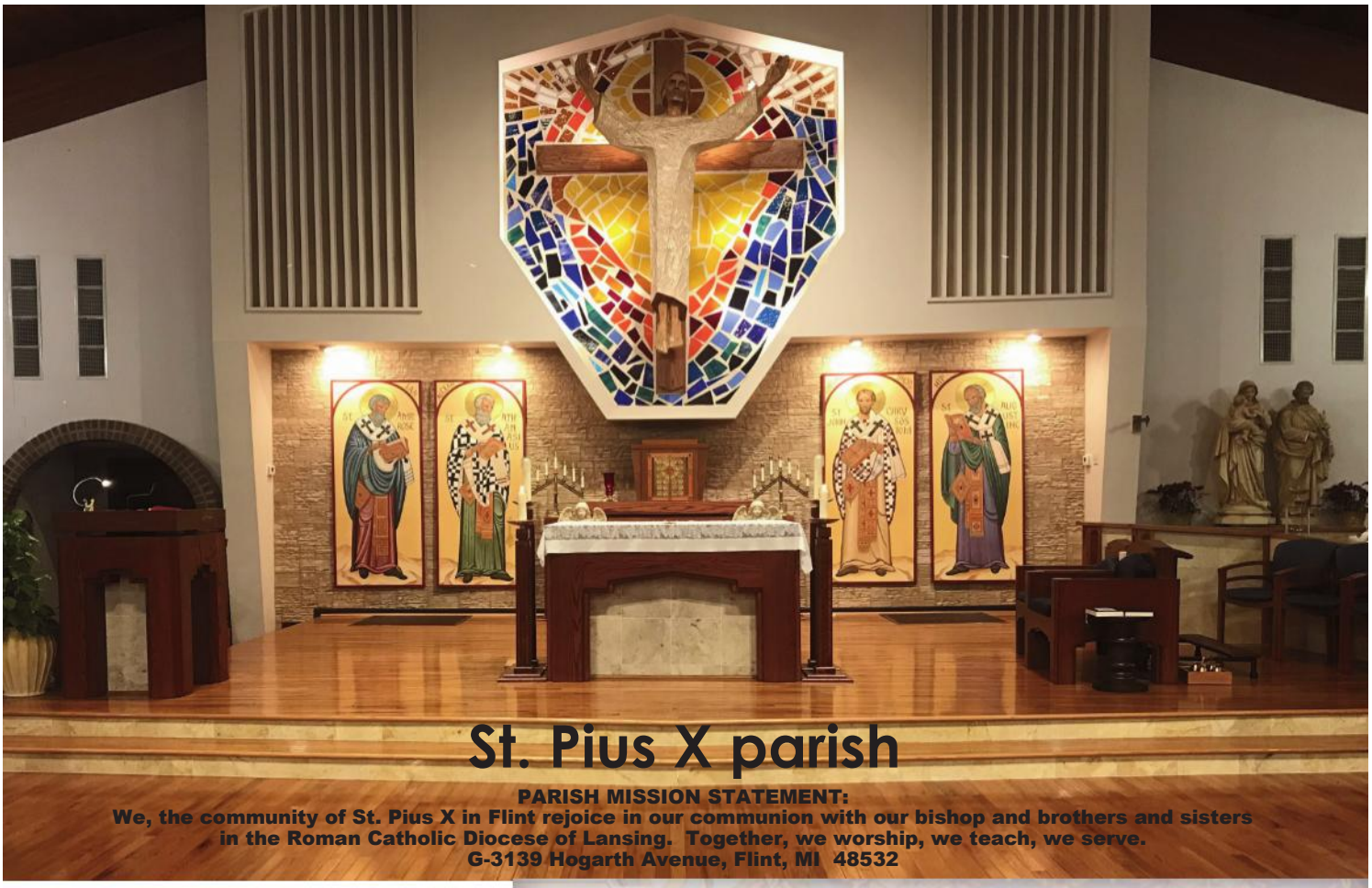

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SUNDAY MASSES

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.

