

# 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

Tel 284-3811 Fax 529-8845  
Office Hours: Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
Pastor: Father Michael Pendergraft  
Parochial Vicar: Father Sebastian Garcia  
Business Manager: Tish Aguilar  
Receptionists: Mary Bullington, Silvia Alexander  
Hall Director: Arlene Manalo  
Youth Director: Janice Schubert  
Facility Manager: Kirk Nicholson  
Music Director: Karen Otto

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

### CONTACTOS DEL MINISTERIO HISPANO

Padre Sebastian Garcia and Sandra Curtis

### ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC SCHOOL

1610 Blanding Blvd., Middleburg 32068  
Tel. 282-0504

### MASS SCHEDULE

Due to Coronavirus Pandemic we have limited occupancy. Please call the office for mass times and to reserve your spot for weekend services.

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](http://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.*

**First Sunday of Advent**  
**November 29, 2020**

**Be watchful! Be alert!**

**You do not know when the time will come.**

— Mark 13:33



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**STEWARDSHIP**

We are the servants of God, each with his or her own task. We will be judged good stewards if, at His coming, He finds us ready and conscientiously pursuing the tasks to which we have been called.

**Your Gifts to God and Parish - November 15<sup>th</sup>**

Sacrificial Giving: \$ 8,547.00  
Building Fund: \$ 3,409.00  
Not in envelopes: \$ 1,239.00

**Thank you for your continued support.**

**FEAST OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION:**

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception is Tuesday, **December 8<sup>th</sup>**. It is a Holy Day of Obligation and we will be having **Mass at 8:00 am and 6:00 pm.**



Mass will be celebrated in Spanish at **7:30 pm at Fleming Island.**

**RETIREMENT FUND for RELIGIOUS**  
**December 5<sup>th</sup>– 6<sup>th</sup>**

The national collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will take place the weekend of **December 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you for your support of this important Collection. Last year the Diocese of St Augustine contributed over \$138,129.82 **and our parish contributed \$4,338.00 to the fund.**



**ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE**

Our Advent Reconciliation Service will be on **Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, at 7 pm.** There will be seven or eight priests hearing confessions. We invite you to join us for this great Advent experience.

If you are unable to attend our service, our neighboring parishes will also be offering them:

December 9<sup>th</sup> - St. Luke, 7pm  
December 10<sup>th</sup> - San Juan Del Rio, 6:00pm  
December 14<sup>th</sup> - St. Catherine, 6pm  
December 15<sup>th</sup> - Mary Queen of Heaven, 7pm  
December 16<sup>th</sup> - St. Joseph, 6:30pm



The annual Collection provides vital support for the day-to-day care of over 31,000 senior religious. For generations the care of elderly members has been carried out by religious who receive stipends. Today, however, the elderly religious far outnumber those who still earn a stipend. The total cost of care for senior religious has exceeded \$1 billion annually for the last three years.



While on Thanksgiving break, be sure to look for the Advent videos on our Religious Ed. Facebook page! Class assignments will be posted in the "Files" section on the page.

Classes resume from Thanksgiving break for **Wednesdays on December 2** and **Sundays on December 6**. Both will be **A** week.

**Youth Ministry Corner**

**Sacred Heart Youth Ministry**

**Wednesday, December 2, 2020**  
**See you then!**



**BIBLE STUDY**

**Bible Study** will be held on **Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>**, at **10:00 am** in **Bldg. C**. It is held every other Wednesday. **All are welcome!**

**ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS**



**Think a Catholic Education is too expensive for your children? How about a \$5,677.00 scholarship?**

Please explore the Step Up for Students Scholarship Program which makes a Catholic elementary education affordable for our families.

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At Annunciation Catholic School, your parish school, it is our goal to make a Catholic education available to every parishioner.

**EVERYONE'S INVITED!**



You are invited to **Sacred Heart's Annual Christmas Pageant and Live Nativity** on **Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup>**, at **7:00 pm**. Reception will follow.

## *In Our Parish...*

### ***Advent Reflection and Fellowship***

Guest Speaker is Fr. Donal Sullivan

Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Come and join us in the Activity Center  
from 9:30 am – 11:30 am

'A time to relax and listen in the quietness for preparing our hearts for Advent this year.' All are invited.

Light Refreshments & Coffee/Water

Please let Pattie Halle' know by email [pattieangel001@comcast.net](mailto:pattieangel001@comcast.net) or call 904-703-1635 no later than **December 3<sup>rd</sup>** know if you are coming.

### **Best Advent Ever**

**Dynamic Catholic** offers free daily Advent Gospel reflections. Prepare for Christmas in a meaningful way through our daily email program. All you have to do is sign up! Go to [dynamiccatholic.com](http://dynamiccatholic.com).

**Formed** also offers Advent reflections. If you're not already signed up to this free service, go to [formed.org](http://formed.org). All you need to do is select "sign up as a parishioner", enter the parish zip code (32003) to select Sacred Heart, enter your name and e-mail and you're all set to begin not only Advent reflections but view a rich variety of ways to deepen your faith.

