



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

Email - 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

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday by noon

PARISH PASTORAL STAFF

Dial (614) 866-2859 for

Rev. Patrick Watikha, AJ, PastorExt 102

Rev. Process Milton Kiocha, AJ,

Parochial VicarExt 102

Deacon Jim KellyExt 102

Deacon Joseph LemayExt 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.

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – OCTOBER 29, 2023

Let the hearts that seek the Lord, rejoice!

MASSES FOR OCTOBER 30-NOVEMBER 5, 2023

Monday, October 30

8:30 a.m. (FMK) Special Intention for Rosemary Nord
by Rosemary Nord

Tuesday, October 31

8:30 a.m. (FMK) Special Intention for Children
& Grandchildren by Mary Girard
(FPW) ✠ Vicky Mercer by Judy Cafmeyer

Wednesday, November 1 – HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION FOR ALL SAINTS DAY

8:30 a.m. (FPW) ✠ John Callahan by Steve & Anne Stirn
(FMK) ✠ Nicky Eramo by The Family
7:00 p.m. (FMK) Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

Thursday, November 2 (All Souls' Day)

8:30 a.m. (FPW) ✠ Rita Haban by Emily & T.J. Bryan Family
(FMK) ✠ Kathleen Kerrigan (McCormick)
by Lorrie & Phil Crosswell
7:00 p.m. (FPW) MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Friday, November 3

8:30 a.m. (FPW) ✠ Melvin Case by Cyndi & Jim Williams

Saturday, November 4

7:00 a.m. (FPW) Mass
4:30 p.m. (FMK) ✠ Buddy Capuano by Shirley Fix

Sunday, November 5

8:00 a.m. (FMK) ✠ Paul Poplis by Joe & Debra Dixon
10:00 a.m. (FPW) Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

For the Week of October 22, 2023

Budget Requirements	\$	20,000.00
Special Offertory	\$	0.00
Weekly Offertory Received:	\$	25,420.71
Weekly Surplus (Deficit):	\$	5,420.71
Faith Direct	\$	16,677.30
Holy Days:	\$	15.00
**EFT (Debit) Program	\$	516.00
Envelope Offering:	\$	6,404.00
Loose Offering:	\$	1,808.41
Total Offering:	\$	25,420.71

For the Month of October 2023

MTD Budget Requirements:	\$	80,000.00
MTD Actual Offertory Received:	\$	81,129.04
MTD Surplus (Deficit):	\$	1,129.04
YTD Budget Requirements	\$	326,000.00
YTD Actual Offertory Received	\$	328,629.24
YTD Surplus (Deficit)	\$	2,629.24
Debit Program Participants:		30
Envelopes Used:		113
Faith Direct Participants:		160

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.

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday, November 1, is a Holy Day of Obligation for All Saints Day. Mass times are 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Bishop Fernandes will be joining St. Pius X at the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, November 5 to install Fr. Patrick as our parish priest. Please join your fellow parishioners for this special Mass.

Please RSVP by calling the Rectory/Business Office or online from our website by October 30 if you would like to attend the luncheon for Fr. Patrick to help celebrate his installation at St. Pius X and his 30th Anniversary to the priesthood on November 5. See the bulletin article.

The Baby Bottles are due back this weekend. The bottles will be picked up on Tuesday, October 31. Please return the bottles to the Rectory/Business Office on Monday or Tuesday morning if you missed turning them in on the weekend. These bottles are used for other collections, so it is imperative to turn all bottles in.

Newly Registered: William, Rochine, Amieah Jane
& Annalieah Jane Stolze



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THIS WEEK AT ST. PIUS X – OCTOBER 30-NOVEMBER 5, 2023

Monday, October 30	Confessions	Church	8:00-8:20 a.m.
	Liturgy of Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 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.
	Choir	Church	7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, October 31	Confessions	Church	8:00-8:20 a.m.
	Liturgy of Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
Wednesday, November 1	Confessions	Church	8:00-8:20 a.m.
	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.
	Senior Fellowship Group	Parish Center, Room A	1:15-4:00 p.m.
	OCIA (Formerly RCIA)	Parish Center	6:30 p.m.
Thursday, November 2	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.
Friday, November 3	Confessions	Church	8:00-8:20 a.m.
	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
Saturday, November 4	Men's FS/SS	Parish Center, Meeting Room	7:30 a.m.
	FIAT 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.
	K of C Magnet Sale	Church	After Mass
Sunday, November 5	Rosary	Chapel	11:15 a.m.
	K of C Magnet Sale	Church	After Both Masses
	Luncheon for Fr. Patrick	Parish Center	After Mass
	(MUST RSVP BY OCTOBER 30)		

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.

