



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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Celebrating Black Catholic History Month

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 5, 2023

Whoever exalts
himself
will be *humbled*,
and whoever
humbles himself
will be *exalted*.

Matthew 23:12

Mission Statement

Our 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! Celebrate Black Catholic History Month!!!

ST. PIUS V CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Mazen Michael Elias
Administrator

Rev. Cristian Cardenas
In Residence Priest

TODAY'S READINGS

Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10; 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13; Mt 23:1-12
National Vocation Awareness Week begins

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: Mrs. Nigelle Delgado Kohn

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil

5:00 PM

Sunday Mass

10:00 AM

HEALING MASS

Second Fridays

5:00 PM

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Second Fridays

6:00 PM

CONFESSION

Saturdays

4:30 PM or by appointment

MASS ATTENDANCE

Sunday, October 29, 2023 75

Saturday, October 28, 2023 15



Sunday, October 29, 2023

Offerings: \$2,323.00

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

ParishSoft online giving is a convenient giving option available on our church website at <http://stpiusjax.org/>. Just click on the Give Online link. You can also give by texting "Donate" to 904-593-3354. Thanks for giving!

Exalted Through Humility

Jesus spoke to the crowds and to his disciples, saying, "The scribes and the Pharisees have taken their seat on the chair of Moses. Therefore, do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you, but do not follow their example." Matthew 23:1-3



Sometimes people's words inspire us, but more often it is the witness they give with their actions that inspires. Additionally, when someone's words do not match up with their actions, they are seen as hypocrites. Jesus is very hard on the scribes and the Pharisees for this reason. "For they preach but they do not practice." They spoke about the Law of God, taught it in a detailed way, but they did not truly practice God's Law as it was intended to be practiced. Jesus goes on to give a list of the ways that these religious leaders failed to live the laws of God. They failed in their charity and encouragement of others, they did everything for public praise and for show, and they sought out honors and meaningless titles. As a result, they cared little for others and cared much about themselves.

At the heart of Jesus' criticism of the scribes and Pharisees was their tendency to exalt themselves in the eyes of others. Jesus corrects this tendency by saying that "the greatest among you must be your servant," and that "whoever humbles himself will be exalted." Therefore, if you wish to be truly great and if you wish to be exalted by God, you must serve with the deepest humility.

Humility begins by seeing yourself in the light of truth. How does God see you? The humble soul seeks to discover this insight by using the eyes of Christ to look at their own soul. It would be truly humbling if we could see ourselves in the full light of the truth. But too often we take on a false image of ourselves and look at our lives through a lens of self-righteousness. We tend to quickly defend our actions, justifying the sins we commit and failing to acknowledge our weaknesses.

What would you see if you looked at yourself with humility? One glaring thing you will see is your sin. Our lives are filled with sin. Sometimes they are serious sins, and at other times less serious, but our lives are undoubtedly filled with sins and imperfections. If we are blind to those sins, then we lack the necessary humility we need to see ourselves in the light of truth.

The virtue of humility will also take us a step further than seeing our sins clearly. It will also help us to see our need for God's grace in order to change, to love, and to serve God and others. We cannot love by our own efforts. It is impossible. The love of charity is only possible when it is God Who lives in us and acts through us. God and God alone is able to work true charity through our actions. Knowing and believing this humble truth is the only way to open the door to that grace.

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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 interested in becoming a new parishioner of the church or 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? Please contact the rectory office at (904) 354-1501.



November 4th 5:00 PM Parishioners of St. Pius V, Crucifixion, and Holy Rosary Parishes

November 5th 10:00 AM +Deceased Sisters of St. Joseph (SSJ Formation Community)

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK OR HOMEBOUND

 Earlene Burroughs, Lovie Gardner, Leonard Goggins, Yvonne Highsmith, Maudella Hymes, Barbara Jackson, Patricia Lomax, Glen Mills, Casslena Mobley, Norris Reid, and Thelma Walker.

Please contact Fr. Mike at 354-1501 if a loved one is in a hospital or nursing home. Medical Emergency Only call (904) 426-8319.

STEWARDSHIP AWARENESS SUNDAY

"Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted." - Matthew 23:12

The world celebrates people in the spotlight and those who have the most of everything. We think celebrity, money and possessions is the key to happiness. Yet, our world is filled with more loneliness, anxiety, and depression than ever before. The key to a happy life is relationships. Relationship with God and each other. Trust is the foundation of any good relationship and humility is the seed of trust.

DID YOU KNOW?

"Matrimony is normally to be celebrated within the Mass, after the reading of the gospel and the homily, and before 'the prayer of the faithful.' The prayer for the bride, duly amended to remind both spouses of their equal obligation to remain faithful to each other, may be said in the mother tongue. But if the sacrament of matrimony is celebrated apart from Mass, the epistle and gospel from the nuptial Mass are to be read at the beginning of the rite, and the blessing should always be given to the spouses" (#78).



