

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

Main Church
7190 Highway 17 South
Fleming Island FL 32003

Green Cove Springs Church
207 Palmetto Avenue
Green Cove Springs FL 32043



Welcome to Sacred Heart

We extend a warm welcome to those who attend our Church. We hope that you will find our parish community a place where your life of faith will be nourished. We also hope that you will share your special gifts within the community. Your prayers, your presence and your talents are most welcome. Parish registration forms are in the back of the church or may be obtained at the Parish Office.

PARISH OFFICE

7190 Highway 17 South
Tel 284-3811 Fax 529-8845
Office Hours: Monday – Friday
8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Pastor: Father Michael Pendergraft
Business Manager: Tish Aguilar
Receptionists: Mary Bullington, Silvia Alexander
RCIA Coordinator: Mike Curtis
Hall Director: Arlene Manalo
Youth Director: Janice Schubert

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Tel 284-9983
Kristin Michler-Belleza (K-5)
Sandra Curtis (6-12)

MUSIC MINISTRY

Karen Otto, Mike Curtis and Ann Marie Barta

ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC SCHOOL

1610 Blanding Blvd., Middleburg 32068
Tel. 282-0504
Principal: Victoria Farrington

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m.; Spanish 7:30 p.m. (Green Cove Springs Church)
Sunday: 8 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.
Holy Days: 8 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Weekdays: Monday through Friday 8 a.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 4:30 to 5:15 p.m. or by appointment

To arrange for Baptism or Marriages please call the Parish Office.
Homebound Parishioners: Please call the office if you know of anyone who needs Eucharist brought to the home or would like a visit.

Web site: www.sacredheartcatholicchurch.org

MISSION STATEMENT

Compelled by the Gospel, we the parish family of Sacred Heart, promote and support Christian Life by serving our parish and community through the celebration of the sacraments, educational programs and other parish ministries.

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

April 12, 2020

***When Christ your life appears,
then you too will appear with him in glory.***

— *Colossians 3:4*



STEWARDSHIP

Very early in the morning after the Sabbath, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb to anoint Jesus' body with precious oils. The reward of this good and conscientious steward was to be among the first to know that Jesus had been raised from the dead! Alleluia!!

Your Gifts to God and Parish –March 29th

Sacrificial Giving: \$ 5,539.00
Building Fund: \$ 3,802.00
Not in envelopes: \$ 4,246.00

Thank you to all who are continuing to bring their contributions to the parish office or mailing them to us. We appreciate your continuing support.

***Fr. Mike and the Staff
of Sacred Heart parish wish you
a blessed and happy Easter.***



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PLEASE NOTE:

***The Parish Office will be closed
on Easter Monday, April 13th.***



Dear Faithful in the Diocese of St. Augustine,

The last few weeks have caused many difficulties as daily life has been disrupted so dramatically. Moreover, the circumstances we have experienced and will experience during coming days may well prevent us from gathering for the Liturgies of Holy Week which lead to our celebration of Easter.

I am also aware that during the Lenten season, many seek the Sacrament of Reconciliation by attending parish penance services and partaking in regularly scheduled confessions. Regrettably, the access to the Sacrament of Penance has been considerably restricted during this Lenten season, as we continue to adhere to the national and local governments' procedures to protect the common good.

Mindful of this difficulty, as your Bishop, I wish to propose to you the other means of reconciliation, forgiveness, and mercy that our Church provides for these extraordinary circumstances. Since an individual confession has become almost physically impossible, please be attentive to the following other means of reconciliation (CIC 960):

The Church envisions a pastoral situation when the faithful are unable to partake in the sacrament and yet receive God's mercy. The gift of mercy is offered when, motivated out of love for God, the faithful express sorrow for their sins through a **Perfect Act of Contrition**. This act of perfect contrition provides forgiveness for mortal and venial sins until the faithful again have the opportunity to participate in the Sacrament of Penance. (CCC 1452)

May I ask that all who wish to make a "perfect act of Contrition" please do so. On this occasion make that contrition concrete by prayer for those who currently need it most or some special act of charity towards the needs of others. Then when we are able to gather for the Eucharist again, discern appropriately as to receive the Holy Communion, and as soon as possible, avail yourself to the individual celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Sincerely,
Most Reverend Felipe J. Estevez, S.T.D.
Bishop of St. Augustine

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

All Religious Education classes will be cancelled now until further notice!

We are expecting classes not to resume until after Easter.

Please check our Sacred Heart Fleming Island Religious Ed. & Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Fleming Island Facebook pages or our parish website www.sacredheartcatholicchurch.org for updates on classes and retreats.

Youth Ministry Corner

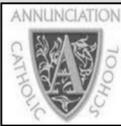
Attention all Teens and 'Tweens:

Our Sacred Heart Youth Ministry gatherings on Wednesday evenings will be postponed for the foreseeable future due to the coronavirus. I will keep you updated when we will resume. Please know that you are in my prayers.

Blessings, Janice



Your Parish School Since 1993



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 1610 Blanding Boulevard, Middleburg, FL 32068
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CALL TO ARRANGE A TOUR OF THE SCHOOL

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Tour our new Gymnasium!

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www.stepupforstudents.org

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 Media
 Music
 PE
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 Every Day

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Florida VPK, NcKay, AAA, FES, Hope, and Gardiners Students Also Accepted

*\$100 Discount for current Prep Families or NEW Families from Sacred Heart

Frank Latorre Scholarship Award

The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a \$1,000 scholarship to a 2020 graduating senior to attend a college or a trade school of their choice . Applications can be picked up at the Parish Office or email Michael Dezsi at michael.dezsi@att.net.

