



ST. PIUS X

CATHOLIC CHURCH

We, the people of God at St. Pius X Parish, are a community of believers faithful to the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the Catholic Tradition. We seek holiness through prayer, worship and the sacramental life of the Church. Inspired by the fire of the Holy Spirit, we give witness to the Gospel through education, service and sharing of our time, talent and treasure so that God's kingdom may live and grow in our midst.

CELEBRATION OF HOLY MASS

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

HOLY DAY MASSES

Evening vigil as announced

On the day at 8:30 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

8:30 AM, Rosary follows

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00-4:00 PM

Wednesday 12:00-12:45 PM

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday from 3:00-4:00 PM, Wednesday from 12:00-12:45 PM during Holy Hour, and by appointment by calling the rectory office.

WEDDINGS

No date may be reserved until after an appointment with a parish minister at least six months prior to the desired date.

BAPTISMS

Baptismal preparation classes for parents are held quarterly. Please register with the rectory for a class. Baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sundays of the month after Mass at 11:30 AM. Please call the rectory to schedule a date for baptism.

SICK CALLS

Please call the rectory office, (614) 866-2859, and follow the prompts. If you are homebound, please notify the rectory if you wish to receive Holy Communion.

ST. PIUS X ENDOWMENT FUND #320CL - Please contact The Catholic Foundation at 614-443-8893 or visit www.catholic-foundation.org to learn how your bequest of cash, stock, real estate and/or insurance can help our endowment grow, giving our parish perpetual income.

MAILING ADDRESSES

Rectory & Parish Business Office

1051 Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg 43068

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St. Pius X Children's Center

1067 Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg 43068

St. Pius X Elementary School

1061 Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg 43068

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Summer Schedule

June-July, office closed on Fridays

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday by noon

PARISH PASTORAL STAFF

Dial (614) 866-2859 for

Fr. David J. Young, Pastor Ext 102

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PARISH MEMBERSHIP

New parishioners may stop at the rectory from Monday-Friday between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM to register. Parishioner registrations are held following all Masses on the third weekend of each month. You may also register directly from our website by completing a secure form or by downloading a registration form and returning it.

Fourth Sunday of Advent**December 20, 2020****O Lord, my Rock, my Savior!****MASSES FOR DECEMBER 21-27, 2020****Monday**

8:30 a.m. (FDY) ✠ Giuseppi Babusci by Cecelia Babusci

Tuesday8:30 a.m. (FDY) ✠ Charles Hensel
by Patrick & Sharon Hensel**Wednesday**

8:30 a.m. (FDY) ✠ Fred Knopp, Jr. by The Knopp Family

Thursday Christmas Eve4:00 p.m. (FDY) Living & Deceased
Members of the Parish6:30 p.m. (FDY) Living & Deceased
Members of the Parish9:00 p.m. (FDY) Living & Deceased
Members of the Parish**Friday - Christmas Day**9:00 a.m. (FRM) Living & Deceased
Members of the Parish**Saturday**4:30 p.m. (FDY) Children & Grandchildren
by Mary Girard**Sunday**

8:00 a.m. (FDY) Feast of the Holy Spirit by K of C

10:00 a.m. (FRM) Living & Deceased
Members of the Parish**COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS****For the Week of December 13, 2020:**

Budget Requirements:	\$ 20,000.00
Actual Offertory Received:	\$ 10,300.50
Weekly Surplus (Deficit):	\$ (9,699.50)

FT (Debit) Program:	\$ 1,142.50
Envelope Offering:	\$ 7,403.00
Cash Offering:	\$ 1,755.00
Total Offering:	\$ 10,300.50
Debit Program Participants:	53
Envelopes Used:	133

For the Month of November 2020:

MTD Budget Requirements:	\$ 40,000.00
MTD Actual Offertory Received:	\$ 23,427.50
MTD Surplus (Deficit):	\$ (16,572.50)

YTD Budget Requirements:	\$ 457,000.00
YTD Actual Offertory Received:	\$ 374,400.35
YTD Surplus (Deficit):	\$ (82,599.65)

NEWLY REGISTERED: Victor Lombardo**PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Adoration with Holy Hour has been canceled for this Wednesday, December 23.

