

St. Pius X Parish

G-3139 Hogarth Avenue, Flint, MI 48532

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

We, the community of St. Pius X in Flint rejoice in our communion with our bishop and brothers and sisters in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Lansing. Together, we worship, we teach, we serve.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Fr. Anthony J. Strouse
Deacons: Dave Jansen, Gary Gallagher
School Principal: R.J. Kaplan
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Powers Catholic	
High School	591-4741
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Prayer Warrior Ministry	(810) 235-8574

SUNDAY MASSES

4:30 p.m. (Sat.); 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY AND HOLYDAY MASSES

Consult weekly bulletin.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents must be registered members of the parish and must attend a workshop in preparation for Baptism. Call the rectory office to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

Saturdays 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. and by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Contact the parish priest at least 9 months in advance. One of the couple must be a registered member of the parish.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Saturdays following the 4:30 p.m. Mass or call the rectory.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

Call the rectory if you are aware of anyone who is homebound.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday, 9:00 a.m., in writing!

Hearing difficulties?

Please ask an usher for a Personal PA receiver.

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke 16:1-13

Jesus warns us that we cannot serve God and money. Doesn't he know I want to serve him? I just have bills to pay! Is there a balance to be found?



How can a shady person possibly give good example? Jesus obviously thought that the example of a not so honest person would be a perfect illustration for a spiritual lesson about the kingdom of God! I guess we should expect such a choice for Jesus. So, what's the point of Jesus's parable? The dishonest steward is commended for his shrewdness - "foresight". A shrewd person grasps a critical situation with resolution and foresight. Jesus is concerned here with something more critical than a financial crisis. His concern is that we avert spiritual crisis through the exercise of faith and foresight. If Christians would only expend as much foresight and energy to spiritual matters which have eternal consequences as much as they do to earthly matters which have temporal consequences, then they would be truly better off, both in this life and in the age to come.

<http://www.rc.net/wcc/readings/luke161.htm>

The Weekly Calendar

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(†Mass Intention)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**ARISE** sign up sheets in the Narthex

- 9:00 † Ed Starr by the Wojciechowski family
 9:00 SAVE SUNDAY/CCD (library/school)
 9:00 RCIA begins (choir room)
 9:45 CAFÉ'
 10:00 Catholic Challenge (church)
 11:00 † The Parish
 12:30 Eucharistic Minister training (church)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

- 8:15 † Raymond Faris by wife, Jeanie Faris
 6:30 Parish Council meeting (church)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

- 8:15 † Thomas Hyde by Dennis and Mary Ann Staley
 8:45 **NO** Tuesday Toasters
 6:30 Eucharistic Minister training (church)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, SCHOOL MASS

- 8:15 For faculty, staff and students of St. Pius X

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

- 8:15 Communion Service

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

- 8:15 For homebound parishioners of St. Pius X parish

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

- 3:00 Confessions
 4:30 † Vickie Stewart by the family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

- 9:00 † Jack Milito by Neil and Nancy Frederick
 9:00 SAVE SUNDAY/CCD (library/school)
 9:00 Bible Study begins (library/school)
 9:00 RCIA (choir room)
 9:45 CAFÉ'
 11:00 † The Parish
 12:00 Bible Study begins (library/school)
 12:30 Lector training (church)
 6:00 Youth Group (youth room/comm room)

Altar Servers for September 24 & 25

- 4:30 N MacDonald, N MacDonald
 9:00 A VanderKuur, T VanderKuur, A Sexton
 11:00 M Knight, L Danic, M Hendrickson

**Lectors and Commentators Sept 24 & 25**

- 4:30 A MacDonald 9:00 J Ebbott
 11:00 M Love

OUR WEEKLY COLLECTION

Week of:	Sept 11, 2016	Year-to-Date
Budgeted income	\$ 13,452.88	\$ 174,887.44
Actual income	\$ 12,040.34	\$ 129,752.83
Surplus (deficit)	\$ (1,412.54)	\$ (45,134.61)

Don Antonio's Dispatch.....

Tuesday (20 September) is the annual Senior Appreciation Day Mass and Luncheon at St. John the Evangelist church in Davison. I will be attending, and I hope to see many of our parishioners there, as well. Seniors are a great blessing to our parish! They have great wisdom from their life experiences, and bring a sense of perspective. I am very blessed to have all four of my grandparents still living. I saw both grandparents a couple of weeks ago after I returned from Alaska, and (not to brag too much), they were overjoyed to see me and spend time with me, and know that I wanted to spend time with them. In many ways their love is like the love of the Most Holy Trinity: they don't need us to do anything for them, but simply want us to be with them.

In our society, seniors can sadly often be seen as throw-aways. More and more places seem to look to euthanasia and assisted suicide so that they don't have to "deal with" seniors. Seniors do not need to be "dealt with." They need our love and support. Sometimes there are tough decisions that family members need to make, like taking away a driver's license for the person's safety, or working with an assisted living location or nursing home when the person cannot take care of him/herself and the family cannot tend to all their medical needs. But we should always try to do what we can to spend time with senior family members. I know I still struggle with work and family balance, and my grandparents are very understanding, but let's make sure that we're trying to do what we can to spend time with our seniors rather than writing them off!

