

# ST. PIUS V CATHOLIC CHURCH

"Mother Church of African American Catholics in Jacksonville, Florida"

2110 Blue Avenue Jacksonville, Florida 32209

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Website: www.stpiusjax.org

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 8, 2019



## 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

<b>Administrator/Religious Ed.</b>	Ms. Regina Taylor-Murphy	629-1664	<b>Knights of Peter Claver</b>	Mr. Athanase Jones	997-0508
<b>Adult/Family Ministry</b>	Mrs. Endya Freeman	463-2392	<b>Ladies of Peter Claver</b>	Mrs. Claudine Pannell-Goodlett	751-7060
<b>Altar Rosary Council</b>	Mrs. Angela Myers	358-1866	<b>Lectors/Commentators</b>	Mrs. Tameiko Allen Grant	233-1455
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Mr. Athanase Jones	997-0508	<b>Lawn/Landscaping</b>	Ms. Selena Mendez	450-2899
	Mrs. Leah Mills	713-1968	<b>Parish Nursing</b>	Mrs. Tinye Dawkins	764-2248
<b>Annulment Companion</b>	Mrs. Shirley Mills	768-9155		Mrs. Ta'Kiesha Franklin	541-0263
<b>Bereavement Committee</b>	Mrs. Anethette Durham	751-6397	<b>Pastoral Council</b>	Ms. Joanne Thayer	765-3768
<b>Bruce Seldon Gym Project</b>	Mr. Alexander Hice	751-0956	<b>Prayer Group</b>	Mrs. Shirley Mills	768-9155
<b>Building Maintenance</b>	Mr. Nezzar Battle	235-9313	<b>RCIA</b>	Sr. Elise Kennedy	509-7493
<b>Choir - 5:00 PM Adult</b>	Mr. Paul Witkowski	504-9952	<b>Respect Life</b>	Mrs. Gloria Mendez	707-9203
<b>Choir - 10:30 AM Adult</b>	Mr. Roy Wilson	382-5183	<b>Sulzbacher Center Ministry</b>	Mr. Cyril Traeye	363-3915
<b>Choir - Wee Folk</b>	Mrs. Leah Mills	713-1968	<b>Scouts - Boy</b>	Mr. Martin Jackson	655-6151
<b>Choir - Youth</b>	Mrs. Leah Mills	713-1968	<b>Scouts - Cub</b>	Mrs. Mona Norris	924-1364
<b>Counters</b>	Mrs. Deirdre Clayton	463-6994	<b>Sound System Engineer</b>	Mr. Roy Wilson	382-5183
<b>Extra-Ordinary Ministers</b>	Mrs. Brenda Battle	765-9738	<b>St. Bernadette Council</b>	Mrs. Mitzi Ellis	230-2058
<b>Finance Council</b>	Dr. Mark Dawkins	557-4937	<b>Stewardship Committee</b>	Mrs. JoAnn Buggs	765-1223
<b>ICARE</b>	Ms. Joanne Thayer	765-3768	<b>Ushers - Adult</b>	Ms. Patricia Wilson	930-8386
<b>Jr. Dgtrs. of Peter Claver</b>	Mrs. Janice Hice	751-0956	<b>Ushers - Junior</b>	Mrs. Lisa Axelson	945-8881
<b>Jr. Knights of Peter Claver</b>	Mr. Ricardo Stallings	625-1053	<b>Welcome and Outreach</b>	Mrs. Anethette Durham	751-6397
<b>Knights of Columbus</b>	Mr. Alexander Hice	751-0956	<b>Youth Ministry</b>	Mrs. Mary Granger	768-8062

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Rev. Bernardine Eikhuemelo  
Pastor

### CHURCH OFFICE

**Phone:** (904) 354-1501 / **FAX:** (904) 354-7240

**Office Hours:** Monday-Friday 10 AM - 3 PM

**Appointment with the Priest:** Call the office

**Business Manager:** Ms. Karen Kincade

**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: 4:30 PM 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](mailto: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,

### Priority and Letting Go

The strong language Jesus uses in today's gospel is one that can make for very uncomfortable reading. However, experience shows that, for earthly and human glory, we actually do exactly what he demands. When sports men and women go into camp to prepare for a tournament for weeks and months, that is exactly what often happens. St. Paul references such undertakings in 1 Corinthians 9:25. For the eternal destination, it cannot be different.