Please see the Christmas Mass Schedule listed in the bulletin.

IN OUR PARISH

"THE WORD AMONG US" AND "LIVING FAITH" publications are now available in the Rectory office Monday thru Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. A suggested donation of \$1.00 per book is appreciated.

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION: There are three ways to register to become a parishioner of St. Pius X. 1) Please go to our website, www.spxreynoldsburg.com, and complete the online form and submit it; 2) Come to the Rectory during office hours Monday thru Friday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. to obtain the form to complete, or 3) Call the Rectory and we will send you a form to complete. It is requested that if you are attending St. Pius X that you register as a member of the parish.

ADORATION WITH HOLY HOUR CANCELLED ON DECEMBER 23: Adoration with Holy Hour has been cancelled for Wednesday, December 23, 2020 only. Please plan accordingly for Reconciliation purposes.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:

Christmas Eve, Thursday, December 24,
Mass times are **4:00 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.**

Christmas Day, Friday, December 25,
Mass time is 9:00 a.m.

****Masks are required to be worn during the entire Mass.** The church, parish center and the school gymnasium will be used to accommodate parishioners attending Mass for purposes of social distancing. The Mass will be live streamed into the parish center and gym, as it currently is to the parish center for weekend Masses. Communion will be distributed in these locations as well.

New Year's Eve, Thursday, December 31, Mass time is 5:00 p.m.

New Year's Day, Friday, January 1, Mass time is 9:00 a.m.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PIUS X – DECEMBER 21-27, 2020

Monday	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
Tuesday	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
Wednesday	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
Saturday	Confessions	Church	3:00-4:00 p.m.

CARE PACKAGES FOR THE MILITARY: Do you have a military family member or relative deployed overseas over the holidays? Please contact St. Pius X Military Outreach program. We will furnish a care package for your military service member. Your family member will receive a goodie box filled with some of the comforts of home! Please contact Krista Schumacher at delroshoe@yahoo.com or (614) 323-7048 with information about your deployed family member and your contact information. If you would like to donate or be a part of our Military Outreach program, please contact Krista for information.

CONNECTIONS, ST. PIUS NEWLETTER... The February 2021 edition of *Connections*, the parish newsletter, is being compiled. Please submit articles to Carol McGlone at carol.a.mcglone@gmail.com or to the rectory 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The deadline for the next issue is Friday, January 8, 2021.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR THAT UNIQUE CHRISTMAS GIFT?? FRIENDS OF ST. KATERI (aka "BAG LADIES") – Handcrafted bags are being sold in the Rectory (Monday thru Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.). Most bags are \$20.00. These unique, environmentally friendly bags are crafted out of plastic grocery store bags. Each bag has a different color scheme and come in many sizes. These bags are durable and washable. Think outside the bag for a Christmas present for that hard to buy for person on your list! Proceeds will benefit the new Adoration Chapel.



"Scouting for Food": Cub Scout Pack 326 will be collecting donations to support The Helping Hands Food Pantry for the month of December. Collections can be dropped at the collection box in the vestibule from December 1st through December 29th. If you'd like to schedule a pick-up instead, we will come to your residence and collect from your porch. Please call 954-616-9323 and leave a message with your address, phone number and where you will leave your dry goods. The following Dry and Canned Goods are suggested for December:

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- Canned Fruit
- Canned Vegetables
- Canned Soup
- Boxed Stuffing
- Boxed Mashed Potatoes
- Desserts: Jello, Pudding, Brownies

Thank you very much for your generosity and your continued support for those less fortunate in our Community during this especially tough Christmas season!



"KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" CAR MAGNETS: Father Andrew H. Hohman Knights of Columbus Council #5253 here at St. Pius X will be selling "Keep Christ in Christmas" car magnets in the Rectory starting November 9th. Cost: \$5.00/magnet; \$10.00 for 3 magnets. Make great stocking stuffers!

SHORT NOTE TO SENIOR FELLOWSHIP: Since we last met in March, a few members have just recently died...Mary Jean Reale, John Kaufman and George Franz. The Prayer "Footprints in the Sand" states when Jesus was asked why only a single pair of footprints were seen, Jesus replied "that was when I carried you." For our dear seniors, you are not alone.

For those who are unable to get out of the house, why not "get out" those family photo albums so that great memories can be truly relived with a walk down Memory Lane! If any of our seniors would like to have a conversation with other seniors, please contact David Mayer, Gerry Crane and Barb and Kevin Martin. Their numbers are in the Guidebook and Directory.

A MESSAGE FROM SR. MAXINE:

Greetings to my fellow parishioners! I've been told that not everyone is aware of what we are up to in the RCIA office, so I want to call it to your attention because it involves all of you! Back in August, with the pandemic raging (as it continues to do now) we decided to suspend the regular RCIA program of initiating new members into the Catholic faith because the restrictions are not conducive to the sharing and community building that are essential to the program. Instead, we saw it as a perfect opportunity to focus on and build on and renew the community we already have together. We called it **Renewing Catholicism for the Intentional Adult** (RCIA for the parish Community). **This is a review or a renewing of our Catholic faith for the entire parish.**

- So each week in the bulletin, this section is meant for **your** eyes and **your** enrichment.
- You may have noticed (or not!) the poster in the vestibule which features a "Blessing Tree" that is sprouting many blessings for you! You are invited to randomly take a blessing when you pass and see what the Spirit has in store for you. God knows that during this very unusual and often difficult time, we need His blessing!

Peace to all,
Sr. Maxine

REVIEW AND RENEW YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH

Renewing Catholicism for Intentional Adults
DON'T FORGET TO CHECK OUT THE PARISH
WEBSITE/FAITH/RCIA VIDEO SERIES

'O' ANTIPHONS:

WE HOPE DESPITE THE DARKNESS

Sr. Christine Schenk SJ reflected on the "O" antiphons and composed a prayer-poem (below) about what they might mean. For her, the coming of Jesus brings hope, comfort, light and a peace that truly does "surpass all understanding." Take some time to reflect on what the coming of Jesus might mean for you.

O Wisdom,
Sophia's child,
and Mary's too,
bring us back to you.

O Adonai,
set us free
of fear, despair,
misogyny.

O Justice Flower,
of Jesse tree,
uproot our hatreds.
Wash us clean
in just-reign waters,
plant us deep in Thee.

O Key of David,
open heaven's gate
unlock, unblock,
a captive people
too long enthralled
by hate.

O Radiant Dawn,
light the way
of all who long
to preach, to teach,
to consecrate
heavenly hosts
of God's indwelling.

O Emmanuel,
strengthen weary arms,
steady trembling knees
bring surcease of sorrow.

O Advent Light,
dispel death's dark shadow.
Awaken a waiting world
to life's fresh-
blessed tomorrow.

*May the Light of God shine
forth from you to reveal the
gifts hidden in those around
you. May the Light of God
bless you.*

SURVEY FOR THE "FALLEN AWAY/INACTIVE" CATHOLIC:

The Diocese of Columbus is studying information as part of a strategic planning process to evangelize the future of the Catholic faith. Current and local information from individuals on why they no longer attend Church or no longer consider themselves Catholic would be very helpful in the planning process. There is great value knowing these answers to address the evangelization needs specifically in our Diocese for the future. While many of us may think we know the reasons or assume them, the Diocese really wants to hear from the people themselves. Therefore, please help get the word out to take this survey by those who have fallen away from the Church or who are no longer active in the Church. This may be a loved one, a child who no longer attends, a sibling who moved away, a friend, an acquaintance, etc. Please only ask people to take the survey if they have fallen away from the Church or are no longer active in the Church. Here is the survey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LDH6SDH>

Capital Campaign Update - Preparing To Move Forward with Phase II

Thank you to everyone who has participated in our Capital Campaign through pledges, prayers or both. Our goal, throughout this project, has been to build up our community, to strengthen the personal connections that unite us together as a parish family, and to provide new ways to grow closer to Christ Jesus. Please join me in praying for God's continued blessings on our parish.