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

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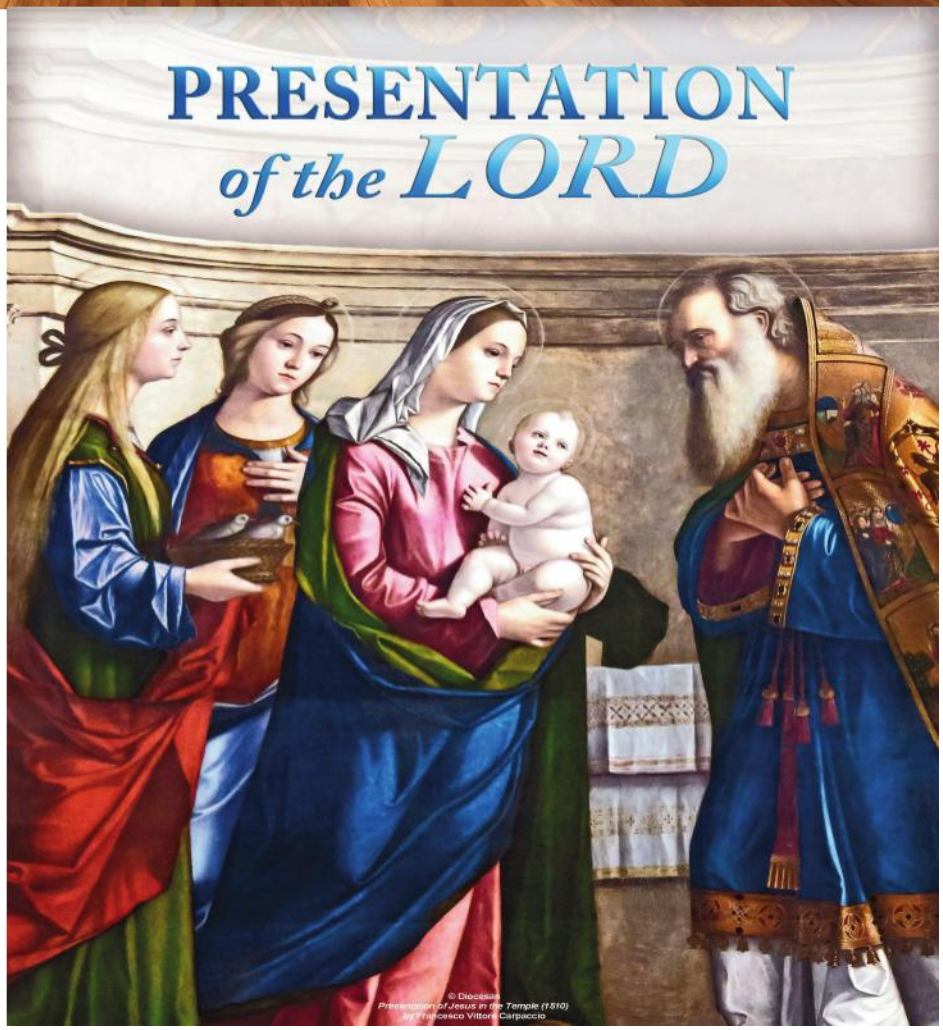

The Weekly Calendar
THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
(†Mass Intention)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2, Blessing of Throats after Mass
8:30 Confessions
9:00 Morning prayer
9:30 † The parish [with Adult choir]
10:30 K of C/PPTA pancake/waffle breakfast (comm room)
10:45 Liturgy Bible Study (parish center)
12:30 K of C Free throw contest (comm room)
7:00 No youth group

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, Feast of St. Blaise
8:00 † Diane Pierce by Bill and Marlene Krebs (birthday remembrance)
1:00 Altar Society meeting (parish center)
6:15 Divine Mercy (parish center)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4
8:00 † Ben Wylie by Helen Gonyea
8:45 Tuesday Toasters (parish center)
10:00 Book of Acts (parish center)
5:30 Confessions (church)
6:00 Book of Acts (parish center)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, School Mass
8:00 † Arthur and Laverne Klein by Kathleen Klein and family
11:30 A Mary Book study (parish center)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6
7:00 Adult Choir practice (church)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 7th/8th grade school Mass
7:00 Adoration
8:00 † Memorial Association
6:00 SPX PPTA Family bowling night, Galaxy Lanes

