



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.

MAILING ADDRESSES

Rectory & Parish Business Office

1051 Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg 43068

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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

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday by noon

PARISH PASTORAL STAFF

Dial (614) 866-2859 for

Rev. Patrick Watikha, AJ, Pastor Ext 102

Rev. Process Milton Kiocha,

AJ, Parochial Vicar..... Ext 102

Deacon Jim Kelly Ext 102

Deacon Joseph Lemay Ext 102

Brenda Brammer, Business Manager Ext 116

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.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Formal registration to St. Pius X Church is encouraged. New parishioners may stop at the rectory from Monday-Friday between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM to register. You may also register directly from our website by completing a secure form or by downloading a registration form and returning it.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 30, 2023

God is in His holy place!

MASSES FOR AUGUST 1-6, 2023

Tuesday, August 1

8:30 a.m. (FPW) Mass Intentions for Vocations
by Women Ablaze/Serra

Wednesday, August 2

8:30 a.m. (FPW) Special Intentions for Jeanine Morgan
by Sharon Stout

Thursday, August 3

8:30 a.m. (FPW) † Thomas Bergman
by John & Linda Bergman

Friday, August 4

8:30 a.m. (FPW) † Giuseppi Babusci by Cecelia Babusci

Saturday, August 5

4:30 p.m. (FPW) † Arlene Casper by Tim & Kaycie Boyles

Sunday, August 6

8:00 a.m. (FPW) Living & Deceased Members
of the Parish

10:00 a.m. (FPW) † Deacon James & Mary Jane Kelly
by Deacon Jim & Leah Kelly

THIS AND THAT...

"The Word Among Us" (\$2.00) and "Living Faith" (\$1.00) publications are available in the Rectory Office.

All Donation Bins are now located at the side entrance (back of church through the double doors by the Holy Family statue). Please do not leave donations in the in the Narthex/Vestibule.

Lost and Found is located in the Narthex/Vestibule near the Quieting Room.

Emails/Text Messages from Fr. Patrick: If you receive a message from Fr. Patrick asking for gift cards of any sort, please be aware that this is a **SCAM. DO NOT** respond to it!! These scammers are really good. If you have questions or need clarification, always call the Rectory.

Donation Envelopes: Please, please **DO NOT** leave your donation envelopes in the big white mailbox in the parking lot at any time of the day. The locked black mailbox is located on the railing of the front porch next to Rectory's front door that you can use. We are not responsible if the mailman gets your money!

New Parishioner Registration: Register online from SPX website or visit the Rectory for a registration form. We encourage all who attend Masses to formally register with St. Pius X Church to become a member.

JOIN Donations: Any small size items, such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, mouthwash, soap, shampoo, and lotions are always needed and appreciated for the needy. Please use the JOIN donation bin to put your items in.

JOSEPH'S COAT: Please consider volunteering your time with this organization to help the needy. Household goods and mattresses, etc., are in great need. Please be a benefactor to Joseph's Coat by visiting www.josephs-coat.org for additional information on how to donate.

Lending Library: This library of books is located in the Vestibule/Narthex of the church on the bookcases. Please feel free to take a book to read and return it when finished.

Can't get to Mass on a regular basis? Want Communion brought to you at home? Call Leah Kelly at the Rectory at 614-866-2859 to schedule a visit.

Sr. Maxine will be available by appointment only. Please call the Rectory to schedule a personal appointment to see her at a time convenient for you both in the Bride's Room of the church.



