

# St. Pius V Catholic Church

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Website: www.stpiusjax.org
Baptism of the Lord
January 12, 2025



# 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.

# Velcome 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!

#### PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Dilip Pally Administrator Rev. Cristian Cardenas In Residence Priest

## **TODAY'S READINGS**

**Baptism of the Lord** 

Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10;34-38; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

#### **CHURCH OFFICE**

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 10 AM - 3 PM
Appointment with the Priest:

Contact the office Phone: (904) 354-1501 Fax: (904) 354-7240 Facebook:

St Pius V Catholic Church-Jax, FL -Renew All Things in Christ

**Business Manager:** 

Ms. Karen Kincade SPVBM @outlook.com

Secretary/Bulletin Editor:

Ms. Selena Mendez spysecretary1@outlook.com

## MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass 10:30 AM

**Adoration & Benediction** First Fridays 6:00 PM

#### CONFESSION

By appointment only

#### MASS ATTENDANCE

Sunday, January 5, 2025: 78 Wednesday, January 1, 2025: 56



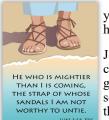
Sunday, January 5, 2025 Offerings: \$1,965.00 Wednesday, January 1, 2025 Offerings: \$362.00 Online December: \$5,177.40

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 <a href="http://stpiusjax.org/">http://stpiusjax.org/</a>. Just click on the Give Online link. You can also give by texting "Donate" to 904-593-3354. Thanks for giving!

# Fulfilling Only Our Role



"Rabbi, the one who was with you across the Jordan, to whom you testified, here he is baptizing, and everyone is coming to him." ~ John 3:26

John the Baptist had amassed quite a following. People kept coming to Him to be baptized, and many wanted his ministry to grow. However, once Jesus began His own public ministry, some of the followers of John became jealous. But John gave the right answer to them. He explained to them that his life and mission was to prepare people for Jesus. Now that Jesus had

begun His ministry, John joyfully said, "So this joy of mine has been made complete. He must increase; I must decrease" (John 3:29–30).

This humility of John is a great lesson, especially for those who are actively engaged in the apostolic mission of the Church. Too often when we get involved with some apostolate and another's "ministry" seems to grow faster than ours, jealousy can set in. But the key to understanding our role in the apostolic mission of Christ's Church is that we must seek to fulfill our role and our role alone. We must never see ourselves in competition with others within the Church. We must know when we are to act in accord with God's will, and we must know when we are to step back and allow others to fulfill God's will. We must do the will of God, nothing more, nothing less and nothing other.

Additionally, that last statement from John must always resound within our hearts when we are called to actively engage in the apostolate. "He must increase; I must decrease." This is an ideal model for everyone who serves Christ and others within the Church.

Reflect, today, upon those holy words of the Baptist. Apply them to your mission within your family, among your friends and especially if you are involved in some apostolic service within the Church. Everything you do must point to Christ. This will only happen if you, like Saint John the Baptist, understand the unique role that God has given to you, and you embrace that role alone.

Lord, I give myself to You for Your service and glory. Use me as You will. As You use me, please give me the humility I need to always remember that I serve You and Your will alone. Free me from jealousy and envy and help me to rejoice in the numerous ways that You act through others in my life. Jesus, I trust in You.

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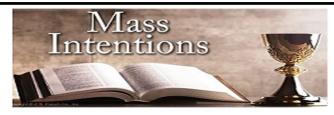
**Baptism:** Parents who have registered for three months or more are required to attend Baptism preparation classes. All documentation must be received days prior to baptism. Please contact the Rectory office to schedule your class.

**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.



January 12th

5:00 PM

+ Richard Wayne Conner (Janet Conner)

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



Rosemary Alexander, Msgr. James Boddie Jr., Earlene Burroughs, Deborah Furlough, Yvonne Highsmith, Maudella Hymes, Barbara Jackson, Glen Mills, Casslena Mobley, Charles Parson, Eileen Scott, James Shelton, Mary Walker, and Thelma Walker.

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

## STEWARDSHIP AWARENESS SUNDAY

"John answered them all, 'I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming...he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit...
" - Luke 3:16

The Catholic Catechism states that "Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God's will." In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

"Live in faith and hope, even though you are in darkness, because it is in these darknesses that God protects the soul. Cast your care on God, for he watches over you and will not forget you. Do not think that he leaves you alone; that would be an affront to him."



- St. John of the Cross, in a letter to a nun.

# STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Jesus, whom God called "my beloved Son," is also the "servant" of whom Isaiah speaks in the first reading. We, baptized in Christ, must follow his example and use our time and resources to serve God and our neighbor.

## 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: 849 5603 0957 Passcode: 695742

The heavens were opened and the voice of the Father thundered:

This is my beloved Son, listen to him.

~ Mark 9:7

#### 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 <a href="mailto:inquiries@dosafl.com">inquiries@dosafl.com</a>.

