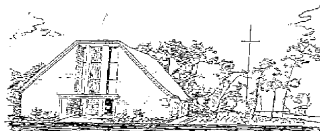


HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC CHURCH  
DIOCESE OF ST. AUGUSTINE  
"SERVING JACKSONVILLE'S NORTHSIDE SINCE 1921"  
4731 NORWOOD AVENUE, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32206



**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

*As followers of Jesus, we at Holy Rosary Parish, seek to be a living community with respect for different persons and personalities. Attuned to the will of God by example of faith, worship, and prayer, we will work together toward the common goal of a loving, sharing, forgiving community that would, in itself, draw the interest of others into our Church community!*

**HOLY ROSARY PARISH**

Fr. Bernardine Eikhuemelo, Pastor  
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Parish Office & Church.....(904) 764-3241

Sisters' Convent.....(904) 764-9032

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday.....9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**GUARDIAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

Sr. Dianne Rumschlag, SND, Head of School  
Sr. Cynthia Shaffer SND, Principal  
Therese Jackson. Principal

**SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS**

Monday- Friday.....8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**Mass Schedule**

**Sunday**

10:00 AM

**Saturday Vigil**

5:00 PM @ St. Pius V

**Weekday Mass**

Friday 9:00 AM

**Holy Days**

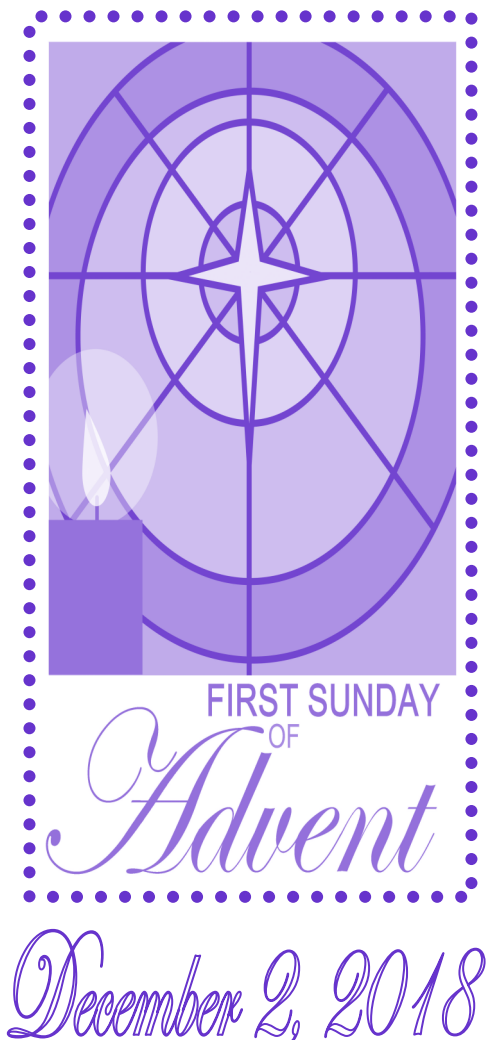
6:30 PM

**Adoration of the Eucharist**

Mondays 6 PM—7 PM

**Reconciliation**

Saturday 4:30 PM



## ††† Mass Intentions December, 2018 †††

Fri. 30th—9:00 am— +Fr. Denis O'Regan  
 Sat 1st—5:00 pm— Mass @ St. Pius V  
 Sun. 2nd— 10:00 am - +Georgetta Hatlestad by Anne & Tim Meusel

Fri. 7th— 9:00 am— +Fr. Denis O'Regan  
 Sat. 8th— 5:00 pm — Mass @ St. Pius V  
 Sun. 9th -10:00 am — +Linda Hall by Mary & John Nagy

Fri. 14th—9:00 am — +Fr. Denis O'Regan  
 Sat. 15th— 5:00 pm— Mass @ St. Pius V  
 Sun. 16th-10:00 am — +Harley Brown, Jr. by the brown Family

