

WELCOME TO THE SHRINE of OUR LADY

We welcome all our Parishioners and esteemed Guests as you come to experience the beauty of the Ancient Liturgy and Devotions here at this special Parish and also Diocesan Shrine to Our Lady of Fatima. We hope you will become a regular member of our Catholic Parish, where, always Tradition is in season!

God bless you!



Prayer in Honor of St. Catherine

O God, Who didst distinguish Thy holy virgin and martyr Saint Catherine by the gift of great wisdom and virtue, and a victorious combat with the enemies of the Faith; grant us, we beseech Thee, through her intercession, constancy in the Faith and the wisdom of the Saints, that we may devote all the powers of our mind and heart to Thy service. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS, SAINTS and ASSIGNMENTS

Sat. 11 - 24 (P)	4:00 PM	Living & Deceased S.S. Holy Name Society Richard & William	Sts. Andrew Dung Lac & Co., M. St. Colman, A.
Sun. 11 - 25 (P) (G)	7:30 AM 10:30 AM	Int. Joseph M. Callewaert	St. Catherine of Alexandria, V. M
Mon. 11- 26 (P)	8:00 AM	Int. Adornetto Family	St. Moses of Rome, P. & M.
Tues. 11- 27(G)	8:00 AM	Dr. Norman Hyland	St. Siricius, Pp.
Wed. 11- 28 (P)	8:00 AM	James & Charlotte Morrissey	The Miraculous Medal
Thurs. 11-29 (G)	8:00 AM 6:00 PM	NO MASS Donald Marshall Bloomer	St. Sosthenes, D, M.
Fri. 11 - 30 (P)	8:00 AM	Int. David Rerko	St. Stephen the Younger, M.
Sat. 12 - 01 (P)	8:00 AM	Pro Me Meisque	St. Illuminata of Todi, V.
Tues. 12 - 05 (P)	4:00 PM	Rose Totsch	St. Francis Anthony Fasani. P.
Sun. 12 - 02 (P) (G)	7:30 AM 10:30 AM	Pro Populo Int. Gabriela Velázquez	The Apostle St. Andrew The Prophet St. Nahum St. Eligius (Eloy), B. St. Bibiana, V. M. St. Silvanus of Troas, B.

Lectors

4:00 PM Brandon Bechtel
7:30 AM Rose Castro
10:30 AM Marita Page

Altar Duty

Karen Knight

Lawn Duty

None

24TH AND LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - NOVEMBER 25, 2018 - SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

COLLECTION - We thank those Parishioners who support our Parish with their treasure, talent and time. PLEASE BE GENEROUS! Pray for our Benefactors!

FLOWERS - In the Foyer you may find envelopes for the Christmas flowers and decorations. Please include all the names you want remembered or honored, if living, and include them inside. Make check to the Ladies' Sodality of St. Stephen. Thank-you for your generosity.

PLENARY INDULGENCE DAYS - First Saturdays and the 13th of every month. Use these days. All of us need indulgences!

THEOLOGY CLASSES - Classes on "Humanae Vitae" and "Casti Connubii" will continue this Wednesday at 7 PM in the Fr. Pérez Hall. Rich in wisdom and practical insights for our times.

OPEN HOUSE - We will once again open our Church, Hall and grounds to all the people of Pensacola and of our Diocese to share the wonderful Gifts God has given us and so many years of hard work have produced. This will be on Friday, Dec. 14th, from 6-9 PM. There will be live choirs, our children re-enacting the Nativity, and good food and drink. Make sure you put it on your calendar and invite all your family and friends, especially non-Catholics to our Shrine. As of now, His Excellency, the Bishop plans to be in attendance.

SCHOLA CANTORUM - The Shrine choir would love to have your voice join them for Christmas and the Open House. Practices are after the Sunday Vigil Mass at 5 PM, and before the 10 AM Rosary Sunday mornings. He who sings prays twice! (St. Augustine).

NATIVITY - Parents and children who are to practice for the living Nativity at the Open House please get together in the Hall after the High Mass. Children from other Masses are welcome as well!

HOLY NAME RAFFLE - Once again it is that time, for the Holy Name Raffle to support the building and maintenance projects for the Shrine and Parish. Each family is asked to buy or sell one hundred tickets. If anyone buys 200 or more they will receive a commemorative paver in the outdoor St. Stephen Shrine. (The Director reserves the right to approve, or not, the engravings. No offensive messages will be allowed). Thank all of you for your generosity.

RAFFLE - Please support the Ladies' Sodality by purchasing tickets to their Raffle of the beautiful items donated to them for this year's Raffle. The Raffle will be held in the Fr. Pérez Hall after the High Mass on Gaudete Sunday, Dec. 16th. (It is, by the way, the day when Father will also bless all your Mangers if you bring them).

CALENDARS - Along with the offertory envelopes in the back of the Church you may find the 2019 yearly Shrine calendars. We thank the Holy Name Society and Miss Donna M. Bloomer, C.P.A., for her generosity in providing them for the Shrine Parishioners.

CHRISTMAS CARDS - Make sure you get your St. Stephen Christmas cards. Not only are you helping the Shrine but also everyone to whom you give the cards will be remembered at Mass here by Father from Christmas Eve until the 40 Days of Christmas are over on Candlemas Day. They are in the back of the Church, by the Cry Room. \$6 per pack.

**O Mary conceived without sin,
Pray for us who have recourse to thee!**

(Henceforth for all Mass intentions on page 2, all those not marked "Intention" are Deceased).



The Miracle of the Miraculous Medal:

The Medal of the Immaculate Conception, popularly known as the Miraculous Medal, is unique among all medals.

The Miraculous Medal was created in response to a request from the Blessed Virgin Mary, who entrusted us with our mission. It was given by the Blessed Virgin Mary herself! No wonder, then, that it gives such extraordinary graces to those who wear it and pray for Mary's intercession and help. Our Lady manifested the Medal to St. Catherine Labouré on November 27, 1830, in the motherhouse of the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul and St. Louise de Marillac, in Paris.

Catherine saw Our Lady standing on a globe, with dazzling rays of light streaming from her outstretched hands. Framing the figure was an inscription: "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee." Then Mary spoke to Catherine: "Have a medal struck upon this model. Those who wear it will receive great graces, especially if they wear it around the neck."

The vision then seemed to turn to show the reverse of the Medal: the letter M surmounted by a cross with a bar at its base; below this monogram, the Sacred Heart of Jesus crowned with thorns, and the Immaculate Heart of Mary pierced with a sword.

With approval of the Catholic Church, the first medals were made in 1832 and were distributed in Paris. Almost immediately the blessings that Mary had promised began to shower down on those who wore her medal, and soon all of France was clamoring for what the people referred to as the "Miraculous Medal." Use of the Medal spread from country to country and now blankets the world. Everywhere, the Medal is still drawing down from God blessings for body and soul.