



ST. PIUS X PARISH



5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 4, 2024

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PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office Hours Monday-Thursday, 9AM-4PM
Friday 9AM-12PM

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MASS TIMES

Daily	8:30AM, Monday-Saturday, Church
Monday	7PM, Extraordinary Form, Chapel
Saturday	5:15PM, Vigil Mass, Church
Sunday	7:30AM, 9AM, 11AM, Church

Holy Days

Vigil	5:30PM, Church
Holy Day	8:30AM, 5:30PM, Church

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation

Saturday, 4-5PM, Church
Wednesday, 7-8PM, Church

Baptism

Pre-baptismal classes are on the first Sunday of every month. Call the Parish Office to register for the class and to schedule your child's baptism.

Marriage

Registered parishioners should make arrangements one year in advance with the Parish Office. Visit www.st-pius.org for more information or call the Parish Office.

Communion for the Homebound

If you or a loved one would like to receive Communion at home, contact Deacon Don Ross at dnross@diobpt.org

Anointing of the Sick

If you or someone you know is ill and would like to be anointed, call the Parish Office.

Becoming Catholic

The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) is available to anyone who wants to learn more about our faith or complete their initiation as a Roman Catholic. Call the Parish Office for more information.

PRAYER

Devotions

Adoration, Monday, 9AM-Friday 9PM, Chapel
Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Friday, 9AM, Church
First Saturday Devotion to Our Lady, 9AM, Church

Prayer Line

We must never underestimate the power of prayer. To pray for others or to have others pray for you, email Pat Heile at stpiusxprayerln@aol.com.

Art Credit: "Pray and God Will Do the Rest: St. Josephine Bukhita" by Jen Norton.



Bishop Caggiano's 2024 Bishop's Appeal Message

My dear friends, each year I come to you to ask your help to give generously to the various missions of our Diocese and help in my ministry to provide for the needs of the poor and the sick, our young people, our retired priests, and all the very charitable works that makes us who we are as the Catholic community of Fairfield County.

Each year you generously respond for which I am most grateful, but this year I come to you with particular joy because I am going to ask you once again to support those ministries and new initiatives that together are forming this one great invitation to renew the spiritual and pastoral life of our diocese.

Many of you have heard my presentation on "The One"; the one invitation, the one adventure, the one priority we all share to invite every believer to deepen their personal relationship with the Lord and to encounter His love, mercy, forgiveness, charity, and His joy, and to accompany one another individually and in small communities of faith.

We have perennially done much of that through the Bishop's Appeal with opportunities to learn the faith for our young people and our children, to consider the works of beauty as a way to encounter Christ through the Sacred Heart Guild, to protect human life in all its stages and many other activities. We have been dedicated to this work, but now we have the opportunity to bring it to the next level and move forward.

I am deeply encouraged, excited and motivated to ask for your help so that this vision, which we all long for, will become ever more of a reality in our midst. That is why I come to you this year to ask for your help, to give sacrificially and generously so that our works of charity, our aid to the poor, our educational efforts and all initiatives will create that one great opportunity to show the world and one another who we truly are in Jesus Christ.

Together, will have a springtime of renewal in our midst, so that those who share faith with us and the generations to come will look back at this moment, this opportunity and say they have done their work well.

My friends please give generously to the Annual Bishop's Appeal, and may God bless you and your families.

Thank you and may God bless you.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano
Bishop of Bridgeport



Scan to donate

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 27

8:30AM+Marian Hamrock.....A. & S. Wolf

5:15PM.....+Joseph & Bet Farrace.....J. Skultety

Sunday, January 28

7:30AMAll Parishioners

9AM.....+Emery Silk.....A. & J. Clyne

11AM.....+Marion & Luis Leon.....K Leon. & A. Leon

Monday, January 29

8:30AM.....+Jack Horan

Tuesday, January 30

8:30AM.....+Theresa Greco.....Dr. Thimons

Wednesday, January 31

8:30AM.....+Gertrude Carbone.....D. Tomasko

Thursday, February 1

8:30AM.....Malini D'Cuhna.....B. & M. D'Cunha

Friday, February 2

8:30AM.....+Rose, Carmella & Joseph Pillo.....D. Tomasko

Saturday, February 3

8:30AM+Larry Dunn.....Catalano Family

5:15PM.....+Karen Ferguson.....J. & L. Devaney

Sunday, February 4

7:30AM+Raymond Tomasko.....D. Tomasko

9AM.....+Francis Fatigati.....O'Brien Family

11AM.....+All Parishioners



Sanctuary Lights will burn

in the Church in memory of Virginia O'Rourke
in the Chapel in memory of Marion Leon

