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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 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.

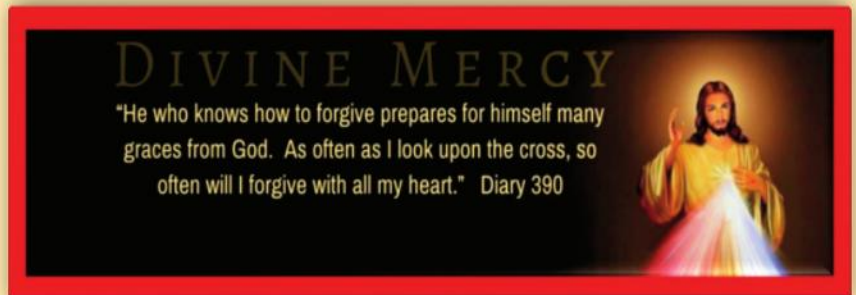
BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday, 12:00 pm written or via email

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Please ask an usher for a Personal PA receiver.

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY



Come join the Divine Mercy Cenacle at 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 8 to sing the chaplet of Divine Mercy. You will want to bring your rosary.

The Weekly Calendar



(†Mass Intention)

SUNDAY, APRIL 8

- 9:00 † Wayne Partridge by Clair and Darlene Ward
 9:00 Adult Choir (church)
 11:00 † The parish
 3:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet (church)

MONDAY, APRIL 9, School Resumes

- 8:15 † Robert Rhyne by Mary Jane Bender

TUESDAY, APRIL 10

- 8:15 † Jeanne Barrett by Bill and Marlene Krebs
 8:45 Tuesday Toasters (parish center)
 2:00 Rosary Makers (parish center)
 5:30 Confessions

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, SCHOOL MASS

- 8:15 † Kate Butler by the family
 10:00 Willowbrook communion service
 11:30 A Mary book study (parish center)

THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 1/2 day school, dismissal at 11:30am Parent/teacher conferences

- 10:30 Follow Me (parish center)
 6:00 Follow Me (parish center)
 6:45 Adult Choir practice (church)

FRIDAY, APRIL 13, No School

- 8:15 † Deacon Bernie Pohl by St. Pius X parish

SATURDAY, APRIL 14

Superdraw ticket sales after Mass in the Narthex

- 10:00 Worship Committee (teacher's lounge)
 2:00 Victorious Missionaries (parish center)
 4:30 † Norma Tiong by Vicente and Teodora Carino and family

SUNDAY, APRIL 15

Superdraw tickets sales after all Masses in the Narthex

- 8:30 Morning prayer (church)
 9:00 † Garry Wilson by Kathleen Wilson (5th anniversary)
 9:00 Adult Choir (church)
 10:00 K of C Pancake breakfast (comm room)
 11:00 † The parish
 6:00 Confirmation prep (youth room/comm room)
 7:00 SPX/St. Robert's Youth Group (St. Robert's)

Altar Servers for April 14 & 15

- 4:30 T Weeks, G Weeks, volunteer
 9:00 D Stacy, D Dickson, volunteer
 11:00 S Jamison, L Danic, volunteer



Lectors for April 14 & 15

- 4:30 C Smith
 9:00 B Kessler
 11:00 J Love

ALTAR CARE-Team 4

Kathleen Wilson, Pat Fearon, Clara Wylie



Don Antonio's Dispatch...

Happy Divine Mercy Sunday! As you have noticed or shortly will notice, I'm not here this weekend; I'm on vacation. Please make sure and warmly welcome Fr. David Harvey back, who will be covering our weekend Masses.

The beautiful gift of Divine Mercy is something that is a perennial focus of the Church, but has especially become more popular in the past few years. Mercy is one of the expressions of God's love for us. He gives His grace (His life) to us, so that we can recognize where we have not lived up to being disciples of Jesus, and then forgives us when we turn back to Him with sorrow for our sins and a desire to avoid our sins in the future. Mother Angelica, and I think she got this from St. Faustina, said that our sins are like a drop in the ocean of God's mercy. God's mercy is so much more powerful than anything we can do, as long as we turn back to the Lord for forgiveness.

If you haven't ever prayed the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, it's a beautiful and brief set of prayers that connect us with God's mercy. You can learn more about it at: <http://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/praythechaplet.php>.

People have started dropping off religious articles, books, and pamphlets in our narthex. While I appreciate their good intentions, it can often make our narthex look cluttered. Please check with Fr. Anthony or Michelle Ruth in the office before putting anything in the narthex (including posters). Thank you for your cooperation!

