

NATIVITY *of* OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: Vigil 4:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am and 11:00am

Sunday: 4:30pm Catholic Argos Mass

Daily Mass: Monday ~ Friday 8:30am

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 2:00pm ~ 3:30pm or by appointment

Parish Office Hours:

Monday to Thursday: 9:00am ~ 5:00pm

Friday: 9:00am ~ 1:00pm

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Marianna Arden, Rectory Coordinator

Holy Family

Mary ~ Jesus ~ Joseph



Sunday,
December 31, 2023



Deacon's Blog

Family Matters.

"I'm always struck by this celebration of this Feast of the Holy Family just days after Christmas – when a lot of us have had about as much family as we can take. In the middle of the celebrating, stress and overall exhaustion of family obligations, we have this Sunday to remind us of what matters."

"What matters, it turns out, is fairly ordinary. Luke's Gospel describes how Jesus, Mary and Joseph fulfilled their duties as faithful Jews and then quietly return to their home in Nazareth. The rest is a mystery."

"That mystery captivated St. Charles de Foucauld, who found inspiration in the 'hidden' years of Jesus in Nazareth – the years of grace, humility and love.

"That time can teach us so much. During this season of overspending and extravagance (and often, for families, disappointment and aggravation), let's take a page from the Holy Family's 'hidden' years. Let's take some time to savor simplicity, patience and peace. Spare a moment today and celebrate Nazareth."

"Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for all families this year."¹

¹ Living Faith, Daily Catholic Devotions, October, November, December 2023, Sunday, December 31, The Holy Family, Family Matters, Dcn. Greg Kandra.

Simplicity,
patience, peace

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER
OF GOD
JANUARY 1, 2024
IS NOT A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION
THIS YEAR; HOWEVER, WE WILL CELEBRATE
MASSES AT 8:30AM AND 12:15PM





Diving into the beauty of the Faith has never been easier: at home, on the go, or from any internet connected device.

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Father Hank's Pick of the Week

THIS WEEK ON
FORMED

Week of December 31, 2023



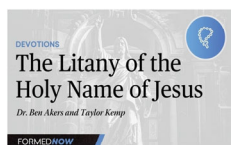
New Year's Resolutions | The Augustine Institute Show

What's your resolution this year? Dr. Tim Gray welcomes Dr. Scott Hefelfinger, Assistant Professor of Theology in the Augustine Institute Graduate School of Theology, to celebrate one year of the Augustine Institute Show!



The Holy Family

We are excited to announce our series of FORMED Now! Christmas and New Year special episodes. In these episodes, professors from the Augustine Institute Graduate School will lead us in reflections throughout the season!



Litany of the Holy Name of Jesus


Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as we celebrate the feast of The Most Holy Name of Jesus with this litany prayer of the Holy Name.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription.
Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name.

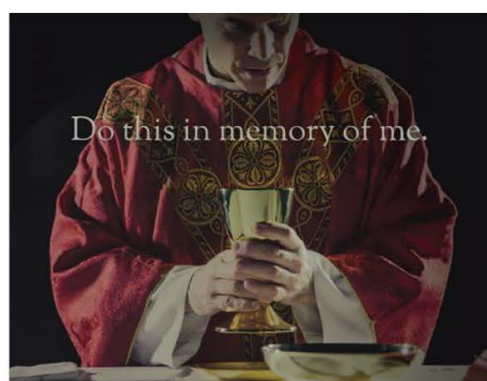
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1. Visit FORMED.org
2. Click Sign Up
3. Select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization"
4. Find your parish by name or zip
5. Enter your email - and you're in!

**CHESTERTON ACADEMY
OF THE FLORIDA MARTYRS**

Cultura Vitae  *Culture of Life*

Chesterton Academy of The Florida Martyrs invites all interested parents and members of the community to an Information Meeting Saturday, January 13 at 2:00pm. The meeting will be held at St. Paul Catholic Church parish hall in the Giri Room. Chesterton Academy is a new, classical high school in Pensacola. Grounded in the Catholic tradition, it seeks to give young people a broad liberal arts education with an emphasis on the development of Christian virtue and an appreciation of truth, beauty and goodness. Please visit ChestertonPensacola.org or call 850-378-1303 to RSVP.



