

**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!



**O MARY,
CONCEIVED
WITHOUT
SIN, PRAY
FOR US WHO
HAVE
RECOURSE
TO THEE!**

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT *** NOVEMBER 27, 2022 *** FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

COLLECTION - Those who care to continue to help us in our mission, please send your donations by mail or use online giving on our website (latinmasspensacola.com) by making a withdrawal using your credit card (which the Parish will incur about a 4% charge) or directly from your bank. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

UPCOMING DATES - Dec. 5th - Canon sets up indoor Nativity Scene and Altar; Dec. 8th - Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception; Dec. 10th - Feast of Our Lady of Loreto; Dec. 16th - Open House. Schola and Acolytes set your calendars. Everyone, please be here!

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE - Ladies' Sodality Raffle for Christmas has started. Three beautiful pictures are being raffled off. They are \$3 a ticket and help support our Ladies.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY RAFFLE - The tickets for our Annual Holy Name Society Raffle are in the back of the Church. Every parishioner/family is asked to buy at least 100 tickets. The raffle will take place on Candlemas Day as usual. Envelopes for each one are set there along with our new 2023 calendars and the new pocket calendars.

THEOLOGY CLASS - There will be NO class until January.

CSA - December is the LAST month you can donate to the CSA 2022 which does so much for our Parish. If you have not yet donated, or if you are a new Parishioner, please do so. Thanks for your generosity! Participation in the CSA is required to be considered a Registered parishioner in good standing.

NEW BULLETIN FORMAT - As you can see we have a new format for the inside of our bulletin, courtesy of our Seminarian, Aaron Zanca. May God continue to bless him!

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS - In the Foyer you will find the envelopes to request remembrance of your loved ones (living and deceased) on the Altar and Church during the holy days of Our Lord's Nativity. Please write the names clearly. Make checks payable to St. Stephen Ladies' Sodality.

CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS - All in celebration for this year's Jubilee of our Hundredth Anniversary we have designed some beautiful commemorative Christmas ornaments of our Shrine and Parish, with the purpose also of raising monies for our next Building Projects, i.e., the Bell Tower and Baptistry. They are \$30 each. Make checks payable to the St. Stephen Holy Name Society. They make lovely gifts, as well!

CHRISTMAS CARDS - Our new beautiful Christmas cards are here! The packages include three each of four different pictures that embellish the front. As a reminder, everyone who receives one of these cards will be remembered at all Masses from December 24th to February 2nd (the Forty Days of Christmas). You can purchase these packets of 12 for \$20. Make checks to Holy Name Society of St. Stephen.

VOLUNTEERS - We need volunteers to help decorate the Church and the trees in the Hall. Please ask Rev. Canon when they will be done.

MASS INTENTIONS, SAINTS and ASSIGNMENTS

Sat. 11 - 26	4:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sun. 11 - 27	7:30 AM	Winston & Kim Hua Chadwick
	10:30 AM	Dr. Norman Denis Hyland
Mon. 11 - 28	8:30 AM	Int. James & Martha Drennan
Tues. 11 - 29	6:00 PM	Andrew Garcia
Wed. 11 - 30	6:00 PM	Int. Adornetto Family
Thurs. 12 - 01	6:00 PM	Int. Fernando Casciano
Fri. 12 - 02	8:30 AM	Int. Alyssa Coates
Sat. 12 - 03	8:00 AM	S.S. Ladies' Sodality
	4:00 PM	Int. Michael Zierden
Sun. 12 - 04	7:30 AM	Pro Populo
	10:30 AM	Int. Michael Yox

St. Siricius, Pp	4:00 PM	Dr. Richard Hyland
The Miraculous Medal		
St. James Intercisus, M	7:30 AM	Donna Bloomer
St. Stephen the Younger & Cos, M		
St. Illuminata of Todi, V	10:30 AM	Conor Voreis
St. Andrew, A		
St. Eligius, B		
St. Bibiana, V & M		
St. Francis Xavier, P		
St. Sophoniah the Prophet		
St. Barbara, V & M		
St. Peter Chrysologus, B & D		

Lectors

Altar Duty

Alyssa Coates

Lawn Maintenance

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. 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. The Miraculous Medal is one of the principal sacramentals given out by the Legion of Mary in their apostolate for the conversion and salvation of souls.

THE CHRISTMAS PRAYER

Beginning with the Feast of St. Andrew, November 30th, we begin saying the traditional prayer in preparation for the Birth of Christ. It is said that those who recite this prayer fifteen times a day from Nov. 30th to Christmas will obtain many blessings, perhaps a miracle or two. Pray with Faith and trust in God's Providence always!

Hail and blessed be the Hour and the Moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary at Midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that Hour vouchsafe, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires through the merits of Our Savior, Jesus Christ, and of His Blessed Mother. Amen.

