



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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Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 15, 2024



And He summoned the crowd with His disciples, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it.

Mark 8:34-35

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. Dilip Pally
Administrator

Rev. Cristian Cardenas
In Residence Priest

TODAY'S READINGS

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 50:4c-9a; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

CHURCH OFFICE

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Appointment with the Priest:

Contact the office

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass

10:00 AM

Saturday Vigil Mass

5:00 PM

CONFESSION

Saturdays

4:30 PM or by appointment

MASS ATTENDANCE

Sunday, September 8, 2024: 105

Saturday, September 7, 2024: 10

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Sunday, September 8, 2024

Offerings: \$2,405.00

Saturday, September 7, 2024

Offerings: \$83.00

August Online: \$3,001.60

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!

A Spiritual U-Turn

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Practically speaking, how do we follow Jesus and save our souls? Is it enough to profess that we believe in Jesus? If we were to arrive at the conclusion that Jesus is God and the Savior of the World, would we then be saved? Certainly not. Even the demons believe this truth. Jesus is quite clear that salvation requires action on our part. We must deny ourselves, take up our crosses, and follow Him. Furthermore, the road to salvation requires that we lose ourselves for the sake of Christ and the Gospel. What exactly does this mean, practically speaking?

To answer this question, let's first consider the way that many people live. We tend to desire that which is the easiest in life, the most enjoyable, the greatest, and the most consoling. We often seek out those things that make us feel good and the path of least resistance. For example, if you could choose to fast on bread and water or feast on the most delicious foods, which would you choose? If you could choose between a vacation in the most exotic and luxurious location or a week of very difficult work, which would you choose? If you could choose to drive a brand new, high-end car or a very old beater, which one would you prefer? Most people would quickly pick the nice food, luxurious vacation and fancy new car.

In his spiritual classic, the *Ascent to Mount Carmel*, Saint John of the Cross outlines a very different path. He gives a series of spiritual maxims to use for prayer and meditation to help purify your soul of every unhealthy attachment so that you can become more fully attached to God and His holy will. St. John says, "Strive always to prefer, not that which is easiest, but that which is most difficult; Not that which is most attractive, but that which is most unpleasant; Not that which gives most pleasure, but rather that which gives least..." These spiritual maxims, when read in their entirety, challenge us to the core of our being. They quickly reveal to those who are honest that they often prefer the easiest, most pleasant and best that this world has to offer. But what is best for your eternal soul?

Jesus' teaching, that we must deny ourselves, take up our cross, and follow Him, is the road map to saving your eternal soul and to discovering a spiritual fulfillment that far surpasses anything this world or our flesh have to offer. But in order to understand this road map and then to follow it, we often need to make a "spiritual U-turn" so to speak. This U-turn begins with us choosing the Cross on every level of our being and concludes with God stripping away all selfish desires and replacing them with a desire for sacrificial love.

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Baptism: Parents who have registered for three months or more are required to attend Baptism preparation classes. All documentation must be received days prior to baptism. Please contact 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.



September 14th 5:00 PM

Parishioners of St. Pius V,
Crucifixion and Holy Rosary
Parishes

September 15th 10:00 AM

+ Oleksander Ruslanovych Filon
(Rachel Dobbs)

If you are interested in having someone remembered in a mass intention, please contact the rectory office at (904) 354-1501. The suggested mass stipend is \$10 or more.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK OR HOMEBOUND



Earlene Burroughs, Deborah Furlough, Leonard Gogins, Yvonne Highsmith, Maudella Hymes, Barbara Jackson, Glen Mills, Casslena Mobley, Charles Parson, Eileen Scott, James Shelton, and Thelma Walker.

Please contact Fr. Dilip at 354-1501 if a loved one is in a hospital or nursing home. **Medical Emergency Only call (904) 994-8463.**

STEWARDSHIP AWARENESS SUNDAY

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." MARK 8:34

Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for my own life, but for the lives of others as well. We realize that our gifts are not intended for ourselves, rather they are meant to be shared with others. "Taking up my cross" means doing things when someone else needs me and not when it's convenient for me.

MASS TIME CHANGE

Effective Sunday, September 22nd, the new start time for Sunday Mass will be at 10:30 AM with a Rosary recited at 10:00 AM.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In the second reading today, St. James has harsh words for those who do not put their faith into action. May we be such good stewards of God's gifts to us that we can never be accused of having "faith that does nothing in practice."

2024 ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Couples celebrating their 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th or 50th (or more) wedding anniversary in 2024, are invited to join Bishop Erik Pohlmeier for the 2024 Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, Nov. 2, at noon. The event will take place at St. Anastasia Catholic Church in St. Augustine and will also be livestreamed for virtual participation. Bishop Pohlmeier will lead a renewal of wedding vows and provide a special blessing. Couples will receive a certificate, be honored in a digital slideshow and enjoy a light reception following the Mass. To register, visit family.dosafl.com or call (904) 208-6963 by the Oct. 25 deadline.

