



DIOCESE OF ST. PETERSBURG
CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF FAITH



Oct. 27, 2018
10 am – 6 pm



Al Lopez Park, Tampa



Why A Family Faith Fest?

The Diocese of St. Petersburg was established on June 17, 1968 and this is our golden anniversary!

We are going to celebrate our many blessings!
We have much to be thankful for.

- ★ 81 parishes & missions
- ★ Five Counties: Citrus, Hernando, Pasco, Hillsborough & Pinellas
- ★ 118,904 registered Catholic households
- ★ 470,017 Catholic population
- ★ 3 campus ministries at local colleges
- ★ 27 elementary schools
- ★ 12 Early Learning Centers
- ★ 2 special needs schools
- ★ 7 high schools
- ★ 4 Catholic hospitals
- ★ 7 Health Care and Medical Centers
- ★ 10 Homes for the Chronically Ill
- ★ 67 Centers for Social Services/Assistances





LISTENING SESSIONS WITH BISHOP GREGORY PARKES



Bishop Parkes wants your feedback! Join him at one of the upcoming listening sessions scheduled around the Diocese to share your thoughts on the three questions below.

1. What are we doing well as a diocese?
2. What things could we improve upon as a diocese?
3. What things in ministry should we be focusing on as a local Church?

You may also provide feedback to these questions via an anonymous, online survey available at <http://www.dosp.org>.



DATES AND LOCATIONS

February 27, 2017
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
St. Stephen Parish,
Valrico

February 28, 2017
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
St. Lawrence Parish,
Tampa

March 6, 2017
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Espiritu Santo Parish,
Safety Harbor

March 14, 2017
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
St. Scholastica Parish,
Lecanto

March 20, 2017
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
St. Mark the Evangelist
Parish, Tampa



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Visioning The Way

Why October 27?

The Diocese of St. Peterburg has a patron saint that watches over us in a special way. St. Jude is our patron and his feast day is Oct. 28. In order to honor this saint and the role he has in guiding the lost to find hope in Jesus, our Family Faith Fest is on the weekend of his feast day!

St. Jude, Pray For Us!

Theme for Year:
Gratitude for the Past
Joy for the Present
Hope for the Future





Why Al Lopez Park?

Al Lopez Park is located on 132 acres of a natural preserve with plenty of trees, open green spaces, playgrounds, walking trails and two scenic ponds. It is **centrally located between the major metropolitan areas of the Diocese with easy access to major highways and bridges.**



The **Family Faith Fest** purpose is to gather together our **family of Catholics** from throughout our diocese and **all families** from our surrounding community **to celebrate** together the many blessings the Good Lord has bestowed upon us these past 50 years.



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Our Purpose

Our foundational purpose is to **share the love of Jesus Christ.**

We also seek to **promote unity and joy.**

We are committed to helping all people to feel **welcome.**





Our Purpose

We seek to **showcase** our Diocese and bring to light the ministries, people and values that guide our mission as Disciples of Christ.

The community gathered together will be **witnesses of the Joy of the Gospel to the entire community.**





Faith at the Fest

Eucharistic Adoration

Confessions

Vigil Outdoor Mass celebrated by Bishop
Parkes, 4pm

Praise and Worship Music and Testimony

Hands-On Activities for Children that teach
the Faith





Ministry Village at the Fest

Learn about Parish & Diocesan Ministries

- Faith Formation
- Youth & Young Adult Ministry
- Catholic Charities – Hope Cottage
- Society of St. Vincent DePaul
- Knights of Columbus
- Council of Catholic Women
- Girl Scouts & Boy Scouts
- Men’s and Women’s Conferences
- Twinning Parishes
- Life Ministries
- Ministries of Mercy
- Retreat Centers





Education Village at the Fest

Learn about Our Schools and Universities

Showcase of All Elementary, Middle and Early Learning Centers

Exhibits of Diocese of St. Petersburg High Schools, Catholic Student Center at USF, Bellarmine Hall and Saint Leo University

Student Ambassadors





Entertainment at the Fest

3-4 Nationally Known Christian Artists

Local Children's Choirs

Children's DJ Leading Games & Contests

Local Ethnic and Cultural Groups Perform





Kid's Kingdom

Faith & Art Opportunities

Displays of First Responder Vehicles with
“Appreciation Station” for expressing gratitude to
local heroes

