

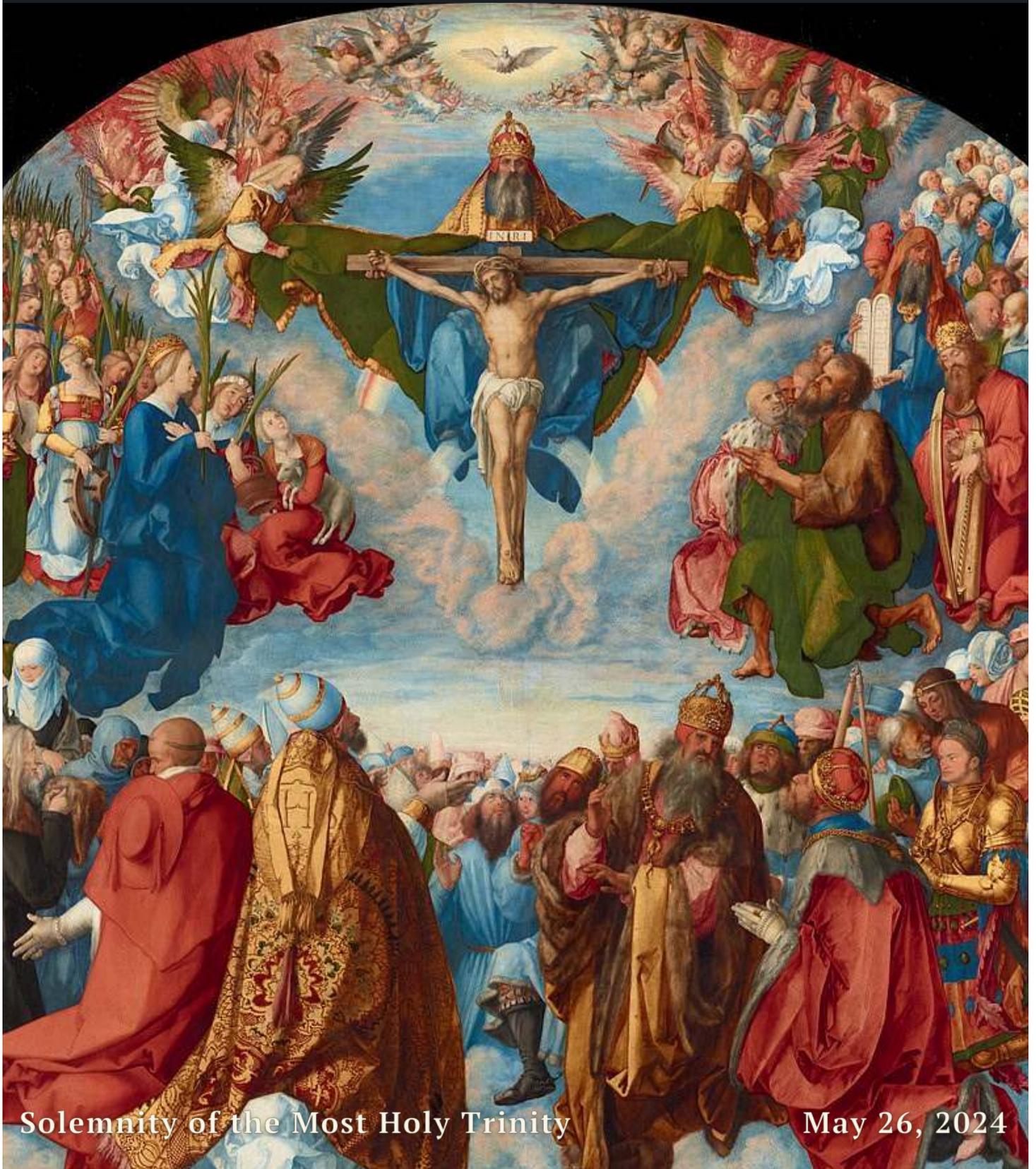


ST. PIUS X PARISH

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Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

May 26, 2024

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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.

PARISH INFORMATION

Summer Office Hours Monday-Thursday, 9AM-4PM
Closed on Fridays with staff available by email until 12PM.

