students who are attending the retreat.



Small Groups: Small Groups are on break until summer.

Attention Middle School Teens!

Edge: This Friday, Edge will be having a follow up night from the Retreat this past weekend, talking about relationships in Christ. Edge is meeting in the Miccosukee Room from 7 - 8:30pm.



Chrism Mass Invitation

Bishop Wack cordially invites all the faithful of the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee to attend the **Chrism Mass on Tuesday, April 16 at 10:00 a.m. CDT** at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. Immediately following the Chrism Mass, you are also invited to a luncheon reception in the Ave Maria Hall adjoining the Cathedral.

Easter Flowers

Flowers for Easter Sunday Masses may be purchased in memory of or in thanksgiving for family and friends. Suggested donation is \$10. Go to the parish website or call the office at 222-9630 to make arrangements.

We pray for all our beloved departed especially Gloria Barnaby and for those in our parish who are ill especially Jack Lloyd. 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 in 2019, so that together we can continue to bring comfort and peace to our brothers and sisters who are poor and suffering. May the peace of God be with you.

In recent months our St. Vincent de Paul volunteers have served dinner at the Kearney Center homeless shelter to an average of 312 men and women each month. Please join us in this important outreach to our hungry neighbors.

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

Catholic Charities Lenten Food Drive

The St. Vincent de Paul group of our parish is collecting non-perishable food donations for Catholic Charities during Lent. Look for the blue collection bins at the church.

Council Of Catholic Women

Congratulations to the newly elected Council of Catholic Women leadership:

- President: Julie Coffey**
- Vice-President: Lynda Tiefel**
- Secretary Kathy Grobe**
- Treasurer: Theresa Medehue**

Cover art: *Christ and the Adulteress* by Brueghel the Younger (1564-1638)

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

MARCH 2019 Dates: 03/25 – 03/31

Weekly Need:	\$ 25,000
Weekly Giving:	\$ 23,128
Year-to-Date Need:	\$230,000
Year-to-Date Giving:	\$233,342

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

Now Hiring: FINANCE ASSISTANT

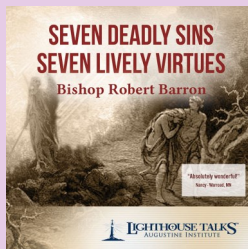
This part-time position is responsible for the oversight of counting & depositing of funds, the accounting of parishioner donations and other duties under the direction of the parish business manager. If interested, please complete an application on our website, www.cocathedral.com, and submit via email to Dasha Nixon, dasha@cocathedral.com.

Religious Education

Vacation Bible School registration will be online starting **April 7 through May 10**. Our theme is an African adventure called **Roar! Life is Wild, God is Good!** by Totally Catholic/ Our Sunday Visitor. VBS is for rising Prek4 through 6th grade children from **8:30 am to 12 noon June 10 to June 14**. Contact maureen@cocathedral.com for more information.

Lighthouse CD of the Week

Seven Deadly Sins - Seven Lively Virtues Join noted Professor of Theology and author, Bishop Robert Barron, in this revealing presentation as he sheds light on the Seven Deadly Sins This fascinating journey shows the path that God has designed to lead us to health, happiness and holiness. CD display is located by the parking lot entrance. \$3/CD.

*The Catholic Student Union*

Want to find out more about what the Catholic Student Union is all about? Find out on the Catholic Student Union at FSU, TCC, & FAMU Facebook page, Twitter (@CatholicNoles), Instagram (@catholicnoles), and at fsucatholic.org.

*This Week at Our Parish***Sunday, April 7**

8:15am First Holy Communion Session #2 CR # 7
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
6pm Profession/Rite of Confirmation

Monday, April 8

4pm Adoration, CSU, Church

Tuesday, April 9

6pm SVdP meeting, Room #6, Parish Center
6pm Haiti Parish Committee, LCR
7pm Bible Study, Wisdom, Social Hall

Wednesday, April 10

10am Amazing Parish Team Meeting, Msgr. Kerr Room
6:30 Adult Confirmation Class, Kerr Room
7pm Pastoral Council, LCR
7:57pm Spirit Night, CSU, O'Brien Hall

Thursday, April 11**Friday, April 12**

5:45pm Lenten Light Meals, Social Hall
6:30pm Stations of the Cross, Church

Saturday, April 13*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](tel:800-962-2873).

