



St. Pius X Parish

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.
G-3139 Hogarth Avenue, Flint, MI 48532

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PARISH STAFF

Pastor Fr. Anthony J. Strouse
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Choir Director.....Kelli Kelly
Organist.....Aritta Oh

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SUNDAY MASSES

4:30 p.m. (Sat.); 9:30 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.; Sundays 8:30 to 9:00 a.m.;
 Tuesdays 5:30 to 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

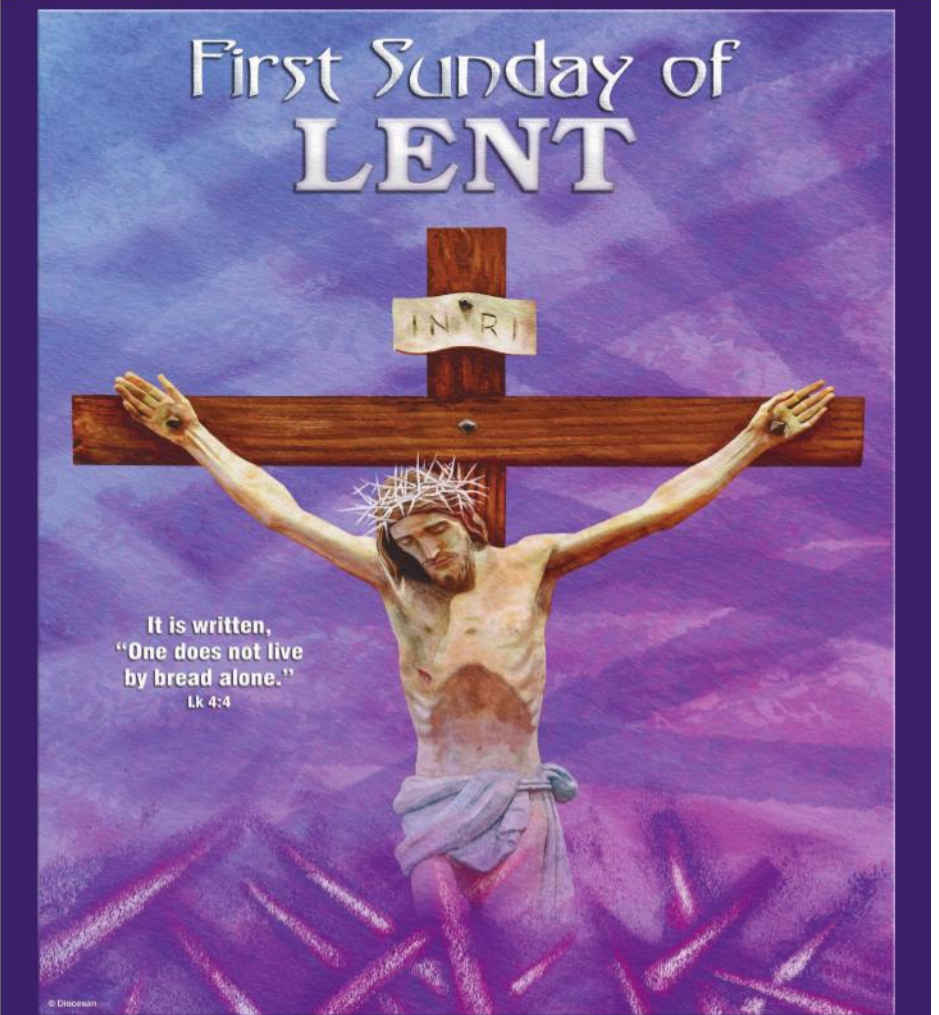
Call the rectory if you are aware of anyone who is homebound.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday, 12:00 pm written or via email

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Please ask an usher for a Personal PA receiver.



The Weekly Calendar

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

(†Mass Intention)

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, Daylight savings time begins

8:30 Confessions
 9:00 Morning prayer
 9:30 Adult Choir (church)
 9:30 † Harry L. Parker by Gloria Hourany
 5:00 Confirmation Prep (school)
 7:00 Youth Group at St. Robert's

MONDAY, MARCH 11

8:15 (no intention)
 6:00 Divine Mercy (parish center)

TUESDAY, MARCH 12

8:15 † Rita Rinoldo by Barb and Monica Genovesi
 8:45 Tuesday Toasters (parish center)
 5:30 Confessions

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, School Mass

8:15 † Bill Hartner by the family
 6:00 Book Study begins hosted by Denise Williams (parish center)

