



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

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday.....10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Sunday
8:30 AM, 10:30 AM

Saturday Vigil
5:00 PM

Weekday Mass
Friday 9:00 AM

Holy Days
6:30 PM

Adoration of the Eucharist
Mondays TBA

Reconciliation
Saturday 4:15 pm
Sunday 7:45 am

GUARDIAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

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

The Epiphany of the Lord



January 3, 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Happy New Year 2021



It is three days into the year 2021, and still very new. A happy, safe and blessed New Year to you all. Unlike recent transitions from one to another year, this is one that, we all desperately pray ushers in a return to life as we knew it before Covid, and indeed much better than that. God is in control as always. We are a people of faith, and hope does not disappoint. Happy 2021!!!

Year of St. Joseph VI

PATRI CORDE OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS... continued

3. An obedient father

As he had done with Mary, God revealed his saving plan to Joseph. He did so by using dreams, which in the Bible and among all ancient peoples, were considered a way for him to make his will known. Joseph was deeply troubled by Mary's mysterious pregnancy. He did not want to "expose her to public disgrace", so he decided to "dismiss her quietly" (Mt 1:19).

In the first dream, an angel helps him resolve his grave dilemma: "Do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins" (Mt 1:20-21). Joseph's response was immediate: "When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him" (Mt 1:24). Obedience made it possible for him to surmount his difficulties and spare Mary.

In the second dream, the angel tells Joseph: "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him" (Mt 2:13). Joseph did not hesitate to obey, regardless of the hardship involved: "He got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod" (Mt 2:14-15).

In Egypt, Joseph awaited with patient trust the angel's notice that he could safely return home. In a third dream, the angel told him that those who sought to kill the child were dead and ordered him to rise, take the child and his mother, and return to the land of Israel (cf. Mt 2:19-20). Once again, Joseph promptly obeyed. "He got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel" (Mt 2:21).

During the return journey, "when Joseph heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. After being warned in a dream" – now for the fourth time – "he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth" (Mt 2:22-23).

The evangelist Luke, for his part, tells us that Joseph undertook the long and difficult journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem to be registered in his family's town of origin in the census of the Emperor Caesar Augustus. There Jesus was born (cf. Lk 2: 7) and his birth, like that of every other child, was recorded in the registry of the Empire. Saint Luke is especially concerned to tell us that Jesus' parents observed all the prescriptions of the Law: the rites of the circumcision of Jesus, the purification of Mary after childbirth, the offering of the firstborn to God (cf. 2:21-24).

In every situation, Joseph declared his own "fiat", like those of Mary at the Annunciation and Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane. In his role as the head of a family, Joseph taught Jesus to be obedient to his parents (cf. Lk 2:51), in accordance with God's command (cf. Ex 20:12).

During the hidden years in Nazareth, Jesus learned at the school of Joseph to do the will of the Father. That will was to be his daily food (cf. Jn 4:34). Even at the most difficult moment of his life, in Gethsemane, Jesus chose to do the Father's will rather than his own, becoming "obedient unto death, even death on a cross" (Phil 2:8). The author of the Letter to the Hebrews thus concludes that Jesus "learned obedience through what he suffered" (5:8).

All this makes it clear that "Saint Joseph was called by God to serve the person and mission of Jesus directly through the exercise of his fatherhood" and that in this way, "he cooperated in the fullness of time in the great mystery of salvation and is truly a minister of salvation."

