#### MARCH 25, 2018 PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



Monday, March 26, 7:30 am

Monica (Yong Soo) Jo

Tuesday, March 27, 7:30 am

Jeannie Collins

Holy Thursday, March 29

8:00 pm Jennie Olenowski

"Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper" Washing of the Feet, Quiet Adoration

Good Friday, March 30

3:00 pm "The Celebration of the Passion of the

Lord" Liturgy of the Word/Veneration

of the Cross/Holy Communion

Stations of The Cross, Church 8:00 pm The Celebration of Easter

Holy Saturday, March 31

12:00 pm Blessing of Easter Food, Narthex

(English & Polish)

Maida Avallone 8:00 pm

"The Vigil of Easter" Service of Light

Baptismal Renewal, Eucharist

Easter Sunday, April 1

In Church:

7:30 am **Abbot Giles Hayes** 9:00 am Jennie Olenowski 10:30 am Joseph V. Egan

Betty Puleo

12:00 pm Peodozja Orzel

Elizabeth & Stephen Koczo

John Farkas Marianne Simon

In Parish Center:

10:30 am People Of The Parish

**Celebrant Easter Schedule** 

Holy Saturday 8:00 pm Fr. Mark

Easter Sunday

Church -7:30 am Fr. Mark

> Fr. Mark 9:00 am 10:30 am Fr. Mark 12:00 pm Fr. Dominik

Parish Center - 10:30 am Fr. Dominik

Parish offices will be closed March 29-April 2 for the Easter holiday.

#### SHARING OF OUR TREASURE

#### Thank you for your support and generosity!

March 19, 2017 \$14,990.00 March 18, 2018 \$ 13,188.68

Next Weekend's Second Collection Is Hope For Children

**Auto Contribution** 

Please sign up for automatic giving, visit our website at www.st-pius-x.org, click on Donate. Thank you!

#### School Support Envelope

At St. Pius X we strongly value a Catholic education and support its mission:

St. Pius X School is committed to the principle that each child is a special human being who deserves to be loved and respected as an individual. Our teachers and administration encourage students to reach their maximum potential—academically, socially, morally and spiritually.

The Finance Committee recommends having a monthly School Support Envelope for any parishioner who would like to help defray the cost of teaching our Catholic faith to young people.

#### **Polish Mass**

Monday, April 2, 7:30 pm Saturday, April 14th, 6:30 pm Every Second Saturday Of The Month All are welcome! "Zapraszamy wszystkich na modlitwe w jezyku polskim."

#### **Divine Mercy Sunday**



Sunday, April 8th, Divine Mercy, 2:00-4:00 pm Would you like to know the special message and promises of mercy and love? Come and join us.



Fr. Mark is looking for Eucharistic Ministers to visit the nursing homes and hospital that St. Pius X Church services: The Chelsea on Monday mornings at 11 am once a month, St. Albert's (formerly Green Briar) one Sunday morning a month before 11 am and Chilton Hospital one Saturday a month. The primary task is to bring Communion and good cheer to the residents. you are interested please call Maryann at the Ministry House or see John Regan after Mass. Thank you for your consideration.



Passion/Palm Sunday

"Christ died for us."

(Romans 5:8)

Give me your grace, good Lord God, to walk the narrow way that leads to life; to bear the cross with Christ; to have continually in mind the passion that Christ suffered for me; to give him thanks unceasingly for his benefits, and to buy back the time that I before have lost. Amen.

St. Thomas More

#### Dear Friends In Christ.

On each Good Friday, our Diocese takes up a special collection for the Church in the Holy Land. I ask you to give your support during this Lenten season as we focus on the place where Jesus ministered, died and rose again to new life.

The collection for the Church in the Holy Land supports the work of the Franciscans who are responsible for promoting the faith in an area where Christians are a minority. The funds raised help support and maintain the Holy Places so that all who come on a pilgrimage experience a deeper connection to their faith. Your support also helps operate schools, provide housing for needy families and staffs parishes in the area.

Our Lenten journey promotes the joy of almsgiving. Please make the Collection for the Church in the Holy Land one way to respond to this call when it is taken up on Good Friday. May God bless you for being such generous stewards!

