

# A BROKEN VESSEL

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Lent is probably my favorite season of the Church year. You may think that is strange. After all, shouldn't we like the happier seasons, like Christmas and Easter? The normal elements that encompass the Cathedral are stripped down: there are no flowers, the crosses and statues are veiled, and our music is more solemn and reflective. We are already halfway through Lent, and maybe we have become accustomed to this somberness. Or maybe we're just plain tired of it.

In this season, our gaze is honed yet blurred, unable to see the Resurrection fully. We "see in a mirror dimly" (*1 Corinthians 13: 12, ESV*)—so near, yet distant. Despite this, Lent draws us to events like Gals' Art Night and the Fauré Requiem performance, where God speaks through art, surprising even those like me, uncomfortable with brushes and paints.

The extravagance of a jar of perfume "wasted" on Jesus, deemed beautiful (*Matthew 26:6–13*), challenges my artistic discomfort and hesitations. Pushing past my reservations, I've attended Artisan events, discovering Christ's beauty amidst my brokenness and imperfect efforts. It's not about earning through creation but about "seeking to shape hearts for Christ by being image bearers of His truth," the very mission of St. Peter's Artisans.

While Lent encourages fasting, it also encourages embracing good things. I invite you to consider attending an Artisan event or finding ways to engage with the Artisans' community. Recently, I created a video for the Artisans detailing the process behind crafting the Requiem bulletin—a seemingly feeble effort, yet one I trust is accepted by God.

Lent reflects the reality we live daily. Yes, Christ has the victory through His death, resurrection, and ascension, but we are still waiting for all things to be made new. So, I take up the imperfect tools in my hands and use my clumsiness to try to create something that reveals the coming Resurrection, for the sake of the Creator I love. I hope you will consider joining me.

*To learn more about the video Jennifer mentioned, how the Requiem bulletin was created, and the images selected, scan the QR code below. You might also consider signing up for the Creation Stories email devotional by the St. Peter's Artisans. Email [ARTISANS@STPETERSFL.COM](mailto:ARTISANS@STPETERSFL.COM) and follow us on Instagram @StPetersArtisans.*



# MISSIONS & EVANGELISM

EACH OF OUR EIGHT CORES HAS A SPECIFIC MONTH OF THE YEAR IN WHICH IT WILL BE HIGHLIGHTED.  
MARCH IS DISCIPLED EVANGELISM MONTH.

## LIFE: 40 DAYS FOR LIFE SPRING CAMPAIGN

You are invited to join other Christians in our community in the most effective means ending abortion in our city. The most effective way to do this is by praying and fasting. Are you willing to make the commitment to pray and fast for the End of Abortion? The Spring Campaign began on Ash Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> and will continue until Palm Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>. There will be weekly prayer sessions each Thursday afternoon throughout the campaign that you can participate in. Please reach out to Life Core Co-Captain, Carolyn Parlato for more details. You can also visit the website at [40DAYSFORLIFE.COM](http://40DAYSFORLIFE.COM) for more information.

## DISASTER RELIEF: OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

Telling others about the good news of Christ when they're facing a hard time can be hard to do. Wouldn't we rather share in the joy of Jesus when there's cause to celebrate? That's much easier, of course, but not what our Disaster Response team is called to do. Just recently, Victor Carrasquilla joined the leadership of this Missions and Evangelism effort as he jumped at a mission opportunity to help those who needed some encouragement as they rebuild from Hurricane Ian in Ft. Myers, Florida.

Victor recently shared that when he's doing missions work, he feels like God's hands are on His kingdom. On MARCH 16-22 THERE'S ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY for you to do the same. We are looking for volunteers to help rebuild homes in the community of Harlem Heights. This low-income and underserved community has been the focus of ARDF since the storm and teams have already been there four separate times to install drywall, windows, and even kitchens in seven homes. WOULD YOU BE ABLE TO JOIN THE NEXT TEAM OF MISSIONARIES? A \$500 registration fee will cover your camp-style lodging, meals, on-site transportation, tools, and team t-shirt. Let me know if the cost would be a hindrance to your participation. A SIMILAR OPPORTUNITY IS ALSO BEING OFFERED THIS SUMMER (June 9-15) IN ROLLING FORK, MISSISSIPPI. This community was impacted by tornadoes and the ARDF team will be partnering with a local nonprofit to rebuild homes as well.

So far, two homes have been completed, one is under construction, and two foundations are prepared waiting for you to finish the job. To learn more please reach out to me because I'd love to see a team from St Peter's continue to serve the Lord in this way.

Contact Brian Stewart at [BRIANSTEWART@AOL.COM](mailto:BRIANSTEWART@AOL.COM).

## PRISON: KAIROS WEEKEND | 4-7 April

In *Matthew 25:35-40* Jesus told his disciples that visiting brothers and sisters in Christ in prison was the equivalent of visiting Jesus himself.