We're also beginning to pray our ARISE prayer for our faith sharing small groups. I'm new to ARISE, but I know that any group that helps us learn about our faith and discuss our relationship with Jesus is a great thing. If we don't know Jesus, then a lot of our Catholic "stuff" (going to Mass, confession, fasting, continuing to be formed in the faith, etc.) makes very little sense, and can seem like silly rules. But if we know Jesus, then we appreciate the ways the Church helps us to continue to develop our relationship with Him so that our life looks more and more like Jesus' life. If you haven't already, I hope you will consider joining an ARISE group.

Thank you for your support of the Conventual Franciscan Friars and Fr. Vincent Petersen. To date, our parishioners have donated \$3,221.50 to this Mission Appeal. If you were unable to give, contributions will be accepted through the end of the month. Envelopes are available in the narthex and can be placed into the regular collection basket.

Eucharistic Minister training: For anyone wishing to distribute communion or bring communion to someone outside of Mass, please attend the Eucharistic minister training this **Sunday, September 18 at 12:30 pm** or **Tuesday, September 20 at 6:30 pm** in the church. Please contact Fr. Anthony if you are **unable** to attend.

ALTAR CARE-Team 3

Jeanne Barrett, Pam Warren





ALL ARE WELCOME-Every Sunday
 Sunday Catechesis for everyone
 Adults: Bible study
 Children: Traditional Catholic Education, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and Catholic Challenge

Religious Education Department



Level I and Level II atrium are in session. The children are familiarizing themselves with the work found in their space. Pray for our children that they may live a virtuous life and stand for Christ each and every day.

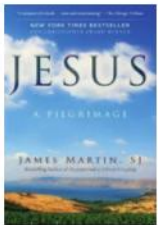


Rite of Initiation for Adults is for those desiring baptism in the Catholic Church; Formation begins now. Call the office to register at 235-8574.



Adult Bible Study—It's going to be an exciting year studying Luke and the parables. Bible Study begins on September 25. If you are planning on joining the bible study,

please call the office and let us know. The two times are 9:00 am—10:45 am and 12:00 pm—1:30 pm



Jesus: A Pilgrimage
Chapter 4: Nazareth

1. What was the most surprising aspect of the description of daily life in Nazareth?
2. One interesting facet of the Hidden life is the possibility that Jesus visited the town of Sepphoris, then being rebuilt by Herod.

Given what was said about Sepphoris in this book, how might visits there have influenced Jesus?

3. Jesus lived an ordinary life in Nazareth for (roughly) thirty years, in large part working as a *tekton*. How does his working life influence your understanding of him? *Reference: Questions from Online source-catholic.com*

OBSERVATION BOX

Facts

Feast day: September 18

Patron: Air travelers, pilots and learning disabled.

Birth: 1603 Death: 1663

Beatified by: Pope Benedict XIV in 1753

Canonized by: Pope Clement XIII in 1767

Who is this wonderful saint who often elevated in ecstatic prayers?



SPX Altar Society Fundraiser: Just a reminder for the upcoming Fall Game & Card party to be held in the parish hall on Tuesday, Oct. 4th at 6:30 pm. Hope you are getting your friends together to play your favorite games! There will be many door prizes & a Grand Prize of \$500! Get your tickets by calling Kathleen Wilson (810) 233-4105 or Pat Fearon (810) 252-5385. Tickets will go on sale after all Masses the two weekends before the event. Delicious pie & refreshments will be served. Thank you for your support!



ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC SCHOOL
FAITH MOVING FORWARD

Website: www.spxparish.com

Last week we celebrated the Exaltation of the Cross. It was a wonderful children's Mass that we celebrated. What a great gift Catholic Education is. We can worship Jesus each week and include Him in all we do.

Speaking of gifts, last week was Father Anthony's birthday. He was born on September 9th and that is also the day that is known as "National Buy Your Priest a Beer Day!" I decided to give Father a few of my home brewed beers in honor of both celebrations. Many people may not know that I am a home brewer and to be quite frank I have brewed some really good beers in my time. I've also brewed a few not so good concoctions in my days as well. It's the practice that makes perfect and in school last week the kids were learning that practice is important if we are to become great at anything. We need to continue practicing our faith most importantly.

Hopefully, Father Anthony liked his beer. Yes, I did give him one of my best beers, but I gave him a bad one too. I figure he needs practice too- at sipping them.

Keep the Faith (1 Timothy 6:12)

R.J. Kaplan

Principal

Attention all parents of children who are planning to receive a sacrament for the first time during the 2017-2018 school year: A new policy will begin starting now. Your child must either be enrolled in Catholic school **OR** be enrolled in religious education classes this year, 2016-2017 (the year before receiving the sacrament) in order to receive a sacrament the following year, 2017-2018.

Heartbeat of Greater Flint Volunteer Announcement—

We are currently in need of pro-life volunteers to help mothers and babies. You choose your own availability. Hours of operation are Monday thru Friday from 10:00 am to 2:45 pm. Please contact Barbara Daniel on Fridays at the Heartbeat office (810) 232-3101. We are also in need of gently used clothing sizes 3T to 10/12, diaper sizes 5 and 6, maternity clothing, car seats, cribs, strollers and baby furniture will also be accepted. (Please NO adult clothing unless it is maternity)

Thank you for contributing to last year's Help Spread the FAITH Appeal. Your support has allowed St. Pius X parish, through our diocese, to send you *FAITH* magazine. Your support has helped us continue evangelizing with websites, television, national efforts and our own parish initiatives. By supporting the *Help Spread the FAITH appeal* next weekend September 24 & 25, you will help us continue to reach out to people right in our own parish, diocese and nation.



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