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!

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday - Friday.....10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS
Monday- Friday.....8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Sunday	Saturday Vigil	Weekday Mass	Holy Days	Adoration of the Eucharist	Reconciliation
10:00 AM 7:00 PM-	5:00 PM @ St. Pius	Friday 9:00 AM	6:30 PM	Mondays 6 PM—7 PM	TBD

It is the Spirit that gives life, while the flesh is of no avail.

Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 22, 2021

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

"Hard Doctrine"- Simple Elements

Father's Corner

Today we read the concluding session of Jesus' discourse leading to the Holy Eucharist after the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fish. Over time, the Lord drew them into the importance and realization that, for eternal life we must eat his body and drink his blood. Without any taint of reservation, Jesus makes it resoundingly clear that, partaking in the Holy Eucharist – his body and his blood – brings us eternal life. That assertion did not go down well with the crowd and his followers. Admiration has turned to vehement rejection.

"The first announcement of the Eucharist divided the disciples, just as the announcement of the Passion scandalized them: 'This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?' The Eucharist and the Cross are stumbling blocks. It is the same mystery and it never ceases to be an occasion of division. 'Will you also go away?': the Lord's question echoes through the ages, as a loving invitation to discover that only he has 'the words of eternal life' and that to receive in faith the gift of his Eucharist is to receive the Lord himself. (CCC, 1336)

"At the heart of the Eucharistic celebration are the bread and wine that, by the words of Christ and the invocation of the Holy Spirit, become Christ's Body and Blood. Faithful to the Lord's command the Church continues to do, in his memory and until his glorious return, what he did on the eve of his Passion: 'He took bread. . . .' 'He took the cup filled with wine. . . .' The signs of bread and wine become, in a way surpassing understanding, the Body and Blood of Christ; they continue also to signify the goodness of creation. Thus in the Offertory we give thanks to the Creator for bread and wine, fruit of the 'work of human hands,' but above all as 'fruit of the earth' and 'of the vine' - gifts of the Creator. The Church sees in the gesture of the king-priest Melchizedek, who 'brought out bread and wine,' a prefiguring of her own offering. (CCC, 1333)

"In the Old Covenant bread and wine were offered in sacrifice among the first fruits of the earth as a sign of grateful acknowledgment to the Creator. But they also received a new significance in the context of the Exodus: the unleavened bread that Israel eats every year at Passover commemorates the haste of the departure that liberated them from Egypt; the remembrance of the manna in the desert will always recall to Israel that it lives by the bread of the Word of God; their daily bread is the fruit of the promised land, the pledge of God's faithfulness to his promises. The 'cup of blessing' at the end of the Jewish Passover meal adds to the festive joy of wine an eschatological dimension: the messianic expectation of the rebuilding of Jerusalem. When Jesus instituted the Eucharist, he gave a new and definitive meaning to the blessing of the bread and the cup. (CCC, 1334)

"The miracles of the multiplication of the loaves, when the Lord says the blessing, breaks and distributes the loaves through his disciples to feed the multitude, prefigure the superabundance of this unique bread of his Eucharist. The sign of water turned into wine at Cana already announces the Hour of Jesus' glorification. It makes manifest the fulfillment of the wedding feast in the Father's kingdom, where the faithful will drink the new wine that has become the Blood of Christ." (CCC, 1335)

Have a blessed week everyone!

Fr. Bernardine

In Need of SPECIAL PRAYER

Bayon Joyner, Kimber Pratt, Alphonso, Dot , Pamela , Torrey Coleman, & PeeWee

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

Remember all of our deceased loved ones in your prayers

Week of August 15, 2021
Offertory: $761.00
Spanish Mass: $114.00

Holy Rosary's Centennial Anniversary Celebration

Please mark your calendars for the following dates:
Saturday October 9th—evening for adults.
Sunday October 10th—family fun day & luncheon
Sunday October 24th—mass with the Bishop
followed by the parish picnic.

To help fund the events, we are selling space for ads & congratulatory messages. These will be compiled in a commemorative booklet that will given to every family in our parish as a keep-sake. There are flyers with details on the table. For questions or more information, see Claudia or contact the church office.

Mass Intentions for August

20th- Fri. 9:00 am—+Fr. Denis O'Regan
22nd-Sun.10:00 am-+Jacob Niesen by Col. Jere & Patty Cook
Sun. 7:00 pm—Spanish Mass

27th- Fri. 9:00 am-+Fr. Denis O'Regan
29th-Sun.10:00 am-Kimber Pratt—Special Intentions
Sun. 7:00 pm–Spanish Mass

Are the Disciples Still Murmuring?

Rituals and symbols only have value when they are lived out in our daily lives. Some Christians are happy to proclaim "God loves you. Jesus died for you" until it becomes inconvenient or hard. Then they murmur and grumble against the very God they were proclaiming.

Jesus met up with a number of murmuring people who could not accept what He said about being the Bread of Life. Nowadays, we accept the Eucharist and the mystery and truth behind it. But the Bread of Life is only a part of Jesus' message. How do some who break that Bread and share a communion cup murmur against the rest of the message?

August Birthdays

Suzanna Ramirez—12th
Clare Gutteridge —16th
Harold McConnell—17th
Alton Yates—19th
Cheyenne Ramirez—21st
Sr. Dianne—21st
Na'Tisha Parker-Calhoun—23rd
Trey Lewis—28th
Brooklyn Ramirez Batista—31st

Anniversaries

Juan & Nancy Morales—4th
Alton & Gwen Yates—19th

God Bless those Serving in the Military

Tyler McConnell
Andrew Rumschlag
William Jack Wilson
Lee Gutteridge
Joel Ater

OTHER NEWS & EVENTS

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 Victimas (904) 262-3200, ext. 129 o Departamento de Niños y Familias del Estado de la Florida 1- (800) 962-2873.

Our faith in one God has several implications and consequences for our whole life. It means: coming to know God's greatness and majesty, living in thanksgiving, knowing the unity and true dignity of all men, making good use of created things, and trusting God in every circumstance. (CCC #222-227)

Nuestra fe en un solo Dios tiene varias implicaciones y consecuencias para toda nuestra vida. Significa: reconocer la grandeza y majestad de Dios, vivir en acción de gracias, reconocer la unidad y la verdadera dignidad de todos los hombres, hacer buen uso de las cosas creadas y confiar en Dios en todas las circunstancias. (CCC # 222-227)

August 27-29—Experiencia Cristo #36
For all young adults, 18 to 35 years of age.
Marywood Retreat and Conference Center, St. Johns
For more information, email ngarcia@dosafl.com

Family Night Sponsored at St Catherine

The Faith Formation Office of St. Catherine of Siena Parish and the OCF are co-hosting a Family Night on Wednesday, Sept. 8, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The entertainment for the evening will be the Donut Man. Please see the information and registration form below. This event is free, but reservations are a must.

http://www.donutman.streamlinenettrial.co.uk/ (website with information)

https://form.jotform.com/211785826768169 Registration

September 4—Founder's Day in St. Augustine
10:00 a.m. Historical Reenactment of the 1565 landing
11:00 a.m. Mass at the Rustic Altar with Bishop Estévez as celebrant
For more details, email mtucker@missionandshrine.org

Emergency Relief for Haiti

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is asking Catholics and all people of goodwill to consider a donation to Catholic Relief Services. Go to CRS.org or dosafl.com to make a donation. Haiti is in need of aid following a catastrophic earthquake. Please consider donating.

Join others for Coffee & Donuts, in the school cafeteria, following the 10 am mass.