



# 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](http://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

Email - [StPiusX@spxreynoldsburg.com](mailto:StPiusX@spxreynoldsburg.com)

#### St. Pius X Pre-School

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

Deacon Jim Kelly ..... Ext 102

Deacon Joseph Lemay ..... Ext 102

Brenda Brammer, Business Manager ..... Ext 116

John Beyer, ..... Ext 101

Asst Business Manager/Campaign Chair

### 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.

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time****July 18, 2021****Sing to our God, a new song!****MASSES FOR JULY 19-25, 2021****Monday**

8:30 a.m. (FDY) ☩ The Gaus Family by Ann Gaus

**Tuesday**8:30 a.m. (FDY) ☩ Fr. Justin Reis  
by Fr. Dave & St. Pius X Parish**Wednesday**

8:30 a.m. (FDY) ☩ Mary Held by St. Pius X Parish

**Thursday**8:30 a.m. (FDY) ☩ Charles McClelland  
by Maria Harkins**Saturday**4:30 p.m. (FDY) ☩ Dean Miles  
by Stan & Sandy Michnowicz**Sunday**8:00 a.m. (FDY) ☩ Mary Ann Kelly  
by Deacon Jim & Leah Kelly  
10:00 a.m. (FRM) Living & Deceased Members  
of the Parish**COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS****For the Week of July 11, 2021:**

Budget Requirements:	\$ 22,500.00
Special Offertory:	\$ 1,100.00
Weekly Offertory Received:	\$ 12,316.50
Weekly Surplus (Deficit):	\$ (10,183.50)

**EFT (Debit) Program:	\$ 1,107.50
Envelope Offering:	\$ 8,926.00
Loose Offering:	\$ 1,183.00
Total Offering:	\$ 12,316.50
Debit Program Participants:	50
Envelopes Used:	172

**For the Month of July 2021:**

MTD Budget Requirements:	\$ 45,000.00
MTD Actual Offertory Received:	\$ 25,959.00
MTD Surplus (Deficit):	\$ (19,041.00)

YTD Budget Requirements:	\$ 45,000.00
YTD Actual Offertory Received:	\$ 25,959.00
YTD Surplus (Deficit):	\$ (19,041.00)

**VOCATION PRAYER**

*In every age, Lord, You raise up women and men who are strong in their faith and bold in their actions to give witness to the Gospel. Fill St. Pius with Your Spirit and give us a burning desire to make a difference in our world because of our love for You. Bless our Church with holy and courageous priests, deacons, religious sisters and brothers, devoted married couples, dedicated single men and women and enthusiastic youth. We ask in Jesus' name. Amen.*

**IN OUR PARISH**

**"THE WORD AMONG US" AND "LIVING FAITH"** publications are now available in the Rectory office Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. A suggested donation of \$1.00 per book for the "Living Faith" and \$2.00 per book for "The Word Among Us" is appreciated.

**REVEREND MR. EUGENE JOSEPH  
TO BE ORDAINED!**

*With Praise and Thanksgiving to Almighty God, the Most Reverend Robert J. Brennan, D.D., Bishop of Columbus joyfully announces the Ordination of Reverend Mr. Eugene Joseph to the Sacred priesthood of our Lord Jesus Christ, through the Imposition of Hands and the Invocation of the Holy Spirit, by the Most Reverend Stephen Wright, Auxiliary Bishop of Birmingham, England. Deacon Eugene Joseph has received his Call to Orders for the Priesthood and will be ordained on **Thursday, July 22, 2021**, at the Cathedral of Saint Chad in St. Chads Queensway, Birmingham, UK at 7:00 p.m., **2:00 p.m. our time!** To watch the ordination from home, the ordination can be live streamed at [www.StChadsCathedral.org.uk](http://www.StChadsCathedral.org.uk). The Parish Family Center will livestream the ordination for people to come together to watch and pray for Deacon Eugene. The doors to the Parish Center will be opened at 1:45 p.m. His Mass of Thanksgiving will be the following day, Friday, July 23, at 7:30 p.m., **2:30 p.m. our time** AND at the Oratory of St. Philip Neri, Birmingham, UK on Sunday, July 25, at 3:00 p.m., **our time 10:00 a.m.** at Saint Joseph RC Church, Derby, UK. For those who want to watch these two Masses from home, this is the link to use: [www.tinyurl.com/RevEugene](http://www.tinyurl.com/RevEugene). Please remember that there is a 5-hour difference in times. The UK is 5 hours ahead of the U.S.*

