

**JANUARY 31, 2016**  
**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



**Monday, February 1, 7:30 am**

Maureen Rocchi

**Tuesday, February 2, 7:30 am**

Teresa Brandenilli

August D'Angelo

**Thursday, February 4, 7:30 am**

Pete Koenig

**Friday, February 5, 7:30 am**

People Of The Parish

**Saturday, February 6**

5:00 pm Grant Gille, Sr.

**Sunday, February 7**

7:30 am Edward Morgan

9:00 am Gloria Harasts

10:30 am Elizabeth Martorana

Mary Madelyn Snyder

12:00 pm Lorraine DeVito

**Celebrant Schedule – February 6-7**

5:00 pm Fr. Peter

7:30 am Fr. Peter

9:00 am Fr. Peter

10:30 am Fr. Mark

12:00 pm Fr. Mark

**SHARING OF OUR TREASURE**

Thank you for your support and generosity!

January 25, 2015                   \$ 14,993.00

January 17, 2016                 \$ 7,599.00 (*Snowstorm*)

*This weekend's second collection is for  
Catholic Schools Week*

**Prayer Memorials 2016 Mass Book**

The 2016 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.

**First Friday**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 7:30 am Mass until 9:00 am in the Church on *Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup>*. The US Bishops have asked us to pray at Eucharistic Holy Hours for life, marriage and Religious Liberty. All are welcome to spend some time with the Lord in prayer.

**Pray The Rosary**

Please join the Knights of Columbus and Rosarians after the 9:00 am Mass in the Church, this Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, to pray the Rosary.

**MINISTRY NEWS**

**ROSARY SOCIETY**

Please join us on **February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1 pm** at the Ministry House for a regular meeting. 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 **Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> 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, February 1<sup>st</sup> at 8:00 pm** in the Knights of Columbus Room. Thanks for supporting the Knights of Columbus Football Fundraiser last weekend. Jim Ackaway won the 55" TV. All other prize winners have been notified and are listed at the Narthex table. Visit our website at: <http://StPiusxKofC.org/>.

**BEREAVEMENT GROUP**

Ron Owens, Bereavement Facilitator. **Bereavement Meeting Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 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.

**BIBLE STUDY**

Please join us for Bible Study on **Tuesday evenings at 7:30 pm** at the Ministry House. Our topic is The Acts of the Apostles. All are invited to attend!

**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.



We are in need of a volunteer to wash and iron our Altar linens weekly. If interested, please contact the Ministry House or see Peter O'Brien after Mass.



## *A Note of Thanks*

Dear Tapestry Donors,

Thelma Manning  
The Rehberg Family  
Knights Of Columbus  
The Sandham Family  
Carole A. Cavaliere  
Mary S. Diver  
Barbara Ahern  
The Recchia Family

Thank you for fulfilling our Parish Christmas Wish List. We identified a need to enhance the Narthex and you responded quickly.

May the Lord reward you for your generosity and may everyone appreciate the imagery of God's love that you made possible.

Peace & Blessings,  
Fr. Mark



Dear Fr. Olenowski,

Thank you for your recent donation of Shop Rite Gift Cards to the Food Closet. We sincerely appreciate your generous support.

We were able to provide food and turkeys/hams to over 60 families in Rockaway Borough and Rockaway Township. I wish that you could have seen the gratitude on the faces of our clients. In addition to the holiday distributions, we assist over 130 families all year long. The numbers increase this time of year because some families only need extra help during the holidays. We couldn't do this without the support of the St. Pius X Parish.

Thank you again for your generosity and caring. It will enable us to help our neighbors in need in a very tangible way.

Sincerely,

Linda Kirby, Coordinator, Rockaway Food Closet



## Lenten Schedule

### Welcome Home To Healing February 15<sup>th</sup> – March 14<sup>th</sup>

"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!

### Parish Penance Service

We will celebrate a Parish Penance Service on Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm in the Church.

### Lenten Adult Education Program

On Wednesday evenings during Lent, we will be presenting Bishop Robert Barron's *The Mystery of God: Who God Is and Why He Matters*. Each week will feature a new topic beginning with a 25 minute video followed by a short discussion. In these days of increasing secularization, it is important that every Christian takes the "God" question seriously. This program can help us better understand and explain the God who created the universe and sustains all life through an endless outpouring of his infinite love and mercy. This series begins Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in the Church. For more information, contact Peter O'Brien at the Ministry House.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

- † Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup> – 3:00 pm, Fr. Mark
- † Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup> – 3:00 pm, Peter O'Brien
- † Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup> – 3:00 pm, Fr. Peter
- † Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup> – 3:00 pm, Deacon Jim
- † Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup> – 8:00 pm, Knights of Columbus
- † Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup> – 8:00 pm, Andrew Players
- † Good Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup> – 8:00 pm,  
Paul Carroll/Kurt Kilanowski

### Andrew Players

Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 8 pm

*Jesus The Healer*

*Jesus the Healer* is a highly dramatic presentation of the powerful miracles and healing events of Jesus' life. The mystery play calls for no speaking parts. Through special lighting, a moving soundtrack, and reflective meditations, viewers experience Jesus' life and presence as if it were really happening. The play becomes a powerful vehicle for God's spirit to forgive, renew, and especially heal. At the end of each presentation, there is an opportunity for individual prayers for healing.

