



## A Roman Catholic Community

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### Pastor

Rev. Samuel S. Kachuba

### Parochial Vicar

Rev. Timothy A. Iannacone

### Weekend Assistants

Fairfield Jesuit Community

### Priest in Residence

Rev. Msgr. Ernest Esposito

### Director of Music & Organist

Michael Lantowski

### Pastoral Assistant

Kathleen Donnelly

### Faith Formation *(formerly Rel. Ed.)*

Kara Clegg (Grades 1-5)

Shari Garcia (Edge Middle School)

Paola Pena (Life Teen High School)

Barbara Kwiatkowski (Assistant)

### Parish Office

Terri Dawes, Administrative Assistant

Kimberlie I. Leon, Business Manager

Amy O'Donnell, Office Assistant

### Parish Corp. Lay Members

Kathryn Vogt

Arthur Wolf

### Parish Finance Council Chair

Jeremy Joyce

### Parish Office Hours

9AM-4PM (Mon-Thur)

9AM-12NOON (Summer Fri)

### Parish Membership

We encourage every family in the parish to register as it is our only means of certifying you as a member of our parish family. Register online at [www.st-pius.org](http://www.st-pius.org)

St. Pius X Church is wheelchair accessible with parking located at the sides of church.

Thank you for turning off all personal electronic devices before entering the church.

### Mission Statement

We, the members of St. Pius X Parish, are a Roman Catholic family of faith rooted in the Eucharist, nourished by God's Word, and faithful to the sacramental life of the Church. We are committed to welcoming every person we encounter with the love and mercy of Christ. We strive to imitate Christ in all that we say and do. We are committed to teaching and sharing the Gospel, to supporting one another in prayer and action, and to reaching out to those in need, so that, as a community of disciples, we can embrace our parish patron's call to "restore all things in Christ."

### Weekly Mass Schedule

8:30AM, Monday-Saturday

5:15PM, Saturday Vigil

7:30AM, 9AM, 10:30AM & 12Noon on Sunday

### Holy Day Mass Schedule

5:30PM Vigil

8:30AM & 7:30PM Holy Day

### Confession

4PM-4:45PM, Saturdays (Church)

7PM-8PM, Wednesdays (Chapel)

### Devotions

The Rosary and a Chaplet of the Divine Mercy is prayed each Friday by parishioners at 9AM in the Chapel. Stations of the Cross take place at 7PM on Lenten Fridays in the Chapel.

### Baptism

Pre-Baptismal class is held the first Sunday of every month at 1PM. Pre-registration is required. Call Kathleen Donnelly in the Parish Office for information. Baptisms are celebrated 1:15PM on Sundays.

### Marriage

Registered parishioners should make arrangements one year in advance with the Parish Office. There are no Sunday weddings.

