

FEBRUARY 11, 2018
SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Monday, February 12, 7:30 am

Jane Wilson

Tuesday, February 13, 7:30 am

Barbara Ahern

Ash Wednesday, February 14

7:30 am Mass & Ashes Maida Avallone

9:30 am Mass & Ashes Doris Billeci

**4:30 pm Liturgy Of The Word &
Distribution of Ashes**

7:30 pm Mass & Ashes Zoe Burnett Wilson

Thursday, February 15, 7:30 am

Susan Speciale

Friday, February 16, 7:30 am

Wanda & Joseph Horvath

Nicky Nelson, Stephanie Travers

Monica (Yong Soo) Jo

Soon Chun Hong

Saturday, February 17

9:30 am People Of The Parish

5:00 pm Robert Spinnler

Alberto DeMarco

Sunday, February 18

7:30 am Nella Marino

9:00 am Georgene Wyker

10:30 am Sally Anibas

12:00 pm Marie Mascia

Frank & Tina Ruvo

Celebrant Schedule – February 17-18

5:00 pm Fr. Mark

7:30 am Fr. Mark

9:00 am Fr. Mark

10:30 am Fr. Dominik

12:00 pm Fr. Dominik

SHARING OF OUR TREASURE

Thank you for your support and generosity!

February 5, 2017 \$13,686.00

February 4, 2018 \$13,419.00

*Next Weekend's Second Collection Is For
Support The Church In Central & Eastern Europe*

Auto Contribution

Please sign up for automatic giving, visit our website at
www.st-pius-x.org, click on Donate. Thank you!

Christmas Collection

The Christmas collection as of February 5th is \$73,096.
We are most grateful for your continued generosity!

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.

Polish Mass

Saturday, March 10th, 6:30 pm

Every Second Saturday Of The Month

All are welcome!

“Zapraszamy wszystkich na modlitwę w języku polskim.”

Fatima Statue

The St. Pius X Statue of Our Lady of Fatima is available during the summer months of 2018. Please sign up for a week to bring the statue to your home. To sign-up or if you have any questions, please e mail Kathi Weiner at kathleenDW1013@gmail.com or call the Ministry House. Thank you.

Prayer Memorials 2018 Mass Book

The 2018 Mass Book is available. The Graces of the Mass and the Blessings of Prayer are infinite. The Eucharist is offered for ALL 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.

Year End Statements

Year End Contribution Statements were mailed out last week. If you did not receive your statement or have any questions, please call Lisa Kardell at the Ministry House, 973-335-2894, Ext. 102.

Car For Sale

Parishioner selling a 2000 Taurus SEL Sedan White car. One owner, one driver, many extras. If interested please call Agnes at 973-334-9880.



Lent

Lent is a season in which we prepare for Easter, the high point of the Christian year. Over the centuries, Lent has become a special time for fasting, abstinence, communal and private prayer, self-discipline, serving others, study, reflection and penance. The whole Church re-examines its priorities, to leave sin and self-love behind and intensify our love and service of God and others.

The conversion requires changes both in our inner attitudes and our outer actions. Just as Jesus confronted the powers of evil that held his world in their grasp, so we too must get involved in that struggle to eliminate evil's domination over us and our lives. Every day we must make the hard choice to eliminate evil and bring good. So this Lent let us take a look in the mirror each morning and tell ourselves that now, with God's help, we will begin to refuse to introduce any new evil and injustice into the world. Then the kingdom of God that Jesus envisioned, preached and died for would start right now to become a reality for ourselves and those around us.

Steve Mueller, All Saints Press

Lenten Regulations

The entire season of Lent from Ash Wednesday, February 14th, to before Holy Thursday, March 29th, is a penitential season, a time for self denial, prayers and Christian charity.

1. The days of fast and abstinence are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
2. The Fridays of Lent are Days of Abstinence.
3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat with some other practice of voluntary self denial as penance. This may be physical mortification or acts of religion, charity, or Christian witness.

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast. By this obligation the individual is permitted only one full meal in the day.

From the ages of 14, all are obliged to abstain. The law of abstinence forbids eating meat, but not eggs, milk products or condiments of any kind even though made from animal fat.



Lenten Schedule

Welcome Home To Healing, February 19th – March 12th

"Welcome Home" is a diocesan initiative to invite all Catholics to experience the grace of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confession is a wonderful opportunity to set aside our sinful ways and to draw closer to our Lord. Confessions will be held every Monday during Lent from 7-8:30 pm in the Church. Don't be afraid! Experience the gracious mercy of God! As Pope Francis recently said concerning confessions, "There are no shadowy lanes that can serve as an alternative to the open road that leads to God's forgiveness, to the awareness, in the depths of the heart, of His forgiveness and His love." (October 25, 2013, Vatican Radio)

9:30 am Saturday Mass During Lent

During Lent, we will be adding a 9:30 am Mass on Saturday mornings. The first Mass will be on Saturday, February 17th.

