

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.

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, 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

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.

ST. PIUS X CHURCH REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 5, 2023

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God!

MASSES FOR NOVEMBER 6-12, 2023

Monday, November 6

8:30 a.m. (FMK) Peg Passero by Maria Harkins

Tuesday, November 7

8:30 a.m. (FMK) 🕈 Shirley Garcia by Alicia Garcia

(FPW) & John Callahan by Katie & Mike Finch

Wednesday, November 8

8:30 a.m. (FMK) 🕆 Deceased Members of the Weiland Family by Rose Crane

(FPW) & Kathleen Kerrigan by Lorrie & Phil Croswell

Thursday, November 9

8:30 a.m. (FPW 🕏 Stephen Cicak by Steve & Tricia Cicak

(FMK) Tim Trusken by Julie Coburn

Friday, November 10

8:30 a.m. (FPW) 🗘 Living and Deceased Family Members by John & Brenda Beyer

Saturday, November 11

7:00 a.m. (FPW) Mass

4:30 p.m. (FMK) 🕆 John Kaufman by Dave Mayer

For the Week of October 29, 2023

Sunday, November 12

8:00 a.m. (FRM) Living & Deceased Members of the Parish 10:00 a.m. (FPW) Thomas Fabian by John & Jeanne Swisher

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

For the week of October 29, 2023	
Budget Requirements	\$ 20,000.00
Special Offertory	\$ 0.00
Weekly Offertory Received:	\$ 7,998.50
Weekly Surplus (Deficit):	\$ (12,001.50)
**EFT (Debit) Program	\$ 768.50
Envelope Offering:	\$ 6,220.00
Loose Offering:	\$ 1,010.00
Total Offering:	\$ 7,998.50
For the Month of October 2023	
MTD Budget Requirements:	\$ 100,000.00
MTD Actual Offertory Received:	\$ 89,127.54
MTD Surplus (Deficit):	\$ (10,872.50)
YTD Budget Requirements	\$ 346,000.00
YTD Actual Offertory Received	\$ 336,627.74
YTD Surplus (Deficit)	\$ (9,372.26)
Debit Program Participants:	38
Envelopes Used:	137

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

Our St. Vincent de Paul Collection will take place next weekend. Please help those who are less fortunate. Your generosity is appreciated.

The Athletic Association is having a Tailgate Fundraiser on Saturday, November 11. Please see the article in this bulletin. The more the merrier when watching an OSU game!

The New Parishioner Brunch will be held next Sunday, November 12 beginning at 11:15 a.m. If you are new to our church or have returned home to the church after being away, please feel free to attend!



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Monday, November 6	Confessions Liturgy of Hours Rosary Women Ablaze Divine Mercy Rosary for the Sick TMIY(Evening) Pa Women Ablaze (Evening)	Church Church Church Parish Center Church Church rish Center, Meeting Room Parish Center	8:00-8:20 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 7	Confessions Liturgy of Hours Rosary Parish Council Choir	Church Church Church Paish Center Church	8:00-8:20 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:15 p.m.
Wednesday, November 8	Confessions Liturgy of the Hours Rosary Knit/Crochet Group Eucharistic Exposition Holy Hour – Confessions Home & School Assoc. OCIA (Formally RCIA)	Church Church Church Parish Center, Room A Sacred Heart Chapel Church Sanctuary School Parish Center	8:00-8:20 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. 1:00-6:00 p.m. 12:00-1:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, November 9	TMIY (Morning) Confessions Liturgy of the Hours Rosary	Parish Center, Room A Church Church Church	6:00 a.m. 8:00-8:20 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m.
Friday, November 10	Confessions Liturgy of the Hours Rosary	Church Church Church	8:00-8:20 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m.
Saturday, November 11	FIAT Mother's Group Patriotic Rosary Confessions St. Vincent de Paul Collection Athletic Assoc. Tailgate Fundrais	Church Chapel Church Church Church ser Parish Center	8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 3:00-4:00 p.m. After Mass 6:30 p.m.
Sunday, November 12	St. Vincent de Paul Collection Donut Sunday New Parishioner Brunch PSR Rosary Athletic Assoc. Meeting Pa	Church Church Parish Center School Chapel rish Center, Meeting Room	After Both Masses 11:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 11:15 a.m12:45 p.m. 11:15 a.m. 6:00 p.m.

