



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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The Holy Family Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

December 29, 2024



## 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! Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!!!

## PASTORAL STAFF

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

## TODAY'S READINGS

**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph**  
Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14; Colossians 3:12-21; Lk 2:41-52

## 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  
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### Business Manager:

Ms. Karen Kincade  
SPVBM @outlook.com

### Secretary/Bulletin Editor:

Ms. Selena Mendez  
spvsecretary1@outlook.com

## 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, December 22, 2024: 90

Saturday, December 21, 2024: 8



Sunday, December 22, 2024

Offerings: \$2,542.00

Saturday, December 21, 2024

Offerings: \$49.01

*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!

## Wonder and Awe



The child's father and mother were amazed at what was said about him; and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted (and you yourself a sword will pierce) so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed." ~ Luke 2:33-35

When something truly supernatural takes place, the human mind that grasps that supernatural event is filled with wonder and awe. For Mother Mary and Saint Joseph, their minds were continually filled with a holy amazement at what they were witnessing.

First there was the Annunciation to our Blessed Mother. Then the angel appeared to Joseph in a dream. Then the miraculous birth took place. Shepherds came to adore their child and revealed that a multitude of angels had appeared to them. Shortly after this, the Magi from the East showed up to do homage to their child. And today we are given the story of Simeon in the Temple. He spoke of the supernatural revelation he had received about this Child. Time after time, the miracle of what was taking place was placed before Mother Mary and Saint Joseph, and each time they responded with wonder and awe.

Though we are not blessed to encounter this supernatural event of the Incarnation in the same way that Mary and Joseph did, we are nonetheless able to share in their "amazement" and their "wonder and awe" by prayerfully pondering this supernatural event. The mystery of Christmas, which is a manifestation of God becoming man, is an event that transcends all time and space. It's a spiritual reality of supernatural origin and is therefore an event that our minds of faith have full access to. Just like Mother Mary and Saint Joseph, we must hear the angel at the Annunciation, the angel in Joseph's dream, we must witness the shepherds and Magi and, today, we must rejoice with Simeon as he gazed upon the newborn Messiah, the Savior of the World.

Reflect, today, upon how fully you have allowed your mind to engage the incredible mystery that we celebrate this holy season. Have you taken time to prayerfully read the story once again? Are you able to sense the joy and fulfillment experienced by Simeon and Anna? Have you spent time considering the minds and hearts of Mother Mary and Saint Joseph as they experienced that first Christmas? Let this deep supernatural mystery of our faith touch you this Christmas season in such a way that you, too, are "amazed" at what we celebrate.

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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.



**December 28th 5:00 PM** Alexander Family  
(Rosemary Alexander)  
**December 29th 10:30 AM** + Cecil Washington-Carr  
+ Mary E. Washington  
+ Emmett Washington  
(Henry Gates)

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, Earlene Burroughs, Deborah Furlough, 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**

“See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so, we are.” (1 JOHN 3:1)

During this season of giving, let us remember a beautiful gift that we have received – being children of God! As God’s children, it’s in our DNA that we share and express our love for others as well. Tell your spouse, children, other family members and friends that you love them, every day! Also, pray for those people that are different than you, those that you may not like or those that go out of their way to annoy you. Your prayers may be the start of a new friendship.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

Sometimes praying can be difficult; however, it is in those challenging moments when our prayers resound with a particularly brilliant tone. Perseverance is prayer is important, especially when we don’t feel like it. For, “Every joy and suffering, every event and need can become the matter for thanksgiving which, sharing in that of Christ, should fill one’s whole life: ‘Give thanks in all circumstances’” (# 2648).



**STEWARDSHIP MOMENT**

The first reading today provides a challenging blueprint for the good stewardship of our family relationships. How do I measure up?

**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 and Passcode: 695742**

*Let the peace of Christ control your hearts; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. ~ Colossians 3:15a, 16a*

**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](mailto:inquiries@dosaf.com).

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

**Announcements**

**THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**

*New Year’s Day*

9:00 AM Mass here at St. Pius V



**Office Hours**

In observance of the Christmas Holiday, the rectory will be closed on Wednesday, January 1, 2025. The office will resume business hours on Thursday, January 2, 2025.

**RECTORY OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS**

**VIGIL MASS CHANGE**

Beginning Saturday, January 4, 2025, Vigil Mass returns to Holy Rosary Catholic Church at 5:00 PM.

**BLESSING OPPORTUNITY**

Do you own rental property near St. Pius V that is vacant or know someone who does? If so, there is a parishioner looking to rent a room or a low-cost rental home. Please contact the rectory office for details on how you can be a blessing to someone.

**SPECIAL THANKS**

A Big Thank You goes out to the decorating team for transforming the church into the beautiful Christmas Season. Job well done!