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IN OUR PARISH

Newly Registered: Andrew & Monika Winters
& Scarlett Elliott

Pray For Our Deceased: Saverio Capuano

THIS WEEK AT ST. PIUS X – JULY 31-AUGUST 6, 2023

Monday, July 31	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	9:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
	Funeral & Luncheon – Capuano	Church	10:30 a.m.
	Divine Mercy	Church	6:00 p.m.
	Rosary for the Sick	Church	6:30 p.m.
	Women Ablaze (Evening)	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.
	TMIY	Parish Center, Meeting Room	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, August 1	Liturgy of Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
	Women Ablaze	Parish Center	10:00 a.m.
	Adopt-A-Child Sort/Pack	Workshop	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, August 2	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
	Eucharistic Exposition	Sacred Heart Chapel	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. 1:00-6:00 p.m.
	Holy Hour – Confessions	Church Sanctuary	12:00-1:00 p.m.
	RCIA Inquiry Session	Parish Center, Room A	6:30 p.m.
Thursday, August 3	Armory (Men's Group)	Latchkey Patio	7:00 p.m.
	TMIY	Parish Center, Room A	6:00 a.m.
	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
Friday, August 4	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
	Visitation for Funeral	Narthex	10:00 a.m.
	Funeral – Steve Sandidge	Church	11:00 a.m.
Saturday, August 5	Young Mother's Group	Church Chapel	8:00 a.m.
	K of C Rosary	Church	5:30 p.m.
Sunday, August 6	Donut Sunday	Narthex/Vestibule	11:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Chapel	11:15 a.m.

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

For the Week of July 23, 2023:

Budget Requirements	\$ 18,000.00
Special Offertory	\$ 0.00
Weekly Offertory Received:	\$ 7,283.00
Weekly Surplus (Deficit):	\$ (10,717.00)
**EFT (Debit) Program	\$ 516.00
Envelope Offering:	\$ 5,846.00
Loose Offering:	\$ 921.00
Total Offering:	\$ 7,283.00

For the Month of July 2023:

MTD Budget Requirements:	\$ 72,000.00
MTD Actual Offertory Received:	\$ 66,115.80
MTD Surplus (Deficit):	\$ (5,884.20)
YTD Budget Requirements	\$ 72,000.00
YTD Actual Offertory Received	\$ 66,115.80
YTD Surplus (Deficit)	\$ (5,884.20)
Debit Program Participants:	30
Envelopes Used:	127

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

This is the last weekend that the K of C Adopt-A-Student School Program will be collecting school supplies. All supplies must be put in the collection bin (located at the side entrance/exit door) by Monday evening, as sorting and packing will be done on Tuesday followed by delivery to the St. Francis Center in Vinton County.

The St. Pius X Church and School "End-of-Summer Carnival" will be selling raffle tickets the weekends of August 5/6, 12/13 and 19/20. Raffle tickets are **NOT** being mailed out this year to parishioners, so please pick up a letter and four books of tickets (two adult and two children). Prizes will be on display in the Narthex. Payment for the tickets may be made by: 1) putting in the collection basket (put tickets and payment in an envelope marked "Raffle"), 2) mailed or 3) dropped off at the Rectory/Business Office by Friday, August 25. The drawing will be held on Saturday, August 26 at 3:00 p.m.

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.

PARISH BUSINESS OFFICE/RECTORY CLOSED ON FRIDAYS FOR THE SUMMER!

Please note that the Parish Business Office/Rectory will be closed on Fridays now through August. All business must be conducted Monday through Thursday. Phone calls will not be monitored on Fridays and the weekends.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE REST OF 2023 OR BEGINNING OF 2024

Mass Intentions are greatly needed for the rest of the year. Please visit the Rectory during office hours to schedule Masses for the deceased or for special intentions for the living. Mass Intentions are \$10.00 each.

K OF C ADOPT-A-STUDENT PROGRAM COLLECTION – THIS IS THE LAST WEEKEND!

The annual Adopt-A-Student project providing school kits for Vinton County families served by the St. Francis Center in McArthur continues at all Masses this Saturday and Sunday. A complete kit includes 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. **Monetary donations will be accepted, as well.** For more information, please contact John Bruno at 614-434-6224. Thank you for your continued support.

ADDRESS FOR FR. DAVE:

Fr. David J. Young
St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church
144 N. 5th Street, Zanesville, OH 43701-3506

DONATION BINS

The donation bins are for very specific causes that are most likely mentioned in the bulletin. It has come to our attention that random items are being left in the bins that should be given to St. Vincent de Paul, which has a box at the back of the parking lot. If you are not donating to the Food Pantry, Coats for Kids (new or gently-used and laundered), Adopt-A-Child School Supplies, JOIN or Military Outreach (when requested), **PLEASE DO NOT** leave your random bags of clothing or housewares in these bins for us to move; take them to the back of the parking lot for SVDP. Thank you.

