

St. Pius X Church

Archdiocese of New Orleans
6666 Spanish Fort Boulevard
New Orleans, LA 70124-4324

December 17, 2023
Third Sunday of Advent



Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday: 8AM
Saturday: 8AM, 4PM Vigil
Sunday: 8AM, 10:30AM,
& 5PM

Eucharistic Exposition

Wednesday 6:00-7:00PM

Reconciliation

Tuesday: 7:15-7:45AM
Wednesday: 6:00-7:00PM
Saturday: 3-3:45PM

Adoration Chapel

Monday 6am-10pm
Tuesday 6am-10 pm
Wednesday 6am-4pm
Thursday 6am-10pm
Friday 6am-10pm

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504-282-3332
spxparish@arch-no.org
M-TH 8:30AM-3:30PM
FR 8:30AM-Noon

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Mass Intentions

December 16-23, 2023

Saturday

4:00 PM: John, Felicia & Randy Perrone, Johnny Provenza, Sara Provenza, Sheila Provenza, Mary Virgil Ryan, Marilyn Rutecki, Salvatore Provenza, Mimi Incaprera, Ruth Incaprera, Raymond J. & Shirley Posecai,, Borne P. Boudreaux, Sr & B.P. "Sonny" Boudreaux, Jr, Dr. Arthur Schott, Mary Schott, Jerry Ursin, Sr., Dr. William Glennon, Dee Levy, Marilyn Pertuit, Dr. Alfred & Jane Weidemann, Fred & Frances Schmeekle, Dr. Vincent Culotta, Trey Culotta, Fred Hornberger, Lola Harris Lanusse, Barbara Provosty, and Sylvia K. Olsen
Intention for: Dr. Frank Incaprera

Sunday

8:00 AM: Lola Harris Lanusse

10:30 AM: James & Shirley Grevemberg, Robin Schultz, Michelle "Shelly" Haensel, Adrian Duplantier, Fred Hornberger, Clement Betpouey, III
Dr. Lee Roy Morgan, Sylvia K. Olsen, and Dr. Richard P. Vidacovich

5:00 PM: For the People of St. Pius X Parish

Weekday Masses

Monday: 8 AM Intention for: James G. Fortier

Tuesday: 8 AM Dorothy S. Childress

Wednesday: 8 AM Lola Harris Lanusse

Thursday: 8AM Barry Braxton, Sr.

Friday: 8AM Joseph J Harackiewicz

Collections

December 17th- SPX Savings/ Debt Reduction



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Pillars of Pius Winner

Congratulations to:

Madeline Schott

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Gathering Hymn: O Come, O come, Emmanuel

1. O come, O Key of Dav - id, come,
2. O come, O Day spring from on high

And o - pen wide our heav'n - ly home;
And cheer us by your draw - ing night;

Make safe the way that leads on high,
Dis - perse the gloo - my clouds of night,

And close the path to mis - er - y.
And death's dark sha - dow put to flight.

Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el

Shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.

Text: *Veni, veni Emmanuel*; Latin 9th C.; tr. by John M. Neale, 1818-1866; alt. Tune: VENI VENI EMMANUEL, LM with refrain; Mode I; adapt. by Thomas Helmore, 1811-1890; arr. by Richard Proulx, b. 1937



The Confiteor

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I ask Blessed Mary ever virgin, all the angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

First Reading

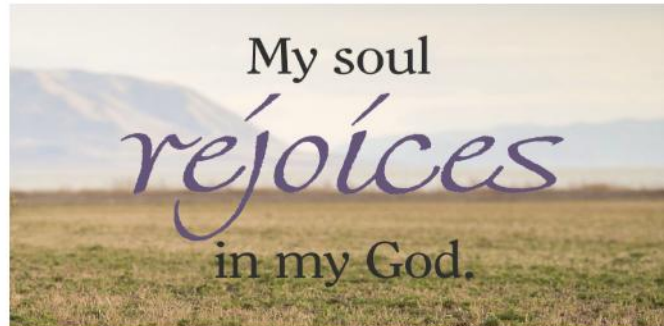
A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

IS 61:1-2a, 10-11

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, to announce a year of favor from the LORD and a day of vindication by our God.

