## ST. PIUS V CATHOLIC CHURCH

"Mother Church of African American Catholics in Jacksonville, Florida" 2110 Blue Avenue Jacksonville, Florida 32209
Phone: (904) 354-1501 FAX: (904) 354-7240
Website: www.stpiusjax.org

First Sunday of Advent

December 2, 2018



### Mission Statement

The Mission of St. Pius V 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 and service, education and social ministries.

## Parish Ministries/Organizations

Administrator/Religious Ed.	Mrs. Regina Taylor-Murphy	629-1664	Knights of Peter Claver	Mr. Ricardo Stallings	625-1053
Adult/Family Ministry	Mrs. Endya Freeman	463-2392	<b>Ladies of Peter Claver</b>	Mrs. Claudine Pannell-Goodlett751-7060	
Altar Rosary Council	Mrs. Angela Myers	358-1866	Lectors/Commentators	Mrs. Tameiko Allen Grant	233-1455
Altar Servers	Mr. Athanase Jones	997-0508	Lawn/Landscaping	Mr. Alexander Hice	751-0956
	Mrs. Leah Mills	713-1968	Parish Nursing	Mrs. Tinye Dawkins	764-2248
Annulment Companion	Mrs. Shirley Mills	768-9155		Mrs. Ta'Kiesha Franklin	541-0263
<b>Bereavement Committee</b>	Mrs. Anethette Durham	751-6397	Pastoral Council	Ms. Joanne Thayer	765-3768
<b>Bruce Seldon Gym Project</b>	Mr. Alexander Hice	751-0956	Prayer Group	Mrs. Shirley Mills	768-9155
<b>Building Maintenance</b>	Vacant		RCIA	Sr. Elise Kennedy	509-7493
Choir - 5:00 PM Adult	Mr. Paul Witkowski	504-9952	Respect Life	Mrs. Gloria Mendez	707-9203
Choir -10:30 AM Adult	Mr. Roy Wilson	382-5183	<b>Sulzbacher Center Ministry</b>	Mr. Cyril Traeye	363-3915
Choir - Wee Folk	Mrs. Leah Mills	713-1968	Scouts - Boy	Mr. Martin Jackson	655-6151
Choir - Youth	Mrs. Leah Mills	713-1968	Scouts - Cub	Mrs. Mona Norris	924-1364
Counters	Mrs. Deirdre Clayton	463-6994	Sound System Engineer	Mr. Roy Wilson	382-5183
<b>Extra-Ordinary Ministers</b>	Mrs. Brenda Battle	765-9738	St. Bernadette Council	Mrs. Mitzi Ellis	230-2058
Finance Council	Dr. Mark Dawkins	557-4937	Stewardship Committee	Mrs. JoAnn Buggs	765-1223
ICARE	Ms. Joanne Thayer	765-3768	Ushers - Adult	Ms. Patricia Wilson	930-8386
Jr. Dgtrs. of Peter Claver	Mrs. Janice Hice	751-0956	Ushers - Junior	Mrs. Lisa Axelson	945-8881
Jr. Knights of Peter Claver	Mr. Ricardo Stallings	625-1053	Welcome and Outreach	Mrs. Anethette Durham	751-6397
<b>Knights of Columbus</b>	Mr. Alexander Hice	751-0956	Youth Ministry	Mrs. Mary Granger	768-8062

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Rev. Bernardine Eikhuemelo Pastor

#### **CHURCH OFFICE**

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 10 AM - 3 PM
Appointment with the Priest: Call the office
Business Manager: Mrs. Mitzi Ellis
Secretary: Ms. Selena Mendez
Bookkeeper: Mr. Cyril Traeye

#### **GUARDIAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

Phone: (904) 765-6522

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8 AM - 3 PM

Head of School: Sis. Dianne Rumschlag, SND

Principal: Sis. Cynthia Shaffer, SND

Principal: Therese Jackson

#### MASS SCHEDULE

 Wednesday:
 8:00 AM

 Thursday:
 8:00 AM

 Saturday:
 5:00 PM

 Sunday:
 10:30 AM

#### CONFESSION

Saturdays: 4:15-4:45PM or by appointment

**Baptism:** Parents who have registered for three months or more are required to attend Baptism preparation classes. Please call the Rectory office to schedule your class.