The Kairos prison ministry will host a weekend with 42 inmates at Wakulla Correctional Institution. Volunteers are needed to visit inmates (*and Jesus in the manner he described above*) during this upcoming Kairos Weekend. Please call either Larry Gonzalez at 850.570.6307 or Lawrence Brown at 850.800.6938 for more information. Prior experience in prison ministry is not required—only a desire to help turn prisoners from crime to Christ.

# DISCIPLESHIP

## MARY & MARTHA GUILD GATHERING

Monday, 11 March | 9:45AM | Join us for our March gathering at the home of Florence Brainerd. KATHY GOMER will be the featured speaker. The social time starts at 9:45 and the meeting at 10:30. All women are invited!

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS | Fridays | 6-6:30PM

Stations of the Cross will be offered during Lent on Friday evenings, concluding on March 22. Those wishing to participate in this ancient devotion, should gather in the narthex on these evenings. Guides for this devotion are located on the shelf next to the central doors to the cathedral.

## CELEBRATE RECOVERY HOSTED AT ST. PETER'S

In partnership with Celebrate Recovery Tallahassee, St. Peter's will be hosting a men's study group each Monday from 6:30-8PM, which began March 4<sup>th</sup>, focusing on applying Eight Principals from the Beatitudes and the 12-Step Program to overcoming our hurts, hang-ups, and habits. The study will be held in the Youth House. For more information, please get in touch with Michael Thompson at [MICHAELTHOMPSON43@GMAIL.COM](mailto:MICHAELTHOMPSON43@GMAIL.COM) or 850.228.1461.

*"Happy are those who know they are spiritually poor."*

—MATTHEW 5:3

## EASTER EGG FILLER DONATIONS | We need

donations for the Easter Egg Hunt. We have the eggs but need the filling (candy, stickers, tiny toys, etc.). Please no chocolate. Please turn in by Palm Sunday. Easter egg hunt will be on Easter Morning between services at 10:30AM.

## EASTER GIFTS & BOOKS AT THE BOOKSTORE

Stop by Cathedral Gifts & Books after the service and check out the Easter goodies for sale!

## CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP OF SINGLES

Do you want to dig deeper into God's purpose for you during this season of being single? Do you want to dive into your spiritual gifts and discover a deeper connection with God with like-minded singles, both men and women? At St. Peter's, we want to feed and nourish our singles through a new fellowship group. Susan Burton and Ryan Cecil will lead an 8-week prayer group that will meet on Saturdays at 9AM. We will review what your spiritual gifts are according to Corinthians, Romans, and Ephesians and work together in the bible study *Singleness—A Life Grounded in Love* by Ruth Goring. THIS PRAYER GROUP WILL BEGIN APRIL 6, 2024 AND IS OPEN TO SINGLES OF ALL AGES, BOTH MEN AND WOMEN. For those that are interested, please email Susan Burton at [NEWHOUSE590@GMAIL.COM](mailto:NEWHOUSE590@GMAIL.COM) or call/text at 850.251.3418.

## WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO DIE WELL? DOES PLANNING FOR DEATH FEEL OVERWHELMING OR STRANGE?

EXPLORE ANSWERS TO THESE QUESTIONS AND MORE BY TAKING THE CHARLES SIMEON INSTITUTE'S LAY SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY CLASS THIS EASTER TERM.

FACING DEATH: *A Christian's Journey to Life Everlasting*

Scan the QR Code to learn more.



EASTER LILY AND INSTRUMENTALIST DEDICATIONS | Please consider giving a dedication "in memory of" or "in thanksgiving for" a loved one or event.

Donations can be completed online at [STPETERSFL.COM/GIVE](http://STPETERSFL.COM/GIVE) or through the marked envelopes found in the pews. ALL DEDICATIONS ARE DUE BY 5PM, FRIDAY, 22 MARCH.

# WORSHIP

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## 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 for coffee & other refreshments between morning services! Whether today is your first time or you've been with us for awhile, we're 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](mailto:ASANDERSON@STPETERSFL.COM)

TO BE ADDED TO THE CATHEDRAL PRAYER LIST, EMAIL [ASANDERSON@STPETERSFL.COM](mailto:ASANDERSON@STPETERSFL.COM) OR SUBMIT A PRAYER REQUEST OR CARE MINISTRY NEED AT [STPETERSFL.COM/PRAYER](http://STPETERSFL.COM/PRAYER)

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***Parishioners, Relatives, and Friends:*** Tom, Patricia, Forrest Boone Sr., Maryann Jones, Pat Barnidge, Rob, Eva, The Kaiser Family, Marilyn & Steve Hammond, Will Valentine, Jane Janes, Carol, Patty, Marsha Hall, Bonnie, Fred, Vicki

*as of 3.7.24*

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT CHORAL EVENSONG** | Our Choristers will be leading Choral Evensong at 5:30PM on the following Wednesdays.

**2.7** | 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grades

**3.6** | 2<sup>nd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grades

**4.10** | 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grades

**5.1** | K-12<sup>th</sup> Grades