Parish Phone 203-255-6134
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Parish Corporation

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Pastor's Note

Today's Readings

1st Reading:

Dt 4:32-34,
39-40

Res. Psalm:

33:4-5, 6, 9,
18-19, 20, 22

2nd Reading:

Rom 8:14-17

Gospel:

Mt 28:16-20

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

About a year ago, I received a very unexpected invitation. A social media post alerted me to the engagement of Christina and Ian, a young couple I have known for a few years through my work with Catholic Heart Workcamp. My first thought as I read the good news was happiness for them, followed by, "I didn't know they were dating." A few days later, they called me to celebrate their wedding Mass in Illinois. I was (and am) deeply honored that they would ask me, especially as I have only actually spent time with them in the context of their work as staff members with CHWC, one week a year, for about four years. Not only that, but they reminded me that I was part of their story in a way I had not realized. Apparently, as it was becoming clear to both of them that there was some chemistry, Christina asked my advice – I have no recollection of this conversation – about dating Ian. I must have said something worthwhile, because this weekend I am with them to celebrate their wedding!

I want to share Christina and Ian with you for two reasons. First, because I truly admire this young couple. I believe that they have approached dating and marriage in such a healthy way. From the start, they wanted to discern carefully what God wanted for them individually and as a couple. They have put their faith in God at the very heart of their relationship. As we have prepared for the wedding, it is clear that they understand that their marriage is not only about them – they want the wedding Mass itself to be a moment for their guests and family members to encounter the love of Jesus and see the beauty of marriage as a sacrament, a channel of God's abundant grace for humanity. Marriage is a beautiful vocation. If you are getting ready for marriage or thinking about taking that step, I hope that this story will be encouragement to you!

Second, I want to tell you about this couple because they make me reflect with gratitude on the priesthood. Though my time with them in-person has been limited, Christina and Ian have welcomed me into their lives as a spiritual father. They are a reminder to me that the impact a priest can make is not always measured in years or regularity of ministry. A priest can bring Christ into someone's life in a single encounter, or through a prolonged ministerial bond. The fact that I don't remember that conversation with Christina reminds me of the incredible responsibility I have when offering counsel. I know that I am an imperfect priest, that my advice is not always sage, that I don't always make seeing Jesus easy. Christina and Ian and their invitation to celebrate their wedding humbles me and makes me profoundly grateful to God for letting me see that even my weakness does not get in the way of His grace. And it makes me grateful for all the people I have met and ministered to who, though I am imperfect, have welcomed me as a priest and father, have forgiven my faults, and have let me know in different ways that they care. Finally, the ways that Ian and Christina have impacted my priesthood make me want to encourage young men who are considering the priesthood. God doesn't need you to be absolutely perfect, but He will bring the good work you do to a holy completion. Please pray for vocations to the priesthood!

So that's where I am this weekend. Though it is a joyful occasion, with my sabbatical beginning next week, I also feel like I need to apologize for missing this weekend in the parish. I'll be back this Sunday night and will be here in the parish through the week before departing June 1. Please know of my prayers for you all while I am away, and please keep me in your prayers during the three months of my sabbatical!

Peace,
Fr. Sam

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 25

8:30AM.....Rev. John Connaughton.....Connaughton Family

5:15PM.....+Miriam Richardson.....Halliday Family

Sunday, May 26

7:30AM+Marie Guman.....B. Guman

9AM.....All Parishioners

11AM.....+Karen Dumas Ackley.....M. Lantowski

Monday, May 27

8:30AM.....+Barbara Lannigan..... Cecere Family

7PM.....+James Albert Leko.....B. Saxa

Tuesday, May 28

8:30AM.....+Patricia Moore....Fran & Joe Nunziata & Family

Wednesday, May 29

8:30AM.....+Joaquin Fiol.....K. Sullivan

Thursday, May 30

8:30AM.....+Elizabeth Ann Lampitt.....Rev. Sam Kachuba

Friday, May 31

8:30AM.....+John Burns.....Rev. Sam Kachuba

Saturday, June 1

8:30AMRichard J. Teitell.....C. Teitall

5:15PM.....+Rosemarie Burke.....Lynch Family

Sunday, June 2

7:30AMAll Parishioners

9AM.....+Nick Perugini.....Dobson Family

11AM.....+Irena Antonina Worbel.....M. Lantowski



Sanctuary Lights will burn
in the church for all recently ordained priests
in the chapel in memory of Joan Holden Csizmadia



Baptisms
We welcome the newly baptized into the Church:
Addison Rose Lange
Lillian Moore

STEWARDSHIP

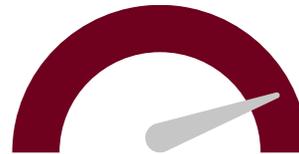
Weekly Offertory

Offerings	May 12	May 19
Weekend	\$ 12,212	\$ 16,039
Monthly	\$ 2,291	\$ 690
Mission	N/A	\$ 470



2024 St. Pius X Annual Appeal

All money raised for the 2024 St. Pius X will go towards critical St. Pius X School repairs. To give to the SPX Appeal, scan the QR code, drop a check in the Sunday basket with Annual Appeal in the memo or visit www.st-pius.org/online-giving-page.



\$ 215,448 Donated
\$ 250,000 Goal



SPX APPEAL



The money raised for the Bishop's Appeal supports all the charitable works within our diocese. Funds go towards the needs of the poor and the sick, our youth, our retired priests, and educational programs. Visit www.bridgeportdiocese.org/bishops-appeal/home to donate.



\$ 161,411 SPX Donated
\$ 234,600 SPX Goal



BISHOP'S APPEAL

MON
27
MAY
Memorial Day, Office Closed

MON
3
JUNE
Young at Heart, Senior Luncheon, 12PM, Community Room

PRAYER



ADORATION

Monday, 9AM - Friday, 9PM, Chapel

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

- 1) Any hour with no adorer - Thursday: 12AM, and 5AM.
- 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.



ST. PIUS X PRAYER LINE

We must never underestimate the power of prayer! Email your petitions and/or thanksgivings to Pat Heile, anytime, at stpiusxprayerln@aol.com. If you'd like to pray for others, let Pat know and she will add you to the Prayer Line Team.

EVENTS

ST. PIUS X FUNDRAISERS

Support the parish in style! Attend the SPX Golf Outing and take a chance on the Luxury Raffle. All proceeds benefit the St. Pius X building loan and Knights of Columbus Council # 16347 outreach efforts.



ST. PIUS X GOLF OUTING

Monday, June 10, H. Smith Richardson Golf Course, Fairfield, CT

Join us for 18 holes of golf, lunch, happy hour and dinner. There will also be live music, a silent auction and raffles. To register scan the code or visit www.TINYURL.com/spxgolfouting. Email Paul Sposato at psposato@optonline.net to volunteer, donate prizes or a sponsorship.



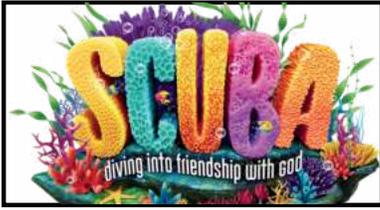
ST. PIUS X LUXURY RAFFLE

Saturday, September 14, 8PM, Drawing at SPX

Take a chance on winning a 2024 BMW X5 SUV and other amazing prizes! For tickets, visit www.stpiusxcatholicchurch.regfox.com/luxury-raffle or scan the code. You've got to be in it, to win it! Email Paul Sposato at psposato@optonline.net with questions.



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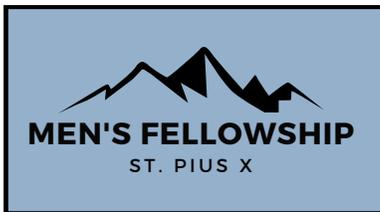
SCUBA VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT ST. PIUS X

July 15-19, Religious Education Center

Calling all 4-8 year olds! This year's VBS theme is SCUBA: Diving into friendship with God! Join us this summer for fun, friendship, and prayer! For more information or if you are interested in volunteering, visit www.st-pius.org/vbs or contact Kerry Sweeney at stpiusvbs@gmail.com.

