



# Altar Society, Parish of the Visitation

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## August 2018 Newsletter

**Happy Birthday, Fr. Edwin!** – Our parish social this coming Sunday, hosted by the Hoelscher families, will recognize Fr. Edwin on his birthday. It's an opportunity to give him thanks for the inspiration, encouragement, and spiritual leadership he brings to our faith community. Join us in letting him know we appreciate his prayers for us, both individually and as a community; visits when we are ill; officiating at funerals and baptismal and wedding ceremonies; homilies that are enlightening and encouraging in our faithful journeys; counseling when we are troubled; and for bringing Christ himself into our lives at our daily Masses.

**Deanery Meeting** – Our next deanery meeting will be August 15<sup>th</sup> – a Holy Day of Obligation – in Copperas Cove. A carpool will leave from the church parking lot at 9:00. Please let one of the officers know if you plan to carpool and attend.

**Encountering Christ Campaign** – Members voted to contribute \$500 to the Bishop Joe Garcia's capital campaign. This amount will be attributed to our parish total and help us meet our goal.

**CEF Co-Chairpersons** – Two of our members, Marilyn Martin and Mary Jane Hubik, have volunteered to take charge of our CEF enrollments. Contact either of them for cards. We're hoping to have cards available in the religious articles case but this will only work if those who want to buy the cards will leave their payment and name for whom the enrollment is being made. Cards are also available during funeral meal preparation in the parish hall.

**Church Cleaning** – In each week's bulletin, church cleaners for the next two weeks are noted in the liturgical ministry schedule. The church cleaning list can also be found on our parish website ([www.churchofthevisitation.org](http://www.churchofthevisitation.org)) and clicking Schedules on the top menu bar. A list of cleaning tasks can be found in the broom closet. If any of the supplies are low, please contact Cindy Moeller at 254.721.1562.

**Church Cleaning Tip** - If the water level is low in the Holy Water Container, empty remaining water in sink in sacristy to right of altar, fill less than half full with fresh water, and leave a note in vesting sacristy in the back of church for Fr. Edwin to bless it.

### Picnic Update

- **T-Shirts** – We will have t-shirts with a bible verse for this year's picnic. If you have any design ideas, please call Mary Jane.
- **Altar Society Booth** – Cecilia Tana volunteered to chair our booth this year.

**Quilt Show Update** – Tables are available for rental. If you know of anyone interested in table space, please contact Pauline Hoelscher. Jane Meyer and Connie Petru will coordinate our casserole preparation efforts. The quilt show will be held November 18<sup>th</sup>.

### A Prayer for Inner Peace

*Dear Lord, Still my heart's stormy seas, quiet my mind's wild crowds. Be the silence between my sighs. Make me still so that I may be filled with your peace, amazed by your grace, and deeply aware of your presence in my life and in the world. Amen*

**Dates to Remember:**

8/7/2018	Fr. Edwin's Birthday
8/15/2018	Deanery Meeting, Copperas Cove
9/2/2018	Next Altar Society Meeting
10/14/2018	Annual Picnic & Homecoming