

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.

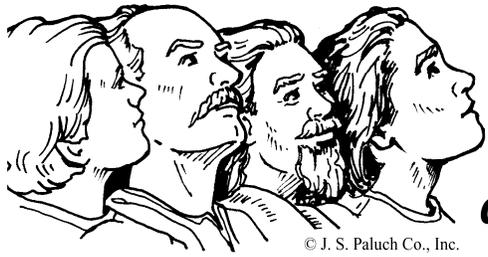
Weekdays: Monday through Friday 8 a.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 4:30 to 5:15 p.m. or by appointment

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.



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The Ascension of the Lord May 24, 2020

He was lifted up,
and a cloud took him from their sight.

— Acts 1:9

STEWARDSHIP

Jesus ascended into heaven, blessing His disciples and promising that they would soon receive the power of the Holy Spirit. We who have received that promised gift of the Spirit are now empowered to be His witnesses to the ends of the earth - to use our time and talents to spread the good news of salvation.

Your Gifts to God and Parish - May 10th

Sacrificial Giving: \$ 4,845.00
Building Fund: \$ 3,935.00
Not in envelopes: \$ 1,365.00

Children's Offering: \$ 5

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

We have received many notes of appreciation and encouragement. They mean a lot to us.



Graduation
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Graduating Students

If you or someone in your family is graduating, please call the Parish Office (284-3811) with the names. We would like to include as many graduates as we can in an upcoming bulletin.



Memorial Day
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On Monday, May 25th,
we remember those who have
died in our nation's service.

Have a safe and happy Memorial Day.
The Parish Office will be closed on Monday.

Mass will celebrated at 8:00 am.

USCCB Documentary

Nicholas Black Elk, Servant of God

A documentary on Nicholas Black Elk's life and cause for sainthood is being aired at different times in our area. Please check your local listings.

Walking the Red Road: Nicholas Black Elk's Journey to Sainthood, funded by the Catholic Communication Campaign of the USCCB, is a rare opportunity for Catholic programming in a mainstream media outlet.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

In order to finish out the year, your child should complete Unit 4 of their books.

Grade 1-6 complete the chapter tests in Unit 4.

Grades 7 & 8 will need to complete the 3-page Unit 4 test.

Religious Ed. books are available in the Education buildings Monday -Thursday 9 am to 1 pm.

You can also follow the link on Sacred Heart Fleming Island Religious Ed. Facebook page. to access the books online.

NOTE! Registration Forms for the 2020/2021 Religious Education year are being mailed out this week. Please watch for them. Be sure to return them as soon as possible to secure the class you want and to avoid the late fee.

Parents,

I have had replies and questions to my email concerning the Confirmation and the requirements need to be Confirmed. I will try and answer these emails, so they are a little clearer.

1. There is an option to do the retreat in two days, half of the retreat on Friday the 29th and the other half on Saturday the 30th. Confirmation would follow the retreat on Saturday.

2. The other option is to have the retreat on Saturday all day and having the Confirmation on Sunday with a time to be determine by Father Mike.

Both retreats (which ever one is chosen) will begin at 8:30am

Please choose an option. The option chosen will be determined by your votes. Fr. Mike is leaving it to the families to decide which they would prefer.

Once the retreat and Confirmation dates are confirmed we will set a time for rehearsal.

As for who will be allowed to attend the Confirmation: the Candidate, their sponsor and one family member (either a parent, grandparent or sibling)

Mass will be held in the Church and we will still have to meet the requirements set by the Diocese (distance and wearing a mask). For this reason, we are only allowing one family member to attend. This will also affect how photos are taken after Mass. We still need to keep our distance from non-family members.

If for some reason the sponsor can not be here on the date indicated a parent can stand in as proxy, which will leave a seat open for another family member.

Here is what is needed for you to meet the requirement to be Confirmed:

You will still need to write the Letter to the bishop.

You will need to finish the Test.

You will need to attend a Retreat.

You will need to have the Sacrament of Reconciliation prior to being Confirmed. (We will try and incorporated into the Oretreat, if not Father Mike is available on Saturdays at 4:30 in Sullivan Hall.)

The Bishop has delegated Fr. Mike to administer the sacrament of Confirmation this year. He was only given one day to have a Confirmation Mass. Once I finalize the date for Confirmation, we will work on how to accomplish the retreat. I am working on setting up the Activity Center to meet the social distancing requirement.

If anyone feels uncomfortable with attending either the Retreat or Confirmation Mass, your child will have to wait till next year to make their Confirmation, when the Bishop begins having Confirmations next year (I cannot tell you when that will be). Your child will still need to meet all requirements and preparations for the Sacrament this year.

Sandra Curtis



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Diocesan Guidelines for Resuming Mass

Several important reminders for a safe and orderly transition:

- ***We will follow the current guidance from the civil and health authorities.**
- ***Before attending Mass remember substantial risks remain for infection.**
- ***Bishop Estévez continues the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. *Remember that both of your priests are in the higher risk category.**

Weekend Masses are permitted beginning on May 16/17; daily Masses on May 18, and subject to the following conditions in Sullivan Hall:

In consultation with parish staff, I determined **Sullivan Hall** is better for physical distancing seating. This will impose restrictions on the number of people at Masses. Call the office and indicate what Mass you will be attending; your first choice may be full. Stay home at first if you can.