### THIS WEEK AT ST. PIUS X – JULY 19-25, 2021

<b>Monday</b>	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Divine Mercy	Church	6:00 p.m.
	Rosary for the Sick	Church	6:30 p.m.
<b>Tuesday</b>	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
<b>Wednesday</b>	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Adoration	Church	7:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m.
	Holy Hour	Church	12:00-1:00 p.m.
<b>Thursday</b>	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
<b>Friday</b>	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	9:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
<b>Saturday</b>	Confessions	Church	3:00-4:00 p.m.
	Adopt-A-Student Collection	Church	
	Festival Donation Drop Off	Workshop	Before & After Mass
<b>Sunday</b>	Adopt-A-Student Collection	Church	
	Festival Donation Drop Off	Workshop	Before & After Mass

**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](http://www.spxreynoldsburg.com), and complete the online form and submit it; 2) Come to the Rectory during office hours Monday-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.

**THE PARISH BUSINESS OFFICE** will be closed on Fridays beginning June 4, 2021 for the summer. The office will remain opened Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Please note that the telephone is **not** monitored on Fridays that the office is closed or during the weekend.

**EXCITING NEWS - CHRISTMAS CRAFT BAZAAR IS COMING BACK THIS YEAR!** Our Annual Christmas Craft Bazaar will return this year! We will be accepting applications shortly! In the meantime, we are looking for individuals interested in serving on a Craft Bazaar committee. We look forward to seeing you all in November! If you are interested in being involved with the event, please reach out to Ariana Yokum via email- [ayokum88@gmail.com](mailto:ayokum88@gmail.com).

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:** July 18 – Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells His disciples to "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." Vincent de Paul, a great man of action was also a contemplative. His contemplation of God's love overflowed into practical love for the poor. Please say a special prayer for the poor and forgotten, as you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul collection bucket. In the month of June, through your gifts, our ministry was able to assist 10 families providing \$100.00 in food, \$2,268.45 for utility and rent bills, etc. Thank you for being a vital part of our ministry.



**HELPING HANDS FOOD PANTRY** is very grateful for your generous donations in June! Due to your generous response, 40 bags and boxes of food and toiletries were delivered to the food pantry!

The following items are requested for July:

- *Boxed Potatoes – mashed, scalloped or au gratin*
- *Cream of Mushroom Soup*
- *Pancake Mix*
- *Toothbrushes – single or double packages preferred.*
- *Toiletries and personal products are always needed.*

Collection weekend will be **July 24th-25th**. The Helping Hands crate is located in our new temporary entrance hallway. Please use this for your food pantry donations. Your donations provide hot meals and personal items for local families. Thank you and God bless you!

#### HELPING HANDS FOOD PANTRY

Do you need food or know someone in need? Helping Hands Food Pantry is accepting new clients. They are located at 7453 E. Main Street, Reynoldsburg. Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m.-Noon. and Wednesday from 4:00-6:00 p.m. Phone Number: (614) 868-9394. The pantry serves all families in need within the 43068 zip code area, by appointment only. Please call the pantry to register and make an appointment. Janet Munjas, Pantry Director and St. Pius parishioner, would like to thank our church community for all of the food, toiletries, volunteers and monetary donations throughout the years. They gratefully accept donations during business hours. Thank you and God bless you!



**RCIA NEWS** - July 21, 2021: Team Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Room A of the Parish Center at St. Pius X - open to anyone interested in helping with the RCIA program this year. Come and share your gifts with the community. For more information contact Deacon Joe LeMay at 660-233-2289 or email [jclemay@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jclemay@sbcglobal.net).

If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, come join us on July 29, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We are hosting an RCIA informational meeting for anyone interested in joining the RCIA 2021-2022 program. Come and meet the team and begin your spiritual journey. Contact Deacon Joe LeMay at 660-233-2289 or email at [jclemay@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jclemay@sbcglobal.net).