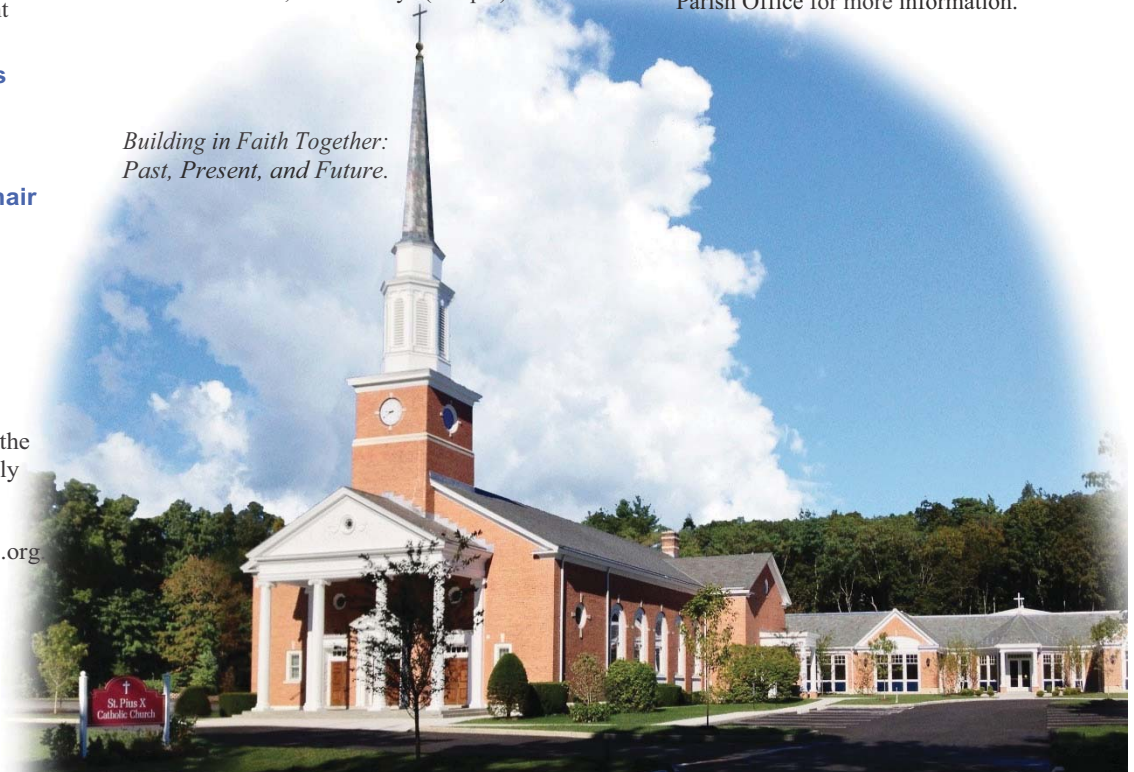
### Anointing of the Sick

If you know a parishioner who is seriously ill, contact the Parish Office.

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

RCIA is available year-round to anyone who wants to inquire about our faith, baptism, or completing their initiation as Roman Catholics with Eucharist and/or confirmation. Call the Parish Office for more information.

*Building in Faith Together:  
Past, Present, and Future.*





### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, July 28

8:30AM Intentions of All Parishioners

5:15PM +Nancy Belous Rosito Family

#### Sunday, July 29

7:30AM Jack Teitell Family Friend

9AM +William S. Rainsberger D. Mazzone

10:30AM +Mary Donnelly T. & J. Kelly

12Noon +Albert Salese Toner Family

#### Monday, July 30

8:30AM +Nina Alesci L. Carter

#### Tuesday, July 31

8:30AM Thanksgiving/intentions of D'Cunha Family M. D'Cunha

#### Wednesday, August 1

8:30AM +Thomas Willet Bird Family

#### Thursday, August 2

8:30AM +Nancy & Clara Marino G. Marino

#### Friday, August 3

8:30AM Intentions of All Parishioners

#### Saturday, August 4

8:30AM +Ronald Lind M. Freiler

5:15PM +Ruth Gilbane K. & M. Lemann

#### Sunday, August 5

7:30AM +Regina Nikel M. Lantowski

9AM +Henry Pacheco Blair Family

10:30AM +Carol Duggan

12Noon +Nicholas & Anne Fabian



**Sanctuary Lights in the Church  
will burn this week in memory of  
Jennie & Guy Giuffre**



**Sanctuary Lights in the Chapel  
will burn this week in memory of  
Antoinette Montanaro**



### ST. PIUS X PRAYER LINE

*We must never underestimate the power of prayer!*

Let us pray for you! Email petitions or thanksgivings anytime to Pat Heile at [stpiusxprayerln@aol.com](mailto:stpiusxprayerln@aol.com) or call Ann Cole at 203-362-5178, Monday-Friday and feel free to leave a message.

### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In the last few weeks, we have reflected on the missionary vocation Jesus entrusts to his apostles, his call to them to be good shepherds who carefully lead those entrusted to their care, and today, his providential care for each of his beloved sons and daughters. The Gospel passages read at Mass these three Sundays are, of course, connected. Jesus does not send us on mission and give us responsibilities as Christians with the expectation that we will fend for ourselves when in need of spiritual or physical food. On the contrary, the Gospel passage we read today reminds us that, relying on Divine Providence, God will give us all we need.

We should also see an obvious connection to the story of the prophet Elisha related in the first reading. Elisha feeds a large number of people with a limited supply of bread. It is a prophetic action that speaks to the truth Elisha proclaims – God will care for his people. When Jesus multiplies the loaves, the people who receive this gift immediately recognized the significance. Elisha fed 100 with twenty loaves. Jesus' act far surpasses that of Elisha – he feeds 5,000 with five loaves and two fish. For this reason, those fed by Jesus declare that he is "the Prophet" *par excellence*; they recognize in him something that surpasses the power of all the prophets who have come before. If the prophetic action of Jesus surpasses the prophetic actions of the ancient prophets, so too does His message of God's providential care for us.

We are fortunate enough to receive so many blessings from God's hand. It is good for us to be reminded as we go about our ordinary routines that the same Christ who sends us out as missionaries, the same Christ who sees us in our distress, sadness, and suffering and longs to shepherd us, is the same Christ who feeds us, not only with the physical bread multiplied in the Gospel, but with the bread of His Body, the Eucharist. Our spiritual needs will always be provided for and we can place our trust in this merciful Savior.

