December Apostleship of Prayer
For Catechists
Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Advent Ideas and Resources
From Hallow
Our Advent Holy Day Package is geared toward providing parish leaders with resources and experiences that help parishioners, and visitors during Christmas, develop lives centered on prayer.

From the Religion Teacher
Advent Activities
This includes information from various sites with Advent Wreath Activities Advent Calendar Activities Jessie Tree Activities Advent Prayers Advent Games Advent Worksheets

Emerald Coast Walk for Life
January 14
6:30 pm Pro-Life Mass with Bishop Bill
St. Paul Catholic Church, Pensacola
January 15
9:30 am Mass at St. Joseph Catholic Church,
Pensacola
11:00 am Speaker Event at Maritime Park with Kristan Hawkins, President of Students for Life of America and Students for Life Action
Walk for Life to follow through downtown Pensacola

Did you miss the Growing and Living Conference?
You can view the sessions at https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLCrhplg3EZ3Bc1aoe9JQJkSM9wNZLayLw

Sharing the Gift
"I hope in this Letter to instruct, exhort, and then join you in living as a missionary disciple of our Lord. I humbly ask everyone in the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee to read it and pray with it. My prayer is that all of us – as families, as parishes and as individuals – will put this teaching into practice and heed Jesus’ call: “Go and make disciples of all nations…” (Mt. 28:19)” Bishop William C. Wack, CSC

You can get a copy at your parish or read online at https://www.ptdiocese.org/pastoral-letter

There is also a study guide with discussion questions and additional resources.
Protection and Prevention through Respect:
Creating Safe Environments

Remember to rotate the three topics:
Good Touch/Bad Touch and Relationships,
Internet Safety
Bullying

Remember our goal is 100% participation.
If you have not had the session with the children/youth please set and dates and complete by March 30.

If you need help contact Sister Margaret.

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Enkindling the Flame of Faith
A conference on Catholic Parenting

If you missed the Parish Catechetical Leader session on Friday night, you can find the recording of it, as well as the keynotes and breakouts from Saturday, here. You can show these videos to groups of parents followed by discussion or send out the links to parents.

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Grants Available
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The most successful grants are those that emphasize Catholic faith formation. The grants cannot be used for professional development (i.e. conferences or retreats), capital improvement of the school or parish buildings, or for any program that is not directly related to the overall goals of the school or parish.

Applications sent to the schools and parishes in December
Applications due by February 1

Catholic Foundation of Northwest Florida

The Foundation's Endowments have been established for the sole benefit of Catholic ministry in the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee. The primary purpose of the fund is to encourage and support the creation of innovative programs and resources to evangelize and catechize adults and children into a lived Catholic Faith

January/February  GRANTS SOLICITED

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Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion

March 6 at 3 pm Co-Cathedral Tallahassee
March 13 at 3 pm Cathedral Pensacola

Forms to register parishes will be sent the first week of January

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Adult Confirmation

Bishop Wack is inviting all those over 18 who have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation to become fully initiated.

If you know someone, invite them!

Sunday, February 27 at 2 pm
Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Pensacola
Saturday, March 26 at 11 am
Co-Cathedral of St. Thomas More, Tallahassee

Contact your parish if interested. or Sister Margaret

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Adult Faith Formation

The diocese has become a partnering diocese with the University of Dayton Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation.

This means that any adult in the diocese can take one of the online courses for $50.00.

For more information: https://vlcff.udayton.edu/or contact Sister Margaret
Totus Tuus

Totus Tuus is a weeklong summer Catholic youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic Faith through catechesis, Christian witness and Eucharistic worship.

The methodology, structure, content, and enthusiasm of Totus Tuus is concerned with not only teaching the Faith, but also igniting the hearts of the team members and the young people they encounter.

There is a program for K through 5th or 6th grade in the morning and a program for Middle and High School in the evening.

In the summer of 2019 five parishes in the diocese experienced Totus Tuus:

- Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Christ Our Redeemer,
- Corpus Christi, St. Rita, and St. Sylvester

If your parish would like to experience Totus Tuus in the summer of 2022 please contact Sister Margaret.

If you or anyone you know is interested in participating or becoming a missionary, email Sister Margaret Kuntz at kuntzm@ptdiocese.org.

Siena Institute

Called and Gifted Workshop
Saturday, March 19, 2022
Place: TBD

Watch for more information in January

The Called & Gifted℠ Discernment Process is designed to help Christians discern the presence of charisms in their lives. Charisms, or spiritual gifts, are special abilities given to all Christians by the Holy Spirit to give them power both to represent Christ and to be a channel of God’s goodness for people. Whether extraordinary or ordinary, all charisms ought to be exercised in the service of God (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2003). All three parts of the process are necessary for discovering where you are gifted.

Part One is the Called and Gifted workshop, which lays the foundation for the beginning of discernment. During the initial Called & Gifted workshop series the participants will take the Catholic Spiritual Gifts Inventory.

Part Two is the one hour gifts interview, an invaluable part of the process.

Part Three helps you begin discernment in the real world. It will teach you how to:

- develop charism experiments
- evaluate your results
- identify ways you learned to control life as a child that get in the way of using your charisms as an adult.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

If interested in beginning an atrium, contact Sr. Margaret

Catechist Formation:

Level I Week Two: June 8-14 at: Holy Name of Jesus Parish, Niceville

If you are interested in Level I Week One let Sister Margaret know by January 30.

Parent pages can be found on our diocesan website: ptdiocese.org/catechesis-of-the-good-shepherd

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd USA has very good podcasts

Young Adult Ministry

Pensacola

Monthly Holy Hour and Social
Monthly Discipleship on Draft
Advent Bible Study
Gathering with Bishop Wack on January 9 at St. Paul Parish after the 11 am Mass

Follow on Facebook:
Pensacola Catholic Young Adults or GROUPME

Tallahassee

Discipleship on Draft
Coffee and Scripture

Facebook: Tallahassee Catholic Young Adults

Niceville, Fort Walton Beach

Activities and Events are in the works!

Contact Sister Margaret for more information on Young Adult Ministry

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