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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., Tuesdays 5:30-6:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

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

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, 12:00 pm written or via email

Hearing difficulties?

Please ask an usher for a Personal PA receiver.

EASTER ISN'T A DAY – IT'S A SEASON!

For Catholics, Easter isn't just a single day of celebration—it's an entire season where we celebrate our new life in Christ. Just like Christmas, Easter is celebrated for an extended period of time—50 days to be exact! The feast proper is celebrated for the full octave



(Easter Sunday through Easter Saturday). Then we enter Eastertide, the longer Easter season which ends on Pentecost Sunday. During these fifty days of Easter we relive the joyous events of the Glorious Mysteries of the Holy Rosary—the Resurrection, Ascension, and the coming of the Holy Spirit on Mary and the Apostles at Pentecost. There are many ways you can make Eastertide a very special time of year for you and your family. Here are three easy ways to make the most of the Easter season this year: 1) Spread the Easter Cheer. Include the resurrection of Jesus in your Easter egg hunt and family gatherings. Remember how much Jesus loves you and how He expressed that love. 2) Increase your devotion. Find a new way to praise the Lord. 3) Divine Mercy. Add this simple prayer to your devotion time. "O Blood and Water" (Polish: O krwi i wodo), also known as conversion prayer, is a prayer to the Divine Mercy revealed by Jesus to Saint Faustina Kowalska. Its full text, as reported in the Diary, is: O blood and water, which gushed forth from the heart of Jesus as a fountain of mercy for us, I/we trust in you.



ST. PIUS X PARISH **FLINT, MICHIGAN**

The Weekly Calendar



(†Mass Intention)

SUNDAY, APRIL 1

1:00

9:00 † Christians in the Holy Land

9:00 Adult Choir (church)

11:00 † The parish **MONDAY, APRIL 2**

8:15 No Mass/No School/Parish office closed

Altar Society meeting (parish center) TUESDAY, APRIL 3, No School/Spring break † Richard Cox by Bill and Marlene Krebs 8:15

Tuesday Toasters (parish center) 8:45

5:30 NO Confessions

K of C meeting (youth room) 7:00

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4

† Bill Hartner by Kathy Hartner

THURSDAY, APRIL 5

Adult Choir practice (church)

FRIDAY, APRIL 6

8:15 † Memorial Association

SATURDAY, APRIL 7

† Memorial Association 4:30

SUNDAY, APRIL 8, DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

† Wayne Partridge by Clair and Darlene Ward 9:00

Adult Choir (church) 9:00

11:00 † The parish

Divine Mercy Chaplet (church) 3:00

The parish and school offices will be closed on Easter Monday, April 2. There will be no 8:15 am Mass



Altar Servers for April 7 & 8

4:30 A Brady, S Jamison, volunteer 9:00 D Stacy, D Dickson, volunteer

11:00 V Mathew, G Taylor, volunteer





Lectors for April 7 & 8

4:30 C Cramer

9:00 D Jones 11:00 L Calip

St. Pius X Altar Society— The St. Pius X Altar Society will hold it's monthly meeting on Monday, April 2nd at 1:00 pm in the parish center. All women of the parish are welcome!

ALTAR CARE-Team 3

Pam Warren, Janet Matuszewski



Don Antonio's Dispatch...

On behalf of the entire St. Pius X parish and Catholic school staff, Happy Easter to you and to those you love! May your life be filled with the light and joy of the Resurrection!!

The Lansing Catholic Lawyers Guild will be hosting our Annual Spring Luncheon on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 from 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm at the St. Mary Cathedral Parish Hall. We are blessed to have the Hon. Beth Clement as our main speaker. To attend, please contact: Diane Arzberger, (517) 402-2880 or lclguild@gmail.com. We encourage you to join us and celebrate faith and spirituality in the legal profession.

Morning of Prayer and Reparation for World Peace—The World Apostolate of Fatima Diocesan Morning of Prayer and Reparation for World Peace will be held at St. Mary Church, 11110 N. Saginaw St., Mt. Morris on April 7, 2018 at 9:00 am. The morning will include Divine Liturgy, Investiture in the Brown Scapular, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Holy Hour of Prayer and Rosary.



Stewardship Corner—For the next few months, we are going to be highlighting different groups in our parish. Stewardship is something we are all called to do and to be by God. We come to church each week to get closer to God. All Catholics have one goal with their religion in mind

and that is someday to be in heaven, praising our wonderful God. He is also calling us to be stewards. Our parish needs the support of everyone. Statistics state that only 20% of all the church members do all the jobs of the parish. The other 80% come to church on Saturday or Sunday and give their envelope, which is VERY important, but they leave church and that is all the involvement they have with the church. In one of Matthew Kelly's books he refers to the 80% as Sunday Catholics. Giving of yourself in service to the church groups and jobs will help you to grow closer to our wonderful Lord. Some of the articles you will read here talk about a particular group or a testimony as to how and why that person was called by God to do a particular job. We will be having a stewardship drive in the future and we really hope all of us become an active part of St. Pius X. Keep reading in future months to hear about these wonderful groups!

