



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-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 13, 2024

**IT IS EASIER FOR A CAMEL
TO GO THROUGH THE EYE
OF A NEEDLE,**

MARK 10:17-31



**THAN A RICH MAN TO
ENTER HEAVEN, REPENT!**

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! October is Respect Life and Breast Cancer Awareness Month!

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Dilip Pally
Administrator

Rev. Cristian Cardenas
In Residence Priest

TODAY'S READINGS

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11, Mk 10:2-16

CHURCH OFFICE

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 10 AM - 3 PM

Appointment with the Priest:

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass

10:30 AM

Saturday Vigil Mass

5:00 PM

Adoration & Benediction

First Fridays 6:00 PM

CONFESSION

Saturdays

4:30 PM or by appointment

MASS ATTENDANCE

Sunday, October 6, 2024: 91

Saturday, October 5, 2024: 16

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Sunday, October 6, 2024

Offerings: \$2,144.00

Saturday, October 5, 2024

Offerings: \$194.00

Bring the whole tithes 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://stpiousjax.org/>. Just click on the Give Online link. You can also give by texting "Donate" to 904-593-3354. Thanks for giving!

Exceedingly Astonished

"Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were exceedingly astonished and said among themselves, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God." Mark 10:24-27



Have you ever been "exceedingly astonished" by the demands of the Christian life? Hopefully you have been. And if you have been, hopefully you are no longer. Being exceedingly astonished is one of many purifications we must go through in order to enter the Kingdom of God.

The "eye of a needle" is a reference to one of the gates in the wall surrounding the city of Jerusalem. After dark, the gate would be closed and the only way to enter was through a small door in the center of that gate. A person could pass through by ducking down, but a camel could not enter unless it got down on the ground and literally crawled through. This took much effort and direction from the master of that camel, but it was possible.

The point of this story is to emphasize that we will not be able to easily stroll into Heaven. In this case, Jesus was speaking about how easy it is for a person with money to become so attached to that money that they fail to obtain the riches of Heaven. The rich young man, to whom Jesus was just speaking, went away sad because Jesus lovingly invited him to detach from his earthly wealth so as to obtain the riches of Heaven. Jesus said to him, "Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." To that, the rich young man went away sad.

Greed and an all-consuming attachment to material wealth clearly have the potential to destroy your soul. That's a fact. There is no way around it. But this teaching applies to every other form of attachment also. When we are attached to any sin to a serious degree and refuse to separate ourselves from that sin, we will not enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Therefore, if love of God does not motivate us to turn from sin, perhaps fear of hell will.

When the disciples witnessed this rich young man preferring his wealth over Heaven, and then Jesus standing His ground and making it clear that it is very hard to make it to Heaven, their astonishment would have challenged them personally. But that is good. It is good because it reveals that they were also convicted of their own unholy attachments and their astonishment arose from a holy fear within. As they saw the rich young man walk away, they would have thought about those things that they also held onto that needed to be purged from their lives. "Astonishment" in this case is the holy realization that they needed to change. The good news, however, is that when a person does change and becomes freed from the attachments that keep them from God, then they will no longer have any attachment that will lead them to be astonished at God's demands. The ultimate goal is to overcome the astonishment caused by the demands of discipleship so that conformity to these demands becomes a way of life.

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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.



October 12th	5:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Pius V, Crucifixion and Holy Rosary Parishes
October 13th	10:30 AM	+ Deceased Sisters of St. Joseph (Sisters Rea, Rita, and Elise)

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, Angela Myers Robinson, 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

"It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." (MARK 10:25)

Jesus uses tough language that we may not want to hear. However, we are all called to be generous with all of our gifts. Not just the ones we pick and choose, but all our gifts, and especially the one that means the most to us! That includes our time in prayer to God, our talent in participating in parish ministries and our treasure supporting our local parish and other charities.

DID YOU KNOW?

The life of prayer is the habit of being in the presence of the thrice-holy God and in communion with him" (# 2565). For such a complex aspect of our faith, this principle seems a bit simple. That's the point, though. As human beings, we tend to overcomplicate things, especially when those things hold a significant weight in our lives. This is not to say that we should be overly lax in our prayer; instead, we should allow for the long and slow process of coming to know God. Our relationship with our Creator is not something to be instantly achieved, but a life-long journey that requires simplicity and genuine humility.



STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks the young man to give away all he has to have treasure in heaven. But he cannot free himself from his possessions, so he goes sadly away. Does what *I* own keep *me* from following Jesus?

PRAY THE ROSARY

Please join the Adult Sunday School Class every Thursday, at 7:00 PM to pray the rosary via Zoom.

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@dosaf.com.

To report abuse by a bishop, call:

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

Announcements

THANK YOU

The Lawn & Landscaping Ministry thanks everyone who participated in our annual celebration, the observance of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi. This Season of Creation we stood with Christians worldwide to help raise awareness about the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty (FFNPT), a global framework to transition our world from coal, oil, and gas. Find out more at FossilFuelTreaty.org

Thank you to: Members of the Lawn & Landscaping Ministry, honorary youth members, and pastry chef, Sandy Streeter Brooks

Special thanks to our Sponsors:

Darlene Bajalia, Gloria Mendez, JD Miller, and Shirley Mills

CONFIRMATION 5 - NEEDS YOUR HELP!

This year's confirmation class of five students are looking for mentors and prayer warriors. Throughout the year the five students may approach you to learn about your faith journey or ask for prayer. If you are interested in being contacted by a student to offer faith advice, please sign the log sheet in the back of the church. There is no cost and whatever time you can give will be greatly appreciated. At the end of this year, they are expected to understand the church teachings, participate in acting out the teachings of the church, and contribute back to their home church in some form of service. The goal is to grow their connections with other role model Catholics in St. Pius V. Thank you in advance for helping us make this sacrament unforgettable for these young five Catholics.

FAITHFUL CITIZENS WORKSHOP

The Black Catholic Commission's learning workshop on Amendments 3 and 4, on Sunday, October 13th, has been postponed.

THE IMPORTANCE OF WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Why World Mission Sunday Matters? World Mission Sunday, observed on October 20th this year, is not just another Sunday; it is a powerful reminder of our call to be missionaries. The collection taken up on this day is unique as it is mandated by the Code of Canon Law and is essential for the survival and growth of the Church in mission territories. These funds support the pastoral and evangelizing work of the Church, including building churches, providing healthcare and education, and training future priests and religious. In places where resources are scarce, your generosity makes a profound difference.

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. To register, visit family.dosaf.com or call (904) 208-6963 by the Oct. 25 deadline.

MULTI-CULTURAL YOUTH CONFERENCE

The Multi-Cultural Youth Conference (MYC) Youth Gathering will take place on Oct. 19 at Christ the King Parish from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event is open to youth aged 12-17 and will feature speakers, cultural performances, and more, closing with Mass.

Registration fee is \$10. Register at <https://dosaf.wufoo.com/forms/myc-youth-gathering/>.

BASA SUMMARY REPORT UPDATE

Below is the update for the parish on the 2024 Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal, captured through October 6, 2024.

2023 Goal: 52 Donors
 Current Donors: 48
 Percent of Family Participation: 37.50%
 Amount Pledged: \$12,744.00
 Amount Paid: \$9,839.00
Balance Due: \$2,905.00





Mass Schedule/Events

Sunday service streaming live on Facebook

Monday, October 14th

Tuesday, October 15th

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

Wednesday, October 16th

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

Thursday, October 17th

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

Friday, October 18th

Saturday, October 19th

4:30 PM Confession, Church

5:00 PM Vigil Mass, Church

Sunday, October 20th

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

Respect Life Month



I CAME SO THAT
THEY MIGHT HAVE
LIFE

Ministry Schedule: October 19th & October 20th

Mass	5:00 PM	10:00 AM
Altar Servers	Emily Massengale-Morton	Evan Edwards Christopher Freeman Tyrell Colman
Lectors	Sister Elise	Loretta Breaker Regina Taylor Murphy
Commentator	Sister Elise	Mitzi Ellis
Extra-Ordinary		Monique Fuentes Selena Mendez Xavier Clayton
Ushers		Amiya Jones Ava Evans Jordynn Jones Kalen Axelson David Fuentes
Counters		Deidre Clayton Elizabeth Brown