The *Catechism* reminds us: "Christ is the center of all Christian life. The bond with him takes precedence over all other bonds, familial or social. From the very beginning of the Church there have been men and women who have renounced the great good of marriage to follow the Lamb wherever he goes, to be intent on the things of the Lord, to seek to please him, and to go out to meet the Bridegroom who is coming. Christ himself has invited certain persons to follow him in this way of life, of which he remains the model: 'For there are eunuchs who have been so from birth, and there are eunuchs who have been made eunuchs by men, and there are eunuchs who have made themselves eunuchs for the sake of the kingdom of heaven. He who is able to receive this, let him receive it.' (CCC, 1618)

"Jesus enjoins his disciples to prefer him to everything and everyone, and bids them 'renounce all that [they have]' for his sake and that of the Gospel. Shortly before his passion he gave them the example of the poor widow of Jerusalem who, out of her poverty, gave all that she had to live on. The precept of detachment from riches is obligatory for entrance into the Kingdom of heaven." (CCC, 2544)

In the same context of preferring him to all others, Jesus not surprisingly talks also about the cross. Without the cross in any number of shapes and variety, there really is no enduring relationship with Jesus. Without the cross, we find ourselves in the realm of "cheap grace". According to Bonhoeffer, "cheap grace is the preaching of forgiveness without requiring repentance, baptism without church discipline. Communion without confession. Cheap grace is grace without discipleship, grace without the cross, grace without Jesus Christ."

Yes, salvation is ultimately free, but Jesus invites his followers, us, to bear our own crosses. That is how we prioritize our relationship with him over all others.

### Hurricane Dorian

And speaking about crosses, most in the Bahamas will be dealing with them for months to come. We will be playing our part in assisting them to do so in a matter of weeks, and not only in prayers. So let us all keep this in mind and be appreciative of how fortunate we made out in Florida during the hurricane.

Have a blessed week everyone!

Fr. Bernardine

**MASS INTENTIONS**

- September 7th 5:00 PM** + Deceased Sisters of St. Joseph (SSJ Formation Community)
- September 8th 10:30 AM** + Father Denis O'Regan
- September 11th 8:00 AM** The Parishioners of St. Pius V, Crucifixion and Holy Rosary Parishes
- September 12th 8:00 AM** + Father Denis O'Regan

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**

Saturday, August 31, 2019 28  
 Sunday, September 1, 2019 83

**STEWARDSHIP**

August 31/September 1st  
**Offertory \$3,666.24**



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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK OR HOMEBOUND**



Sylvester Bossard, Aja Fisher, Robert Furlough, Lovie Gardner, Leonard Goggins, Will Grissett, Brenda Harris, Mildred Hunter, Maudella Hymes, Gwendolyn Lockett, Mariano Mendez, Glen Mills, Carmina Ortagus, Michel Pettis, Norris Reid, Marguerite Seldon, Ella Simmons-Sonya Sprott, 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**

*"Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." (Luke 14:33)*

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His Disciples.

**WORD OF LIFE**

"By our baptism, we are members of Christ's body and sharers in his mission. Imitating Christ, we must care for all members of our communities, honoring each person as unique, sacred, and created in the image of God. USCCB, "Open Wide Our Hearts" Bulletin Insert

**DO YOU KNOW OUR FAITH?**

The First Commandment gives us hope...we hope that God will give us the capability to love him in return and to act in accordance with the commandments. The first commandment is concerned with sins against hope, namely despair and presumption. Despair is easily defined, lack of hope. Presumption is the act of a person thinking that he can save himself through his or her own actions or will. (CCC#2090-2092)



**Announcements**

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE**

Below is the update for *Renew All Things in Christ*, captured through September 1, 2019.



