

Have Faith

That is so easy to say and so hard to do. This might be because we misunderstand what faith is and what it might do. Today's readings offer us three glimpses into what the Bible means by faith.

The reading from Habakkuk and the Gospel passage seem to contradict each other. The Gospel suggests that one can do wondrous things if one's faith is strong enough. Many people understand this literally and then are confused and terribly disappointed when things do not turn out as they wanted. Habakkuk is in a dire situation. He had turned to God, but it seems to no avail: "You do not intervene" (Habakkuk 1:2). What response did he get? "Don't give up. Don't lose faith."

Paul's letter was written to Timothy, one of Paul's own converts to faith in the risen Lord. Paul encourages Timothy to remain steadfast in that faith. It's clear that faith is not solely a set of beliefs and doctrines; it is a way of life—one that follows and is

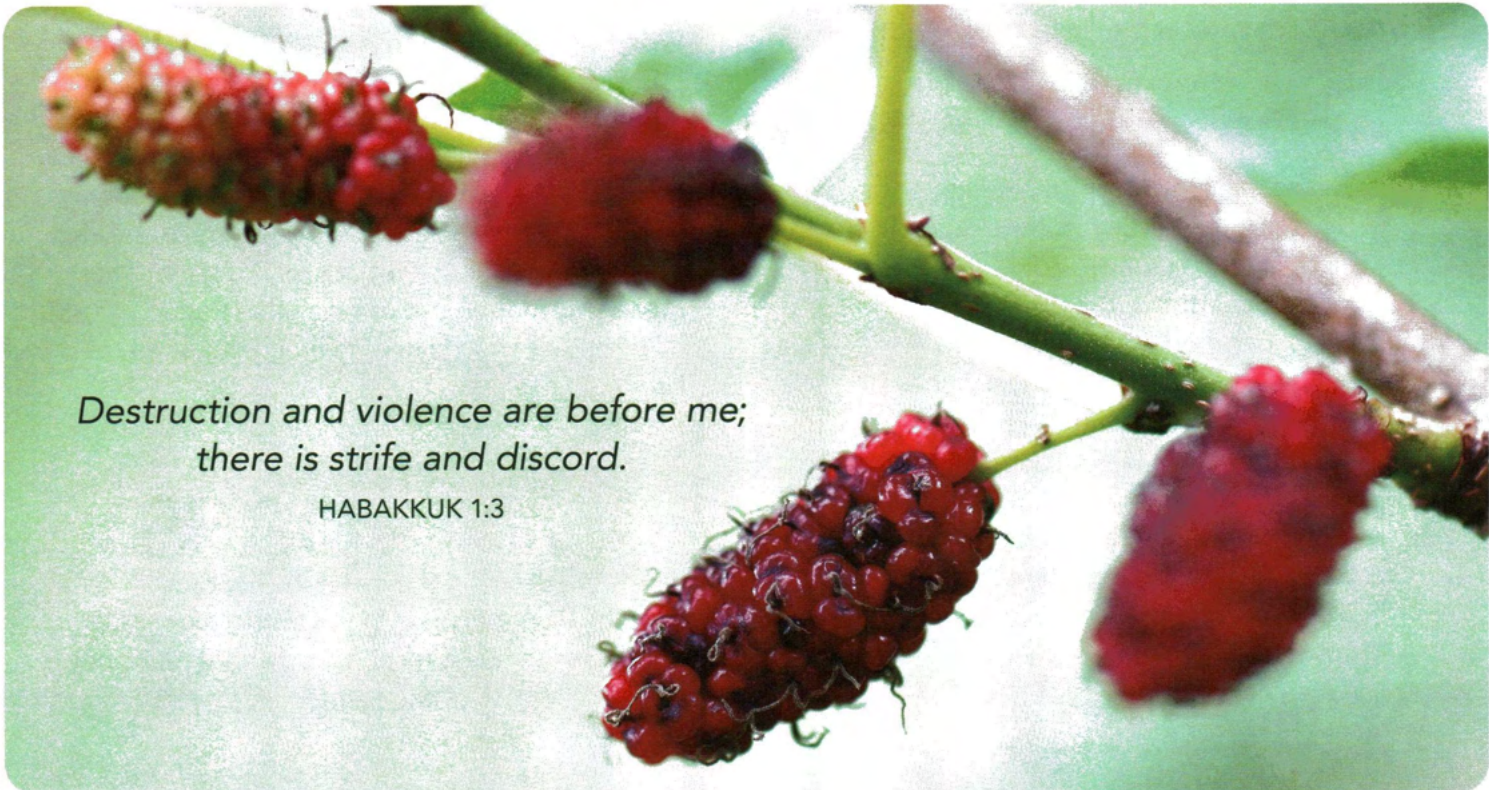
inspired by the example Jesus' life provides. It is also clear that living such a life might be dangerous, as evidenced by Paul's own imprisonment.