Scammers at It Again... Emails/Text Messages from Fr. Patrick: 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.

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. 614-863-1371.

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. We will now offer morning Mass on all weekdays, Monday-Friday.

CONFESSIONS: Confessions will be heard each weekday before the morning Mass from 8:00-8:20 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.

SPECIAL INSTALLATION MASS ON NOVEMBER 5

The 10:00 a.m. Mass on November 5 will be a special Mass celebrated by Bishop Fernandes here at St. Pius X. Bishop Fernandes will install Fr. Patrick Watikha, AJ as the pastor of our parish. We will also be celebrating Fr. Patrick's 30th anniversary to the priesthood with a special luncheon in the Parish Center immediately after the Mass. Please come to be a part of this special Mass as we welcome Fr. Patrick and Fr. Milton to our church family.

In order to help us plan for this luncheon, we would ask that you **RSVP to it by no later than Monday, October 30. Please call the Rectory/Business Office at 614-866-2859 and give us your name and the number of people who will be attending. You may also sign up online from our website!**

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 a.m. Mass on **November 12th from 11:15 a.m.-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!

TIME FOR PANCAKES!

LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH, OCTOBER 29

Last Sunday of the month means PANCAKE BREAKFAST TIME! Please join all your fellow Parishioners for a Pancake Breakfast **after the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses.** We will have pancakes, sausage, potatoes, sausage gravy and biscuits. Please join your fellow parishioners for breakfast and fellowship. *All welcome! All invited! Bring the kids – everyone loves pancakes!* Costs: \$6.00/adult, \$5.00/child (12 and under), \$20.00/family. Cash, check or card accepted. Dine-in or take-out available!

SENIOR FELLOWSHIP GROUP:

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



THE PATRIOTIC ROSARY AT ST. PIUS X

All Parishioners, your families and friends are invited to join us in praying the Patriotic Rosary on **Veterans Day, November 11, 2023 at 10:30 a.m.** in the Church.

MOMMY & ME ADORATION

The Confraternity of Christian Mothers is a group of women who embrace our vocation as wives and mothers. We are dedicated to deepening our faith, strengthening our marriages, and forming our children in a Christian way of life. We would love for you and your children to join us once a month, from 8:00-10:00 a.m. for **Mommy & Me Adoration** at St. Pius X!

We will gently lead you and your children through some quiet prayers, meditation, and song as we worship Jesus in the presence of the Holy Eucharist. We will also allow moms some quiet time in Adoration while we lead your children in a faith-driven activity in the Quietening Room. All ages are welcome!

Have questions? Want to know more? Email us at stpiusccm@gmail.com.



"I am not afraid...I was born to do this."

– St. Joan of Arc

The Morning **Women Ablaze** Ministry will be offering the second book study *Gaze Upon Jesus*. If you missed the initial sign-up, we welcome you to join us and sign up now!

Women Ablaze Morning Group – Gaze Upon Jesus, by Kelly M. Wahlquist: What if you had

walked beside the Virgin Mary from the Annunciation to the point at which she and Joseph found Jesus in the temple? How might seeing Christ as a child impact you and your faith? During this study, we will be following the infancy and early years of Christ as seen through the eyes of Mary and other familiar and imagined women in the Gospels. This book may be ordered from Ave Maria Press or Amazon.

We will meet in the PFC **starting November 6-27, break in December**, and **finish January 8th and January 15th from 10:00-11:30 a.m.**

Please sign up on the St. Pius X website by **October 30th** for planning purposes. If you have any questions or issues signing up, contact Cyndi Williams at cyndiw2000@yahoo.com.

OCIA (RCIA)

"I am calling you. Come, Follow me." – Luke 18:22

Do you want to learn about the Catholic faith?

Do you want a deeper understanding of your faith?

Are you a baptized Catholic,

yet have not received all the sacraments?

Do you have a family member or friend you would like to introduce to the Catholic faith?

Have you been thinking about joining the Church?

Interested or want more information?

Contact Deacon Joseph LeMay at

jcleamay@sbcglobal.net or 660-233-2289.

