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Historic St. Joseph Catholic Church

140 West Government Street, Pensacola, Florida 32502

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 4, 2024

Parish Mass Schedule

Sunday: 8:30 am & 11:00 am
Monday-Friday 5:30 pm
Wednesday 9:00am and 5:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday-Friday 4:45 to 5:15 pm
For appointment, contact
Parish Office

Rosary Prayed

Every Sunday: 8:10 am

Parish Office Hours

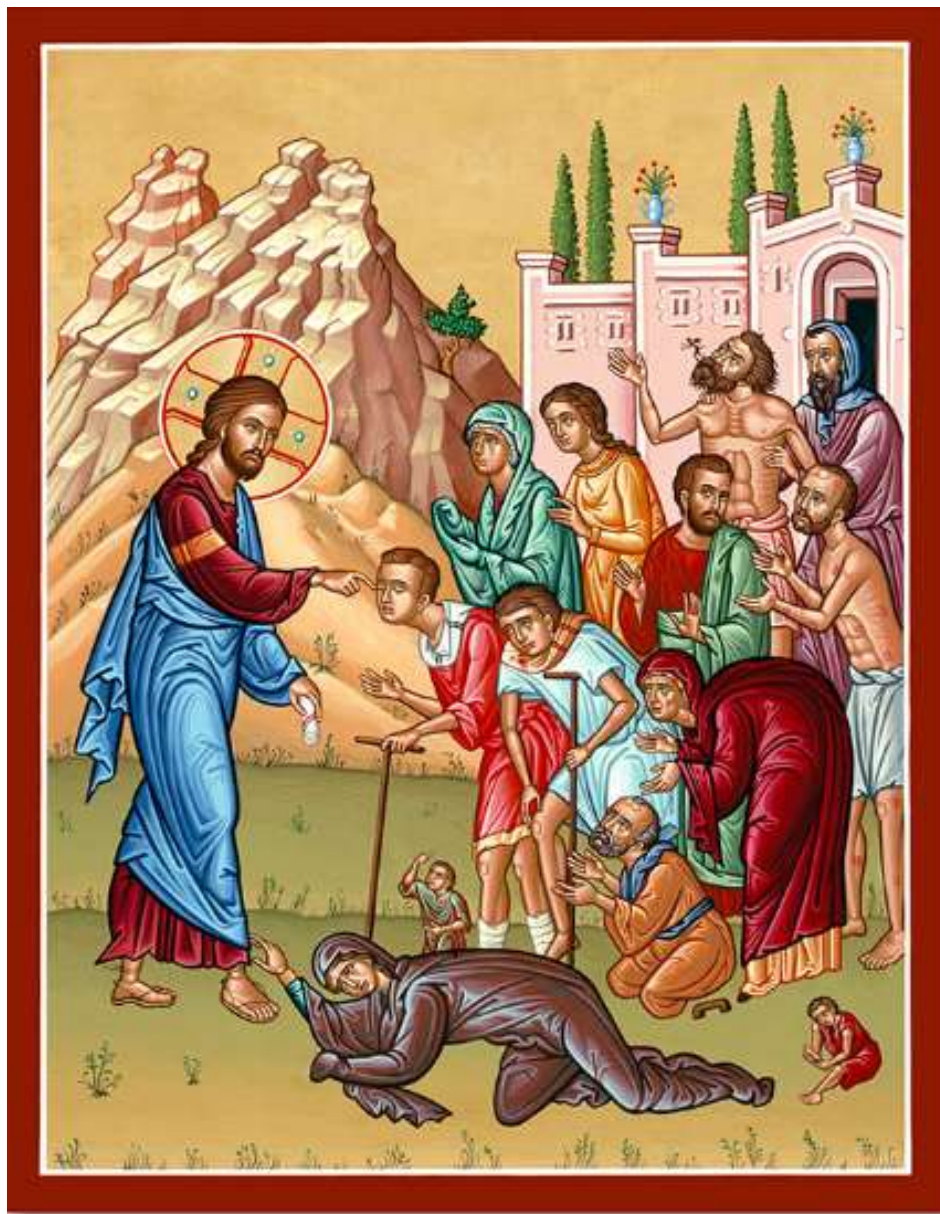
Monday - Thursday
9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Friday Closed

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Pastor

Fr. Patrick LaPointe
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Welcome to St. Joseph Catholic Church!

We welcome you to St. Joseph Catholic Church. If you are new to this area or are returning to the practice of our Catholic faith, we welcome you to our Parish. Please call or stop by the office so we can meet you. If you are a visitor, thank you for joining us. Please sign our Visitor book located in the back of the Church.