### **ANGEL GIVING TREE**



The Angel Giving Tree is in place in the narthex of the church. **Please choose a tag to help someone this Christmas Season. Choose your tag from the tree and tear off the bottom adding your phone number and placing it in the box adjoining the tree. Please return wrapped gifts with the Angel tag attached by Friday, December 18<sup>th</sup>.**

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

### **MARK'S JESUS**

Mark's Gospel is the shortest and tersest of all four. The discourses of Jesus tend to be terser as well. Mark's portrayal of Jesus has none of the poetry of the Sermon on the Mount or the Sermon on the Plain as in Matthew or Luke, nor the extensive, reflective "I Am" discourses as in John. Mark's Jesus "cuts to the chase," we would say today. This is reflected quite well in today's passage.

It is no accident that the dialogue of Jesus at this point in the Gospel according to Mark—the concluding words about the end of the world—immediately before his passion, is riddled with exclamation points and an overall sense of urgency.

We would do well to re-tool our own way of living this Advent, for we live in a world urgently in need of hearing the message of Jesus proclaimed. It's time for us to "wake up!" and get out into the world to do it.

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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 more information about the diocesan requirements or to register for any of the diocesan programs, please visit [www.dcfi.org](http://www.dcfi.org) or call (904) 551-2619.

### HOLIDAY BULLETIN DEADLINES

Bulletin	Deadline
December 13 due	December 7
December 20 due	December 7
December 27 due	December 14
January 2 due	December 21

Articles for the bulletin are due by noon and may be emailed to: [bulletin@sacredheartcatholicchurch.org](mailto:bulletin@sacredheartcatholicchurch.org)

### PARISH WEBSITE

Be in the know... check out our website at [www.sacredheartcatholicchurch.org](http://www.sacredheartcatholicchurch.org)  
Contact Parish Office at 284-3811 or email [bulletin@sacredheartcatholicchurch.org](mailto:bulletin@sacredheartcatholicchurch.org) if you have something for the website.



### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### Pray For Vocations

The First Sunday of Advent is a time of watching and waiting. Are you open to the surprising ways God comes to you? Be attentive to God's call in the ordinary. (Mark 13:33-37).

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@dosafll.com](mailto:vocations@dosafll.com)

### DID YOU KNOW...

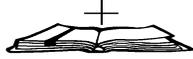


The battle we experience in prayer is known as "spiritual battle". In this battle, we should challenge ourselves to resist wrong ideas of prayer so that we don't become discouraged. We must recognize that if we are not vigilant, certain attitudes of the present world can negatively impact our prayer lives. Christian prayer is neither an escape from reality nor a separation from life.

(CCC #2725-2727)

**ATTENTION:** The Diocese of St. Augustine treats all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deals with all allegations in a prompt, confidential, and thorough manner. To Report Abuse, call the police or the Department of Children and Families at (800)962-2873. Or call the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (904)208-6979 or email inquiries [@dosafll.com](mailto:@dosafll.com). To report abuse by a bishop, call (800)276-1562 or visit [www.reportbishopabuse.org](http://www.reportbishopabuse.org).

## Mass Intentions



**Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 am** – In memory of Erin Elizabeth Hartigan requested by the Michler Family.  
**Tuesday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 8:00 am** - In memory of Elmer Mockabee requested by Allan and Rochelle Stark.  
**Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8:00 am** - In memory of Fr. Dennis Harten, OSA .  
**Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 8:00 am** - In memory of Marge Merritt requested by the Sacred Heart Ministry of Consolation.  
**Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 am** - In memory of Diane Hall requested by Larry and Angie Orrel.  
**Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 pm** - For the Parishioners of Sacred Heart Parish.  
**Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 am** - In memory of Jacinto Gonzalez requested by the Asencio Family.  
**Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 am** - In memory Gail Garden requested by Jeanne Bachmann.

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — We are the clay and you, O Lord, are the potter: we are the work of your hands (Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7).

**Psalms** — Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved (Psalm 80).

**Second Reading** — God is faithful; by God you were called to fellowship with the Son (1 Corinthians 1:3-9).

**Gospel** — Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. (Mark 13:33-37).

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22  
**Tuesday:** Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24  
**Wednesday:** Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37  
**Thursday:** Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27  
**Friday:** Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31  
**Saturday:** Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8  
**Sunday:** Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

## 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...

Hugh James, Ansley Luther, Justin, Karen McCallan, Sharron Peden, Donna Ramos, Levi Shepherd, Rita Williams,

Patricia Angelini, Will Bennett, Henry DeWerth, Laura Lynn Elgin, Glen Dutcher, Nick and Mary Ann Williams, Pat Winkeler,

John Anderson, Donald Black, Kitty Estes, Ciriaco Dela Cruz, Cheryl Gomes, Mark Hathaway, Art Hernandez, Daniel Hubert, Mark Jones, Doug Kirk, John Knight, Kat Launer, Cindy Mackert, Yvonne McCarter, Jose Negron, Patty Nolen, Ben O'Steen, Stephanie Wiley, Bonnie and Keith Willis, Martha Wilson, Carol Wilson,

John Kemner, Mike Roe, Dennis Witt, our home-bound parishioners and our prayer blanket recipi-

## 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](mailto:sullivanhall@sacredheartcatholicchurch.org) [www.facebook.com/shsullivanhall](http://www.facebook.com/shsullivanhall)



**Thank you** to all who have been recycling aluminum cans. This is now a project of Boy Scout Troop 309, who will be using the profit to fund Scout projects and activities.

**Please no tin cans, boxes or plastic bottles!**