



**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.

**SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS**

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

Sunday  
 10:00 AM  
 7:00 PM-Spanish Mass

Saturday Vigil  
 5:00 PM

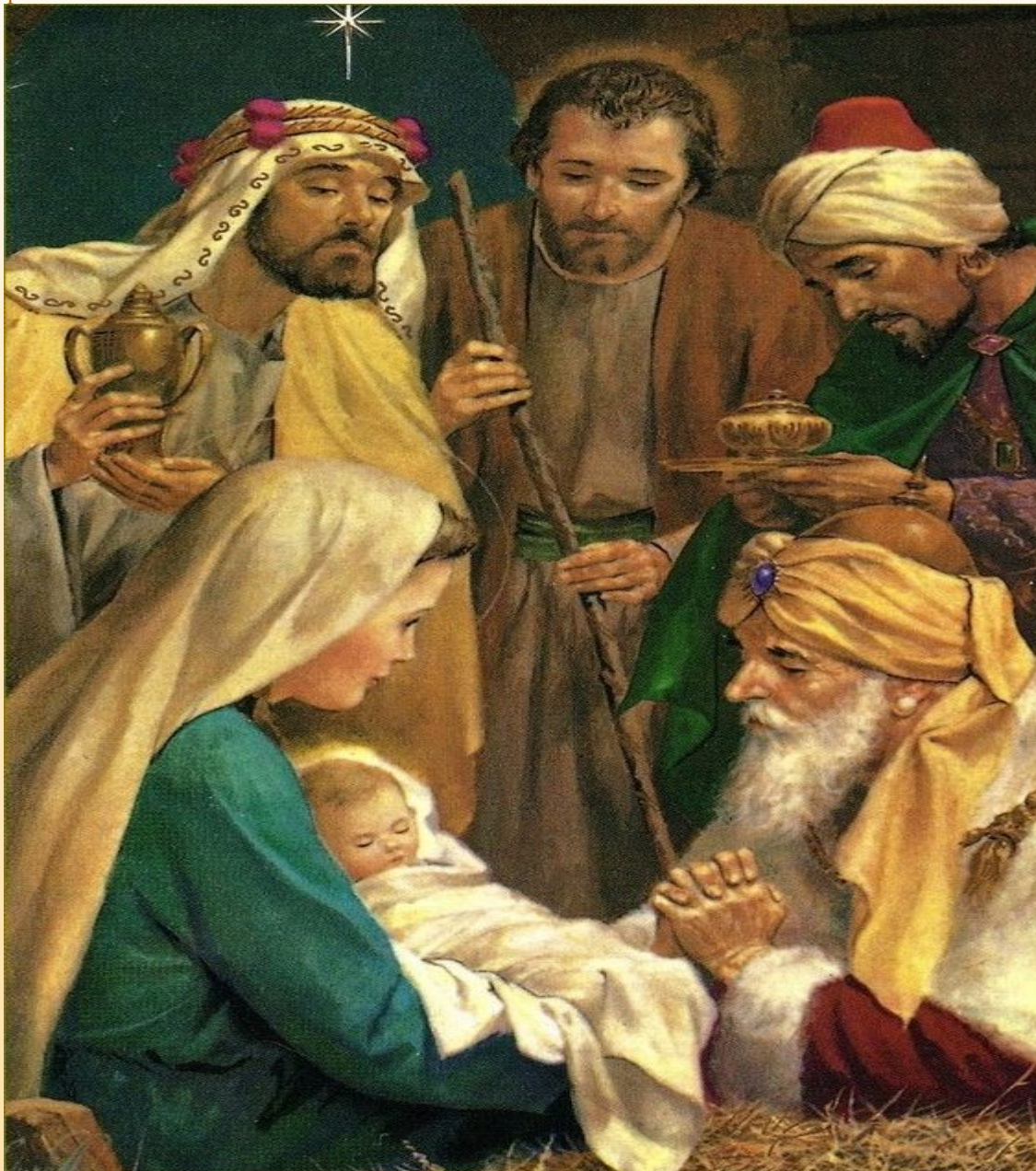
Weekday Mass  
 Friday 9:00 AM

Holy Days  
 6:30 PM

Adoration of the Eucharist  
 Mondays 6 PM—7 PM

Reconciliation  
 Saturday 4:15 PM

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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

No one can be saved alone.

