



# 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

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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

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## 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.

### 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.

# TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## OCTOBER 1, 2023

O Lord, make Your ways known to me!

### MASSES FOR OCTOBER 2-8, 2023

#### Monday, October 2

8:30 a.m. (FMK) ☩ Fr. Evan Harkins by Maria Harkins

#### Tuesday, October 3

8:30 a.m. (FMK) Special Intentions for Mark Burger  
by Barb Fersch

#### Wednesday, October 4

8:30 a.m. (FMK) ☩ John Lukie by Doris Lukie

#### Thursday, October 5

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

#### Friday, October 6

8:30 a.m. (FPW) Special Intentions of Priests by Serra Club

#### Saturday, October 7

7:00 a.m. (FMK) Living & Deceased Members of the Parish  
4:30 p.m. (FPW) ☩ Edward Haban by Emily & TJ Bryan Family

#### Sunday, October 8

8:00 a.m. (FRM) ☩ Fred Knopp, Jr. by the Knopp Family  
10:00 a.m. (FPW) Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

### COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

#### For the Week of September 24, 2023

Budget Requirements	\$	19,000.00
Special Offertory	\$	0.00
Weekly Offertory Received:	\$	21,603.12
Weekly Surplus (Deficit):	\$	2,603.12
Adjustments	\$	100.00
Faith Direct	\$	14,597.82
**EFT (Debit) Program	\$	516.00
Envelope Offering:	\$	5,572.30
Loose Offering:	\$	817.00
Total Offering:	\$	21,603.12

#### For the Month of September 2023

MTD Budget Requirements:	\$	76,000.00
MTD Actual Offertory Received:	\$	72,301.34
MTD Surplus (Deficit):	\$	(3,698.66)
YTD Budget Requirements	\$	246,000.00
YTD Actual Offertory Received	\$	247,500.00
YTD Surplus (Deficit)	\$	1,500.20
Debit Program Participants:		30
Envelopes Used:		135
Faith Direct Participants:		167



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### 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

**Newly Registered:** Kenneth Lasky

**Pray for Our Deceased:** Timothy Trusken

## THIS WEEK AT ST. PIUS X – OCTOBER 2-8, 2023

<b>Monday, October 2</b>	Confessions	Church	8:00-8:20 a.m.
	Liturgy of Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
	Women Ablaze (Morning)	Parish Center	10:00 a.m.
	Divine Mercy	Church	6:00 p.m.
	Rosary for the Sick	Church	6:30 p.m.
	TMIY (Evening)	Parish Center, Meeting Room	7:00 p.m.
	Women Ablaze (Evening)	Parish Center	7:00 p.m.
<b>Tuesday, October 3</b>	Confessions	Church	8:00-8:20 a.m.
	Liturgy of Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
	Parish Council Meeting	Parish Center, Meeting Room	7:00 p.m.
	Choir	Church	7:15 p.m.
<b>Wednesday, October 4</b>	Confessions	Church	8:00-8:20 a.m.
	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
	Senior Fellowship Group	Parish Center, Room A	1:15-4:15 p.m.
	Eucharistic Exposition	Sacred Heart Chapel	9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
	Holy Hour – Confessions	Church Sanctuary	12:00-1:00 p.m.
	OCIA (Formally RCIA)	Parish Center	6:30 p.m.
	The Armory	Latchkey Patio	7:00 p.m.
<b>Thursday, October 5</b>	TMIY (Morning)	Parish Center, Room A	6:00 a.m.
	Confessions	Church	8:00-8:20 a.m.
	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
<b>Friday, October 6</b>	Confessions	Church	8:00-8:20 a.m.
	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
<b>Saturday, October 7</b>	Men's FS/SS	Parish Center, Meeting Room	7:30 a.m.
	Young Mother's Group	Church Chapel	8:00 a.m.
	Confessions	Church	3:00-4:00 p.m.
	K of C Rosary	Church	5:30 p.m.
	SVDP Collection	Church	After Mass
<b>Sunday, October 8</b>	SVDP Collection	Church	After Both Masses
	Rosary	Chapel	11:15 a.m.
	PSR	School	11:15 a.m.-12:45 p.m.
	Swahili Mass	Church	1:00 p.m.

## PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please make sure that you read the **NEW CHANGES TO THE MASS SCHEDULE** in the bulletin to familiarize yourself with a few changes.

There will be no morning Mass from Monday, October 9-Thursday, October 12 as our priests and most priests of the diocese will be attending a retreat. There will be morning Mass on Friday, October 13.

Fr. Milton will be celebrating a Swahili Mass on Sunday, October 8 at 1:00 p.m. here at St. Pius X. All parishioners are invited and welcomed to attend this Mass.

## 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 Narthex/Vestibule. 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.

**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](http://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.

## NEW CHANGES TO THE MASS SCHEDULE

### MORNING MASSES

St. Pius X has added Monday mornings to the Mass schedule beginning October 2 at 8:30 a.m. We will now offer morning Mass on all weekdays, Monday-Friday.

### CONFESSIONS

Confessions will be heard each weekday before the morning Mass from 8:00 a.m. to 8:20 a.m. A priest will be in the confessional at 8:00 a.m. each morning for anyone wishing to attend. Please be mindful that morning Mass must start promptly at 8:30 a.m.

### SATURDAY MORNING MASS

St. Pius X will begin celebrating a Saturday morning Mass beginning at 7:00 a.m. and ending at 7:30 a.m. each Saturday of the month. This will be a Mass of Our Lady. This Mass could possibly be cancelled for funerals or weddings that are scheduled. Please watch the bulletin or call the Parish Office on the Friday before. This Mass will begin on Saturday, October 7.

### BLESSING OF ANIMALS:

Our Annual Blessing of Animals will take place on Sunday morning, October 1st at 11:15 a.m. by Hohmann Hall. Come celebrate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi by having your family pets blessed.

### SENIOR FELLOWSHIP GROUP:

As a reminder, our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 4, 2023, from 1:15-4:00 p.m. in the Parish Center, Room A. New members are always welcome.

### CHOIR NEWS

Practices have started again, and we need new members in the worst way!! We have several options for new members. Can’t practice every week? There are options. Want to sing seasonally (Christmas and Easter)? That is an option, as well! Call John Pottkotter at 614-309-3152 to discuss how you can share your talent, while we work around your time!! Thank you!

### SPX BASKETBALL SIGN-UPS

Attention, all 4-8 students, SPX basketball registration is now open to all students grades 4-8. Students must actively attend PSR or SPX to be eligible to participate. Regular registration ends October 14, 2023. Visit [spxaa.net](http://spxaa.net) to register.

### COVER OUR PRIESTS IN PRAYER

Many of the priests in the Diocese will be attending a retreat from October 9-October 12 with ACTS XXIX and Father John Riccardo. The Diocese is requesting we offer a Holy Hour to pray for the priests while in attendance. There is a SignUpGenius to sign up for one hour during those days. You can access the SignUpGenius at <https://columbuscatholic.org/events/cover-our-priests-in-prayer>. Please consider taking an hour out of your day that week to pray for our priests.





## The Respect Life Ministry

### VOTE NO on ISSUE 1

The Catholic Catechism states that “By creating the human being as man and woman, God gives personal dignity equally to the one and the other. Each of them, man, and woman, should acknowledge and accept their sexual identity.” Altering this identity through medical treatments is morally wrong, and considering this, the USCCB has issued a ruling that Catholic hospitals cannot perform gender transformations. The Church

acknowledges that some people experience feelings that their personal characteristics do not match their biological gender, but this should be treated by appropriate counseling and therapy, not physically. Attempting to change your gender is embracing a falsehood. But the November “Reproductive Freedom” amendment subtly implies that gender transformation is a right of all individuals, adults and minors. It does this in two ways. When it lists the five specific reproductive rights, it begins this list with the phrase “includes, but is not limited to.” If they just wanted to enshrine abortion in our constitution, this phrase is unnecessary. But this phrase opens the door for other reproductive treatments such as gender transformation and sterilization. The ACLU and Planned Parenthood have a long history of litigating the rights of minors to access gender change treatments. Planned Parenthood in fact, forecasts hormone blockers as their next big money maker.