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

# Announcements

#### **COME TOGETHER DAY**

The Ladies of the St. Bernadette Council invite you to join us for our St Pius V Parish "Come Together Day –Taste Off & Basket Raffle". This event will be held immediately after 10:30am Mass on Sunday, February 9, 2025 in the Parish Conference Center. "Tasting Tickets" are only \$0.50 cents per ticket!

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Date Night, Game Night and Movie Night Basket Raffle Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 tickets for \$5.00. Invite your friends and family to join you for MASS & COME TOGETHER DAY!!!

#### **RESPECT LIFE COLLECTION 2025**

Join us in restoring the culture of life, one heart at a time, by supporting the 2025 Respect Life Collection, January 18 and 19. Your generosity supports pregnancy resource centers, college outreach, parish-based respect life activities, and advocacy initiatives to promote the dignity of all life from conception to natural death. To donate, use the envelope in your church pew. Thank you for your support with this special collection!

#### CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection and for revealing Christ's love to those who are poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give!

Just visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections for more information. #iGiveCatholicTogether also accepts donations for this collection (usccb.igivecatholictogether.org)

#### MLK EVENTS



Come celebrate the life, legacy, and service of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on Friday, January 17, 2025, at the **38th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast**, presented by Florida Blue, at the Prime F. Osborn III Convention Center. The breakfast will take place from 7 to 8 a.m., featuring Pulitzer-Prizewinning author Jonathan Eig. His latest book, *King: A Life*, has been praised by *The New York Times* as

a "monumental" new biography of Dr. King. Tickets are \$70.00 plus fees at eventbrite.

MLK Weekend of Service Jan. 17-20. Weekend of Service, join the United Way on Saturday, January 18, as we unite with community partners and neighborhood residents to make a lasting impact in Duval County. Together, we'll focus on economic equity, basic needs, and financial well-being in Eastside, North Riverside, Robinson's Addition and New Town. Kick off the day with an energizing rally at the Historic Ritz Theater, then dive into meaningful projects that help uplift and empower these communities. Let's honor Dr. King's legacy and create positive change in Duval! For more information visit: https://unitedwaynefl.org/mlk/

MLK Grand Parade The 44th Annual MLK Holiday Grand Parade will start at 10:30 AM from EverBank Stadium Parking Lot J to the Prime Osborn Convention Center on Jan 20, 2025. MLK Day festivities continues at the Prime Osborn Convention Center.

"Not everybody can be famous, but everybody can be great, because greatness is determined by service." ~ Martin Luther King Jr

#### BASA SUMMARY REPORT UPDATE

Below is the update for the parish on the 2024 Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal, captured through January 5, 2025.

2023 Goal: 52 Donors Current Donors: 48 Percent of Family Participation: 37.50% Amount Pledged: \$12,744.00

Amount Paid: \$10,824.00

Balance Due: \$1,920.00

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# Mass Schedule/Events

Sunday service streaming live on Facebook

## Monday, January 13th

Tuesday, January 14th

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

Wednesday, January 15th

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

Thursday, January 16th

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

Friday, January 17th

Saturday, January 18th

5:00 PM Vigil Mass at Holy Rosary

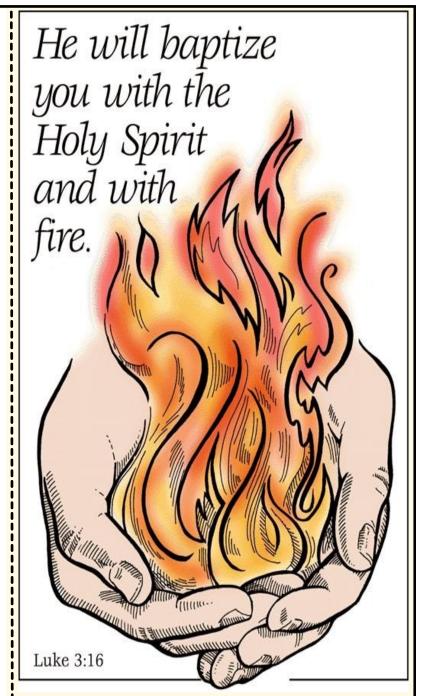
Sunday, January 19th

9:00 AM CCD/Sunday School, Conference Center

10:00 AM Rosary, Church 10:30 AM Mass, Church

# Parish Ministries/Organizations

Administrator/Religious Ed	I. Regina Taylor-Murphy	y 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
	Nezzar Battle	235-9313
Building Maintenance		
Choir - 5:00 PM Adult Choir	Paul Witkowski	504-9952
	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		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	
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	Lucille Trotter	608-1739
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		
S	LaTonya Edwards	504-460-3017



Ministry Schedule: January 19, 2025		
Mass	10:30 AM	
Altar Servers	Evan Edwards Christopher Freeman Tyrell Coleman	
Lectors	LaTonya Edwards Kimberly Smalls	
Commentator	Troy Lynn Brown	
Extra-Ordinary	Xavier Clayton Selena Mendez Monique Fuentes	
Ushers	Kalen Axelson Amiya Jones Jordynn Jones Ava Edwards David Fuentes Ava Baker	
Counters	Deidre Clayton Elizabeth Brown	