Fri. 21st — 9:00 am - +Fr. Denis O'Regan  
 Sat. 22nd-5:00 pm — Mass @ St. Pius V  
 Sun. 23rd - 10:00 am— +William Carney by the Brown Family

Fri. 28th-9:00 am — +Fr. Denis O'Regan  
 Sat. 29th— 5:00 pm — Mass @ St. Pius V  
 Sun. 30th—10:00 pm—+Samson Bellange Marlene Valentine

### Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, December 1  
 Mass @ St. Pius V  
Sunday, December 2  
 Jackie , Roger, Nancy  
Saturday, December 8  
 Mass @ St. Pius V  
Sunday, December 9  
 Sr. Darlene, Sal , Bobbo  
Saturday, December 15  
 Mass @ St. Pius V  
Sunday, December 16  
 Brooklyn , Cheyenne, Angel  
Saturday, December 22  
 Mass @ St. Pius V  
Sunday, December 23  
 Sr. Victoria, Ann , Claudia  
Saturday, December 29  
 Mass @ St. Pius V  
Sunday, December 30  
 Roger, Sal, Bobbo

### Lectors

Saturday, December 1  
 Mass @ St. Pius V  
Sunday, December 2  
 Cynthia Diggett, Dorothy Parker  
Saturday, December 8  
 Mass @ St. Pius V  
Sunday, December 9  
 Claudia Pratt, Donna Rettini  
Saturday, December 15  
 Mass @ St. Pius V  
Sunday, December 16  
 Youth Group  
Saturday, December 22  
 Mass @ St. Pius V  
Sunday, December 23  
 Ava Gardner, Trey Lewis  
Saturday, December 29  
 Mass @ St. Pius V  
Sunday, December 30  
 Henry Evans, Ron Walsh



**Kimber Pratt, Kathy Dalton,  
 Barbara Stairs, Michael Reineck, Alan Thrower,  
 Brooks & Heidi Kay, Tom Bowen, &  
 Roxanne Hermiller**

Amanda Robison, Carmela Rettini Taylor,  
 Christine Robinson, Hattie Benton, Aletha Moore, & Joseph Desir

**Remember all of our deceased loved ones in your prayers**



**Dear Brothers and Sisters,**

### **Stay Awake!!!**

Today we begin a new liturgical year with the season of Advent. I know that for many it is already the Christmas season, well sort of, if you ask me. I am one for 'delaying' the joy and excitement of Christmas. I am not a big fan of Christmas music at this very early stage of preparation. But for many who do, I understand. Either way, we cannot bypass the season of prayerful anticipation and reflection that reminds us to stay awake and be ready.

Obviously, staying awake is not just a task for the season of Advent. Our readiness for the coming of the Savior is an ongoing disposition for anyone longing for God's eternal kingdom. Advent comes at the beginning of the liturgical year, I believe, to keep that goal always in front of us and to help us recognize moments of His coming.

As the *Catechism* reminds us, "In Jesus 'the Kingdom of God is at hand.' He calls his hearers to conversion and faith, but also to *watchfulness*. In prayer the disciple keeps watch, attentive to Him Who Is and Him Who Comes, in memory of his first coming in the lowliness of the flesh, and in the hope of his second coming in glory. In communion with their Master, the disciples' prayer is a battle; only by keeping watch in prayer can one avoid falling into temptation. (CCC, 2612)