SCAMMERS AT IT AGAIN...

Scamming emails have started again, this time with Fr. Patrick. If you receive an email from Fr. Patrick asking you to contact him, asking you for a favor or asking you for gift cards of any sort, please do not answer these emails. As much as everyone wants to please the new pastor, Fr. Patrick **WOULD NEVER** and **WILL NEVER** send an email out to you for these things. Scammers are using bogus email addresses to pose as him. Please pay attention to the email address that the email is coming from. If or when you receive an email from Fr. Patrick, please call the Business Office right away and give the office the specific email address that the email was sent from, so that we can report it.

GUIDEBOOK AND DIRECTORY BEING UPDATED FOR 2024

The GuideBook and Directory for St. Pius X is currently being updated. Changes will be accepted through Monday, September 25. Please call Business Office/Rectory Office if you have:

1. Changed your address or your telephone number,
2. If you have children who are no longer living with you or are over the age of 21. Any child not living with you or over the age of 21 should register on their own as they are an adult,
3. If you know of someone or a family who is listed in the directory and know that they have moved, please notify the Business Office at 614-866-2859.

END-OF-SUMMER COMMUNITY CARNIVAL

Saturday, August 26, 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

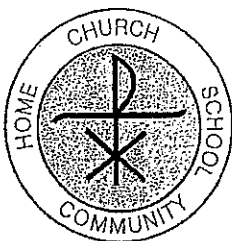
Soda Pop and Cake Walk Donations are Needed!

The Community Carnival Committee is inviting everyone to donate a case of soda or a case of bottled water or juice/Kool-aid boxes for the Carnival. Also, we are in need of donations for the Cake Walk; cake mixes – yellow or chocolate, and frosting – vanilla or chocolate.

The drop-off weekends are August 12-13 and 19-20. Please drop off at the Parish Center workshop room 30 minutes before Mass and immediately after all Masses conclude or drop off anytime in the donation bin located in the side entrance of the Church. Monetary donations for soda/water and Cake Walk supplies will gladly be accepted and can be dropped in the offertory basket or mailed to the rectory.

ROMANS 12:13 NEW PARISHIONER BRUNCH

All those new to St. Pius X, new to the Catholic Faith, those that may have missed an earlier brunch or anyone who's been away from the Church and has now returned home, we cordially invite you and your family to attend a New Parishioner Brunch after the 10:00 Mass on **August 13th from 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.** in the Parish Family Center. The brunch will be an excellent opportunity to meet our ministry team, other ministry leaders, as well as pastoral staff members and to learn about the St. Pius X Parish Family! Please be sure to attend and we look forward to meeting you!



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July 20, 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

St. Pius X will host its second annual End of Summer Community Carnival on Saturday, August 26, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Last year's carnival was a great success and raised over \$20,700 for the school roof project. It has taken a couple years to raise funds to help with the high cost of repairing the roof in phases. Last year's funds, in addition to other donated funds, will enable us to begin Phase 1 of the roofing project! We have met several times with our roofing consulting firm and the Diocese of Columbus in order to review bids to repair the south end of the school roof. Bids are to be in hand within the coming weeks, with a possible start date in the fall of 2023.

The annual \$5,000 raffle has the potential of raising the most funds for our school roof initiative, so we are hoping for support from our parishioners and school families. Attached to this letter you will receive 2 books of the adult raffle tickets: 4 tickets for \$30 or \$10 each, and 2 books of the children's/teen raffle book: 5 tickets for \$20 or \$5 each. We ask you to sell and/or purchase these tickets yourself. Each ticket will provide an opportunity to win a great prize, while *also* helping raise money for the St. Pius X School roof. The Adult Raffle will have the Grand Prize of \$5,000. There are other great prizes, too, including a YETI Roadie 48 Wheeled Cooler, a Samsung 55" LED 4K Smart TV, a Ninja Foodi Pressure Cooker - Steam Fryer, and an Amazon \$200 Gift Card. The Children's/Teen Raffle will feature a Grand Prize of \$500. This ticket also includes a chance to win a Sony PS5 with \$25 Play station Store Card, Apple Air Pods Pro, a Swift Stream Z-9 Wi-Fi Camera Drone, and an Amazon \$100 Gift Card!

