



A Roman Catholic Community

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Fairfield Jesuit Community

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Paola Pena (Life Teen High School)

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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-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

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

Monday-Saturday: 8:30AM

Saturday Vigil: 5:15PM

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

Holy Day Mass Schedule

Vigil: 5:30PM

Holy Day: 8:30AM, 5:30PM, 7:30PM (Latin)

Confession

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

Wednesdays: 7PM-8PM (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, October 27

8:30AM +Martha & John Jacob E. & S. Pierson
5:15PM +Liuby Annuncio T. Annuncio

Sunday, October 28

7:30AM +Patrick Ryan M. Ryan
9AM +William Cray J. & J. Myers
10:30AM ♥Nicholas Huydic M. & E. Huydic
12Noon +Joyce Osborn Grattan G. Kiremidjian

Monday, October 29

8:30AM +Ann Fabian

Tuesday, October 30

8:30AM +Nina Alesci L. Carter

Wednesday, October 31

8:30AM Intentions of All Parishioners
5:30PM Intentions of All Parishioners

Thursday, November 1

8:30AM Intentions of All Parishioners
5:30PM Intentions of All Parishioners
7:30PM Intentions of All Parishioners

Friday, November 2

8:30AM Intentions of All Parishioners

Saturday, November 3

8:30AM +Deryl Haskard P. & T. Lelek
5:15PM +Marissa Ann Guido A. Guido

Sunday, November 4

7:30AM Intentions of All Parishioners
9AM +Michele & Marla Artieri E. Porco
10:30AM +Carlo, Civita, Rosa Maria Limatola M. Vona
12Noon +Michael Murphy Crowley Family



**Sanctuary Lights in the Church
will burn this week in memory of
Louis & Gertrude Carbone**



**Sanctuary Lights in the Chapel
will burn this week for
post-surgery healing of
Mike Lantowski**



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 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 Christ,

Thank you all for your generosity and support last weekend as we began our final push for the *We Stand With Christ* campaign. You pledged over \$300,000—a truly incredible show of sacrificial giving! Over 200 families have participated in the campaign and many more are prayerfully considering a gift. I can never adequately express my gratitude for what you are all doing for our parish community, but let me again say thank you! Some people have expressed concern about committing to a pledge over 3 to 5 years, and have shared with me that they are worried they cannot participate in the campaign as a result. Please allow me to clarify: every gift is gratefully received, whether a multi-year pledge or a one-time offering, and everyone in the parish is invited to participate in this extraordinary endeavor in the way that is best for them. *We Stand With Christ* is not about equal giving, but about participation. We, the parish community of St. Pius X, are all in this together. I do not want this effort to become a reason for anyone feeling excluded. Again, I thank you all for your goodness and for the generosity that you show again and again.

As we move into the month of November, we enter a time that the Church has traditionally observed as a time to remember those who have gone before us in faith. We begin the month with the great solemnity of All Saints, followed by the feast of All Souls. The Church invites us to reflect on those heroes of the faith whose virtue and holiness is known to all, the saints whose example teaches us what it means to follow Christ with our whole hearts. All Saints Day is a Holy Day of Obligation. On October 31 (Halloween – All Hallows Eve), the vigil Mass for All Saints will be celebrated at 5:30 PM. On November 1, Masses for All Saints Day take place at 8:30 AM, 5:30 PM, and 7:30 PM. This last Mass of the day will be a Solemn High Mass celebrated in the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite, that is, in Latin. We look forward to celebrating this great solemnity with you as we remember the communion of saints.

Please mark your calendars for our annual Mass of Remembrance on **November 14 at 7PM**. During this Mass, we pray for and remember those who have died in the last year and we pray for their peaceful rest. I am struck each year as I read the names of the deceased, many of whom I buried and whose families I know well. It is a reminder that, as we say in the funeral Mass, “life is changed, not ended” and we look forward in hope to the day of the Resurrection.

Over the next few weeks, I will use this space to reflect on what we as Catholics believe about death and the prayerful response of the Church to the reality of death. In particular, I will offer a catechesis on the Rite of Christian Burial, the Church’s liturgy in a time of grief. The funeral is an often misunderstood element of the Church’s pastoral ministry, and I hope that the reflections offered here will help to clarify any confusion and give us all a healthy spiritual perspective for facing the challenging reality of death and grief. Our hope remains always in Jesus Christ, the one who conquers sin and death and promises us the gift of eternal life in heaven!

