JULY 16, 2017 15TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



Monday, July 17, 7:30 am

People Of The Parish

Tuesday, July 18, 7:30 am

Egan Family

Thursday, July 20, 7:30 am

People Of The Parish

Friday, July 21, 7:30 am

Dolores Patrisso

Saturday, July 22

5:00 pm Ronnie Sedlacik

Nicholas Varanelli

Antonio D'Andrea

Sunday, July 23

7:30 am Maria Grace & Salvatore Paleologo

9:30 am Elizabeth Jones 11:30 am Andrea Savignano

Celebrant Schedule - July 22-23

5:00 pm Fr. Mark 7:30 am Fr. Mark 9:30 am Fr. Mark 11:30 am Fr. Mark

SHARING OF OUR TREASURE

Thank you for your support and generosity!

July 3, 2016 \$11,908.00 July 2, 2017 \$11,494.50 July 10, 2016 \$13,625.00 July 9, 2017 \$13,235.50

This Weekend's Second Collection Is

Retired Religious

Prayer Memorials 2017 Mass Book

The 2017 Mass Book is available. The Graces of the Mass and the Blessings of Prayer are infinite. The Eucharist is offered for <u>ALL</u> of the faithful departed at each celebration. A memorial gift or offering allows a special acknowledgment which goes to God's work on earth as we honor those now with the Lord.

Remember Your Parish

It is important to have a Last Will & Testament. We ask you to keep St. Pius X in mind when you make out your will. For more information about Legacy giving, please contact the Office of Development for the Diocese of Paterson at 973-777-8818 Ext. 290 or visit www.patersondiocese/givingplan.net.

MINISTRY NEWS

ROSARY SOCIETY

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 *Wednesday, July 19th 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.

PRAYER GROUP

St. Pius X Spirit of Love Prayer Group meets semimonthly 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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Next Meeting – Monday, July 17th **at 8:00 pm** in the Knights of Columbus Room. Visit our website at: http://StPiusxKofC.org/.



Please join the Knights of Columbus and Rosarians after the 9:30 am Mass in the Cry Room, *Sunday, July 30th*, to pray the Rosary.



And The Lord said, "Let it go . . . "

"It is good sense to be slow to anger, and an honor to overlook an offense." (Proverbs 19:11)

Human nature entails taking offense when someone says or does something we don't like. When it happens often, however, being offended doesn't just hurt our feelings, it compromises our happiness and well-being. Try these ideas to let it go . . .

Assume the best. Most people aren't out to get us. Unless proven otherwise, believe that others have good intent and don't mean to offend. They're just living their lives.

Step back. We often get upset because others disagree with or don't share our opinions. Opinions are separate from identities. Someone can disagree with what we think but still enjoy who we are.

Don't make it about you. Thinking that what others do or think reflects on you is fertile soil for being easily and often offended. Most of what happens around us has nothing to do with us. Allowing others to live their own lives regardless of you and yours takes a huge burden off your shoulders.

Break the habit. Taking offense easily is a habit that, fortunately, can be broken. Instead of noticing what others are doing "to" us, we can choose to note what is done "for" us by God and others. Practicing gratitude is more pleasant than feeling hurt.

Peace & Blessings, Fr. Mark



Retirement Fund For Religious

Aging religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests have offered their lives in service to others—educating the young, comforting the sick, seeking justice for the oppressed. Today, many are frail, elderly and in need of assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund For Religious helps to furnish medications, nursing care and other necessities. Please give generously to today's second collection.

Blessed Mother Memorial Garden



In order to commemorate and honor a loved one that has passed, the "Blessed Mother Memorial Garden" has been built alongside the Blessed Mother's Rosary Prayer Garden. This Memorial Garden will be dedicated to all your loved ones and all the parishioners who have given so much to St. Pius X Church and have passed.

Every time you come to Church, there will be a convenient opportunity to pray for them. This Memorial Garden will give you the opportunity to honor and remember a loved one simply by purchasing a Memorial Brick. The cost of each brick is \$500.00.

It's simple to do. Please complete the form that is available in the vestibule of the Church or on our website and return it to the Ministry House. For more information or if you have questions, please contact the Ministry House.



<u>Marian Pilgrimage</u> October 21, 2017

Are you seeking a spiritual awakening or journey? Consider attending the two-day spiritual trip to Baltimore and Washington. The Pilgrimage leaves the Diocese of Paterson on Friday, October 20th and makes stops at the Basilica of Assumption, our nation's first Cathedral and St. Jude Shrine. On Saturday, spiritual activities will take place at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington as part of the Diocesan Pilgrimage. Both days include daily Mass, spiritual visits and on Saturday reconciliation and devotional prayers. For further information, please contact the Pilgrimage office at 973-827-8030.

Seminarian Corner

"The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower. All who come to him will have life forever." In today's Gospel, we hear the famous parable of the sower. This was a challenging one for me to write a reflection on, but after prayer, I think I was given the grace to write one.