One way in which God has provided for our spiritual needs is the blessing of priests who minister here. In a special way, the Jesuit community at Fairfield University has been a sign of God's providential care. Next weekend, we will bid farewell to Fr. Bret Stockdale, SJ, who has been a faithful sign of that great providence. Fr. Stockdale has been given a new assignment at St. Anthony Parish in Oceanside, NY on Long Island. He will celebrate the noon Mass next Sunday, August 5 and afterwards, you are invited to a farewell reception for him in the Community Room. Let us pray for Fr. Stockdale as he begins his new assignment, that God's providential care will guide him in his ministry and in thanksgiving for the gift his priestly service has been to our parish community!

Peace,



### SCRIPTURAL QUOTE ON STEWARDSHIP

“The hand of the Lord feeds us,” says the Psalmist, “he answers all our needs,” Both Elisha’s servant in the first reading and the disciples in the Gospel story who witnessed the feeding of the five thousand saw this happen and knew it to be true.



### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

- July 22, 2018 Weekend Offering: \$14,021
- 2017 Weekend Offering: \$13,207
- Mission Offering: \$255
- Monthly Offering: \$260
- Votive Candles Church & Chapel Offering: \$369

**Thank you for being good and faithful stewards  
of God’s Blessings and Gifts!**

**Prayers of gratitude to those who have remembered  
St. Pius X Church in their will with a bequest.**



### BANNS OF MARRIAGE

I Kristen Wall and Brendan Lloyd  
III Nicole Alberico and Christopher Genova



### CONGRATULATIONS!

We welcome these newly baptized children into our Family of Faith: **Vincent Paul Audet, Frances Jane Hall and Leonard Graham Sauro**

“May the Lord of peace himself give you  
peace at all times and in every way.  
The Lord be with all of you.”  
—2Thessalonians 3:16



### SAVE THE DATE FOR THE ST. PIUS X PARISH FESTIVAL

*Back by popular demand, the St. Pius X Grill returns  
with all your favorite foods!*

Mark your calendars for the annual St. Pius X Parish Festival to be held **12Noon-5PM, Sunday, September 9**. The day will kick off with an **outdoor Mass at 10:30AM**. Thank you to **Tanya Annuncio** who has graciously agreed to chair this year's event. Online Volunteer Registration and more information coming soon. Watch your email and the Bulletin for more details.



### ST. PIUS X SENIORS

*Join us August 9 for lunch and to listen to guest  
speaker Paul Murnane, parishioner and news reporter  
from WCBS News radio 880.*

All are invited to join us **12Noon, Monday, August 6, in the Community Room**. Parishioner Paul Murnane from WCBS News radio 880 will join us to share his reflections as a news reporter. Light lunch and beverages are provided. Donation for lunch \$5. RSVP needed! Contact Peter Carey via phone or text at 203-673-2081 or email him at [aandp1964@aol.com](mailto:aandp1964@aol.com).



### EMBROIDERY HELP NEEDED FOR PARISH BAPTISMAL GARMENTS

If you enjoy embroidering and would like to help with parish baptismal garments, contact Eleanor Burke at 203-255-5335 or [profefurke@optonline.net](mailto:profefurke@optonline.net) for more information.



### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading:** When they had eaten, there was some left over, as the LORD had said (2 Kings 4:42-44).

**Psalm:** The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).

**Second Reading:** Strive to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace (Ephesians 4:1-6).

**Gospel:** Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted (John 6:1-15).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Jer 13:1-11; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 13:31-35

**Tuesday:** Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Mt 13:36-43

**Wednesday:** Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18; Mt 13:44-46

**Thursday:** Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53

**Friday:** Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58

**Saturday:** Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12

**Sunday:** Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35



### DO YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO WANTS TO BECOME A CATHOLIC?

The R.C.I.A. process is a wonderful and prayerful journey of faith during which adults learn about and grow closer to God through the Catholic experience of faith, worship and prayer. Invite someone you know to come and find out who we are. For more information, email or call Kathleen Donnelly at 203-255-6134 or [kdonnelly@st-pius.org](mailto:kdonnelly@st-pius.org).



### FAITH FORMATION UPDATES!

#### **Sacramental Prep registration deadline July 31**

*School's Out for Summer!*

While your kids are still in school and before you leave for vacation, be sure to register for Sacramental Prep!

**Registration Deadline: July 31, 2018**

- Registration is open to those wishing to prepare for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation/First Communion or Confirmation
- Indicate a **SECOND CHOICE!** First choice of day is not guaranteed.