Challenge Goal: \$400,000.00  
 Minimum Goal: \$350,000.00  
 Amount Pledged: \$437,744.56  
 Amount Paid: \$124,695.17  
**Balance Due: \$313,049.39**

**CANDLE COST INCREASE**

Our candle vendor, The Shrine of Our Lady of La Leche, has increased the cost of the candles. Our price per box of candles is increasing to \$40.00 and an individual candle in the church stand is \$4.00.

**CHURCHYARD CLEAN UP**

Please mark your calendars and make plans to come help tidy up the parish grounds for the Season of Creation. The cleanup will take place on Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 8:00 AM. Please bring your own gloves. Refreshments will be provided.



**33rd ANNUAL STATE RESPECT LIFE CONFERENCE**

The Diocese of St. Augustine invites you to attend the 2019 State-wide Florida Respect Life Conference "*In the Heart of Our Mother*" in the lovely St. Augustine, FL. October 11-12. The conference begins at the Shrine of Our Lady of La Leche at Mission Nombre de Dios and continues at St. Anastasia Catholic Church, St. Augustine. For further information call 262-3200 ext. 159; please see brochures on the religious display counter.

**REBUILDING SEMINAR**

"*Rebuilding When Your Relationship Ends*," is a 10-week program beneficial to the healing process for those adjusting to the end of a love relationship through separation, divorce, abandonment, or even death.

Classes are held on Thursday evenings, 7-9pm, at Holy Family Parish Life Center, 9800 Baymeadows Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32256, September 12, 2019 through November 14, 2019. Cost is \$60.00/ includes materials. For more information contact family.dosafl.com or call the Office of Family Life, (904) 262-3200, x289.

**2019 NATIONAL BLACK CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE**

The **2019 National Black Catholic Men's Conference** will take place October 10-13, 2019, in Los Angeles, CA. The theme of this year's conference is "*Man Up*" **Taking our Rightful Place**. Register at [www.bowmanfrancismistry.com](http://www.bowmanfrancismistry.com). The cost is \$150.00 for Adults, \$75.00 for College Students, and \$65.00 for Youth ages 10-17. For more information, please see brochures on the religious display counter.

*"I have come so that you may have life, and have it abundantly"*  
 John 10:10

**BASA SUMMARY REPORT UPDATE**

Below is the update for the parish on the 2019 Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal, captured through September 1, 2019.



2019 Goal: 86 Donors  
 Current Donors: 61  
 Percent of Family Participation: 31.77%  
 Amount Pledged: \$17,473.00  
 Amount Paid: \$12,880.00  
**Balance Due: \$4,593.00**



... carry the  
**CROSS**  
 and follow me ...

Luke 14:27. NRSV

**Weekend  
 Worship  
 SCHEDULE**  
**Parish Events**

**Monday, September 9th**

Nothing Scheduled

**Tuesday, September 10th**

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

**Wednesday, September 11th**

8:00 AM Mass, Church

**Thursday, September 12th**

8:00 AM Mass, Church

**Friday, September 13th**

9:00 AM School Mass, at Holy Rosary

**Saturday, September 14th**

4:30 PM Confession, Church

5:00 PM Vigil Mass, Church

**Sunday, September 15th**

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



**ENVIRONMENTAL**  
 STEWARDSHIP

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE: September 14th/15th**

Mass	5:00PM	10:30 AM
Altar Servers	Regina Taylor-Murphy	Steele Perry CJ Tremble Brandon Tremble
Lector	Loretta Breaker	Danese Tremble Loretta Breaker
Commentator	Mitzi Ellis	Lisa Axelson
Extra-Ordinary Ministers	Sister Rea Janice Hice	Veronica Taylor TBD Brenda Battle
Ushers		Jordan Axelson Kalen Axelson Victoria Aybar
Counters		Wayne Ford Troy Payne Thomas

**WEEKLY MASS READING**

<b>Monday</b>	St. Peter Claver, Priest Col 1:24-2:3; Lk 6:6-11
<b>Tuesday</b>	Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19
<b>Wednesday</b>	Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26
<b>Thursday</b>	The Most Holy Name of Mary Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38
<b>Friday</b>	Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Lk 6:39-42
<b>Saturday</b>	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
<b>Sunday</b>	TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; 1 Tm 1:12-17 Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10