Jr. Nam



QUOTE ON STEWARDSHIP

Today's Psalm says, "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy." Good stewards demonstrate by their living and giving that they understand God as the Source of all they are and have.



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

- October 21, 2018 Weekend Offering: \$12,981
- 2017 Weekend Offering: \$14,403
- World Mission Offering: \$2,455
- Mission Offering: \$265
- Monthly Offering: \$732
- Coffee Hour Offering: \$34

(Used to defray the cost of coffee and donuts.)



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

III Jamie Wallace and Paul Krivosta



CONGRATULATIONS!

We welcome these newly baptized children into our Family of Faith: **Arlo Thomas Fulcher, Marli Bea LaRaia and Elizabeth Denise Wade.**



MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

November 14

All are invited to participate in the annual parish Mass of Remembrance **7PM, Wednesday, November 14.** Details to follow in next week's Bulletin.



FEAST OF ALL SAINTS—POPE FRANCIS

"The saints are not supermen or superwomen, nor were they born perfect. They are like us, like each one of us. They are people who, before reaching the glory of heaven, lived normal lives with joys and sorrows, struggles and hopes. What changed their lives? When they recognized God's love, they followed it with all their heart without reserve or hypocrisy. They spent their lives serving others, they endured suffering and adversity without hatred and responded to evil with good, spreading joy and peace. This is the life of a saint." (Angelus, November 1, 2013)



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

November 2 in the Chapel...

Visit the Chapel of Mary, Mother of God in the Faith Center for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on the **First Friday of every month (9AM-9PM.)** Spend time praying and reflecting in the presence of the Lord. You may also volunteer in one-hour increments, sign-up sheets are located outside the Chapel or you may contact the Parish Office at 203-255-6134.



ST. PIUS X SENIORS

ALL are welcome to join us November 5!

All are invited to join: 12Noon, Monday, November 5, in the Community Room. We're delighted to welcome special guest Father Richard Cipolla, former Chaplain of Corpus Christi College, Oxford who entered the Catholic Church through the Pastoral Provision in the 1980s issued by St. John Paul II. Father Cipolla is a priest of the Diocese of Bridgeport, CT, a teacher, a husband, the father of two and former pastor of St. Mary's in Norwalk Connecticut. Donation for lunch \$5. **RSVP needed!** Text/call Peter Carey at 203-673-2081 or email him at aandp1964@aol.com.



Thanksgiving Food Drive

November 4-5, 2018

"Whatsoever you do for the least of my people that you do unto me."



Please bring non-perishable food items or gift cards to the **Community Room in the Faith Center** before or after all Masses **November 4-5**. Parish volunteers will be available to assist in carrying items into the Community Room. **Drivers needed to transport food at 9AM, Monday, November 5**. Contact Kathleen Donnelly at 203-255-6134 or kdonnelly@st-pius.org to drive.



The Following will Share in the Gift You Bring:

- St. Charles and Blessed Sacrament Food Pantries and Mercy Learning Center
- Operation Hope, Merton House, Prospect House, and Families in Need (Sr. Eileen Boffa and Sr. Theresa Tremblay)

Non-Perishable Food Items Needed:

- Stove Top Stuffing mix
- Dried pasta/dried beans
- Canned meat
- Coffee/Instant coffee, tea bags
- Cereal (*hot and cold*)
- Canned meat/fish
- Toiletries: shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrush, deodorant, toilet paper, etc.
- Tomato sauce
- Juice in plastic bottles
- Canned fruit
- Tuna fish (*canned*)
- Rice (*small bags*)
- Canned vegetables (*especially beans*)
- Spaghetti sauce
- Spaghetti/ravioli in cans
- Soup (*dried/canned*)
- Peanut butter and jelly
- Mayonnaise (*small jars*)

Also Accepting Shop Rite or Stop & Shop Gift Certificates!

(A collection box will be available for Gift Certificates.)

THANK YOU for generously sharing your blessings and gifts with those in need!



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: I will lead the people to brooks of water, on a level road, so that none shall stumble (Jeremiah 31:7-9).

Psalm: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy (Psalm 126).

Second Reading: It was not Christ who glorified himself, but rather the one who said to him: You are my son: this day I have begotten you (Hebrews 5:1-6).

