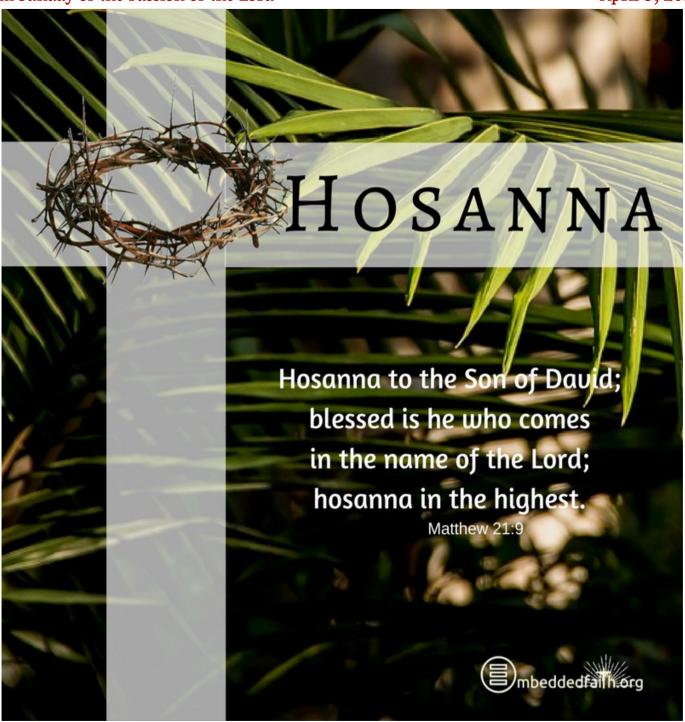
# ST. PIUS V CATHOLIC CHURCH

"Mother Church of African American Catholics in Jacksonville, Florida"
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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

April 5, 2020



## 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.

Please remember St. Pius V Catholic Church in your will and final estate.

Welcome to St. Pius V Catholic Church, the Mother Church of African American Catholics in Jacksonville, Florida. Founded in 1921, our parish continues to proclaim the word of Jesus Christ for which it was founded in the spirit of love and in the spirit of giving. We are proud of our heritage! Journey with Jesus through Holy Week.

#### ST. PIUS V CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Bernardine Eikhuemelo Pastor

## **Today's Readings**

Mt 21:1-11; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11 Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54

## **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

## MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday: 8:00 AM Thursday: 8:00 AM Sunday: 10:30 AM

## **CONFESSION**

Saturdays: by appointment

SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2020



**Offertory \$985.00** 

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

**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 10 AM, on Tuesday. Bulletin announcements must be brief and written by the submitting ministry or entity. Please email announcements to: spysecretary@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 dur-





Dear Sisters and Brothers,

## The Corona Virus and Parish Life 3 – Holy Week

When the first set of directives came out a few weeks ago, they were initially to be in force till March 31<sup>st</sup>, which quickly changed to 'until further notice'. Many of us must have thought that, whatever happens we would be in a position to at the very least celebrate Easter together as a faith-community. But as we now know, that is not going to happen.

Never in a million years would I have thought that, what we about to experience could ever happen. In our tri-parish, by now I would have already scheduled other priests to assist with the liturgies of Holy Week; we would have arranged various liturgical functions for the Easter Vigil; get busy with planning for Easter decorations, and other such usual activities for this time of year. While all of these will not take place, we are still going to have Holy Week and celebrate our faith in the resurrection of Christ.

As I have said previously, while we are socially distancing on account of CV19, we are not going to be distant from our faith. The question then is – how do we 'actively' participate in the liturgies of this week without a gathering of the community? How do we as much as possible get into the spirit of the various celebrations this holy week? In a word, how do we make it holy for ourselves and families.

Let's remember again the idea of the family as 'a domestic church'. This moment we are in provides an opportunity to also see our homes as worship spaces in a new way. This may require some mental shift and a reminder that, 'For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.' (Matt.18:20) It is also an opportunity to add a few more items to our home décor of religious significance.

Sister Elise Kennedy shared with me an article a couple of days ago that addresses some of the questions raised earlier. The following are insights from that article and some of my own ideas arising from them. The overall goal of the following is for us to be engaged at the same time in prayer and reflection as the celebrations are going on and we are following online.

First some general tips: Either as a family or individuals, you want to designate an area in the home – say the living room, for instance – and set up your device to view the celebration. Have some religious symbol nearby – a crucifix, other holy images, etc. Have candles ready to be lit. Holy water too if available and the Bible.

As celebrations go on, gathered together as families, we want to engage in the usual gestures at mass or other liturgies – the sign of the cross, kneeling, standing, etc.

This is the schedule for the Easter Triduum: Mass of the Lord's Supper, Thursday April 9<sup>th</sup>, 7pm; Good Friday – Stations of the Cross, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 12 noon; Celebration of the Lord's Passion, 7pm. Easter Vigil, Saturday April 11<sup>th</sup>, 8.30pm.

If all goes well, for these celebrations, we are going to have participants from our three parishes. Thank God for the technology that makes this possible. I know last Sunday was disappointing, but this week will be better by God's grace.

I miss you all. Stay safe and have a blessed week!

Fr. Bernardine



ing Mass. Thank you.



April 5th 10:30 AM + Jerome "Jerry" Watts Sr.