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Arthur J. Serratelli, S.T.D., S.S.L., D.D. Bishop of Paterson



† Good Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup> – 8:00 pm, Family Stations, Please Contact Kurt Kilanowski or Paul Carroll To Volunteer

#### **Operation Rice Bowl**

Many thanks to all who participated in Operation Rice Bowl this year. Please bring your Rice Bowl to Church or to the Ministry House before Easter Sunday.



## The Easter Triduum The Three Most Sacred Days

The Easter Triduum (Latin: three days) is the most ancient and central celebration of the Church's liturgical year. The Church no longer considers these days as a part of Lent but instead has made them into a special liturgical season all its own. The three days recall Jesus' Last Super with his Disciples (Holy Thursday), his crucifixion and death (Good Friday) and his resurrection (the Easter Vigil and Easter Day). Then for the 50 days of the Easter Season we bask in the joy of Christ's resurrection and the promise that the relationship with God begun on earth cannot be stopped by death but will be transformed into new life with God forever.

During these three days, we immerse ourselves at home and at Church in the most sacred memory of our relationship with God. The paschal mystery of Christ's passion, death and resurrection is the heart of what God wants to tell us about God's own self and about ourselves in relation to God. As we remember Jesus' passion, death and resurrection, we come face to face with the mystery of our own dying and rising.

#### **Holy Thursday**

On Holy Thursday the Church celebrates Jesus' final meal with his disciples and the institution of the Eucharist. The regular Eucharistic ritual is enhanced by the rite of foot-washing, recalling how Jesus washed his disciples' feet. After the liturgy, the consecrated bread is transferred and kept in a tabernacle for adoration.

#### **Good Friday**

Good Friday is the only day of the year on which Mass is not said. The altar is bare and the liturgy consists of proclaiming the passion story from John's Gospel, intercessions, veneration of the cross and a Communion service with bread consecrated on Holy Thursday.

#### The Great Vigil of Easter

The Easter Vigil echoes the early Christian ritual that lasted through the night to celebrate the Eucharist at dawn. Only the Eucharist itself is older than the Easter Vigil liturgy. This service re-enacts the passage from death into life. On this night we celebrate our deliverance by Christ and look forward to the day when we shall see him face to face. Its four parts are: the lighting of the Easter candle, the Scripture readings recounting the story of our salvation, the initiation of new converts, culminating in the celebration of the Eucharist.



#### **Seminarian Corner**

I would like to congratulate all of the young adults who received the Sacrament of Confirmation this past Friday. This is a big step in your journey with the Lord, but it is now your responsibility to keep up with that relationship, Jesus is always waiting for you! I encourage you to stay active within the Church, attend mass and always remember to pray daily. I invite you to pray and think about your vocation. God is calling each one of you to a life with him. I hope and pray that some of you will consider a priestly or religious vocation. Please know of my continued prayers for you.

After healing the sick, and raising the dead, it was time for the King of Kings to enter the Holy City. Jesus did not enter the city with the fanfare of a royal official, our Lord Jesus enters the city with humility on the back of a donkey. But what does this have to do with us, for a people in the year 2018. Jesus is showing us that humility is a fundamental component of a spiritual life. The wood of the manger prefigured the wood of the cross. When we allow ourselves to be humble, God can work through us, it allows us to be the hands and feet of God in a world that is in desperate need of love and compassion. As our Lent journey comes to a close, let us walk with the Lord this Sacred Triduum. I invite you to participate in as much of Holy Week that you can. May this Holy Week change the world in the love of Christ.

Frank Lennie, Seminarian

## Ministry News

#### **ROSARY SOCIETY**

Please join us for our next Rosarian Meeting on *Wednesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm* at the Ministry House. For more information, please call the Ministry House.

#### **BIBLE STUDY**

Our new Bible Study program titled *Follow Me: Meeting Jesus In The Gospel of John* has begun. Wednesday evenings, 7:30 pm, Ministry House. All are welcome! **PRAYER GROUP** 

St. Pius X Spirit of Love Prayer Group meets semimonthly on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at 12:45 pm in the Chapel at the Ministry House.

#### **CARING CRAFTERS**

The next meeting of the knitters and crocheters will be held on *Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am* at the Ministry House. For more information, call Barbara Sanders at 973-334-6884.