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8
3:00 Confessions
4:30 † Vera Hale by Renae and Dennis LaRocque
5:45 Faith Formation Movie Night (parish center)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, Bring in old palms to be burned
8:30 Confessions
9:00 Morning prayer
9:30 † The parish [with Adult Choir]
10:45 Liturgy Bible Study (parish center)
7:00 Youth Group at St. Robert's, Flushing

Altar Servers for February 8 & 9

4:30 D Dickson, G Zick, volunteer
9:30 G Taylor, R Davies, volunteer

Lectors for February 8 & 9
4:30 C Smith 9:30 D Jones

***SAVE THE DATE!* Lifetouch**

photography will be at St. Pius X parish on May 1, 2020; May 2, 2020 and May 12, 2020 to photograph for the ***new*** St. Pius X directory.

Dynamic Catholic—*BEST LENT EVER*, Your 40-Day Journey of Amazing Possibilities Begins Soon. For parishioners, and anyone who would like to sign up for *Best Lent Ever*, daily reflections, programs and readings, the link below allows you to connect with Dynamic Catholic resources:
https://dynamiccatholic.com/email-sign-up

Don Antonio's Dispatch…

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. This is one of the feasts that supersedes the usual Sunday in Ordinary Time celebration. We celebrate Mary and Joseph presenting Jesus in the temple, according to the Law of Moses, and Sts. Simeon and Anna encountering the Lord. Because Jesus is the light of the world, this was the also the time that candles were blessed (leading it to be called Candlemas). At our principal Mass on Sunday, we will bless candles that will be used in our upcoming months. Usually most people don't get to see it, as this feast day is celebrated during the week, but because it is celebrated on Sunday, many more of us will get a chance to join in these ancient rituals.

If you went to Mass last Sunday, you noticed that there were three extra candles on the altar. It is a long-standing practice that, when the diocesan bishop celebrates Mass, you have seven candles. The Book of Revelation speaks about 7 lampstands in heaven, representing the fullness of the churches. So when the diocesan bishop celebrates Mass, it is the fullness of the church present in microform in the parish.

Unrelatedly, I've purchased some different types of incense that we'll use when we have incense. If you like (or dislike) any of them, please let me know. One of them in particular is not as heavy, and may be easier on those who struggle with incense.

Here's our *Catechism* paragraph for the week:

> The *presentation of Jesus in the temple* shows him to be the firstborn Son who belongs to the Lord. With Simeon and Anna, all Israel awaits its *encounter* with the Savior–the name given to this even in the Byzantine tradition. Jesus is recognized as the one-expected Messiah, the "light to the nations" and the "glory of Israel," but also "a sign that is spoken against." The sword of sorrow predicted for Mary announces Christ's perfect and unique oblation on the cross that will impart the salvation God has "prepared in the presence of all peoples." (n. 529)

St. Pius X will be participating in a parish-wide survey! Please read—St. Pius X will be participating in a parish survey about discipleship conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute. We need your help!! **Please help us by participating in a 10-15 minute survey online.** The survey can be accessed at: www.disciplemakerindex.com from **February 8-29**, and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow. All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole. We are trying to get the highest response rate possible. This information will be invaluable to **Fr. Anthony** and our various ministries as we plan for the future and strive to be the best disciples we can be. We will receive the results this spring/summer at which time we will share what we have learned with the entire parish. ***If you don't use the computer -*** there will be opportunities to complete the survey after daily and Sunday Masses and you can obtain a paper copy by contacting Michelle Ruth at (810) 235-8574. Thank you for helping with this important project!

OUR WEEKLY COLLECTION

Week of:	1/26/2020	2019-2020 Year-to-Date
Budgeted income	$ 9,645.49	$ 286,143.94
Actual income	$ 15,163.00	$ 258,433.79
Surplus (deficit)	$ 5,517.51	$ (27,710.15)

Faith Formation

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith or would like to become Catholic, please contact Colleen Ontko, Faith Formation Director in the church office at (810) 235-8574.

Lectionary Bible Study—Join us on Sunday, February 2, 2020 at 10:45 am in the parish center for faith and fellowship. Refreshments provided.

The **"Book of Acts" bible study group invites you to join them on Tuesday, February 4.** Meetings are at 10:00 am to 12:00 noon and in the evening from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the parish center. Hope to see you there!