Last, and not least, this Sunday our Orthodox brothers and sisters celebrate Easter. For the calculation of Easter, we use the Gregorian calendar (the calendar as we know it now; Pope Gregory XIII updated it in 1582 to adjust for a lack of accuracy from the previous Julian calendar). The Orthodox, however, for Easter still use the Julian calendar, so their Easter is almost always different than ours (last year, however, it was the same). Differing dates for Easter have existed since at least AD 325, when the Council of Nicea decreed that Easter would be celebrated on the first Sunday after the first full Moon after the vernal (Spring) equinox. Before that, some Christians followed the date of Passover for the celebration of Easter and would celebrate it whenever 14 Nissan (on the Jewish calendar) fell. They were called Quartodecimans (from the Latin for the number 14). But the Church (almost fully united at that point) eventually felt that, because Christ rose on a Sunday, it should always be celebrated on a Sunday. So in 325 it was adjusted. One day, perhaps all Christians can celebrate Easter on the same day in both East and West. Until then, Happy Easter to the Orthodox! Χριστος Ανεστη! Αλιθως ανεστη! (Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed!)

St. Pius X Altar Society— The St. Pius X Altar Society will sponsor a bake sale after all the Masses on Saturday, April 21 and Sunday, April 22. All proceeds will benefit the parish. Any donation of baked goods will be greatly appreciated. Please stop by the tables after Mass and purchase some delicious baked goods. Thank you!

OUR WEEKLY COLLECTION

Week of:	4/1/2018	Year-to-Date
Budgeted income	\$ 15,500.00	\$ 482,000.00
Actual income	\$ 11,682.01	\$ 432,129.01
Surplus (deficit)	\$ (3,817.99)	\$ (49,870.99)

Holy Land/Good Friday

\$ 1,111.00



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

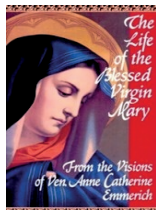
Religious Education Department

"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>



Hope In a Box
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Diocese of Lansing—The Lansing Catholic Lawyers Guild will be hosting their Annual Spring Luncheon on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 from 12:00pm-1:30pm at the St. Mary Cathedral Parish Hall, Lansing. The Honorable Beth Clement will be the main speaker. If you would like to attend the Luncheon, please send an email at lclguild@gmail.com. **Deadline for registering for the Luncheon is May 8, 2018.** We encourage you to join us and celebrate faith and spirituality in the legal profession.

ARE YOU PLANNING A PARTY? Looking for a hall for a graduation or anniversary party? Consider renting the Bishop Povish Community Room or the parish hall at St. Pius X. Call the parish office for availability and rental rates (810) 235-8574.



ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC SCHOOL FAITH MOVING FORWARD

Website: www.spxparish.com

Parents who are interested in enrolling their child/children for the 2018-2019 school year may call the school office with any questions and concerns at (810) 235-8572. We will be happy to speak with you and set up a time for you and your child to come and visit our school. Remember, you can also find information on the school link at our parish website: www.spxparish.com.

God bless,

Kasey V. Cronin

Interim Principal
St. Pius X Catholic School

Executive Director
Genesee County Catholic Schools

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

St. Pius X Catholic School

Awesome 80's Dinner Auction

Saturday, April 28, 2018

in the St. Pius X Community Room.

Tickets will be on sale beginning
Monday, April 9 in the school office.

Super Draw tickets are also
available for purchase.



ST. PIUS X SCHOOL ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT is selling Spring Flowers. Items for sale include 10" hanging Ivy Geranium, \$15; 10" hanging New Guinea Impatiens, \$15; 10" hanging Reiger Begonia, \$20; 10" Fuchsia Hanging basket, \$20; 12" Porch Pot combination, \$20 and 18" Geranium combination Porch Pot, \$45. These flowers make wonderful Mother's Day gifts and will be available for pick-up around the first weekend in May (watch bulletin for date). **Orders are being accepted in the school office until Monday, April 23, 2017 at noon.** Thank you for your support!



Aquinas College Visit Day – Friday, April 20th

Aquinas College in Grand Rapids is hosting an AQDay for all high school juniors and seniors interested in visiting their beautiful 117-acre campus. The Admissions Office invites you to come and discover what life at AQ is really all about. Get the inside scoop on academics, athletics, scholarships, service learning, study abroad, and more. Please visit aquinas.edu/aqday for more details or to register for the event on April 20th.

Altar Flowers may be ordered by calling the Church Office at (810) 235-8574. Flowers may be put in Church weekends of ordinary time. There are no flowers during the seasons of Advent or Lent.

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