

NATIVITY *of* OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH

9945 Hillview Drive
Pensacola, Florida 32514
850-477-3221
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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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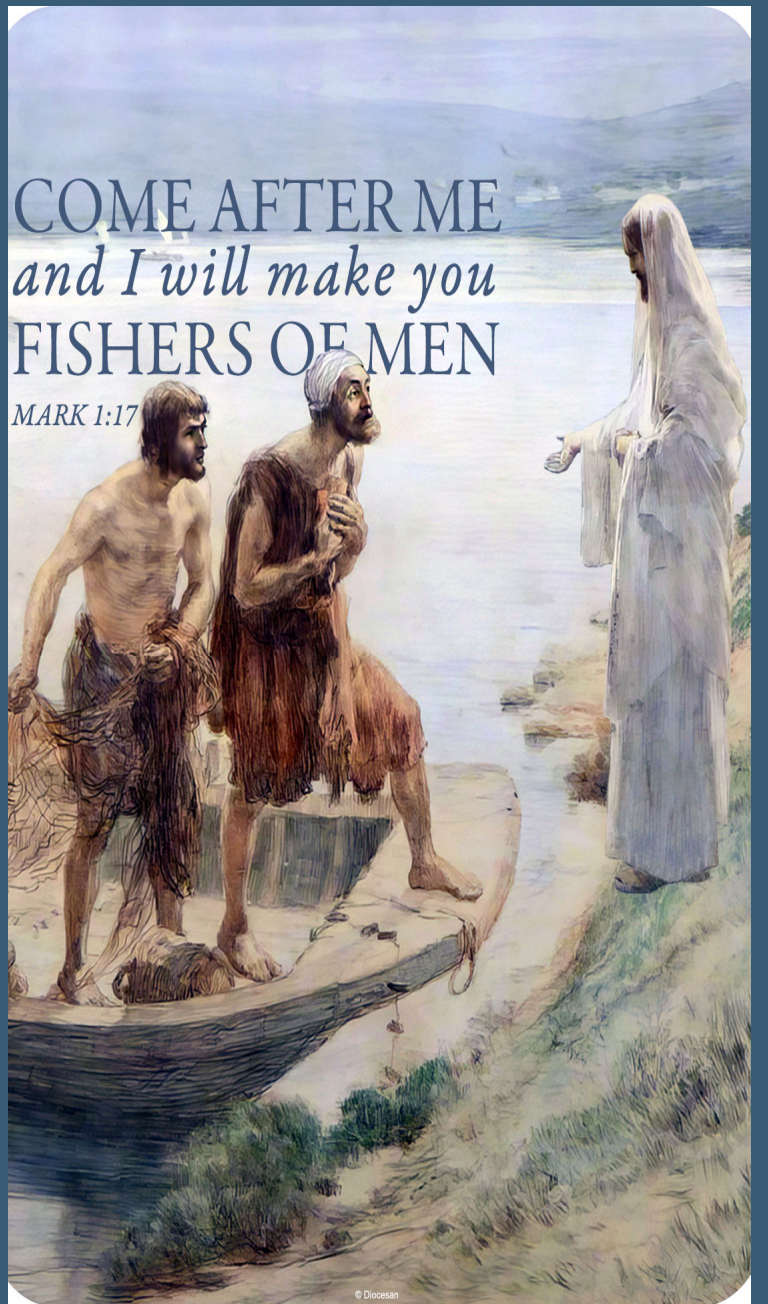
maintenance@nativityofourlordcc.org

Harold Sandy, Custodian

Marianna Arden, Rectory Coordinator

COME AFTER ME
and I will make you
FISHERS OF MEN

MARK 1:17



January 21, 2024



Deacon's Blog

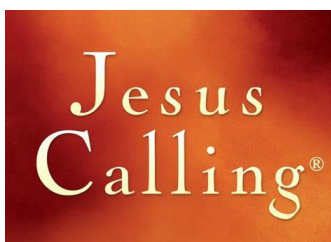
Jesus calling!

“Hello! This is Jesus calling. I need you to drop everything and come follow me. What would you do? I’d have a hard time believing that it was really Jesus calling. This past week, did you pay attention to what you were doing? Did you pay attention to God talking to you?”

