

St. Pius V Catholic Church

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Celebrate Black History Month

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 16, 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.

Melcome 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! Happy Black History Month!!!

PASTORAL STAFF

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

TODAY'S READINGS

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 17:5-8; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

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

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

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Business Manager Ms. Karen Kincade

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass 10:30 AM

Adoration & Benediction First Fridays 6:00 PM

CONFESSION

By appointment only

MASS ATTENDANCE

Sunday, February 9, 2025: 95



Sunday, February 9, 2025 Offerings: \$2,078.65

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!

It Takes a Lot of Faith!



"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude and insult you, and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice and leap for joy on that day! Behold, your reward will be great in heaven."

~ Luke 6:22-23

It takes a lot of faith to "rejoice and leap for joy" after experiencing hatred and persecution from another. Even when one is persecuted on account of his/her faith in Christ, it

takes a lot of faith and a lot of love to sincerely rejoice.

But with that said, this level of faith and love is possible! If it were not, our Lord would not have given this teaching. It is teaching to live the highest ideal. It's a calling to live in Beatitude.

Though it would be worth it to spend time on each and every one of the Beatitudes and to try to apply them to our lives, it's also helpful to look at the more general fact that Jesus does not call us to mediocrity; rather, He calls us to the heights of perfection. It is within those heights that our souls find the greatest reward.

Reflect, today, upon this Beatitude. Perhaps you have never experienced persecution and hatred as a result of following Jesus. But even if you haven't, try to put yourself into this situation and try to honestly discover how you would react. Would you be able to allow persecution to "roll off your back" so to speak? Would you be able to accept injustice in your life without allowing it to disturb your interior peace? Or would you turn bitter and angry as a result of the hurt you would feel?

Try to put your eyes upon the ideals of the Christian life. If you aim for anything less, you run the risk of actually attaining that lower goal. But if you put your eyes upon the high calling of the Beatitudes, then you will find that our Lord will continually draw you closer to His heart, cleansing you, strengthening you, filling you with more faith, hope and love, and bringing you to an increasingly blessed level of holiness. It's worth it to aim for the ideal!

Lord of perfection, please make me holy. Help me to keep my eyes upon You and upon the virtues and Beatitudes that You call me to live. May I never settle for a mediocre life. Instead, may I strive only for a life of perfection and holiness making You the center of all I long for. 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: spysecretary1@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.



February 16th 10:30 AM

Carol Alexander (Rosemary Alexander)

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, Rufus Fletcher, Deborah Furlough, Yvonne Highsmith, Maudella Hymes, Barbara Jackson, Glen Mills, Casslena Mobley, Charles Parson, Henry Sanders Jr., 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

"Blessed are you when people hate you ... exclude and insult you, and denounce your name...on account of the Son of Man." - LUKE 6:22

All of us have been in situations when someone has made a negative comment or joke about God or our Catholic faith. How did you respond? Did you stay silent or pretend to go along with the crowd because you didn't want to cause waves and then, later, you felt bad? Know that God is with you all the time; the Holy Spirit will put the right words in your mouth. Pray for the strength and courage to proclaim our faith to others, especially during uncomfortable situations.

DID YOU KNOW?

"Let us then continually persevere in our hope, and the earnest of our righteousness, which is Jesus Christ." St. Polycarp, *Epistle to the Philippians*



TAX DOCUMENTATION LETTER

If you are in need of a 2024 donation statement letter for income tax purposes, please contact the rectory office at (904) 354-1501. Letters will be generated by request only.

MLK GRAND PARADE



MLK Grand Parade Rescheduled. The 44th Annual MLK Holiday Grand Parade will start at 10:30 AM from EverBank Stadium Parking Lot J to James Weldon Inch Johnson Park on February 17, 2025.

MLK Day festivities continue downtown at James Weldon Johnson Park until 5:30 PM.

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

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

BISHOPS' ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL 2025



Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal Commitment Weekend is March 1-2. Every parishioner should have received a brochure from Bishop Pohlmeier announcing the 2025 BASA Appeal and asking for your prayerful generosity. Please complete the pledge card that was mailed to you and mail it back or put it

in the collection basket next weekend or feel free to drop it by the parish office. If you prefer to donate online, you can use the QR code that was provided. The Appeal helps thousands of people in need across our diocese. All the funds collected are distributed to local ministries within the Diocese of St Augustine. In the spirit of charity, we ask that you prayerfully consider a pledge to this year's Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal.