NATIVITY COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

Burse Collection "For the education of future Priests"

Will take place after Mass
Saturday & Sunday
January 6th & 7th

Thank you in advance for your continued support!

Stewardship of Treasure

December 23/24

Offertory

ACTUAL	\$
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BUDGETED	\$ 15,032.00
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Building

ACTUAL	\$
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BUDGETED	\$ 613.00
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Week at a Glance

Monday, January 1

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God (not a Holy Day of Obligation this year)

8:30am Mass

12:15pm Mass

Tuesday, January 2

Parish office reopens at 9:00am

Wednesday, January 3

Thursday, January 4

6:45pm Prayer Group

Friday, January 5

Parish office closes at 1:00

CSA
12/15/23
Goal \$ 64,786.00**Pledged \$104,852.92****Given \$ 101,624.17****238 parishioners participating**

The Sanctuary Lamp
burns this week in loving
memory of
C.J. Dalfonso

Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops
CATHOLIC DAYS
AT THE CAPITOL

FEBRUARY 6-7, 2024 ~ TALLAHASSEE, FL
WWW.FLACCB.ORG/CDAC

Florida's bishops invite you to advocate for the protection of human life & dignity as lawmakers continue the important work of shaping Florida's laws and future for the common good. Events include a legislative briefing, awards breakfast & 49th Annual Red Mass of the Holy Spirit.

Prayer Petitions:

Adriana Ayala, Randy Baxley, Daisy Bayona, Nada Bijelic, Dot Boroden, Deb Bush, Tony Butera, Betty Gilmer, Ray Goodwin, Isabelle Greehy, Cecilia Guenther, Kay Hazuga, Don Hirth, Jim Hudson, Bill and Sandy Kambic, Frank and Ginny Kelly, Brin Kloster, Akema Kurokawa, Dick Lacasse, Molly Lacasse, Johanna Lae, Dottie Lewis, Rosemary Maher, Waltraud Melzer, Roger Merritt, Fr. Mooney, Ronni Nichol, Kenneth Pace, Olivia Pepin, James Rigney, Christopher Roan, Cheryl Robertson, Suzie Saba, Mary Sanderson, Linda Seidl, Vete Senkus, Josephine Jean Simpson, Ann Sloan, Bert and Marlene Smith, Anecia Solano, Lee Steffensmeier, Angie Stokes, Thayer Family, Glenda Thompson, Daniel Thrush, Amanda Trippi, Roxanna Watson, Daniel Watz, Bill Webster

Please call the parish office to add someone to the Prayer List.

Parish Ministries

Altar Servers

Parish Office, 477-3221

Bereavement Ministry

Jim Guttman, jmguttman2@gmail.com

Burse Club

Charismatic Prayer Group

Jeff Comeau, 476-9139

Exodus 90 Men's Group

Brad Dale, 850-572-0037

Greeters/Ushers

Parish Office, 477-3221

Homebound Ministry

Deacon John Jacobs, 850-477-3221

Music Ministry

music@nativityofourlordcc.org

Parish Pastoral Council

John Barberi

Charlie Code

Brad Dale, 850-572-0037

Sandra de la Cruz

Raul Gonzalez-Diaz, 787-608-2684

Gary Lee

Chyloe Morgan

Maritza Arancibia

Parish Finance Council

John Willem, Chairperson

Steve Schroll, Secretary

Steve Peranich

Greg Newchurch

Lectors

Parish Office, 477-3221

Parish Organizations

Knights of Columbus

George Kasztelan, Grand Knight

850-982-2619

Nativity Council of Catholic Women

Barbara Nawrot, President, 210-749-6024

presnativityccw@gmail.com

St. Vincent De Paul

Helpline, 850-377-9829

Parish Reaching Out

Catholic Argos

www.catholicargos.com

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of the Month

9:00am ~ 12:00pm in the church

First Monday Confession

5:30pm ~ 6:30pm in the church

First Saturday Bilingual Mass

9:30am followed by rosary

Online Giving

go to: www.nativityofourlordcc.org and click e-giving"