SACRED HEART CONGRESS AT ST. PAUL

The 12th Annual Sacred Heart Congress will be held at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in Westerville, OH on Saturday, November 4th, 2023. This mini-retreat will include:

- The Rosary at 8:00 a.m.
- Mass with Bishop Fernandes at 8:30 a.m.
- Speakers, Fellowship, Testimonies, and Confession will be offered.
- The Congress will end with Adoration and Benediction. Please register at www.WelcomeHisHeart.com.

This year we are offering programming for school-aged children.

*Also a livestreaming option, if you cannot attend in person.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA – COMING SOON!

The Knights of Columbus **Breakfast with Santa** will be soon... *"Save the Date!"* **Santa will be visiting SPX to have breakfast with all the kids on Saturday, December 9th, 8:00-11:00 a.m. in the Parish Center. All invited! All welcome! \$6.00/person; \$25.00/family. Cash/check/credit – all payments accepted. No RSVP needed.**

SPX PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY –**"SAVE THE DATE"/RSVP NEEDED**

The Knights of Columbus and SPX Parish Council are joining forces to put on this great annual Parish event! Save the date: Parish Christmas Party, Saturday, December 9th, 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. Free event! Good food! Good fun! Door Prizes given away every half-hour! All invited! All welcome! Your RSVP is needed! **Please RSVP by December 4, 2023 on the St. Pius X website at <https://www.spxreynoldsburg.com>.**

THE ST. PIUS X ARMORY 2023 SPEAKER SERIES

"Instaurare Omnia in Christo!"

The Armory invites all members of the parish to join us for a 2023 Quarterly Speaker Series:

"Living in the Presence of Our Eucharistic Lord"

Theme: *"Praying Constantly: The Mass as the School of Prayer"*

When: Saturday, November 18th from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Where: In the Church

Featured Speaker: Fr. Thomas Blau, OP of St. Patrick's Priory.

**** Each session includes Exposition/Adoration and Confession ****

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!

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.

CHOIR NEWS

The SPX Choir desperately needs new members to join. Options have been made available for practicing, as well as options for singing at Sunday Masses or singing seasonally. Please prayerfully consider joining the Choir. Call John Pottkotter at 614-309-3152 to discuss how you can share your talent, while we work around your time!! Thank you!

ST. PIUS X ALTHLETIC ASSOCIATION**FALL TAILGATE FUNDRAISER**

Come one and come all to have a great time watching the OSU vs. Michigan State Football Game! Saturday, November 11. Time: Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Game starts at 7:30 p.m. Where: St. Pius X Parish Center. Cost: \$5.00 per adult/child, \$20.00 per family. Admission includes food! Beer/seltzers available for purchase.

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.

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.

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 the following email address: PaulNeedsKidneyDonor@gmail.com. To be an organ/tissue donor is truly a beautiful witness to the Gift of Life!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - NOVEMBER 1 AND 4-5
ALL SAINTS DAY; THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	SACRISTAN	LECTORS	EMHC	SERVERS	USHERS
Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. (Dcn Kelly)	Tom Vollmer	Judy Cafmeyer (1) Michael Paszkiewicz (2)	Kim Bratz – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) Carol Summa – Organ Host (EMHC 1)	Justin Frase Elle Frase (2) Maxwell Sandy	Steven Frase NOT FILLED NOT FILLED
Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	Carol Summa	Pat Rolwing (1) Tanaka Mukudu (2)	Duane Wikoff – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) Meghan Swails – Organ Host (EMHC 1)	James Baljak Josie Baljak Jennsen Swails	Jim Beck Tom Haddox Mike Angle Chris Bailey
Sunday, 8:00 a.m. (Dcn Kelly)	Michael Paszkiewicz	Denise Trusken (1) Valerie Bryan (2)	De Ann Bukowski – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) Dan Ujcz – Organ Host (EMHC 1)	Michael Balazik (sub req.) Adam Rodenkirchen Max Ujcz	David Dlugiewicz Anthony Kanne Cheryl Krolkowski Michael Krolkowski
Sunday, 10:00 a.m. (Dcn Kelly, Bishop for installation of Pastor)	Mary Ann Wingard	John E. Goetz (1) Ted Habak (2)	Denise Colucci – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) Karen Kostora – Organ Host (EMHC 1)	Samuel Bryan Christopher Filous Thomas Filous Sammy Gerardi Nathan Ogden Lynden Summers Deryn Summers	Gervase Ngalla Bob Outlaw David Roby Wayne Wingard
Sunday, 11:00 a.m. (Church Linens) – Ilona Ferris					

AROUND TOWN

OPEN HOUSE

Bishop Hartley High School will host its annual Open House for prospective students and their families on Thursday, November 9, 2023, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Open House is a wonderful opportunity to hear from our Principal, meet teachers and coaches, learn about the House System, take campus tours, and see what amazing programs and facilities we offer our students. Visit www.bishop-hartley.org/admissions for more information and to register for the event.