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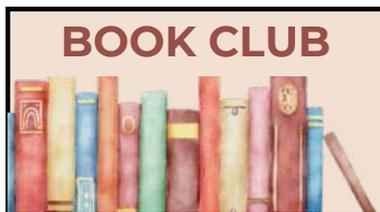
COMMUNITY, SERVICE AND FORMATION



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Saturday, 6:30AM, Community Room

Join the men of the parish for prayer, conversation, and fellowship! For more information, contact Mark Drexel at drexel2424@optonline.net. We look forward to welcoming you!



WELL-READ MOMS BOOK CLUB

Saturday, June 8, 9-10:15AM, Munro Room

We invite you to our monthly discussion of great books and spiritual classics that encourage personal growth, friendship, and meaningful conversation. For more information or to RSVP, email Karen Lannigan at karenlannigan0915@gmail.com.



SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR

June 2 & 9, After 9AM Mass, Community Room

Come to the Community Room after the 9AM Mass for coffee and treats. If you would like to help with the hospitality, contact Genevieve Ritch at gfanelliritch@optonline.net or scan the QR code to contribute. All are welcome!



YOUNG AT HEART SENIOR LUNCHEON

Monday, June 3, 12PM, Community Room

A Chocolate Lovers Dream! Join us as we welcome the owners of Be Chocolat, a new chocolate atelier located in Greenfield Hill. Sylvie and her husband Benoit came from Belgium where they brought the craft of making fine Belgium chocolate by hand to open a retail shop in Fairfield. They will share their amazing story and also do a taste testing of their favorite sweet treats for us. There will also be chocolates available for purchase! Lunch \$7. RSVP to Peter Carey at aandp1964@aol.com or 203-673-2081. Let Pete know if you can bake!



WRAPPED IN LOVE

This group crochets and knits blankets for our newly baptized babies as well as prayer shawls for those who are ill. Each stitch is infused with the crafter's prayers for the recipients. Once completed, the items are blessed by Fr. Brendan. If you would like to help with this ministry, contact Kim Leon at kleon@st-pius.org. We provide the yarn.

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BAPTISMAL GARMENT MINISTRY

Every child baptized at St. Pius X receives a handmade baptismal garment that is lovingly created by this ministry. If you enjoy simple sewing and embroidery, email Eleanor Burke profiburke@optonline.net and join their efforts.



YOUNG AT HEART GAME DAY

Tuesday, 10AM-12PM, Community Room, Mahjong

Wednesday, 10AM-12PM, Community Room, Canasta

Bring a friend and meet us in the Community Room. Learn how to play or just stop by for fellowship and conversation. Questions? Contact Margaret at blk125@msn.com or call her at 908-399-2945.



ST. PIUS X SANDWICH MAKING

Wednesday, June 19, 7-8PM, Community Room & Kitchen

We are continuing our Sandwich Making Ministry once a month at SPX and are looking for volunteers to donate the following items: 8oz water bottles, granola bars, plastic sandwich bags, disposable rubber gloves - medium and large, and 8oz Purell sanitizer pumps. In addition, if you would like to attend the sandwich making, please RSVP at stpiussandwichmaking@gmail.com



TASTEBUDS

Wednesday, June 5, 5-7PM, Community Room & Kitchen

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



NEW DAY BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY AT ST. PIUS X

Thursdays, 2-3:30PM, May 30 – August 1

St. Pius X is partnering with the Bereavement Initiative of the Fairfield County Catholic Cemeteries Office to offer the New Day Bereavement Program. Visit www.ctcemeteries.org/bereavement-support/new-day-ministry/ to submit an inquiry form or contact Deacon Donald Ross dnross@diobpt.org. Once the form is submitted, you will hear from one of the bereavement facilitators regarding the next steps.



OPERATION HOPE MEAL PREP

Last Monday of the Month, Community Kitchen

Our Operation Hope Meal Prep Team would love for you to join them. You're invited to help prepare and deliver a monthly meal for 50 of Operation Hope's clients. If you're interested in cooking, donating food or cash to this effort, scan the QR Code or contact Genevieve Ritch at gfanelliritch@optonline.net.



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June

HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP

with Catholic Heart Workcamp



Drexel Hill, PA

June 23-28, 2024

Open to students entering 10th grade in the Fall of 2024 or higher.



