

JANUARY 8, 2017

EPIPHANY



Monday, January 9, 7:30 am

Louis Salvato

Tuesday, January 10, 7:30 am

Casey Dankowitz

Thursday, January 12, 7:30 am

Salvatore Minutoli

Friday, January 13, 7:30 am

Frank D'Arnese

Saturday, January 14

5:00 pm Edward Griffoul

Sunday, January 15

7:30 am Marie Turanski

9:00 am Angeline Sacco

10:30 am Carol Smith

12:00 pm Leon Ruddy

Celebrant Schedule – January 14-15

5:00 pm Fr. Mark

7:30 am Fr. Mark

9:00 am Fr. Mark

10:30 am Fr. Mark

12:00 pm Fr. Mark

SHARING OF OUR TREASURE

Thank you for your support and generosity!

January 3, 2016 \$ 13,981.00

January 1, 2017 \$ 11,322.00

**Next weekend's Second Collection is
St. Pius X Mission**

St. Pius X Mission Envelope

Your generosity to the St. Pius X Mission Envelope is deeply appreciated. This second collection is to support our local mission of helping people in need in our general area. We have helped hurricane victims, those affected by the economic downturn and those with physical problems. We also use this collection to subsidize local Catholic education. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

School Support Envelope

At St. Pius X we strongly value a Catholic education and support its mission:

St. Pius X School is committed to the principle that each child is a special human being who deserves to be loved and respected as an individual. Our teachers and administration encourage students to reach their maximum potential—academically, socially, morally and spiritually.

The Finance Committee recommends having a monthly School Support Envelope for any parishioner who would like to help defray the cost of teaching our Catholic faith to young people.

MINISTRY NEWS

ROSARY SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Rosary Society will be Wednesday, February 1st at 1 pm at the Ministry House. Please join us on Sunday mornings after the 9:00 am Mass in the Cry Room to pray the Rosary.

CARING CRAFTERS

The next meeting of the knitters and crocheters will be held on **Tuesday, January 17th at 9:00 am** at the Ministry House. For more information, call Barbara Sanders at 973-334-6884.

What do we do? We use our talents primarily to craft hats and scarves to provide comfort and support to chemotherapy patients. We also assist and donate to other charitable causes and their needs. Yarn donations are always appreciated.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Next Meeting – Monday, January 16th at 8:00 pm in the Knights of Columbus Room. Visit our website at: <http://StPiusxKofC.org/>.

Save The Date: Football Playoff Party includes a chance to win a new 50" Smart HD TV. Watch both AFC and NFC Championship games in the Knights' Room about the Parish Center Gym on Sunday, January 22nd. Tickets are \$40 and include food, beer, and TV raffle Ticket. You may also purchase TV only raffle tickets for \$20. Tickets are limited. Please call John Regan at 973-768-3066 or Jim Ackaway at 201-396-7178.

PRAYER GROUP

St. Pius X Spirit of Love Prayer Group meets semi-monthly on the **second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at 12:45 pm in the Chapel at the Ministry House**. What do we do? We offer prayers for our parish family including those listed in the bulletin and for the petitions written in the Book of Intentions in the Deacon David Library.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is the process the Roman Catholic Church has for the introduction of the faith and the formation of new adult members. During the year process, the candidates will learn about their spiritual path in Christ culminating at the Easter Vigil. If you are an adult seeking Baptism, Confirmation or Eucharist, please contact Peter O'Brien at the Ministry House.



Please join the Knights of Columbus and Rosarians after the 9:00 am Mass in the Cry Room, **Sunday, January 29th**, to pray the Rosary.



Christmas Wish List

At our recent Staff Meeting, we discussed the possibility of installing cushions on the pews and kneelers in the Church. This is the only item on our Christmas Wish List. The cost will be approximately \$18,500. If anyone is interested in memorializing or brightening our Christmas, please contact the Ministry House at 973-335-2894.

Peace & Blessings,
Fr. Mark

The Epiphany Of The Lord

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”

Romans 15:13

Choosing To Live In Hope

By Henri Nouwen

I have found it very important to try to let go of my wishes and instead to live in hope. When I choose to let go of my sometimes petty and superficial wishes and trust that my life is precious and meaningful in the eyes of God, something really new, something beyond my own expectations begins to happen for me.

To wait with openness and trust is an enormously radical attitude toward life. It is choosing to hope that something is happening for us that is far beyond our own imaginings. It is giving up control over our future and letting God define our life. It is living with the conviction that God molds us in love, holds us in tenderness, and moves us away from the sources of our fear.

An Epiphany Prayer

By Frank Colquhoun

*Lord Jesus,
may your light shine our way,
as once it guided the steps of the Magi:
that we too may be led into your presence
and worship you,
the Child of Mary,
the Word of the Father,
the King of Nations,
the Saviour of mankind;
to whom be glory for ever.*

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Saint Pius X School

Dear Parents, Parishioners, and Friends,

At the Christmas Vigil Mass, we hear the following verse from the Gospel of Matthew, Chapter 1: “Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel, which means ‘God is with us.’” Here at St. Pius X School, God has been very present in the lives of our students. From the weekly Advent prayers services, the Mass for the Immaculate Conception, to regularly scheduled Theology classes, and Fr. Mark, Fr. Dominik, and Deacon Michal providing additional faith formation to our middle school students, the presence of God abounds at every turn.