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BEHOLD
THE LAMB OF GOD



THE EUCHARIST AS REAL PRESENCE

But could Jesus have been speaking figuratively by using a metaphor, when he spoke about eating his flesh and drinking his blood?

Jesus easily could have clarified his teaching if he sensed that people were misunderstanding him.

In other words, if Jesus had been teaching in a figurative way, he could have said, "Hold on. You misunderstood me. I was just speaking metaphorically here!" He could have clarified his teaching, saying, "Let me explain. You don't *really* need to eat my flesh. You just need to feed yourself with my wisdom and my love."

But that is exactly what Jesus did *not* do. In fact, he got even more explicit. When the people listening objected to the idea of eating his flesh. Jesus responded by using even more graphic, intense language to put his meaning beyond the shadow of a doubt, making it perfectly clear that we really do need to partake of his flesh and his blood: "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, you have no life in you; he who eats his my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him" (John 6:53-56).

Jesus would not have spoken like this if he were only using a metaphor. He clearly wants to give us his very Body and Blood in the Eucharist. In fact, he now uses a word for "eat" that has even greater graphic intensity – *trogein*, which means "to chew or gnaw" – not a word that would be used figuratively here!

Pre-Lenten Parish Mission

Monday, February 5, 2024

Tuesday, February 6, 2024

Wednesday, February 7, 2024

6:00 PM after the 5:30 PM Daily Mass

THEME: SIGN OF THE CROSS



FR. ALBERT HAASE, OFM
MISSION PREACHER



St. Josephine Bakhita was born in the Darfur region of Sudan in 1869 and was kidnapped by slave traders and enslaved as a child. She was forced to walk barefoot over 600 miles and was sold multiple times to different owners before being sold to an Italian diplomat that took her to Italy; here, she valiantly asserted her freedom with the help of the Cannossian Sisters of Venice. Through her faith, St. Bakhita realized the promise of liberty inherent in the human spirit.

Following her rescue, she was baptized, received other sacraments, and became a religious sister in 1896. She lived out the rest of her life as a Cannossian sister, sharing her empowering testimony of faith and inner strength.

Her enslavement during her childhood was put to good use by sharing her testimony with others and advocating for human freedom and dignity. In October of 2000, Pope John Paul II canonized Josephine Bakhita, noting that in this saint, "we find a shining advocate of genuine emancipation."

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PARISH FAMILIES WHO ARE ILL:

Caleb Bartholomew, Lucy Bell, Martha Carmichael, Jeremiah Coleman, Paul Copeland, Harold DesVirnes, Rosemary Donaldson, Carolyn Emerson, Michael Espree, Shannon Evans, Jeanne Firth, Richard Firth, Michael Flores, Davis Gonzales, Audrey Hogan, Tim Holley, Vincent Jackson, Nelson Jones, Timothy Jones, Glaydes Knight, Merrie Lee, Joshua Linton, Shawndra Malonson, Marie Mangria, Anne McDowell, Russell McLaughlin, Rosemary McQuay, Leroy Moore, Lemont Pass, Robert Patterson, Carolyn Porter, Debra Renshaw, John Rich, Bertha Roby, Marilyn Archer, Johnny Archer, Mechelle Rosier, Tony Scott, Anna Mae Smith, Sean Smithers, Lily Townsend, Ronald, Townsend, Tina Turner, Sally Valentine, Steve Vasek, Alma Williams, Ezzie Thrash, Reginald Ramsey, Charlena Archer, Harold White, Aubrey Patterson Jr, Anthony Floyd, Hazel Johnson, Theresa Cook, Samuel Horton, Wendy William, Nadia Nissa, Stephanie Peterson, Senaya Youngblood, Jase McClendor, Stanley Walker, Bob Mickelson, Steven Wilken, Melanie Row, Ethel Gober, Yvonne James, Leslie Pope, Dwight Hoffman, Bob Kelly and Cathy Buck and all the people who have no one to pray for them.



CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL

2024



Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Since my arrival in the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee, I have come to appreciate the remarkable legacy of charitable giving in our parishes, our ministries, and our diocese through the Catholic Sharing Appeal (CSA). I am humbled to serve as the shepherd of this very generous and active community. Please know that I never take your gifts for granted because I know that it is just that: a gift given from the heart.

The 2024 theme is my episcopal motto, “Come. Follow Me”. It is the simple, yet profound, invitation from Our Lord to leave everything behind and become his disciples. This is a call that comes to us continually. The Lord Jesus beckons us to encounter him in our brothers and sisters at every moment of our lives.