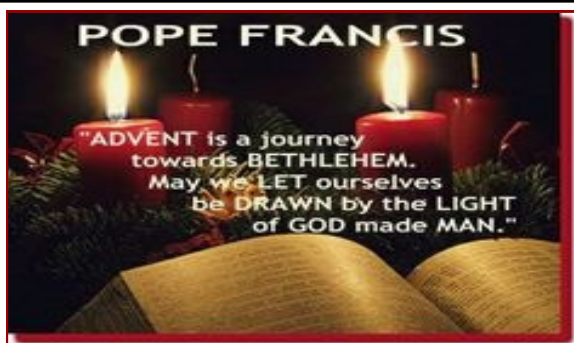
"Though already present in his Church, Christ's reign is nevertheless yet to be fulfilled 'with power and great glory' by the King's return to earth. This reign is still under attack by the evil powers, even though they have been defeated definitively by Christ's Passover. Until everything is subject to him, 'until there be realized new heavens and a new earth in which justice dwells, the pilgrim Church, in her sacraments and institutions, which belong to this present age, carries the mark of this world which will pass, and she herself takes her place among the creatures which groan and travail yet and await the revelation of the sons of God.' That is why Christians pray, above all in the Eucharist, to hasten Christ's return by saying to him: *Marana tha!* 'Our Lord, come!' (CCC, 671)

"Since the Ascension Christ's coming in glory has been imminent, even though 'it is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has fixed by his own authority.' This eschatological coming could be accomplished at any moment, even if both it and the final trial that will precede it are 'delayed'." (CCC, 673)

May this season of Advent be a time of renewed commitment to God, as we begin the "**Year of Grace**"

Have a blessed week everyone!

**Fr. Bernardine**



Weekend of November 25, 2018  
 Mass Attendance: Sun. – 62  
 Offertory: \$1,054.00  
 Need: \$1,650.00 Difference: \$-596.00

Envelopes for flower donations are available on the bookcase shelf at the back of church. Please take and return as soon as possible.

### **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**

(holy day of obligation)

**December 8th**

Mass times are:

Friday Vigil 6:30 pm @ Holy Rosary

Saturday 9:00 am @ Crucifixion

### **Annual Christmas Party**

Saturday, December 8th

5:30 pm @ Holy Rosary

Invitations for the Christmas Party are on the table at the back of church. Please take one per family. Read it carefully especially if you are attending with a child 11 years of age or younger. RSVP as soon as possible so that we may be well prepared. We have had not had many RSVP's so if you are planning to attend, please let Claudia or Sr. Victora know by Thursday at the latest.

You may continue to buy or sell tickets even after the drawings begin. There will still be plenty of chances to win.

Thanks to everyone who sold and bought tickets. It's greatly appreciated.

### ***Make Ready His Room***

*Advent is the perfect time to clear and prepare the Way for the coming Messiah, a bit of winter cleaning for all of us who desire peace. Through reflection and prayer, by reading and meditation, we can make our hearts a place where a blessing of peace would desire to abide and where the birth of the Prince of Peace might take place. Daily try to make an Advent examination of your heart. Are there feelings of discrimination toward race, sex, or religion? Is there a lingering resentment, an unforgiving injury living in our hearts? Do we look down upon others of lesser social standing or educational achievement? Are we generous with the gifts that have been given to us, seeing ourselves as their stewards and not their owners? Are we reverent of others, their ideas and needs, and of creation? These and other questions become an Advent "broom" sweeping the darkness of sin out of our hearts to make room for Jesus' blessed manger.*

The schedule of masses for the Penance Service and Christmas are as follows:

Penance Service—Dec. 18th , 6:30 pm @ Holy Rosary  
 Christmas Eve—Dec. 24th, 7:00 pm @ Holy Rosary  
 Midnight Mass—Dec. 24th, 12:00 am @ St. Pius V  
 Christmas Day—Dec. 25th, 9:00 am @ Crucifixion

The bulletin insert has the schedule for you to put in an obvious place where you can find it and refer to it !



Tyler McConnell  
 Andrew Rumschlag  
 William Jack Wilson  
 Lee Gutteridge  
 Joel Ater

### **December Birthdays**

Mekayla Lewis – 3rd  
 Gwen Yates—13th  
 Mica Rettini—13th  
 Ava Gardner—23rd  
 Gladys Carney—28th  
 Elaina Adlain—29th  
 Christine Robinson—30th

## NEWS & EVENTS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

The Diocese of Saint Augustine treats all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deals with all allegations in a prompt, confidential and thorough manner. To Report Abuse, call: Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator (904) 262-3200, ext. 129, or the Department of Children and Families at 1-800-96-Abuse (800) 962-2873.