I rejoice heartily in the LORD, in my God is the joy of my soul; for he has clothed me with a robe of salvation and wrapped me in a mantle of justice, like a bridegroom adorned with a diadem, like a bride bedecked with her jewels. As the earth brings forth its plants, and a garden makes its growth spring up, so will the Lord GOD make justice and praise spring up before all the nations.

Responsorial Psalm



Second Reading

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Thessalonians

1Thes 5:16-24

Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophetic utterances. Test everything; retain what is good. Refrain from every kind of evil. May the God of peace make you perfectly holy and may you entirely, spirit, soul, and body, be preserved blameless for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will also accomplish it.

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel Reading

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to testify to the light.

And this is the testimony of John. When the Jews from Jerusalem sent priests and Levites to him to ask him, "Who are you?" He admitted and did not deny it, but admitted, "I am not the Christ." So they asked him, "What are you then? Are you Elijah?" And he said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" He answered, "No." So they said to him, "Who are you, so we can give an answer to those who sent us? What do you have to say for yourself?" He said: "I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, 'make straight the way of the Lord,'" as Isaiah the prophet said." Some Pharisees were also sent. They asked him, "Why then do you baptize if you are not the Christ or Elijah or the Prophet?" John answered them, "I baptize with water; but there is one among you whom you do not recognize, the one who is coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie." This happened in Bethany across the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, *(bow)*

and by the Holy Spirit was Incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

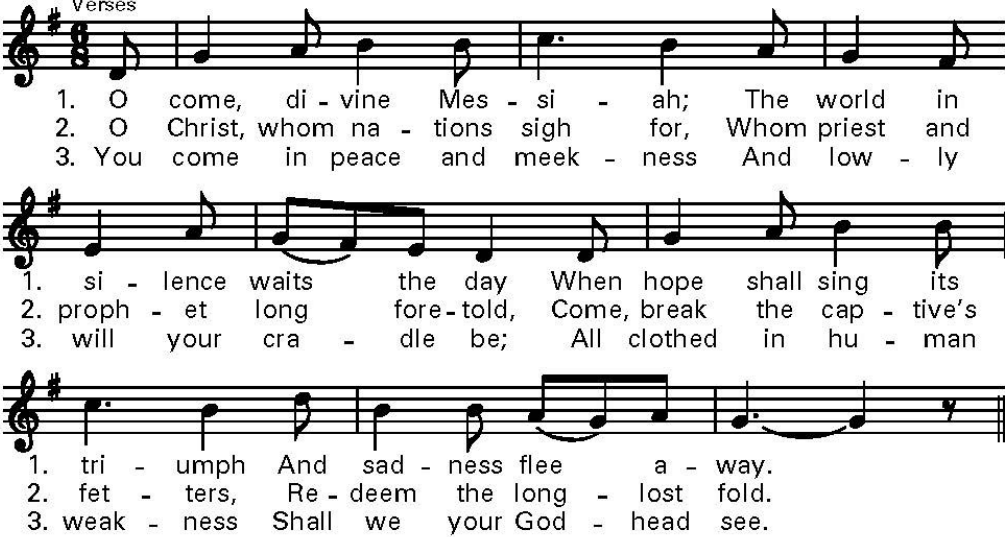
Our Family Prayer

Loving and faithful God, through the years the people of our archdiocese have appreciated the prayers and love of Our Lady of Prompt Succor in times of war, disaster, epidemic and illness. We come to you, Father, with Mary our Mother, and ask you to help us in the battle of today against violence, murder and racism. We implore you to give us your wisdom that we may build a community founded on the values of Jesus, which gives respect to the life and dignity of all people. Bless parents that they may form their children in faith. Bless and protect our youth that they may be peacemakers of our time. Give consolation to those who have lost loved ones through violence. Hear our prayer and give us the perseverance to be a voice for life and human dignity in our community. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us.