Faith Formation

Religious Education

faith@nativityofourlordcc.org

Sunday: 9:30-10:45am 1st ~ 9th grade

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Sunday: 9:30 ~ 10:45am

Catholic Campus Ministries (UWF)

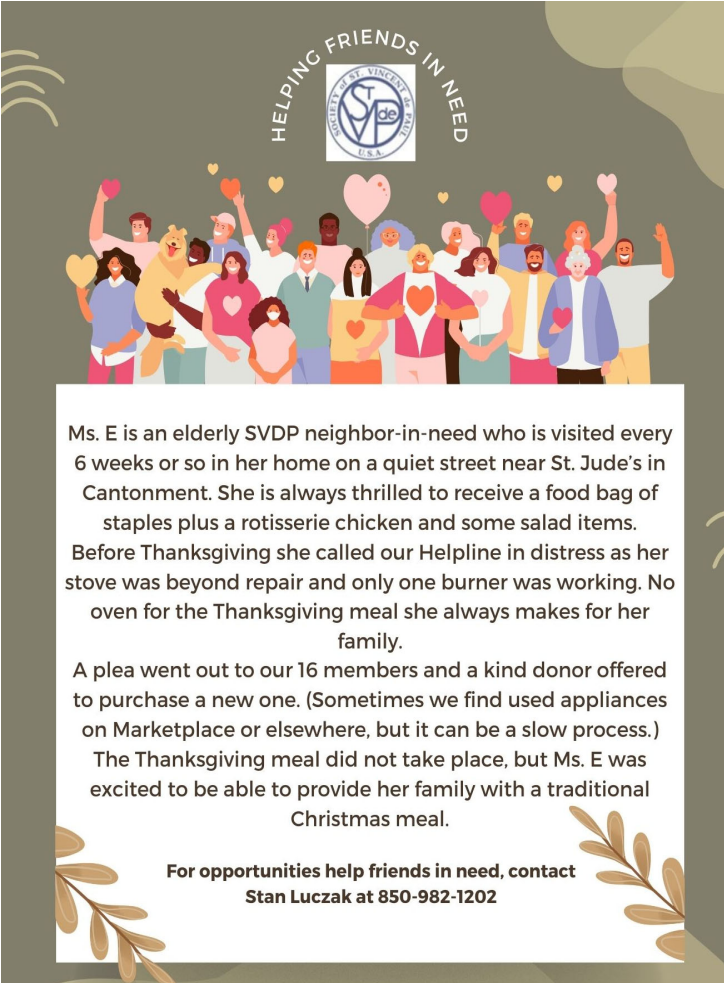
Fr. Raymond Herard, 850-477-3221

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)

Contact the parish office

Sacraments

If you are in need of receiving one of the Sacraments, please call the parish office.



Ms. E is an elderly SVDP neighbor-in-need who is visited every 6 weeks or so in her home on a quiet street near St. Jude's in Cantonment. She is always thrilled to receive a food bag of staples plus a rotisserie chicken and some salad items. Before Thanksgiving she called our Helpline in distress as her stove was beyond repair and only one burner was working. No oven for the Thanksgiving meal she always makes for her family.

A plea went out to our 16 members and a kind donor offered to purchase a new one. (Sometimes we find used appliances on Marketplace or elsewhere, but it can be a slow process.) The Thanksgiving meal did not take place, but Ms. E was excited to be able to provide her family with a traditional Christmas meal.