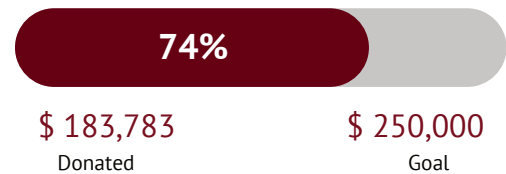
STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Offertory

Offerings	Jan 21	Jan 28
Weekend	\$ 11,702	\$ 10,317
Weekend 2022	\$ 11,261	\$ 13,014
Monthly	\$ 457	\$ 395
Maintenance	\$ 195	N/A
Second Collection:	N/A	\$ 1,470
Latin American Church		

St. Pius X Annual Appeal

This year's parish appeal is for critical school repairs.



Baptisms

We welcome the newly baptized into the Church:
Vivienne Ruth Bradley



In Memoriam

Pray for our parishioners who recently passed:
Barbara Likely

MON

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FEB

Parish Study "Jesus in the Eucharist", Community Room, 7-9PM

TUES

13

FEB

Mardi Gras Pancake Dinner, Community Room, 5-8PM

WED

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FEB

Ash Wednesday, Distribution of Ashes: 7AM & 5:30PM, Liturgy of the Word
8:30AM & 12PM, Mass

FRI

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FEB

Stations of the Cross, Church, 7PM

PRAYER



ADORATION

Monday, 9AM - Friday, 9PM, Chapel

Adore our Lord truly present in the Blessed Sacrament! Consider signing up for:

- 1) Any hour that does not currently have an adorer, Tuesday: 11PM, Thursday: 1AM, 10AM.
- 2) Any hour that has an adorer as we hope to have at least two adorers for each time slot.
- 3) A weekend hour. As soon as we have enough weekend commitments we will launch Perpetual Adoration, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.



To sign up or to become a substitute visit www.st-pius.org/adore365/ or scan the QR code.



ROSARY AND CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Friday, 9AM, Church

Come pray the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy lead by Pat Heile. All are welcome to attend!

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

First Saturday, 9AM, Church

Join us for a devotion to Our Lady. We will pray the Rosary, Litany of Loreto, and follow with Benediction.

EVENTS



PARISH WIDE STUDY

Monday, Starting February 5, Community Room, 7-9PM

The best course EVER - no assigned reading or homework! Connect with your fellow parishioners as you fall deeper in love with our Eucharistic Lord. Immerse yourself in the beauty of our faith in an intimate small group setting, hear from some of the most brilliant voices in Catholicism, and explore the mystery of the Eucharist anew as a part of the National Eucharistic Revival. Visit www.st-pius.org/smallgroups to sign-up. If you have any questions, email Paola Pena at ppena@st-pius.org.



YOUNG ADULT ADORATION

Friday, February 9, 7PM, Church

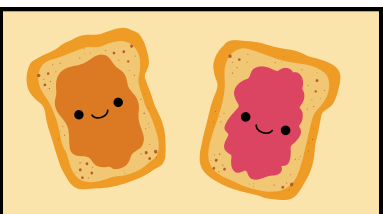
Join us every second Friday of the month for Young Adult Adoration! Come together for praise, worship, a homily, and confessions. Fellowship is at 8PM in the Community Room. For more young adult events or small groups, please visit www.fairfielddiac.com.



MARDI GRAS PANCAKE DINNER

Tuesday, February 13, 5-8PM, Community Room

Don't miss out on a favorite St. Pius X tradition, our Mardi Gras Pancake Dinner! Support Fairfield Lifeteen + Edge by purchasing tickets - \$40 for families and \$10 for individuals. RSVP forms are in the bulletin and on www.st-pius.org/special-events. Email Emily Rauser at erauser@setoncollaborative.org with any questions.