To be eligible, the student must reside in Clay County and be a relative of a member of Sacred Heart Parish. Applications must be turned in at the Parish Office by the deadline of **May 1st**.



A Prayer Amid an Epidemic

Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages “curing every disease and illness.” At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love. Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care.

Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbors from helping one another.

Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders. Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace.

Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace.

Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve. Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth.

Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace.

Jesus Christ, heal us.

By Kerry Weber

SEEDS OF FAITH

There is a brevity, a certain terseness, in the scripture readings for Easter Sunday. Peter’s speech in Acts is built of direct, pointed sentences. Paul’s letters are based on straightforward creed-like statements. Even the Gospel story only briefly recounts what will turn out to be one of the most remarkable events in human history—the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Advertising agents call these encapsulated points of information “bullet points.” Scripture scholars call them *kerygmata*, or “kernels” of our faith. Actually, “kernels” or “seeds” are good terms for these statements, since throughout the Easter season, we will hear in the Acts of the Apostles, the Letters of Paul, and the Gospel accounts of the days following the Resurrection exactly how these *kerygmata* began to flower, how they continued to grow through the life of the early church. May these Easter “seeds” of faith serve a similar purpose for us, too, so that the life of the Risen Christ will flourish in us and through our witness in the coming days.

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Marriage Preparation



Marriage Preparation: To schedule a wedding, an engaged couple must meet with their parish priest or deacon at least eight months before their proposed wedding date. Preparation for the sacrament includes attending a diocesan program such as **Engaged Encounter** or **Pre Cana**. Pre-registration for each of these programs is mandatory.

For the dates and for more information about the diocesan requirements or to register for any of the diocesan programs, please visit www.dcf.org or call (904) 551-2619.

Easter Sunday

**Pray
For
Vocations**

The angel said, "Do not be afraid."
Trust that the risen Christ empowers
you to go and spread the good news.
(Matthew 28:1-10).

If you have a question about a vocation to the priesthood or religious life, contact the Vocation office, at (904) 262-3200 ext. 101, or email vocations@dosaf.org

How to Make a Spiritual Communion

Whenever you are unable to attend Mass or if you are not permitted to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion, the Church has taught through the ages that a person can always make a Spiritual Communion. Saint Thomas Aquinas described this as "an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacrament and a loving embrace as though we had already received Him"
The most common prayer for Spiritual Communion was written by Saint Alphonsus Ligouri (1696-1787)

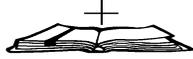
*My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
And I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
Receive You sacramentally,
Come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
And unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.*

SULLIVAN HALL

All events held at Sullivan Hall are scheduled through Sullivan Hall director, Arlene Manalo. For prices, availability and more information, call Arlene at 284-3811 or email sullivanhall@sacredheartcatholicchurch.org
www.facebook.com/shsullivanhall



Mass Intentions



Monday, April 13th, 8:00 am – No Mass
Tuesday, April 14th, 8:00 am - In memory of Paul LeClaire requested by Raymond and Paulette Robert.
Wednesday, April 15th, 8:00 am - In memory of Thomas Andruschat requested by Mr. and Mrs. John McInerney.
Thursday, April 16th, 8:00 am - In memory of Jennie and Joseph Marcy requested by their daughter, Christine.
Friday, April 17th, 8:00 am - For Martin Abueg.
Saturday, April 18th, 5:30 pm - In memory of Kim and Jesse Wilson, Jr. requested by Carol Wilson.
Sunday, April 19th, 8:00 am - In memory of Ann Kojola requested by Nancy Mills.
Sunday, April 19th, 10:30 am - For the Special Intentions of Karl and JoAnn Grunewald requested by the Contemplative Prayer Group.
Sunday, April 19th, 5:30 pm - For the Parishioners of Sacred Heart Parish.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43).

Psalms — This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118).

(1) Second Reading — All who are baptized, set your hearts in heaven (Colossians 3:1-4) *or*

(2) Second Reading — Christ our Passover is sacrificed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8).

Gospel — Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9) *or* Matthew 28:1-10 (*or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35*).

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PRAYER LIST

Please call the Parish Office to have names included on our list. Names will be printed in the bulletin for four weeks before being removed or unless re-added by request. Thank you for helping us keep our list current.



Please pray for...

Misael Amaya, DiLorenzo Family, Ann Hernandez, Tim Hogan, Dolores Johnson, John Knight, Yvette Patch, Jacob Reynaldo, Gloria Shipley, Jim Skellacie, John Steinberg, Tommy Turner, Stephanie Wiley,

John Anderson, Kenneth and Yong Culbertson, Jody Diller, Kitty Estes, Cheryl Gomes, Mark Hathaway, Art Hernandez, Justin Johnson, Daniel Laidler, Linda Ledbetter, Ansley Luther, Cindy Mackert, Karen McCallan, Kate Pearce, Levi Shepherd, Rita Williams, Bonnie Willis, Keith Willis,

Millie Aybar, Diane Conlon, Roger Demetrick, Louis Flores, Emma Ingram, Brandon Jones, Carol Mansell, Cindy Murphy, Katie Murphy, Ken Murphy, Tasha Rhodenberry,

Heather Coleman Dvorak, our homebound parishioners and our prayer blanket recipients.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a; Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15

Sunday: Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31