

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.
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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

Hearing difficulties?

Please ask an usher for a Personal PA receiver.



The Weekly Calendar

30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

†Mass Intention)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 25% capacity Mass

8:30 Confessions
 9:00 Morning prayer
 9:30 † Wayne Partridge by Julia Partridge
 7:00 No Youth Group

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 25% capacity Mass

8:00 † Deacon James Martinez by St. Pius X parish
 5:30 Divine Mercy (parish center)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 25% capacity Mass

7:40 Rosary (church)
 8:00 Special intentions for Lise' and Peter Dickson
 in celebration of their 19th wedding anniversary
 by Lise' Dickson
 5:30 Confessions (church)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 25% capacity Mass

8:00 (no Mass intention)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 25% capacity Mass

7:00 Adoration
 8:00 Special intentions in thanksgiving by Laraine Tiong

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, 25% capacity Mass

1:00 Liturgy Bible study *via Zoom*
 3:00 Confessions
 4:30 † The parish

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 25% capacity Mass

ALL SAINTS DAY

Daylight Savings Time ends

8:30 Confessions
 9:00 Morning prayer
 9:30 † Cecilia Satkowiak by the family
 3:00 Memorial daytime prayer service (church)
 7:00 Youth Group at St. Robert's, Flushing

Readings for October 25

*I love you, Lord,
 my strength.* Exodus 22:20-26
 Psalm 18:2-3,3-4,47,51
 1 Thessalonians 1:5c—10
 Matthew 22:34-40



Lectors for October 31 & November 1

4:30 J Love 9:30 A Jamison



**Don't forget! Daylight savings time
 ends next Sunday, November 1, 2020
 Remember to set your clocks back.**

OUR WEEKLY COLLECTION

Week of:	10/18/2020	2020-2021 Year-to-Date
Budgeted income	\$ 7,400.00	\$ 118,400.00
Actual income	\$ 5,861.07	\$ 122,242.55
Surplus (deficit)	\$ (1,538.93)	\$ 3,842.55

Don Antonio's Dispatch...

Today in Palestine and among the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre (the group to which I belong that promotes the well-being of Christians in the Holy Land), the Church celebrates Our Lady of Palestine. This is a way of the Church celebrating our Blessed Mother's special love for the land in which she grew up, and the people who still inhabit that land. Of the Christians who live there, many struggle to eke out a living day-by-day. Many rely on the tourism industry (directly or indirectly) which has been non-existent since the world shut down in March because of COVID. I know many of you donated to help them for the Pontifical Collection for the Holy Land. Maybe today you could pray a decade of the Rosary for them.

I know it's still a little ways away, but we're already planning for Christmas. Part of our planning ahead is realizing that things are going to need to be different because of COVID-19. I'll be working to make sure that we can disinfect our church after every Mass, and, unless something drastically changes, our plan is to continue to block off every other pew to promote social distancing.

Our proposed Mass schedule is as follows:

**4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve; 6:30 p.m. Christmas Eve;
 12:00 Midnight Mass; 10:00 a.m. Christmas Day.**

Usually our 4:00 p.m. Mass is pretty full (without social distancing), so we're going to be implementing a sign-up sheet for the two Christmas Eve Masses (4:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.). We don't expect there to be an overly large crowd for the other two Masses (midnight and 10 a.m.). **If you plan on attending the 4:00 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. Mass, please call the parish office (810-235-8574) to reserve your spot(s). Seating will be limited to 110 people per Mass to ensure social distancing.** I'll be working with ushers to maximize our seating potential at those Masses by having them seat you in a pew. Often times family comes to Mass as well, so please include any visiting family members in your sign-up. As is the case currently, your obligation to attend Mass is vitiated if you feel that coming to Mass would endanger your health due to COVID-19. But we're going to do everything we can to make it as safe and hygienic as possible.

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

In response to the question about the first of the commandments, Jesus says: "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

The apostle St. Paul reminds us of this: "He who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law. The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery, You shall not kill, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,' and any other commandment, are summed up in this sentence, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law." (n. 2196)

Visit Bishop Robert Barron's website WordOnFire.org

The site hosts daily blog posts, weekly articles and video commentaries, and an extensive audio archive of over 500 homilies. His weekly, high-quality productions include brief and lively theological reviews of contemporary culture, including movies, books, music, current events, and more.

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 Janet Cassidy, Faith Formation department in the church office at (810) 235-8574.

As a parish, St. Pius X is moving toward **intentional discipleship**. A disciple is a follower of Christ; being intentional means we are purposefully, consciously growing in our understanding of how to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ.

That can be challenging for us. Too often we feel like we don't know enough, or fear we will offend someone. Maybe we think going to Mass is enough to call ourselves a disciple (it's not).

The truth is, God calls each of us *according to our own abilities*. Every single one of us can do *something* towards building up God's kingdom. Maybe it is learning how to talk to someone about the faith; maybe it is being a quiet prayer warrior, or maybe it is providing a service. Whatever discipleship looks like for you, WE NEED YOU!

