

HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC CHURCH
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 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.

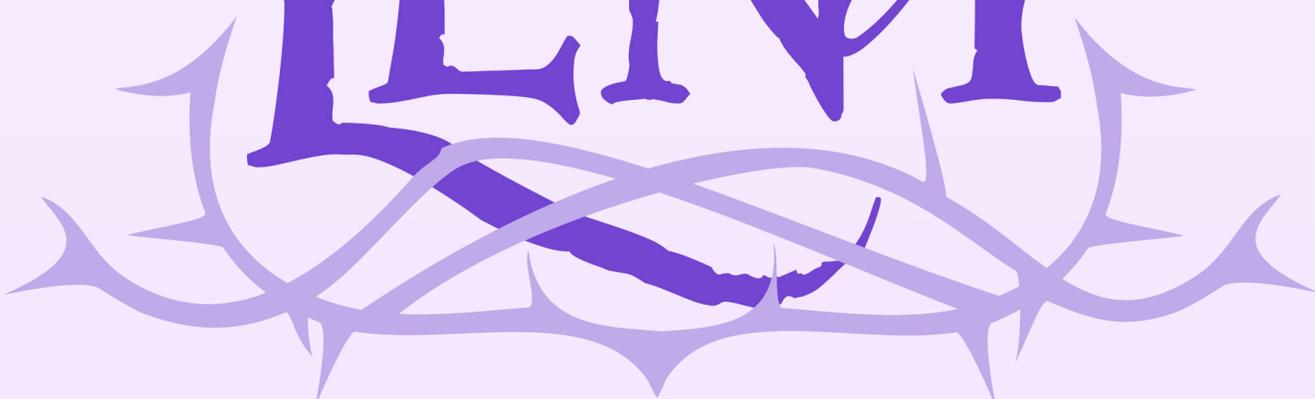
SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

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

<u>Sunday</u> 10:00 AM 7:00 PM- Spanish Mass	<u>Saturday Vigil</u> 5:00 PM	<u>Weekday Mass</u> Friday 9:00 AM	<u>Holy Days</u> 6:30 PM	<u>Adoration of the Eucharist</u> Mondays 6 PM—7 PM	<u>Reconciliation</u> Saturday 4:15 PM
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"If you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!"

THIRD
 Sunday
 IN LENT



March 20, 2022

Dear Sisters and Brothers,



MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR LENT 2022 ...continued

Let us not grow tired of praying. Jesus taught us to “pray always without becoming weary” (Lk 18:1). We need to pray because we need God. Thinking that we need nothing other than ourselves is a dangerous illusion. If the pandemic has heightened the awareness of our own personal and social fragility, may this Lent allow us to experience the consolation provided by faith in God, without whom we cannot stand firm (cf. Is 7:9). No one attains salvation alone, since we are all in the same boat, amid the storms of history; [2] and certainly no one reaches salvation without God, for only the paschal mystery of Jesus Christ triumphs over the dark waters of death. Faith does not spare us life’s burdens and tribulations, but it does allow us to face them in union with God in Christ, with the great hope that does not disappoint, whose pledge is the love that God has poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit (cf. Rom 5:1-5).

Let us not grow tired of uprooting evil from our lives. May the corporal fasting to which Lent calls us fortify our spirit for the battle against sin. Let us not grow tired of asking for forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation, knowing that God never tires of forgiving. [3] Let us not grow tired of fighting against concupiscence, that weakness which induces to selfishness and all evil, and finds in the course of history a variety of ways to lure men and women into sin (cf. Fratelli Tutti, 166). One of these is addiction to the digital media, which impoverishes human relationships. Lent is a propitious time to resist these temptations and to cultivate instead a more integral form of human communication (ibid., 43) made up of “authentic encounters” (ibid., 50), face-to-face and in person.

Let us not grow tired of doing good in active charity towards our neighbours. During this Lent, may we practise almsgiving by giving joyfully (cf. 2 Cor 9:7). God who “supplies seed to the sower and bread for food” (2 Cor 9:10) enables each of us not only to have food to eat, but also to be generous in doing good to others. While it is true that we have our entire life to sow goodness, let us take special advantage of this Lenten season to care for those close to us and to reach out to our brothers and sisters who lie wounded along the path of life (cf. Lk 10:25-37). Lent is a favourable time to seek out – and not to avoid – those in need; to reach out – and not to ignore – those who need a sympathetic ear and a good word; to visit – and not to abandon – those who are lonely. Let us put into practice our call to do good to all, and take time to love the poor and needy, those abandoned and rejected, those discriminated against and marginalized (cf. Fratelli Tutti, 193).

3. “If we do not give up, we shall reap our harvest in due time”

Each year during Lent we are reminded that “goodness, together with love, justice and solidarity, are not achieved once and for all; they have to be realized each day” (ibid., 11). Let us ask God to give us the patient perseverance of the farmer (cf. Jas 5:7), and to persevere in doing good, one step at a time. If we fall, let us stretch out our hand to the Father, who always lifts us up. If we are lost, if we are misled by the enticements of the evil one, let us not hesitate to return to God, who “is generous in forgiving” (Is 55:7). In this season of conversion, sustained by God’s grace and by the communion of the Church, let us not grow tired of doing good. The soil is prepared by fasting, watered by prayer and enriched by charity. Let us believe firmly that “if we do not give up, we shall reap our harvest in due time” and that, with the gift of perseverance, we shall obtain what was promised (cf. Heb 10:36), for our salvation and the salvation of others (cf. 1 Tim 4:16). By cultivating fraternal love towards everyone, we are united to Christ, who gave his life for our sake (cf. 2 Cor 5:14-15), and we are granted a foretaste of the joy of the kingdom of heaven, when God will be “all in all” (1 Cor 15:28).