### Lenten Regulations

The entire season of Lent from Ash Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, to before Holy Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 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.

### Saint Pius X School

#### A New Year In Grade One

My first grade friends have been busy! We returned from Christmas break with a renewed energy for learning. We are developing into great readers and our new reading series keeps us interested and engaged in each week's theme.

The change to 2016 was the perfect time to talk about past, present and future. Our phonics stories, leveled readers, and literature all returned to the theme of the passing of time. We also made sun dials during our enrichment time.

The passage of time can also be measured through the seasons and in the garden. We planted seeds in science class and are experimenting with the conditions in which the seeds will grow, warm and dark or cold and dark?

This week we will still be thinking about the passage of time and the stories that have lasted through time. Folktales will be a familiar way to continue this theme. Folktales will help teach us a moral and inspire a stem building project also.

It is amazing what my little learners have accomplished! Our school is filled with amazing love and learning. Thank you for all you do as a parish to encourage us!



The Saint Pius X Home & School Association is pleased to announce our Casino Night fundraising event which will be held on March 4<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 pm-midnight at The Hanover Manor in East Hanover. Our theme this year is Old Hollywood, and as in the past, the night will be great fun with professional Blackjack, Craps, Texas Holdem, Roulette, Poker games, Tricky tray, Silent and Live auction as well! The proceeds from this event will contribute to the academic resources and enrichment programs that benefit the children who attend Saint Pius X School.

Tickets for the event and the popular 50/50 Cash Raffle that is drawn at the event will be on sale after all Masses. Every year the winner of the 50/50 raffle has taken home over \$6,000.00! (Winner need not be present). You may also contact Jen Davis at [jendavis13@yahoo.com](mailto:jendavis13@yahoo.com) or visit [www.spxnj.org](http://www.spxnj.org) for more information.

### Religious Formation

#### Schedule of Classes for February 7, 2016

##### Praise Middle School –

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

##### Praise Elementary School –

Grades 1, 4, 5 – 9:00 am Mass; Class 10:00 –11:00 am

Grades 2 & 3 – 10:30 am Mass; Class 11:30 -12:30 pm

##### Confirmation –

Grade 10 – 12:00 pm Mass; Class 1-2:00 pm

#### Schedule of Classes for February 14, 2016

No Religious Formation classes scheduled this weekend.

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#### All Second Grade Parents & Teachers

##### First Eucharist Retreat—Weekend of March 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>

Please send permission forms to the Ministry House.

### Youth Ministry

#### St. Pius X Youth Ministry Proudly Invites You To Be A Part Of The FIRST...Leadership In Faith Experience

Calling all current and future high school CATHOLIC LEADERS! Come join YOUTH MINISTRY on this exciting NEW journey as we look to explore our faith in our daily lives and build our leadership skills in the process. The Leadership In Faith Experience is open to the first 40 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade members of our parish who wish to discover and to share their faith more deeply. This experience will take place in the Youth Room in the Ministry House on the following dates:

February 7, 2016 (11 am – 1 pm including Mass)

February 21, 2016 (11 am – 1 pm including Mass)

February 27, 2016 (8 am – 7 pm)

(includes breakfast, lunch, 5 pm Mass and hors d'oeuvres after Mass).

All meetings will be lead by Youth Minister, Kurt Kilanowski, and experienced members of Youth Ministry. Content and activities will revolve around such topics as: Becoming A Better Catholic Leader; Social Media & Our Faith: Creating A Catholic Culture In Sports; Addressing Issues Of Social Justice; Sharing Our Time, Talent & Treasure-Stewardship for Teens.

#### February

7 – 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Class

11 am – 1 pm Leadership In Faith Experience

9 – Homeless Solutions, 4-7:30 pm

12 – Eric Johnson House, 3-4:00 pm

21 – 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Class

11 am – 1 pm Leadership In Faith Experience

27 – 11 am – 1 pm Leadership In Faith Experience

28 – 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Class

Please contact us at [youth-ministry@st-pius-x.org](mailto:youth-ministry@st-pius-x.org). We can also be found on Facebook (St Pius X), Twitter (@spxymnj) and Instagram ([stpiusxouthministry](https://www.instagram.com/stpiusxouthministry)).



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 Koczko, William Schicke, Remedios Gatz, Annarita Gardinella, Linda Bitetto, David Tafe, Gregory Sugra, Jose Nunez, Kevin Deege, Pasquale Amoresano, Jason Fass, Terry Cox, Al Beatrice, Daniel DePaul, Giovanna Mele, Pasquale Mastriani, Christina Adamski, Dolores Patrisso, Gary Nagurka, Francoise Wagener, Brooklyn Auskings, Raymond Ervey, Paul DiPiazza and Edward Strasser.