TO FR. PATRICK:

THE STAFF AND PARISHIONERS OF ST. PIUS X CHURCH WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE FR. PATRICK
ON HIS INSTALLATION AS PASTOR OF OUR VIBRANT CHURCH, HIS 30TH ANNIVERSARY TO THE PRIESTHOOD,
HIS ACHIEVEMENTS AND DEDICATION TO SERVING GOD AND HIS PEOPLE.

WE PRAY FOR HIM AS HE CONTINUES TO BE A FAITHFUL SERVANT OF THE GOSPEL.

ALSO, A SPECIAL THANK-YOU TO THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOR PLANNING AND SERVING

THE WONDERFUL MEAL TO OUR PARISH.

ST. PIUS X CHURCH REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO

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). 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 or call 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 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 8:00-8:20 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 celebrates 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.

LETTER FROM SR. MAXINE:

To all my friends at St. Pius: I want you all to know what a gift it has been for me to be a part of this parish where I have made some incredible friends and enjoyed the many wonderful gifts that you have to offer. For the last 9 years, I have experienced the wisdom and insight of the seasoned, the joy of the youth and, most especially, the openness of those with whom I've journeyed in the RCIA program. As many of you know, I just celebrated my 80th birthday and, as you might guess, there are many ways in which my age is showing, in health issues and in physical limitations. Therefore, I will be retiring full time as of November 30. As much as I would like to say that another Sister will take my place, I cannot. Please know how grateful I am to each and every one of you for your love and kindness. I will always hold your intentions in my prayer of thanksgiving for you. Much love,

Sr. Maxine

COATS FOR KIDS DRIVE - FINAL UPDATE

Thanks to the generosity of our St. Pius X parishioners, on October 26 we delivered 152 winter coats to the St. Francis Evangelization Center in McArthur, Ohio. In addition, there were multiple hat/scarf/glove sets, calculators, and a wheelchair. We are part of an extremely generous parish. I want to thank you all for supporting this worthy cause of our Knights of Columbus Council 5253.

God bless,

Scott Banaski



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.

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!

When: 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.

ROMANS 12:13 - NEW PARISHIONER BRUNCH

All those new to St. PiusX, 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. 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. PiusX Parish Family! Please be sure to attend and we look forward to meeting you!



THE ST. PIUS X ARMORY 2023 SPEAKER SERIES

"Instaurare Omnia in Christo!"

Recent polls have shown that 70% of Catholics do not believe in the Real Presence of our Lord in the Eucharist. Considering these statistics, The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is in the midst of a multiyear National Eucharistic Revival to help restore an understanding and devotion to this great mystery by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. In response to this *Revival* initiative, 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"

When: Saturday, November 18th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. **Theme:** "Praying Constantly: The Mass as the School of Prayer"

Where: In the Church

Featured Speaker: Fr. Thomas Blau, OP, of St Patrick's Priory. ** Each session includes Exposition/Adoration

and Confession **

We have 50 free copies of Bishop Barron's new book, "This is my Body" to be handed out at the at the conclusion of the talk. "Our world is hurting. We all need healing, yet many of us are separated from the very source of our strength. Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith in the celebration of the Eucharist."



ST. PIUS X HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION WINTER **FUNDRAISER**

Poinsettia and Winter Greenery Online Store Opened November 1

Sale Ends November 15

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Family/Parishioner Pick Up will be November 29, 2:00-6:30 p.m. at Monsignor Funk Parish Family Center. All orders must be picked up at this time. Visit https://app.fundraiseit.org/shop.php?code=1E0418 **Flyers will be available in the Church or Rectory to order from if you do not want to order online.

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

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 halfhour! All invited! All welcome! Your RSVP is needed! Please RSVP/ register by December 4, 2023 on the St. Pius X website at https:// www.spxreynoldsburg.com.

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 Quieting Room. All ages are welcome! Have questions? Want to know more? Email us at stpiusccm@gmail.com.

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!

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.

