

St. Pius V Catholic Church Mission Statement:

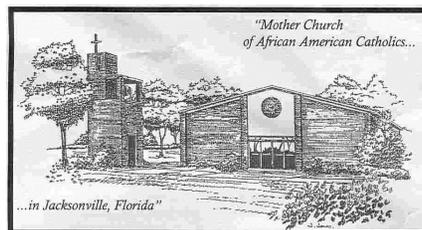
The Mission of St. Pius V Catholic Church family is to know, love and serve God and to share and build upon our rich Catholic African American legacy and culture. We proclaim Jesus as Lord through worship, service, education and social ministries.



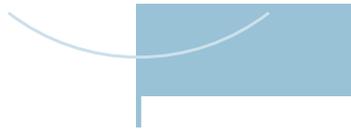
*“Lead me, guide me, along the way...
For if You lead me, I cannot stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with Thee...
Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.
I am weak and I need Thy strength and power,
To help me over my weakest hour.
Help me through the darkness Thy face to see—
Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.”*

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To “Know, Love and Serve the Lord” is a life-long mission...

...that begins with the family. The parent is the first “Sunday School Teacher”, and the Catechists of St. Pius V are here to serve as “Partners” in your child’s journey as he/she learns about the love of Jesus for each and every one of us.

Everyday we are faced with new challenges and obstacles designed to derail us and keep us from the love of God. The world is filled with constant change, but the love that God has for us never changes. So we can never “complete” our education when it concerns Christ. We must continue to learn if we are to continue to grow. That lesson is true of life and our Catholic Christian faith.



“They’ll Know We Are Christians By Our Love...”

...and that is the message that we deliver in our Catechism classes. It is not enough to simply attend Mass and Sunday School. How do we apply what we’ve learned? As we explore the Scriptures and teachings of Christ each week, we are tasked with living that message of love. The word “Catholic” means “All” and we are charged with being that Light of Christ to All we encounter. Our Catechism Instructors teach not only from approved Diocesan resource materials and literature but we help the youth to explore real life situations and examine current events to inspire their use of critical thinking skills and Biblical references to attain solutions to issues affecting them and their peers. “Lord, when did I see you hungry or naked?” “Whatever you do to the least of my brothers, that you do unto me.”

What Do We Do In Sunday School?

Safety is a primary concern of our Parish and the Diocese of St. Augustine. So rest assured, all of our Catechists have had background checks and fingerprinting. Early in the school year, we have a Touching Safety program that is administered by your child’s teacher. Classes are grouped according to age with activities and lessons that will teach and reinforce the tenets of our Catholic faith and beliefs.

Sunday School Classes begin at 9:00am and end at 10:15am, prior to Mass (which begins at 10:30am). Please come join us—we’re looking forward to learning about Jesus Christ and the Catholic Faith with you.

What Do We Do Outside of Sunday School?

Well, first of all, we aren’t your average Sunday School! Our Catechism classes are partnered with our St. Pius V Youth Ministry and we have one of the most active youth ministries in the Diocese of St. Augustine. Skits and plays are commonplace with our youth, who are usually very active in their respective schools and eagerly share their talents and skills with our faith community. During Lent, our youth are in charge of the final Stations of the Cross prior to Good Friday; we perform Easter programs for our Faith community and Christmas programs for the church and various facilities in the Jacksonville metropolitan area. St. Pius V Youth participate in various service projects throughout the city and at the church. Come visit us and see what we are all about! Feel free to contact me and I will gladly address any questions you may have. May God shower you and your family with His blessings, Grace and mercy.

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