**WHAT IS RCIA?** The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the Church's ritual process for calling adults to a conversion of mind and heart and preparing them for a full and active life in the Church as disciples of Jesus. During the process, adults participate in liturgical rites that both mark the progress of their journey and form them more deeply by God's grace. The culmination of that process is the celebration of the sacraments of Initiation - Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

The RCIA process is primarily intended for those who are unbaptized and preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation, but also includes those already Baptized and are preparing for their Profession of Faith and full Communion with the Roman Catholic Church. We will be starting a new class in September. If you are interested or know of someone who may be thinking of joining the Church, consider joining us on this Spiritual Journey.

For further information concerning RCIA, please contact Deacon Joseph LeMay through the parish pastoral staff at 614-866-2859 or email [jclemay@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jclemay@sbcglobal.net).

**USHERS ARE STILL DESPERATELY NEEDED** for the 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Sunday Masses. If you attend Mass and have wanted to volunteer in some small way, this is an excellent opportunity to do so! You can attend Mass and volunteer at the same time by helping and meeting your fellow parishioners. Please contact Cyndi Williams at 614-390-4718 or John Beyer at 614-866-2859.

**PLEASE HOLD ON TO YOUR GENTLY USED BACKPACKS!** Packed With Love, a ministry started by a young SPX student, will be collecting new and gently used (even personalized) backpacks in the month of September. This collection is part of a new initiative to provide backpacks filled with essential items for homeless men and women in our community. For questions, please call or text Meghan Swails at 206-724-2794.

**2021-2022 PSR CLASSES NEED ADULT AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT VOLUNTEERS:** The 2021-2022 St. Pius X PSR Classes are scheduled on Sundays from 11:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. starting in September unless there are Covid-19 adjustments. We need adult catechists/aides and high school aides for the PSR Classes. All adult PSR volunteers need to have the Protecting God's Children requirements of a VIRUS PGC Class and fingerprinting before starting to work with the PSR students. High school students who are currently in high school do not need the PGC requirements. Please contact De Ann Bukowski at 614-648-9191 to volunteer or ask questions.

**St. Pius X PSR Registrations,  
Fee Payment, and Books  
Important upcoming SPX PSR  
Dates for the 2021-2022 School Year:**

**August 1, from 11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.,**  
under the Parish Hall Poetical.  
PSR Registration, Fee drop off and Book  
(except for 7th) Pickup

**August 22, from 3:30-6:30 p.m.,**  
under the Parish Hall Poetical.  
PSR Registration, Fee drop off and Book  
(except for 7th) Pickup

**September 4 and 5.** Before and after all  
Parish Masses at Door C of the School.

**September 12** is the First Week of PSR the only  
sign up or drop-off will be after the  
10:00 a.m. Mass. More details to come.

You can get a copy of the PSR Application and Fee List from the SPX website at [spxreynoldsburg.com](http://spxreynoldsburg.com) under Education/PSR or call De Ann Bukowski 614-648-9191 cell.

**COATS FOR KIDS DRIVE:** Your Knights of Columbus Council 5253 is again heading up the "Coats for Kids" coat drive benefitting St. Francis Evangelization Center in McArthur, Ohio. As in prior years, we are requesting new and/or "slightly/gently" used and clean cold-weather coats for children of all ages and sizes, to be delivered by the Knights in October.

We are asking for your help and there are two ways to donate:

There is a large bin inside the side entrance of the church to put your donations in **OR** call Scott Banaski at 614-565-4815 to pick up the coats from your home.

Last October, due to your generosity, we delivered over 200 coats to needy children which was a huge increase over 2019. With your help, we can match/exceed 2020!