Please return raffle tickets with payment to the SPX Rectory or drop them in the collection basket at any SPX Mass in a marked envelope labeled "Raffle Tickets." The raffle drawing will be held on Saturday, August 26 at 3:45 pm, in front of the Msgr. David R. Funk Parish Family Center. All prizes will be drawn at this time, but you need not be present to win.

We hope you agree that this is a good reason to purchase and/or sell your tickets: to help with our next major project of replacing the school roof, and to possibly win great cash and prizes, in the process. May we all work together to make this year's Community Carnival another great success! God bless you and see you at the back-to-school carnival!

Peace and prayers,

Fr. Patrick Watikha, A.J.
and the Community Carnival Committee

The Armory

The SPX Men's Ministry

"Instaurare Omnia in Christo!"

In the Armory with Saint Joseph

What/When: First Wednesday

Men's Fellowship

August 2nd from 7:00 -8:30 p.m.

Who: All men 18 and older
(16-17 with dad)

Where: In the St. Joseph Workshop
of Parish Family Center or on
the Hohman Hall Patio (weather
permitting)

Cost: Free and no need to RSVP
Includes hot food item and cold
beverages.

Video Study – *The Fourth Cup:
Unveiling the Mystery of the
Last Supper and the Cross*

Well-known Catholic theologian Dr. Scott Hahn explains Christ's Paschal sacrifice on the cross as the fulfillment of the traditional fourth cup used in the celebration of Passover... through his scholarly insights and important biblical connections, Mass will come alive for you as never before!

Lesson 3 of 14: "A Typical Sacrifice"

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*Saint Joseph, Terror of Demons,
Pray for us!*



WOMEN ABLAZE WILL BE OFFERING TWO FUN MOVIES IN AUGUST ON MONDAY MORNINGS.

Come join us in the Parish Center on **August 7th at 10:00 a.m.** for a delightful comedy about two mischievous students who turn a convent school upside down with their pranks – **"The Trouble with Angels,"** (1966) starring Rosalind Russell and Haley Mills. We will then view the sequel the next Monday on **August 14th at 10:00 a.m.** **"Where Angels Go Trouble Follows,"** (1968). The comedy continues when Mother Superior (Rosalind Russell) is challenged by a modern young nun when they take the girls of St. Francis Academy on a bus trip across the United States. We will have light snacks and beverages. Come join us for both or just one movie! Please sign up on the SPX website.



Women Ablaze will be hosting their Annual Wine, Cheese and Chocolate event for the Ladies of the Parish on **August 15th from 7:00-9:00 p.m.** in the Parish Center. There will be as the name says, Wine, Cheese, Chocolate, along with Lemonade, Water and other goodies served. We will pray a selection of prayers for The Feast of the Assumption. Come and enjoy fellowship with your Sisters in Christ and hear the plans of the book studies being offered this Fall into Winter. For planning purposes, please sign up on the St. Pius X website at www.spxreynoldsburg.com by **August 7th.**

RCIA – RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

What is RCIA? Generally, we think of it for those who are trying to become Catholic. RCIA is a pathway into the Catholic faith. However, it is much more than that. It is catechesis that continues for a lifetime of faith development. On June 15th, we began the inquiry sessions for 2023 for those who would like to know more about the Catholic faith. The RCIA name will soon be changing to OCIA, which means the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults. The name will change, but the content remains the same! St. Pius X Parish welcomes all who wish to join the Catholic faith or just want to better understand our faith, every Wednesday of each week, at 6:30 p.m. in the Msgr. David Funk Parish Family Center. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Deacon Joseph LeMay at 660-233-2289.