To register and for more information about the new Faith Formation model at St. Pius X, visit our website: [www.st-pius.org](http://www.st-pius.org)

#### **Volunteers needed for Sacramental Prep**

Catechists needed for First Reconciliation/First Communion or Confirmation prep. Email Kara at [kclegg@st-pius.org](mailto:kclegg@st-pius.org) or Shari at [sgarcia@st-pius.org](mailto:sgarcia@st-pius.org).

#### **Lifelong faith formation gatherings to begin in Fall**

This September, we will meet once a month after the 9AM or 10:30AM Masses for fellowship, engaging talks, group activities, and discussion—coffee provided! All are welcome, join us by **registering online at [www.st-pius.org](http://www.st-pius.org)**. Questions? Call the Parish Office to speak with the Faith Formation Team.

#### **Access digital resources on FORMED On Demand.**

We have purchased a subscription to FORMED On Demand for the entire parish. FORMED On Demand offers access to thousands of studies, films, audios, and eBooks. Discover great digital media from over 40 of the best Catholic content producers. You can set up an account online at [www.st-pius.org/formed.org](http://www.st-pius.org/formed.org). Questions? Email Shari Garcia at [sgarcia@st-pius.org](mailto:sgarcia@st-pius.org).

#### **Access Word on Fire digital video library.**

Word on Fire features films and videos with Bishop Robert Barron who has been hailed as "one of the Church's greatest messengers" to help you boost your faith! Just click on any video we send you via Flocknote to access the whole Word on Fire library of awesome Catholic content! Questions? Email Paola Pena at [ppena@st-pius.org](mailto:ppena@st-pius.org).



In time of desolation one should never make a change, but stand firm in the resolutions and decisions that guided one the day before the desolation.

—St. Ignatius of Loyola

## ST PIUS X LIFE TEEN

### WEEKLY SUMMER SCHEDULE

*Hey Teens, join us in the Portable Classroom in the Religious Education Center!*

● **Youth Group**

7PM-9PM, Sundays (Note: this time is only for the Summer, normal meeting time is 6PM-8PM during the school year.)

● **Open Hangouts**

12Noon-2:30PM, Tuesdays. Join us for snacks, ping-pong, foosball, and games!

● **Alumni Nights**

7:30PM-8:45PM, Wednesdays. High School graduates and college students welcome back!

● **Young Women’s Small Group Study**

11AM-2PM, Thursdays

● **“Mass and Saints”**

12Noon-2PM, Fridays. Mass is at St. Thomas at 12:10PM. Bring a bagged lunch and come learn about a new saint every week!

For more information on any of these events or Life Teen in general, email Paola Pena at [ppena@st-pius.org](mailto:ppena@st-pius.org) today.



**Are you interested in joining or finding out more about the Knights of Columbus?**



**Are you a Knight who recently moved to Fairfield?**



**Are you a Knight interested in transferring into our St. Pius X Council?**



**Are you a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knight interested in the St. Pius X Assembly?**



### **For More Information**

**Contact** Tom Kelty at 203-209-2895 or [TKelty@gmail.com](mailto:TKelty@gmail.com)

or

**Go to** <http://www.kofc.org/en/join/index.html>

As a Knight of Columbus, you receive a wealth of resources to help you grow in your faith and become a better Catholic man, as well as access to Catholic news. You will also be able to stay informed on major developments of interest to Catholics with your monthly subscription to *Columbia*, the Order’s flagship publication.



### WEEKLY ROSARY FOR PEACE & HEALING

*Join us Fridays, immediately following the  
8:30AM Mass.*

Join us for this peaceful time of prayer following the **8:30AM Mass every Friday in the Chapel**. You can participate or sit, listen, and reflect. All are welcome!



### ST. PIUS X CALL TO MILITARY

*You answered our country's call to serve.  
Let your parish support you on your journey.*

Whether you're active, or a veteran, we want to hear from you. We're working on activities for veterans and active service members to support each other as a parish and as brothers/sisters in arms. Contact Russell Edgett, Afghanistan veteran, parishioner and founder of *The Freedom Isn't Free Ride* at 475-225-9694 or RussellJ.Edgett@gmail.com.



### BLESSED SACRAMENT FOOD PANTRY SUMMER REQUEST

*Donations of food due by the week of August 6...*

Canned beans, cereal and pasta are desperately needed for the pantry. Please leave what you can in the bins in the vestibule of the Church before the week of August 6. Our delivery to Blessed Sacrament will take place the week of August 6. Thank you for helping!