La Diócesis de San Agustín le da seria consideración a toda acusación de mala conducta sexual y dispone de todos dichos casos de manera pronta, completa y confidencial. Para reportar tal abuso, llame a: Coordinador Diocesano de Auxilio a Víctimas (904) 262-3200, ext. 129 o Departamento de Niños y Familias del Estado de la Florida 1- (800) 962-2873.



The Church, when it celebrates the Season of Advent each year, makes present the ancient expectancy of the Messiah foreshadowed throughout Scripture. The writings about John the Baptist and his conversion and martyrdom give us a renewed desire for the second coming of Christ. His inspirational words, "He must increase, but I must decrease" (Jn 3:30) should be our focus during this Season of Advent. (CCC#523-524)

La Iglesia, cuando celebra la temporada de Adviento cada año, hace presente la antigua expectativa del Mesías prefigurado en todas las Escrituras. Los escritos sobre Juan el Bautista y su conversión y martirio nos dan un deseo renovado por la segunda venida de Cristo. Sus palabras inspiradoras, "Es necesario que el crezca y que yo disminuya" (Jn 3:30), deben ser nuestro enfoque durante esta temporada de Adviento. (CCC #523 -524).

### 2018 Simbang Gabi

Simbang Gabi (Filipino for "Night Mass") is a devotional nine-day series of Masses practiced by Catholics in the Philippines in anticipation of Christmas and to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary. The tradition is typically held daily from Dec. 16 – 23 . For more information, contact Mae Cronologia at [astrildmae@yahoo.com](mailto:astrildmae@yahoo.com).

#### **Masses are at 7:00 pm unless noted otherwise. List of Locations:**

**December 15 Saturday** St. Joseph Parish (7:30 p.m.) 11757 Old St. Augustine Rd. 32258

**December 16 Sunday** Holy Spirit 11665 Fort Caroline Rd. 32225, Mary Queen of Heaven 401 Staples Mill Drive 32244

**December 17 Monday** Christ the King Parish 742 Arlington Road 32211, St. Paul Parish-Riverside 2609 Park Street 32204

**December 18 Tuesday** Resurrection 3383 University Blvd. N. 32277, San Juan Del Rio 1718 State Road 13, North, St. Johns 32259

**December 19 Wednesday** St. Patrick 601 Airport Center Dr. E. 32218, St. Catherine of Siena 1649 Kingsley Ave. Orange Park 32073

**December 20 Thursday** Blessed Trinity 10472 Beach Blvd. 32246, Basilica of the Immaculate Conception 121 East Duval Street 32202

**December 21 Friday** Holy Family Parish , 9800 Baymeadows Rd. 32256, Assumption Parish 2403 Atlantic Blvd. 32207

**December 22 Saturday** St. John the Baptist 2400 Mayport Rd. Atlantic Beach

Most Holy Redeemer Parish (7:30 p.m.) 8523 Normandy Blvd. 32221

**December 23 Sunday** Sacred Heart Parish with Bishop Estévez 5752 Blanding Blvd Jacksonville 32244

### December 9— **Brunch with Santa**

9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Marywood Retreat & Conference Center, St. Johns

Come and enjoy a selection of decadent brunch specialties and an opportunity to meet Santa.

Cost: \$30/adult and \$13.50/children

For details, call Ansley Beaver at (904) 436-6591

### **Dec. 10-13**

#### **Advent Parish Mission**

Focus on the Eucharist particularly Eucharistic Adoration

Leader: Father of Mercy Joseph Aytona

Confession is at 6:00 p.m. and the Talks begin at 7:00 p.m.

St. Joseph Catholic Church, Jacksonville