Pastor's Corner

I pray these lines find all doing well and well into Lent! As was mentioned in the homily, if somehow you have not held to your Lenten observance—no time like the present to get right back to it

Today's Gospel is at the center of one of my diatribes whenever someone confesses that they got angry, stating that as a sin. Jesus, in today's Gospel; is very angry. He makes a whip pit of cords and drives those people, selling, out of the Holy temple. He turns over the tables of the money changers. YET, Jesus (as we already know) never sinned—therefore, anger is not a sin. Sin occurs as a result of what you do with that anger, if somehow in a rage you pick up a dish of chocolates and hurl them to the floor and stomp all over them—that's a sin (and a big one in my book LOL). It's what you do with that anger that constitutes a sin. We also hear that Jesus did not trust himself to them because he knew them all.

One thing we can take from this is to not worry or concern yourself with what others think. Unfortunately school age kids are brutally subject to this (some kids, not all) they worry, what will others think—what a waste of time and energy!! There was an old English show called "Keeping up appearances" which totally spoofed and mocked people who fell they are in competition with "the Jones's." we are to live for God and to put our total trust in Him. With this as our starting point for any and every situation—we can't go wrong!

Have a great week"

Love,

Fr. Mike



Palms

We have containers if you would like to bring in your old palms. Please only put them in containers that are marked for Palm collection.



Little Black Books

The Lenten Little Black Books are available at the Gift Shop and Parish Office. Be sure to pick yours up before supplies run out. Cost is \$3.00 or \$5.00 for a Little Black Book and a Little White Book. Limited supply so get yours.



Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be Fridays during Lent starting on February 17th following the 8:30am daily mass and again at 7:00pm in the Chapel.

Stewardship: Time, Talent & Treasure

Offertory Collection	\$12,199.30
Attendance:	1,371
Offertory	\$7,382.00
Non-Envelope Offertory	\$2,860.30
On-Line Giving	\$1,957.00
Total Offertory	\$12,199.30

SCRIP

Easter is right around the corner and you may be needing spring cleaning supplies, and a new change of clothes. Have you considered using the scrip program to get gift cards to all the stores you will be shopping at, from Applebee's, for that lunch while you are out or T. J. Max for a

new outfit to Walmart for food for Easter dinner. You can help St. James while running your day to day errands.. Also get your Easter (chocolate) bunnies for Fr. Mike. LOL. Pick up your order form at the church doors, the parish office or on-line.

Orders are due by March 22nd.

Mass Intentions

Monday: 03/05 8:30am	Kathleen M. Mclansen
<u>Tuesday: 03/04</u> 8:30am	Ray Gervais
<u>Wednesday: 03/05</u> 8:30am	Vocations
<u>Thursday: 03/06</u> 8:30am	James Ouelette
<u>Friday: 03/07</u> 8:30am	Maria Massaro
Saturday: 03/08 Vigil 4:00pm	Florence Scott
<u>Sunday: 03/09</u> 8:00am	Parishioners
10:00am	Dorothy Alves
1:00pm	Angne Chai and Angelap Nguyen

Readings for the Week of March 5, 2018				
Monday	2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Lk 4:24-30			
Tuesday	Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35			
Wednesday	Saints Perpetua and Felicity, Mar-			
tyrs	Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19			
Thursday	Saint John of God, Religious Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23			
Friday	Saint Frances of Rome, Religious Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34			
Saturday	Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14			
Sunday	Fourth Sunday of Lent 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21			

Candles & Flowers

Remember your loved ones or your special intentions. You can do this with candles that burn all week in the Chapel or in the grotto or a monthly candle. You can also request to support the flowers that are on the altar for the week.

Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested 727-869-3130.

The Grotto Candle is in memory of Joan Klaproth.

The Tabernacle Candle is in memory of Kathleen M. Melanson.



Altar Candles

The candle burning on the altar in the Chapel and Church for the month of Marchis in memory of Elizabeth and Edward

Nemethy and were donated by **Winifred Barker**.

Our Parish Family

We welcome into the parish community all new members and those returning Home to us.

We remember all who are sick at home or in the Hospital..

We remember in our prayers those who have died: Walter Bucks.



Windshield Wash

This weekend is our Windshield Wash Fundraising. All proceeds will help the youth group go to Steubenville Conference and Good Samaritan Project. Thank you for all your support.



Global Religious Freedoms

Prominent Former Diplomat discuss Global Religious Freedoms. The public is invited to a free presentation on religious freedom issues globally—including the persecution of religious minorities—from the nation's former top diplomat on religious freedom issues, Rabbi David Saperstein. The rabbi will speak Thursday, March 8, from I to 3 p.m., at the Saint Leo Abbey Church, 3370 I State Road 52, St. Leo, FL. The event is sponsored by the Saint Leo University Center for Catholic-Jewish Studies. The lecture is free and open to the public but space is limited. RSVPs can be sent to lennifer.orendorf@saintleo.edu.