It is a blessing to know that by working together with a common purpose and vision we are bringing the Lord’s healing presence to our parishes, schools, campuses, hospitals, institutions, workplaces and wherever we serve. The CSA brochure explains in greater detail how your financial pledge to the CSA will help us continue to do just that, and why your support has never been more important.

Because of the gifts and prayers of so many, we were able to do great things in God’s name and serve thousands and thousands of people. With a shepherd’s heart, I pray you will accept the call to greater discipleship by taking an active and purposeful role in the 2024 CSA. Pledges can be fulfilled over a period of months, three payments, or as a one-time contribution. Your pledge card has been included in my mailing and can be returned in the mail, or to your parish on commitment weekend, February 10/11 and 17/18. You can also fulfill your commitment online.

In this year’s CSA, may the Holy Spirit guide and bestow His graces upon you as we continue to spread His message of hope and salvation to the corners of our diocese. Let us embrace the challenge to practice, promote and proclaim the truths of our Catholic faith with the zeal and energy of the first disciples.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend William A. Wack, CSC
Bishop of Pensacola-Tallahassee



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| 12/3/2023 | \$5,255 |
| 12/10/2023 | \$5,097 |
| 12/17/2023 | \$3,192 |
| 12/24/2023 | \$3,010 |
| 12/31/2023 | \$3,230 |
| Total | \$19,784 |

CSA Totals 2023 as of December 18, 2023

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|---------------------|----------|
| Campaign Goal: | \$9,459 |
| Count of Pledges: | 56 |
| Total Pledges: | \$16,845 |
| Paid Off: | \$15,895 |
| Balance on Pledges: | \$950 |
| Returned to Parish: | \$6,436 |

| <u>Financial Report</u> | <u>Jul-Dec 2023</u> | <u>Jul-Dec 2022</u> | <u>Difference</u> |
|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Offertory Collection | \$104,953 | \$67,219 | \$37,475 |
| Total Income | \$173,762 | \$128,740 | \$45,022 |
| Expenses | \$164,598 | \$223,034 | \$(58,435) |
| Net Revenue | \$9,163 | \$(94,239) | |

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| Operating Accounts | \$70,475 | \$52,440 |
| Caring & Sharing | \$13,157 | \$14,939 |
| Hurricane Account | \$55,667 | \$144,613 |

Mass Intentions for the Week

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|-------------------------|----------|--------------------------|
| Monday, February 5th | 5:30 pm | Anthony Floyd |
| Tuesday, February 6th | 5:30 pm | Thomas Snowden |
| Wednesday, February 7th | 9:00 am | Souls in Purgatory+ |
| | 5:30 pm | Aida Florian—Special |
| Thursday, February 8th | 5:30 pm | Fr. John Licari—Special |
| Friday, February 9th | 5:30 pm | Holy Souls in Purgatory+ |
| Sunday, February 11th | 8:30 am | Charlie Valletto |
| | 11:00 am | Intentions of the Parish |

AMEN GENEROSITY For the sake...

In this Sunday's second reading, we learn how completely sold out Paul is for the sake of the Gospel - the Good News of Jesus Christ. In the verses that follow, he compares his effort to that of every athlete who trains in order to win. How rigorous is our effort and how passionate are we to win for the sake of this Good News – both for others and for us as well.

All this I do for the sake of the gospel so that I too may have a share in it. 1 Cor 9:23

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

We will be offering communion under both species, the body and the blood, when we move back to church next month. If you are interested to serve in this ministry, please call the parish office at 850-436-6461.

MARDI GRAS FUNDRAISING CONCESSION

Friday, February 9 and Saturday, February 10

Calling for volunteers to help with our Mardi Gras Concession fundraising event. If interested, please sign up or contact the parish office at 850-436-6461.

LENTEN FISH FRY FRIDAYS

Every Friday February 16—March 22

If you would like to donate or volunteer, the sign-up sheets are located at the back of the hall or you can contact the Parish Office at 850-436-6461. Your donations are greatly appreciated!

"Each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace."

1 Peter 4:10

Scripture Readings

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| Sunday 2/4/24 | Job 7:1-4, 6-7 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23 Mark 1:29-39 |
| Monday 2/5/24 | 1 Kings 8:1-7, 9-13 Mark 6:53-56 |
| Tuesday 2/6/24 | 1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30 Mark 7:1-13 |
| Wednesday 2/7/4 | 1 Kings 10:1-10 Mark 7:14-23 |
| Thursday 2/8/24 | 1 Kings 11:4-13 Mark 7:24-30 |
| Friday 2/9/24 | 1 Kings 11:29-32; 12:19 Mark 7:31-37 |
| Saturday 2/10/24 | 1 Kings 12:26-32; 13:33-34 Mark 8:1-10 |

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