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lex orandi, lex credendi, lex vivendi ✝ The law of prayer is the law of belief is the law of life!

NOV 29 ✓ 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT: *IS. 63:16-17, 19; 64:2-7 ✓ PS. 80:2-3,15-16,18-19 ✓ 1 COR. 1:3-9 ✓ MK 13:33-37*

FIND THE READINGS ON # 879

The Month of December is Dedicated to the Immaculate Conception!

The Pope's December Prayer Intention: Pray for families experiencing the absence of a mother or father to find support and accompaniment in the Church

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SOLEMN RITE OF DEDICATION OF OUR NEW MARBLE ALTAR

Our new marble altar will be dedicated to the glory of Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—on Sunday, December 6, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. by the Most Reverend Erik Thomas Pohlmeier, Bishop of the Diocese of St. Augustine. Your prayerful presence is requested as we celebrate this joyful milestone of our parish. Please come, pray, and celebrate this special day with our parish church!

RECEPTION & HOW YOU CAN HELP: Following the 10:00 a.m. Mass, the Knights of Columbus will host a celebration reception in the Parish Hall. While the Knights are generously providing fried chicken, macaroni and cheese, and beverages, we humbly ask for your contribution to make this gathering a true reflection of our parish's love and fellowship. *We are requesting donations of side dishes, desserts, or small financial gifts toward reception costs. Every act of generosity makes a meaningful difference!*

- **HOW TO SIGN UP (BY DECEMBER 3):** Please visit our sign-up page ***https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094AADAB22A3FBC52-67803726-altar#/*** to see what is needed and enter what you plan to bring. - **NEED ASSISTANCE?** To make a financial contribution, get help signing up, or offer to assist, please call or text ***Ms. Karen Dougherty at 904-237-3934 (or email k.dougherty200@comcast.net).***

- **DAY-OF DROP-OFF:** Please bring your side dishes, desserts, or monetary donations to the Parish Hall between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, December 6.

Thank you very much for your generosity!

BASIC MINIMUM NEEDED PER WEEK $ 4,000.00

LAST WEEK OFFERTORY

IN CHURCH $ 2,500 & ONLINE $ 615

TOTAL: **$ 3,115**



HALL RENOVATION (REQUIRED) $ 1,500,000

RAISED SO FAR $ 750,315

IN CHURCH 200 & ONLINE $ 150

BALANCE TO BE RAISED $ 749,335

↳. **HAVE YOU A PRAYER REQUEST?** Contact Ms. Susie Taylor, 9049454327. Your request will be added to the prayer-request-text-line, and our prayer team will pray for your requests!

↳. **PRAY FOR:** Jerry Dendy, Fr. Steven Zehler, Kenneth Baier, Geraldine Lombard, Brendan Bonner, Nancy Carrasquillo, Beth Spreitzer, Trish Thorpe, Asia Paige, Abby Keller, Angelo Tauro, Mary Roberts, Rose Johnson, John Payne, Monte Willey, Julie, Jim & Bonnie Palleschi, Mary Baeb, Theresa Taylor, Kathy Johnson, Joan Fiore, Joanie McCarthy, Stacie Adams, Karen & Richard Dolan, Daniel Harrigan, Allan Lahoski, Ann Smith, Bob Rozumek, Christy Long, Cindy Schillig, Dawn Phillips, Diana Rumpt, Sarah Zarrella, Edward Robinson, Gladys Page, Janis Price, Jeannie Hendrix, Joanne Hodges, John Singleton, Judy Gentile, M. Akridge, Marge Keller, Marianne Glass, Mary Ford, Mary Knoche, Mifuk Huh, Pat Doyle, Paul Boehnke, Sandra Schwarz, Xavier Smith, Schaidy Parme, James Nelson, Mary Pregler, John Norton, Alex Robinson.

↳. **JOIN OUR PRAYER TEAM:** CONTACT MS. KAREN DOUGHERTY AT K.DOUGHERTY200@COMCAST.NET

✓. **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** Meet on the first Sunday of the month. We encourage all men of the parish to attend. Contact: STEVE HUDSON ON 9049932512 AND SKHUDSON7@GMAIL.COM

✓. **INTERESTED IN PRISON MINISTRY?** PLEASE CONTACT JOHN CHICK SR. AT JOHNSR@DOSAFL.COM

CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN DOCTRINES *(CCD)* FOR CHILDREN

CLASSES ARE HELD ON SUNDAYS BEFORE HOLY MASS FROM 8:45 AM TO 9:45 AM IN THE LEARNING CENTER

CONTACT: PEG DECURTINS (PEGDECURTINS@NEFCOM.NET) *or* MICHAEL MCKENDREE (904) 400-9250

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)

CLASSES ARE HELD ON SUNDAYS AFTER HOLY MASS FROM 11:30 AM TO 12:30 PM IN THE LEARNING CENTER

CONTACT: PEG DECURTINS (PEGDECURTINS@NEFCOM.NET)

AD JESUM PER MARIAM : TO JESUS THROUGH MARY

ORATORY: A MINISTRY FOR CHILDREN

WEDNESDAYS 5:15 PM–7.45 PM) HOLY MASS 5.30 PM;

CONSCIENCE-CHARACTER 6.15 PM; FUN ACTIVITY 6.45—7:30 PM; DINNER/REFRESHMENTS 7:35 PM

CONTACT: CATHERINE CHICK (904) 293–3827 (CHICKCA@GMAIL.COM)

