Wait for the Lord with courage; be stouthearted, and wait for the Lord.

– Psalm 27:14

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Masses

Daily:
Mon. - Fri.
8:00 am & 5:30 pm;
Sat. 8:00 am

Sat Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday:
7:30 am, 9:00 am,
10:45 am & 5:00 pm

Confessions:
Sat 8:30 am - 9:00 am or by appt.

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Rev. Daniel Devore, Assisting
Deacon Bill Rich, Retired

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Rev. Lee Smith, Retired
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SATURDAY, JANUARY 21
5:00 PM   For Gene Kevill by Elena Reid

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22
7:30 AM   For Gary Branick by The Garcia Family
9:00 AM   For Mary’s intentions and
          The Legion of Mary by Kay Fallon
10:45 AM  For Priscilla Searcy
          by David, Kathleen & Sean Ancona
5:00 PM   For the intentions of our parishioners

MONDAY, JANUARY 23
8:00 AM   For Ruth & Jack Hicks
          by Robert & Nancy Anderson
5:30 PM   For Mr. Charles Luchun
          by The Broderick Family

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24
8:00 AM   For Frank Zoc by Joan Weiss
5:30 PM   For Maria Kopal by her daughter, Dagmar

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25
8:00 AM   For Bill Kearns by Jim & Scotty Howell
5:30 PM   For Ugo Volpi by Doris & Ed Souza

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26
8:00 AM   For Frank Zoc by Thomas & Robyn Weiss
5:30 PM   For the intentions of Constanza DeLaCruz

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27
8:00 AM   For Louis & Dorothy Hamel
          by their daughter, Claire Hochschwender
5:30 PM   For William P. Kearns by Elena Reid

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28
8:00 AM   For Roger O’Neill
          by Denise & Walter O’Hearn
5:00 PM   For the intentions of our parishioners

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29
7:30 AM   For Ed Knapp, Sr.
          by Ed, Kathy & Heather Knapp
9:00 AM   For Priscilla Searcy by The 9:00 Sunday Choir
10:45 AM  For Carol DiPiro by Camille & Jerry Petrillo
5:00 PM   For Philomena Mazzioti
          by Terrie & Guy Proto

New Parishioners - Registration forms are available on our website, in the office during the week, and in the vestibule of the church in the wall rack.

Registered Parishioners - please help keep our census current by advising us of any changes of address, phone numbers, and family additions or deletions.
This week, January 23rd, at a glance…

**Monday:** 8:30 AM – Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help
2-4 PM Yarn & Rose Knitting Group
4:45 PM Sandwich Makers

**Tuesday:**
8:40 AM Legion of Mary
6:30 PM Alpha II

**Wednesday:**
10 AM Walking with Purpose Women’s Bible Study
6:10 PM Legion of Mary
6:45 PM Choir Practice

**Thursday:**
7 PM Walking with Purpose Women’s Bible Study
7:30 PM Charismatic Prayer Group

**Friday:**
9 AM–5 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

**Saturday:**
6 PM Knights of Columbus Neapolitan Knight

**Sunday:**
8:30 AM – 12:30 PM Coffee, Donuts & Fellowship
9 AM Story Keepers
9:15 AM RCIA
10:15 AM CIA Session
5 PM Confirmation I & II and Middle School – Mass, Dinner and Class

Looking forward to, in the near future:
2/1 K of C Officers meeting; 2/3 First Friday Adoration, Family Promise Training; 2/4 First Saturday Mass & Marian Devotion, CIA First Reconciliation; 2/5 K of C Breakfast; 2/6 Alpha men’s group; 2/8 K of C meeting; 2/11 Contemplative Prayer Group, Baptism Instruction; 2/25 – Parish Mardi Gras; 9/26 – Parish Pilgrimage

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
LIBERATION AND REFORM

While you might have to reach for an atlas to determine that Isaiah is speaking about Galilee, today’s first reading (part of which was read at Christmas) is prophetic of Jesus’ future ministry in that province. The light that brings salvation and rejoicing is, ultimately, Christ. Liberation is the theme: liberation from both ignorance (“darkness”) and sin (the “yoke”).

As Isaiah identifies a place, so Paul describes an attitude: the attitude that develops, even among good people, of equating their own will with the common good. This always brings dissension, and so it has done in Corinth. Paul will not allow this; we are all members of “Christ’s party.” The gospel is not to divide us.

Matthew quotes from Isaiah in today’s Gospel, presenting Jesus as the fulfillment of Isaiah’s prophecies. The theme is “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand” (Matthew 4:17). To spread this message, Jesus begins to select disciples, four of whom we meet today: Peter, Andrew, James, and John.

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Readings for the Week
Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1-6; Mk 3:22-30, or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer
Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11; Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
Thursday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 4:21-35
Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-75; Mk 4:35-41

To prepare for the Readings of Jan. 28/29
First Reading — You humble of the land, seek justice and humility, and the Lord will be your protection (Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13).
Psalm — Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! (Psalm 146).
Second Reading — God chose the weak of the world, those who count for nothing, so that whoever boasts should boast in the Lord (1 Corinthians 1:26-31).
Gospel — Jesus taught from the mountain: Blessed are the poor in spirit (Matthew 5:1-12a).
2017 Diocesan Services Appeal

“As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” John 20:21

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	• Serve Those in Need
	• Support Life at Every Stage
	• Help Those Who Are Hurting
	• Support Marriage and Family Life
	• Encourage Youth and Young Adults

... and so much more

WE ANSWER THE CALL TO SERVE
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**LADIES, IT IS A NEW YEAR AND A NEW YOU!**

**CAROL’S CLOSET** is a charity that has been started by the Columbiettes. We are asking all women to donate their gently used apparel to this charity. Your beautiful clothes will be given to a battered women's organization, where they are being helped and trained to actively seek employment.

**YOUR DONATIONS WILL BE GRACIOUSLY ACCEPTED** this weekend after all the Masses in the vestibule.

If you have any questions, please call Anita Quinn, Chairperson at 561-842-3522.

Next meeting is Wed., Feb. 15th in the Coffee House. Refreshments are at 6:30 PM, meeting begins at 7 PM.

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**NEapolitan ‘Knight’**

*Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus*

Come and join us for delicious Italian cuisine!

**Next Sat., January 28, 2017**

Dinner & Dancing 6:00 PM

Enjoy penne pasta with meat (or meatless) sauce, chicken milanese, salad and a specialty dessert.

All drinks included!

**Adults $25**

**Tickets are Limited!**

Buy your tickets before they're gone, from the Parish Office or from the Knights

Profits to benefit Knights of Columbus Charities.

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**Magnificat – A Ministry to Catholic Women** - The Christ Our Light Chapter of Magnificat invites all women to join us for our next breakfast

Sat., Jan. 28, 2017 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Hilton P. B. Airport, 150 Australian Ave WPB

Please join us as we share a meal, enjoy fellowship, give praise and encourage one another in our faith journey.

Our guest speaker for the breakfast is Deanna Bartalini, Director of Faith Formation, St. Edward Catholic Church. The cost is $30.00 at the door.

Plan to join us, bring a friend and rejoice in the presence of our Lord. You will be blessed! For more information about Magnificat, please contact our parish rep Rochelle Pasquale 561-743-4090

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**100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima Apparitions**

“Our Lady of Fatima” statue, hand-carved and blessed by Bishop John Venancio of Fatima and our own dear Bishop Gerald M. Barbarito will be at the South Florida Fair January 13th - 29th.

If you are willing to volunteer please email pgachar@bellsouth.net or call 561-308-7426

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**The Diocesan School of Christian Formation**

St. Patrick’s in PBG on Tues. from 7 - 9pm.

Liturgy & Sacraments  Cost is just $10.

Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7 & 14, 2017

For more information, call 561-775-9544 or visit www.diocesepb.org/schools-of-christian-formation

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**Haiti Medical Mission Trip**

Please keep our Parish Team and the people of Haiti in your prayers. The mission team will be in Haiti from Jan 21st - 28th. God bless you!
Next session of **ALPHA**
Tuesday, Jan. 24th
Dinner Served at 6:30
Parish Hall  ALL are invited!

**How can we have faith?**

Contact Deacon Bill Rich at
www.paulcross.org/alpha or 561-626-1873.

**BABY ITEMS NEEDED FOR**
**“THE CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY CRIB DRIVE”**

On the anniversary of Roe vs. Wade on January 22nd, we want to make a positive contribution to unmarried, pregnant women, so that we might support them as they prepare for motherhood. In our church, this weekend January 21-22 and next weekend, 28/29 you will find a portable crib in which to place the following items needed for layettes: NEW or hand-knitted blankets, NEWBORN size sweaters, NEWBORN caps and booties, NEWBORN onesies, undershirts, hooded towels, receiving blankets, **NEWBORN** or size 1 disposable diapers and Ivory soap bars. Local members of **The Christ Child Society**, a national volunteer organization, will make and distribute the layettes to needy mothers. The layette consists of **NEW** and handmade clothes, diapers and accessories needed by the newborn. Anyone interested in joining the local chapter of **The Christ Child Society** should call Kathleen Ancona at 561-626-1873.

**SAVE THE DATE:**
Christ Child Luncheon and Fashion Show - Saturday, February 25th
29th Red Wagon Luncheon
at Abacoa Golf Club
Jupiter, FL

**Bereavement Group**
St. Paul of the Cross Parish will be starting a 12 week group in February for anyone who has lost a spouse, a child, a parent, or other significant person in your life and is in need of help working through the pain and grief of such a loss.
Patricia Booth, MSW (561-346-6158) and Jack Land, Ph.D. (561-626-4913) will lead the group.
Please call one of us for a personal follow up, or ask a friend to call us if you believe he or she would benefit from a caring, gentle, Christ-centered approach to the loss of a loved one. Sessions will last 1 1/2 hours in the Coffeehouse with day and time to be determined.

If you have received a year-end tax statement in the past 3 years, your 2016 statement will be available the last weekend in January. You may pick it up at the Welcome Desk Sunday morning or during the week in the Parish Office. Otherwise, if you are a registered parishioner, please request a statement by filling in the form below.

**2016 TAX YEAR CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

If you need a statement for your taxes it will be mailed or e-mailed to you upon request. Please fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket or call the Parish Office.

*(please print)*
Name __________________________________________
Address __________________________________________
Phone # __________________________________________
Email address _____________________________________

**Kickoff**

COME and join us for a prolife Mass and Eucharistic Procession to the abortion center. We will pray for the babies in the womb and for all the victims of abortion!

Please join us **Saturday, February 25, 2017**
9:30 AM Mass at
Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel
of the Holy Innocents
Miracle House 3115 45 St. WPB
Procession Immediately Following
Presidential Women’s Center at 100 Northpoint Parkway, WPB

**PARKING:** Please park all cars at the Village Square Mall, away from the businesses, leaving those parking spaces for their customers. For additional information:
Call FACE Life, Inc. Susan Pine at 561-255-1534
VII
March 10, 11 and 12, 2017
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SAT., Feb. 11th at Ascension Church in Boca Raton and Sat., Feb. 18th at St. Lucie Church in Port St. Lucie both at 10:30 AM.

Cake, coffee and punch will be served in the parish hall after the Mass. All couples who will be celebrating 25, 40, or 50 or more years of marriage in the calendar year 2017 are invited to participate. Watch for upcoming details on how to register with your parish for one of these special celebrations. These celebrations are sponsored by the diocesan Office of Marriage & Family Life. For information contact Natalie at 561-775-9557 or nlafleur@diocesepb.org

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St. Paul of the Cross Fundraiser
Celebrate with us Mardi Gras—Style

SUNDAY,
FEB. 25, 2017
7—10 pm    Tickets $75

Silent Auction,
King Cake,
Masks and Beads!!
Jazzy Music and
Food “a la” New Orleans!!