- Fr. Dave

Through the increased generosity of many of our parishioners, friends, and neighbors, we have continued to receive generous new pledges and increased pledges even during this pandemic. This parish has always exceeded everyone's expectations of what we would be able to raise for this Capital Campaign. Most of you remember that our professional fundraising company, Guidance In Giving, told us that we should only expect to raise 3 million dollars and no more. We currently have raised almost 4.4 million dollars in pledges and almost 3.6 million in cash. This Parish is AWESOME! **We have a current balance of \$52,608.00 left to go to complete Phase II of our To Renew All Things In Christ Capital Campaign.** We are very confident we will receive the necessary pledges in the next couple of months. We have asked our architect, John Eberts, to review our blueprints, make any updates to these, and to return the copies needed to submit these for a new building permit from the City of Reynoldsburg so we will be able to move forward. Sullivan Builders has been informed and is reviewing all cost estimates from all sub-contractors for any increases in material costs.

Phase II will bring a new Adoration Chapel, also tripling the gathering space in the back of the Church to greet friends before and after Masses, remodeled Quieting space, new choir room, new bride's room, new bathrooms, and a kitchenette.

The need for additional pledges and pledge increases continues to complete Phase II. For those of you who are making an additional pledge or increasing your current Pledge on Faith Direct, please remember to call 614-866-2859 or email John Beyer jbeyer@spxreynoldsburg.com to let me know so I can add these to our numbers. Faith Direct only reports monthly information on what is being deposited in your name. They do not inform St. Pius X on pledge increases.

The entire Phase II project is focused on building-up our parish: as a community of friendship with Christ, and as a communion of faith in Christ, with every person valued, and every family involved. **We are extremely proud and thankful for all of you who have made a pledge and continue to honor this commitment to St. Pius X Church and School by continuing to pay on your pledge until it is completed.**

On a personal note, I want to thank all of you who have supported this parish and during these last five years' fundraising efforts. During all of the countless planning/construction meetings in 2010, all the fundraising meetings and the many campaign receptions we all attended, this parish has always supported these efforts from Deacon Charlie Miller, Msgr. David Funk and Father David Young. My wife and I are truly grateful for everything you continue to do for this parish.

From all staff members and Father Dave, thank you and Merry Christmas!

John Beyer Campaign Chair

Bishop Hartley Honor Roll

On behalf of the administration, faculty, and staff of Bishop Hartley High School, we are pleased to announce the 1st Quarter Honor Roll. Students at Hartley must achieve a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale in order to be named to the Honor Roll. The following Bishop Hartley High School students from St. Pius X parish were named to the Honor Roll for the 1st Quarter:

Gabriella (Ella) Anzelmo	Eyan Jackson	Abigail Murphy	William Sheridan
Tyrese Barker	Joelea Kelley	Nathan Ogden	Katie Shuman
Andrew Bassetti	Maria Kelley	Piper Ogden	Caitlin Smith
Caroline Berger	Brendan Laret	Jarah Orndoff	Cassidy Smith
Agnes Bryan	Jacob Leatherman	Jacob Parker	Mychaela Talieh
Faith Campbell	Nevaeh Lipson	Olivia Ralston	Bradley Teynor
Charlotte Chamberlain	Megan Luallen	Rory Ralston	Ryan Thomas
Abbigail Dinardo	Andrew (Drew) Lutz	Dominic Rees	Ann Trainer
Gabriel Donaghy	Brogan Maloney	Rayna Rodenkirchen	Lola Vandemark
Morgan Donnelly	Luca Mampieri	Jacob Ross	Katherine Wilson
Alexandria Etienne	Riley Mann	Isabela Russo	Grace Wolfinger
Ella Ewing	Jessica McBride	Sophia Sammler	Liam Zacovic
Joseph Ferryman	Andrew McFeeters	Emily Sanzone	
Caleb Francis	Anastacia Meadows	Michael Scali	