The Divine Mercy Apostolate is a Eucharist Apostolate active at SPX. Come and join us when we meet again on **Monday, February 3, 2020** from 6:15 pm -7:45 pm in the parish center.

"Walking with Mary: A Biblical Journey", by Edward Sri—Next meeting is February 5, 2020 from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm in the parish center with Lynn Francis. A biblical study focuses on the life of Mary, beginning at her initial calling in Nazareth, to her painful experience at the cross. This book may help you to know, understand and love Mary.

Upcoming event-Movie & dinner night **presenting "It Happened One Night" and spaghetti dinner.** Enjoy **movie and dinner on Saturday, February 8th at 5:45 pm (right after 4:30 pm Mass) in the parish center.** Please RSVP Colleen Ontko at: **dirfaithformationspx@gmail.com** or call (248) 459-1588.

Catholic Men's Conference-- The Catholic Diocese of Lansing & Knights of Columbus invite you to ***Rise Up and Accept the Challenge***. Hear Dynamic speakers, Mass and Adoration, great food & music! Held on Saturday, February 22, 2020 from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm at University of Michigan Oosterbaan Field House, 1202 S. State St., Ann Arbor, MI 48104. See flyer in the Narthex.

Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians Luck of the Irish Casino Bus Trip fundraiser departs on Thursday, March 26, 2020 from St. Mary Queen of Angels, 4413 Morrish Rd., Swartz Creek. The bus departs at 10:00 am, arriving at Soaring Eagle at 11:30 am. We will leave the Casino at 3:30 pm arriving back at St. Mary's at 5:00 pm. $40 per person, includes $20 back in gaming and $5 in food. Please call Kathleen (810) 429-2535 to reserve your seat. Must be 18 years of age and have valid ID.

ALTAR CARE-Team 3
Pam Warren, Janet Matuszewski

"And sing the love amazing…"

"Cracking the Code!" No, this is not a new mystery book. There is a special code to identifying hymns. All hymn tunes have a special name which is different than the title. In our hymnal, the hymn names are on the bottom of the page in capitalized letters. Some names are obvious. "Angels We Heard on High" is *GLORIA*. Others are named for a town or place. "Amazing Grace" is *NEW BRITAIN*. Some are named for saints. "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" is *ST THEODULPH*. And some hymns have no name! "For All the Saints" is *SINE NOMINE* which, in Latin, means "without a name".

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Catholic Schools Week!

As Catholic Schools Week approached, most of our school groups made plans with generally the same goals, have fun, try new things and give everyone a chance to experience our faith. For instance, last Saturday night, the Student Council planned middle school lock-in activities that would give all students a chance to interact, and play group games such as hide and seek in the dark throughout the school, board games and dodge ball. The adult chaperones also enjoyed the dodge ball game. Team Jamison was very successful. Seeing everyone so enthusiastic was a great start to Catholic Schools Week. It was so wonderful to see the kids celebrate our school and their friendships.

Throughout the week we focused on the national Catholic Schools Week themes. The PPTA did a wonderful job associating different activities with those themes. Our Italia Gardens Family Night fundraiser on Monday was an incredible success. Their staff was so impressed by the turnout. They said it was the second largest crowd they have seen for a similar fundraiser. It was one of the first times I was truly happy to have a difficult time finding a parking spot! Later in the week, the PPTA gave the students bookmarks with the SPX crest and added a St. Josephine Bakhita's quote, *"Be good, love the Lord, pray for those who do not know Him. What a great grace it is to know God."* It was the perfect keepsake and reminder for students. I look forward to sharing more about Catholic Schools Week in future bulletins.

Keep in mind that early bird pricing ($30 instead of $35) for the auction ends February 4, so please stop by the office to pick up yours soon.

Thank you for your continued support and please keep our students in your prayers.

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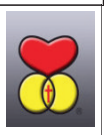
Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend—Forget the flowers and candy! Romance your spouse this Valentine's Day with the gift of *time with you*. Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend at St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt, MI on February 28 through March 1, 2020. Apply at: wwme.org or contact Chris & Darla Vinton (269) 953-8287 for more information.



SPX/St. Robert's High School Youth Group: Join us this Sunday, January 26 for *Discipleship Night* from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at St. Robert's, Flushing.

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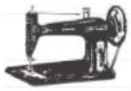

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