For opportunities help friends in need, contact Stan Luczak at 850-982-1202

EVENTS 2024

UPCOMING

ADULT FAITH FORMATION:
RESPONSE TO
FUNDAMENTALISM

MILITARY SUPER BOWL
PARTY

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER
TRAINING

WATCH THE BULLETIN FOR DETAILS

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 1
Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God
† Dan Flahiff †
Requested by Mary Flahiff

Tuesday, January 2
† Gloria Paz †
Requested by The Solomon Family

Wednesday, January 3
† Angie Raydo †
Requested by Roslyn Guyette

Thursday, January 4
† Mary Ann Zunino †
Requested by Jim and Anna May Hudson

Friday, January 5
Special Intention
Gideon Parker
Requested by Ruth Root

Saturday, January 6, 4:00pm
The Epiphany of the Lord
† Robin Vaughn †
Requested by Joseph Courey

Sunday, January 7, 8:00am
The Epiphany of the Lord
Parishioners of Nativity of Our Lord

Sunday, January 7, 11:00am
The Epiphany of the Lord
† Thomas P. English †
Requested by Nancy English

Sunday, January 7, 4:30pm
The Epiphany of the Lord
† Teresa Munoz †
Requested by Maria Wilde

Time for New Year's Resolutions!

Make strengthening your relationship with Jesus and your community your New Year's Resolution, it will be the most important one you ever make and the easiest to obtain.

God is ready, are you?

Attend the upcoming Local ACTS retreat for a weekend of Adoration, Community, Theology and Service.

The Women's retreat is January 18-21st, 2024 and the Men's retreat is February 1-4th, 2024. For more information and to register, go to <https://www.stpaulcatholic.net> and click on ACTS Women's Retreat Director: Becky Siegel, 850-516-9890, bssiegel@att.net. Men's Retreat Director: Jim Clark, 850-426-5595, jam6RV@yahoo.com



*The Knights of Columbus
delivered 67 bags of
toys, clothes, and gifts
for 100 children to
Catholic Charities.
Thank you Knights
and
thank you parishioners!*

STATEMENT OF USCCB ON VATICAN'S DOCUMENT ADDRESSING PASTORAL BLESSINGS

WASHINGTON - In response to the Declaration "[*Fiducia supplicans*](#)" issued by the Vatican's Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith today, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) offered the following statement from its spokesperson, Chieko Noguchi, executive director of public affairs.

"The [Declaration](#) issued today by the Vatican's Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith (DDF) articulated a distinction between liturgical (sacramental) blessings, and pastoral blessings, which may be given to persons who desire God's loving grace in their lives. The Church's teaching on marriage has not changed, and this declaration affirms that, while also making an effort to accompany people through the imparting of pastoral blessings because each of us needs God's healing love and mercy in our lives."

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS IN MEMORY/HONOR OF

LEN AND HELEN JOHNSON
DEL AND DELIA CARTER
RICH AND KATHY JOHNSON
TOM AND FRED CARTER
RICH BENNETT



**NATIVITY OF OUR LORD'S
CONFIRMATION CLASS HELPED WITH BINGO
AT ARCADIA HEALTH AND REHABILITATION!**

A relationship of faith and commitment exists between the Catholic Church and its members and the public, whether they are children, young people, adults or elderly. Sexual abuse in this context, or any other relationship, is a matter of grave concern. Knowledge of such abuse requires a special response in order to facilitate the healing process and assure the safety of the community. With this in mind, The Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee is committed to healing the hurting hearts of sexual abuse victims and has established Victims Assistance Coordinators, experienced and trained counselors. These coordinators are available to help persons who have been sexually abused by a priest, deacon or other church personnel. VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATORS: Pensacola/Ft. Walton Beach area: Dr. Lewis Makarowski, PhD, P.A. (850)477-7181. Tallahassee/Panama City area: James Gagnon, MSW LCSW (850)877-0205. For Spanish speakers - en Espanol: Deacon Santiago Molina, (850)627-2350. Diocesan Victim Assistance Hotline: (850)435-3536.