August 5-6: The Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord

	Sacristan	Lectors	EMHC	Servers	Ushers
Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	Michael Berger	Chris Ross (1) Donna Nesbitt (2)	Cyndi Williams – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) Megan Berger – Organ Host (EMHC 1)	Emma Feeney Nathan Feeney Adi Vega	Jim (1) Beck Paul (10) Siefert Mike (4) Angle Ken (6) Marr
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Michael Krolikowski	Linda Dlugiewicz (1) Kimberly Favinger (2)	Cheryl Krolikowski – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) Jeff Cox – Organ Host (EMHC 1)	Andrew Bassetti Ryan Bassetti Tristan Hanna	David Dlugiewicz Anthony Kanne Dan Ujcz Dave Williams
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	David Roby	Jill Lehosit (1) Teresa Iannaggi (2)	Denise Colucci – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) John E. Goetz – Organ Host (EMHC 1)	Christopher Filous Thomas Filous Maxwell Sandy	Steven Frase Ted Habak Bob Outlaw Dennis Powell
Saturday-Sunday (Maintenance Standby) – Scott Marsh					
Sunday, 11:00 a.m. (Church Linens) – Brenda Boeriu					

RIGHT TO LIFE

The SPX Respect Life Ministry hopes this will clarify any questions you may have about the upcoming voting issues. We urge you to read Bishop Earl Fernandes' article in the July 16th issue of *The Catholic Times*. In this article, he states the proposed amendment in November is a moral issue. We ask you to pray about this and use your freedom to vote to uphold our Catholic beliefs to defend the unborn and to uphold the rights of all human life as God has commanded us to do. We pray to Jesus, Mary, His Mother and St. Joseph, the protector of the Holy Family to help us respect all life from conception to natural death.

PRAYERS FOR THE GIFT OF LIFE

Prayers for Paul Reisinger, a parishioner of St. Pius X, who is in need of a kidney transplant. If you might be interested and willing to give the Gift of Life, there's an online health history questionnaire you can fill out at osuwexmedlivingdonor.org or you may contact Paul at PaulNeedsKidneyDonor@gmail.com. In the encyclical "*Evangelium Vitae*" ("The Gospel of Life"), Pope St. John Paul II said that, in the mystery of the Cross, "Jesus reveals the value of every person, and how life attains its fullness in the sincere gift of self. Over and above such outstanding moments, there is an everyday heroism, made up of gestures of sharing, big or small, which build up an authentic Culture of Life. A particularly praiseworthy example of such gestures is the donation of organs, performed in an ethically acceptable manner, with a view to offering a chance of health and even of *life itself* to the sick..." To be an organ/tissue donor is truly a beautiful witness to the Gift of Life!

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. This has become a year-long collection and thanks to our donation area (side entrance: back of church and through the double doors by the Holy Family statue), you have a drop-off location any time. 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. Our delivery to St. Francis will be sometime in October. In 2022, due to your generosity, we delivered over 130 coats to needy children in southeastern Ohio.

Thank you for your consideration and God bless!!

Scott Banaski – 614-565-4815

"PAM BRIGGS LENDING LIBRARY"

The "Pam Briggs Lending Library" has been re-organized! The shelves are now labeled so you can go to a specific category if you have something specific in mind you are looking for. When returning the books you borrow, please return them to the correct category or leave them on the shelf that is labeled "Return" so we can get them back to the correct category. We are also accepting donations of **Catholic books** – you may leave them in a donation bin located at the side entrance/exit door by the Holy Family Statue at the back of church.

MSP MINISTRY SCHEDULE

For all parishioners who are involved in the Mass on the weekends, we have begun using the Ministry Scheduler Pro, as we did several years ago before Covid. The weekly schedules will now be in the bulletin each week. It is requested that you always use the Sub Request feature if you are unable to honor your scheduled time AND that you **continue to enter your unavailable times in MSP**. Any questions, please email Cyndi Williams at cyndiw2000@yahoo.com.

POSITION AVAILABLE – YOUTH MINISTRY

St. Pius X Church and School is looking for a dynamic, energetic, faith-filled disciple of Jesus Christ to serve as Director of Youth Ministry to help facilitate the evangelization, formation, and discipleship of middle and high school students, grades 6-12.

