

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 4, 2009



FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP
September 26-27, 2009
WEEKEND OFFERTORY
\$ 8,518.35

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

“Let nothing trouble you, let nothing make you afraid. All things pass away. God never changes. Patience obtains everything. God alone is enough.”

--Saint Teresa of Avila

R.C.I.A. MEETS EVERY TUESDAY AT 7PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM. The *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* is a process of initiation into the Catholic Community of Faith. It is a process which enables the study of the Gospels, Catholic teaching, Christian values, and the development and deepening of a life of prayer and action with the support and involvement of the parish community. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is for those interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church. If you are interested in becoming Catholic, returning to the Church or learning about the Catholic Church, you are welcome. **Classes begin at 7:00pm in the Conference Room.** Please call Susan in the parish office for more information or to register, 682-4622 x11.



SPiritual ADOPTIONS: “Every Child Brings Us God’s Smile.” On the weekend of October 3-4, we will celebrate Respect Life Sunday. The Family Life ministry will be holding Spiritual Adoptions during all Masses. All that you need to do is adopt a child in danger of being aborted and pray that they are carried to birth and for the child’s mother. We will also have booklets on all aspects of the Family Life ministry for parishioners to take home and read.

BETHLEHEM FAMILIES OLIVE WOOD ART HAND CARVED FROM THE HOLY LAND
October 10-11, 2009

The Rishmawi family will have hand carved olive wood from the Holy Land of Bethlehem. Nativity Scenes, Crosses, Christmas Ornaments, Figures. Proceeds will help support the 150 Christian wood carvers in Bethlehem. You can also view these beautiful items on-line at www.bethlehem-art.com.

PRELUDE
 FOOD ASSISTANCE ONLY 72 families
 Financial assistance only . . . 55 families
 Both food and financial 49
 Total Financial Assistance . \$4,916.39
 ** We had 76 new families this month.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
 The nursery cares for children birth to 3 years during the 10:30am Sunday Mass, so it is an area in which we really need your stewardship of time. To volunteer, please call Elaine in the office @ 682-4622 x14 for more information.

ANNUAL STARFISH CHARITY GALA, October 24, 6-10 p.m., Sandestin Beach Hilton Resort. Cocktails and social will be from 6pm to 7pm. Full course dinner to follow. Guest speaker: Immaculee Ilibagizia, author of *Left to Tell*. Musical performance under the direction of Demetrius Fuller, Conductor, Sinfonia Gulf Coast. Tickets are \$100.00 per person. Purchase online, or by calling Catholic Charities, 850-244-2825. For additional information, please call Catholic Charities, 850-244-2825.



MINISTERS SCHEDULES WERE MAILED OUT LAST WEEK. If you did not receive your copy by mail, there are additional copies in the vestibule (narthex). Please ask one of the ushers for assistance if needed.

CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION MEETING: Parents and Confirmation Candidates are both required to attend an orientation meeting Wednesday, October 7th at 6:45pm in the church. *Please bring your child’s Baptismal Certificate to the meeting.* If your child is in the 9th grade or older and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, he/she must be registered with the Religious Education Office. Please note that Youth Group registration (peach form) is separate from RE registration (blue form) for Confirmation. Call Jennifer Stegner for more information, 682-4622.

Feast day of Our Lady of Victory, is Wednesday, October 7th. A fellowship breakfast will follow in the hall after the 8:00 am Mass. All are invited.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, October 16-18, Springhill Suites, Pensacola Beach. Turn a good marriage into a great marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! Sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter of NW Florida and South Alabama. For more information, please contact Dan and Giulia Gerencser at 850-994-9637.

The next **Cursillo Ultreya** will be held on Sunday, October 11th in the parish hall from 3:30 to 5:00 PM. We are studying the scripture passages that describe the virtues also known as the fruit of the Spirit and discuss how they are lived out in Scripture. "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." Galatians 5:22-23 The study topic for this month is "Love". Those that plan to attend are asked to read 1 John 4:7-21 prior to the meeting. The format of the meeting will include prayer, introductions, faith sharing, and fellowship. All are welcome to join us!