#### **RCIA**

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is the process the Roman Catholic Church has for the introduction of the faith and the formation of new adult members. The candidates will learn about their spiritual path in Christ culminating at the Easter Vigil. If you are an adult seeking Baptism, Confirmation or Eucharist, please contact Peter O'Brien at the Ministry House.

#### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**Next Meeting** – **Monday, April 2**<sup>nd</sup> **at 8 pm** in the Knights of Columbus Room. Visit our website at: http://StPiusxKofC.org/.

#### Not By Fish & Chips Alone

There was a lot more going on than the usual fare at the Knights of Columbus Dinner last Friday evening. Lots of kids, lots of friendships, lots of new faces and all of our wonderful parishioners who support us in everything we do. It's amazing what fun we have when we get together at an event like this all united by our love of the Father and the gift of his Son. The food at this event was better than ever and even the table service was better this year. But the beer, not so much. We better complain about that, but first tell Dave Arthurs and Rob Donohue, our Dinner Chairmen, and their amazing kitchen crew, what a great job they did. If we thank them enough, maybe we can have the party at Dave's house next year.

One of the most interesting things we saw at the dinner was a few of the Knights who decided not to work the meal and instead enjoy the company of their family. Try as they may not to get involved, by the end of the evening, they were helping with serving, clean-up or answering the call of the spirit in some other way. Being a Knight is a wonderful calling. Even when you are tired or busy, joining a bunch of friends to help to do God's work is always rewarding. Thank you guys and thanks to all that joined us for Dinner.

Another big Thank You goes out to our members, led by Grand Knight Mike Schraft and Fr. Dominic, who were big winners in support of the Montville High School Key Club Volleyball Fundraiser Friday evening. The Knights of Columbus is doing all kinds of things. Three new members joined this week and we still need more. Please ask one of us about joining the Knights.



#### Pray for the Sick

Praying for fellow parishioners who are sick is an important component to our Faith. Due to privacy issues, however, people do not always appreciate their names being published. Requests for published names will only be taken from a family members.

Lilliana Elyse Mahan, Dawn Pandorf, Leslie Kondek, Corey Forlenza, Frank J. Somsky, Marie Cavallero, Eileen Scharwath, Ann Dimaira, Victor Marmo, Jason McGaha, Marilyn Geffken, Tom Clayton, Barbara Capsouras, Christine Paglia, Ragan Kilkell, Adrian Simone, Paul Perrone, Janet Babbitt, Bruno Stillo, Michael Mascari, Marjorie McArthur, Charlie Auskings, Eileen Kapotes, Remedios Gkevin Annarita Gardinella, Linda Bitetto, David Tafe, Gregory Sugra, Jose Nunez, Kevin Deege, Jason Fass, Terry Cox, Giovanna Mele, Pasquale Mastriani, Christina Adamski, Francoise Wagener, Brooklyn Auskings, David Douglas, Walter Sedlacik, David Dery, Joseph Horvath, Sr., Gayle Sullivan, Nicky Miller, Peter Henschel, Richard Dickau, Zachary Miller, Lauren Grace Jarman, Maria Ferrigno, Kathy Compitiello, Anthony Zegarell, Wayne Tanchak, Florence Rainone, Catherine Lendino and Margy Dixon.

Please remember to notify the office when your family member has recovered.

#### **Youth Ministry**

#### <u>April</u>

10 – Homeless Solutions 4:30-7:30 pm

13 - Eric Johnson House 2:30-4:00 pm

Please e mail Kurt Kilanowski for more information youth-ministry @st-pius-x.org.

#### Leadership In Faith Experience (L.I.F.E.)

Welcome to a new experience for all high school members of our parish. The goal of this program is to explore leadership through our personal relationship with Jesus. On this overnight experience, we will engage in talks, activities and discussions led by our peers, young adults and Priests. This program is an opportunity to gain valuable skills and to bond with our peers in a fun and relaxing atmosphere. All of the content is designed to bring us closer to God, allow for self-understanding and knowledge and provide a safe space for us to step out of our comfort zone in order to learn and demonstrate leadership skills.