Mother Henriette Delille, pray for us that we may be a holy family.

Presentation of the Gifts: O Come, Divine Messiah

Verses




1. O come, di - vine Mes - si - ah; The world in
 2. O Christ, whom na - tions sigh for, Whom priest and
 3. You come in peace and meek - ness And low - ly

1. si - lence waits the day When hope shall sing its
 2. proph - et long fore - told, Come, break the cap - tive's
 3. will your cra - dle be; All clothed in hu - man

1. tri - umph And sad - ness flee a - way.
 2. fet - ters, Re - deem the long - lost fold.
 3. weak - ness Shall we your God - head see.

Refrain



Dear Sav - ior, haste! Come, come to earth. Dis - pel the
 night and show your face, and bid us hail the dawn of grace. O
 come, di - vine Mes - si - ah; the world in si - lence waits the day when
 hope shall sing its tri - umph and sad - ness flee a - way.

Text: 78 76 with refrain; Abbé Simon-Joseph Pellegrin, 1663-1745; tr. by S. Mary of St. Philip, 1877; Music: Trad. French Carol, 16th cent.



Sanctus



San - ctus, San - ctus, San-ctus Dó - mi - nus De - us Sá - ba - oth.
Ple - ni sunt cae - li et ter - ra gló - ri - a tu - a. Ho - sán - na
in ex - cél - sis. Be - ne - dí - ctus qui ve - nit in nó - mi - ne
Dó - mi - ni. Ho - sán - na in ex - cél - sis.

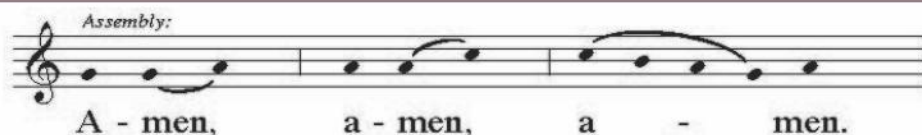
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Memorial Acclamation



We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your
Res - ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

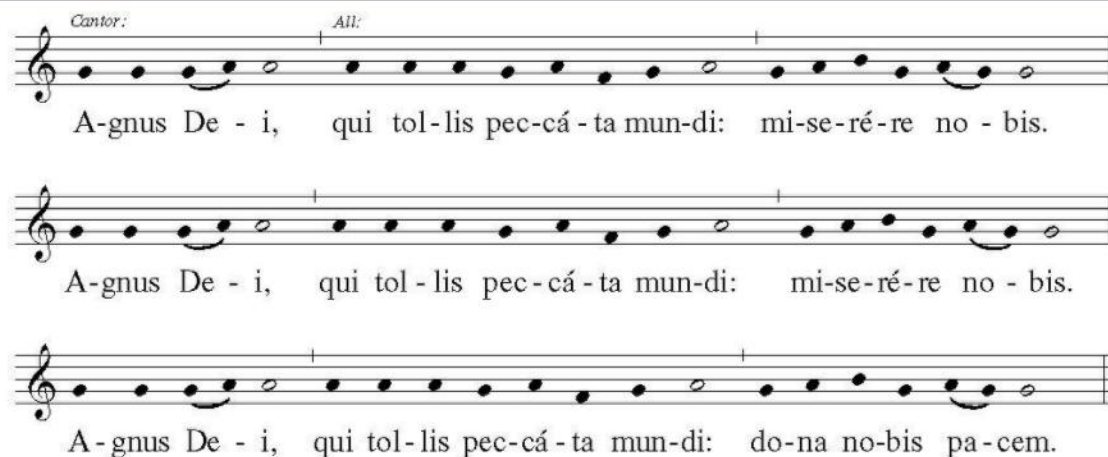
Amen



Assembly:
A - men, a - men, a - men.