Father John's Corner
SEX- Love and Marriage

I'm sure that headline caught your attention, didn't it? It's because it's a strong word filled with all kinds of meaning. It's one of the best things in the world, that has unfortunately been tainted, misconstrued and corroded by humanity. It's what brought us into this world, so we can't curse it. It's also, the one thing that creates headlines on our papers and in news broadcasts, especially when a political or religious figure has fallen. Now that we are hearing more about the 2020 elections and the frontrunners on the Democratic ticket, the one thing that often people critique is the sex life of those running. News outlets are not concerned about the virtuous lifestyle but the falling from grace of those in a high office. Too often this litmus test is used, by many, to gauge the faithfulness and worthiness of a public official. In regards to adultery, infidelity is not a capital offense today, but in Jesus time, it was. Their moral code was the book of Deuteronomy. In chapter 22:22 it states *"If a man is found sleeping with another man's wife, both the man who slept with her and the woman must die. You must purge the evil from Israel."*

To our modern ears, this is hard to hear. Where is the compassion? Jesus shares it with us today. "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." In our modern working environment, especially with how much the boundaries are crossed both in the work environment and in our social lives, adultery happens on a daily basis. Certainly, not good news, but a challenge for modern men and women. Sex is a gift that is to be used for the unification of the husband and wife and the procreation of children if possible. This may seem like old school teaching in a world where sex has become more of a romantic urge expressed that can eventually be turned into a manipulative encounter if not truly expressed within a covenant relationship. Outside of this, guilt and eventually shame often occur. The slippery slope is steep when grace is not part of our love language. Frank Sinatra, may have had it right when he sang "Love and marriage, love and marriage, go together like a horse and carriage." Some things are just meant to be together.

Yes, Jesus and the Church are very compassionate and forgiving in regards to this sin, however, the challenge Jesus poses at the end of our gospel is for us in our modern day as well, *"neither do I con-demn you. Go, and from now on do not sin anymore."* This is consoling news.
 Love,

Fv. John

Community Events

Trinity Catholic School

Trinity Catholic School is accepting applications for the school year.
www.trinityknights.org/admissions



St. John Paul II Catholic High School

St. John Paul II Catholic High School is accepting applications for the school year.
 For more info, visit our new website:
www.sjpiichs.org



Substitute Teachers

Trinity Catholic School has two substitute positions, for teachers on maternity leave, beginning in August 2019. Seeking certified teachers for 1st grade, through October 11th, and 6th-8th Grade Math, through December. If interested, please contact BridgesT@TrinityKnights.org,

The Drama Club will be presenting **"Thoroughly Modern Millie"** April 12-14th, at 7:30 pm in the SJPII gym. Tickets are being sold at www.sjpiichs.org for \$10 per person, and \$12 at the door. For more info, please email lruiz@jpiichs.org.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY

*April 14th: Sat-5:15PM
Vigil, Sunday at 8:30,
10:00, 11:45 & 6PM*

TENEBRAE SERVICE

*April 17th at
8PM*

HOLY THURSDAY MASS

*April 18th at
7PM*

GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS

*April 19th at
12:30PM @ FSU
Landis Green*

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

*April 19 at
3PM*

EASTER VIGIL

*April 20th
at 8:30PM*

EASTER SUNDAY

*April 21st at 8:30,
10:00, 11:45 &
6PM*

*Mass Intentions***Sunday, April 7**

8:30am For the people of Saint Thomas
More

10:00am † John Corbin by *Gabriella and Lucas Corbin*

11:45am † Emma Sanchez by *Kelly Coulombe*

6:00pm † George Steffen by *Julia Carmedelle*

Monday, April 8

7:00am † Faye Johnson by *the Johnson Family*

5:15pm † Toan Trinh by *Giang Trinh*

Tuesday, April 9

7:00am

5:15pm *For the Clients and Staff at Open Door Women's Clinic*

Wednesday, April 10

7:00am † Toan Trinh by *Giang Trinh*

5:15pm

Thursday, April 11

7:00am

5:15pm *Tim Viau*

Friday, April 12

7:00am † Toan Trinh by *Giang Trinh*

5:15pm *Dominic Paredes by his Family*

Saturday, April 13

8:00am

5:15pm *The Strickland Family*

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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Registration Information

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.