



# SAINT RITA

CATHOLIC CHURCH

22 ST RITA LANE, SANTA ROSA BEACH, FLORIDA

March 23 2025

850.267.2558



## SACRAMENTAL SCHEDULE

### MASS

Saturday 5:00 PM Vigil

Sunday 8:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 5:00 PM Misa en Español

Daily Mass - Monday - Saturday 8:30 AM

Thursdays @ Ascension Sacred Heart Hospital -  
11:30am

### SOLEMN EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Fridays after Mass, 9 AM - 10 AM in church

First Friday of the Month, 9 AM - 6 PM in chapel

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 9 AM (or by appointment)

### OFFICE HOURS

Mon - Thurs, 9 AM - 4 PM

## PASTORAL TEAM

Parish Administrator: Fr. Raja Karumelnathan

Director of Parish Mission: Jenna Danos

Director of Liturgies: Nancy Wesson

Director of Liturgical Music: Gabby Schrack

Preschool Director: Heather Carson

CGS Director: Ticia Gallo

Youth Minister: Alex Molzer

Office Manager: Laurie Mandrekar

Receptionist: Gail Eplin

Event Coordinator: Kristy Seeliger

Media Manager: McKay Moews

Administrative Assistant: Alyssa Miles

Facilities Manager: Travis Shields

Maintenance Assistant: PJ Dubicki

# ENCOUNTER • SHARE • BECOME

We exist to provide opportunities for you to encounter Christ, share His love, and become more like Him.

## CALENDAR of EVENTS

### Perpetual

- 1st & 3rd Sun - Brunch following morning Masses
- Mon @ 5:30PM - Middle School Youth Night
- Tues @ 6:00PM - Catholicism 101
- Tues @ 7:00PM - Basketball (pickup)
- Wed @ 9:00AM - Loving Hands Ministry
- Wed @ 5:30PM - High School Youth Night
- 1st & 3rd Thurs @ 9:30AM - SvDP Meeting
- Thurs @ 6:00PM - Men's G.R.O.W. Group

### Announcements

- Second Collection for Catholic Relief Services on March 29th & 30th
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## TREASURE

Giving Account (Weekly Goal)	Last Week (% of Weekly Goal)
Offertory (\$40,105.65)	\$27,742.42 (69.17%)
Building Fund (\$5,721.72)	\$4,100.29 (71.66%)
Burse Club (\$200.00)	\$40.32 (20.16%)

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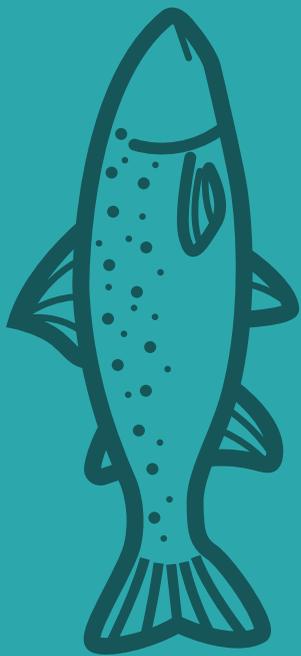
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## WEEKLY INTENTIONS

<b>Saturday</b> 8:30am 5:00pm	<b>March 22nd</b> Thai Van Nguyen (+) Fernando & Tatiana Almanza
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00am 11:00am 5:00pm (Esp)	<b>March 23rd</b> For the People Walton Correctional Installation Prisoners and Staff -
<b>Monday</b> 8:30am	<b>March 24th</b> Fr. Michael Hartley
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:30am	<b>March 25th</b> Thomas O'Hare (+)
<b>Wednesday</b> 9:00am	<b>March 26th</b> Elizabeth Hunter
<b>Thursday</b> 8:30am	<b>March 27th</b> Matthew Epplin
<b>Friday</b> 8:30am	<b>March 28th</b> Melvin Grimes
<b>Saturday</b> 8:30am 5:00pm	<b>March 29th</b> Sophia Ward (+) Christine Gains (+)