THURSDAY, MARCH 14

8:15 Traditional Stations (church)
 10:00 "Catholicism" video & discussions (parish center)
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 7:00 Adult Choir practice (church)

FRIDAY, MARCH 15, School 1/2 day, dismissal 11:30

7:00 Adoration (church)
 8:15 (no intention)
 8:45 Adoration (church)
 9:00 North End Soup Kitchen, Stewart Ave (team 1)
 5:30 Soup Supper begins (comm room)
 6:15 Lenten Reflections
 7:00 Stations (church)

SATURDAY, MARCH 16, U of M health & wellness in the Narthex after Mass

10:00 Victorious Missionaries (parish center)
 3:00 Confessions
 4:30 † The parish

SUNDAY, MARCH 17, SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT U of M health & wellness in the Narthex after Mass

8:30 Confessions
 9:00 Morning prayer
 9:30 Adult Choir (church)
 9:30 † Leona Boyer by Nancy Boyer
 5:00 Confirmation Prep (school)
 7:00 Youth Group at St. Robert's

Altar Servers for March 16 & 17

4:30 T Weeks, G Weeks, D Dickson
 9:30 Volunteer, S Jamison, B Jamison



OUR WEEKLY COLLECTION

Week of:	Mar 3, 2019	Year-to-Date
Budgeted income	\$ 11,470.65	\$ 361,460.27
Actual income	\$ 9,729.00	\$ 352,206.02
Surplus (deficit)	\$ (1,741.65)	\$ (9,254.25)

Don Antonio's Dispatch...

Here we are in the first full week of Lent. Hopefully, your Lenten sacrifices (giving up something and/or doing something extra) are going well. Often times it can help if we let one or two other people who can help, keep us accountable. You might consider sharing your Lenten sacrifice with a good friend, and ask them to check up on your progress each week. Our FORMED platform is one great way to grow in your relationship with Jesus during Lent. Don't forget to sign-up (if you haven't already) at spxparishflint.formed.org, and follow the instructions to register.

There is no saint on the general calendar, but, as I mentioned before, there is a saint for every day of the year. So this week I'm focusing on St. Maud. St. Maud was the daughter of a powerful Saxon count. While she was growing up, she lived in a monastery where her grandmother was an abbess. In 913, she married Henry, Duke of Saxony, who later became king of Germany, making her the queen. She promoted devotion and humility in her prayers and meditations. She visited the sick regularly, taught the poor, and gave support to prisoners. She had three sons: Otho (who later became emperor); Henry, Duke of Bavaria, and St. Brunn, Archbishop of Cologne. Her sons actually took money from their mother, saying that she was squandering the state's money on the poor, but later repented and gave it back. She gave alms to help the poor, and founded many churches and five monasteries. She died on 14 March (the day she is remembered still) 968.

LENTEN CANTATA—We hope you will experience with us the events of the cross and be ready to enter Holy Week with this inspirational presentation, *"Once Upon a Tree"* featuring the St. Pius X Choir under the direction of Kelli Kelly on Friday, April 12, 2019. For more information, call the church office. Watch bulletins for future updates. To those of you interested in participating in the Lenten Cantata, please contact Kelli Kelly, Choir Director at: kelli2kellyk@yahoo.com or call the church office (810) 235-8574. Regular rehearsals are Thursdays at 7:00 pm. Rehearsal for the Cantata starts at 8:00 pm.



Next weekend our parish will conduct

Commitment Weekend for our Diocesan Services Appeal. This is when we will be asking each member of St. Pius X parish to consider a generous gift to DSA. Our parish goal of \$52,383 can be reached if each one of us shares a portion of the many blessings God has bestowed upon us. Please prayerfully consider how you or your family will respond to this call to carry on Christ's work in our

community. "God is able to make every grace abundant for you, so that in all things.....you may have an abundance for every good work." Every good work! That is exactly what results from our collective support for our annual appeal. Our contributions are put to work, right away, in a multitude of ministries to offer direct assistance to Offer direct assistance to individuals and families and to our parishes and schools.



Lectors for March 16 & 17

4:30 J Love 9:30 A Jamison

ALTAR CARE-Team 4

Kathleen Wilson, Pat Fearon, Clara Wylie



Faith Formation

Adult Faith Formation/RCIA at St. Pius X—RCIA is for someone who has never been baptized, or for someone who has been baptized in another faith, but would like to know more about being Catholic. Contact the church office (810) 235-8574 or see Fr. Anthony or Deacon Dave Jansen.