YOUTH LENTEN RETREAT

Youth Lenten Retreat will be held at the Guardian Catholic School the evening of March 7th and March 8th for youth 3rd grade and up. Registration is \$20 with deadline of Feb. 22nd. Contact Endya Freeman or LaTonya Edwards for additional information.



RECTORY OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

In observance of the Presidents' Day Holiday, the rectory office will be closed on Monday, February 17th. The office will resume normal business hours on Tuesday, February 18th.

JUBILEE: ARTISTS AND THE WORLD OF CULTURE

Celebrate the Jubilee of Artists and the World of Culture, a tribute to the transformative power of art and culture in expressing faith and hope. We invite artists in our community to share their talents, inspiring others through the universal language of beauty and creativity. Join us for a free six-week art exhibition opening Feb. 1 at the Mission Museum of the National Shrine of Our Lady of La Leche in St. Augustine. The exhibition will feature the renowned 2024 Hall of Fame artist Roger Bansemer, showcasing his original collection of landscape paintings titled "On the Path of Beauty."

BLACK HISTORY MONTH FACTS

Cathay Williams was the first and only known female Buffalo Soldier. Williams was born into slavery and worked for the Union Army during the Civil War. She posed as a man and enlisted as William Cathay in the 38th infantry in 1866 and was given a medical discharge in 1868.

Garrett Morgan's inventions continue to save lives. His take on the traffic signal, which he patented in 1922, was the first to offer a third "caution" signal, which is now known as the yellow light. Take his traffic signal, which he patented in 1922. In 1912, Morgan received a patent for his "Breathing Device," which was one of the earliest versions of a gas mask. He was also the first African American man to own a car in Cleveland, Ohio.

In 1996, **Sheryl Swoopes** became the first player to sign with the WNBA, with the league debuting a year later.

The cartoon character Betty Boop was based on **Esther Jones**, a Harlem-based jazz singer. Jones was known for her use of "boops" in her singing, which was called a child-like scat.

Parade: by Shameika Rhymes

BASA SUMMARY REPORT UPDATE

Below is the update for the parish on the 2024 Bishop's Annual Stewardship Appeal, captured through February 9, 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



Mass Schedule/Events

Sunday service streaming live on Facebook

Monday, February 17th
President's Day Holiday Rectory Office Closed

Tuesday, February 18th

Mass at Crucifixion 8:00 AM

Wednesday, February 19th
8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

Thursday, February 20th

8:00 AM Mass at Crucifixion

Friday, February 21st

Saturday, February 22nd 5:00 PM Vigil Mas

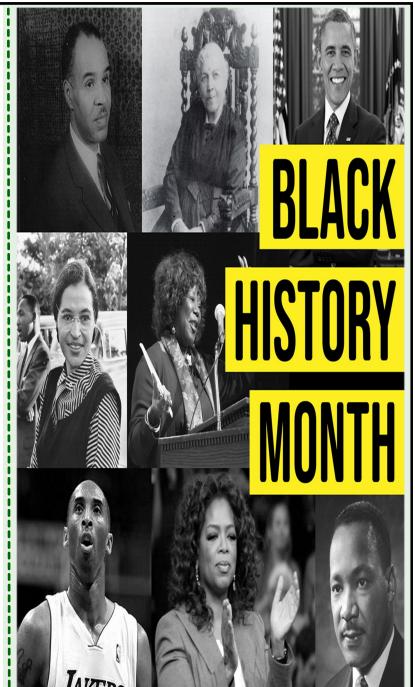
Vigil Mass at Holy Rosary

Sunday, February 23rd9:00 AMCCD/Sunday School, Conference Center10:00 AMRosary, Church

Mass, Church 10:30 AM

Parish Ministries/Organizations Admin Religious Ed. & OCIA Regina Taylor-Murphy 629-1664

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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	Paul Witkowski	504-9952
Choir	James Matthews	699-0543
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
KPČ 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
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 Ministr	y LaTonya Edwards	504-460-3017
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Ministry Schedule: February 23, 2025		
Mass	10:30 AM	
Altar Servers	David Fuentes Jameson Grant Christopher Freeman	
Lectors	Janet Conner Kimberly Small	
Commentator	Troy Lynn Brown	
Extra-Ordinary	Mary Granger Leanie Payne Veronica Taylor	
Ushers	Robert Jackson David Fuentes	
Counters	Wayne Ford Regina Taylor Murphy	