Mark your calendar for our next *Faith Chat* set for **Wednesday, November 4, 2020**. I hope you will join us! This is your invitation to learn about discipleship! Don't worry, you will not be "roped" into doing something you don't want to do. Discipleship is using your natural gifts for the Lord.

Are you ready? We can do this together!

Janet Cassidy
Dir. Adult Faith Formation
dirfaithformation@gmail.com

NOTE: St. Pius X parish has a few free copies of the *Guide to the Mass for Visual Learners* for those who might find them helpful. This book is designed specifically for learners with autism spectrum disorder, but is suitable for others in need of a visual aid. If you would like a copy, please contact the parish office (810) 235-8574.



Lectionary Bible Study—Please join us via Zoom!

Deacon Dave will lead lectionary bible study on Saturdays from 1:00 pm to 1:30 pm. For those of you interested, please send your email address to get the

Zoom link at spxparish@gmail.com. If you are new to Zoom, we can send you a test run before the group meeting.



The Divine Mercy Apostolate is a Eucharist Apostolate active at SPX. The cenacle will meet on **Monday, October 26 at 5:30 pm in the parish center.** Bring your bible, the DM diary and the CCC.

"And sing the love amazing..."

Next Sunday, November 1, is All Saints Day. The hymn that we associate with this day is *For All the Saints*. The melody, which is almost a marching tune, was written by the English composer Ralph Vaughan Williams. In 1906, when he was the editor of a new hymnbook, he wanted to use this hymn but could not obtain permission to use it. Not to be deterred, he wrote his own melody, and it has become one of the most famous of all hymns. Every hymn tune has a generic "name." But, *For All the Saints* has no name! Vaughan Williams called his hymn tune "Sine Nomine," which is Latin for "without a name."

Joseph Dobos, Director of Sacred Music,
spxsacredmusic@gmail.com

Prayers for the sick and homebound~

Please pray for the healing of:

Msgr. Richard Groshek, Bob Copeland, Kathleen Klein, Bob Esia, Nicole Rozboril, Sharon Guza, Judy Lancaster, Patrick Matlock, Dave Thiese, Ron Henige, and Sondra Bigelow

May they fully recover to good health.

(Please call the parish office (810) 235-8574 if you or a family member is in need of prayer. Names will be removed after 3 weeks, but can be renewed with a phone call)



Monthly Parish Intention

Let us pray for our fellow parishioners who are struggling financially during this time of uncertainty.

Faith Chat at SPX -- Join us in our upcoming **Faith Chat** via conference call. Our next one is scheduled for Wednesday, **November 4th at 7:00 pm**. Remember, all you need to do is dial **(425) 436-6350** (make sure you have free long distance) and enter the **Access Code 1121247#**. Our Faith Formation Director, Janet Cassidy, will be on the line waiting for you, along with other callers. **Faith Chat** will be held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 7:00 pm. Please watch the bulletin for the next scheduled call.



St. Pius X parish will soon be taking orders for Christmas Wreaths & Grave Blankets. Look for more details and Order forms in upcoming bulletins. Order forms will also be available in the church office. Please call the church office (810) 235-8572 with any questions.



St. Francis Retreat Center - Married Couples weekend

December 4 - 6, 2020: Join us for a weekend away from the frenzied state of the world to reconnect with your spouse and God. The weekend includes a Renewal of Vows ceremony, vigil Mass, talks and time to unwind. Cost is \$300 per couple, with \$50 due at registration as a non-refundable deposit. Call St. Francis Retreat Center to register at (517) 669-8321 or visit www.stfrancis.ws.

Powers Catholic High School, Flint, MI is looking to fill a Maintenance Department position. Job duties include dusting furniture, pictures, ventilation, lights and blinds, emptying wastebaskets, cleaning windows, restrooms and other normal cleaning and maintenance duties as assigned. Applicants will have to meet the Diocese of Lansing hiring qualifications, including a high school diploma. Training is available with no prior experience needed. If interested, please send email to Sally Bartos at: sbartos@powerscatholic.org

Powers Catholic High School in Flint, MI is looking for part-time Cafeteria workers: Part-time Cafeteria Cashier and Assistant Cook positions are available, Monday - Friday, 19.5 hours a week with flexible work schedule. Food service worker is responsible for routine food service tasks in the kitchen, cafeteria, dining room, dish room and special function areas. Must be able to lift 15 lbs. Applicants will have to meet the Diocese of Lansing hiring qualifications, including a high school diploma. Training is available with no prior experience needed. If interested, please contact Sally Bartos at: sbartos@powerscatholic.org.



St. Pius X Youth Group: No Youth Group this Sunday. Please join us next **Sunday, November 1, 2020** for High School Youth Group ministry from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm at St. Robert's, Flushing.



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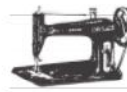
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