

AUGUST 16, 2015
TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Monday, August 17, 7:30 am

Irene Kovshik

Tuesday, August 18, 7:30 am

Susan L. Maute

Thursday, August 20, 7:30 am

People Of The Parish

Friday, August 21, 7:30 am

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Saturday, August 22

5:00 pm Al & Joan Sedlacik

Sunday, August 23

7:30 am Helen Pinkos

9:30 am Alice Cristiano

11:30 am Onofrio Mongelli & Family

Celebrant Schedule - August 22-23

5:00 pm Fr. Mark

7:30 am Fr. Mark

9:30 am Fr. Peter

11:30 am Fr. Peter

SHARING OF OUR TREASURE

Thank you for your support and generosity!

August 10, 2014 \$ 12,437.26

August 9, 2015 \$ 13,799.00

*Next Weekend's Second Collection is
Missionary Cooperation Plan*

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 Lisa Marie Gerondeau, Associate Director of Development for the Diocese of Paterson at 973-777-8818 Ext. 290 or visit www.patersondiocese/givingplan.net.

Prayer Memorials 2015 Mass Book

The 2015 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.

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.

MINISTRY NEWS

ROSARY SOCIETY

All are welcome to our **Welcome Tea, September 2nd, 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. For more information on the Rosary Society please call Stephanie Travers at 973-227-4197.

CARING CRAFTERS

The next meeting of the knitters and crocheters will be held on **Wednesday, August 19th at 9:00 am** at the Ministry House. 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. For more information, call Barbara Sanders at 973-334-6884.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Next Meeting – Monday, August 17th at 8:00 pm in the Knights of Columbus Room. Visit our website at: <http://StPiusXKofC.org/>.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study is on summer break and will reconvene in October. Details to follow later in the summer.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Ron Owens, Bereavement Facilitator. **Bereavement Meeting Wednesday, September 16th, 7-9 pm, Ministry House.** For special requests, please call 973-335-2894, Ext. 123.

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.

Prayer For The World Meeting Of Families

*God and Father of us all,
In Jesus, your Son and our Savior,
You have made us yours sons and daughters
In the family of the Church.
May your grace and love
Help our families
In every part of the world
Be united to one another
In fidelity to the Gospel.
May the example of the Holy Family,
With the aid of your Holy Spirit,
Guide all families, especially those most troubled,
To be homes of communion and prayer
And to always seek your truth and live in your love.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!*



The Feast Of The Assumption

August 15th is the feast of the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is one of the oldest feasts of the Church celebrated in honor of Mary. It was traditionally believed back in the 5th century that Mary's body was taken to heaven—that she did not face corruption of the body since she was preserved from Original Sin. The feast has been celebrated liturgically since 600 AD. This belief by Catholics for centuries was solemnly defined by Pope Pius XII in 1950, namely, that after Mary's death, God raised her body and she lives with God. Vatican II re-emphasizes this teaching and connects the life of Mary with that of the Church.

Mary's life is one of innocence, patience, faith and love. It is good for us on this special feast of Mary to honor her with our prayers and to thank God for the gift of Mary who nurtured her child, Jesus, taught him and protected him. She was connected to him in many ways but especially in the fire of His love.

Her example to us is one of unprecedented faith, allowing her to say, "your will, not mine, be done"—allowing her to be present to God, to herself and to each person who walked through her door and into her heart. This simple faith is something that we all need. You and I are not called to heroism. We are simply called to be the best we can be—a son or daughter, wife or husband, a neighbor, a friend. The way we live—what we say or do for one another—reveals God's love and mercy for the world and enables us to come to a new beginning.

The Assumption is a feast when we celebrate the gift of life—the life given to us by God, the life of God in us, and the way to be strong disciples of Jesus by following the example of Mary, the Mother of God.

*Peace & Blessings,
Fr. Mark*



Religious Formation

Did you register your children for Religious Formation Classes yet?

- Religious Formation Registration for the new School Year will be completed online again this year.
- All families registered in the Religious Formation Program are required to be registered parishioners and supportive of the St. Pius X Parish.
- First Eucharist Preparation is a two-year program which begins in 1st grade. Any child who will be in the 1st grade is required to register *now* in order to celebrate the Sacrament of First Eucharist in the 2nd grade.
- Continued class participation is necessary in Grades 3–8 in order to register for the Confirmation Program.
- 9th grade Catholic High School students are required to register for the Confirmation Program within their Parish.

Teachers & Assistants Needed

We are in need of many teachers for our Religious Formation Program. Assistant teachers are needed in Confirmation, Glory and Praise for all grades. We also need first grade teachers and middle school teachers for Glory & Praise. Please consider being a part of our program and make a difference in a child's faith formation.

