# St. Pius V Catholic Church

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

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Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 20, 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! Stay safe during COVID-19!

#### ST. PIUS V CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Bernardine Eikhuemelo Pastor

**Today's Readings** 

Is 55:6-9; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

#### **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/Editor: Ms. Selena Mendez
Bookkeeper: Mr. Cyril Traeye

#### MASS SCHEDULE

**Wednesday:** 8:00 AM **Thursday:** 8:00 AM

#### **CONFESSION**

Saturdays: by appointment



Sunday, September 13, 2020 Offertory \$1,834.00 Sunday, September 6, 2020 Offertory \$2,162.00

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. If you are transferring from another parish, please fill out a registration form located on the religious articles display counter.

Are you interested in the Catholic Faith? Do you want to learn more about our church teachings? Contact Sister Elise at (904) 509-7493.





Dear Sisters and Brothers,

#### Kingdom Justice!!!

Clearly, Jesus' parable in today's gospel is not about how to reward or pay for labor. If you are a business owner or employer and dare to treat workers as presented in the story, you would be in court before the laborers deposit their checks. Justice is a serious matter, and it is a virtue every Christian must endeavor to practice.

According to the *Catechism*, "*Justice* is the moral virtue that consists in the constant and firm will to give their due to God and neighbor. Justice toward God is called the 'virtue of religion.' Justice toward men disposes one to respect the rights of each and to establish in human relationships the harmony that promotes equity with regard to persons and to the common good. The just man, often mentioned in the Sacred Scriptures, is distinguished by habitual right thinking and the uprightness of his conduct toward his neighbor. 'You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor.' 'Masters, treat your slaves justly and fairly, knowing that you also have a Master in heaven.'" (*CCC*, 1807)

The text also goes on, and we may read this in light of the gospel: "Promises must be kept, and contracts strictly observed to the extent that the commitments made in them are morally just. A significant part of economic and social life depends on the honoring of contracts between physical or moral persons – commercial contracts of purchase or sale, rental or labor contracts. All contracts must be agreed to and executed in good faith. (CCC, 2410)

"Contracts are subject to *commutative justice* which regulates exchanges between persons and between institutions in accordance with a strict respect for their rights. Commutative justice obliges strictly; it requires safeguarding property rights, paying debts, and fulfilling obligations freely contracted. Without commutative justice, no other form of justice is possible. One distinguishes *commutative* justice from *legal* justice which concerns what the citizen owes in fairness to the community, and from *distributive* justice which regulates what the community owes its citizens in proportion to their contributions and needs. (CCC, 2411)

And finally, "In economic matters, respect for human dignity requires the practice of the virtue of *temperance*, so as to moderate attachment to this world's goods; the practice of the virtue of *justice*, to preserve our neighbor's rights and render him what is his due; and the practice of *solidarity*, in accordance with the golden rule and in keeping with the generosity of the Lord, who 'though he was rich, yet for your sake became poor so that by his poverty, you might become rich."" (*CCC*, 2407)

The key to today's gospel is the generosity of the landowner, a reflection of God's generous invitation to his eternal kingdom extended to everyone.

Have a blessed week everyone!

Fr. Bernardine





September 23rd 8:00 AM September 24th 8:00 AM + Father Denis O'Regan

Parishioners of St. Pius V, Crucifixion and Holy Rosary

Parishes

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, Aja Fisher, Lovie Gardner, Leonard Goggins, Will Grissett, Brenda Harris, Mildred Hunter, Maudella Hymes, Gwendolyn Lockett, Glen Mills, Casslena Mobley, Michel Pettis, Sonya Sprott, Carolyn Thompson, Robert Trotter, Nathan Walker.

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

#### STEWARDSHIP AWARENESS SUNDAY

"So the last will be first and the first last." (Matthew 20:16)

You've heard the saying "It's not where you start, but how you finish." This certainly applies to this Bible passage. We have a responsibility not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. We are called to generously share our gifts with others, not hoard them for our own use. Our sincere gratitude and cheerful generosity will help us live "God-centered" lives and not "self-centered" lives.