“In the first reading, we heard the story of Jonah listening to God’s call to preach to the great city of Nineveh. The first time, God told Jonah to go and preach to Nineveh. Jonah did not listen. He ignored this command and fled in the opposite direction. His subsequent stint resulted in him spending three days in the belly of a whale. This was the second time God is giving him instructions to preach to Nineveh ‘Forty days and Nineveh shall be destroyed’. This time Jonah listened to God and the result was that the city repented.”

“The call of discipleship is demanding. It requires a life of complete dedication and hard work. The call itself is not always some distant voice or obscure event. It often comes to us in the midst of our daily life, our ordinary work. We can respond reluctantly or embrace the call. Jesus wants disciples who will work with him to show everyone what God’s kingdom was like. When people see that kind of behavior they might want to be with Jesus and live in the same way. Hello!!”¹

¹ 2024 Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers and Proclaimers of the Word, Liturgy Training Publications (LTP), pg. 52; 2024 Sourcebook for Sundays, Seasons and Weekdays, The Almanac for Pastoral Liturgy, Liturgy Training Publications, (LTP), pg. 70.



FROM MOURNING TO JOY RECOVERING FROM THE DEATH OF YOUR LOVED ONE

New weekly GriefShare seminar series begins
Thursday, February 1 6-8pm
Education Building- Parish Office
Register now: Jim Guttman 850-860-8354

*St. Paul Men's ACTS Retreat
February 1-4, 2024
Camp Baldwin Retreat Center*

ACTS: Adoration, Community, Theology and Service

An ACTS weekend is a three-day, three-night retreat presented by Catholic laymen who are fellow parishioners like yourself. Spiritual direction will be provided during the weekend. All denominations are welcomed.

The retreat will begin Thursday evening, February 1 at 6:00pm with check in at St. Paul Catholic Church. The weekend concludes on Sunday, February 4 at the 11:00 Mass at St. Paul.

The cost for each retreatant is \$225. This covers all meals and lodging. A registration fee of \$50 must be submitted with registration form to reserve your place. The remaining balance of \$175 is due at check-in. Please do not let the cost of the retreat keep you from participating. If you are in need of financial assistance, contact Jim Clark, 850-426-5595.

You will be receiving a letter describing the necessities you will need for the retreat.

Registration forms can be found in the church narthex and returned with your deposit to St. Paul's Catholic Church, 3131 Hyde Park Rd, Pensacola, FL 32503 or sign up at <https://form.jotform.com/232323859763161> or www.stpaulcatholic.net > ACTS > Men's Retreat

“Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.”



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Father Hank's Pick of the Week

THIS WEEK ON
FORMED

Week of January 21, 2024



Saint Francis de Sales and the Character of a Christian: Devotion (Part 1 of 4)
In this four-part series, Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Christopher O. Blum sit down to discuss St. Francis de Sales, his best known work "The Introduction to the Devout Life", and the character of a Christian.



The Conversion of Saint Paul

Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Dr. James Prothro, Assistant Professor of Sacred Scripture at the Augustine Institute Graduate School, to discuss the conversion of one of the largest figures in Christianity, Saint Paul.



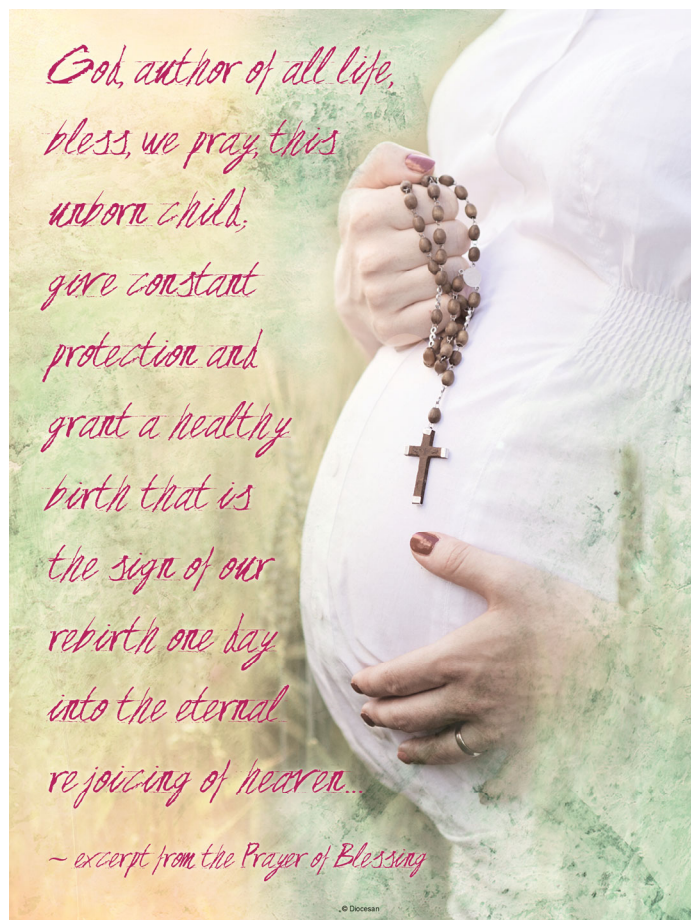
The Hour of Our Death | Eternal Rest | Episode 3