ST. PIUS X CHURCH REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO

MINISTRY SCHEDULE – NOVEMBER 11-12 THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME						
	SACRISTAN	LECTORS	ЕМНС	SERVERS	USHERS	
Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	Ken Morrison	Laura Morrison (1) Tanaka Mukudu (2) (sub req.)	Cyndi Williams – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) Carol Summa – Organ Host (EMHC 1)	Andrew Bassetti Sam Morrison Adi Vega	Paul (10) Siefert Mike (4) Angle Ken (6) Marr Dianne (7) Einstein	
Sunday, 8:00 a.m. (Dcn Kelly)	Mary Girard	Janet Rodenkirchen (1) Linda Dlugiewicz (2)	Dan Ujczo – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) Kurt Rodenkirchen – Organ Host (EMHC 1)	Dominic Louiso Vinny Louiso Adam Rodenkirchen	David Dlugiewicz Anthony Kanne Dave Williams	
Sunday, 10:00 a.m. (Dcn Kelly)	David Roby	TJ Bryan (1) Ted Habak (2)	Gene Shultz – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) Mary Ann Wingard – Organ Host (EMHC 1)	Samuel Bryan Justin Frase Elle Frase (2)	Steven Frase Gervase Ngalla Bob Outlaw Wayne Wingard	
Sunday, 11:00 a.m. (Church Linens) – Shirley Fix						

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

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.

GIVE SMARTER: SUPPORT ST. PIUS X AND LOWER YOUR TAXES

You can use funds in your retirement account to support St. Pius X. The Charitable IRA Rollover allows donors who are $70\frac{1}{2}$ years or older to transfer up to \$100,000.00 from a traditional or Roth IRA to a qualified charity like The Catholic Foundation, which manages the St. Pius X Parish Endowment Fund. An endowment fund is a longer-term, sustained investment designed to provide a perpetual source of income to our parish.

Regardless of your age, you can support St. Pius X while still qualifying for a tax deduction. Contributions to the St. Pius X Parish Endowment Fund can also be made in the form of cash, appreciated stocks, and other assets.

For more information on how you can make a real-world impact on the future of St. Pius X and the Catholic faith, please contact Christy Steffy at 614-443-8893, ext. 110 or csteffy@catholic-foundation.org.

Saint Leo the Great

(d. November 10, 461)

Saint Leo the Great's Story: With apparent strong conviction of the importance of the Bishop of Rome in the Church, and of the Church as the ongoing sign of Christ's presence in the world, Leo the Great displayed endless dedication as pope. Elected in 440, he worked tirelessly as "Peter's successor," guiding his fellow bishops as "equals in the episcopacy and infirmities."

Leo is known as one of the best administrative popes of the ancient Church. His work branched into four main areas, indicative of his notion of the pope's total responsibility for the flock of Christ. He worked at length to control the heresies of Pelagianism - overemphasizing human freedom - Manichaeism - seeing everything material as evil - and others, placing demands on their followers so as to secure true Christian beliefs.

A second major area of his concern was doctrinal controversy in the Church in the East, to which he responded with a classic letter setting down the Church's teaching on the two natures of Christ. With strong faith, he also led the defense of Rome against barbarian attack, taking the role of peacemaker.

In these three areas, Leo's work has been highly regarded. His growth to sainthood has its basis in the spiritual depth with which he approached the pastoral care of his people, which was the fourth focus of his work. He is known for his spiritually profound sermons. An instrument of the call to holiness, well-versed in Scripture and ecclesiastical awareness, Leo had the ability to reach the everyday needs and interests of his people. One of his sermons is used in the Office of Readings on Christmas.

It is said of Leo that his true significance rests in his doctrinal insistence on the mysteries of Christ and the Church and in the supernatural charisms of the spiritual life given to humanity in Christ and in His Body, the Church. Thus, Leo held firmly that everything he did and said as pope for the administration of the Church represented Christ, the head of the Mystical Body, and Saint Peter, in whose place Leo acted.

Reflection: At a time when there is widespread criticism of Church structures, we also hear criticism that bishops and priests - indeed, all of us - are too preoccupied with administration of temporal matters. Pope Leo is an example of a great administrator who used his talents in areas where spirit and structure are inseparably combined: doctrine, peace, and pastoral care. He avoided an "angelism" that tries to live without the body, as well as the "practicality" that deals only in externals.



PHONES

Rectory and Church Office, Fr. Patrick Watikha, Fr. Milton Kiocha, Deacon Joseph Lemay, Deacon Jim Kelly (deaconkellyspx@gmail.com), School, Lisa Ruth, Principal 614-866-6050 Music Director, John Pottkotter



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