



St. Pius X Parish: A Roman Catholic Community

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Parish Office Hours

• 9AM-4PM (Mon-Thur)
• 9AM-12PM (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: www.st-pius.org.

Online Giving

Safe, Secure & Paper Free!
To sign up, go to www.st-pius.org/onlinegive

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

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

Weekly Mass Schedule (Church)

• Monday-Saturday: 8:30AM
• Monday: 7PM (Extraordinary Form)
• Saturday Anticipated Mass: 5:15PM
• Sunday: 7:30AM, 9AM, and 11AM

Holy Day Mass Schedule (Church)

• Vigil: 5:30PM
• Holy Day: 8:30AM, 5:30PM, 7PM (Extraordinary Form)

Confession (Church)

• Saturdays: 4PM-5PM
• Wednesdays: 7PM-8PM

Communion for the Homebound

If you or a loved one would like to receive Communion at home, contact Larry Rollins at lksgcrollins5@gmail.com

Devotions (Church)

• Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is the First Friday of the month, 9AM-9PM
• Rosary and a Chaplet of the Divine Mercy is prayed 9AM, Fridays by parishioners in the Church.

Baptism

For information about Pre-Baptismal class and to schedule Baptisms, call the Parish Office.

Marriage

Registered parishioners should make arrangements one year in advance with the Parish Office.

Anointing of the Sick

If you know a parishioner who is seriously ill and would like to be anointed, call 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.





WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 3

8:30AM +Gertrude Schaeer

5:15PM +Jessica Hulsebosch M. Kiraly

Sunday, June 4

7:30AM +Marie Guman B. Guman

9AM +Patrick J. Carolan, II N. Zilliok

11AM +Chris Andrews Lynch Family

Monday, June 5

8:30AM +Anthony Forte, Jr. C. & M. Cascone

Tuesday, June 6

8:30AM +Daniel McKeown M. & S. Francis

Wednesday, June 7

8:30AM +Edward Keller P. Fitzgerald

Thursday, June 8

8:30AM Reid Geckel D. & K. Reale

Friday, June 9

8:30AM +Donald & Christine Ross C. & R. Earls

Saturday, June 10

8:30AM +Colette Dunham V. Ihlefeld

5:15PM +John Mocker Carpanzano Family

Sunday, June 11

7:30AM +Etta & George Dieringer Parise Family

9AM +Intentions of all Parishioners

11AM +Joseph Farrace J. Skultety



**Sanctuary Lights in the Church
will burn this week in honor of
Boniface & Marjorie D'Cunha**

**Sanctuary Lights in the Chapel
will burn this week for
A Special Intention**

PRAYER REQUESTS

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.

FRIDAY ROSARY

Come pray the rosary following the **8:30AM Mass, Fridays, in the Church**. After the rosary, Pat Heile will lead the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Thank you to Pat for her dedication and service. All are welcome to attend!

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office is open **9AM-4PM, Monday-Thursday** and **9AM-12Noon, Friday**. The staff works remotely when not in the office so you can email them anytime. We look forward to seeing you!



STEWARDSHIP INSPIRATION

Today's readings call us to active discipleship. It is not enough to know the commandments; we must actively obey them. It is not enough to hear the words of Jesus; we must act on them. Good stewards demonstrate their gratitude for the gift of faith by putting it into action.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Offerings	May 21	May 28
Weekend	\$ 11,635	\$ 13,622
Weekend 2022	\$ 12,255	\$ 12,115
Monthly	\$ 204	\$ 1,077
Votive Candles		\$ 553



ST. PIUS X ANNUAL APPEAL NEEDS YOU

We are so grateful to everyone who has donated. And yet, we still have critical financial challenges.

Only 13% of our parish has given to our Annual Appeal.

For those who have not donated, would you consider giving \$50? —\$50 is the cost of giving up a week's worth of Starbucks.

Construction Loan	\$1.2 Million
School Building Renovations	\$ 275,000
St. Pius X Registered Families	+2,300
Donated to Date	\$204,000
# of Donors	307

Ways to Donate: Scan the QR code, visit www.st-pius.org/onlinegive, mail or drop a check in the offertory with "ANNUAL APPEAL" in the memo.

THANK YOU!