August

MIDDLE SCHOOL SUMMER CAMP

with Camp Veritas



Wurtsboro, NY

August 11-17, 2024

Open to students entering 7th-9th grades in the Fall of 2024



For more information and to register, contact Emily Rauser at erauser@setoncollaborative.org



FAIRFIELD LIFE TEEN + EDGE

Life Teen + Edge, hosted at St. Pius X, is open to any middle and high school student from any church. We 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. Adults who would like to support our youth by helping on the CORE team, contact Emily Rauser at erauser@setoncollaborative.org or for more info, visit www.fairfieldlt.com.org.

LIFE TEEN - HIGH SCHOOL

Sunday, 6:00-8PM, School Portable

June 2: Summer Kick-Off

EDGE - MIDDLE SCHOOL

Wednesday, 6:30-8PM, Church

June 5: Summer Kick-Off

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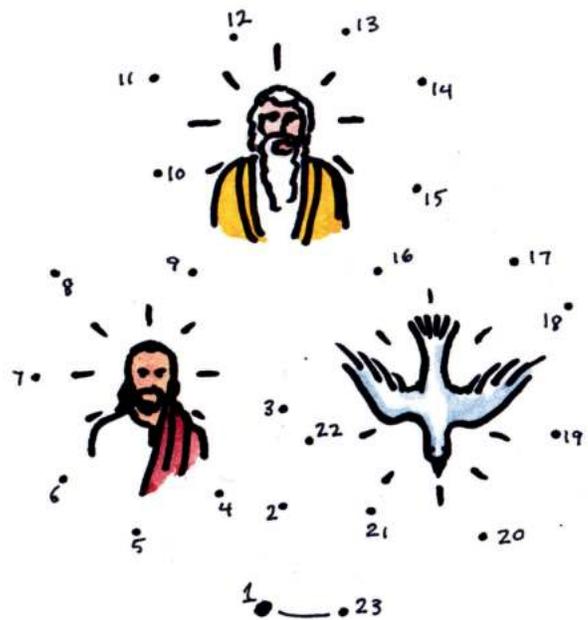
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Tuesday, 7-8PM, Religious Education Center, 2nd Floor Classroom

Park City Men's Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) Beginners/Speakers Meeting is open to any man seeking help with alcohol. The only requirement is a desire to stop drinking. If you, or someone you know, is trying to get help, stop by, or share this information. Enter the Religious Education School via left side exterior Door #2.

There are three Persons in God:
The Father, the Son and the
Holy Spirit.
But there is still only one God!

St. Patrick taught the Irish
people about the Blessed
Trinity by showing the people
something else that is three-
in-one. What is it? Connect the
dots to find out!



ST. PHILIP NERI FEAST DAY, MAY 26

St. Philip Neri was a priest who used humor to solve problems. He had a joyful spirit and he loved to make people laugh by sharing jokes. One of his favorite books was a joke book.

St. Philip Neri used his gifts of charm and laughter to teach others about Jesus. He shared joy and kindness with the poor and helped them find food and homes.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #16347 PRESENTS



ST. PIUS X



CATHOLIC CHURCH

2024 Golf Fundraiser

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT ST. PIUS X BUILDING LOAN & KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #16347 CHARITABLE OUTREACH



MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2024

H. SMITH RICHARDSON GOLF COURSE
& BOCA GRILL, FAIRFIELD, CT
<http://tinyurl.com/spxgolfouting>

WIN PRIZES

65" Smart TV
Lunch on CT River Luxury Yacht
MLB & NFL Game Tickets
Many More Valuable Prizes



SCAN TO REGISTER

REGISTRATION

Single: \$275
Foursome: \$1,100
Includes:
Driving Range
18 Holes of Golf
Lunch, Cocktail Hour
Buffet Dinner
Dinner Only: \$ 125

SCHEDULE

12PM Registration/Lunch
1:30PM Shotgun Start
Scramble Format
5PM Cocktail Hour
6PM Buffet Dinner
6:45PM Silent Auction
7:30PM Sports Auction
Live DJ on Site

EMAIL PSPOSATO@OPTONLINE.NET TO VOLUNTEER, DONATE PRIZES OR A SPONSORSHIP.