



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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First Sunday of Advent

December 3, 2023

Be on guard! Be alert!
You do not
know when
that time
will come.

Mark 13:33

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!

ST. PIUS V CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Mazen Michael Elias
Administrator

Rev. Cristian Cardenas
In Residence Priest

TODAY'S READINGS

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Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; 1 Cor 1:3-9;
Mk 13:33-37

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM

Sunday Mass (live stream)
10:00 AM

CONFESSION

Saturdays

4:30 PM or by appointment

MASS ATTENDANCE

Sunday, November 26, 2023 75

Saturday, November 25, 2023 13



Sunday, November 26, 2023
Offerings: \$4,987.29

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!

Do Not Miss Out...



"Jesus said to his disciples: "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come." Mark 13:33

To which time is our Lord referring? He is referring to the time of His coming. But it must be understood that even though He came to us once in the flesh long ago, and though He will return again in the flesh to judge the living and the dead at the end of time, He never ceases to come to us day and night by the transforming gift of grace. Are you attentive to this coming? Or do you miss out on the countless blessings of God's grace that He wants to bestow upon you every day, all day?

The world has many distractions. We are distracted by the lure of riches, the indulgence of our appetites, and the constant noise of modern media, electronic gadgets and the like. These and many other daily distractions make it very difficult to be constantly "watchful" and "alert." This is because our attention span is limited. Though some may learn to "multi-task" to a certain extent, no one can continually divide their attention between the presence of God and the distractions of the world.

Some may argue that it is necessary to engage the world today. It is not possible to continually pray and think only about God. But those who would be tempted to think this do not understand the attentiveness and watchfulness to which we are called.

Being watchful and attentive simply means that God is central in our lives and is the motivation and purpose of all we do every day. Our love for and service to God cannot be divided. We cannot set aside some time for the world and other times for God. Instead, everything we do, every day, all day, must have the glory of God and the fulfillment of God's perfect will as the central and exclusive purpose of our lives. Thus, if we interact with the world, tune into social media, fulfill household chores, put in extra hours at work, etc., we must constantly ponder the simple question, "Lord, am I doing this for Your glory and in accord with Your will?" We must never fail to ask ourselves that question. We must always have the glory of God and the fulfillment of His will as the central purpose and motivation for all that we do. If we can live this way, then we will discover that it becomes increasingly easy to always and everywhere be attentive to and watchful for God's will.

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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.



December 2nd 5:00 PM Parishioners of St. Pius V, Crucifixion, and Holy Rosary Parishes

December 3rd 10:00 AM Deceased Sisters of St. Joseph (SSJ Formation Community)

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK OR HOMEBOUND



Earlene Burroughs, Deborah Furlough, Lovie Gardner, Leonard Goggins, Yvonne Highsmith, Maudella Hymes, Barbara Jackson, Patricia Lomax, Glen Mills, Casslena Mobley, 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

"Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come."
- Mark 13:33

We all take things for granted. In particular, we take time for granted. We make our lives too busy. We plan our days, weeks, months, even years in advance. Remember, our time on earth is a gift. None of us knows how long we will be here. Start today and begin thanking God for each and every day. Take time in silence, every day, and listen to how God is calling you right now to help build His kingdom on earth.

DID YOU KNOW?

"Pastors of souls should see to it that the chief hours, especially Vespers, are celebrated in common in church on Sundays and the more solemn feasts. And the laity, too, are encouraged to recite the divine office, either with the priests, or among themselves, or even individually. [Also,] any cleric bound to the divine office fulfills his obligation if he prays the office in the vernacular together with a group of the faithful... provided that the text of the translation is approved" (##100-101).



RETIREMENT FUND FOR THE RELIGIOUS

You can help. "Religious are blessed to serve," says Dominican Father Bertrand Ebben, age 90. Please donate to the Retirement Fund for Religious next week. Your gift will provide essential care for nearly 25,000 senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to serving others. Let us show our gratitude to these selfless individuals by giving generously.

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@dosafll.com.

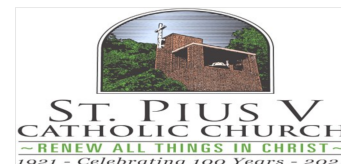
To report abuse by a bishop, call:
(800) 276-1562 or visit www.reportbishopabuse.org.

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



JINGLE & MINGLE



"It's time to Jingle & Mingle! The St Bernadette Council's Annual Jingle & Mingle is Sunday, December 10, 2023, immediately after Mass. So pull those ugly sweaters out of storage, assemble your teams, get your voices ready and join your St Pius V Catholic Church Faith Community for a FREE afternoon of Food, Fun, Fellowship and Prizes!"

One of the activities will be the game Family Feud. The game pits a team of 5 against each other. The goal of the game is for each team to guess the results of the survey questions. To secure answers to the survey, complete the survey form located on the religious display counter. Please indicate the name of your team and return your completed survey by the end of Mass on Sunday, December 3rd, at the receptacle located on the religious display counter.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Friday, December 8th, is **The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.**

Services for our Tri-Parish Mass will be held at Holy Rosary Catholic Church at 6:30 PM.



PENANCE SERVICE

The Tri-Parish Advent **Penance Service** will be held at Holy Rosary Catholic Church on Wednesday, December 20th at 6:30 PM.

SECOND ANNUAL FLEA MARKET FUNDRAISER

It's time to give up all the things you have been trying to part with. A church flea market is great way to make some Christmas money and buy gifts. There will be plenty of bargains. A sample of items are: Bicycles, Hot Dog Cart, Beautiful Ladies garments, and more. So clean out your closet and have fun enjoying your weekend making friends and helping your church BE BLESSED.

What: Church Flea Market Fundraiser

When: 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM, 3rd Saturday of each month.

Where: Church parking lot.

Cost: \$30.00 per 10 X 10 Spot. Food vendors please call for prices.

Please sign up on the form located in the vestibule of the church. Contact Alexander Hice at (904)252-2852; stkgman@bellsouth.net. We accept all credit cards, PayPal, and Cash App.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

We are the servants of God, each with his or her own task. We will be judged good stewards if, at His coming, He finds us ready and conscientiously pursuing the tasks to which we have been called.

Show us, Lord, your love; and grant us your salvation.

~ Psalm 85:8

BASA SUMMARY REPORT UPDATE

Below is the update for the parish on the 2022 Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal, captured through November 26, 2023.

2023 Goal: 52 Donors
Current Donors: 47
Percent of Family Participation: 36.72%
Amount Pledged: \$15,444.00
Amount Paid: \$13,914.00
Balance Due: \$1,530.00





First Sunday of Advent

Mass Schedule/Events

Sunday service streaming live on Facebook

Monday, December 4th

Tuesday, December 5th

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

Wednesday, December 6th

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

5:00 PM Prayer Group, Church

Thursday, December 7th

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

Friday, December 8th

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30 PM Mass at Holy Rosary

Saturday, December 9th

5:00 PM Vigil Mass, Church

Sunday, December 10th

9:00 AM Sunday School/CCD

9:30 AM Rosary

10:00 AM Mass, Church

11:30 AM Jingle & Mingle, Parish Hall

Ministry Schedule: Dec. 9th & Dec. 10th

Mass	5:00 PM	10:00 AM
Altar Servers	Emily Massengale Morton	Kalen Axelson Christopher Freeman Jameson Grant
Lectors	Angela Freeman Tameiko Grant	Kimberly Smalls Tameiko Grant
Commentator	Tameiko Grant	Lisa Axelson
Extra-Ordinary	Sister Rea Sister Elise	Wayne Ford Monique Fuentes Mitzi Ellis
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