Babysitting Available.

Do you have an item to
donate to our
Silent Auction?

Theatre tickets,
Vacation rental,
a round of golf at your club,
dinner or movie gift cards,
Sporting event tickets,
Honda Classic tickets for Sun.
Jewelry or Artwork
Call the Parish Office
Whether or not we are present at Church, we remain one in the Lord. Please keep the following members of our parish family in your prayers:

Mary Otis, Cathy Smith, Jonathan O’Brien, Marie Egan, Rene Tabony, and...

Kim Aluisi, Robert Duncan
Charlie Augustine, Will English
Charles Aviado, Mary Everett
Peggy Black, Robert Fanelli, Jr.
James Boyer, Joseph Fink
Phillip Brennan, Mike Forte
Sandy Budd, Mary Fusco
Bill Cahill, Rhonda Gagliardi
Mary Carroll, Jose Galvez
Bill Cherrie, Gail Ganzlin
Cecilia I. Cheves, Brittany Garcia
Bob Cheviot, Elaina Gargano
Kimberly Chorniewy, Eleanor Garrett
Jeannine Chosson, Frances Garvan
Matthew Cleary, Robert Gibbons
Debbie Coccia, Michael Gintoli
Barbara Coutu, Patti Gioia
Don Crawford, Leonardo Gonzalez
Eileen Crowell, Peggy Gorman
Lenny D’Agostino, Nancy Greene
Robert Dalessio, Barbara Grimple
Rick Deliasio, Sue Gunther
Rita Dickson, Karl Hale
Gina DiDonato, Katrina Halfpap
Kristina DiDonato, Bob Harford
Sam Dipinto, Ginny Hefferman
Rand Doane, Adam Hewko
Barbara Doherty, Ed Hildenbrand
Thomas Hollandsworth, Karen Hopkins
Margie Hutton, Linda Hutton
Joan Hyers, Barbara Kaminski
John Keeler, Martha Keever
Denise Keim, Nancy Kelly
Louis Kerti, Jr., Peter Kilfeather
Anne Kroha, Rebecca Laughton
Emma & Tommy Lewis, Frank Licari
Bob Lombardo, Toni Lovell
Randi Lowe, Jim Lumbra
Susan Lurz, Bill Lynch
Neal Mackey, Joshua MacNeal
Donna Malfonti, Karen Marasco
Ernie Markitell

Maria Elena Marlow, Baby Mikaela Powell
Melissa Marshall, Marta Purucker
Shelly Martin, Lisa Reynolds
Gina Martinovic, Margaret Rittenhouse
Stephan Mazzarella Jr., Fred & Monette Robinson
Renee McCullough, Sandy Sand
Kelly McDowell, Algis Saurusaites
Jacque Morrow, Al Sкерbo
Pat McJury, John Sedor
Deborah Mulligan, John and Ray Seymour
Robert Mulligan, Chuck Shaw
Gregory Mundie, Ray Shindor
Denise Murphy, Cameron Simpson
Karen Murphy, Patricia Smith
Tim Mylott, Ki and Beth Spicer
Nancy Nagler, Kelly Suddell
Amal Nawal, Rene Tabony
Michael Nicholson, Rebecca Timmons
Leo Ogozaly, Leslie Triplett
Patricia O’Hagan, Jeana Tumbarello
Glenda Lavin O’Leary, John Uguccioni
Michael Balumbo, Jose Uribe
Philip Penta, Burt Von Allmen
June Petrello-Henig, William Werner
Mike Pirotowski, Felix Wilson
Mary Pitt, Christine Yascolt
Steve Pomaro

PLEASE NOTE: Please call the Parish Office if you are being admitted to the hospital or know of someone in our parish who requests a visit from a priest or Eucharistic Minister. Names will remain on the prayer list for two months, unless notified.

PLEASE PRAY for the men and women in our armed forces stationed overseas, for the military commanders who lead them, for President Obama and his advisors, and...