L.I.F.E. will take place at the Warwick Retreat Center in New York State from 2 pm on Saturday, April 21st and conclude at 1 pm on Sunday, April 22nd. Bedrooms will accommodate small groups of three or four young people. The cost of the weekend is \$100.00. While this is only a percentage of what the experience actually costs per person; the fee includes overnight lodging, two meals, snacks, souvenirs and transportation. No refunds can be made. Checks should be made out to St. Pius X. Some scholarships are available; please contact Kurt directly if finances are an issue.

If you are interested in participating, please attend an informational meeting on Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 in the Ministry House. Complete details concerning the weekend will be discussed, including: information concerning transportation, place of departure, and what personal items you will need.

This application needs to be returned immediately. Numbers are limited because of the size of the retreat center; therefore, your quick response is essential for securing a spot. All applications will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis. If you have any questions, please contact Kurt at youthministry@st-pius-x.org.

#### Attention All Widows, Widowers, Divorcees & Singles

We plan on having a meeting to discuss social events for this year including trips, dining out, movies, card games, Mahjong and more for anyone who would like to join us. Please call Rae at 973-479-1185 or Pat at 973-420-5037 for further information and for the date and time of our meeting. We would love to hear from you.

#### **Kidney Donor Needed**

A very close friend is in dire need of a kidney transplant. Please call Julie Poulin at 973-335-9337 if you are potentially interested in becoming a donor. Being a kidney donor has become much easier. A blood test will be done to determine the donor's blood type. The kidney is removed laparoscopically, minimum hospital stay and back to work in three weeks. All expenses are paid by the person receiving the kidney. Being a donor will save a life! Being a donor will change your life knowing you saved another life! Thank you for your consideration.

#### Solo Organ Recital

As part of the Diocese of Paterson's 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary and in celebration of the reopening of St. John's Cathedral, internationally acclaimed recitalist Stephen Tharp will give a solo organ recital at Saint John the Baptist Cathedral, Paterson on Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm. This event has no admission, but a free-will offering will be accepted at the end of the event. Seating is first-come, first-serve, and free parking will be available in the parking garage across from the Cathedral. For more information, please contact the event organizer, Mr. John Peragallo at *john@peragallo.com*.

# Catholic Schools ... Faith, Academics, Service.

#### 2018-2019 St. Pius X School Registration

At St. Pius X School, we echo these sentiments in all that we do to provide our students with the most comprehensive and well-rounded Catholic education possible. Challenging our students to dream big, to work diligently, to respect themselves and others and to make the most of their God-given abilities are an integral part of the educational foundation that our faculty and staff promote daily. Being able to deliver this experience, while instilling faith and values in a nurturing and caring environment, makes a St. Pius X School education second to none. Please call the school office, 973-335-1253, to make an appointment to visit the school.

School Musical, Annie Jr., May 17th & 18th



Sr. June Morrissey Annual Golf Outing, May 21st



#### **Religious Formation**

Schedule of Classes for March 25, 2018

Glory Middle School -

Grades 6, 7, 8 – 7:30 am Mass; Class 8:15 – 9:30 am

Glory Elementary School -

Grades 1-5-9:00 am Mass; Class 10:00-11:00 am

Confirmation 9th Grade

Please check schedule for times.

Schedule of Classes for April 1, 2018

There are no classes scheduled for Easter Sunday.

Schedule of Classes for April 8, 2018

Praise Middle School -

Grades 6, 7, 8 - 7:30 am Mass; Class 8:15 - 9:30 am

Praise Elementary School -

Grades 1 – 5 – 9:00 am Mass; Class 10:00 –11:00 am

#### Parishioner In Need Of Employment

College-educated parishioner, life-long Montville resident, in search of local position, temporary or long term. Please call Kenneth at 973-906-0176. Thank you.

# **St. Pius X Summer Bible Camp** 2018

## **Hometown Nazareth**

Where Jesus Was A Kid Grades K-5 as of 9/2018



## Faith. Fun and Friends

July 16-20 9:00-1:00

\*Registration is open! Go to st-pius-x.org and click on Religious Formation and then Summer Bible Camp (bottom right)

Free-will donations accepted upon coming to camp

\*Volunteers needed- High School and older

Interest or inquiries? Contact Chrissy Deary cdeary@optonline.net