KoC LAS VEGAS NITE

Please join the Knights of Columbus Father Maher Council #648, for an evening of fun with musical entertainment, dinner, dancing, raffles and casino games on Saturday, November 11th, at 6:30PM. Located at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, in Schiavone Parish Center, 1773 Blanding Boulevard. All proceeds benefit Christmas Food Baskets and Other Charities. Ticket cost is \$35.00 per ticket.

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.



*You have but one father in heaven and one master, the Christ.
~ Matthew 23:9b, 10b*

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@dosaf.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 August 20, 2023.

Challenge Goal: \$400,000.00
Minimum Goal: \$350,000.00
Amount Pledged: \$449,370.56
Amount Paid: \$315,333.80
Balance Due: \$134,036.76




TRUNK OR TREAT

The Youth and Young Adult Ministry, wishes to thank everyone who helped make this year's Trunk or Treat a success!

HEALING MASS AND ADORATION

St. Pius V Healing Mass will be held on Friday, November 10th, at 5:00 PM, followed by Adoration & Benediction at 6:00 PM, here in the church. Come, spend some time with Jesus and receive his healing touch.

RECTORY HOLIDAY HOURS

 In observance of the Veterans Day Holiday, the rectory office will be closed Friday, November 10th. The office will resume normal business hours on Monday, November 13th.

REDEO FALL RETREAT

All high school youth (9th-12th grade) are invited to join us for our Redeo Fall 2023 weekend Retreat November 17-19, 2023, held at Camp St. John (in Marywood)! **Yes, a full weekend at Marywood!** Woo hoo!!! Please note that space is limited so contact Ms. Granger no later than November 9th.

Please note we will attend only on Friday November 17th. The treat conflicts with the Black Catholic Heritage Days of Reflection Weekend. Thanks for your prompt response.

BLACK CATHOLIC HERITAGE DAYS OF REFLECTION

Join Bishop Erik Pohlmeier and the Black Catholic Commission for "Black Catholic Heritage Days of Reflection" November 18-19, at Christ the King Catholic Church, 742 Arlington Rd. Come discover the origination of black heritage within the Catholic church through a day of reflection with music, a historic timeline, evangelization efforts and the saints. The event will close on Sunday with Mass celebrated by Bishop Pohlmeier at 11 a.m. Space is limited. Registration is open through Nov. 10. Please email favorse@aol.com or call (904) 768-9934. Leave your name and which parish you attend.

Changes due to the Black Catholic Heritage Days of Reflection:

There will be no mass celebrated here at St. Pius V on the weekend of November 18th & 19th.

There will be no Sunday School on November 19th.

Please do not place your tithes & offerings in Christ the King collection basket. Instead, a love offering is suggested. Please submit your tithes & offerings to St. Pius V by mail, drop off, text, online, or the following week collection.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

"The greatest among you will be the one who serves the rest," Jesus says in today's Gospel. What wonderful, good news for those who give their time in service to others!

BASA SUMMARY REPORT UPDATE

Below is the update for the parish on the 2022 Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal, captured through October 29, 2023.

2023 Goal: 52 Donors
Current Donors: 47
Percent of Family Participation: 36.72%
Amount Pledged: \$15,444.00
Amount Paid: \$13,864.00
Balance Due: \$1,580.00



NOVEMBER IS

Black Catholic History Month

Celebrating the gifts of our culture and faith



Mass Schedule/Events

Sunday service streaming live on Facebook

Monday, November 6th

Nothing Scheduled

Tuesday, November 7th

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

Wednesday, November 8th

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

5:00 PM Prayer Group

Thursday, November 9th

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

Friday, November 10th

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

5:00 PM Healing Mass, Church

6:00 PM Adoration & Benediction, Church

Saturday, November 11th

5:00 PM Vigil Mass, Church

Sunday, November 12th

9:00 AM CCD/Sunday School

9:30 AM Rosary, Church

10:00 AM Mass, Church

Ministry Schedule: Nov. 11th & Nov. 12th

Mass	5:00 PM	10:00 AM
Altar Servers	Emily Massengale Morton	Kalen Axelson Christopher Freeman Jameson Grant
Lectors	Desirea Fuentes	Kimberly Smalls Leah Mills
Commentator	Desirea Fuentes	Lisa Axelson
Extra-Ordinary	Sister Rea	Wayne Ford Monique Fuentes Janice Hice
Ushers		Patricia Wilson Robert Jackson
Counters		Wayne Ford Patricia Wilson

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		Vacant
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	Dr. 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		Vacant
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



*"In the Beginning,
There Were Black Catholics"*

Bishop Erik Pohlmeier and
the Black Catholic Commission

Invite you to the

**BLACK HERITAGE
DAYS OF REFLECTION**

Save the Dates:
NOVEMBER 18-19, 2023
CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH

