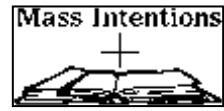




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Total Weekly Offering..... \$9,539.86
Mass Attendance Apr 21/22 386



Apr 30 - May 6
MondayMark Ibañez(+)
Wednesday.....Mike Kutcher(liv)
ThursdayCarlos G. Vega(+)
FridayTrey Corbitt(+)
SaturdayRita Cox(+)
SundaySt. Peter Parishioners(8:00 a.m.)
.....Richard Brooks(+)(10:30 a.m.)



Adoration
Thursday, May 3rd, beginning with *Exposition* immediately after morning mass, the *Divine Mercy Chaplet* at 3:00 p.m., and ending with *Benediction* at 7:00 p.m. Spend some prayer time **listening to God's voice leading you closer to Him.**

BISHOP'S Charity Gala BENEFITING Catholic Charities Northwest Florida
MAY 4, 2018 • 6:00 PM
SANDESTIN GOLF & BEACH RESORT
9300 EMERALD COAST PARKWAY WEST • MIRAMAR BEACH
For information on Sponsorship Opportunities or Tickets call (850)435-3560 or email development@cc.ptdiocese.org

Adult Faith Dinner and Discussion
Our next meeting will be Wednesday, May 9th, 6:00 -7:30 p.m. Sign up at the Hospitality cart or call the office no later than 12 noon on Monday the 6th. We will start looking at the **Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis "On the Call to Holiness in Today's World."** Achieving holiness is in everyone's reach and easier to achieve than you may think. Come for good food, great fellowship and empowering discussions on achieving holiness in your life. Everyone is invited to join!

Weekly Calendar of Events

- 4/29 Last K-5 Faith Formation - 9:15 a.m.
Last Adult Faith Formation - 9:15 a.m.
5th Sunday Rosary - after 10:30 a.m. Mass
HS/MS Meetings - 6:00 p.m.
- 4/30 Rosary after morning Mass
- 5/1 Bunco - 9:30 a.m.
- 5/2 Legion of Mary - 8:30 a.m.
- 5/3 Rosary after morning Mass
Adoration - 8:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Divine Mercy Chaplet - 3:00 p.m.
- 5/6 First Communion - 10:30 a.m. Mass
HS/MS Meetings - 6:00 p.m.



Crafters & Builders!!!

Are you creative, handy, or willing to fake it? Looking for a fun way to share your faith? Look no further! VBS Decorating Parties will be held Mondays, 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. Come join us in the Parish Center and be sure to dress in old, comfy clothes. We will paint, glue, cut, and build to create a Rolling River Rampage! Please call or email Susie Rushlau for more info. at 581-7263 or dre@stpeter.ptdiocese.org

Diocesan Priest Retirement Fund

The weekend of May 5-6 you will have the opportunity to make a contribution to the Diocesan Priest Retirement Fund. The proceeds from this collection will help to provide a better standard of living for those priests who have dedicated their lives to serving the people of Northwest Florida. Please be generous and remember to support our retired priests with both your financial assistance as well as your prayers. Parishioners who do not receive offertory envelopes and wish to contribute can use an envelope in the pew. If you are using electronic giving you can log on to your account and make a onetime gift or use an envelope in the pew, if you prefer.

HEALING MASS

When: Monday, May 7, 2018, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Location: Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, Niceville
Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church is holding its quarterly healing Mass to bring healing to those in the community who are hurting. Those attending will be prayed over individually and anointed within the celebration of the Mass. For more information, contact Deacon Gary McBride at gmcbride@holynamechurch.org or Monica Peppler at mpeppler@holynamechurch.org.

Liturgical Roles*

Weekend of May 5/6

5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers: _____
Extraordinary Ministers: Doug Hoover, Shareen Ketchem, Alice Thompson, Joanna Farnum, Louise Perreault
Lectors: Angela Zangerle, Dan Brenton
Ushers: Bob Flanagan, Joni Flanagan, _____
Greeter: Lynn Brenton
Sacristan: Patty Shawbitz
Elijah Cup: Eric and Mary Van Dorn

8:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Audrey Moore, Emily Moore
Extraordinary Ministers: _____, _____, _____
Nancy McCreary, Nancy Brandewie, Nanette Bell
Lectors: Kathy Moore, Michael Moore
Ushers: Dan Cauley, Kathy Cauley, Frank Schorzman
Greeter: Cathy McKnight
Sacristan: Joe Davison
Elijah Cup: Michael and Kathy Moore

10:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: Joseph Sweeney, _____, _____
Extraordinary Ministers: Luisa Martinez, Melody Grogan, Bill Roth, Penny Sweeney, Teresa McClure
Lectors: Warren Cabral, Janice Barnes
Ushers: Mike Sweeney, _____, _____
Greeter: Judy Holzschuh
Sacristan: Petey Brennan
Elijah Cup: Duscha and Tim Ross
1st Communion Reception



St. John captures the essence of what kind of love is expected from us toward our neighbor and those in need as he opens our **Second Reading** with **"Let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth."** Jesus made that point several times in His own teachings. It follows the old adage that **"Actions speak louder than words."** We have pointed out numerous times that being a good steward requires action. It may be easy for us come to an understanding of what it means to love one another; and additionally, we may speak of doing it; but the true measure is what we do, how we live our lives.

The best examples of stewardship that we may be aware of in our parishes and community involve what we see and experience in others. That is the most effective way to be taught and it is the best way to teach others. Do it and live it.

That is John's point is it not? He continues his instructions in the Second Reading by saying, "We should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another as He commanded us." The Norwegian playwright and poet Henrik Ibsen, who had a great appreciation for the written word, once stated, "A thousand words will not leave so deep an impression as one deed."

The point of Jesus' Parable of the Two Sons (Mt 21) in which one son says he will do his father's will but does not while the other says he will not obey, but repents and does what his father asked, is quite clear that deeds mean more than intentions.

Saint Peter Parish Prayer Chain: For prayer needs, contact Angela Zangerle at (808)295-2587 or email her at stpeter.prayerchain@gmail.com

Hospitalized Parishioners: If you or a family member are hospitalized, please call the Parish Office, otherwise we have no way of knowing who in our parish is there.

In Your Daily Prayers, Please Remember our parishioners who are deployed and:

Monday Johanna Adam*, Steve Lange, Carlos López, Brian Williams

Tuesday Mary Eichler, Hiram Alaniz, Danny Labatte, Mike Kutcher, John Osborn*

Wednesday Gordon Pritchard*, Bette Dellner*, Aurora Beard, Christian Irwin*

Thursday Pam Bauchwitz*, Connie Jordan, Lucille Kesler, Connie Batten

Friday Lloyd Biehl*, Doug Babiak*, Rick Zern*, Carleen Parker, Chuck Gober*

Saturday Peter Adam*, Mary Anyel*, Harper Spear, Diane Parker

Sunday Ann Hart, Samara Gillespie, Jennifer Draper, Donnie Simmons*

*Indicates our parishioners.

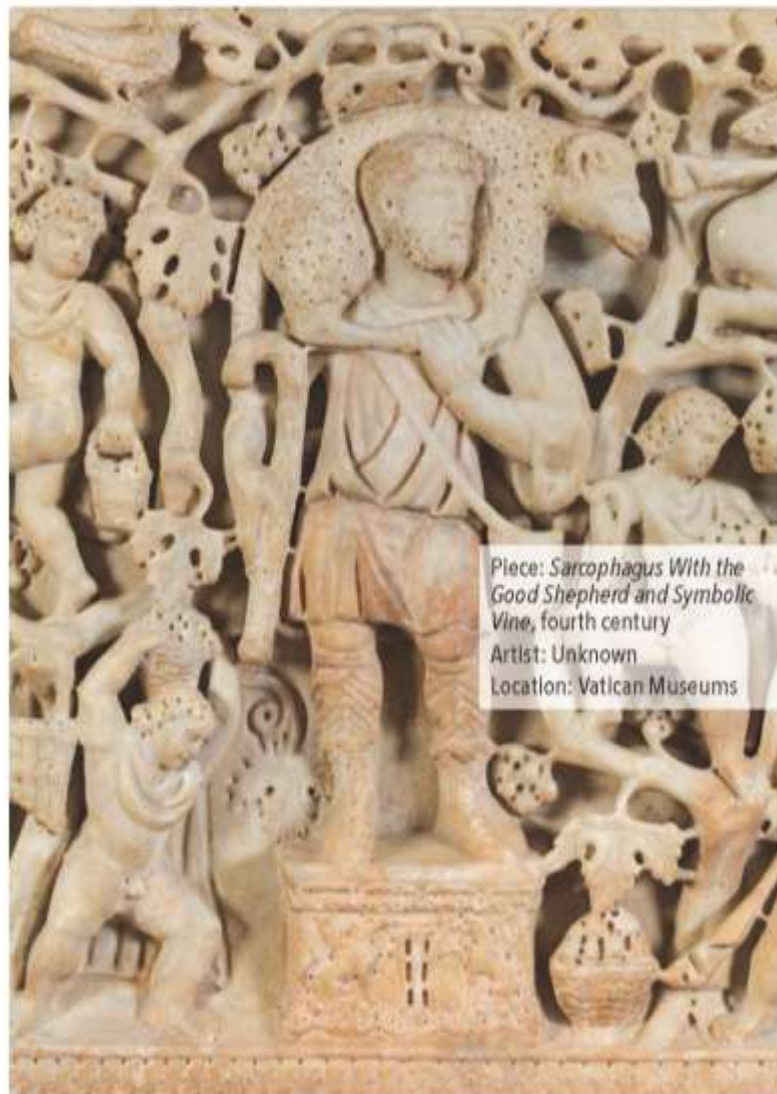
Please contact the church office if you or a family member can be removed from this prayer list.