Reading the Gospel passage again after considering these reflections, one might understand the power of faith in a new way. Perhaps the mulberry tree stands for the struggles that had to be endured by Habakkuk, the danger that Timothy faced in a hostile world, and the hurdles that challenge our own faith. It assures us that if we don't lose faith, we also can do wondrous things.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ✦ *For you, what is the difference between faith as what you believe and faith as how you live?*
- ✦ *How might your faith help you get beyond life's hurdles?*



*Destruction and violence are before me;
there is strife and discord.*

HABAKKUK 1:3

Our Lady of the Rosary ~ Our Lady Queen of Peace

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Mass Schedule ~ Our Lady of the Rosary

Saturday Vigil 4:00pm

Sunday 8:30am

Monday – Thursday 8:30 am

Mass Schedule ~ Queen of Peace, Fountain

Sunday 10:30am

Baptisms

Contact the PCL

Reconciliation

Upon Request

Sacraments for younger Children

Contact PCL

The Sanctuary Lamp for the week of October 1 is in loving memory of Ruth Goodwin.



The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is on Friday, October 7. Mass will be said on that day at 8:30am to honor our Lady.

Our parish office has a New Phone Number ~ The number to the parish office is **(850)740-1003**.

Please make note of this number, as the old number is no longer in service.



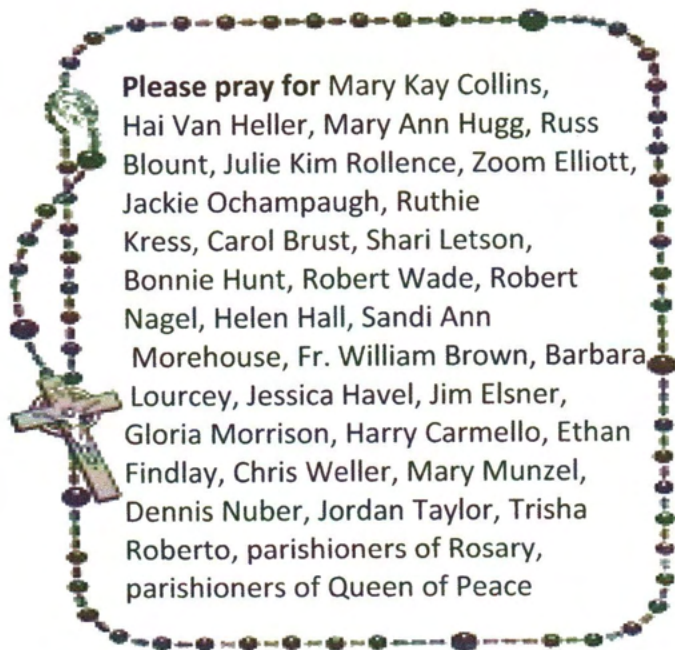
Respect Life Month is designated in the Catholic



Church in the United States during the month of October. The first Sunday of October is recognized as **Respect Life Sunday**. **The**

Panama City Life Chain is this SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2pm-3pm. The Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful public gathering of pro-life people coming together for one hour to witness to our community and each other. We pray for an end to abortion and to soften the hearts of those who feel it is necessary. Meeting place is in the parking lot near the Chick-fil-A at 900 W. 23rd St. (near Academy). A second pick up spot for signs will be at the Five Guys Burgers parking lot across the street. For more information call or text Mike Gagnon at 850-832-9595 or Lifechainer@yahoo.com or go to LifeChain.net.