Fr. Bernardine

Mass Intentions for January 2nd & 3rd

5:00 pm-+Fr. Denis O'Regan

8:30 am-+William Carney by the Brown Family

10:30 am-Parishioners of Holy Rosary, St. Pius V & Crucifixion



Vincent Rettini, Kay Speiser Millo, Bayon Joyner, Kimber Pratt, & Michele Stairs

Carolyn Occulto, Carmela Rettini, Christine Robinson, Joseph Desir Michael Reineck, Aletha Moore, Alan Aguilar, Ollie Harrison, Jose Luis Morales, Betty Corsen, Kathy Dalton, & Roxanne Hermiller



Week of December 25 & 27, 2020

Offertory: 1,236.00 - Total

Resolution Suggestions

- If* you have a warm handclasp, use it.
- If* you have a gift of speech, speak
- If* you have energy, spend it for good.
- If* you have money, give it.
- If* you have time, share it.
- If* you love little children or youth, lead them.
- If* you can sing, by all means, glorify God with your voice.
- If* you are fond of the beautiful and the artistic, decorate God's altar.
- If* you have a heart of love, visit the sick, greet the stranger, sympathize with the sorrowing.
- If* you have business ability, the church and the pastor needs you.
- If* you have faith, pray without ceasing.
- If* your church means life to you and yours, then attend worship regularly and give thanks.
- If* your church means life to you and yours, tell others about it.

A Perfect Start to the Year

Epiphany - What a perfect feast to start the year with! As we read the magi's story we are challenged to begin the year on our feet, already walking on the path of righteousness. We are given the gift of a mission, called to look up toward God, following His star even when earthly authority stands in our way. We are reminded to carry our gifts faithfully, laying them at the feet of God, allowing Him to make full use of those gifts. Epiphany says to every heart, stand up from your apathy, look up to God, lift up your gifts and follow His path. What better recipe for a year could we find?



Tyler McConnell
 Andrew Rumschlag
 William Jack Wilson
 Lee Gutteridge
 Joel Ater

January Birthdays

- Vanessa Latimer—1st
- Aletha Moore—6th
- Luciano Suarez—6th
- Laura Suarez—13th
- Jada Parker—15th
- Cynthia Diggett—16th
- Tyler McConnell—20th
- Daniela Suarez—21st
- Margaret McConnell—22nd
- Sr. Betty Jeanne

Anniversaries

Harold & Margaret McConnell—3rd

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 Lord's Prayer represents a true summary of the whole gospel. It is considered the most perfect of prayers. It teaches us not only to ask for things but also the order in which we should desire them. On a similar note, the psalms are the principal food of Christian prayer and they flow together in the petitions contained in the Our Father. (CCC# 2761, 2762, 2763)



El Padre Nuestro representa un verdadero resumen de todo el Evangelio. Se considera la más perfecta de las oraciones. Nos enseña no solo a pedir cosas, sino también el orden en que conviene desearlas. En una nota similar, los salmos son el alimento principal de la oración Cristiana y fluyen juntos en las peticiones contenidas en el Padre Nuestro. (CCC # 2761, 2762, 2763)

From the Basilica of Immaculate Conception

Check out the stunning laser light show at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception that was created for the Cathedral District Jax "Let There Be Light" Christmas event. Copy and paste the link below to view the laser show provided courtesy of Father Blair Gaynes. Enjoy!

<https://fb.watch/2zIbatx0Mi/>

January 9, 2021—Diocesan Women's Conference

Sponsored by the Family Life Office

8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., UNF Adam W. Herbert University Center, Jacksonville

Open to all women of the diocese. A virtual option is also being offered

Click to register early <https://family.dosafl.com/womensconference/>

JANUARY 16

15TH ANNUAL MARCH (CARAVAN) FOR LIFE ST. AUGUSTINE

9 A.M. MASS WITH BISHOP ESTÉVEZ AS CELEBRANT, NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF LA LECHE AT MISSION NOMBRE DE DIOS. DUE TO COVID-19

RESTRICTIONS, THIS YEAR THE MARCH WILL BE A CARAVAN INSTEAD, WITH THE FAITHFUL DRIVING THROUGH THE STREETS OF ST. AUGUSTINE STARTING AT 2 P.M.

VISIT WWW.MARCHFORLIFESTAUGUSTINE.COM FOR THE FULL SCHEDULE OF THE DAY OR CALL MAY OLIVER AT (904) 262-3200, EXT. 159.