# ST. PIUS X FESTIVAL IS HAPPENING

- Festival Dates are August 6/7. Parish Picnic date is Sunday, August 8
- Volunteers are still needed. To volunteer, Sign-up online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040449a9a92ea4ff2-2021> or contact Emily Laird at 614-745-7154 to sign up.
- We plan to have a Monte Carlo, Adult and Children/Teen Prize Raffle, Wine Ring Toss, Children's Games, Adult Games of Chance, Bake Sale, Cake Wheel (all baked on site), Beer Garden, Children's Rides, and live entertainment and Nerf Wars in the gym. Various Food Trucks including Erin's Lunchbox, Pizza Cottage, and Kona Ice as well as food from the Festival Kitchen will be available for purchase.
- The Parish Festival Picnic is scheduled for Sunday, August 8 at 11:30 a.m. All food will be provided for the picnic.
- Raffle tickets have been mailed to all parishioners. \$5,000.00 grand prize along with other great items will be in the Adult Raffle including a Yeti Cooler and wood pellet grill. The Children/Teen Raffle will have a \$500.00 grand prize along with one of the items being a Nintendo Switch Console with a game. **You can return these tickets by putting them in the offertory basket, mail them to the Rectory or add them to the Raffle bins at the Festival until Saturday, August 7 by 8:30 p.m. Drawing at 9:00 p.m.!**

We still need a few more donations for the Festival. We are baking all items for the Bake Sale and the Cake Walk in the Parish Center kitchen. **Drop Off Weekend will be this weekend July 17-18, 30 minutes before Mass and immediately after all Masses conclude.** You can also drop off at the Rectory Monday through Thursday and ask for John.

## ITEMS NEEDED:

Cake mixes – chocolate  
Cans of frosting – vanilla/white/choc  
Brownie mixes – NO NUT mixes only  
Semi-sweet Chocolate Chips  
Raisins  
Eggs

Vegetable oil  
All-purpose unbleached flour  
Sugar – white, light & dark brown  
Vanilla  
Crisco - butter flavored cans

## BEVERAGES NEEDED:

Normal size bottles (750 ml.) of wine are being requested for the Wine Toss Game. We have received great donations for pop and water. Thank you.

**Monetary donations for baking items will gladly be accepted and can be dropped in the offertory basket or mailed to the rectory.**

As you all know, we have the green light for this year's Festival since we achieved our partial goal of 150 individuals to volunteer for a 2-3 hour shift for the Festival. This is the first thing that was needed for us to move forward with the planning stages. In order to streamline responsibilities, we are requesting 8-10 **Festival Helpers** to help us manage the Festival on Thursday, August 5, during setup; Friday, August 6; and Saturday, August 7, (the actual days of the Festival) and a few to help with the Parish Picnic 10-12. These volunteers will be scattered around the festival to monitor volunteers, go to the freezer to get another case of ice-cream novelties, change the tap on a beer keg in the beer wagon, monitor tables needing cleaned off and sanitized by volunteers, take a lost child to the music tent to locate their parents, etc. These tasks are not difficult but are a necessity for the festival to run smoothly so that our Festival Chairs and Co-chairs can take care of anything of an urgent matter. **Most of the time you will be sitting on a chair near an area just watching and talking to folks. Bring a wide brimmed hat and sunglasses to keep the sun out of your eyes.** Contact [jbeyer@spxreynoldsburg.com](mailto:jbeyer@spxreynoldsburg.com) or call 614-866-2859.

If you would like to volunteer for a shift at the Festival, please contact [jbeyer@spxreynoldsburg.com](mailto:jbeyer@spxreynoldsburg.com) or call 614-866-2859. We are also looking for four to six individuals (**Shadow Chairs**) over the age of 18 to volunteer to shadow the Chair and Co-Chairs this year to help manage this great event in the future. This is not a great time commitment, but it is a commitment to meet new friends and enjoy what is a small part of what is St. Pius X Church and School! Many of our Festival Committee Members have been planning the Festival for many years and would love to teach others how to do this. It is time for new volunteers to step up and learn the ropes of preparing and planning for our Parish Festival. **Without YOU coming forward this year, this could be the last year of the Festival!** Please contact John Beyer at the above phone number and email address if you would like to discuss joining the Festival Committee.

**IN PERSON VOLUNTEER SIGN-UPS TO WORK THE FESTIVAL** is happening the weekend of July 24/25 in the courtyard of the church. If you have not signed up to volunteer at the festival, now is the time to do it! Please look for the tables in front of the church to sign up.