Secondly, the amendment never mentions the word “woman” in relation to abortion but refers to the woman as a “pregnant person.” This is to account for the possibility that transgender men can become pregnant, and they don’t want the term biological woman to stand in the way. Supporters of the November amendment assert that transgenderism isn’t even mentioned in the text. It isn’t, but the implication is clearly there. They were just smart enough not to state it explicitly knowing for Ohioans this would be a red flag. Especially with the passage in the House of HB 68 which prohibits doctors from providing “gender affirming care” to minors. This bill was in its earlier stages while the amendment was being drafted. This bill threatens parental rights and would allow abortions through all 9 months of pregnancy

### SPX PARISH ITALIAN DINNER – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

The Parish and Knights of Columbus are celebrating Columbus Day by hosting a delicious **Italian Dinner** on Saturday, October 14 from 5:00-7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

The menu consist of pasta, side dish, rolls, salad and hot/cold drinks, and a dessert table hosted by the Lady Knights.

Dine-in and take-out options are available.

Prices are: \$15.00/adult, \$7.00/kid, and \$45.00/family.

Cash/check/credit card accepted.

*All invited! All welcome!*

### WEDNESDAY ADORATION

Please sign up online if you will be coming to Adoration at a time you know you can make so we are not looking for other Adorers to fill the time slots at the last minute when the schedule shows no one is scheduled to appear. The more Adorers we have ensures that all time slots are filled. The Blessed Sacrament cannot be left alone at any time.



#### The Armory – The SPX Men's Ministry

*“Instaurare Omnia in Christo!”*

***In the Armory with Saint Joseph***

**What/When: First Wednesday Men's Fellowship**

**October 4th 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 5 of 14: “The Paschal Shape of the Gospels”*

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*Saint Joseph, Pillar of Families, Pray for us!*

### BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN FUND DRIVE

October is “Respect Life Month.” During the month, our Knights of Columbus Council will again hold the “Baby Bottle Campaign Fund Drive” in support of the Pregnancy Decision Health Centers. Baby bottles will be available at Masses during October, and we ask that you take a bottle, collect your spare change in it during the month, and return the filled bottle by October 30. Please support the project and encourage others to do the same. Thanks!

## October 7-October 8: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Sacristan	Lectors	EMHC	Servers	Ushers
<b>Saturday, 4:30 p.m.</b> (Dcn Kelly)	Cyndi Williams	Pat Rolwing (1) David McCormick (2) (sub req.)	Michael Barnhart – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) Carol Summa – Organ Host (EMHC 1)	Andrew Bassetti Jennsen Swails Ryan Bassetti	Jim (1) Beck Tom (3) Haddox Mike (4) Angle Dianne (7) Einstein
<b>Sunday, 8:00 a.m.</b> (Dcn Kelly)	Mary Girard	Denise Trusken (1) Corrinne Vidales (2)	Paul Bratz, Jr. – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) Kim Bratz – Organ Host (EMHC 1)	Deryn Summers Lynden Summers Maxwell Sandy	Dave Williams Anthony Kanne Dan Ujcz
<b>Sunday, 10:00 a.m.</b> (Dcn Kelly)	David Roby	Tod Gilmore (1) Gene Shultz (2)	Tom Vollmer – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) Denise Colucci – Organ Host (EMHC 1)	Chinedu Anigbogu Onyekachi Anigbogu Chiamaka Anigbogu	Bob Outlaw Ted Habak Wayne Wingard Mary Ann Wingard
<b>Sunday, 11:00 a.m. (Church Linens) – Christina Zacovic</b>					

**Matthew 23:11 –*****“The greatest among you will be who serves the rest”***

Volunteers are needed to continue this wonderful ministry that was started in March of 1993 to provide food for funeral luncheons that includes setting up, serving and cleanup. We would really like to have some men to volunteer to move tables and run the sweeper – this would be a great asset to this ministry! So far this year alone, we have provided at least 15 Funeral Lunches. There is no charge for this to the families, although donations are accepted. Donations are used to defray some of the cost of luncheons. We have decided to cut back on paper supplies (as well as help the environment) by using the dishes, bowls, silverware in the PFC. In order to do this, we need people we can count on to run the dishwasher (training will be provided).

If you are interested in becoming a part of this ministry, please contact Cyndi Williams at [cyndiw2000@yahoo.com](mailto:cyndiw2000@yahoo.com) or call 614-390-4718 and you will be added you to the list.

