



**2025-2026 St. Pius X Church Annual Appeal:
We Need Everyone's Support**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we begin this year's **St. Pius X Church Annual Appeal**, I want to first express my heartfelt gratitude to all who participated in the Increased Offertory Program earlier this year. Your renewed commitment to increase your weekly gift will help us better manage rising operating costs and sustain the many ministries that make our parish such a vibrant community of faith, allowing us to "restore all things in Christ."

As we look ahead, we face an important and time-sensitive need. Our **church heating system**, which has served us faithfully for decades, is at the end of its life. Replacing it is essential to ensure that our worship space remains warm, safe, and welcoming—especially during the cold winter months. The cost of this replacement project is approximately \$200,000, and this will be the primary focus of our 2025 Annual Appeal. Once those costs are covered, any funds received beyond that amount will be directed to our **newly created Maintenance Fund**, which will be designated for future deferred capital projects across our parish campus.

Importantly, monies contributed to this newly created Maintenance Fund will allow us to receive an annual credit of \$10,000 on our Cathedral Tax—the assessment paid to the Diocese of Bridgeport. This means that your generosity not only strengthens St. Pius X directly but also helps us reduce our Diocesan financial obligation. That is why the **focus of this year's Annual Appeal is both practical and vital.**

Our 2025 **Annual Appeal Goal is \$250,000** and your contributions will directly fund:

- Replacement of the church heating system for long-term comfort and reliability.
- The new Maintenance Fund, supporting future capital maintenance projects.

We have approximately 2,500 registered households, with 642 giving regularly. Last year, only 310 households (about 13%) participated in the Annual Appeal. Imagine what we could achieve if everyone took part this year!

As you prayerfully consider your year-end giving, I humbly ask you:

- **Make a gift—of any amount—to our 2025 Annual Appeal.** Every contribution matters.
- **Send your gift by December 31** for 2025 tax purposes.
- **Continue, or consider increasing by \$5, your weekly offertory support** if you are able.

Together, we can ensure St. Pius X remains a safe, welcoming, and spiritually vibrant home for all who gather.

With gratitude and my sincere thanks,

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YES! I want to participate in the 2025-2026 St. Pius X Annual Appeal. Here is my gift:

\$5,000 \$2,500 \$1,500 \$1,000 \$750 \$500 \$250 Other _____

Full Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Credit Card# _____ Exp.Date _____ CVC # _____

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Credit Card or Check: payable to St. Pius X

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