#### **ADOPT-A-STUDENT SCHOOL SUPPLIES:**

The new school year isn't far away. With the threat of COVID decreasing, this year Father Hohman Council 5253 of the Knights of Columbus will be able to resume its annual Adopt-A-Student school supplies collection for its families served by the St. Francis Center in McArthur, the county seat of Vinton County. Vinton County is Ohio's smallest county in terms of population and one of the most impoverished. Many families there cannot afford the basic necessities, let alone school supplies.

With your donations, the Knights help fulfill their needs by distributing kits containing basic school supplies. Each kit has a pencil box, five No. 2 pencils, three ballpoint pens, a pair of blunt or pointed scissors, a box of 24-count crayons, a large eraser or three pencil-top erasers, and one large or three small glue sticks.

Also needed are packs of notebook filler paper or loose-leaf paper. Teachers can use extra supplies of facial tissues, hand sanitizer, and anti-bacterial wipes. Large sizes are particularly welcome!

Back-to-school sales of these items are beginning at major retail stores and office supply stores, enabling people to increase their generosity by buying more of the above items at lower prices. Watch for sales on these items and bring them to Mass on the **COLLECTION WEEKENDS OF JULY 24-25 AND JULY 31-AUGUST 1**. A collection tub will be located at the side entrance/exit of the church. These items will be assembled on Monday, August 2. Help will be needed to pack them at 6:30 p.m. in the parish center. The Knights will take them to McArthur the following day.

Monetary donations also will be gratefully accepted. This will enable us to purchase additional items, which will be needed as the school year continues. Last year, the Knights could only accept monetary donations because of COVID and collected \$1,960.00. For more information, contact Tim or Sandy Puet at (614) 507-8388 or 507-8389. Thank you for your continued support.



## **Real Presence Real Future**

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 18, 2021

*Real Presence, Real Future reflections:*

**The Word of God**

**Alfred Akainyah, St. Anthony Parish & RPRF  
Commission Member**

In today's Gospel, the 12 go out in pairs to spread the Good News. When they return, Jesus gathers them to a place of rest to lift their Spirits, but the people of the area arrive, hungry for the Good News, believing, that a word from God exceeds every need and raises anyone willing to believe above their circumstances!

We too, with *Real Presence, Real Future*, are called and entreated to bring the Good News to others in our words and deeds. We should have time for others and be open to unexpected demands, for this is the true meaning of discipleship.

To read more about how we are growing together in the life of faith and discipleship in the Diocese of Columbus, visit [www.RealPresenceRealFuture.org](http://www.RealPresenceRealFuture.org).

#### **Real Presence, Real Future - Summer Q&A Sessions:**

Join CLI and Diocesan leaders to learn more about the *Real Presence, Real Future* initiative at Information Sessions throughout the summer. Each session will be similar consisting of an overview of the *Real Presence, Real Future* initiative, and the opportunity for your questions and comments. We want to hear from you! What are you hearing about RPRF? What is it? Why are we doing this?

Registration is required for each session, so sign up today at [www.RealPresenceRealFuture.org](http://www.RealPresenceRealFuture.org).

#### **Virtual Sessions from 7:00-8:30 p.m.**

- Monday, July 19
- Wednesday, July 21
- Wednesday, July 28
- Wednesday, August 4
- Wednesday, August 11



## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN BUILD UPDATE:

**July 13, ceiling tile installation-Lighting and HVAC completion; 7/16 floor tiles arriving to start tiling floors**

Thank you to everyone who has participated (or plans to participate) 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

**Financials for Our Capital Campaign:** Pledge goal of \$4,594,495 and we are currently at \$4,588,235 and have received \$3,955,308 in cash and **\$6,680.00** left to achieve our Campaign goal. **THIS IS FANTASTIC!**

We have had a few parishioners who have not been able to complete their pledges due to financial hardship, have moved away or have died. Fortunately, several of you have talked to me wanting to increase their pledges to cover some of these defaults which is just great. Thank-you so very much.

