

HUMAN TRAFFICKING: A GLOBAL & LOCAL ISSUE

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Human Trafficking is a crime by which people are controlled and exploited for profit. The two primary forms are labor exploitation and commercial sexual exploitation. While human trafficking is a complex global problem affecting every country in the world, it needs to be understood at a local level. We have many groups and organizations that deal with trafficked people daily. Here in Tallahassee some of them are: A WOMAN'S PREGNANCY CENTER, GRACE MISSION, CAPITAL CITY YOUTH SERVICES, CHELSEA HOUSE, CHRISTIANS AGAINST TRAFFICKING (CAT), AND THE SURVIVE AND THRIVE ADVOCACY CENTER (STAC).

Human trafficking is an evil we cannot fight on our own. We ask people to stop and pray against human trafficking for 15 minutes every Friday at noon. We have also asked churches in the Tallahassee area to form prayer groups that meet in person in addition to the weekly Friday prayers. Our St. Peter's prayer group meets on Mondays at noon in Room 201. When you can, please join us.

Educating yourself and your family about human trafficking gives each of us knowledge of the human trafficker's recruiting tactics, including lures in social media and the grooming of victims. This empowers us all with the awareness to help avoid situations that could lead us or our loved ones into the world of human trafficking.

CHRISTIANS AGAINST TRAFFICKING (CAT) continues to work on drawing churches in our area to pray, work together by pooling our resources, bring awareness to the community, and put an end to trafficking here. CAT is partnering with legislators and law enforcement to pass laws to protect victims and educate businesses about laws that already exist.

Clearly, God cares deeply for those who are vulnerable. Restoration and transformation are a central call of the Gospel. In Isaiah 61:1-2, which Jesus read publicly announcing his mission and calling for us to join in his restorative work, says: *"The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the broken hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and the opening of prisons to those who are bound."*

STAC WILL BE DOING AN AWARENESS TRAINING HERE AT THE CATHEDRAL ON OCTOBER 23 AT 6PM IN THE PARISH HALL FOR BUSINESS LEADERS AND OTHERS IN THE FAITH-BASED COMMUNITY WHO WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT RECOGNIZING TRAFFICKING SITUATIONS.

Please join us in God's restorative work!

MISSIONS & EVANGELISM

EACH OF OUR EIGHT CORES HAS A SPECIFIC MONTH OF THE YEAR IN WHICH IT WILL BE HIGHLIGHTED.
OCTOBER IS HUMAN TRAFFICKING MONTH.

LIFE: PHI CENTER OPEN HOUSE


Thursday, 2 November | 3-7pm | The PHI Center is a ministry that is dedicated to protecting life and nurturing families by providing ultrasounds, counseling, parenting classes, resources and so much more to women who think they may be pregnant, women who are pregnant and to mothers and fathers who have young children up to 5 years old. Please bring your family and join us as we celebrate over 100 ultrasounds given this year and 50 years serving Tallahassee families!! There will be music, refreshments, and a self guided prayer walk focused on highlighted rooms. For more information please contact Life Core Captain Beth Medley at MEDLEY005@YAHOO.COM

LIFE | 40 DAYS FOR LIFE VIGIL

September 27th–November 5th | 40 DAYS FOR LIFE is a focused pro-life campaign with a vision to access God's power to end abortion through prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil. The mission of the campaign is to bring together the body of Christ in a spirit of unity, with the purpose of repentance, to seek God's favor to turn hearts and minds from a culture of death to a culture of life, thus bringing an end to abortion. You are invited to join us for the Fall Vigil, which is held in the public right of way, outside *Planned Parenthood at 2618 W Tennessee Street*, and we urge you to pray for an end to abortion. There will be an opening prayer service at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, September 27, 2023. To find out how to sign up and participate, please visit the website at 40DAYSFORLIFE.COM.

PRISON: COFFEE DRIVE | St. Peter's is now collecting **GROUND COFFEE** for our prison ministry needs. If you see it on sale at Publix, Costco, or anywhere else, pick up a few containers and bring them to the cathedral along with your peanut butter for ECHO. Please remember it will need to be **GROUND COFFEE** (*not coffee beans*). This will be used during our regular Prison Ministry events at local facilities. The large 3lb cans go the furthest, but we will take any and all that you can offer!

PRISON: KAIROS | The Madison Correctional Institution Kairos prison ministry weekend scheduled for November 2-5 at Madison Correctional Institution still needs volunteers. If you would like to join the team for this weekend, please contact Jason White, at JASONWHITE48@GMAIL.COM or 850.566.7702.