Jesus Christ is both the sower and the seed. When we have stony hearts, the love that Jesus gives cannot take root because of the rock hardness of our hearts. When we have hearts that are not with God, the joy that Jesus gives gets blocked by the thorns of sin. It is only when we are open, can Jesus' seed take root and blossom.

The sacraments help keep us open to God's love, especially the sacrament of Confession. Confession frees us from the thorns of sin, and allows God's grace to work in us. We must be open to what God has to give us. We must truly listen to God, not only with our ears, but with our hearts. Let us go into the world with the help of his Blessed Mother, sow God's love to all who need it.

Frank Lennie, Seminarian

Catholic Schools ... Faith, Academics, Service.

Registration

St. Pius X School is now registering for the 2017/2018 school year. We have openings in all grades and would welcome any inquiries either by phone 973-335-1253 or in person. Please call for a private tour of our school. Come in and talk to us about our Pre-K 3 and Pre-K 4 Programs to see what wonderful things are going on in our classrooms.

"If something is true, it is good and beautiful; if it is beautiful; it is good and true; if it is good, it is true and it is beautiful. And together, these elements enable us to grow and help us to love life, even when we are not well, even in the midst of many problems. True Catholic Education enables us to love life and opens us to the fullness of life."

Pope Francis Addresses Italian school teachers, parents, educators, pupils. May 10, 2014

Free Alzheimer's Caregiver Conference

Alzheimer's New Jersey, in collaboration with Morristown Medical Center, Morris County Division on Aging, and the United Way of Northern New Jersey Caregiver Coalition, will be offering a free half-day conference for caregivers. **Alzheimer's Disease: Approaches to Care** is being held on **Saturday, July 29**th from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm at the Morristown Medical Center Health Pavilion in Rockaway. This program provides practical information for families who have a loved one with Alzheimer's disease or another form of dementia. There is never a fee for attending our community education programs. However, we do ask that you register in advance. For more information or to register, interested individuals can call us at 888-280-6055 or register online at www.alznj.org.

Religious Formation On Line Religious Formation Registration 2017/2018

Religious Formation Registration for the new School Year will be completed on line again this year. An E Mail has been sent out to all Religious Formation Families. If you have not received the E Mail, that means we do not have a correct E Mail address for you. Please contact the Ministry House to update our records. Please make sure E Mail from St. Pius X does not go into your Spam Folder.

We continue to encourage all of our families to attend Sunday Liturgy and fully participate in the life of the parish. All families registered in the Religious Formation Program are required to be registered parishioners and financially supportive of the St. Pius X Parish.

How To Register On Line

- 1. Visit the parish website at www.st-pius-x.org.
- 2. Click on the *Religious Formation* tab at the top of the screen.
- 3. Click on the correct Registration Form.
- 4. If your family was part of our program last year, please click on *Re-Registration Form*.
- If you are a new family registering for Religious Formation for the first time, please click on *The New Family Registration Form*.
- 6. Please complete the form.
- Your registration will not be accepted without payment. The same company that handles Automated Giving for the parish handles the Registration Fees.

How To Volunteer On Line

Please follow Steps 1, 2 and 3 under <u>How To Register On Line</u>. Click on the appropriate *Volunteer Form*. Please complete the form. Our office will contact you and *Thank You* for volunteering!

Youth Ministry

<u>August</u>

8 - Homeless Solutions

11 - Eric Johnson House

Please contact Kurt Kilanowski at youth-ministry @st-pius-x.org for more information on our Youth Ministry programs.

<u>Pray for the Sick</u>

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.

Lilliana Elyse Mahan, Dawn Pandorf, Leslie Kondek, Corey Forlenza, Frank J. Somsky, Marie Cavallero, Eileen Scharwath, Ann Dimaira, Victor Marmo, Jason McGaha, Marilyn Geffken, Tom Clayton, Barbara Capsouras, Christine Paglia, Ragan Kilkell, Adrian Simone, Paul Perrone, Janet Babbitt, Bruno Stillo, Michael Mascari, Marjorie McArthur, Charlie Auskings, Eileen Kapotes, Stephen Koczo, Remedios Gatuz, Annarita Gardinella, Linda Bitetto, David Tafe, Gregory Sugra, Jose Nunez, Kevin Deege, Jason Fass, Terry Cox, Giovanna Mele, Pasquale Mastriani, Christina Adamski, Francoise Wagener, Brooklyn Auskings, Paul DiPiazza, David Douglas, Walter Sedlacik, David Dery, Joseph Horvath, Sr., Gayle Sullivan, Nicky Miller, Peter Henschel, Maryann Halleran, Agnes Koczo, Richard Dickau, Hilda Lundy, Anthony Speciale, Jr. and William Kinslow. Please remember to notify the office when your

family member has recovered.