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Agnus Dei

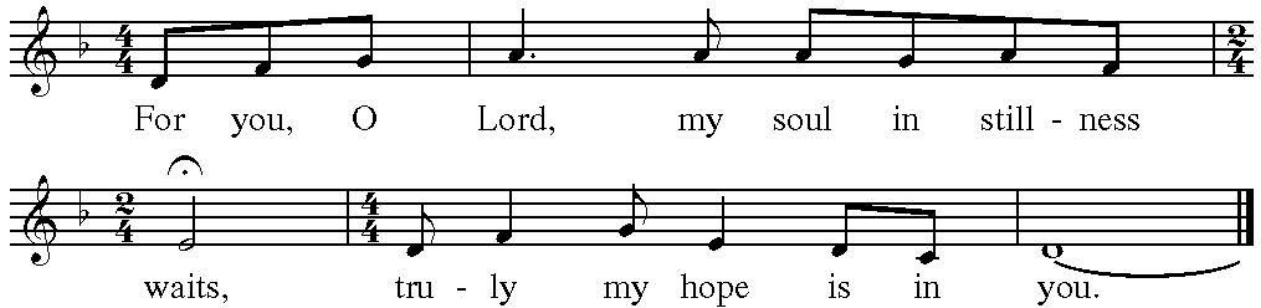


Cantor: A - gnus De - i, *All:* qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis.
A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis.
A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: do - na no - bis pa - cem.

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Communion Hymn: My Soul in Stillness Waits

Refrain

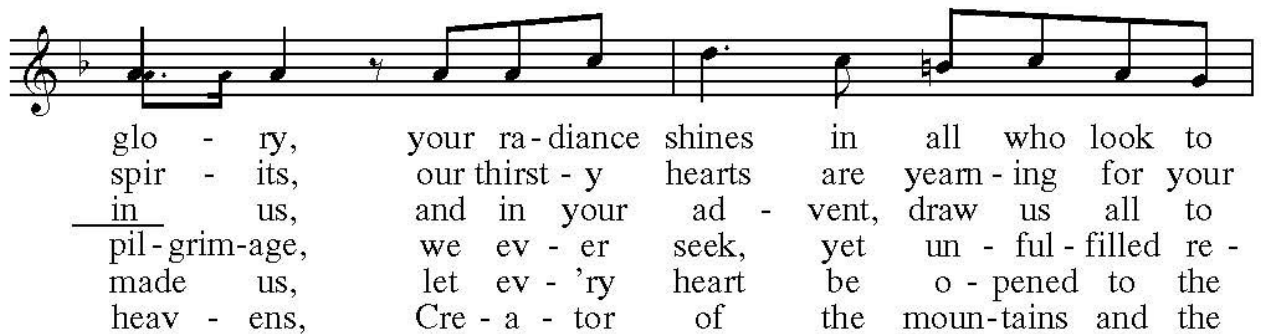


For you, O Lord, my soul in still - ness
waits, tru - ly my hope is in you.

Verses



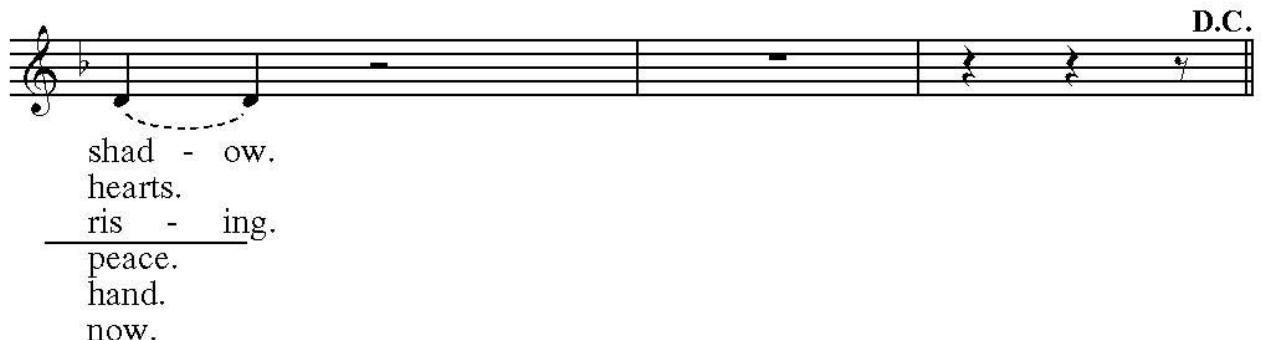
1. O Lord of Light, our on - ly hope of
2. O Spring of Joy, rain down up - on our
3. O Root of Life, im - plant your seed with -
4. O Key of Knowl - edge, guide us in our
5. Come, let us bow be - fore the God who
6. Here we shall meet the Mak - er of the