Combating Covid-19 together, embarking together on paths of peace



Pope Francis' Message on World Day of Peace continued

3. Three years later, the time is right to question, learn, grow and allow ourselves to be transformed as individuals and as communities; this is a privileged moment to prepare for "the day of the Lord". I have already observed on a number of occasions that we never emerge the same from times of crisis: we emerge either better or worse. Today we are being asked: What did we learn from the pandemic? What new paths should we follow to cast off the shackles of our old habits, to be better prepared, to dare new things? What signs of life and hope can we see, to help us move forward and try to make our world a better place?

Certainly, after directly experiencing the fragility of our own lives and the world around us, we can say that the greatest lesson we learned from Covid-19 was the realization that we all need one another. That our greatest and yet most fragile treasure is our shared humanity as brothers and sisters, children of God. And that none of us can be saved alone. Consequently, we urgently need to join together in seeking and promoting the universal values that can guide the growth of this human fraternity. We also learned that the trust we put in progress, technology and the effects of globalization was not only excessive, but turned into an individualistic and idolatrous intoxication, compromising the very promise of justice, harmony and peace that we so ardently sought. In our fast-paced world, the widespread problems of inequality, injustice, poverty and marginalization continue to fuel unrest and conflict, and generate violence and even wars.

The pandemic brought all this to the fore, yet it also had its positive effects. These include a chastened return to humility, a rethinking of certain consumeristic excesses, and a renewed sense of solidarity that has made us more sensitive to the suffering of others and more responsive to their needs. We can also think of the efforts, which in some cases proved truly heroic, made by all those people who worked tirelessly to help everyone emerge from the crisis and its turmoil as best they could.

This experience has made us all the more aware of the need for everyone, including peoples and nations, to restore the word "together" to a central place. For it is together, in fraternity and solidarity, that we build peace, ensure justice and emerge from the greatest disasters. Indeed, the most effective responses to the pandemic came from social groups, public and private institutions, and international organizations that put aside their particular interests and joined forces to meet the challenges. Only the peace that comes from a fraternal and disinterested love can help us overcome personal, societal and global crises.

4. Even so, at the very moment when we dared to hope that the darkest hours of the Covid-19 pandemic were over, a terrible new disaster befell humanity. We witnessed the onslaught of another scourge: another war, to some extent like that of Covid-19, but driven by culpable human decisions. The war in Ukraine is reaping innocent victims and spreading insecurity, not only among those directly affected, but in a widespread and indiscriminate way for everyone, also for those who, even thousands of kilometers away, suffer its collateral effects – we need but think of grain shortages and fuel prices.

Clearly, this is not the post-Covid era we had hoped for or expected. This war, together with all the other conflicts around the globe, represents a setback for the whole of humanity and not merely for the parties directly involved. While a vaccine has been found for Covid-19, suitable solutions have not yet been found for the war. Certainly, the virus of war is more difficult to overcome than the viruses that compromise our bodies, because it comes, not from outside of us, but from within the human heart corrupted by sin (cf. Gospel of Mark 7:17-23). To be Concluded

Have a blessed week everyone!

Fr. Bernardine



**Joan Petruska, Courtney Suggs, Judy Grubbs, Kimber Pratt, Bayon Joyner,  
Guillermo Castelan & Ray Kastens**

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 Jan. 1, 2023**  
**Offertory: \$2,557.00**  
**Spanish Mass: \$182.00**

The 2023 calendars are here. They are on the table in the back of church. Please take one per household. After a few Sundays, if any are left, you may take another one.  
 Thank you.

**Please Make Note.**  
 The Saturday Vigil Mass has returned to Holy Rosary @ 5:00 pm. It will remain at Holy Rosary through June 30th.