SWITCH TO ONLINE GIVING

Thank you for being an integral part of sustaining our beautiful church and for helping us to carry out our parish mission. Your weekly offertory donations directly support the operating expenses of St. Pius X. If you're not currently giving online, take a moment to consider switching—it's the easiest and safest way to donate. **Get started now:** Go to www.st-pius.org/onlinegive. Questions? Call the Parish Office at 203-255-6134.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity presents us with a central mystery of our Catholic faith, namely, that the one God is a Trinity of Divine Persons. The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us that, “the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life. It is the mystery of God in himself. It is therefore the source of all the other mysteries of faith, the light that enlightens them. It is the most fundamental and essential teaching in the ‘hierarchy of the truths of faith.’ The whole history of salvation is identical with the history of the way and the means by which the one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, reveals himself to men and ‘reconciles and unites with himself those who turn away from sin.’” (CCC 234). The different ways in which the revelation of God is manifested at various moments in history (think for example of the Incarnation or the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost) is called the Divine Economy. “Being a work at once common and personal, the whole divine economy makes known what is proper to the divine persons, and their one divine nature.” (CCC 259). While our human language may need to make distinctions between the persons, or we may find it helpful to think of God the Father doing one thing, while the Spirit fulfills another function, we do well to remember that the Three Divine Persons are inseparable in what they do.

While it is an imperfect analogy, the idea of the divine economy and what is proper to each Person of the Trinity got me thinking about the way our parish functions. In a variety of ministry, outreach, community, and formation, we are blessed with generous individuals who offer their services, time, and talent for the building up of the parish community. Without our volunteers, the good work done here at St. Pius would be impossible. Without our talented and committed staff, the day-to-day operations of the parish would grind to a halt. While God is perfectly sufficient in Himself, none of us in the parish is – we need each other.

In this bulletin, you will find some words of thanks extended to all who make this parish what it is. To these expressions of gratitude, I would like to add my own thank you. A few weeks ago I celebrated my 15th anniversary of priestly ordination. I was moved and humbled by the many congratulatory messages I received. For all the expressions of thanks that I received, I felt more than anything that I needed to be the one saying thank you. For 10 of my 15 years, St. Pius X has been my home, and you, the people of this parish community, have made my priesthood what it is. The priesthood is the single greatest gift I have ever received, but it is each of you that has made this gift so special. Words will never suffice to thank you, but I thank you from the bottom of my heart. In a special way, I need to echo the sentiments of gratitude expressed in this bulletin to our volunteers. When trying to name everyone, inevitably a name is forgotten (or misspelled) – if somehow we missed a person or ministry that needs to be thanked, please accept this as a sincere thank you for your fidelity to our parish and for all you do to build up this community of faith. Thank you!

Peace,

Fr Sam



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9
Second Reading: 2 Cor 13:11-13
The Gospel: Jn 3:16-18

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Tb 1:3; 2:1a-8; Ps 112:1b-2, 3b-4, 5-6; Mk 12:1-12
Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14; Ps 112:1-2, 7-8, 9; Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Ps 25:2-3, 4-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mk 12:18-27
Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Mk 12:28-34
Friday: Tb 11:5-17; Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10; Mk 12:35-37
Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; Tb 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8; Mk 12:38-44
Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Colleen Dunne & Joseph Sabia



CONGRATULATIONS!

We welcome these newly baptized children into our Faith Family: Anthony Marc DeLaurentis, Callie Elizabeth Karle, Penelope Clare O'Neill, Owen Michael Sullivan, Órla Elizabeth Hallissey, Seán Michéal Hallissey



MEMORIAL FOR OUR BELOVED DECEASED

As you pray, remember all deceased parishioners, and especially those recently deceased: Lorraine Gfeller, Karen Ackley, William J. Bender III, Lew Lash

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
 Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; to God who is, who was, and who is to come." – Rev 1:8



ADORATION

Wednesdays, 7:00PM-8:00PM, Church. Spend time praying and reflecting in the presence of the Lord. This is a beautiful way to pause, be still, and connect with Him. Eucharistic Adoration will be held in the church while confessions are being heard.



ADORE 365 UPDATES

- We only need 12 more adorers to sign up before we launch Adoration!
- When we start, we will have Adoration Monday – Friday. Adoration will begin Mondays at 9 AM and continue without interruption until Friday at 9 PM.
- The chapel is being prepared with a coded lock that will be shared with our adorers.
- Security cameras are in place in the vestibule and in the chapel.
- If a schedule conflict arises, it is easy to request a substitute for your hour through our AdorationPro software.