Masses will resume at their usual times except for Sunday night - **No** 5:30 pm Mass

You must wear a mask at all times while at Mass. Only at Communion can masks be lifted.

There will be no hymnals or books in the pews. The choir will lead us.

If you attend Mass, please follow the instructions on where you can and cannot sit. There must be **four empty chairs** between non-family members. It is possible to stream 8a.m. Mass in parking lot with phone or Wi-Fi. Communion would be distributed by the fountain in front of hall.

Entering and exiting the Hall will be with care. Anyone sitting on the patio side can exit around the Hall. Others leave by side emergency exit or through main Hall doors.

Communion. The two ministers will cleanse hands before and after Communion. Remain seated until your row's turn and observe the markers on the floor for spacing. Communion is in the hand only - **no exceptions** - and not from the cup. Gloves if worn must be removed before receiving.

It is helpful if you bring your own wipes and/or hand sanitizer. Supplies are extremely scarce, even for churches.

For people not risking Mass in the Hall, Communion Services can be arranged at times other than Sunday. Please call the office.

Confessions are on **Saturdays** from 4:30 to 5:00 in **Sullivan Hall**. All other sacraments are by arrangement.

CALLING ALL GRADUATES!

We'd like to honor all our parishioners who are graduating this year. We invite you to wear your cap and gown (optional) to whichever Mass you attend on **Saturday, June 6th**, at 5:30 Mass; or **Sunday, June 7th**, at 8:00 & 10:30 am Masses. Father will ask you to stand and be recognized.



Knights of Columbus Scholarship



The deadline for the scholarship application for graduating seniors has been extended to **June 1st** because of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Applications may be picked up at the Sacred Heart Office or send an e-mail to michael.dezsi@att.net. Eligibility requirements are on the application.

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 more information about the diocesan requirements or to register for any of the diocesan programs, please visit www.dcf1.org or call (904) 551-2619.

“PUSHED” OUT ON MISSION

There is a delightful character in the original *Dr. Do-little Tales* called the “Pushmi-Pullyu.” It is a beast with two identical halves, with a head at each end. No matter which direction the beast walks, one end is the “push me” and the other is the “pull you.” Today’s feast is a bit like that in the life of the church. In the book of the Acts of the Apostles, it is the ascension of Christ that calls for the Holy Spirit, which consequently sends or “pushes” the church out on its mission. This is the message that we hear from the angels today as they tell the friends of Jesus not to look up into the clouds, but to get busy. It is the message of Jesus himself in Matthew’s Gospel, as he sends them out to baptize. He also tells them, “I am with you always, until the end of the age” (Matthew 28:20). And it is this message, confident in faith that Jesus has ascended to shouts of joy, that “pulls” us along to our final destiny. The life of the faithful disciple, sent into the world on mission, will one day know the same risen, ascended glory.

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PARISH WEBSITE

Be in the know... check out our website at www.sacredheartcatholicchurch.org Contact Parish Office at 284-3811 or email bulletin@sacredheartcatholicchurch.org if you have something for the website.



Ascension of the Lord

Pray For Vocations

Jesus summons us to spread the faith through the grace of baptism. Where are you being called to share your gifts? (Matthew 28:16-20).

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@dosaf1.com

RETRouvaille

Has social distancing created a distance in your marriage? Has the stress of quarantine been creating breakdown in your family?

Sometimes our focus moves away from our marriage and family and needs a little redirection. Sometimes a fair or average marriage is just not enough. Have you ever thought to yourself, “How can I make my marriage better?” If so, Retrouvaille can help.

Retrouvaille is a marriage program for couples whose marriage has become off course. It begins with a week-end program that can help get your relationship back on track. It is an effective program that has worked for thousands of couples and it can work for your marriage.

for more information, contact registration team: Maggie and Ernie @ 904-662-8604 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.com

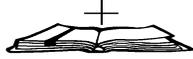


BULLETIN DEADLINE



The deadline for the bulletin article is noon on Mondays. Holiday weeks may have earlier deadlines. Articles for the bulletin may be emailed to bulletin@sacredheartcatholicchurch.org

Mass Intentions



Monday, May 25th, Memorial Day, 8:00 am – In memory of Sally Henning requested by the Kinmonth Family.

Tuesday, May 26th, 8:00 am - In memory of Phyllis Power requested by Janet and Doug Wilson.

Wednesday, May 27th, 8:00 am - In memory of Jeraline Tumbaga requested by Kristin Belleza.

Thursday, May 28th, 8:00 am - In memory of Paty Bolanos.

Friday, May 29th, 8:00 am - For our homebound parishioners, those in the hospital and those in care facilities.

Saturday, May 30th, 5:30 pm - For the Parishioners of Sacred Heart Parish.

Sunday, May 31st, 8:00 am - For Mercy Joseph Mattam requested by Maya Joseph.

Sunday, May 31st, 10:30 am - In memory of Katherine Tillman requested by Mary Jacoboski.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:1-11).

Psalms — God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47).

Second Reading — May the Father of glory give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation (Ephesians 1:17-23).

Gospel — Jesus instructs the Eleven to baptize and teach people of all nations (Matthew 28:16-20).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

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...

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

Misael Amaya, Bob Carder, 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, Edward and Beth Burkhart, 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,

Heather Coleman Dvorak, Jeff Fox, Carl Wallace, our homebound parishioners and our prayer blanket recipients.



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