Lenten Healing Mass

We will be celebrating a Lenten Healing Mass on Sunday, March 18th at the 12 pm Mass.

Parish Penance Service

We will celebrate a Parish Penance Service on Monday, March 19th, at 7:00 pm in the Church.



- † Friday, February 16th – 3:00 pm, Fr. Mark
- † Friday, February 23rd – 7:00 pm, Knights Of Columbus
- † Friday, March 2nd – 3:00 pm, Fr. Dominik
- † Friday, March 9th – 3:00 pm, Paul Carroll & School
- † Friday, March 16th – 3:00 pm, Peter O'Brien
- † Friday, March 23rd – 3:00 pm, Frank Lennie
- † Good Friday, March 30th – 8:00 pm, Kurt Kilanowski & Paul Carroll



The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt with the heart.

Helen Keller



Office of the Bishop, Diocese of Paterson
2018 Liturgical Guidelines for the Flu Season

A widespread outbreak of flu requires precautions that lessen its transmission. Nothing can absolutely prevent spread of the flu virus but a few common sense recommendations can help to lessen the possibility.

1. If you don't feel well and suspect that you may have the flu, remain at home.
2. Wash your hands frequently with soap and water or an alcohol based hand cleanser.
3. Sign of Peace: If you feel uncomfortable with exchange of the sign of peace through a handshake you are under no obligation to do so. You may extend the sign of peace to your neighbors by a nod of the head.
4. Distributing and Receiving the Eucharist: Priests, Deacons and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist must thoroughly wash their hands with an alcohol based hand cleanser both before and after the distribution of the Eucharist. Receiving Holy Communion in the hand is the most practical means to distribute the Blessed Eucharist in a sanitary way.
5. Receiving the Eucharist by also drinking the Precious Blood from the chalice is discontinued until the level of flu cases is decreased.

Seminarian Corner

With Lent starting up this week, it is important to take a look at what you may want to do for your Lenten practice. It is very important to pray about this and not just pick something off the top of your head. One suggestion I have is to attend the Stations of the Cross each Friday. Ash Wednesday is a reminder that we belong to Jesus. This ash cross is an outward sign of our inward renewal through the Baptism that also found us marked with the cross on the forehead and on our hearts as one redeemed by Christ. Once we open our hearts to Jesus this Lent, if we really try to live out the Lenten journey, our lives will never be the same again. When we walk with Christ, like we will during these forty days, we truly walk hand and hand with the Lord. Lent is our time to fix our eyes upon Jesus who endured the cross for us. Lent is our time to consider what it means to be called to walk with Jesus not only as the Lenten days lengthen toward Easter, but every day of our lives. It is time for us to remember and realize that because of Jesus we can always return to the Lord our God, who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. This Lent let us follow the words of Pope Francis, "May the Holy Spirit lead us on a true journey of conversion, so that we can rediscover the gift of God's word, be purified of the sin that blinds us and serve Christ present in our brothers and sisters in need."

Frank Lennie, Seminarian

Ministry News

ROSARY SOCIETY

Please join us for our next Rosarian Meeting on **Wednesday, March 7th at 1 pm** at the Ministry House. For more information, please call the Ministry House.

BIBLE STUDY

Our new Bible Study program titled **Follow Me: Meeting Jesus In The Gospel of John** has begun. Wednesday evenings, 7:30 pm, Ministry House. All are welcome! Please call the Ministry House for details on how to register.

Please Note: Since Ash Wednesday Mass would coincide with Bible Study, next week Bible Study will be on **Tuesday, February 13th at 7:30 pm.**

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. 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.

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.

CARING CRAFTERS

The next meeting of the knitters and crocheters will be held on **Wednesday, February 14th 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.

Youth Ministry

February

- 13 – Eric Johnson House 2:30-4:00 pm
Youth Council Meeting 7-8:30 pm
- 20 – Youth Council Meeting 7-8:30 pm

March

- 9 – Homeless Solutions 4:30-7:30 pm
- 13 – Eric Johnson House 2:30-4:00 pm
Please e mail Kurt Kilanowski for more information
youth-ministry@st-pius-x.org.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Next Meeting – Monday, February 19th at 8 pm in the Knights of Columbus Room. Visit our website at: <http://StPiusxKofC.org/>.

Members Needed

Join us in the hands of Christ at St. Pius X Community. We were called, we respond and we will continue to do His work in our Parish and our community. We hope you are aware of our work throughout the year. From football parties, Santa Breakfast, July 4th soda sales, Stations Of The Cross, Project Graduation, food pantry, support for unwed mothers and a host of small community charities, we are a fun-loving group of dedicated friends always receptive to new members and ideas. . .

This season we are asking for new members from men of the parish and especially from St. Pius X fathers. We are not asking for a major commitment, you gave that at Baptism, but an evening a month of comradery and your help and sometimes the help of your family at one or two of our events during the year. We often need help with activities such as cleanup, rectory nativity set up, Santa decorations, soda sales, but we always have brothers to lean on in sickness and in health.