ST. CHARLES ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE

NOVEMBER 5 FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

Attention, prospective St. Charles Cardinals and families: You are invited to see our campus and learn about the school during our Open House program taking place on **Sunday, November 5th**, starting at **1:00 p.m.** Included is a presentation by Principal Jim Lower, tours of campus, and opportunities to learn about and speak to members of our many teams, clubs, and organizations. There will also be refreshments to enjoy in the company of your fellow future Cardinal families. Register for Open House today at stcharlesprep.org/admissions.

RELIC OF ST. JUDE

A relic of St. Jude the Apostle, known as the patron saint of hope and impossible causes, will be displayed at three sites in the Columbus area on three consecutive days. The relic will be at Westerville St. Paul Church, 313 N. State Street, on Monday, October 30; the Columbus St. Thomas More Newman Center, 64 W. Lane Avenue, on Tuesday, October 31; and the New Albany Church of the Resurrection, 6300 E. Dublin-Granville Road, on Wednesday, November 1. Veneration of the relic at all three places will be from 1:00 to 10:00 p.m.







SPXAA PRESENTS:

FALL TAILGATE



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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

SPX PARISH CENTER
DOORS OPEN @ 6:30PM
GAME STARTS @ 7:30PM
\$5 PER ADULT/CHILD \$20 PER FAMILY

ADMISSION INCLUDES FOOD
BEER/SELTZERS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Saint of the Day for November 2

The Story of the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

The Church has encouraged prayer for the dead from the earliest times as an act of Christian charity. "If we had no care for the dead," Augustine noted, "we would not be in the habit of praying for them." Yet pre-Christian rites for the deceased retained such a strong hold on the superstitious imagination that a liturgical commemoration was not observed until the early Middle Ages, when monastic communities began to mark an annual day of prayer for the departed members.

In the middle of the 11th century, Saint Odilo, abbot of Cluny, France, decreed that all Cluniac monasteries offer special prayers and sing the Office for the Dead on November 2, the day after the feast of All Saints. The custom spread from Cluny and was finally adopted throughout the Roman Church.

The theological underpinning of the feast is the acknowledgment of human frailty. Since few people achieve perfection in this life but, rather, go to the grave still scarred with traces of sinfulness, some period of purification seems necessary before a soul comes face-to-face with God. The Council of Trent affirmed this purgatory state and insisted that the prayers of the living can speed the process of purification.

Superstition easily clung to the observance. Medieval popular belief held that the souls in purgatory could appear on this day in the form of witches, toads or will-o'-the-wisps. Graveside food offerings supposedly eased the rest of the dead.

Observances of a more religious nature have survived. These include public processions or private visits to cemeteries and decorating graves with flowers and lights. This feast is observed with great fervor in Mexico.

Reflection: Whether or not one should pray for the dead is one of the great arguments which divide Christians. Appalled by the abuse of indulgences in the Church of his day, Martin Luther rejected the concept of purgatory. Yet prayer for a loved one is, for the believer, a way of erasing any distance, even death. In prayer, we stand in God's presence in the company of someone we love, even if that person has gone before us into death.

SAINT OF
THE DAY FOR
NOVEMBER 2

PHONES

Rectory and Church Office, Fr. Patrick Watikha, Fr. Milton Kiocha, Deacon Joseph Lemay, Deacon Jim Kelly (deaconkellyspx@gmail.com), Michelle Carey, Leah Kelly, Susan Kolb and Christina Zacovic	614-866-2859
Rectory Fax.....	614-866-1499
Cafeteria Manager, Kim Laret.....	614-866-6050, ext. 228
Latchkey, Patricia Zeitman.....	614-866-1848
School, Lisa Ruth, Principal.....	614-866-6050
Preschool, Sharon Miller	614-577-0826
Music Director, John Pottkotter	614-309-3152
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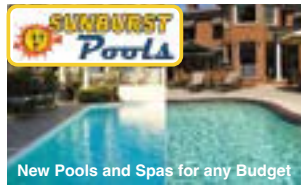
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