



THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE
of
PENSACOLA-TALLAHASSEE

Statement from Bishop Wack on the Shooting in Jacksonville, Florida

Contact: Kanobia Russell-Blackmon, Director of Communications, (850) 435-3528

PENSACOLA, FL (August 29, 2023) - I join Bishop Erik Pohlmeier of St. Augustine in condemning the racially motivated shooting at a Dollar General in Jacksonville, Florida on August 26. I am saddened by this senseless act of violence that took the lives of three innocent people. Our faith teaches us that we are created equally in the image and likeness of God. As a people of faith, we are called to respect the dignity of all human life and to love one another. We must continue to stand against racism, against all forms of violence, and against the taking of any life. Please join me in praying for the victims, for their families, and for the community.

[Statement from Bishop Erik Pohlmeier](#)

###