#### **WORD OF LIFE**

"Throughout salvation history, God has welcomed repentant sinners with special joy. Jesus concludes the parable of the lost sheep with these words: 'there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance' (Lk 15:7)\*."

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USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
"Life Matters: Forgiveness and Healing After Abortion"

#### DID YOU KNOW?

Jesus's insistence on our conversion of hearts reveals how significant it is for us to be reconciled to our brothers before presenting our offerings and prayers to the Father. This reconciliation, along with prayerful forgiveness, purity of heart and the seeking of Kingdom are all constitutive of an act of filial conversion directed to the Father. (CCC #2608)

#### **ATTENTION**

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

#### To Report Abuse, Call:

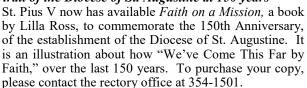
The police or the Department of Children and Families at (800) 962-2873. Or call the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (904) 208-6979 or email <u>inquiries@dosafl.com</u>.

To report abuse by a bishop, call:

(800) 276-1562 or visit www.reportbishopabuse.org.

#### **FAITH ON A MISSION**

A portrait of the Diocese of St. Augustine at 150 years



#### Announcements

#### **CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE**

Below is the update for *Renew All Things in Christ*, captured through September 13, 2020.



Challenge Goal: \$400,000.00 Minimum Goal: \$350,000.00 Amount Pledged: \$449,370.56 Amount Paid: \$204,352.64 Balance Due: \$245,017.92

#### **TITHES & OFFERINGS**

You can give your weekly tithes, contributions and offerings by 4 different ways:

by mail, drop off, online and in church (envelope only). Thank you in advance for your continuing support!



#### **ONLINE GIVING**

ParishSOFT Giving is a convenient giving option available on our church website <a href="http://stpiusjax.org/">http://stpiusjax.org/</a>. Just click on the Give Online link. You can use ParishSOFT Giving for your regular offertory or the Capital Campaign. When you participate your gift will transfer directly in the parish account. Thanks for giving!

#### **SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

Emergency Assistance for Victims of Hurricane Laura and the California Wildfires

The Diocese of St. Augustine will join dioceses

across the country in collecting donations for the humanitarian, long-term recovery, and church needs arising from the increasing number of natural disasters in the United States. Contributions are being collected for the victims of Hurricane Laura and the California wildfires. To donate, go to <a href="https://www.dosafl.com/give/">https://www.dosafl.com/give/</a> and select the U.S. Bishops Emergency Disaster Fund. All funds collected will support the efforts of Catholic Charities USA and Catholic Relief Services as they and their local agencies respond to immediate emergency needs for such necessities as food, water, shelter, medical care, and aid in long-term rebuilding and recovery efforts. After Hurricanes Matthew and Irma, the Diocese of St. Augustine received nearly \$1 million in recovery aid from this disaster fund. For more infor-

# BLACK CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

"The Virtual Experience 2020"

Bowman-Francis Team Ministry invites all men to a

mation, visit usccb.org/committees/national-collections.

The Bowman-Francis Team Ministry invites all men to attend the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual National Black Catholic Men's Conference, Friday, October 23rd—Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

THE 2020 VIRTUAL CONFERENCE WILL FEATURE: Dynamic Speakers, Special Presentations, Training sessions for all men, Praise and Worship, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Closing Mass. This year's conference theme: *Still I Rise*.

Registration Deadline Wednesday, October 21st

\$100 General Registration; \$50.00 Youth / College Registration For more information about the conference or to register visit the web at www.bowmanfrancis.org.