Primary responsibilities include coordinating and organizing youth ministry weekly activities and events, retreats, and annual trips (including the March for Life, Gospel Road Work Camp, and the National Catholic Youth Conference). This position is also responsible for the planning and implementation of the parish Vacation Bible School program. Ideal candidates must be actively involved in a Roman Catholic Parish and have a comprehensive understanding of Catholic doctrine. A bachelor's degree or equivalent in theology, youth ministry, religious education, communication, or a related field is preferred, as well as youth ministry leadership experience. Experience with budgeting and marketing a plus. This is a full-time, year-round position, and night/weekend availability is a must. If interested, please send résumé, cover letter, and references to Brenda Brammer, Business Manager, at bbrammer@spxreynoldsburg.com.

SPX SCHOOL POSITION AVAILABLE

St. Pius X School is seeking an intervention specialist and tutors for the 2023-2024 school year. Please contact Lisa Ruth, principal, at lruth@spxelementary.com for more information.

PSR CATECHISTS (TEACHERS) AND AIDES NEEDED FOR THE COMING PSR SPX SCHOOL YEAR 2023-2024

This coming school year, the 2023-2024 PSR Classes are in need of Catechists, High School and Adult Aides on Sunday mornings from 11:15 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Currently, we need Catechists for Grades 5, 6, and 7, along with several High School and Adult aides for various grades. Anyone who is 18 years old and older and out of High School will need to meet the Protecting God's Children requirements of a Protecting God's Children Class and BCI Finger Printing. **ALSO NEEDED IS AN RCIC-PSR TEACHER TO TEACH OLDER CHILDREN WHO NEED THEIR BASIC SACRAMENTS.**

If anyone is interested or has any questions, please call De Ann Bukowski's cell at 614-648-9191.

Dedication of Saint Mary Major Basilica

(Completed in 1743)

The Story of the Dedication of Saint Mary Major Basilica

First raised at the order of Pope Liberius in the mid-fourth century, the Liberian basilica was rebuilt by Pope Sixtus III shortly after the Council of Ephesus affirmed Mary's title as Mother of God in 431. Rededicated at that time to the Mother of God, St. Mary Major is the largest church in the world honoring God through Mary. Standing atop one of Rome's seven hills, the Esquiline, it has survived many restorations without losing its character as an early Roman basilica. Its interior retains three naves divided by colonnades in the style of Constantine's era. Fifth-century mosaics on its walls testify to its antiquity.

St. Mary Major is one of the four Roman basilicas known as patriarchal churches in memory of the first centers of the Church. St. John Lateran represents Rome, the See of Peter; St. Paul Outside the Walls, the See of Alexandria, allegedly the see presided over by Mark; St. Peter's, the See of Constantinople; and St. Mary's, the See of Antioch, where Mary is supposed to have spent most of her later life.

One legend, unreported before the year 1000, gives another name to this feast: Our Lady of the Snows. According to that story, a wealthy Roman couple pledged their fortune to the Mother of God. In affirmation, she produced a miraculous summer snowfall and told them to build a church on the site. The legend was long celebrated by releasing a shower of white rose petals from the basilica's dome every August 5.

Reflection

Theological debate over Christ's nature as God and man reached fever pitch in Constantinople in the early fifth century. The chaplain of Bishop Nestorius began preaching against the title *Theotokos*, "Mother of God," insisting that the Virgin was mother only of the human Jesus. Nestorius agreed, decreeing that Mary would henceforth be named "Mother of Christ" in his see. The people of Constantinople virtually revolted against their bishop's refutation of a cherished belief. When the Council of Ephesus refuted Nestorius, believers took to the streets, enthusiastically chanting, "*Theotokos! Theotokos!*"

SAINT OF
THE DAY FOR
AUGUST 5

PHONES

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Latchkey, Patricia Zeitman.....	614-866-1848
School, Lisa Ruth, Principal.....	614-866-6050
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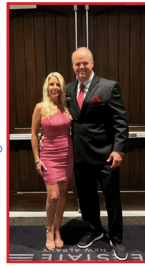
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