December is a special time of the year in a Catholic school, particularly at St. Pius X. From the Instrumental Recital on 12/6, Secret Santa on 12/9, to Breakfast with Santa on 12/10, the Parish Christmas Concert on 12/11, and the School Christmas Concert on 12/15, a certain excitement has filled our school as we anticipate the Birth of Christ. On 12/8, after the school Mass for the Immaculate Conception, our kindergarteners and second grades hosted their grandparents for a cookie exchange and a performance based on the book The Polar Express.

In the Gospel passage from John, Chapter 1 that we traditionally hear from the Mass on Christmas Day, we hear the following verse: “From his fullness we have all received, grace in place of grace, because while the law was given through Moses, grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.” This time of the year gives me an opportunity to consider all of the graces and blessings I am grateful for in my life. As I celebrate my first Christmas as Principal of St. Pius X School, I am thankful for many things, including a great faculty, wonderful students, active and supportive parents, and a parish community that has invested greatly in the school. There are no words that will adequately express how appreciative I am for the generosity that is shown towards the school.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and many blessings for a Happy New Year!

Sincerely, Thomas J. Welsh, Principal



St. Pius X School

Thursday, January 19th, 8:30-11:00 am

Religious Formation

Schedule of Classes for January 8, 2017

Praise Middle School –

Grades 6, 7, 8 – 7:30 am Mass; Class 8:15 – 9:30 am

Praise Elementary School –

Grades 1 – 5 – 9:00 am Mass; Class 10:00 – 11:00 am

Confirmation

Grade 9 – Check Schedule For Times

Schedule of Classes for January 15, 2017

No Religious Formation Classes Scheduled For This Weekend.

Schedule of Classes for January 22, 2017

Glory Middle School –

Grades 6, 7, 8 – 7:30 am Mass; Class 8:15 – 9:30 am

Glory Elementary School –

Grades 1 – 5 – 9:00 am Mass; Class 10:00 – 11:00 am

Confirmation –

Grade 10 – Check Schedule For Times

All Second Grade Parents & Teachers

First Eucharist Retreat—Sunday, March 12th. Please return permission forms to the Ministry House as soon as possible.

First Eucharist Parent Meetings

Praise, Sunday, January 8th, 10-11:00 am, Knights of Columbus Room

Glory, Sunday, January 22nd, 10-11:00 am, Cafeteria

The purpose of this meeting is instruction, education and spiritual renewal. *Parents must attend one of these meetings.*

Youth Ministry

January

8 – 9th Grade Confirmation Class

10 – Homeless Solutions

13 – Eric Johnson House

22 – 10th Grade Confirmation Class

29 – 9th Grade Confirmation Retreat/Class

February

5 – 10th Grade Confirmation Class

10 – Eric Johnson House

12 – 9th Grade Confirmation Retreat/Class

14 – Homeless Solutions

26 – 10th Grade Confirmation Class

Please contact Kurt Kilanowski at youth-ministry@st-pius-x.org for more information.

2017 Calendars

Donated by:

Parsippany Funeral Service, Lake Hiawatha;

Keri Memorial Funeral Home, Lincoln Park;

Dangler Lewis & Carey, Boonton;

Available in the vestibule of the Church

Heartfelt Thanks to:

Concurso's Garden Center and

Gardens of The World

for the beautiful Christmas decorations.

May God continue to bless you.

Pray for the Sick

Praying for fellow parishioners who are sick is an important component to our Faith. Due to privacy issues, however, people do not always appreciate their names being published. Requests for published names will only be taken from a family member accompanied by a phone number.

John Farkas, Lilliana Elyse Mahan, Dawn Pandorf, Leslie Kondek, Corey Forlenza, Frank J. Somsy, Pattie Prezioso, Marie Cavallero, Eileen Scharwath, Ann Dimaira, Victor Marmo, Jason McGaha, Marilyn Geffken, Tom Clayton, Barbara Capsouras, Elizabeth Krone, Christine Paglia, Ragan Kilkell, Adrian Simone, Paul Perrone, Janet Babbitt, Bruno Stillo, Michael Mascari, Marjorie McArthur, Charlie Auskings, Eileen Kapotes, Stephen Koczo, William Schicke, Remedios Gatuz, Annarita Gardinella, Linda Bitetto, David Tafe, Gregory Sugra, Jose Nunez, Kevin Deege, Pasquale Amoresano, Jason Fass, Terry Cox, Giovanna Mele, Pasquale Mastriani, Christina Adamski, Gary Nagurka, Francoise Wagener, Brooklyn Auskings, Raymond Ervey, Paul DiPiazza, David Douglas, Walter Sedlacik, Joseph Egan, David Dery, Joseph Horvath, Sr., Gayle Sullivan, Nicky Miller, Peter Henschel, Maryann Halleran, Agnes Koczo and Richard Dickau.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

Rachel's Vineyard is a safe place to renew, rebuild, and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer a supportive, confidential, and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release, and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions and begin the process of restoration, renewal, and healing. A Rachel's Vineyard Retreat will be held from Friday evening, January 27 through Sunday afternoon, January 29, 2017 in the Stirling area. To register or for more information, contact Marie at 973-377-1004, ext. 425. All calls will be held in strictest confidence.

BROTHER JUNIPER