April 29, 2018
Fifth Sunday of Easter (B)
Acts 9:26-31
1 Jn 3:18-24
Jn 15:1-8

The Vine and the Branches Become One

Jesus himself picked the image of the vine to describe the reality of our being united to him and the Father. And this was not lost on early Christians. One of the first images they used to mark their graves was the vine and branches.

An amazing thing about a vine and its branches is that you can't tell the difference between them. Look at a grapevine and try to determine which is the branch and which is the vine or trunk. You can't, since it appears as one seamless reality. Jesus invites us to be



Piece: Sarcophagus With the Good Shepherd and Symbolic Vine, fourth century
Artist: Unknown
Location: Vatican Museums

so close to him that we appear to be just like him—"other Christs," as our name Christian suggests!

Second, the sap that springs from the vine, runs through the branches, and matures in the fruit is all the same. The life in Jesus and the life in us as Christians are the same. He has given us the same Spirit that animated him, the Holy Spirit.

This is why Jesus can guarantee that, if we remain in him by listening to his word and following his Spirit, we will definitely bear much fruit. His word and Spirit cannot remain sterile in us.

The most important result of being united to Jesus and bearing fruit is that not only will we be united to him in this life, but this friendship will last for all eternity. That's why early Christians put vines on their tombs.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

Do I find ways to regularly read and hear the word of God?
What symbols would sincerely represent the way I live my life?

*The Church...was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord,
and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.*
Acts 9:31

Calendar

Monday
April 30
Easter Weekday
Acts 14:5-18
Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday
May 1
Easter Weekday
Acts 14:19-28
Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday
May 2
St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Acts 15:1-6
Jn 15:1-8

Thursday
May 3
Sts. Philip and James, Apostles
1 Cor 15:1-8
Jn 14:6-14

Friday
May 4
Easter Weekday
Acts 15:22-51
Jn 15:12-17

Saturday
May 5
Easter Weekday
Acts 16:1-10
Jn 15:18-21

Sunday
May 6
Sixth Sunday of Easter
Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
1 Jn 4:7-10
Jn 15:9-17
or
Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
1 Jn 4:11-16
Jn 17:11b-19

Dear Padre,

Just last week, my parish ran a "join up" campaign at all the Masses. I felt guilty because I didn't sign up for anything. Do I have an obligation to join any of the parish organizations?

When you join any of your parish organizations, you will experience a network of people dedicated to building up the body of Christ through the various parish ministries.

According to the Code of Canon Law, the baptized are fundamentally united in the *communio fidelium*, "a dynamic reality requiring the active participation of all the faithful in the Church's life and mission" (Canon 209). It finds visible expression through public worship and through the exercise of obligations and rights. As a parish member, you are obligated to maintain communion with the Church; to fulfill your particular duties to the universal Church and



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your parish church; to live a holy life and promote the growth of the Church; to work to spread the gospel; and to follow what the pastor and bishops declare as teachers of the faith and leaders of the Church (Canons 209-212).

Laypeople are called to infuse their faith in Christ through all their undertakings

in the secular world and within the Church. The various organized ministries of the parish offer ways that you, as a parishioner, can fulfill some of those obligations as you are able, in the Church's life and mission inside and outside your parish. Perhaps you will rethink your decision to not sign up for anything. It's never too late to become a parish volunteer!

Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

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A Word From Pope Francis

The Holy Spirit, in the variety of his gifts, unites us and enables us to contribute to the building up of the Church in holiness... Let us ask the Lord to help us to take an ever more active part in the Church's life and mission. —General audience, June 26, 2013