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY (WWW.RESPECTLIFE.ORG)

CONTACT: TRUDY HUDSON (904) 614-5125 (TRUDYHUDSON7@GMAIL.COM)

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB: IN THE PARISH HALL AT 6:30PM ON THE 2ND MONDAY & AT 9AM ON 4TH SATURDAY

BINGO: 6 PM ☛ IN THE PARISH HALL ☛ FRIDAYS! WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS TO HELP RUN IT. KINDLY HELP

ADORATION ★ CHAPLET ★ ROSARY

4:30 PM SATURDAY & 9:30 AM SUNDAY

4:30 PM MONDAY & WEDNESDAY

8:00 AM TUESDAY & THURSDAY



HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE EUCHARIST

5:00 PM SATURDAY & 10 AM SUNDAY

5:30 PM MONDAY & WEDNESDAY

9:00 AM TUESDAY & THURSDAY

FRIDAYS: ADORATION 9 AM TO 5:25 PM ☞ HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE EUCHARIST 5:30 PM

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION ☛ ADORATION 5:00 TO 5.45 PM & HOLY MASS 6 PM

ANOINTING OF THE SICK & HOLY COMMUNION: ANYTIME UPON REQUEST

CONFESSION ☛ 45 MINUTES BEFORE HOLY MASS & BY APPOINTMENT

NOV 28		*FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT*	✠. AARON ✠. ELIZA ✠. HANNAH
NOV 29			✗. FOR THE PEOPLE (*PRO POPULO*)
NOV 30	MON.	*FEAST OF THE APOSTLE ST. ANDREW*	✠. JOSEPH FIORE
DEC 01	TUE.	*OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT*	✗. SUSAN KENDRICK (HEALING)
DEC 02	WED.	*OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT*	✠. BILL ✠. BETTY ✠. TONY ✠. DONNA
DEC 03	THU.	*MEMORIAL, ST. FRANCIS XAVIER, PRIEST*	✗. JULIA & JOEL (THANKSGIVING & INTENTIONS)
DEC 04	FRI.	*OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT*	✠. CARL BAILEY ✗. BRENDAN THURLOW



Thank you very much to PEG DECURTINS for flowers this weekend! Donations for flowers are greatly appreciated! Kindly sign up for any available weekend you want in the note book in the hallway, and give $70-75 (*cash*), in the envelope provided, to Linda Voeltz shortly before your designated dates. Thank you!!

LECTORS	MAY GOD BLESS US ALL EVERYONE!	ALTAR SERVERS
P. DECURTINS, R. THOMAS & J. MACKEY	SAT: NOV.28	B. LANCHO
J. CHICK SR, H. WILLIAMS & C. CHICK	SUN: NOV.29	D. CHICK, A. WHITE & K. HORKAN
M. STECK, J. MACKEY & B. PALLESCHI	SAT: DEC.05	B. LANCHO
M. MCKENDREE & J. MACKEY	SUN: DEC.06	H. WILLIAMS & J. CHICK & ALL THE ALTAR BOYS WHO WANT TO SERVE

The Diocese of St. Augustine treats all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deal 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@dosafl.com. To report abuse by a bishop, call (800) 276-1562 or visit www.reportbishopabuse.org



Grateful for the incredible generosity of God's people over the past three years, that has blessed our parish with new cassocks and surplices for our altar servers, a new metal roof on the Parish Hall, and beautiful upgrading to our church lighting, we come to you this year, requesting your help to take on one more necessary improvement.

REMOVE THE PARKING LOT ELECTRICAL HAZARD AND UPGRADE THE PARKING LOT LIGHTING

For this year's #iGiveCatholic campaign on Giving Tuesday, December 1st, our goal is to raise $20,000 to transform our east side parking area. Your gift will make our grounds safer and brighter by funding: ● *The removal of the tall and hazardous utility pole* ● *Moving exposed overhead wires underground* ● *Installing bright, energy-efficient LED lighting.*

***Online:* https://www.igivecatholic.org/organization/st-mary-mother-of-mercy**

In Person: Special giving envelopes are available in the church.

GOAL $ 20,000 ✓ RAISED SO FAR $ 5000 ✓ BALANCE TO BE RAISED $ 15,000

CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

Please place new, unwrapped toys for children and teens (up to age 17) in the collection box at the church entrance. ↳ Collection Dates: Sunday, Nov. 8 – Sunday, Dec. 6 ↳ Toy Drive Event: Saturday, December 12 ↳ Special Note: Organizers have plenty of Barbie dolls, so please hold off on those, though Barbie accessories are still needed! God bless you for your generous participation. ↳ Questions: Contact Karen Dougherty at 904-237-3934.

ATTENTION ALL LADIES OF THE PARISH!

LADIES CHRISTMAS PARTY

Join us for an evening of holiday cheer, food, and fellowship on Thursday, December 10, at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall! ● ***What to Bring?*** Please bring a dinner dish or dessert to share, along with a new, inexpensive wrapped gift for our fun White Elephant exchange. It is always a wonderful time catching up with friends, and newcomers are warmly welcomed.

***QUESTIONS?* PLEASE CALL OR TEXT KAREN DOUGHERTY AT 904-237-3934**