



ST. PIUS V
CATHOLIC CHURCH

~RENEW ALL THINGS IN CHRIST~
1921 - Celebrating 100 Years - 2021

St. Pius V Catholic Church

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

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Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 19, 2023

He answered, "Whether he is a sinner I do not know.
One thing I do know, that though

I was blind, now I see."

John 9:25

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! Lent, prayer, fasting, and alms giving.

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Rev. Bernardine Eikhuemelo
Pastor

TODAY'S READINGS

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

CHURCH OFFICE

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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: Mrs. Nigelle Delgado Kohn

MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday: 8:00 AM

Thursday: 8:00 AM

Sunday: 10:30 AM

CONFESSION

Saturdays: by appointment

MASS ATTENDANCE

Sunday, March 12, 2023 Not Available



Sunday, March 12, 2023
Offertory Not Available

Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.

~Malachi 3:10

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:

spvsecretary1@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 Brothers and Sisters,

Darkness to Light and Truth

In today's gospel, Jesus heals and restores sight to the man born blind. It is a healing that brings the man from darkness into light both physically and spiritually. Jesus brings the light of faith to the man, who in turn bears witness to his encounter with the Lord without fear before the authorities. We too have been blessed with the same light and called to share that gift with others.

"Creation is the foundation of 'all God's saving plans,' the 'beginning of the history of salvation' that culminates in Christ. Conversely, the mystery of Christ casts conclusive light on the mystery of creation and reveals the end for which 'in the beginning God created the heavens and the earth': from the beginning, God envisaged the glory of the new creation in Christ."¹⁸(CCC, 280)

"The presentation of Jesus in the temple shows him to be the firstborn Son who belongs to the Lord. With Simeon and Anna, all Israel awaits its encounter with the Savior-the name given to this event in the Byzantine tradition. Jesus is recognized as the long-expected Messiah, the 'light to the nations' and the 'glory of Israel', but also 'a sign that is spoken against'. The sword of sorrow predicted for Mary announces Christ's perfect and unique oblation on the cross that will impart the salvation God had 'prepared in the presence of all peoples'.

"Christ is the light of humanity; and it is, accordingly, the heart-felt desire of this sacred Council, being gathered together in the Holy Spirit, that, by proclaiming his Gospel to every creature, it may bring to all men that light of Christ which shines out visibly from the Church.' These words open the Second Vatican Council's *Dogmatic Constitution on the Church*. By choosing this starting point, the Council demonstrates that the article of faith about the Church depends entirely on the articles concerning Christ Jesus. The Church has no other light than Christ's; according to a favorite image of the Church Fathers, the Church is like the moon, all its light reflected from the sun. (CCC, 748)

"In Jesus Christ, the whole of God's truth has been made manifest. 'Full of grace and truth,' he came as the 'light of the world,' *he is the Truth*. 'Whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness.' The disciple of Jesus continues in his word so as to know 'the truth [that] will make you free' and that sanctifies. To follow Jesus is to live in 'the Spirit of truth,' whom the Father sends in his name and who leads 'into all the truth.' To his disciples Jesus teaches the unconditional love of truth: 'Let what you say be simply 'Yes or No.'" (CCC, 2466)

Have a blessed week everyone!

Fr. Bernardine





March 19th	10:30 AM	+ Myrna Burroughs (Harris, Burroughs, Dozier Family)
March 22nd	8:00 AM	+ Father Denis O'Regan
March 23rd	8:00 AM	+ Father Denis O'Regan

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK OR HOMEBOUND



Willie Bell, Earlene Burroughs, Lovie Gardner, Leonard Goggins, Yvonne Highsmith, Maudella Hymes, Barbara Jackson, Glen Mills, Casslena Mobley, Norris Reid, Carolyn Thompson, and Thelma 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

"Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance, but the Lord looks into the heart." 1Samuel 16:7

How often do we invest our time, talent, and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car, and other marks of distinction. But none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent and treasure here on earth.

DID YOU KNOW?

"Along these same lines, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* rightly stipulates that 'anyone conscious of a grave sin must receive the sacrament of Reconciliation before coming to communion.'" (#36)



STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

The blind man was willing to let Jesus minister to him and willingly did all Jesus asked of him. The Pharisees were more resistant to His message, spending their time and energy to disprove the miracle. Which am I more like, the man born blind or the Pharisees?

SHARING SUCCESS

Most people in Turkana, Kenya raise livestock, and a few are farmers. But the hot and dry climate makes this work difficult—and climate change is making it even harder. Rebecca and Lotiang participated in a Catholic Relief Services program that installed a water well and taught them new farming techniques. They can support their family with their crops and are teaching others in their community what they learned. How can you use your skills and knowledge to help others? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more

OUR PASTORAL VISION



- 1) Ongoing faith formation for parishioners with emphasis on the Holy Eucharist.
- 2) Greater use of social media for evangelization with focus on our youth and young adults.
- 3) Increase attendance at weekend masses.

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 inquiries@dosaf1.com.