*Are You a Star Gazer?*  
 Where are you seeking your guidance? Is it in the horoscope section of the paper? Perhaps you go to your counselor every week? Or maybe it's the bartender at the lounge where you stop after work. Matthew 2: 1-12 tells the story of three men who followed their star. When they saw the star, they dropped everything and followed it. As a result, they found the place at the manger of Jesus they had been seeking all their lives, and returned home with new hearts. God gives each of us a "star" as well, if only we can recognize it. This week, this year, step back from the false guides around you and see His star clearly once more. In it's shining light of Love, we can find the contentment we've been seeking.



- January Birthdays**
- Shirley Smith—2nd
  - Aletha Moore—6th
  - Luciano Suarez—6th
  - Laura Suarez—13th
  - Jada Woods—15th
  - Cynthia Diggett—16th
  - Daniela Suarez—21st
  - Margaret McConnell—22nd
  - Sr. Betty Jeanne
- Anniversaries**
- Harold & Margaret McConnell—3rd

- Lector Schedule for Jan.**
- 1st—Donna Rettini
  - 8th—Anne Meusel
  - 15th—Ron Walsh
  - 22nd—Bobbo Lewis
  - 29th—Jada Woods

- Mass Intentions for January, 2023**
- 13th-Fri. 9:00 am—+Fr. Denis O'Regan
  - 14th-Sat. 5:00 pm—Parishioners of Holy Rosary, St. Pius V & Crucifixion
  - 15th-Sun. 10:00 am —+Harley Brown, Jr. by the Brown Family
  - Sun. 7:00 pm—Spanish Mass
  - 20th-Fri. 9:00 am—+Fr. Denis O'Regan
  - 21st-Sat. 5:00 pm—Parishioners of Holy Rosary, St. Pius V & Crucifixion
  - 22nd-Sun. 10:00 am—+William & Gladys Carney by the Brown Family
  - Sun. 7:00 pm—Spanish Mass



- Tyler McConnell
- Andrew Rumschlag
- William Jack Wilson
- Lee Gutteridge

## 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.



“It is the responsibility of Pastors to encourage, also by their personal witness, the practice of Eucharistic adoration, and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, in particular, as well as prayer of adoration before Christ present under the Eucharistic species.” (#25)



“Corresponde a los Pastores animar, incluso con el testimonio personal, el culto eucarístico, particularmente la exposición del Santísimo Sacramento y la adoración de Cristo presente bajo las especies eucarísticas.” (#25)

### Nativity Open House at Villa Flora in St. Augustine, Jan. 8

The Sisters of St. Joseph of St. Augustine invite you to attend their annual Nativity Open House, “Remembering Our Savior in Turbulent Times,” Jan. 8, from noon to 4 p.m., in the Villa Flora of St. Joseph Renewal Center, 234 St. George Street, across the street from their Motherhouse. This FREE event will also include spirituality books as gifts for those who attend. For more details, call Sister Jane Stoecker at (904) 824-5894.

### Trivia Night at Sacred Heart, Jan. 13

Let’s get quizzical! Sacred Heart's Council of Catholic Women is hosting a Trivia Night to benefit a youth field trip on Friday, January 13, 2023, at 7 p.m. in Sullivan Hall at Sacred Heart Parish, 7190 U.S. Highway 17 S., Fleming Island. All are welcome! Snacks and soft drinks will be provided, BYOB. Cost is \$10 per person to play with teams of up to eight people. Cash prizes! RSVPs are required, so please call Suzanne at (904) 284-3811 or email [frontdesk@sacredheartcatholicchurch.org](mailto:frontdesk@sacredheartcatholicchurch.org) with your team’s name and the number playing.

### 2022 BASA Summary Report

1/1/2023

Donors—31

Participation—42.47 %

Pledged—\$9,176

Paid—\$9,031

Balance—\$145

### March for Life Main Event, Jan. 14

National Shrine of Our Lady of La Leche at Mission Nombre de Dios, 101 San Marco Ave. in St. Augustine. “We choose to love them both!” is the theme of this annual event. Outdoor Mass at 9 a.m. with Bishop Pohlmeier as the celebrant (weather permitting), march begins at 10:30 a.m. There will be guest speakers, music and activities throughout the day.

Visit <https://www.marchforlifestaugustine.com/> or contact May Oliver at [moliver@dosaf.com](mailto:moliver@dosaf.com) for more info.

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