AROUND TOWN

A SPECIAL CHRISTMAS GIFT – A Mass celebrated by a missionary priest for your loved ones and friends. Your loved ones/friends will receive a beautiful Christmas-themed Mass card acknowledging your gift. Go to www.columbuscatholic.org/request-a-Mass, click link for Christmas gift Mass form. Complete and pay online or click the printable form link at the bottom of the page and mail it with payment to Diocese of Columbus Missions Office, 197 E. Gay Street, Columbus, OH 43215. The Mass stipend is \$10.00. We must receive your request by December 14th to ensure delivery before Christmas. For any questions, call 614-228-8603 or send an email to mismailbox@columbuscatholic.org.

JOSEPH'S COAT CLOSING DUE TO COVID 19: Sadly, we have had to close again due to Covid-19. We are not picking up furniture or doing any other of our normal activities since Covid numbers have risen. Please do not leave any donations at our door as no one is in the building to receive them. We will advise when we can safely reopen to serve the community. Thank you

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SEMINARIAN JACOB STINNET’S COLUMN

We are nearing the end of Advent, looking forward to the Birth of Jesus at Christmas. This is where our Advent journey has been leading us: to that moment at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold, when the first sounds of the God-man were but the cries of a baby. God entrusted Himself to Mary and Joseph at the Incarnation, to show us how we are to entrust ourselves to Him. Even by the 12th century, after the Station Churches in Rome had been established for half a millennium, the Fourth Sunday of Advent did not have a Station Church assigned to it. One liturgical commentator of the time, Rupert of Deutz, explained that the mystery of the Incarnation, which is celebrated this Sunday, hence the reading of the Annunciation from Luke’s Gospel, was too great a mystery to be entrusted to any one of the saints. Indeed, once a Station Church was finally assigned, Rupert’s point is still true. The mystery of the Incarnation was entrusted to twelve saints, the twelve patrons of the Church of the Holy Apostles.

The basilica was originally built, like all of the Station Churches of Advent, in the fourth century, but it looks very different today. After so many natural disasters and rebuilds, neglect and restoration over the centuries, the Church of the Holy Apostles has an exterior that resembles a palace more so than a church. The interior is also beautifully adorned with frescoes and paintings. One feature of many Roman churches is the *confessio*, which is the area in front of and underneath the altar, where there is access to the relics beneath the altar. While the Church of the Holy Apostles is dedicated to all twelve of Jesus’ closest followers and first leaders of the Church, only the relics of St. James the Less and St. Philip are in the *confessio*. Not much is known about either of these apostles from the Gospels. James has no words attributed to him. Philip speaks three times in John’s Gospel. The first and the last of his words show us that he is a great patron for us as we come to the end of our Advent journey.

In John 1, Philip is the one who encounters Jesus, and then brings his friend Nathanael to meet Jesus too. Philip tells Nathanael “We have found the one about whom Moses wrote in the law, and also the prophets, Jesus, son of Joseph, from Nazareth” (Jn 1:45). After an objection, Philip renews his invitation with the simple words “Come and see.” This invitation of the apostle stretches through time to us too. At Christmas, we hear of an infant born in a stable. This does not sound like anything extraordinary. But the angels in the field to the shepherds and the star in the sky to the magi give this same invitation: “Come and see.” Meeting and knowing Jesus, whose name means, “God saves,” is not done by academic research, thought experiments or nice feelings. It is done by a person-to-person encounter. This happens by coming to Jesus, both in the Word of Holy Scripture and, also, in His real Body and Blood in the Eucharist.