## PRAY WITH US FOR

Candice Chaloupka, Trina Spadaccia, Lisa Chapman, Jed Withers, Joe Tullos, Renee Watson, Pavlin Family, Nancy Lord, Micheline Riggio, Beth Turnbach, Christine H., Joseph Albert, Stella Leverton, Gregorio Alvarez, Gail Epplin, Helen Lee & Family, Julie Duncan, Tunello Family, Wendy, Kathy Farrell, Banks Wilson, Asiah Walsh, Adam Urena, Gianni Piraino, Tracy Finke, Dale Koblenzer, Mike Mcintosh, Kevin Vandervort, Saylor Kloepling, The Piraino Family, Jason Worthington, Greg Shields, Evelyn Handon, Lorraine RJJ, Lisa Trumps, Briggs Bruni, Margaret & John Mihalcz, Paris, Monica Hughes, Gianluca Piraino, William Higgins, John Bauer, Matt Beckett, Korrie Lali, Meg Copher, Anne Brazeal, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Gustavo Bardana, Timothy C., Michael K., Beth Coppedge, Joan Buchewicz, David Crocker Nicole Perez, Lisa Laurence, Jay Alberio, Elizabeth Zdanis, Dorothy Brockmeier, Jeff Benzer, Sonja Vogel, Socorro Ramirez, Frank Liberatori, Luke Hood, Rob Benzer, Douglas Krudel, Robert Darley, Landen Prestwood, Terry Benzer, Nancy Smith, Herring, Dee Jordan, Dora Sannadsardo, Sara McNut, Laura Jean Glahn, Kristy Unton, Lindsay Walsh, Pat Borella,



# SAINT RITA FISH FRY FRIDAYS

4:00PM - 7:30PM EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT

This Lenten Season, we are kicking it up a notch! Join us before or after Stations of the Cross for our St Rita Fish Fry Fridays. We have 3 different plates to choose from and have some great options for the kids too! Come dine in for some fellowship in the gym or grab take-out to have an awesome dinner at home! Our first Fish Fry of the season is March 7th. See you there!

Dine In or Take Out Available

## THE FISHERMAN'S PLATTERS - \$15

**Fried Catfish Platter** - Crispy fried Catfish, hushpuppies, seasoned fries, coleslaw

**Baked Grouper** - Baked Grouper, haricots verts, rosemary mashed potatoes, salad

**Fried Shrimp Basket** - Fried shrimp, hushpuppies, seasoned fries, coleslaw

## TINY TOT'S PLATE - \$8

Choice of fish, shrimp or hot dog with fries and hush puppies (ages 12 and under)

*\*All Meals include drinks: Coffee, Tea, Lemonade & Dessert*

EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT  
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## The Father Kapaun Pilgrimage

### The Kansas Camino, May 29 – June 1, 2025

Each year at the beginning of summer hundreds of pilgrims walk 60 miles in the plains of the heartland of Kansas to the hometown of Venerable Emil Kapaun. They do it not only to remember the heroic Catholic priest and Army chaplain who is on the path to sainthood but to discover the true meaning of their own unique paths to sainthood.

Next year's Camino will take place May 29 – June 1, 2025, with registration to open March 4, 2025. A waitlist will be used when registration hits capacity.

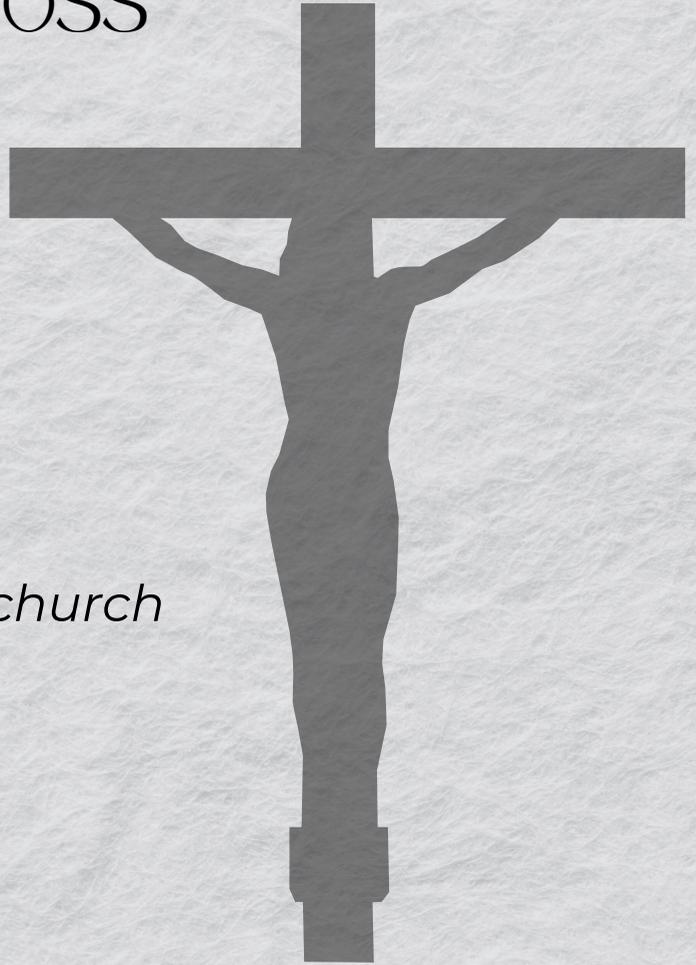
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QUESTIONS? CONTACT MIKE URBAN: 443-243-8113