**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.

**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, also night/weekend availability is a must. If interested, please send résumé, cover letter, and references to Brenda Brammer, Business Manager, at [bbrammer@spxreynoldsburg.com](mailto:bbrammer@spxreynoldsburg.com).

**PSR AIDES NEEDED FOR THE COMING PSR SPX SCHOOL YEAR 2023-2024**

PSR needs an Adult Aide for 5th grade on Sunday mornings from 11:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

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.

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

**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](mailto:cyndiw2000@yahoo.com).

**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

**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](http://osuwexmedlivingdonor.org) or you may contact Paul at [PaulNeedsKidneyDonor@gmail.com](mailto:PaulNeedsKidneyDonor@gmail.com). To be an organ/tissue donor is truly a beautiful witness to the Gift of Life!

**AROUND TOWN****DOMINICAN LEARNING CENTER**

***Change a life, inspire your own...Become a tutor!***

Volunteer tutors are greatly needed for adult ESL, GED, and Basic Education Learners.

Please contact Annette Cohn at 614-444-7330, ext. 2 or Annette.Cohn@oppeace.org for more information on this rewarding opportunity.

Visit <https://domlearningcenter.org/volunteer/>.

Requirements: 18 or older, High School Diploma or GED, attend our free training session

**GRIEF SUPPORT AT SETON**

Seton Parish is sponsoring an eight-week grief support group. This program is designed for adults who are grieving the loss of a loved one through death. All are welcome to attend no matter how long ago that death has occurred, there is no time frame for grieving. The Support Group will be held at Seton Parish in the library, beginning Sunday, October 1st. The time will be from 1:30-4:00 p.m. For further information and/or registration, please email Kathy Willard at [mamakath62@aol.com](mailto:mamakath62@aol.com) or call the Seton Parish Office at 614-833-0482. Facilitators will be Kathy Willard, Karen Rieglmayer, Janet Fowle and Deacon Dan Norris.



# Our Lady of the Rosary

## The Story of Our Lady of the Rosary

Saint Pius V established the Feast of Our Lady of Victory to thank God for the Christian defeat of the Turks at Lepanto – a victory attributed to praying **the Rosary**. Pope Gregory XIII changed the name to Feast of the Holy Rosary – originally celebrated on the first Sunday in October – in 1573. Pope Clement XI extended the feast to the universal Church in 1716. And in 1913, Saint Pius X set the date for the feast that we know today of October 7.

The development of the Rosary has a long history. First a practice developed of praying 150 *Our Fathers* in imitation of the 150 Psalms. Then there was a parallel practice of praying 150 *Hail Marys*. Soon, a mystery of Jesus' life was attached to each Hail Mary. Though Mary's giving of the Rosary to Saint Dominic is recognized as a legend, the development of this prayer form owes much to the followers of Saint Dominic. One of them, Alan de la Roche, was known as "the apostle of the rosary." He founded the first Confraternity of the Rosary in the 15th century. In the 16th century, the Rosary was developed to consist of 15 Mysteries: Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious. In 2002, Pope John II added the five Mysteries of Light to this devotion.

## Reflection

The purpose of the Rosary is to help us meditate on the great mysteries of our salvation. Pius XII called it a compendium of the Gospel. The main focus is on Jesus – His birth, life, death, and Resurrection. The "*Our Fathers*" remind us that Jesus' Father is the initiator of salvation. The "*Hail Marys*" remind us to join with Mary in contemplating these mysteries. They also make us aware that Mary was and is intimately joined with her Son in all the mysteries of His earthly and heavenly existence. The "*Glory Bes*" remind us that the purpose of all life is the glory of the Trinity.

The Rosary appeals to many. It is simple. The constant repetition of words helps create an atmosphere in which to contemplate the mysteries of God. We sense that Jesus and Mary are with us in the joys and sorrows of life. We grow in hope that God will bring us to share in the glory of Jesus and Mary forever.



SAINT OF  
THE DAY FOR  
OCTOBER 7

## PHONES

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1912 OH-256, Reynoldsburg

Thank you St. Pius X family. Your support for our business during this pandemic has been so touching. We love you and are so excited to celebrate Mass with you again.  
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