Fr. John's Quarantine Corner

“A sower went out to sow.” Matthew 13:3

This is one of Jesus’ more recognizable parables. Painters have illustrated this story with great success for centuries. But the thing that hits us is how bad this man was at sowing seeds. He must have been new or an intern or something. I mean, this guy is sloppy and wasteful, isn’t he? The story goes on to say “Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil. Some seed fell among thorns and the thorns grew up and choked it.” I think the redeeming quality is when he gets it right. “But some seed fell on rich soil and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.” The point is that God throws his word wherever we are in the hopes that we may embrace it, however, he knows our difficult surroundings that contribute to the choking off of the Word. These may be the lack of catechesis and practice of the faith. Hard times or a thin skin may also choke off the Word. Fear and the pursuit of worldly attractions are other things that prevent us from fully embracing this Word. This is called life, isn’t it?

The goal to work towards is being that ground of fertility, where we are open to receiving the Word, by understanding it. Through a correct catechesis practice and sacramental investment of our faith, we will indeed bear fruit. So, really, the sower isn’t sloppy at all. He loves us to reach into the difficult areas of our life.

“Whoever has ears ought to hear”

Fr. John
Events

Public Masses
at 25% Capacity
8:00AM
10:00AM
12:00PM

Sunday Public Masses
Click [HERE](#) to read our guidelines and info on resuming our public Masses.

Daily Public Masses
We have resumed our Daily Masses on Monday - Friday at 7 am and Saturday at 8am. You can still view Mass online on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12pm. To watch, click [HERE](#)

St. Vincent de Paul Society
These last 5 months, SVdP has been able to provide limited assistance for its 3 ministries - a donation was made to the Kearney Center, food bags were donated to the residents at Casa Calderon 3 times, and 8 families have been helped with various bills. We are trying to figure out ways to do more, while still staying at home and social distancing.

Your support of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is greatly appreciated. Consider becoming an active member of the Society. Meetings are the 2nd and 4th Tuesday each month at 6pm. We are meeting on Zoom during the pandemic, so please email us at svdptally@gmail.com to learn how to attend.

MASS SCHEDULE
MON-FRI: 7:00AM, IN PERSON
TUES/ THURS: 12:00PM ONLINE ONLY
SATURDAY: 8:00AM, 5:15PM VIGIL
SUNDAY: 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 12:00PM

CONFESSION
SATURDAY (OUTSIDE) FROM
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Religious Education

Online R.E. Registration
for 1st-8th grade and Sacramental Preparation will be on-line for the 2020-2021 program year. Stay tuned for more information.

Congratulations!
Congratulations to our Communicants who received First Holy Communion on June 28:
Catherine Dockstader, Chiara Lemmon, Titus Marchand, Stephen Meli, Bella Nixon, Benny Nixon, Olivia Pearson, Jessica Perez, Rellek Rodriguez, Jacob Solis, Ethan Tran.

Bishop’s 2020 Catholic Sharing Appeal

To date 228 parishioners have pledged $105,000. We have received $78,956 so far.

If you were not able to make your pledge last week, please don’t forget to make your pledge today. There are blank CSA cards at each entrance. You may place your card in the Offertory basket or go to the Diocesan website, www.ptdiocese.org/csa.

Your support of the Bishop’s annual Catholic Sharing Appeal is critical to the mission of our parish and our diocese! Thank you.

Prayer Requests

The staff of Saint Thomas More prays for you each Friday during designated prayer time. If you have a specific intention that would like us to pray for, please submit your request at our website.

Lighthouse CD of the Week

Purgatory: Our Forgotten Family

What is Purgatory? Does it exist? Does it matter? As professor and speaker Dr. Mark Miravalle explains, not only is the doctrine of Purgatory true, and deeply rooted in Sacred Scripture and Tradition, but the practice of offering prayers and sacrifices for the souls of the dead is a critically important responsibility for every member of the Body of Christ—the family of the Church. Our Lighthouse CD display is located by the parking lot entrance. $3/CD.
Trinity Catholic School

Open enrollment! Trinity Catholic School is accepting applications for the 2020-2021 school year. Please contact our Admissions Office by phone or email at 850-222-0444 or sheppardj@trinityknights.org to schedule a personal tour. Visit www.trinityknights.org/admissions to apply today!

Trinity Summer Camp

Trinity Catholic School will be having Summer Camp until the week of July 24th. Register HERE to reserve a spot for your camper. Enrollment is limited.

St. John Paul II Catholic High School

Now Enrolling for 2020-2021

St. John Paul II Catholic High School is accepting applications for the 2020-2021 school year and there are only a few spots left for enrollment. Did you know that we offer financial assistance and accept several scholarships? For more info, please call (850) 201-5744 or email Christina Sabo at csabo@jpiichs.org. Please visit www.sjpiichs.org to visit our campus from home via our new virtual tour video.

Now Hiring

Front Office Secretary, Administrative Assistant, Part Time Math Teacher

The ideal applicant is Catholic with experience in the position they are applying for. Please contact Jillyann McGowan, jmcgowan@jpiichs.org for more info.

Burse Club Weekend

July 25-26, 2020

We are all facing difficult times during this pandemic and our Seminarians could really use your prayers and financial support. We currently have 13 Seminarians. The Burse Club was established to help fund their educational expenses. Pamphlets will be available in our Church during July take one home for more info.

Monetary donations (specified for the Burse Club) are always greatly appreciated and can be mailed to: Co-Cathedral of St. Thomas More 900 W. Tennessee St. Tallahassee, FL 32304
A grant in the amount of $5,900 is awarded to Catholic Student Union
To help subsidize organizational development efforts

April 16, 2020

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Assistance for Victims of Sexual Abuse

Our Diocese has established Victim Assistance Coordinators to help anyone who has been abused by church personnel. Victims should call Dr. James Gagnon at 877-0205. To report a case, call the 24-Hour Child Abuse Hotline at 800-962-2873.

CO-CATHEDRAL OF ST. THOMAS MORE

Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 12
8:00am † Tom Trapan by STM Family
10:00am For the people of Saint Thomas More
12:00pm † Michael Young by Sarah Pearson

Monday, July 13
7:00am † Ray Hildebrand by Gerard York

Tuesday, July 14
7:00am † Elizabeth Johnson by Gerard York
12:00pm † Mary Carr Kowitz by Laurie Herring

Wednesday, July 15
7:00am Cause of the Martyrs of LaFlorida by Heather Jordan

Thursday, July 16
7:00am † Maria Del Carmen Murgas by Alexis Morales
12:00pm † Erasmo Raul Morales by Alexis Morales

Friday, July 17
7:00am † Peter Harmon by The Harmon Family

Saturday, July 18
8:00am
5:15pm The Strickland Family
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