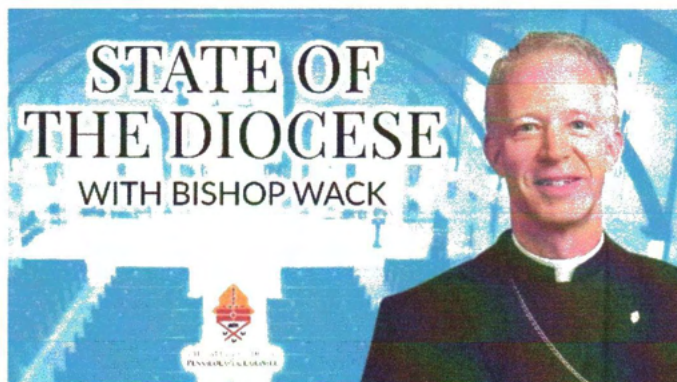
Last Week's Collection ~ \$2,180.80



Please pray for Mary Kay Collins, Hai Van Heller, Mary Ann Hugg, Russ Blount, Julie Kim Rollence, Zoom Elliott, Jackie Ochampaugh, Ruthie Kress, Carol Brust, Shari Letson, Bonnie Hunt, Robert Wade, Robert Nagel, Helen Hall, Sandi Ann Morehouse, Fr. William Brown, Barbara Lourcey, Jessica Havel, Jim Elsner, Gloria Morrison, Harry Carmello, Ethan Findlay, Chris Weller, Mary Munzel, Dennis Nuber, Jordan Taylor, Trisha Roberto, parishioners of Rosary, parishioners of Queen of Peace

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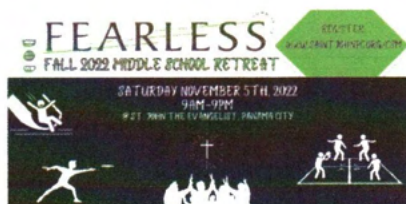
Visit the link at <https://thecatholiccompass.com/> to access the latest local, world and Vatican news, including stories of the Saints.



State of the Diocese ~ As Bishop Wack celebrates his fifth anniversary this year, he addresses the faithful by sharing insights on the state of the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee. Take a moment to watch at <https://youtu.be/1t457An8jEo>

Have you tuned into the latest podcast? Hosts Susanne McNinch and Chez Filippini talk with David Ell about his time in the Army, what led him to work for the church, and his current role as the COO of the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee. <https://gaudiumetspes.net/listen/>

Lector training was held this past Sunday, and all lectors who showed up got a free lector workbook. There are no extra books left. Arlene will be putting in one last order for lector workbooks on October 27, and cost is \$20/book. Please make checks out to OLR and give to Arlene or place in collection box before October 27.



Calling all middle school boys & girls who want to dive deeper into the Father's heart and experience the

FREEDOM of His promise that "perfect love casts out all fear!" This middle school retreat will be held November 5, 9am – 9pm at Laguana Christian Camp on Front Beach Road. (OPTIONAL: Come Friday night, Nov 4 anytime after 6pm to "settle in" with your group and have some team building activities and late night Mass). You are welcome also to stay over Saturday (Each group staying over is responsible for their own chaperones with their youth minister). For more info and registration, go to <https://mission850.regfox.com/fearless-middle-school-retreat>.

This Week's Calendar

Saturday, October 1

3:30pm ~ Pray the Rosary (CH)
4:00pm Vigil Mass, Rosary ~ +George Dupuis;
+Ruth Goodwin

Sunday, October 2

8:00am ~ Pray the Rosary (CH)
8:30am Mass, Rosary ~ +George Dupuis; +Wally Elliott; +Frank Rollence; +Brad Blount
9:30am ~ CCD (RE)
10:30am Mass, Peace

Monday, October 3

8:00am ~ Pray the Rosary(CH)
8:30am Mass, Rosary ~ +/LParishioners

Tuesday, October 4

8:00am ~ Pray the Rosary(CH)
8:30am Mass, Rosary ~ +George Dupuis
9:00am ~ Bible Study (PH)
5:00pm ~ Choir Practice (CH)

Wednesday, October 5

8:00am ~ Pray the Rosary (CH)
8:30am Mass, Rosary ~ +Brad Blount

Thursday, October 6

8:00am ~ Pray the Rosary (CH)
8:30am Mass, Rosary ~ +George Dupuis

Saturday, October 8

3:30pm ~ Pray the Rosary (CH)
4:00pm Vigil Mass, Rosary ~ LFr. William P. Brown
5:00pm ~ Fr. William Brown Retirement Party


Sunday, October 9

8:00am ~ Pray the Rosary (CH)
8:30am Mass, Rosary ~ +George Dupuis
9:30am ~ CCD (RE)
10:30am Mass, Peace

Pregnancy Outreach Programs ~ The Diocese has provided support, encouragement, resources and hope to mothers and fathers in need through a variety of outreach programs.

Take a moment to learn about a few of our ministries that are actively helping women and families in need. For more information, visit <https://ptdiocese.org/pregnancyresources>

First Reading

 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

God's Own Time

God is good, but God is slow. We trust in God's plan. We believe that virtue will be rewarded and evil will be punished. But we get tired of waiting for it to happen.