Blues
AND
BBQ

A Special Benefit to Support the Ministries of
GRACE MISSION CHURCH

Featuring **The Instigators**

WHEN Saturday, November 4, 2023 – 4pm-7pm
WHERE Holy Comforter Episcopal Church
TICKETS \$20 Admission – BBQ Dinner (*Children 10 and under EAT FREE*)
CONTACT 850-224-3817 – GraceMission.net

DISCIPLESHIP



SAVE THE DATE | ADVENT TRADITIONS CONVERSATION WITH THE DEAN (ZOOM CALL) | Tuesday, November 14th | 8:30pm–9:30pm
PARENTS! You are invited to join Fr. Marcus & Kim Kaiser for an Advent Traditions conversation! The topic of discussion is “*How do you use Advent to help your family prepare for the Christmas season?*” Do you do something different as a family during this season in prayers, devotions, or worship? Is this the year to start? If you have something you love, please come prepared to share! This call is all about inspiration and encouragement for Christian parents, so whether you have any existing traditions or not, get the kids to bed, grab those comfy clothes and a cup of tea, and join us for an enriching conversation! If you're interested, please email Amy Stewart at AStewart@StPetersFL.com for the Zoom link.

SMALL GROUP LEADERSHIP SUMMIT | If you are currently leading a small group or if you are interested in serving as a small group leader, you will want to be present for the St. Peter's Small Group Leadership Summit on *Sunday, October 22 from 12:30-3:30pm* in the Parish Hall. You will receive tips on how to lead a group and helpful information Bible study materials. Come network with other group leaders for insight and encouragement. For more information, email SMALLGROUPS@STPETERSFL.COM

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT | *Friday, 20 October 5:30-9pm* | Attention families with children, this night is for you! Parents, come to the Cathedral and drop your kids off. Please use this time as a date night, couples outing, or a break at home. We will have appetizer and chat time for parents from 5:30-6:30pm before you go out. Kids, come prepared to have dinner, Bible time, bingo, fun, and more. This is open to kids 0 to 5th grade. Youth are welcome to come help. Volunteers are needed for reception and children's programming. Please RSVP to Amy Stewart ASTEWART@STPETERSFL.COM

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES
Keep an eye out for an announcement regarding OCC Shoeboxes and when you can pick one up for this year's effort! It will be in the next week!

WRITERS NEEDED FOR ST. PETER'S LENTEN DEVOTIONAL | Work has begun on St. Peter's 2024 Lenten Devotional. Each year, we publish a collection of devotions for each day of Lent (*which begins on February 14, 2024*) written by members of the cathedral community. These are brief reflections on an assigned passage of Scripture. If you would like to write one, contact Fr. Michael Petty at MPetty@StPetersFL.com.

WORSHIP

VISITING THE CATHEDRAL?

Welcome—we're so glad you're worshipping with us today! Our nursery is available during Sunday morning services for children newborn through Kindergarten. We hope you'll join us on the lawn for coffee & other refreshments between morning services! Whether today is your first time or you've been coming for awhile, we are so glad you're here!

CATHEDRAL PRAYER LIST & CARE MINISTRIES



If you have any pastoral needs or know of someone who needs pastoral care and prayer, please contact Care Ministries Coordinator, Alice Sanderson at ASANDERSON@STPETERSFL.COM

Please call the Cathedral Office at 850.701.0664 or email ASANDERSON@STPETERSFL.COM to be added to the Cathedral Prayer List. [YOU CAN ALSO SUBMIT A PRAYER REQUEST OR CARE MINISTRY NEED AT STPETERSFL.COM/PRAYER](mailto:ASANDERSON@STPETERSFL.COM)

Military: Lucas Bell, Jose Betancourt, Lt. Col. David Chichetti, SSG Corey Daws, PFC Sam Henri, SSgt Corey Owen, Lt. Col. Daniel Dean, Capt. James Dilworth, Capt. John Easterbrook Jr, Airman Drew Edwards, Sgt. Michael Gaskins, Capt. Griffin Jax, Capt. Savannah B. Jax, Capt. Parker Jax, Capt. Chandler B. Jax, 1st Lt. Carson Jax, 1st Lt. Rebecca Jax, Gabriel Melendez, Col. Burt Newman, Major Gen. John Richardson, Capt. Oliver Rushing, Spc. Andrew Sanderson, Lt. Cmdr. Chris Smith, SFC Dewey Spence, Lt. Patrick Swain, Capt. Parry Thomas, Lt. Cmdr. Blake Van Brunt Jr, MM3 Tommy VanLandingham, SN Benjamin Waddill, PFC John P. Warren, 2nd Lt Jack Ubben, PFC Noah C. Bielling

Parishioners, Relatives, and Friends: Rick West, Gene O'Donnell, David Ferguson, Scott Patton, Patty Howard, Bonnie Cook, Richard Clemens, Eva, Fred, Pat Barnidge, Gordon, Sarah & Jim Hampson, Bobby Buckingham, Kim Wilson, Clayton & Philip Jax, Cindy & Ben, Vicki, Bart, Katherine

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT CHORAL EVENSONG | We're excited that this fall, in lieu of Choral Compline, we will be offering Choral Evensong each *Wednesday at 5:30PM*. Come have dinner at 5PM and then head upstairs to the Chancel for Evensong or come for Evensong at 5:30PM and eat dinner in the Parish Hall right after, but before classes begin at 6:15PM. While various ensembles and the Men's Compline Choir will often lead, our Choristers will be leading this service on the following dates:

11.1 | 2nd Grade & Older | K & 1st Grade: Prelude **12.20** | Chorister Christmas | All Choristers
12.6 | Youth Choristers