The journey to Christmas is not made alone; as we saw last week, we are on this journey together with the whole Church. It is part of our mission to build up the Church, and to bring more people into communion with Jesus Christ. Philip shows us the best way to do it. Tell someone who does not come to Mass regularly something about Mass that is important to you. Then give them the simple invitation of Philip: “Come and see.” Philip brings Nathanael to Jesus, and afterwards Nathanael is never the same. Jesus speaks to Nathanael’s heart, and Nathanael makes a profound profession of faith: “Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the King of Israel” (Jn 1:49). Jesus is able to work great things when we approach Him in humility and trust.

Our Advent journey to Christmas has taken the form of a pilgrimage around Rome, looking at the ancient practice of the Station Churches and learning more about the season of Advent. But the journey does not end at Christmas. For Jesus, Christmas was the beginning of His journey, not the end. Jesus completed His mission when, forty days after His Resurrection, He ascended into Heaven to intercede for humanity forever at the right hand of the Father. Our journey does not end in this world. We are made for Heaven! The apostles show us this by their martyrdom. They gave witness to Jesus’ saving power by giving up their lives for this truth. Philip’s martyrdom is not recounted in the Bible, but Tradition holds that he was crucified upside down in the city of Hierapolis, in modern-day Turkey. In John’s Gospel, Philip’s last words are at the Last Supper. In them, we can already see his vision for Heaven forming. He is beginning to understand what great things Jesus has in store for all His disciples. Philip asks Jesus: “Master, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us” (Jn 14:8). This is a prayer for every day of the year, but at Christmas God is beginning His response to it. Jesus Christ, truly God and truly man, is born for us. We can now see the face of God in human flesh. It is the face of the One Who will lead us on our journey back to the Father.

PHONES

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School, Darren Smith, Principal.....	614-866-6050
Children’s Center, Sharon Miller.....	614-577-0826
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St. Pius X Church

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Living and Deceased Family Members
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SAINT OF THE DAY FOR DECEMBER 26

Saint Stephen (d. c. 36)

Saint Stephen's Story:

"As the number of disciples continued to grow, the Greek-speaking Christians complained against the Hebrew-speaking Christians, saying that their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. So the Twelve called together the community of the disciples and said, 'It is not right for us to neglect the word of God to serve at table. Brothers, select from among you seven reputable men, filled with the Spirit and wisdom, whom we shall appoint to this task, whereas we shall devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.' The proposal was acceptable to the whole community, so they chose Stephen, a man filled with faith and the Holy Spirit..." (Acts 6:1-5).

Acts of the Apostles says that Stephen was a man filled with grace and power, who worked great wonders among the people. Certain Jews, members of the Synagogue of Roman Freedmen, debated with Stephen, but proved no match for the wisdom and spirit with which he spoke. They persuaded others to make the charge of blasphemy against him. He was seized and carried before the Sanhedrin.

In his speech, Stephen recalled God's guidance through Israel's history, as well as Israel's idolatry and disobedience. He then claimed that his persecutors were showing this same spirit. "...you always oppose the holy Spirit; you are just like your ancestors" (Acts 7:51b).

Stephen's speech brought anger from the crowd. "But he, filled with the holy Spirit, looked up intently to heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God, and he said, 'Behold, I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.' ...They threw him out of the city and began to stone him. ...As they were stoning Stephen, he called out, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' ...'Lord, do not hold this sin against them'" (Acts 7:55-56, 58a, 59, 60b).

Stephen died as Jesus did: falsely accused, brought to unjust condemnation because he spoke the truth fearlessly. He died with his eyes trustfully fixed on God, and with a prayer of forgiveness on his lips. A "happy" death is one that finds us in the same spirit, whether our dying is as quiet as Joseph's or as violent as Stephen's: dying with courage, total trust and forgiving love.

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