The prophet Habakkuk says God has given a vision that we can easily read. But the vision may not be fulfilled soon. It works on its own time. Still, it will press on to its fulfillment and it will not disappoint those who hope in it. "If it delays," the prophet says, "wait for it, it will surely come." But it can take a while.

Faith is what happens while we wait on a slow God. We believe because we have experienced God's love and mercy throughout our lives. We rely on the One who alone can fulfill our desires. We trust that God wants goodness as much as we do. But the waiting is still hard.

"How long, O LORD? I cry for help but you do not listen!" says Habakkuk. Actually, God does listen. God longs to hear our prayers. God wants righteousness even more than we do. God will deliver, but the vision has its own time. God asks only one thing of us: patience, a patience born from faith.

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Second Reading

 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Stirring the Flames

We do not use all the tools we have. A computer can do much more than a typical user understands. Cell phones have more bells and whistles than people know about. Many of us do not know what to do with all the tools in the garage we bought, inherited, or that were left behind. We have more clothes than we can wear, more books and magazines than we can read, more television stations than we can watch. Our lives are filled with opportunity.

So are our hearts. God has given each of us a wealth of tools at our disposal. We have cleverness and concern, ingenuity and compassion, bravery and confidence—but we do not always use them.

The Second Letter to Timothy speaks of our spiritual gifts as something waiting to be stirred into flame. "I remind you to stir into flame the gift of God that you have through the imposition of my hands." The Holy Spirit came to each one of us in Baptism and Confirmation, implanting the gifts of divine life in us like seeds. Or like sparks. They are ready to do the work that God intended them to do.

Those gifts lack only one thing. They need to be stirred. That is up to each of us. If we are moved by the needs of the world, we will move for the needs of the world. Stir your gifts into flame!

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Dear Padre,

Why should we be married in the Church?

At baptism, every Christian is called to be not just Jesus' disciple, but an apostle. While it's easy to see how priests and religious sisters and brothers serve as missionaries, a man and woman joined in the sacrament of matrimony are also missionaries. Saint Paul noted the way a husband and wife love each other reflects how Christ loves his bride, the Church: "Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ loved the church" (Ephesians 5:25).

The first beneficiaries of the missionary vocation of marriage are the husband and wife. Through their exclusive love, they support each other.



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Their relationship is open to sexual expression, allowing the body and soul of two to become one. And, if God wills, children will benefit from the Christian bond of their parents. They bring their children to baptism, then teach them about their faith at home through example and instruction.

Those who encounter a couple throughout their lives—relatives, friends, coworkers, parishioners, and even strangers—benefit from their Christian marriage. How often have we been touched by the sight of an older couple walking hand in hand?

God will reveal to them only in eternity how many lives have been impacted by their love.

Jesus praised matrimony as part of the initial vocation given to humanity (see Mark 10:6–9). Without reproduction, there would have been no human race. But humans, created in God's image, lead lives reflecting God's love. In the couple who says, "I do," God's love shines brightly as a light to the world.

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Calendar

Monday

OCTOBER 3

Weekday

Gal 1:6–12

Lk 10:25–37

Tuesday

OCTOBER 4

St. Francis of Assisi

Gal 1:13–24

Lk 10:38–42

Wednesday

OCTOBER 5

Weekday

Gal 2:1–2, 7–14

Lk 11:1–4

Thursday

OCTOBER 6

Weekday

Gal 3:1–5

Lk 11:5–13

Friday

OCTOBER 7

Our Lady
of the Rosary

Gal 3:7–14

Lk 11:15–26

Saturday

OCTOBER 8

Weekday

Gal 3:22–29

Lk 11:27–28

Sunday

OCTOBER 9

Twenty-eighth
Sunday in

Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 5:14–17

2 Tm 2:8–13

Lk 17:11–19

A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Marriage isn't just a social act. It's a vocation that's born from the heart, a conscious decision for the rest of one's life that requires specific preparation....God has a dream for us, love, and he asks us to make it our own. Let us make our own the love which is God's dream for us.

MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION, JUNE 1, 2021



DAYbreaks

Leading Catholic voices inspire the faithful with daily reflections & prayers for Advent and Lent.

Including: Fr. Ron Rolheiser, Dr. Mary Katharine Deeley, Sr. Dianne Bergant, Fr. Paul Turner, and more at Liguori.org.