

# LIFE EVERLASTING

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During the forty days of lent, the tradition of the Church invites each of us to self-reflect—*"Am I living well?"* This, of course, also means, *"Am I dying well?"* Rather, to what extent does my daily living reflect the life of Jesus Christ; am I putting my flesh to death in pursuit of resurrected life? This is the path of each baptized believer, for each day is a journey from death to life everlasting. As St. Paul passionately proclaims:

*"I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead."* —PHILIPPIANS 3:10-11 NRSV

As Christians, the acknowledgment of death – the death of the flesh and eventual death and resurrection of the body – should be a part of our daily devotional life with God and with each other. But if we are honest, this is much easier said than done! Dying to self is hard—*"For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate"* (ROMANS 7:15 NRSV). Not only that, but many of us have felt the terrible grief that comes in the wake of the death of a loved one. The thought of our own passing can also conjure images of a gaping and hopeless chasm. For these reasons, ignoring death may seem to be the preferable route. Like cleaning out the garage, we will get to it "tomorrow."

This is where the good news of the gospel bears incredible fruit for each of our lives. For it is in the black pit of the tomb that the power of God rolls away the stone and lets the light in. In the deepest throes of sin, we can hear the whispering Spirit say, "You are cleansed, and you are forgiven." It is in the emptiness left by a loved one does the fullness of God with us and faith in eternal life come to bear. In the face of certain death, our Christian hope blossoms. The death and bodily resurrection of our Lord beckons us to bravely look at all aspects of death as a community with hope and even joy.

It is in this courage our faith provides that we welcome you all to join us this Eastertide semester for the Charles Simeon Institute's Lay School of Theology class: **FACING DEATH: A CHRISTIAN'S JOURNEY TO LIFE EVERLASTING.** This class is for everyone—whether you are nearing the end of life, have a loved one in that stage, or are just seeking discipleship in this aspect of a Christian's journey. Fr. Michael Petty will lay the foundation by providing a theological and biblical understanding of death. Then, a team of medical professionals and social workers from hospice will provide insights into advanced planning, medical management decisions, and family support opportunities. Fr. David Pucik will then unpack the liturgical treasures found in the Book of Common Prayer during seasons of grieving and lead a workshop on funeral planning. The class will conclude with a panel discussion where all the instructors will answer anonymously submitted questions. Each week will include a teaching and workshop activity that will be done in a small group.

Registration is mandatory due to space limitations. Please visit our website for more information, and God bless us all on the journey to life everlasting!

# 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.

## LIFE: AWPC'S WALK FOR LIFE

Are you looking for another way to live out our Lenten commitment to pray, give, and/or fast this year? A Women's Pregnancy Center's (AWPC) Walk for Life is a great opportunity to help mothers and fathers in crisis pregnancy situations and other life challenges. This walk is designed to raise money and awareness to:

- Offer the option of life to women and men facing unplanned pregnancies.
- Support birth moms in group settings.
- Provide low-cost STI testing and lifestyle counseling to those with this need.
- Share the good news of Christ's love, forgiveness, and the hope of a bright future.
- Provide housing for homeless expectant mothers.

Supporting this cause can take many shapes:

1. Join Team St. Peters as a participant! Simply show up *\*Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>* and join our group for a nice morning walk. Get 5,000 steps in before lunchtime!
2. Join our team as a fundraiser: Create your own fundraising page and ask people to support you. (I can help you create your page)
3. Donate: Visit the AWPC fundraising table in the Narthex in March to donate.
4. Pray/Fast: Pray and/or fast for the success of this year's Walk for Life.

Please contact Kathy Ciarlariello at [KATHYCIAR@YAHOO.COM](mailto:KATHYCIAR@YAHOO.COM) for more information. Thank you, St. Peters!

*\*The Walk for Life happens the day before Palm Sunday, MARCH 23, 8:30AM at Northside Community Center, 8005 Oak Grove Road in Tallahassee.*

## 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

**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.

**HOLY WEEK PRAYER VIGIL** | Come, watch and pray with Christ for an hour or more at the Cathedral, which will be open throughout the night beginning after the Maundy Thursday Liturgy (7PM) and ending at the Morning Prayer Liturgy on Good Friday (9am). While sign-up is not required, please consider committing to an hour block, on the roster in the Narthex, to ensure coverage throughout the night. If sign-up for an hour is full, you are still welcome to come at that time.

## CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS

*Good Friday | 29 March | 10AM & 5:30PM* | We meet outside on the steps and families take turns going through the stations. There are visual and physical elements to interact and prayerfully meditate with. Your group will be able to determine how much, or little, you want to do based on the ages and stages of your group. With that being said, this event is approachable and accessible to all so please feel free to bring friends and neighbors.

## FAMILY MINISTRIES LAST SUPPER

*Maundy Thursday | 28 March | 5:30PM* | Families will partake in a Passover meal before the 7pm service. This is not a Jewish Seder meal, but a meal recreating what it was like at the Last Supper with Christ. Feet washing, scripture readings and discussions to connect how Christ is now our forever Passover meal with his sacrifice for us. Families will sign up to bring a food item to contribute to the meal. Please email [ASTEWART@STPETERSFL.COM](mailto:ASTEWART@STPETERSFL.COM) if you want to participate.

## 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.

## HOW DO I HELP MYSELF OR A LOVED ONE NEAR DEATH NAVIGATE MEDICAL NEEDS?

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*

Visit [CHARLESIMEONINSTITUTE.COM](http://CHARLESIMEONINSTITUTE.COM) or Scan the QR Code to learn more.



# 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 THE 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)

**Military:** Lucas Bell, Jose Betancourt, Lt. Col. David Chichetti, SSG Corey Daws, LCpl Sam Henri, 1st Lt. Carson Jax, Capt. Griffin Jax, Capt. Savannah B. Jax, Capt. Parker Jax, Capt. Chandler B. Jax, 1st Lt. Rebecca Jax, Col. Burt Newman, SSgt Corey Owen, Lt. Col. Daniel Dean, Maj. James Dilworth, Capt. John Easterbrook Jr, Airman Drew Edwards, Sgt. Michael Gaskins, Gabriel Melendez, Major Gen. John Richardson, Capt. Oliver Rushing, Spc. Andrew Sanderson, Lt. Cmdr. Chris Smith, Lt. Patrick Swain, Capt. Parry Thomas, Lt. Cmdr. Blake Van Brunt Jr, PFC Noah C. Bielling, MM2 Tommy VanLandingham, SN Benjamin Waddill, PFC John P. Warren, 2nd Lt Jack Ubben, Lt. Drew Stockstill, LTJG Emily Redmond

**Parishioners, Relatives, and Friends:** Patricia, Forrest Boone Sr., Maryann Jones, Pat Barnidge, Rob, Eva, Fred, The Kaiser Family, Marilyn & Steve Hammond, Will Valentine, Jane Janes, Carol, Patty, Marsha Hall, Bonnie, Vicki  
*as of 3.14.24*

**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

**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.**