Gospel: Immediately the blind man received his sight and followed Jesus on the way (Mark 10:46-52).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Eph 4:32 — 5:8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33 or 5:2a, 25-33; Ps 128:1-5; Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9; Ps 145:10-14; Lk 13:22-30

Thursday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

Friday: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, or any readings from no. 668 or from the Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016

Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef; Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sunday: Dt 6:2-6; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28b-34



WEEKLY ROSARY FOR PEACE & HEALING

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

Pray the rosary with us following the **8:30AM Mass every Friday in the Chapel.** All are welcome!



MEDITATION

Pope Emeritus Benedict VI

Jesus does not ask us for what we do not have. Rather he makes us see that if each person offers the little he has the miracle can always be repeated: God is capable of multiplying our small acts of love and making us share in his gift. Only love can bring about the true multiplication of bread.



The Diocese of
Bridgeport

CATECHETICAL UPDATES FROM THE DIOCESE

See purple insert this week and next week.

For the next several weeks, we will be distributing catechetical materials related to the celebration of Mass in the Diocese of Bridgeport. These articles will precede the promulgation by Bishop Caggiano of the Revised Liturgical Norms on the first Sunday of Advent. To learn more about the norms, please visit www.formationreimagined.org. In the meantime, please be sure to read this week's article.



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS®**

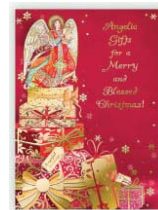
ST. PIUS X KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RELIGIOUS CHRISTMAS CARD SALE

Look for the Knights the weekend of November 3-4 at the entrance of the Church to order your Christmas cards!



The Knights of Columbus will be selling a beautiful selection of religious Christmas cards for the 2018 Holiday Season. See below for a sample and then visit www.ChristisCHRISTMAS.com/products.aspx to view the full selection. You may also see and order all the cards after Mass, **November 3-4** at the **entrance to the Church.**

All orders must be returned to the Parish Office by November 7. Prices do not include shipping, which will be determined by the number of cards ordered.



ST PIUS X LIFE TEEN

Hey Teens, check out all these great upcoming events and join us!

Don't be shy, newcomers always welcome 😊

- **October 28:** Lake Compounce Haunted Graveyard, 3:30PM-10PM, email Paola for more details.
- **November 3:** NYC Catholic Pilgrimage Day Visit Holy Sites in NYC, grab dinner, and finish the day at Catholic Underground (A night of Worship, Adoration, and a concert to follow.)
- **November 4:** Life Night
- **November 11:** Service Day (all day) Day of Helping. We need teens to help different members of our elderly community with yard work! Email Paola to sign up and volunteer as a parent driver and/teen volunteer.
- **November 11:** No evening youth group meeting.
- **November 18:** Family Potluck and Game Night. Bring a dish to share and bring the whole family! It was great having so many people join us last year. The room was filled with such a competitive spirit, that we are looking forward to having it again. Adoration and Confession

More information?
Email Paola Pena, ppena@st-pius.org.

*“When you go out to war against your enemies and you see horses and chariots and an army greater than your own, you shall not be afraid of them, for the Lord, your God, who brought you up from the land of Egypt, will be with you.”
—Deuteronomy 20:1*



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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.



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING OR FINDING OUT MORE ABOUT THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS?

For More Information:

Contact Tom Kelty
at 203-209-2895 or Tkelty@gmail.com
or

Visit <http://www.kofc.org/en/join/index.html>



St. Pius X
WE STAND WITH CHRIST

CAMPAIGN UPDATE	
Challenge Goal:	\$2,600,000
Raised to Date:	\$2,280,000
% of Challenge Goal:	88%
Participation Goal:	1,000 families
# of families participated	210 families

Thank you to the generous individuals
who have made a pledge to
We Stand With Christ

We had very successful Commitment Weekend having reached 88% of our Challenge Goal! As discussed, *We Stand With Christ* offers a promising opportunity to continue our mission of serving God and celebrating the sacraments together. This campaign will allow us to restore and renovate the interior of our beautiful church where our parish community began. **We are only \$322,000 away from reaching our Challenge Goal** which would allow us to fully fund our projects, and we be able to start the renovations sooner. It's not too late to make a pledge and would be very grateful for your contribution if you have not yet made one. Thank you!

Please consider finalizing your pledge today!

- *Return or mail your pledge to the Parish Office.*
- *Put your pledge in a sealed envelope and place it in the offertory basket at Mass.*
- *Fill out a pledge form online at <https://www.givecentral.org/wswc/> and click "Make a Donation" to fill out the pledge form.*