glo - ry, your ra - diance shines in all who look to
spir - its, our thirst - y hearts are yearn - ing for your
in us, and in your ad - vent, draw us all to
pil - grim - age, we ev - er seek, yet un - ful - filled re -
made us, let ev - 'ry heart be o - pened to the
heav - ens, Cre - a - tor of the moun - tains and the



you, come, light the hearts of all in dark and
Word, come, make us whole, be com - fort to our
you, our hope re - born in dy - ing and in
main, o - pen to us the path - way of your
Lord, for we are all the peo - ple of his
seas, Lord of the stars, and pres - ent to us



shad - ow.
hearts.
ris - ing.
peace.
hand.
now.

Text: Psalm 95 and "O" Antiphons; Marty Haugen, b.1950 Tune: Marty Haugen, b.1950 © 1982, GIA Publications, Inc.

Holy Name Pledge

**Blessed be God,
Blessed be his Holy Name
Blessed be Jesus Christ True God and true man
Blessed be the name of Jesus**

I Believe, O Jesus, that thou are the Christ, the Son of the living God.

I Proclaim my love for the Vicar of Christ on earth.

I Believe all the sacred truths, which the Holy Catholic Church believes and teaches.

I Promise to give good example by the regular practice of my faith in honor of his Divine Name.

I Pledge myself against perjury, blasphemy, profanity and obscene speech.

I Pledge my loyalty to the flag of my country and to the God given principles of freedom, justice, happiness, for which it stands.

I Pledge my support to all lawful authority both civil and religious.

I Dedicate myself to the honor of the Sacred Name of Jesus Christ and beg that He will keep me faithful to these pledges until death.

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Recessional Hymn: People, Look East



1. Peo - ple, look East. The time is near Of the
2. Fur - rows, be glad, though earth is bare. One more
3. Stars, keep the watch when night is dim. One more
4. An - gels, an - nounce on this great feast: Him who



1. crown - ing of _____ the year. Make your house fair as you are
2. seed is plant - ed there; Give up your strength the seed to
3. light the bowl _____ shall brim. Shin - ing be - yond the frost - y
4. com - eth from _____ the East. Set ev - 'ry peak and val - ley



1. a - ble. Trim _____ the hearth _____ and set _____ the ta - ble. Peo - ple, look
2. nour - ish, That _____ in course _____ the flow'r _____ may flour - ish. Peo - ple, look
3. weath - er, Bright _____ as sun _____ and moon _____ to - geth - er. Peo - ple, look
4. hum - ming With _____ the word, _____ the Lord _____ is com - ing. Peo - ple, look



1. East, and sing to - day: Love, the Guest, is on _____ the way.
2. East, and sing to - day: Love, the Rose, is on _____ the way.
3. East, and sing to - day: Love, the Star, is on _____ the way.
4. East, and sing to - day: Love, the Lord, is on _____ the way.