**Thank you to:**

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| James Matthew | Veronica Taylor |
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| Angie Myers   | Lucille Trotter |
| Willie Teamer | Virgil Davis    |

**Special thanks to:**

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| Jeremiah Battle | Joshua Battle |
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**WITH GRATITUDE**

Thank you to the **Knights of Columbus, Father Maher Council #648**, for donating food and gift cards for our Christmas Food Baskets Give-a-Way. St Pius V was able to help provide 10 families with Christmas Dinner. We are grateful for your generosity!

**CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION**

Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ’s love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ’s love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).

**SEVEN DAYS AND PRINCIPLES OF KWANZAA**

*December 26 - January 1*

- Umoja (Unity)
- Kujichagulia (Self-determination)
- Ujima (Collective Work and Responsibility)
- Ujamaa (Cooperative Economics)
- Nia (Purpose)
- Kuumba (Creativity)
- Imani (Faith)



**BASA SUMMARY REPORT UPDATE**

Below is the update for the parish on the 2024 Bishop’s Annual Stewardship Appeal, captured through December 22, 2024.



2023 Goal: 52 Donors  
Current Donors: 48  
Percent of Family Participation: 37.50%  
Amount Pledged: \$12,744.00  
Amount Paid: \$10,749.00  
**Balance Due: \$1,995.00**



**Monday, December 30th**

**Tuesday, December 31st**

New Year's Eve

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

**Wednesday, January 1st**

New Year's Day Holiday

Solemnity Mary Mother of God

9:00 AM Mass, Church

**Thursday, January 2nd**

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

**Friday, January 3rd**

**Saturday, January 4th**

5:00 PM Vigil Mass at Holy Rosary

**Sunday, January 5th**

10:00 AM Rosary, Church

10:30 AM Mass, Church

**Parish Ministries/Organizations**

<b>Administrator/Religious Ed.</b>	Regina Taylor-Murphy	629-1664
<b>Adult/Family Ministry</b>	Endya Freeman	463-2392
<b>Altar Rosary Council</b>	Angela Myers	358-1866
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Leah Mills	713-1968
<b>Annulment Companion</b>	Sr. Elise Kennedy	509-7493
<b>Bereavement Committee</b>	Anethette Durham	751-6397
<b>Building Maintenance</b>	Nezzar Battle	235-9313
<b>Choir - 5:00 PM Adult</b>	Paul Witkowski	504-9952
<b>Choir</b>	Que-Thanh Le	703-300-2493
<b>Counters</b>	Deirdre Clayton	463-6994
<b>Extra-Ordinary Ministers</b>	Brenda Battle	765-9738
<b>Finance Council</b>	Dr. Mark Dawkins	557-4937
<b>Jr. Dgtrs. of Peter Claver</b>	Loretta Breaker	764-9180
<b>Jr. Knights of Peter Claver</b>	James Breaker	764-9180
<b>Knights of Columbus</b>	Alexander Hice	751-0956
<b>Knights of Peter Claver</b>	Amadeus Amador	206-683-5075
<b>KPC Ladies Auxiliary</b>	Janice Hice	751-0956
<b>Lectors/Commentators</b>	Dr. Tameiko Allen Grant	233-1455
<b>Lawn/Landscaping</b>	Selena Mendez	450-2899
<b>Parish Nursing</b>	Tinye Dawkins	764-2248
	Ta'Kiesha Franklin	541-0263
<b>Pastoral Council</b>	Joanne Thayer	765-3768
<b>Prayer Group</b>	Shirley Mills	768-9155
<b>RCIA</b>	Vacant	
<b>Respect Life</b>	Gloria Mendez	707-9203
<b>Social Media Committee</b>	Regina Taylor Murphy	629-1664
	Endya Freeman	463-2392
	Dr. Tameiko Allen Grant	233-1455
	Jalen Chance	888-4077
<b>Sound System Engineer</b>	Roy Wilson	382-5183
<b>St. Bernadette Council</b>	Lucille Trotter	608-1739
<b>Stewardship Committee</b>	Mitzi Ellis	230-2058
<b>Ushers - Adult</b>	Patricia Wilson	930-8386
<b>Ushers - Junior</b>	Lisa Axelson	945-8881
<b>Welcome and Outreach</b>	Patricia Sampson	614-6271
<b>Webmaster</b>	Padrica Mendez	676-0843
<b>Youth/Young Adult Ministry</b>	Kimberly Small	993-7240
	LaTonya Edwards	504-460-3017



# Young Jesus in the Temple

**Ministry Schedule: January 5, 2025**

Mass	10:30 AM
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Malaya Mills Angela Freeman Jameson Grant
<b>Lectors</b>	TBD TBD
<b>Commentator</b>	TBD
<b>Extra-Ordinary</b>	James Breaker Loretta Breaker Lucille Trotter
<b>Ushers</b>	Jhova Aybar Carlos Breaker
<b>Counters</b>	Endya Freeman Julie White