Save the Date Walk For Life 2018 on the Bay

Ben T. Davis Beach 7740 W. Courtney Campbell Causeway Saturday - April 14, 2018

Registration: 8 - 9 am Walk/Run Begins: 9 am

• 1 mile • 2 miles • 5K

Benefitting Foundations of Life Pregnancy Center: Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco & Pinellas Knights Women's Center, Tampa. Register Today Foundations of Life Pregnancy Center 6515 N. Armenia Avenue, Tampa, FL 33604 For more information please call: 813-631-4393

Email: <u>foundationsoflife@ccdosp.org</u> Register Online at: <u>www.foundationsoflife.org</u>



Free Concert

MODERN BLUEGRASS MUSIC FEATURED IN FREE CONCERT AT SAINT LEO ABBEY CHURCH Saint Leo University student musicians and guests will perform for their annual spring concert a contemporary (2015) composition "The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass," on Wednesday, March 7, at 7 p.m., at the Saint Leo Abbey Church, 3301 State Road 52, St. Leo, FL 33574. This is an evening of ecumenical choral music rather than a traditional Mass or worship service. Admission is free. All are welcome.

More information is available by calling 352-588-8401 or by emailing jennifer.orendorf@saintleo.edu.

Lenten Penance Services

St. Peter the Apostle Tuesday, March 6th 7:00pm
Our Lady Queen of Peace Thursday, March 8th 4:00pm

St. Vincent de Paul Thursday, March 15th 4:00pm and 7:00pm

St. Michael's the Archangel Tuesday, March 20th 6:30pm

St. Thomas Aquinas Thursday March 22nd 3:00pm /and 7:00pm

S.T.A.T.I.C. CALENDAR

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES: Please mark your calendar

♦ March 23 Friday LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS: 6:00-7:00pm/Centrum

♦ March 25 Sunday PALM SUNDAY

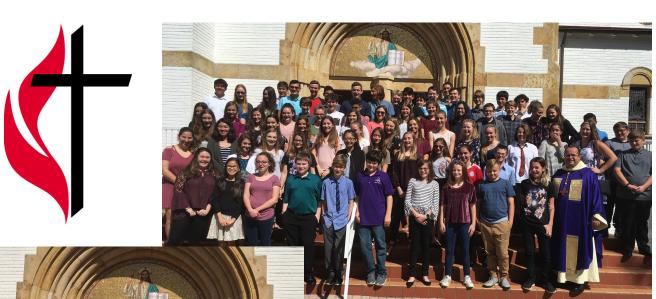
♦ March 25 Sunday ASSISTED LIVING VISITATION/DQ: 2:30-4:30pm

Please stop by the youth table after mass for more info. Best way to contact me is via text: (727) 967-3768.

Email: youth.group@stjamesportrichey.org

Youth Ministry office: (727) 869-3130 ext. 1309. Thank you and God bless. Mrs. Lorraine Parsons

Deacon Jim would like to thank all the youth and families who helped with the Rice Bowl Distribution; 4:00pm mass (Giada , Zelinda, Ylenia , Chloe and Mr.Tom Parsons) (8:00am mass- Vivian and Vincent Mrs. Amy Steinbeck and son Shawn (10am- Armani, Dominik, Natalie and Martin, (1:00pm-Gary George Julianne and Michael.



St. James Confirmandi on retreat 2/25/2018

The St. James confirmation class was joined by St. Vincent de Paul, St. Peter the Apostle and St. Jerome (in Seminole) at St. Leo's for their Retreat. Please continue to pray for our Confrmandi, they will be celebrating Confirmation on March 18th at the 10:00am Mass.

Sacred Heart Lenten Mission

with John Angotti

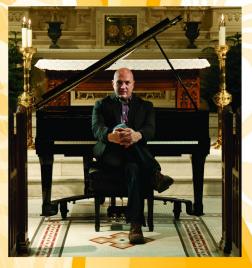
Join us for an evening of music, reflection, and Lenten inspiration.

Sunday, March 11 7 p.m.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church 509 N. Florida Ave. Tampa, FL (813)229-1595



Admission is free; however, a love offering will be taken up.



Get your free ticket at:
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Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays 3:00 - 3:45pm in Chapel

Morning Prayer weekdays Monday-Friday 8:00am in Chapel

Adoration: 1st and 3rd Friday (3pm) and 2nd and 4th Thursday (7pm)

Masses: Daily: Monday - Friday 8:30am/Saturday Vigil 4:00pm/Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am and 1:00pm

Pastor: Deacon:

Reverend Michael Cormier Rev. Mr. James Minary

Retired Clergy: Deacon:

Reverend Paul Goudreau Rev. Mr. Mark Manko