PRAY THE ROSARY

Join the Adult Sunday School Class every Thursday, at 7:00 PM.
Zoom Meeting ID: 890 1958 1742 and Passcode: 179658

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@dosafl.com.

To report abuse by a bishop, call:

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

Announcements

SEASON OF CREATION 2024



On Sunday, October 6th, please join the St. Pius V Lawn & Landscaping Ministry for their annual celebration, the observance of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology.

There will be special treats and take-a-ways. The theme for this year's Season of Creation is "To hope and act with Creation", and the symbol is "The firstfruits of hope", inspired by Romans 8:19-25. The biblical image pictures the Earth as a Mother, groaning as in childbirth (Rom 8:22). You are invited to wear different shades of green.

CURSILLO

Are you looking to revitalize your spirituality? You can experience a simple movement to increase your spirituality through a Cursillo, which is a short weekend retreat.

The Women's weekend is September 19 through 22.

If you are interested in finding out more, please see the brochures located on the religious articles display counter. If you feel a call to make the upcoming weekend, you will need an application, a sponsor, and Father Dilip's signature. Please contact Lucille Trotter, Sister Elise, Regina Taylor Murphy, Mary Granger, or Alexander Hice for additional information.

DECOLORES!

We want the Cursillo Movement to become active here at St. Pius. If you are a Cursillista, please provide your name and telephone number on the Sign-Up Sheet located on the Religious Articles Display Counter. You will be contacted to discuss what and how the Cursillo Movement can become active in our parish and if you want to participate. Remember, we bloom where we are planted.



BLESSING OF HOMESCHOOL FAMILIES

A mass and blessing of homeschool families will be held on Monday, September 23rd, at San Jose Catholic Church. Bishop Pohlmeier will celebrate the 5:30 PM Mass of the parish with the homeschooled families of the diocese, followed by a reception and activities for children in the parish hall and the outside areas. Please register at <https://form.jotform.com/241794570722158>

HELP SPREAD THE FAITH

Catholic Communications Appeal

Help spread the Good News! On Sept. 21-22, support the Catholic Communications Appeal to empower evangelization through digital, radio, and print media. Your gift funds local Catholic media, including *St. Augustine Catholic* magazine and online content. Give at Mass, online or by mail. Let's amplify Christ's message together!

2024 FR. CHESTER P. SMITH

National Black Catholic Men's Conference

The Fr. Chester P. Smith National Black Catholic Men's Conference will be held in Baltimore Maryland on Thursday, October 10th through Sunday, October 13th. Conference attendees will be able to partake in workshops, health fair, praise and worship sessions, as well as fellowship with other Black Catholic Men of Faith.

Register at www.bowmanfrancis.org.

Registration cost: Adults \$175.00, Youth (age 10-17) \$100.00.

BASA SUMMARY REPORT UPDATE

Below is the update for the parish on the 2022 Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal, captured through September 8, 2024.



2023 Goal: 52 Donors

Current Donors: 46

Percent of Family Participation: 35.94%

Amount Pledged: \$11,644.00

Amount Paid: \$8,129.00

Balance Due: \$3,515.00



TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION

SEASON OF CREATION 2024

The firstfruits of hope
(Rom 8:19-25)

Mass Schedule/Events

Sunday service streaming live on Facebook

Monday, September 16th

Tuesday, September 17th

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

Wednesday, September 18th

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

Thursday, September 19th

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

Friday, September 20th

Saturday, September 21st

4:30 PM Confession, Church

5:00 PM Vigil Mass, Church

Sunday, September 22nd

9:00 AM CCD/Sunday School, Conference Center

10:00 AM Rosary, Church

10:30 AM Mass, Church

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	Leah Mills	713-1968
Annulment Companion	Sr. Elise Kennedy	509-7493
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
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
KPC Ladies Auxiliary	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
Social Media Committee	Regina Taylor Murphy	629-1664
	Endya Freeman	463-2392
	Dr. Tameiko Allen Grant	233-1455
	Jalen Chance	888-4077
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	Patricia Sampson	614-6271
Webmaster	Padrica Mendez	676-0843
Youth/Young Adult Ministry	Kimberly Small	993-7240
	LaTonya Edwards	504-460-3017



Ministry Schedule: September 21st & September 22nd

Mass	5:00 PM	10:00 AM
Altar Servers	Emily Massengale-Morton	David Fuentes Jameson Grant Christopher Freeman
Lectors	Regina Taylor Murphy	Hazel Campbell Danese Tremble
Commentator	Regina Taylor Murphy	Troy Lynn Brown
Extra-Ordinary	TBD	Mary Granger Lucille Trotter Brenda Battle
Ushers		Robert Jackson David Fuentes
Counters		Regina Taylor Murphy Wayne Ford