We are extremely grateful to those who have committed to a weekend hour, or to early Monday morning or late Friday night, and want you to know that your willingness to give your time to Jesus is deeply valued!

Please consider sharing the link for Perpetual Adoration with friends and family www.st-pius.org/adore365/



TASTEBUDS

Wednesday, June 14th from 5PM to 7PM in the Community Room. We welcome you to come share Tastebuds monthly gathering and grow together in community and connect our faith to our food! Along with cooking demonstrations, we will review a menu, recipe, and the process of bringing the meal to the table. Each gathering will end with a dinner of our creations. Our dinners are being paired with some lovely beverage selections from Kindred Spirits in Fairfield. If you would like to attend, please email, catherinemacdonaldcake@gmail.com. The cost to cover your materials and meal will be \$10.00.



YOUNG AT HEART SENIOR LUNCHEONS & TRIPS

• **12Noon, June 5, Fairfield Museum Take 2!** Walt Matis, program coordinator of the Fairfield Museum, returns! We asked and Walt agreed to come back and continue his lively discussion about the history of our beloved town of Fairfield.

All luncheons are \$7 for sandwiches, chips, soda, water, coffee, tea, and dessert. **RSVP required to Peter Carey at aandp1964@aol.com or 203-673-2081.** Also let Pete know if you can bake a treat. Spread the word and invite your friends to join us!

★ **GAME DAY** ★

YOUNG AT HEART SENIORS GAME DAY

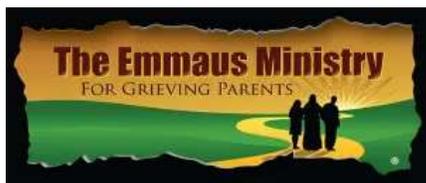
Join us at **Young at Heart Seniors Game Day** to enjoy a variety of games such as Mahjongg, cards, and Canasta. If these games are not your thing, bring your own OR just come and meet new friends and have fellowship and conversation. See you in the Community Room **10AM-12Noon, on Tuesdays.** Questions? Contact Margaret at blk125@msn.com or 908-399-2945. Stop by and check it out!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

MEN'S SOCIAL EVENING

Wednesday, June 7th, 7PM, Community Room. Come and celebrate the life of Blessed Michael McGivney. Learn about his life, times, and the organization he founded on the principles of: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. Pizza will be served. Please RSVP to Tom Kelty tkelty@gmail.com. Open to all men.



THE EMMAUS MINISTRY FOR GRIEVING PARENTS

Losing a child under any circumstance is horrific. Focusing on the spirituality of the grieving process can help heal the wounds of loss. The Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents walks with parents whose children of any age have died by any cause, no matter how long ago. The Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents will hold a one day spiritual retreat **at St. Pius X on June 24 from 9:30 am to 7:00 pm.** The retreat is sponsored by Fairfield County Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Bridgeport. There is no cost for retreatants of any faith. Please join us, all are welcome. To register for the retreat, visit www.emfgp.org. For more information, contact 203-404-0023, info@ctcemeteries.org, or Deacon Don Ross, dross@diobpt.org.

Thank You!



We give great thanks to members of our parish who contribute to the life of our faith community in so many ways!

THANK YOU FR. SILVA

Sunday, June 25, Community Room. Join us for coffee hour after the Sunday 9:00 a.m. Mass and take a moment to thank Fr. Silva for his generous service to our parish while in residence at St. Pius X. Even with a full-time assignment at St. Joe's High School, Fr. Silva always found time to say Mass, hear confessions and participate in our parish life. Please stop by and wish Fr. Silva well on his new assignment at St. Rose in Newtown.

YOUNG AT HEART

Thank you to **Peter Carey** who unselfishly gives of his time to lead the Young at Heart Senior Ministry. Our group has grown by leaps and bounds, with folks coming from parishes around Fairfield. Our monthly luncheons are where Young at Heart seniors, filled with their faith, meet for fellowship, entertainment, education, fun, and good food! Pete is the cornerstone of the group, and no job is too large or small for him to tackle - communications, event management, trips etc.! We cannot thank him enough for his hard work, dedication, and kindness in all he does. Thank you, Pete, for ALL you do!