SCHEDULE OF MASSES in the Nursing Homes and O.C.I. for October:

- SILVERCREST**
Wednesday, October 7th 10am
- SHOAL CREEK**
Thursday, October 15th 10am
- PARTHENON**
Tuesday, October 20th 10am
- CRESTVIEW MANOR**
Thursday, October 22nd 10am
- OKALOOSA CORRECTIONAL**
Thursday, October 29th . . . 12:30 pm

The Priesthood Today
 We're All in This Together
 Part 3: The Universal Call to Holiness
 by James Martin, S.J.

None of this means that the priest has any monopoly on holiness or in imitating Christ! The Church speaks of a common call as “priest, prophet and king” that we all receive at our Baptism. One of the Church’s greatest modern scholars, the late Cardinal Avery Dulles, S.J., wrote in his 1997 book, *The Priestly Office*, “The common priesthood belongs to the whole people of God....Lay persons share the common priesthood with clergy and religious.”

The ordained priest is the public representative of the Church and has specific functions within the ministry of all believers. But each of the priestly roles can, in a sense, also be seen as the roles of the laity, who are also called to preach the Gospel, to care for one another and gather, under the presiding of ordained priests, to participate in the Eucharist.

A key difference is this: The priesthood of the laity flourishes in the secular world. All Christians are called to be disciples who follow and share in the ministry of Jesus. This means that each of those roles is broadly shared: In the formal, sacramental life of the Church they are the service of the ordained; in the secular world they are the service of laity. That’s how I like to think of our “common priesthood.”

Keep watching the bulletin for continuing segments of **The Priesthood Today.**



Please Pray for the repose of the soul of
Mary Smalls, Mother of
Fr. Oliver Smalls
&
Mary Nell Wisenbaker,
mother-in-law of
Becky Wisenbaker and

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
 Saturday: 4:00-4:45PM or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
 Baptism preparation class held on the second Thursday by appointment. Call Joe and Kate Archer to register, 683-1935.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
 Call the office, 682-4622, at least 6 months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK
 Contact the Parish Office at 682-4622.

OLV NURSERY
 Open 15 minutes before the 10:30AM Sunday Mass for children under 3 years.

CATHOLIC CARE CENTER
 Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9am-12noon. 682-4032.



THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

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| Robert Nielson | Darwin Sharp |
| James Barnhill & family | Charlotte Millsbaugh |
| Bill Branch | A.J. Nardo & family |
| Jackie & Ollie Brauner | Tillie Naslund |
| Betty Chisholm | Betty Newell |
| Lynda Cihanowic | Hunter Norris |
| Dan Clements | Sonna Nowlan |
| Bridget Connolly | Bob & Ann Olds |
| Tom Connolly | Andy Raef |
| Joey Cruz | Gerda Raymer |
| Stephanie Daughtery | Cathy Raymond |
| Patricia Delaney | James & Oanh Rhodes |
| Bill Fairbanks | Wendy Riley |
| Veronica Fuller-Echevarria | Randy Tripp Roth |
| | Stephanie Rousset |
| | Marie Sanford |
| Sharon Gastmann | Kim Schafer |
| Barbara Hale | Karen Sledge |
| Raymond L. Harris | Christer Smith |
| Robert & Patricia Hatchell | Del Stads |
| Sharon Holler | Maureen Timoney |
| Pat Holmes | Lonnie Trowbridge |
| Matthew Horton | Danny Trujillo |
| Brenda Johns | Betty Widmaier |
| Edward & Sonia Kasabian | Bob Willis |
| Ardis Kemper | Janet Witzman |
| Julie & Christian Law | Mary Wollam |
| Megan Locke | Joyce Zallis |
| John Lockedell | Anna Maria Ramos |
| Kim Mickley | |
| James Mills | |

Our troops around the world
 For all the sick of our parish

To add or remove someone from the prayer list, call the office, 682-4622. Names are removed after one month.