*"Finally, draw your strength from the Lord  
and from his might power.*

*Put on the armor of God so that you may  
be able to stand firm against the  
tactics of the devil."  
—Ephesians 6:10-11*



### GIVE ONLINE—GO GREEN!

Make your weekly gift online with Online Giving. It's easy and totally secure and helps us go green and save money on mailing the printed offertory envelopes.

- No more writing checks or handling cash.
- Set up automatic contributions for each week of the year—you control the amount and timing.
- Change the amount, or the timing, of your gift at any time—you have total control.

**Get started now:** Go to [www.st-pius.org/onlinegive](http://www.st-pius.org/onlinegive).

If you have questions or need help getting started, call Terri Dawes in the Parish Office at 203-255-6134.



### YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES THAT FOLLOW...

Have you ever thought about leaving a legacy and including St. Pius X Parish in your estate planning? Planned giving ensures that you disperse of your assets the way you want. You can give to St. Pius X regardless of the amount—no gift is too small. Every gift is meaningful and greatly appreciated.

You may designate your gift, in any amount, toward exactly what is most important to you at St. Pius X. Gifts can be given in many ways—via your will or a living trust, gifts of retirement, etc. Planned giving is a beautiful and thoughtful way for you to give.

If you are considering a gift but not sure where you would like it to go or where it would do most good, email Kimberlie Leon in the Parish Office at [kleon@st-pius.org](mailto:kleon@st-pius.org). She will be happy to have a preliminary discussion with you and set up time for you to meet with Fr. Sam if you would like to discuss your thoughts further.

We thank all those parishioners who have included us in their wills in the past, and to all of those who are planning to do so. Your gratitude is humbling to us all.



## REMEMBERING LOVED ONES LOST TO CANCER

St. Vincent's SWIM Across the Sound cancer charity is sponsoring the 21st Annual Memorial Service on Sunday, August 5 at 8:30AM at Captain's Cove Seaport in Bridgeport. Registration begins at 8:00am. The event is free of charge, and open to all members of the community who have lost a loved one to cancer regardless of hospital affiliation.

The service provides an opportunity for families and friends to heal after the loss of loved ones, and to acknowledge the importance and contribution of every life. Highlighting the service will be the reading of names of deceased loved ones submitted by participants, followed by the symbolic scattering of sunflowers, representing each person and the glory of life, onto Long Island Sound. The service will also include prayer, musical tributes by bagpiper P. Thomas Landry, the "Just Voices Chorus," and a soloist, inspirational readings by St. Vincent's leadership and oncology staff, an honor guard from the Knights of Columbus and a symbolic candle-lighting ceremony.

Refreshments will be served after the service, which runs no longer than one hour and will be held rain or shine. The facility is handicapped accessible.

For more information, contact Lucinda I. Ames of St. Vincent's Mission Services at 475-210-5550 or [lames@ascension.org](mailto:lames@ascension.org).

"Lord, if my brother sins against me,  
how often must I forgive him?  
As many as seven times?"  
Jesus answered,  
'I say to you,  
not seven times but seventy-seven times."  
—Matthew 18:21-22



## BLACK ROCK SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

*Enjoy listening to a variety of musical artist on the field adjacent to St. Ann Church in Black Rock...*

If you haven't had a chance to check out St. Ann Church in Black Rock's annual Summer Concert Series, there's still time! See dates below for musical artists lineup that will round out July and continue through the month of August. The concerts will take place **6:30PM-8:30PM in the field adjacent to St. Ann's which is located at 481 Brewster Street in Bridgeport**. Admission is \$5/person.

### Musical Artists Lineup

- **July 31:** Funky Dawgz Brass Band
- **August 7:** The Barons
- **August 14:** Pocket Hotties
- **August 21:** Jen Durkin & The Business(6PM)



UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF  
**CATHOLIC BISHOPS**

## USCCB: ONGOING EFFORTS TO REUNITE CHILDREN SEPARATED FROM THEIR FAMILIES AT THE BORDER

On July 12, the Migration and Refugee Services of the USCCB and Catholic Charities USA (CCUSA) issued a joint statement: "As we have long done, CCUSA and Migration and Refugee Services of USCCB are lending our experience and expertise to support Catholic Charities agencies in their efforts to reunite families and care for immigrant children during this sensitive time. While we strongly oppose the policies that led to these families being separated, we remain committed to working to ensure their safe reunification. Protection of families is a foundational element of Catholic Social Teaching and this moment calls on all people of good will to lend a hand to reunite these children with their parents." To learn more about how you can help visit: [Justice for Immigrants and Catholic Charities USA](http://JusticeforImmigrantsandCatholicCharitiesUSA.org).