We don't know how you view us. Proud, exclusive? Important in the Church? If you spend a little time with us we are certain you will learn that even the most successful in the group are humbled by the tasks we attempt and eager for your friendship and help with our unending commitment. We are teachers, lawyers, mayors, accountants, plumbers, good looking electricians, doctors, priests, pilots, engineers, ambulance drivers and cooks, each working hard to be better Christians. We need you to complete what we have started.

Please don't worry about not fitting into our group. We have all kinds and types of members. We have one of the most talented singers imaginable, and we also have Jerry who sings in the Church Choir. We have some of the most honest people imaginable, and we have John who sells used cars. We have hardworking talented good looking guys, and we have Kevin and Dave. So don't be shy, come and join us. There is a desperate need for your talents.

There are two membership events this season, February 21st or March 21st. Please pick up a membership application in the Narthex by the Holy Family Statue. If you step up now, we promise you will add a new depth to your life and that of your family. Please approach any one of us, and we'll help you discover strength and commitment for a greater role in the life of Christ.



Catholic Schools

... Faith, Academics, Service.

Save The Date

School Musical, Annie Jr., May 17th & 18th

Casino Night

Attention Business Owners!

Please consider advertising in our Ad Journal!
Contact KateBaron04@gmail.com for more information.

St Pius X School's Annual Casino Night will be held on Friday, February 23rd at the Lake Valhalla Club in Montville. Join us at what is always a really fun night! Tickets are now on sale! Donations are still needed! Gift Cards, Themed Baskets, Sporting Event Tickets, Wine! We can also use empty baskets. Please drop any donations off at the School front office. Thank you for your generosity!



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.



Religious Formation

Schedule of Classes for February 11, 2018

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 10th Grade

Please check schedule for times.

Schedule of Classes for February 18, 2018

There are no classes scheduled on President's Weekend.

Schedule of Classes for February 25, 2018

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 9th Grade

Please check schedule for times.

All Second Grade Parents & Teachers

First Eucharist Retreat—Sunday, February 25th.

Please return permission forms to the Ministry House as soon as possible.

Fantastic Friday

6th, 7th and 8th Graders of
St. Pius X Church and School
Parish Community

Need something to do on a Friday Night?

Want somewhere to hang with your
friends with fun things to do?

Join us on Friday, March 9th
7:00-9:00 pm

St. Pius X Parish Center (Gym)
Activities include Board Games,
Basketball, Jeopardy and more

Adult and High School volunteers needed

To register or volunteer,
go to st-pius-x.org

Need more information?

Contact Chrissy Deary at cdeary@optonline.net

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.

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, Remedios Gatz, 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, David Douglas, Walter Sedlaciak, David Dery, Joseph Horvath, Sr., Gayle Sullivan, Nicky Miller, Peter Henschel, Richard Dickau, Zachary Miller, Lauren Grace Jarman, Maria Ferrigno, Kathy Compitiello, Anthony Zegarell
Wayne Tanchak, Florence Rainone and Catherine Lendino.



Fr. Mark is looking for Eucharistic Ministers to visit The Chelsea on Monday morning at 11 am once a month. The primary task is to bring Communion and good cheer to the residents. This ministry is less than one hour and is very rewarding. If you are interested please call Maryann at the Ministry House or see John Regan after Mass. Thank you for your consideration.

Montville Township Women's Club Presents

Calandra's Pasta Dinner

Friday, March 2nd, 5:45 pm

Montville Township Senior House, \$18

Dinner includes Pasta with Vodka Sauce or Marinara Sauce with meatballs, Romaine & Mesclun salad greens, Bread by Famous Calandra's Bakery, dessert with coffee or tea. Also, coupon for free loaf of bread at Calandra's. Opportunity to win door prizes and 50/50 raffle drawn that night. Advance ticket sales only by February 18th. For information or to purchase tickets either call Alexandra at 973-405-0088 or at montvilletownshipwomensclub@gmail.com.

An Evening with Sisters

Friday, February 23rd from 7-8:30 pm at Morris Catholic High School, 200 Morris Avenue, Denville. This event is open to high school and college aged women to enjoy an evening of conversation, prayer, food and fun! To RSVP and for more details, please email Sister Bernadette McCauley on or before February 20th at sbernadette@scceast.org.

Morris Catholic St. Patrick's Day 5k Run

Morris Catholic High School is holding its 7th Annual Crusader Challenge 5k Run on Saturday, March 17th at 9:00 am at its Denville campus. Doors open at 7:30 am. Proceeds benefit the Morris Catholic scholarship and athletic programs and the Denville Public Assistance Fund. \$25 registration fee up to March 9th. \$30 registration fee after March 9th and day of race. For info contact MC5KRace@gmail.com.