

FEBRUARY 7, 2016
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Monday, February 8, 7:30 am

Nick Marino

Tuesday, February 9, 7:30 am

People Of The Parish

Ash Wednesday, February 10

7:30 am Mass & Ashes People Of The Parish

9:30 am Mass & Ashes People Of The Parish

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

7:30 pm Mass & Ashes People Of The Parish

Thursday, February 11, 7:30 am

Msgr. Joseph J. Meyer

Friday, February 12, 7:30 am

People Of The Parish

Saturday, February 13

5:00 pm Jeannette Hanek

Sunday, February 14

7:30 am Wanda & Joseph Horvath

9:00 am Domenick J. Manna

10:30 am Jack Cavanaugh

12:00 pm Magdalena Galli

Celebrant Schedule – February 13-14

5:00 pm Fr. Mark

7:30 am Fr. Mark

9:00 am Fr. Mark

10:30 am Fr. Peter

12:00 pm Fr. Peter

Parish Offices will be closed Monday, February 15th
in observance of President's Day.

SHARING OF OUR TREASURE

Thank you for your support and generosity!

February 1, 2015 \$ 15,032.00

January 31, 2016 \$15,514.00

Catholic Schools Week 2015 \$ 2,654.00

Catholic Schools Week 2016 \$ 2,849.00

*This weekend's second collection is for
Project Faith*

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.



MINISTRY NEWS

ROSARY SOCIETY

Please join us on **March 2nd 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 16th 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.

Dear Caring Crafters,

Thank you for the beautiful assortment of hats, scarves and cowls. With the colder weather finally upon us, our patients are enjoying and appreciating your beautiful handiwork.

We appreciate all the prayers, love and time that you put into every stitch of your creations. Each piece is a little work of art that lifts the spirits of its recipient. Please know that your gifts let each patient know that someone is sending prayers for their speedy recovery and wishing them well.

On behalf of our patients, thank you for your generosity and kindness.

With best wishes and blessings,

*Diane Wood, LCSW, Senior Oncology Counselor
Cancer Care at St. Clare's, Denville, NJ*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Next Meeting – Monday, February 15th at 8:00 pm in the Knights of Columbus Room. Visit our website at: <http://StPiusxKofC.org/>.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Ron Owens, Bereavement Facilitator. **Bereavement Meeting Wednesday, February 17th, 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.



The Porch of Lent

Lent is the only liturgical time that begins on a weekday, with a solemn celebration marked by particular practices: fasting and ashes. The threshold of Lent is crossed on Ash Wednesday. But the following days constitute a “porch” leading to the great door that will be opened on Easter Sunday. This is a threshold that we must take time to cross step by step, in prayer, reflection and assessment of our strengths. This is the time to throw aside what could uselessly weigh us down as we walk, and to check whether we are properly equipped for the Lenten exodus.

This is a porch on which the whole Christian community is called to gather because it is important to start together, at a brisk pace, toward the Lord's Pasch and its celebration.

*Peace & Blessings,
Fr. Mark*

Lenten Regulations

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

LENT...
FAST • GIVE • PREPARE • PRAY



Lenten Schedule

Welcome Home To Healing February 15th – March 14th

“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 14th, 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 17th at 7 pm in the Church. For more information, contact Peter O'Brien at the Ministry House.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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

Andrew Players

Friday, March 18th, 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.

Saint Pius X School
Science In Pre-K 3

During the cold days of Winter, Pre-K3 had a science lesson on water. We discussed what state water is in when we put it in a glass to drink. We know now that it is a liquid. Then we discussed what would happen to the liquid if we put it in the freezer or outside in the cold. We learned that it would be frozen, which makes it a solid. To make the science experiment a fun learning experience, Mrs. Wagner took ice trays and filled them with colored water. We let the ice tray sit overnight in the freezer and painted with the colored ice and made a beautiful piece of art.



The Saint Pius X Home & School Association is pleased to announce our Casino Night fundraising event which will be held on March 4th 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, and Silent and Live auctions! The proceeds from this event will contribute to the academic resources and enrichment programs that benefit the children of Saint Pius X School. Tickets for the event and the popular 50/50 Cash Raffle 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). We also have a new MessageGram this year as the ad journal is being dedicated to Fr. Mark & Fr. Peter. Write them a message of appreciation! For more information, stop at the School Table in the Narthex or see the Bulletin Insert. You may also contact Jen Davis @ jendavis13@yahoo.com or visit www.spxnj.org for more information.

Religious Formation

Schedule of Classes for February 14, 2016

No Religious Formation classes scheduled this weekend.

Schedule of Classes for February 21, 2016

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 9 – 12:00 pm Mass; Class 1-2:00 pm

Schedule of Classes for February 28, 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

All Second Grade Parents & Teachers

First Eucharist Retreat—Weekend of March 5th & 6th 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 9th through 12th 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 – 10th 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 – 9th Grade Confirmation Class

11 am – 1 pm Leadership In Faith Experience

27 – 11 am – 1 pm Leadership In Faith Experience

28 – 10th Grade Confirmation Class

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



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 Concurso, 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 Gatuz, 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.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Employment Opportunity

Part-time legal secretary for Montville law firm. Experience preferred. E mail resume to lcasha@casha.com or fax to 973-263-9225.

Comedy Club

The Women's Connection of Northern NJ welcomes all women to our brunch on Wednesday, February 17th, at 9:30 am at The Villa at Mountain Lakes. Humorist, Ron Owens, will tickle your funny bone with his special brand of wit and wisdom to help conquer life's stressful situations. Please call Evelyn at 973-985-5979 or e mail at mcwomenconnect@yahoo.com to make a reservation.