(Selena Mendez)

April 8th 8:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Pius V, Crucifixion and Holy Rosary

Parishes

+ Father Denis O'Regan April 9th 8:00 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.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK OR HOMEBOUND



Thomasena Bell, Willie Bell, Sylvester Bossard, Aja Fisher, Richie Fluker, Lovie Gardner, Leonard Goggins, Will Grissett, Brenda Harris, Mildred Hunter, Maudella Hymes, Gwendolyn Lockett, Glen Mills, Casslena Mobley, Regina Taylor-Murphy, Michel Pettis, Sonya Sprott, Carolyn Thompson, Robert Trotter, Mary Walker, 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

"As they were marching out, they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; this man they pressed into service to carry his cross." (Matthew 27:32)

The Lord calls us to love God and to love our neighbor. Every day we are presented with opportunities to love our neighbor and help him "carry his cross." These opportunities aren't usually big events, they are usually ordinary occurrences like helping someone carry their groceries or holding the door open for them. The key is putting the other person's needs before our own and not expecting anything in return.

#### WORD OF LIFE

"Like us, Christ entered the world through the womb of a woman. He willingly experienced the fullness of human suffering. He breathed his last on the Cross at Calvary in order that He might save us. Therefore, 'God is the foundation of hope: not any god, but the God who has a human face and who has loved us to the end' (Spe salvi 31)."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

2019-2020 Respect Life Reflection (Citing Pope Benedict XVI, Spe salvi © 2007, Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.)

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

The heart is the very center of our being as human persons. All good and evil that we do flows out of our heart. Christ calls us to be pure in heart. Pure in heart means that our intellects and wills are attuned to the demands of God's holiness in charity, chastity, and love of truth. (CCC #2518)



## SAFE HAVEN SUNDAY

A Big Thank You to Everyone Who Helped Make Safe Haven Sunday a Success! Special thanks to everyone who helped make Safe Haven Sunday possible!

Thank you also to the parish community for your openness to the topic of pornography awareness and internet safety. Safe Haven Sunday provided us with the opportunity to give focused time and resources to address the harmfulness of pornography and other online threats to marriage and family life.

Even though Safe Haven Sunday is over for this year, our efforts to support you in making your homes safe havens will continue. We invite you to stay informed at family.dosafl.com, and learn more about how to protect and guide your family in the internet age.

## Announcements **CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE**

Below is the update for Renew All Things in Christ, captured through March 29, 2020.



Challenge Goal: \$400,000.00 Minimum Goal: \$350,000.00 Amount Pledged: \$449,370.56 Amount Paid: \$174,751.44 Balance Due: \$274,619.12

## **STAY CONNECTED**

Stay connected by visiting St. Pius V Facebook page for Sunday Mass streaming live at 10:30AM or on YouTube. Please visit the church website or myPar- AVAILABLE, ish App to stay informed about our parish. Also, don't forget to mail in, drop off, or pay online your weekly tithes, offerings and contributions.



Thank you in advance for your continuing support!

#### **RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED**



Due to the governor's mandate for non essential businesses, the rectory office will be closed until CHURCH OFFICE Thursday, April 30th.

## DECREE OF THE APOSTOLIC PENITENTIARY on the granting of special Indulgences to the faithful in the

current pandemic The bishop's video related to the plenary indulgence is availa-

- ble here: https://youtu.be/JbfH Y8 wVg
- The **bishop's letter** on the Plenary Indulgence: https:// www.dosafl.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/ PlenaryIndulgencePopeFrancis.pdf
- A Summary of this Plenary Indulgence can also be found here: https://www.dosafl.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/ Plenary-Indulgences Summary 20200322.pdf
- The **Decree of the Apostolic Penitentiary** is also here: http:// press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/ pubblico/2020/03/20/200320c.pdf

All of these are available via the DOSA website at: https:// www.dosafl.com/

## DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX SURVEY

The Disciple Maker Index Survey is now underway and we need your help! Please help us participate by completing a 10-15 minute survey as soon as possible.

- Go to www.disciplemakerindex.com
- You can also complete the paper survey. Please mail in or drop off the survey to the rectory office.

The survey will only be available through April 20<sup>th</sup>. We are trying to get the highest response rate possible.

Thank you for helping with this important project!

## DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME

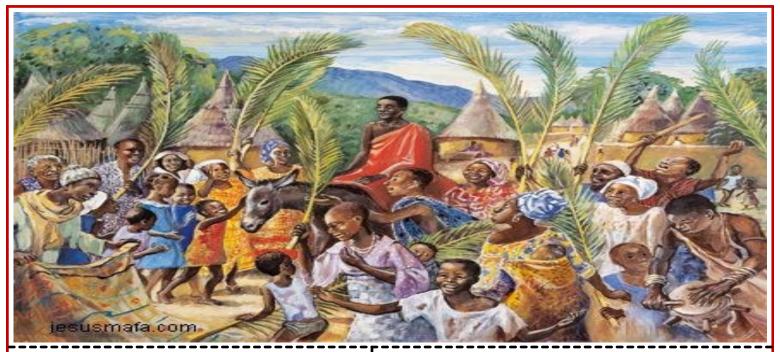
As we enter Holy Week, we celebrate the gift of the Eucharist as our heavenly food. We continue to reflect on the challenge of global hunger. How does our faith inspire us to share the gifts that God has bestowed on us? Visit **crsricebowl.org** for more.

## **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 or 1-800-962-2873





## **PARISH EVENTS**

Services are only available online

Thursday, April 9th Holy Thursday

7:00 PM

Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday, April, 10th

Good Friday 12:00 PM

12:00 PM

7:00 PM

Stations of the Cross

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Saturday, April, 11th

**Holy Saturday** 

8:30 PM

Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday, April, 12th Resurrection Sunday

10:30 AM

Easter Mass





## PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

for the World during the Coronavirus Outbreak.

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our tribulation.

Through that charity which bound you to the immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence;
O our most mighty protector, be propitious to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness; and, as once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's children from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection.

Amen.

(Excerpted from the *Enchiridion of Indulgences*, 1969)

NBCC Website