How To Register On Line

1. Visit the parish website at www.st-pius-x.org.
2. Click on the *Religious Formation* tab.
3. Click on *Registration Forms*.
4. If your family was part of our program last year, please click on *Re-Registration Form*.
5. 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.
7. Your registration will not be accepted without payment. The same company that handles Automated Giving for the parish will be handling the Registration Fees.

How To Volunteer On Line

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

Music Ministry

St. Pius X Choir

It is nearly time for the St. Pius X Choir to start the fall season! Have you considered singing? Now is the perfect time to join the choir. Come to a Thursday rehearsal to see how it all works.

Rehearsals begin Thursday, September 3rd at 7:30 pm in the Church. Contact Paul Carroll at the Ministry House or pcarroll@st-pius-x.org for more information.

Save The Date!

Parish Picnic

Sunday, August 23rd, 12:30 pm

Something For Everyone

**Fun Activities - Petting Zoo, Pony Rides,
Train Ride, Bounce Castle**

Food Provided By The Knights of Columbus

**Please bring a dessert, our dessert tables are
memorable. Everyone is Welcome!**

(Free Will Donation)



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.

Alvira Conductor, John Farkas, Lilliana Elyse Mahan, Dawn Pandorf, Leslie Kondek, Corey Forlenza, Frank J. Somsy, Pattie Prezioso, Marie Cavallero, Eileen Scharwath, Marilyn DeSantis, 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, Sal Assante, Jose Nunez, Kevin Deege, Francoise Wagener, Pasquale Amoresano, Jason Fass, Nikki Basil, Terry Cox, Joe Horvath, Jr., Al Beatrice, John Sessa, Daniel DePaul, Giovanna Mele, Pasquale Mastriani, Christina Adamski, Dolores Patrisso, Gary Nagurka, Tina Kenning, Brooklyn Auskings and Raymond Ervey.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Catholic Charities

Please help support food pantries and our many other programs by donating clothing, shoes, toys and household items in our donation bin located in the parking lot. Your continued generosity is appreciated. If you have any questions, need a tax receipt or would like to schedule for a larger pick up (sorry no furniture) please call 877-343-3651.

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Home Maintenance Work Wanted

Yard clean-ups, shrub trimming or removal, fence and swing-set removal, split rail and post and rail fences installed. Please call 973-865-9602 for more information.

Employment Needed—Parishioner

Real Estate Executive in search of position. Will take temporary position in any field. Please call Ken at 973-906-0176.

Office Work Needed

Unemployed parishioner looking for office work—secretary, clerical, receptionist—in any field, temporary or full time. Please call 862-254-1226.

**Sisters of Christian Charity
Second Annual Golf Outing**

The Sisters of Christian Charity will be holding its Second Annual Golf Outing at Cedar Hill Golf & Country Club in Livingston on Thursday, September 24th at 10 am. For more information, please visit www.scceast.org or contact Mary Beth Green, Director of Development at dev.director@scceast.org or call 973-543-6528 Ext. 313.

Parishioners Need A Ride To Mass

Long-time parishioners living in Riverdale need a ride to weekend Mass. If you are available, please call Maryann at the Ministry House at 973-335-2894.

Saint Pius X School

We are still accepting registrations for pre-kindergarten to grade eight. The staff works for each child to provide a strong belief in one's self, faith, and academic excellence. There is still time to come, look and question.

Call 973-335-1253. If you leave a message, we will return your call.

Sister June

Youth Ministry

Summer Service Projects Available,

E mail Kurt Kilanowski at youth-ministry@st-pius-x.org

August

23 – Parish Picnic, 8:30-11 am-Set-Up; 12:30-3:30 pm-Games

E mail Kurt at youth-ministry@st-pius-x.org to volunteer

***We are on FACEBOOK.** Please search for us under St. Pius X in Northern New Jersey. Additional updates will be sent every week from our page there. For information on how to join our Youth Ministry, please call Kurt Kilanowski at ext. 110 or e mail at youth-ministry@st-pius-x.org.

For Those Suffering Religious Persecution

Good and gracious Father, whose own beloved Son suffered violence and death for the salvation of the world, listen graciously to our cry for all who are being persecuted for their faith.

In your mercy, comfort them with the Holy Spirit. Give them strength in the face of hostility and courage in the face of trial.

Open the eyes of those who raise their hands in violence to see others as their brothers and sisters, children of the one Father of all.

By your grace, turn their hearts from hatred to love.

Through the powerful intercession of the Immaculate Queen of Peace, may justice and peace prevail so that all may have the freedom to worship you, the one true God and him whom you have sent, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.