**Bulletin Announcements:** All items for the Church Bulletin are due to the Rectory Office by 2 PM, on Wednesday. Bulletin announcements must be brief and written by the submitting ministry or entity. Please email announcements to spvsecretary@outlook.com or drop them off at the Rectory Office Monday-Friday 10 AM - 3 PM.

**New Parishioners:** St. Pius V Catholic Church wishes you a warm welcome to our parish. Registration forms are on the religious articles display counter. You may bring or send your completed form to the Rectory or drop it in the collection during Mass. Thank you.





Dear Brothers and Sisters,

#### Stay Awake!!!

Today we begin a new liturgical year with the season of Advent. I know that for many it is already the Christmas season, well sort of, if you ask me. I am one for 'delaying' the joy and excitement of Christmas. I am not a big fan of Christmas music at this very early stage of preparation. But for many who do, I understand. Either way, we cannot bypass the season of prayerful anticipation and reflection that reminds us to stay awake and be ready.

Obviously, staying awake is not just a task for the season of Advent. Our readiness for the coming of the Savior is an ongoing disposition for anyone longing for God's eternal kingdom. Advent comes at the beginning of the liturgical year, I believe, to keep that goal always in front of us and to help us recognize moments of His coming.

As the *Catechism* reminds us, "In Jesus 'the Kingdom of God is at hand.' He calls his hearers to conversion and faith, but also to *watchfulness*. In prayer the disciple keeps watch, attentive to Him Who Is and Him Who Comes, in memory of his first coming in the lowliness of the flesh, and in the hope of his second coming in glory. In communion with their Master, the disciples' prayer is a battle; only by keeping watch in prayer can one avoid falling into temptation. (*CCC*, 2612)

"Though already present in his Church, Christ's reign is nevertheless yet to be fulfilled 'with power and great glory' by the King's return to earth. This reign is still under attack by the evil powers, even though they have been defeated definitively by Christ's Passover. Until everything is subject to him, 'until there be realized new heavens and a new earth in which justice dwells, the pilgrim Church, in her sacraments and institutions, which belong to this present age, carries the mark of this world which will pass, and she herself takes her place among the creatures which groan and travail yet and await the revelation of the sons of God.' That is why Christians pray, above all in the Eucharist, to hasten Christ's return by saying to him: *Marana tha!* 'Our Lord, come!' (*CCC*, 671)

"Since the Ascension Christ's coming in glory has been imminent, even though 'it is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has fixed by his own authority." This eschatological coming could be accomplished at any moment, even if both it and the final trial that will precede it are 'delayed'." (CCC, 673)

May this season of Advent be a time of renewed commitment to God, as we begin the "Year of Grace"

Have a blessed week everyone!

Fr. Bernardine





5:00 PM + Father Denis O'Regan December 1st

December 2nd 10:30 AM + Father Denis O'Regan

December 5th 8:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Pius V,

Crucifixion and Holy Rosary

Parishes

+ Father Denis O'Regan December 6th 9:00 AM

If you are interested in having someone remembered in a mass intention, please contact the Church Office at 354-1501. The suggested mass stipend is \$10 or more.

#### MASS ATTENDANCE

Thursday, November 22, 2018 41 Saturday, November 24, 2018 30 Sunday, November 25, 2018 80

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

November 22nd/24th/25th

Offertory \$3,165.02.00

Lord, we are grateful for ALL you have given us!



#### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK OR HOMEBOUND



Sylvester Bossard, Barbara Delgado, Aja Fisher, Robert Furlough, Theresa Gray, Will Grissett, Mildred Hunter, Maudella Hymes, Willie Johnson, Gwendolyn Lockett, Proyers Mariano Mendez, Glen Mills, Carmina Ortagus, Michel Pettis, Benjamin Powell, Marguerite Seldon, Sue Snider, Healing Carolyn Thompson, Robert Trotter and Nathan Walker.

Please contact Fr. Bernardine at 354-1501 if a loved one is in a hospital or nursing home. Medical Emergency Only call (516) 557-8769.

#### STEWARDSHIP AWARENESS SUNDAY

"But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." LUKE 21:28

We celebrate Advent each year in preparation of the birth of Jesus, His first coming, as we await his second coming. In this Advent season, use the sacrament of Reconciliation to strengthen your relationship with Jesus. It's never too late.