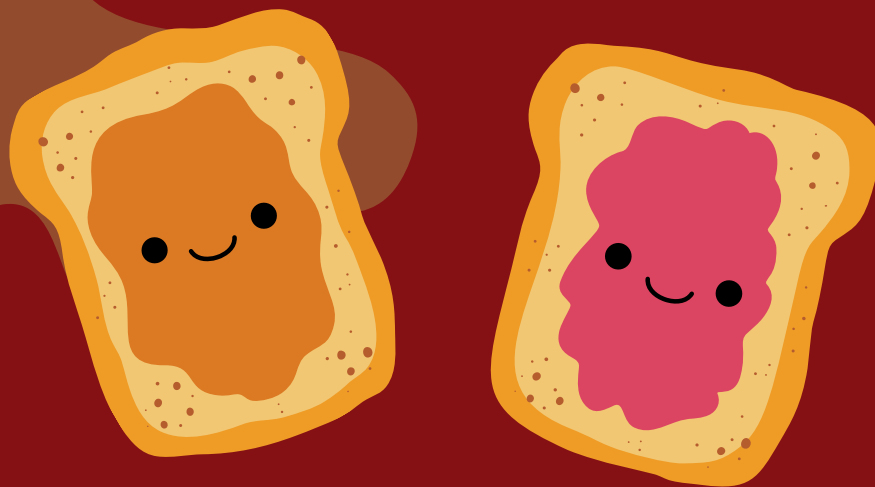


SPREAD THE LOVE, LENTEN SANDWICH MAKING

Wednesday, February 21, 7-8PM, Community Room

Donate supplies, make sandwiches at home or onsite for the Merton Center and nOURish Bridgeport. Our goal is to make 100 sandwiches every Wednesday during Lent. Mail mariapiccolo310@gmail.com to sign-up for a sandwich making slot.

SPREAD THE LOVE, LENTEN SANDWICH MAKING



During Lent, Help those in Need

Our Goal is to Make 100 Sandwiches Each Week!

Make Lunches at SPX or Home

- Wednesday, February 21, 7-8PM
- Wednesday, February 28, 8-9PM
- Wednesday, March 6, 7-8PM
- Wednesday, March 13, 7-8PM
- Wednesday, March 20, 8-9PM
- Saturday & Sunday, March 23-24,
After Every Mass

Donate Supplies

- Bread
- Sliced turkey, ham or cheese
- Peanut butter and jelly
- Sandwich bags
- Granola bars
- 8oz. water bottles
- Apples
- Fruit cups

If you'd like to donate or help, email Maria Piccolo at mariapiccolo310@gmail.com. Let her know the date(s) you will attend and/or how many sandwich lunches you'd like to make at home. At home lunches may be dropped off during the day on the dates listed above in the Community Kitchen Fridge.

Lunches donated to the Merton Center and nOURishBridgeport Feel the Warmth in Bridgeport, CT

EVENTS



PENANCE: SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINE & SACRAMENTAL GRACE

Tuesday, February 20, 7-8PM, Community Room

Fr. Sam kicks off our Lenten Lecture Series with a talk on one of the pillars of Catholic spirituality, penance. As a penitential season, Lent calls us in a special way to two forms of penance. The first is the spiritual discipline wherein, through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving we offer something to God while mortifying ourselves. The second is the sacrament of confession, through which we receive the grace of God's forgiveness.



EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL NIGHT

Wednesday, February 28, 7PM, Church

Everyone of every age is welcome! Bring your friends and family! Adoration, music and confession are from 7-8PM. This month, Dr. Joe Tortorello, shares his testimony from 7:30-7:45PM. Fellowship and service to follow in the Community Room at 8PM.