To report abuse by a bishop, call:
(800) 276-1562 or visit www.reportbishopabuse.org.

Announcements

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Below is the update for *Renew All Things in Christ*, captured through February 12, 2023.

Challenge Goal: \$400,000.00
Minimum Goal: \$350,000.00
Amount Pledged: \$449,370.56
Amount Paid: \$304,994.09
Balance Due: \$144,376.47



TRI-PARISH LENTEN / TRIDUUM CALENDAR

March 21 - 23

Tri-Parish Lenten Retreat at Holy Rosary Church, 6:30pm

March 30

Tri-Parish Penance Service at Holy Rosary Church, 6:30pm

April 6

Mass of the Lord's Supper, at 6:30pm (each church)
Spanish, at Holy Rosary, 8pm

April 7

Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Good Friday)
(English) St. Pius V, 7pm, and (Spanish) at Holy Rosary, 7pm

April 8

Easter Vigil at Holy Rosary, 8:30pm and St. Pius V, 8:30pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



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Stations of the Cross will be held Friday, March 24th, at 6:00 PM, followed by Mass. This week's cross bearers are: CDC Catechists, Lectors and Commentators Ministry.

TRI-PARISH LENTEN RETREAT

The Tri-Parish Lenten Retreat will be held at Holy Rosary Church, on Tuesday, March 21st, – Thursday, March 23rd, at 6:30 PM. The theme is "Untold Blessing: The Three Paths to Holiness."

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

Next Sunday, March 26th, we will celebrate the confirmation of our confirmands at Mass, beginning at 2:00 PM. Therefore, there will be no 10:30 AM Mass celebrated on that day.



NEW ORLEANS BUS TRIP

Who wants to go to New Orleans? The Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies Auxiliary annual Convention is in New Orleans this summer and our local Jr. Knights, Knights, and Ladies are looking to charter a bus to New Orleans to attend the convention and enjoy this historic city. The Knights would like to open the chartered trip to any parishioners who may be interested in a trip to New Orleans. While we welcome all parishioners to join KPC, membership in the organization is not required to make the bus trip. The bus will depart Jacksonville early on the morning of July 13, 2023, returning to Jacksonville on July 18, 2023. There will be a sign-up sheet in the vestibule of the church to determine interest in the trip. If you are interested in the trip to New Orleans, please sign the sheet by Sunday, April 2, 2023. Contact James Breaker at (904) 764-9180 if you have any questions.

I am the light of the world, says the lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life. ~ John 8:12

BASA SUMMARY REPORT UPDATE

Below is the update for the parish on the 2022 Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal, captured through March 12, 2023.



2023 Goal: 52 Donors
Current Donors: 19
Percent of Family Participation: 14.84%
Amount Pledged: \$7,710.00
Amount Paid: \$2,190.00
Balance Due: \$4,800.00

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass Schedule/Events

Sunday service streaming live on Facebook

Monday, March 20th

Tuesday, March 21st

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion
6:30 PM Lenten Retreat at Holy Rosary

Wednesday, March 22nd

8:00 AM Mass, Church
6:30 PM Lenten Retreat at Holy Rosary

Thursday, March 23rd

8:00 AM Mass, Church
6:30 PM Lenten Retreat at Holy Rosary

Friday, March 24th

9:00 AM Mass at Holy Rosary
6:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 25th

8:00 AM Lawn & Landscaping Churchyard Cleanup
5:00 PM Vigil Mass at Holy Rosary

Sunday, March 26th

Confirmation Sunday
2:00 PM Mass, Church

Ministry Schedule: March 26th

Mass	2:00 PM
Altar Servers	Jameson Grant Tyrell Coleman Christopher Freeman
Lectors	Tameiko Grant Regina Taylor Murphy
Commentator	Troy Lynn Payne
Extra-Ordinary	Brenda Battle Lucille Trotter Mary Granger
Ushers	David Fuentes Robert Jackson
Counters	Janet Conner Deidre Clayton

Parish Ministries/Organizations

Administrator/Religious Ed.	Regina Taylor-Murphy	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
Bereavement Committee	Anethette Durham	751-6397
Building Maintenance	Nezzar Battle	235-9313
Choir - 5:00 PM Adult	Paul Witkowski	504-9952
Choir	Que-Thanh Le	703-300-2493
Counters	Deirdre Clayton	463-6994
Extra-Ordinary Ministers	Brenda Battle	765-9738
Finance Council	Dr. Mark Dawkins	557-4937
ICARE	Joanne Thayer	765-3768
Jr. Dgtrs. of Peter Claver	Loretta Breaker	764-9180
Jr. Knights of Peter Claver	James Breaker	764-9180
Knights of Columbus	Alexander Hice	751-0956
Knights of Peter Claver	Amadeus Amador	206-683-5075
Ladies of Peter Claver	Janice Hice	751-0956
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
Sound System Engineer	Roy Wilson	382-5183
St. Bernadette Council	Mitzi Ellis	230-2058
Stewardship Committee	Mitzi Ellis	230-2058
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