The Anointing of the Sick is one of the seven sacraments of the Church. This session, we discover the role of this sacramental anointing in the spiritual struggle during serious illness, the final stages of our temporal life, and the hour of our death.

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8TH ANNUAL EMERALD COAST WALK FOR LIFE JANUARY 27, 2024



Lauren Eden
Abortion Survivor
Pro-Life Speaker

Pro-life Vigil Mass with Bishop Wack
January 26 at 6:30 PM
St. Paul Catholic Church
3131 Hyde Park Rd. in Pensacola

Pro-life Youth Mass
January 27 at 9:30 AM
St. Joseph's Catholic Church
140 W. Government St. in Pensacola

Speaker Event at 11:00 AM

Walk Follows Motivational Speakers
Seville Square Park
311 E Government St
Pensacola, FL

Stewardship of Treasure

January 13/14

Offertory

ACTUAL	\$ 14,341.13
BUDGETED	\$ 15,032.00
ACTUAL	\$ 1,657.76
BUDGETED	\$ 613.00

CSA

01/12/24

Goal \$ 64,786.00

Pledged \$105,695.12

Given \$103,665.97

238 parishioners participating



Week at a Glance

Monday, January 22

6:00 Spanish Rosary

6:30 Exodus 90 Men's Group

6:30 Grupo de Hombres en Espanol

Tuesday, January 23

9:00 Tuesday Morning Craft Group

6:00 Knights of Columbus Member Meeting

Wednesday, January 24

4:00pm SVDP Meeting

5:00 Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 25

6:45pm Prayer Group

Friday, January 26

Parish office closes at 1:00

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, Ann Bonifay, 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

Order 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.