MINISTRIES

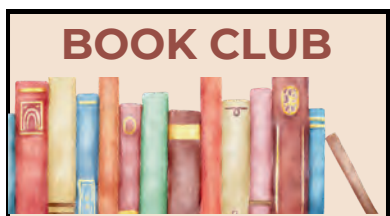
COMMUNITY, SERVICE AND FORMATION



TASTEBUDS

Wednesday, February 7, 5-7PM, Community Room

Come to our Tastebuds gathering! Along with cooking demonstrations, we will review recipes, and enjoy the meal we created together. Our dinners will be paired with Kindred Spirits selections in Fairfield. The cost is \$15. Email catherinemacdonaldcake@gmail.com to RSVP and scan the QR code to pay.



WELL-READ MOMS BOOK CLUB

Saturday, February 10, 10-11:15AM, Munro Room, (date change)

Join us! Come see how reading literature is a springboard for rich, faith-filled conversation. In "True Grit" by Charles Portis we will examine the interplay of justice and mercy, reflecting on what is owed and what is given as the grace of God. For more information or to RSVP, email Karen Lannigan at karenlannigan0915@gmail.com.



FAIRFIELD LIFE TEEN + EDGE

Life Teen + Edge, hosted at St. Pius X, is open to any middle and high school student from any church. Our mission is to provide a space for students to rest, make new friends, and be reminded of God's love for them through the gift of their Catholic faith. Join us! Any adults interested in supporting our youth by helping on the CORE team, contact Emily Rauser at erauser@setoncollaborative.org or for more info, visit www.fairfieldlt.com.

LIFE TEEN - HIGH SCHOOL

Sunday, 6:00-8PM, School Portable

Feb. 4: No Strings Attached-Materialism and Detachment

EDGE - MIDDLE SCHOOL

Wednesday, 6:30-8PM, School Gym

Feb. 7: Scenic View-Why Do We Stare at a White Host?

ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA, PRAY FOR US!



“I am definitively loved and whatever happens to me—I am awaited by this Love. And so my life is good.”

St. Josephine Bakhita, Feast Day - February 8

Trials, hardships, and loss, no matter how small, can be even more difficult if we feel that they're somehow a punishment from God or a sign that He's left us. St. Josephine is a beautiful friend to call on to help us remain firm in our belief that God is love and is with us always.

Captured by slave masters at a young age, St. Josephine endured endless hardships and brutality. She came to know and love Our Lord, while still a slave. St. Josephine, who had every reason to believe that God had abandoned her, instead grew daily in her love for Him. In her early twenties, she was finally freed and became a Canossian sister in Italy. We can call on St. Josephine to pray for us to see that God, in fact, draws even closer to us during difficult times. - Catholicmom.com



MARDI GRAS

Pancake Dinner

Tuesday, February 13th, 2024

5pm - 8pm

St. Pius X Community Room

\$10 Per Person

\$40 Per Family

Family Name: _____

of People Attending: _____

Enclosed Amount: \$ _____

Thank you for supporting Fairfield Life Teen and Edge!

Email Emily Rauser at erauser@setoncollaborative.org. RSVP required by February 6th. Pay at the door or submit payment with RSVP slip. Return to Parish Office or drop off in the collection basket at Mass. Cash or checks made out to "Regional Youth Ministry Program"



SAT, MARCH 2, 2024 | 6:30 PM | ST. PIUS X

\$35 Per Person Dinner + Dessert

Dancers from the Lenihan School of Irish Dance

B.Y.O.B.

Music by John Connor's Irish Express

Raffle Prizes, 50-50

Water, Soft Drinks, Ice Available

PLEASE BRING A BOTTLE OF WINE FOR THE 100 BOTTLES DOOR PRIZE

**PLEASE RSVP TO PARISH OFFICE OR COLLECTION BASKET
(CHECKS PAYABLE TO "ST. PIUS X")**

NAME(S) _____

PHONE/EMAIL _____ #OF TICKETS _____

SEAT US WITH _____



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PARISH WIDE SMALL GROUP SERIES FOR

EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL



**SCAN QR
CODE TO
REGISTER**



MONDAY NIGHTS AT ST. PIUS X

TIME: 7PM - 9PM

DATES: February 5, 2024 - March 25, 2024
No Meeting on February 19, 2024

**COME AS YOU ARE!
NO PREP NEEDED, NO HOMEWORK GIVEN!**