During Lent! A book study on Wednesday nights in the parish center **begins on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at 6:00 pm** in the parish center. We will study the book that the parish gave us, "The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity". This book study will be led by Denise Williams.

St. Pius X parish Adult Faith Formation—Join us as we continue Bishop Robert Barron's video and discussion series, "Catholicism". You can choose to attend the class on Thursday mornings at 10:00 am or Thursday evenings at 6:00 pm. Next classes will be on **Thursday, March 14th**.

Lenten Soup Suppers 2019—Join us during Fridays of Lent for Soup Suppers in the community room at 5:30 pm. Following this time of socializing and good food, Fr. Anthony will share a Lenten Reflection at 6:15 pm and lead Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm. All parishioners are welcome to come. If you would like to provide a soup for any of these six evenings, please call Alice Fritz at (810) 695-7990.

Attention Altar Servers and Lectors: For those of you interested in serving or reading at our Holy Week Masses, the sign-up sheets for Altar Servers and Lectors for *Palm Sunday* and *Holy Thursday through Easter Sunday* are now available in the Sacristy. Please sign up if you are available to help serve or read at our Holy Week Masses. As always, thank you for your time.



St. Pius X parish Easter Flowers during the Easter season—Acknowledge your loved ones with a gift of flowers to help beautify the church during the Easter season. You will be able to take the flower(s) home on May 4/5. **Orders must be received by March 18, 2019. Order forms are available in the Narthex and church office. Thank you!**



SPX/St. Robert's Youth Group: All High Schoolers join us this Sunday, March 10, 2019 for a faith-filled, fun evening at St. Robert's, in Flushing.

Knights of Columbus Fundraiser—The singing Knights are serving a chicken dinner at the Masonic Temple Dining room, 755 S. Saginaw, Flint, MI on Sunday, March 17 from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm. Cost is \$12 per person, \$10 for children 12 and under. Proceeds benefit the chorus. You can buy tickets at the door. If you have any questions, please call Jim Lusty at (810) 636-7328. Hope to see you there!



St. Patrick's Day Box Lunch Sale! Thursday, March 14, 2019. Catholic Charities Invites you to join the Celebration! Lunches include a delicious sandwich, stacked high with

corned beef & Swiss on rye, chips, coleslaw, pickle and a treat! All for only \$8. Drive-Thru 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Located at 901 Chippewa St. (behind St. Michael's Church in Flint) All proceeds go to Catholic Charities Center for Hope. You will find Order forms in the Narthex.



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It is a very busy time at SPX! Last Thursday, we hosted Parent Teacher conferences. It was a night full of meaningful conversations. In this day and age of technology where virtual communication is readily available, it is refreshing to have the face-to-face interaction where parents and staff can share stories of progress and identify areas of potential growth. We moved conferences earlier in the year than usual so adjustments could be made if needed.

Following conferences, we had a full day of school on Friday with the "Celebration of our School" party after dismissal. This was another wonderful celebration of community where parents could register for next year, learn more about our upcoming auction and ask questions of a Powers representative while the students enjoyed pizza, games, and bounce houses in the gym courtesy of the PPTA. It was one last hurrah before Lent.

During lunch on Friday, one of the SPX parishioners, Hilda McShane, treated the staff to some **UNBELIEVABLE** enchiladas in appreciation for everyone's hard work and ability to adapt our offerings to meet student's academic needs even on snow days! Special thanks to Hilda for her selfless generosity. It was a delicious meal to enjoy in the middle of two very busy days. To say our staff loved them is an understatement. Hilda makes Lenten enchiladas for Catholic Charities every Friday. Give them a try! You will be happy you did!

In preparation for Lent, we have been learning more about our virtues of self-control and hope. Those continue to be lifelong lessons for all of us. Please keep our school in your prayers as you will continue to be in ours.

God Bless,
Brian Sheeran
Principal, St. Pius X
www.spxchargers.org

SAVE THE DATE! St. Pius X Catholic School "Awesome 80's" Dinner Auction

will be held on Saturday,
April 27, 2019
in the St. Pius X Community Room.
Mark your calendars! Purchase your Super Draw tickets now on sale in the school office!



St. Pius X Catholic School, Flint, MI is accepting applications for a part-time Child Care/Teacher Assistant Position. Please attach your cover letter, resume and references to the online application at: dioceseofflansing.org. The position remains open until filled. If you have specific questions, please call St. Pius X school office (810) 235-8572 or email our Child Care Director, Katrina Karsten at: kkarsten@stpiousxcatholic.org

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