As you do your spring cleaning, please remember Catholic Charities' Center for Hope Community Closet. We are in need of new or gently used towels, sheets, and comforters. We will also gladly accept clothing, furniture, working appliances, household items, and personal hygiene items. For more Information, please call 810-265-7025.



OUR	WEEKLY	COLLEC	TION

Week of:	3/25/2018	Year-to-Date
Budgeted income	\$ 12,100.00	\$ 466,500.00
Actual income	\$ 11,564.00	\$ 420,447.00
Surplus (deficit)	\$ (536.00)	\$ (46,053.00)



FOLLOW ME RETURNS ON APRIL 12 AND APRIL 19 TO FINISH THIS SERIES.

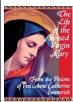
Religious Education Department

"Keep your children connected to their faith," by attending mass regularly and receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation. God's mercy and grace keeps all of us going in the right direction. Remember the sacraments are food for their soul and bodies so don't starve yourself or your children.



The Divine Mercy Apostolate is a Eucharist Apostolate active at SPX. You may join this Apostolate at any time. The study does not build on the previous week. You will need the Catechism of the Catholic Church, a bible and the first manual and of course, the Diary of St. Faustina. To order a manual go to: http://www.thedivinemercy.org/eadm/cenacle/ or find it at Amazon. The next time we meet will be April 23. The mission the members of a DM cenacle are called to do is pray the chaplet at the last hour of a dying person. If you would like the Chaplet prayed for someone you love during this time, please do not hesitate to call the office to request a cenacle member at 235-8574.

It is likewise appropriate to pray the Chaplet during the "Hour of Great Mercy" — three o'clock each afternoon (recalling the time of Christ's death on the cross). In His revelations to St. Faustina, Our Lord asked for a special remembrance of His Passion at that hour.



Marian Book study- The group meets once a month from 11-12 in the parish center. The dates are: April 11, May 9 and June 13. It's ok if you have to miss just come prepared for that week and be a part of this awesome group. Check the website under Adult Formation for the reading assignments. https://spxparish.com/book-study-1

Holy Redeemer Trivia Night! Holy Redeemer parents' group is hosting a trivia night to support Catholic education. Trivia night is at 7:00 pm, doors open at 6:30 pm on April 27th at the Holy Redeemer Family Life Center. Come by yourself, \$15 per person, or you can form a table of eight , \$100/table. Bring your own snacks and beverages. Free soft drinks are provided and free babysitting. Night includes 50/50 raffle and pizza giveaways. To make a reservation, call or email Carri or Dave Bennett at (810) 234-6973 or davecarri@comcast.net.

Camp Sancta Maria, Gaylord, MI—Looking for a fun and faith-filled place for your children or grandchildren to spend a week or two this summer? Want to help them unplug from technology and not even miss it? Look no further! Camp Sancta Maria (CSM) located in Gaylord, MI provides wholesome recreation and adventure in an atmosphere of Christian faith. CSM is a Catholic camp offering one and two week sessions for boys and one week sessions for girls. Since 1933, CSM has provided countless youth with lasting memories. Activities include daily Mass and evening prayer, horseback riding, swimming, a high and low challenge ropes course, a fifty-foot climbing wall, crafts, archery, various sports, a trip to Mackinac Island, campfires (and s'mores!) and so much more!!! Fun, faith and friendships included at no extra cost. Check out our website to lean more at www.CampSanctaMaria.org or call (248) 822-8199.



ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC SCHOOL FAITH MOVING FORWARD

Website: www.spxparish.com

He is Risen! On behalf of the St. Pius X School children and staff, we wish you a blessed Easter. Our faith guides us through the unexpected changes in our lives. Jesus showed us the way to find peace and love during his time on earth.

My name is Kasey Cronin and I will act as Interim Principal for the remainder of the year, along with Brian Sheeran, Powers Catholic Athletic Director. It is critical that we take time to thank RJ Kaplan for the tremendous devotion to the school, students, staff, and families. His impact is immeasurable and will be felt for a number of years. Please join me in showing him our gratitude.

St. Pius X is a special community to me. My husband and I were parishioners for a number of years and our children attended school here. My daughter was baptized here, and both of our children received the sacraments of Communion, Reconciliation and Confirmation in this special church. As a matter of fact, the ties that my children made with the St. Pius X community run so deep that Msgr. Groshek (former pastor) was the Celebrant for my daughter's wedding many years later.

I am a graduate of Powers Catholic High School and attribute my life's passion for education to my experience at Powers Catholic. My career began working with students with disabilities. I worked in public education for 31 years before becoming the Executive Director of Genesee County Catholic Schools. During my 31 years, I was a teacher for 17 years and have been a school administrator since 2000. My favorite role, other than being in the classroom, was that of an elementary principal. I enjoyed the daily interaction with students, staff, and families. Although I continue to serve full time as Executive Director, I am committed to SPX. Mr. Sheeran and I will collaborate to ensure a successful end of the year for all students. It is with the excitement, joy, and love of Easter that I return to the SPX community that runs so deep in my heart. Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

God bless.

Kasey V. Cronin

Interim Principal St. Pius X Catholic School Executive Director Genesee County Catholic Schools

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