#### WORD OF LIFE

"Every life is a good and perfect gift. Many know this on an intellectual level, but those who love someone with a disability see it in their loved one's face in a particular way. Our love for our children has nothing to do with their abilities. We love them simply because of who they are, and understanding this teaches us how to truly love everyone."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities A Perfect Gift,"

#### **ATTENTION**

The Diocese of Saint Augustine treats all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deals with the allegations in a prompt, confidential and thorough manner.

#### To Report Abuse Call:

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator 1-800-775-4659, ext. 129 or Department of Children and Families 1-800-96Abuse, 1-800-962-2873

#### Announcements

#### **CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE**

Below is the update for Renew All Things in Christ, captured through November 28, 2018.



Challenge Goal: \$400,000 Minimum Goal: \$350,000 Amount Pledged: \$415,735.56 Amount Paid: \$37,429.34 Balance Due: \$378,306.22

#### HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, is the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Con**ception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Mass times are as follows:

Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 PM, at Holy Rosary Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 AM, at Crucifixion Saturday, December 8, at 7.00 (Am), at 2.00 (This, and 2.00). The 5:00 PM Saturday Vigil for Sunday will occur as This day is holy.



#### TRI-PARISH ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE



The Advent Penance Service will be held on Tuesday, December 18, 6:30 PM, at Holy Rosary Catholic

#### JINGLE AND MINGLE

The St. Bernadette Council invites all members of St. Pius V Catholic Church to an afternoon of good food and to mix and mingle. The Jingle and Mingle will take place in the hall immediately after Mass on Sunday, December 9th.



#### YOUTH MINISTRY CHRISTMAS BALL



The Youth Ministry invites grades 2nd grade to High School to attend their Christmas Ball and "Dress to Impress." This event will take place on Saturday, December 15th, from 6-9 PM, in the

church hall. Please bring a \$10.00 gift to participate in the gift exchange. There will be food, music, dancing and games. Security will be provided.

#### CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT WORKING ON THE MARGINS

Thank you for your generous support last week to the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! As a parish, we raised money to support those on the margins who are living in poverty in the United States. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections, and click on "How to Give" on the left.

#### DID YOU KNOW OUR FAITH?

The Church, when it celebrates the Season of Advent each year, makes present the ancient expectancy of the Messiah foreshadowed throughout Scripture. writings about John the Baptist and his conversion and



martyrdom give us a renewed desire for the second coming of Christ. His inspirational words, "He must increase, but I must decrease" (Jn 3:30) should be our focus during this Season of Advent. (CCC#523-524)







#### Parish Events

Monday, December 3rd Nothing scheduled

**Tuesday, December 4th** 

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

Wednesday, December 5th

8:00 AM Mass, Church

Thursday, December 6th

8:00 AM Mass, Church

**6:00 PM** Eucharistic Adoration, Church

Friday, December 7th

**Vigil of the Immaculate Conception** 

9:00 AM School Mass at Holy Rosary6:00 PM Tri-Parish Mass at Holy Rosary

Saturday, December 8th

**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception** 

**9:00 AM** Tri-Parish Mass at Crucifixion

**4:15 PM** Confession, Church **5:00 PM** Vigil Mass, Church

Sunday, December 9th

8:30 AM Mass at Crucifixion
9:00 AM CCD / Sunday School
10:00 AM Rosary Recited, Church
Mass at Holy Rosary

10:30 AM Mass, Church

12:00 PM Jingle & Mingle, Hall

MINISTRY SCHEDULE: December 8th/9th					
Mass	5:00 PM	10:30 AM			
Altar Servers	Jameson Grant	CJ Tremble Brandon Tremble			
Lector	Troy Lynn Payne- Thomas	Yvette Stallings Tameiko Allen Grant			
Commentator	Regina Taylor- Murphy	Rick Stallings			
Extra-Ordinary Ministers	Brenda Battle Janice Hice	Leanie Payne Mary Granger Gloria Herring			
Ushers		Robert Bryant Regina Bryant			
Counters		Norris Reid Elizabeth Brown Henry Sanders			

WEEKLY MASS READING				
Monday	Saint Francis Xavier, Priest Is 2:1-5; Mt 8:5-11			
Tuesday	Saint John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24			
Wednesday	Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15:29-37			
Thursday	Saint Nicholas, Bishop Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27			
Friday	Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31			
Saturday	THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Gn 3:9-15, 20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38			
Sunday	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT Bar 5:1-9; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6			

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