Knights of Columbus

Spaghetti Dinner

January 27
5:00 - 7:00pm
\$10



MENU

Spaghetti, Salad, Bread

Tea, coffee, water or
BYOB



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Please join us for the 2024

Fundraising Banquet

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MARCH

AT 6:00 PM

Scenic Hills Country Club

RSVP

catholicargos.com/banquet




Early-Bird Pricing
\$100/seat \$700/table
ends February 4th

Featuring
Dr. Tom Neal

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 22

† **Maria Gangie** †

Requested by The Sanfilippo Family

Tuesday, January 23

† **Alice Cummins** †

Requested by Roslyn Guyette

Wednesday, January 24

† **Akilinali Heliodore** †

Requested by Roslyn Guyette

Thursday, January 25

† **Bill Scanlan** †

Requested by Elizabeth Scanlan

Friday, January 26

† **Frances Morgan** †

Requested by Den. John Jacobs

Saturday, January 27, 4:00pm

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

† **C.J. Dalfonso** †

Requested by Marie Dalfonso

Sunday, January 28, 8:00am

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

† **Robert Peacock** †

Requested by Den. John Jacobs

Sunday, January 28, 11:00am

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

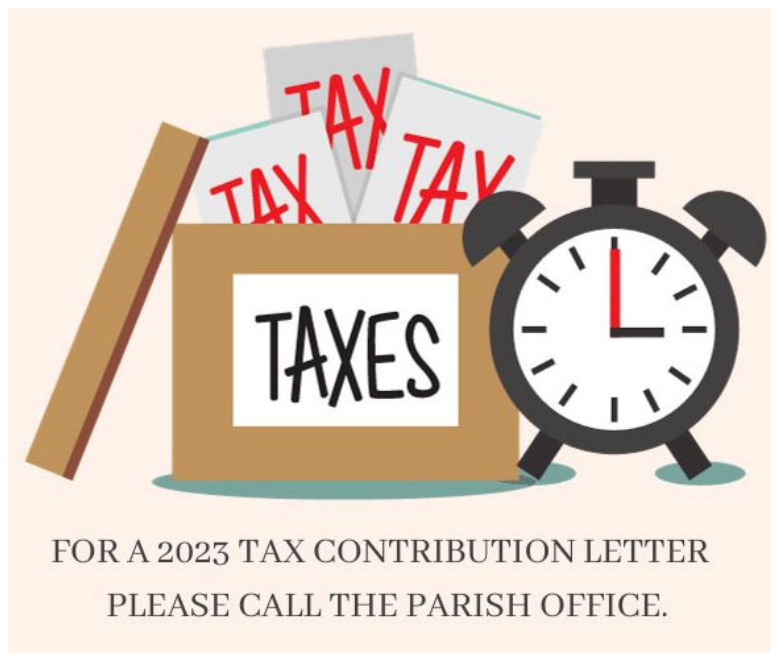
Parishioners of Nativity of Our Lord

Sunday, January 28, 4:30pm

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

† **Todd Alan Drake** †

Requested by Carla Bradley



Pensacola Catholic Young Adults January 2024

- Bible Study every Monday at the Cathedral at 7 pm contact Nick at nickweisgerber@live.com>
- Holy Hour every Wednesday at 7 pm at the Cathedral with social
- Game Night January 23 from 6-8 pm in the Giri Room at St. Paul contact Grace at 814-270-5205

STATEMENT FROM BISHOP WILLIAM A. WACK, CSC ON THE DECLARATION “FIDICUA SUPPLICANS”

I have read the Declaration *Fiducia supplicans* issued by the Vatican’s Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith, and I offer my thoughts: First and foremost, it must be stated that the doctrine on marriage has not changed. The document itself states that marriage is the “exclusive, stable, and indissoluble union between a man and a woman, naturally open to the generation of children.” Jesus himself affirmed this truth in the Gospels, and it can never be changed. Secondly, the Church and her ministers have always asked for God’s blessings upon them, their children, and those things that are dear to them. Even in the Old Testament, we find the priests invoking God’s blessing over people in a variety of situations and circumstances. The Declaration issued by the Vatican affirms this, while asking that this invocation be extended to those who are in what the Church calls “an irregular marriage”, including couples of the same sex. Let us be clear that the Church is not blessing the union in these circumstances; only the people who present themselves for a blessing. Our priests and deacons are asked many times every day for a blessing. In most of these situations, they do not know the intention of the person who is requesting the blessing; only that they are asking for God’s grace in their lives at that moment. I invite you to read the entire [document](#), so that you will discover the beauty of God’s blessings on His beloved people. No one, no matter what they have done or their present state of life, is beyond God’s mercy and blessing. How beautiful it is when God’s people ask for a blessing for themselves or others. Let us heed the words of Jesus himself who said, “Ask and you shall receive.” (Matthew 7:7) I know that a statement like this can be confusing to many people, especially if it is read out of context. No doubt many people will try to make this something that it is not. There is absolutely no change in doctrine here, only an expansion of pastoral practice in the church. May God bless all of us, helping us turn away from sin and toward His mercy, so that we may all grow in holiness and grace. Bishop Bill Wack, CSC



World Marriage Day – Feb. 11, 2024 – How will you celebrate?

- Tell your spouse, “I love you!”
- Give your spouse a hug.
- Take your spouse to a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience and learn how to **live your best life in love.**

Sign up today to attend an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on Feb 16-18 in Tallahassee, or May 5-8 in Winter Park. For more information or for other scheduled weekends visit our website at wwme.org or e-mail: Applications@FLCN-wwme.org Or contact Walt & Viv Paskowski at waltviv.wwme@gmail.com if you have any questions.