Balloon Artists

Face Painters





Teen Zone

Inflatables

Corn Hole Toss

Sport Challenges

Photo Booth



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Market Village at the Fest

Religious Jewelry - Rosary Beads

Book Stores

Religious Art

Religious Clothing

Devotional Items





Baycare Health Village at the Fest

Health & Safety Exhibits & Information





Food Village at the Fest

Concessions for Sale – Variety of Foods and Non-Alcoholic Beverages

People can Bring their own Picnic and Non-Alcoholic Beverages



We have a **unique** opportunity
to **wake up the faith**
inside of people and
help this hidden faith to
see the light of day
so it can grow
AND to
showcase our faith
like it's never been
showcased before.



Let's invite families in our churches.
Let's invite families in our schools.
Let's invite families in our community.



Who will you invite?



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Media Sponsors-Community Outreach



Fest Ambassadors

As a Fest Ambassador, you will:

Share promotional materials with parishes and ministries in our diocese

Invite at least 20 people to attend the Fest and ask them to register online

Pray for the success of the Fest and that hearts will be moved to an encounter with Jesus Christ and each other.



Target Audience:

- All parishioners
- Members of apostolates, organizations & ministries
- Catholic school families
- Homeschooling families
- Parish youth and young adult groups
- Knights of Columbus, women's groups, MOMs groups, school parent organizations, religious education programs
- Christian contemporary music fans
- General public
- Families



Sponsorships

We hope to raise enough funds to pay for a majority or all of the costs.

Five levels of sponsorship:

Presenting Platinum Gold Silver Bronze

Sponsors enable us to make this a free event where all are welcome!



Volunteering

If you are interested in helping out as a volunteer, we welcome your kind and enthusiastic assistance!

Volunteer needs will be announced starting June 30.

Email t1p@dosp.org if you are interested and we will follow up with you after June 30.



Tickets

This event is free but we are asking people to register for tickets.

This will enable us to:

Communicate with people who are interested via email or texting with updates

Have a head count of attendees

Anticipate for parking and food quantities

All who registered will be entered to win great prizes!



Bus Pilgrimage

Arranging a bus pilgrimage for your parish, school or community would:

- Create enthusiasm for the event and build community among participants
- Give people with transportation challenges the ability to participate
- Give the participants a chance to experience this historic event as a group and deepen their understanding of the universal Church
- Cost is \$600-\$800 per bus. We currently have 9 buses on hold that can be reserved on a first come basis.



Outreach

We are collecting items to donate to the homeless, hungry and needy of our community.



Marketing Goals:

Attract attendance of **over 10,000 people** to the Family Faith Fest.

Keep the community **informed** about why they should participate, and how they can participate.

Make the delivery of information **easy** and enjoyable.

Text 50DOSP to 84576 to receive information via text or email.

Visit www.FamilyFaithFest.org to learn more.

Follow #dosp50 on social media.



Marketing Materials:

Posters

Flyers

Videos

Social Media Graphics

PSAs

Bulletin Ads

Website – www.FamilyFaithFest.org



Bulletin Ad Example

THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ST. PETERSBURG PRESENTS

FAMILY FAITH FEST

50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

SAVE THE DATE

OCTOBER 27, 2018



CONCERTS | EXHIBITS
FOOD | GAMES FOR CHILDREN
CONFESSION | EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

MASS WITH BISHOP PARKES

AL LOPEZ PARK, TAMPA

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Be Blessed at the Fest!

A Day at the
Park with
Bishop Parkes!

Bring the
Family!



Everyone
is Invited!

Be Part of
Something
Bigger!

A One-Of-A-Kind Experience for Families

BENEFITS:

- Concerts with some of today's best Christian musical artists
- Celebration of outdoor Mass with Bishop Gregory Parkes
- Games and activities for children
- Help a charity in need.
- Early Christmas shopping with Catholic vendors selling devotional items, spirit wear and musical gifts.



BENEFITS:

- Visit interesting exhibits to learn about faith community.
- Tour exhibits about the diocese, our parishes and schools.
- Ask questions about the Catholic faith and meet with a priest.
- Participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
- Join prayer warriors in praying for families, the future of the Church and the future of our community, country and world.
- Feel the love of your family – from all different backgrounds united in faith.