Thank you to **Young at Heart Bakers and Set Up/Clean Up Crew** who take time each month to bake/bring delicious cakes, cookies, and treats and who come early/stay late to assist with setting and cleaning up. It takes a village, and our monthly luncheons would not be as successful, nor run as smoothly without each of you!

Thank you to **Connie von Zwehl** who generously supports our Young at Heart Luncheons. Connie has sponsored lunches, donated coffee supplies, and even made a home cooked Oktoberfest feast for the gang. Thank you for always thinking of us Connie!

Thank you to **Young at Heart Game Day Captain Margaret Kennedy** and all our **Game Day Players.** Margaret championed the idea and followed up by leading another day of fellowship for our seniors. There is a dedicated group of gamers, and anyone is welcome to join or stop by for a visit.

Thank you to **the entire Young at Heart Seniors Gang** who attend our monthly luncheons and generously contribute to the cost of lunch to defray the cost. We are so happy to have you and look forward to seeing you each month. Keep inviting your friends to join us!

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Thank you to our new Prayer Shawl Ministry: **Karen Cafiero, Peggy Child, Margaret Distassio, Patty Dobson, Anna Masson, Mena Mead, Fran Padula, Susan Petraglia, and Elaine Suthers**. This group of dedicated prayer shawl warriors restarted this special ministry, donating their time, yarn, and supplies. Their shawls are lovingly made, and every stitch is infused with their prayers. Special thanks to **Mena Mead** who's expanded our selection to include hats and scarves and to **Fran Padula** for labelling our inventory. All items are available upon request to anyone in need of healing with a small donation to defray the costs. Our shawls, hats, and scarves are also donated to the Smilo Cancer Hospital-Yale New Haven Health Systems' Quiet Room.

BAPTISMAL GARMENT MINISTRY

For centuries, it has been the practice of the Roman Catholic Church to clothe the newly baptized in white garments symbolizing their new life in Christ. When baptized at St. Pius X, a child receives a white baptismal garment lovingly made by **Eleanor Burke**. Thank you, Eleanor, for using your talents to welcome our young parishioners into the Church!

MUSIC MINISTRY

There is a beautiful statement attributed to St. Augustine that says: "The one who sings prays twice." The scriptures also tell us to praise God with stringed instruments and pipes. That is precisely what we do here at Saint Pius, and it is done exceptionally well because of the folks that assist our Music Director in making music for our sacred liturgies.

A special word of gratitude to our extraordinary cantors: **Danielle Gorski, Cidalia Kettles, Cheryl Hill, Roy Mazzacane and Tony Beck**. A special word of gratitude to the leaders of our music at the 9am Mass, **Gerard Huerta** for his many years on guitar and to the beautiful voices of our sister tag team duo, **Leanne and Michelle Onofrio** who are also a part of our cantor team.

Last but not least, a special shoutout to **Maestro Joseph Vitti** who directs our men's Gregorian Chant Ensemble each week at our Latin Mass and to the gentlemen of the choir who come faithfully and sing so beautifully at the "Mass of the Ages."

I would be remiss if I fail to acknowledge the beautiful work of **Patty O'Brien, Darcy Ronan** and to all the volunteers who made our Christmas Pageant with over 50 children such a success.

I am SO grateful to all of you. Please stay "tuned" as we reestablish our children's choir, form a Choral Schola and rebuild our music program. And lastly, **THANK YOU**, our congregants for all your support and prayers.

OFFERTORY COUNTING TEAM

Thank you to our dedicated and loyal team of counters who ensure the financial stewardship of our offertory. We are grateful to, and blessed by **Bob Guman, MaryAnne Greeley, Roger Lasky, and Bill Lederer** who give of their time and talent on a regular and ongoing basis to this important job.

PRAYER LINE

A very BIG thank you to **Pat Heile** for all her dedication to the Prayer Line Ministry. Pat started out as an intercessor for the Prayer Line when the ministry was available via phone. As times changed, Pat transitioned the ministry online and began to lead it. Pat checks the dedicated email inbox at least three times a day and then forwards all prayer requests to her intercessory team of about 30 including several priests. Pat knows the power of prayer and we thank her for her dedicated service in continuing to bring this powerful ministry to our parish!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Thank you to all our catechists for sharing the gift of your faith with your classes this year! By witnessing to Christ's love, our youngest parishioners have come to know Him more deeply, and this program is infinitely greater for it! **Dawn Carpanzano, Noelle Carpanzano, Chris Hughes, Betsy Knapp, Lauren McCloskey, Maria Preslar, Dn. Don Ross, Arlene Ross, Michele Brown, Anne Connaughton, Mary Lou Dieringer, Rich Earls, Dave Roness, Kathy Watcke, Marianne Kahn, Candice Kinney, Anne Parise, Emily Rauser.**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The parish community is grateful for **Tom Kelty's** service as Grand Knight for our local council as well as **Tyler Lomnitzer** for stepping into this role moving forward. Congratulations as well to **Jim Dobson** for being honored as Knight of the Year.