I have come so that you may have life and have it abundantly. ~ John 10:10

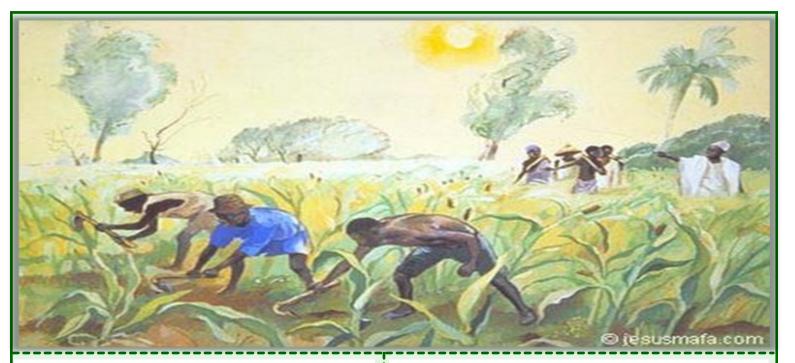
#### **BASA SUMMARY REPORT UPDATE**

Below is the update for the parish on the 2020 Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal, captured through September 13, 2020.

2020 Goal: 74 Donors Current Donors: 52 Percent of Family Participation: 32.10% Amount Pledged: \$13,335.00

Amount Paid: \$11,780.00 Balance Due: \$1,555.00





## Celebrate the Season of Creation September 1 - October 4



## Mass Schedule

Sunday service streaming live on Facebook and Zoom

Monday, September 21st

Nothing Scheduled

Tuesday, September 22nd 8:00 AM

Mass at Crucifixion

Wednesday, September 23rd

8:00 AM Mass, Church

Thursday, September 24th

8:00 AM Mass, Church

Friday, September 25th

Mass at Holy Rosary 9:00 AM

Saturday, September 26th 5:00 PM

Vigil Mass at Holy Rosary

Sunday, September 27th

8:30 AM Mass, Holy Rosary 9:00 AM CCD/Sunday School, Zoom 10:30 AM Mass, Holy Rosary

## Parish Ministries/Organizations

Administrator/Religious E		629-1664
Adult/Family Ministry	Endya Freeman	463-2392
Altar Rosary Council	Angela Myers	358-1866
Altar Servers	Athanase Jones	997-0508
	Leah Mills	713-1968
Annulment Companion	Shirley Mills	768-9155
<b>Bereavement Committee</b>	Anethette Durham	751-6397
<b>Building Maintenance</b>	Nezzar Battle	235-9313
Choir - 5:00 PM Adult	Paul Witkowski	504-9952
Choir -10:30 AM Adult	Roy Wilson	382-5183
Choir - Youth & Wee Folk		713-1968
Counters	Deirdre Clayton	463-6994
Extra-Ordinary Ministers	Mrs. Brenda Battle	765-9738
Finance Council	Dr. Mark Dawkins	557-4937
ICARE	Joanne Thayer	765-3768
Jr. Dgtrs. of Peter Claver	Janice Hice	751-0956
Jr. Knights of Peter Claver	Ricardo Stallings	625-1053
Knights of Columbus	Alexander Hice	751-0956
Knights of Peter Claver	Athanase Jones	997-0508
Ladies of Peter Claver	Claudine Pannell-Goodlett	751-7060
Lectors/Commentators	Tameiko Allen Grant	233-1455
Lawn/Landscaping	Selena Mendez	450-2899
Parish Nursing	Tinye Dawkins	764-2248
	Ta'Kiesha Franklin	541-0263
Pastoral Council	Joanne Thayer	765-3768
Prayer Group	Shirley Mills	768-9155
RCIA	Sr. Elise Kennedy	509-7493
Respect Life	Gloria Mendez	707-9203
Sulzbacher Center Ministry Gary George		354-1501
Scouts - Boy	Martin Jackson	655-6151
Scouts - Cub	Mona Norris	924-1364
Sound System Engineer	Roy Wilson	382-5183
St. Bernadette Council	Mitzi Ellis	230-2058
Stewardship Committee	JoAnn Buggs	765-1223
Ushers - Adult	Patricia Wilson	930-8386
Ushers - Junior	Lisa Axelson	945-8881
Welcome and Outreach	Anethette Durham	751-6397
Youth/Young Adult Ministry Ms. Mary Granger		768-8062