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The Prayer to Saint Michael

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



This Week at SPX :

Dec 16 & 17 **Angel Tree Distribution 10AM-4PM Cafeteria**
 Dec 16/17 **Bambinelli Sunday (Bless Baby Jesus) All Masses Church**
 Dec 17 **Holy Name Breakfast 9-10AM Multi-Purpose Room**
 Dec 18 **Legion of Mary 6:30-8:00PM Purple Room**
 Dec 18 **Choir Rehearsal 7:30-9:00PM Church**
 Dec 21 **Thursday Morning Prayer Group Mass 10AM-Noon Church**
 Dec 21 **CYO Holiday Party 1:30-4:30PM Off Campus**
 Dec 21 **Caroling In The Lanes 5:30-7:PM Church**
 Dec 21 **Choir Rehearsal 7:30-9PM Church**
 Dec 22 **St. Pius Men of Prayer 6:30-8AM Parish Center Library**
 Dec 22 **CYO Ice Skating and Nursing Home Visit 10:30AM-3:30PM Off Campus**
 Dec 24 **Christmas Eve**



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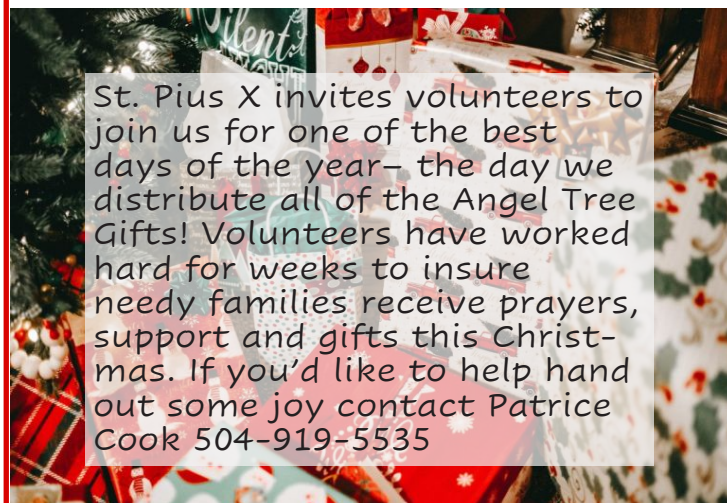
Advent Candle Bearers



We have begun the season of Advent. As we prepare for Christmas, we would like to highlight the season at our weekend Masses. We will have families bring up the Advent wreath candles in the opening procession of Mass. They will accompany the priest, deacon and altar servers, place the candles in the wreath and light the appropriate number. If you would like to participate, please go to the website and look for the sign up genius for the Advent candle procession.

The Angel Tree

Distribution Weekend
 December 16 + 17 10AM-4PM



St. Pius X invites volunteers to join us for one of the best days of the year— the day we distribute all of the Angel Tree Gifts! Volunteers have worked hard for weeks to insure needy families receive prayers, support and gifts this Christmas. If you'd like to help hand out some joy contact Patrice Cook 504-919-5535



CYO has two great opportunities remaining this month: Holiday Party at The Exchange NOLA with pickleball, cornhole, and trivia games on Thursday, December 21, and then Iceskating/Nola Christmas Fest and a visit to Chateau de Notre Dame Nursing Home on Friday, December 22. Members should check their December CYO Newsletter for details and sign-up deadlines.

Teens in grades 8-12 are always welcome to join CYO. Visit <https://parish.stpiusxnola.org/youth-ministry> for registration packets, newsletters, and more.



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The Liturgical Art and Environment committee needs your help! If you would like to help decorate the church for the Christmas season, we will be doing so on Friday, December 22, at Noon. Please call Kathy Schott at 504-583-6809 or Ann DeRouen at 504-259-4872 to volunteer or you can just come on over that day!!

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Bambinelli Sunday

"BLESS THE BABY JESUS"

Dec. 16th & 17th at ALL Masses

Bring your Baby Jesus figurine to Mass for a blessing and to be wrapped as a gift.
He can be the first gift you open on Christmas morning!



Caroling IN THE LANES

Thursday, Dec. 21st 5:30 PM

Meet under the church awning. We'll carol by candlelight through the lanes of Lake Vista then, return to the gym for hot cocoa. Songbooks and candles will be provided.

*This Christmas, celebrate your loved one through a
donation to the
Christmas Flower Offering.*

Help beautify our Sanctuary this Christmas season. All donations received by December 15th will be included in a list of memorials and honorariums in the Christmas bulletin. On-line Flower Donations will continue to be accepted through Saturday January 15th. All will be listed on our website.