FAIRFIELD LIFE TEEN + EDGE

Thank you to everyone who supported our student ministries this year through our fundraisers-your generosity keeps our summer trips affordable for our students.

Thank you to all our volunteers; this ministry wouldn't exist without you.

Thank you to our parents for your sacrifices in getting your children to our Life and Edge Nights and for your dedication to sharing the faith with them.

Finally, a special thank you to all our students for showing up every week, for your enthusiasm, and for your love for Jesus!

"We give thanks to God always for all of you, remembering you in our prayers, unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith and labor of love and endurance in hope of our Lord Jesus Christ, before our God and Father."

—1 Thessalonians 2-3

St. Pius X is grateful to our parish leaders & volunteers who serve our faith community with their unique gifts & talents.

Ministry Chairs

Pete Carey – Young at Heart Senior's Luncheon
Mark Drexel - Men's Fellowship and Ministry Leaders Coordinator
Margaret Kennedy – Young at Heart Senior's Game Day
Pam LeFleur – Kitchen Pantry Coordinator
Andrew and Lisa Li – Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) Prep
Catherine MacDonald – Tastebuds
Allyson Marcus and Dawn Carpanzano – Walking with Purpose
Megan Marsillio- Ministry Leader Coordinator
Patti Mucha – Homebound Mailing Outreach
Elizabeth Patterson – Coffee Hour Hospitality
Genevieve Ritch - Coffee Hour Hospitality & Operation Hope
Larry Rollins – Communion for the Homebound
Kerry Sweeney – Vacation Bible School

Lectors

Tom Gould, Mary Anne Greeley, Bob Guman, Pat Heile, Leila Hudson, Thomas Langodon, Peter Mantilia, Jeff & Mary Jane Miller, Jennifer O'Hara, Dan Omohundro, Joe Onofrio, Anne Parise, Anna Pelletier, Troy Pinto, Dave Roness, Mike Rush, Steve Ryan, Tom Sullivan, John Walker, Sandy Walsh, Frank Zilinyi.

Altar Servers

William Baranosky, Thomas Berry, Elijah Bottaro, Gabriel Bottaro, William Close, Aidan Crotty, Declan Crotty, Emmet Crotty, Finn Crotty, Colin Delaney, Lance Delaney, Declan Finneran, Andrew Hine, Patrick Lundregan, Alexander Macdonald, Alexandra Miller, Samantha Miller, Grace Mooney, Jack Mooney, James Murano, Brendan O'Hara, Cailyn O'Hara, Nick Taormina, Bella Theall.

Ushers

Bob Alteri, John Casano, Patrick Colligan, Geo Crume, Kevin Donohue, Mark Drexel, Mike Finneran, Bob Guman, Jonathan Kral, Tom Kelty, Tommy Kelty, Rhiannon Kelty, David Parise, Grover Parker, Dan Quinlan, Anthony Rigione, Larry Rollins, Bob Shea, Art Wolf.

Small Group Volunteers

Dawn Carpanzano, Noelle Carpanzano, Sharon Fisher, Karen Lannigan, Emily Lomnizter, Pat Heile, Michael McPadden, Troy Pinto, Brian Pritchard, Jen Quiles, Emily Rauser, Deacon Don Ross, Angeli Scott, Kathy Watcke.

Event Chairs & Volunteers

Liz & John Feeney, Julie & Mike Finneran, Anna Braga, Dawn & Carm Carpanzano, Roberta Gagne, Hope Hattois, Kass Mayer, Glenda O'Connell, Maria Piccolo, Jen Quiles, Palma Senatore, Colm Watcke, Kathy Watcke, Pat Wheeler.

"As each one of us has received a gift, use it to serve one another,
as good stewards of God's varied grace." - 1 Peter 4:10