May the Virgin Mary, who bore the Saviour in her womb and “pondered all these things in her heart” (Lk 2:19), obtain for us the gift of patience. May she accompany us with her maternal presence, so that this season of conversion may bring forth fruits of eternal salvation. **Concluded**

Have a blessed week everyone!

Fr. Bernardine



Guillermo Castelan, Judy Grubbs, Bayon Joyner, Kimber Pratt, & Torrey Coleman

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

Coffee & donuts are in the school
cafeteria every Sunday following mass.



Week of March 13 2022
Offertory: \$897.00
Spanish Mass: \$125.00

Stations of the Cross
 Friday, March 25th @ 6:30 pm
 here at Holy Rosary

Congratulations to Grant & Jada on their marriage last Saturday. Please keep the happy couple in your prayers and ask God to continue his blessings upon them. The parish community of Holy Rosary wish them, much health & happiness!

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Diaper Drive the weekends of March 19th-20th & March 26th—27th. All sizes are needed. You may drop your donations in the bin located at the back of church.

Easter flower envelopes, in memory of a love/loved ones, are now available on the table in back. Please return them no later than April 10th, Palm Sunday.



Mass Intentions for March, 2022

18th-Fri. 9:00 am—+Fr. Denis O'Regan
 19th-Sat. 5:00 pm—Parishioners of Holy Rosary, St. Pius V & Crucifixion
 20th-Sun. 10:00 am—+Joseph Meusel by Tim & Anne Meusel
 Sun. 7:00 pm—Spanish Mass

25th-Fri. 9:00am—+Fr. Denis O'Regan
 26th-Sat. 5:00 pm—Parishioners of Holy Rosary, St. Pius V & Crucifixion
 27th-Sun. 10:00 am—+Annette Susie Meusel by Tim & Anne Meusel
 Sun. 7:00 pm—Spanish Mass

Save the Difficult Questions for Heaven
Why do bad things happen to good people? When a business fails, illness strikes, or even at an unexpected death, we all ask some pretty tough questions. Believers for centuries have sought to find a balance between our free will to act and the consequences, between God's mercy and His judgment. If we're honest, each us will admit to struggling with the subject. We look at each of the speed bumps along life's highway and ask God, "how come?" We want an explanation for each bit of suffering that occurs, even seeking desperately for some sin that caused this "punishment". And how frighteningly easy this is to do when we're analyzing the tragedy in someone else's lives. How easy it is then to spot that "sin", what the sufferer did to "deserve it". In the end all this mental exercise too often ends with us blaming God, calling Him indifferent or vengeful, instead of looking to Him for answers. If we turned these troublesome topics over to the discerning Holy Spirit who lives in us, we would find greater wisdom, or at least greater peace for those tough questions. Perhaps it's best that we lean on God's love, and in the meanwhile, save our most difficult questions for heaven.

Lector Schedule for March
 6th—Bobbo Lewis
 13th—Anne Sisson Meusel
 20th— Donna Rettini
 27th—Ron Walsh
 Please see Claudia if you cannot read on your day.

March Birthdays
 Sr. Cynthia—7th
 Sharon Gutteridge—20th



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



The human right to exercise freedom does not entail the right to say or do everything. Man is not fully self-sufficient, and his finality is not the satisfaction of his own interests but attaining his full and blessed perfection by clinging to God. (CCC 1740, 1743, 1747)



El derecho humano a ejercer la libertad no implica el derecho a decir y hacer cualquier cosa. El hombre no es plenamente autosuficiente, y su finalidad no es la satisfacción de sus propios intereses sino el llegar a su bienaventurada perfección aferrándose a Dios. (CIC 1740, 1743, 1747)

March 29—Understanding Jesus and Paul Means Understanding Judaism: Pharisees, Prayer, Parable, and Practice

A community education opportunity sponsored by The Center for Catholic-Jewish Studies of St. Leo University. Join Dr. Amy-Jill Levine, a prominent scholar of the New Testament and Jewish studies, as she reveals the depths of the Jewish character of the NT and guides religious educators and clergy in their current teaching and preaching practice. The event, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., is available on **Zoom** and is open to the public. RSVP to saintleo.edu/understanding
For more information, contact CCJS Director Dr. Matthew Tapie at matthew.tapie@saintleo.edu.

April 11-13—Parish Mission During Holy Week

Blessed Trinity Parish is hosting a mission during Holy Week. The theme is “A Journey to Joy!” and is a great opportunity for the whole family to attend. All are welcome! The Retreat leader is Frank Runyeon, a television personality and graduate of the seminary and Princeton University. To read more, visit www.frankrunyeon.com.

The talks begin at 7:00 p.m. each evening of the mission. For more details, visit www.btccjax.org

Your help is needed in Ukraine where there are already more than 2.9 million people in need of assistance. Throughout this time, Caritas Ukraine, with support from CRS, has been providing emergency relief and recovery.

The situation there is rapidly unfolding, and we could not do this work without your help. When you donate, you provide immediate assistance for your Ukrainian sisters and brothers affected by this crisis. Your prayers and support will make so much difference. Please give a vital gift today!

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