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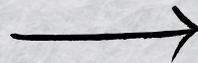


**APRIL 11, 2025**

BEGINNING AT 6PM

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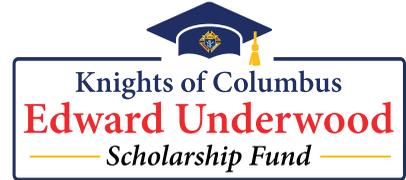
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at [alex@saintritarish.org](mailto:alex@saintritarish.org)



# -ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS-

Applications are now being accepted for The Knights of Columbus Council 17689 2nd Annual Edward Underwood Scholarship Award. It is open to high school seniors graduating in May 2025 who are St. Rita parishioners. **A selected student who has been accepted for admission as a full-time student and will attend an accredited junior college, college, or university in the fall of 2025 will be awarded \$2500.** The selection criteria for the scholarship is based on an equal weighted evaluation of academic performance and potential for future academic success, extra-curricular school

activities, work experience, overall citizenship and service to your church and community, and the ability to communicate all these factors by answering the application questions and completing a 450-500 word essay. **Postmarked deadline for all applications is April 25th, 2025.** Winners will be notified in late May.



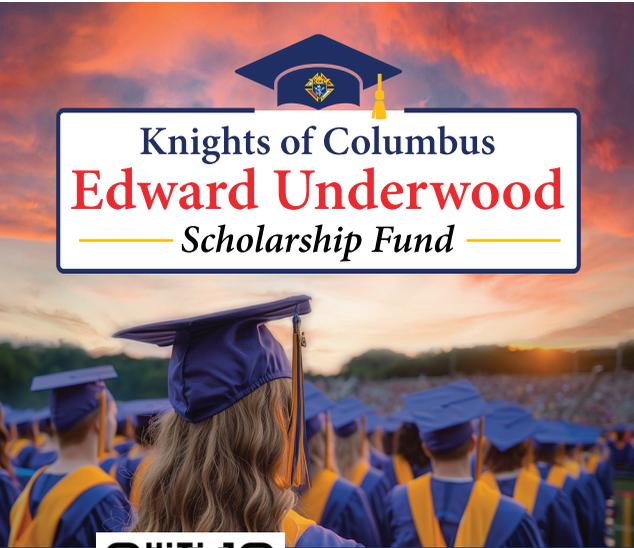
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The Knights of Columbus Council 17689 is pleased to announce its 2nd Annual Edward Underwood Scholarship Award, in honor of our late Brother Ed Underwood, a believer in lifelong learning. Your contribution to this award will recognize deserving local students and assist them financially in their academic pursuits. It is open to high school seniors graduating in May 2025 who are St. Rita parishioners.

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**Saturday, April 26, 2025**

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# Pardon Our Progress!!

You may have noticed a little extra dust and construction lately in the area where our MSSR/Parish Hall used to be located (right around the corner from the restrooms & gift shop)

This space is currently being renovated and will become an atrium for Level 2 and Level 3 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Level 2 serves our 7-9 year old children and Level 3 will be for our 10-12 year old children.

We are excited to share that we received a grant from the Northwest Florida Catholic foundation to help fund this project! We expect that the construction will be complete in the next month.



**You might wonder: Why is it called an Atrium anyway?**

The word atrium actually means "portico, or porch entrance to a large house". The Atrium was a term given to this space by Maria Montessori. It was chosen because in the ancient church, the atrium was a gathering space between the Church Proper and the street. It was a place where the catechumens, those preparing for initiation to the Church, would receive instruction. The Atrium has a similar purpose for our children, as it is a place to help them enter into full and active participation in the liturgical and communal life of the Church.





## *Holy Week Schedule*

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Palm Sunday, April 13:	Normal St Rita Mass Times
Holy Thursday, April 17:	Mass of the Lord's Supper • 7:30pm Exposition until 10:30pm
Good Friday, April 18:	Stations of the Cross & Divine Mercy Chaplet • 2:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion • 7:30pm
Holy Saturday, April 19:	Easter Vigil in the Holy Night • 7:30pm
Easter Sunday, April 20:	Resurrection of the Lord • 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:30am, 5:00pm (Esp)

## *Lenten Opportunities for Prayer*

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Friday, March 21:	Praise and Worship Ministry • 7:30pm
Thursday, April 3:	St. Rita's Penance Service • 6:00pm
Recurring Events:	40 Days for Life Stations of the Cross - Every Friday at 6:00pm