If you can make a new pledge or an additional pledge increase, please remember to call 614-866-2859 or email John Beyer [jbeyer@spxreynoldsburg.com](mailto:jbeyer@spxreynoldsburg.com) to let me know so I can add these to our numbers. If you do so through Faith Direct, please let me know this also.

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 that have made a pledge and continue to honor this commitment to St. Pius X Church & School by continuing to pay on your pledge until it is completed.

From all the Staff here at St. Pius X, Father Dave, and I, thank you and God Bless!

John Beyer, Campaign Chair



## walking with purpose

We would like to share our appreciation to all the ladies that participated in our three book studies this past pandemic year. While we had to be creative and use Zoom this past year, we were able to still pursue spiritual growth and meaningful connections with our ladies of the Parish.

If you were not able to join us this past year, or are new to our studies, we invite you to consider participating in **Walking with Purpose** for our study, *Discovering Our Dignity*. We will be offering sessions starting in mid-September on Monday mornings or Thursday evenings.

In **Discovering our Dignity**, we will study scriptures focusing on women of the old and new testaments. We will learn they were as flawed and broken as we can be today, yet the power of God worked in their lives. Learn from their experiences in *Discovering Our Dignity*, a 22-lesson Bible study. Through their stories recorded in Scripture, women of the Bible reach out to touch our "present" in a tender, honest and loving way - woman to woman - with ancient wisdom, sage advice, and insights from sorrowful failures and emotional wounds.

Even if you have participated in this study in the past, consider revisiting the lessons with a fresh look into our lives in this post-pandemic world.

Registration will open in August, and we will have a table at the festival this year! Stop by the table to register or have questions answered. We will also be having a raffle to help support our WWP program at the table with a tote bag full of goodies.

For questions, please feel free to contact Cyndi Williams at [cyndiw2000@yahoo.com](mailto:cyndiw2000@yahoo.com) or call 614-390-4718.

## SAINT OF THE DAY FOR JULY 21

**Saint Lawrence of Brindisi** (July 22, 1559-July 22, 1619)**Saint Lawrence of Brindisi's Story:**

At first glance, perhaps the most remarkable quality of Lawrence of Brindisi is his outstanding gift of languages. In addition to a thorough knowledge of his native Italian, he had complete reading and speaking ability in Latin, Hebrew, Greek, German, Bohemian, Spanish, and French.

Lawrence was born on July 22, 1559 and died exactly 60 years later on his birthday in 1619. His parents William and Elizabeth Russo gave him the name of Julius Caesar, *Caesare* in Italian. After the early death of his parents, he was educated by his uncle at the College of St. Mark in Venice.

When he was just 16, he entered the Capuchin Franciscan Order in Venice and received the name of Lawrence. He completed his studies of philosophy and theology at the University of Padua and was ordained a priest at 23.

With his facility for languages, Lawrence was able to study the Bible in its original texts. At the request of Pope Clement VIII, he spent much time preaching to the Jews in Italy. So excellent was his knowledge of Hebrew, the rabbis felt sure he was a Jew who had become a Christian.

Lawrence's sensitivity to the needs of people – a character trait perhaps unexpected in such a talented scholar – began to surface. He was elected major superior of the Capuchin Franciscan province of Tuscany at the age of 31. He had the combination of brilliance, human compassion, and administrative skill needed to carry out his duties. In rapid succession, he was promoted by his fellow Capuchins and was elected minister general of the Capuchins in 1602. In this position, he was responsible for great growth and geographical expansion of the Order.

Lawrence was appointed papal emissary and peacemaker, a job which took him to a number of foreign countries. An effort to achieve peace in his native kingdom of Naples took him on a journey to Lisbon to visit the king of Spain. Serious illness in Lisbon took his life in 1619.

In 1956, the Capuchins completed a 15-volume edition of Lawrence's writings. Eleven of these 15 contain his sermons, each of which relies chiefly on scriptural quotations to illustrate his teaching.

His constant devotion to Scripture, coupled with great sensitivity to the needs of people, present a lifestyle which appeals to Christians today. Lawrence had a balance in his life that blended self-discipline with a keen appreciation for the needs of those whom he was called to serve.



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