



January 28, 2024
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.

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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 12:00-1:00 PM
Monday-Friday 8:00-8:20 a.m.

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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT – DECEMBER 10, 2023

Behold, the Lord will come to save the nations!

MASSES FOR DECEMBER 11-17, 2023

Monday, December 11

8:30 a.m.(FMK) Special Intentions for Children & Grandchildren
by Mary Girard

Tuesday, December 12

8:30 a.m.(FPW) ✠ Special Intentions for Julie Theodoras Huff
by Mary Theodoras & Uncle Dave
(FMK) ✠ Beatrice Miller by Patricia Zeitman

Wednesday, December 13

8:30 a.m.(FPW) ✠ Mary Margaret Albrecht
by Emily & T.J. Bryan Family
(FMK) ✠ Jane Roehrenbeck by Al Roehrenbeck

Thursday, December 14

8:30 a.m.(FMK) ✠ Special Intentions for Violet Stout by Sharon Stout
(FPW) ✠ John Callahan by Wayne Canfield

Friday, December 15

8:30 a.m.(FPW) ✠ Mary Stock by John Stock

Saturday, December 16

7:00 a.m.(FMK) Mass
4:30 p.m.(FPW) ✠ Geraldine Schilling by Gerald Cooke

Sunday, December 17

8:00 a.m.(MPG) Memorial Mass for Fr. Andrew H. Hohman
by K of C
10:00 a.m.(FPW) Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

IN OUR PARISH

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.*

Newly Registered: Tyler, Cassandra & Ivory Tekaucic; Tiehoua & Tietiala Silue; Angela Ahiekpor

Pray for our Deceased: Scott Williams, Irene Hrivnak, Marielda Achu Samba Nangah & De'Andre Berry Samba

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday, December 13 is the last day you can submit your Christmas Flower Donations with your loved one's names to the Rectory/Business Office in order for the names to appear in the Christmas bulletin.

This weekend is the Collection Weekend for the Adopt-A-Christmas Program. All gifts must be received after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Monetary donations are always welcome as we do try to help families who call the church for Christmas assistance.

The Joseph's Coat Cookie Sale is next weekend after all the Masses. You will not want to miss this sale of delicious cookies! Boxes are \$20.00. All proceeds go directly to the Joseph's Coat Ministry.

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

For the Week of December 3, 2023

Budget Requirements	\$ 24,000.00
Weekly Offertory Received:	\$ 10,807.97
Weekly Surplus (Deficit):	\$ (13,192.03)
Adjustments:	\$ 927.50
Holy Days:	\$ 2.00
**EFT (Debit) Program	\$ 516.00
Envelope Offering:	\$ 7,894.00
Loose Offering:	\$ 1,468.47
Total Offering:	\$ 10,807.97

For the Month of December 2023

MTD Budget Requirements:	\$ 24,000.00
MTD Actual Offertory Received:	\$ 10,807.97
MTD Surplus (Deficit):	\$ (13,192.03)
YTD Budget Requirements	\$ 450,000.00
YTD Actual Offertory Received	\$ 442,736.13
YTD Surplus (Deficit)	\$ (7,263.87)
Debit Program Participants:	38
Envelopes Used:	165

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 out an email 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 a scam 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.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PIUS X – DECEMBER 11-17, 2023

Monday, December 11	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.
	Women Ablaze (Evening)	Church/Parish Center	7:00 p.m.
	SVDP	Bride's Room/Narthex	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, December 12	Confessions	Church	8:00-8:20 a.m.
	Liturgy of Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
	Respect Life Group	Parish Center, Meeting Room	9:30 a.m.
	Children's Choir	Church	5:15 p.m.
	Finance Council Meeting	School Library	6:00 p.m.
	RCIA Team Meeting	Parish Center, Room A	6:30 p.m.
	K of C, Officer's Meeting	Parish Center, Meeting Room	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 13	Choir	Church	7:15 p.m.
	Confessions	Church	8:00-8:20 a.m.
	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
	Knit/Crochet Group	Parish Center	9:30 a.m.
	Eucharistic Exposition	Sacred Heart Chapel	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
			1:00-9:00 p.m.
	Holy Hour-Confessions	Church Sanctuary	12:00-1:00 p.m.
	Home & School Meeting	Library	6:30 p.m.
	OCIA (Formally RCIA)	Parish Center	6:30 p.m.
Thursday, December 14	The Armory	Workshop	7:00 p.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, December 15	Confessions	Church	8:00-8:20 a.m.
	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
Saturday, December 16	Men's FS/SS	Parish Center, Meeting Room	7:30 a.m.
	FIAT Mothers Group	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Confessions	Church	3:00-4:00 p.m.
	Joseph's Coat Cookie Sale	Church	After Mass
Sunday, December 17	Joseph's Coat Cookie Sale	Church	After Both Masses
	Rosary	Chapel	11:15 a.m.
	PSR	School	11:15 a.m.-12:45 p.m.
	Vespers/Holy Hour for the Church	Church	7:00 p.m.

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 the 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 or calling 614-863-1371 for additional information on how to donate.

Lending Library: This Library is located on the bookcases in the Vestibule/Narthex of the church. 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.

December 10, 2023, Bulletin – Pastor's Platform**Advent Healing & the Anointing of the Sick**

During every Mass, immediately after the Our Father, the priest says a short prayer known as the Embolism: "Deliver us, Lord, we pray from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ."

This prayer is especially meaningful during Advent, the season when we consciously "await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ" with joyful expectation. This kind of waiting is often difficult, as joy and expectation do not generally go together in our everyday experiences of waiting.

Advent teaches and reminds us how we should wait with a more joy. It's always good to know that we do not wait alone. Our God is love and is a gracious lover. Our God will never abandon us and graces us with the Sacraments to remind us of His constant presence, especially when we feel lost or alone in sin or sickness.

As we wait in expectation during this season, the two Sacraments of Healing offered by our Church help us to find that inner peace and joy. Penance allows for spiritual healing and absolution of sin, and Anointing of the Sick allows for both physical and spiritual healing. When one falls seriously ill, a minister anoints them and prays over them, calling on Christ to strengthen and heal. Anointing of the Sick is administered to the dying, as well as to those who are gravely ill. It is not only for those who are in danger of imminent death, but also for those whose sickness might lead to death, are of old age, or are about to undergo a serious operation. (CCC, §1513–1515)

This Sacrament of Healing offers prayers for recovery. But its primary intention is to give spiritual strength and calm the soul of the one suffering from illness. It is a Sacrament of Healing; therefore, it can be received multiple times and at various stages in a person's life.

We will offer a communal celebration of the Anointing of the Sick on the weekend of December 16 and 17, 2023, at the end of all the weekend Masses: 4:30 p.m., 8:00 a.m., and 10:00 a.m. At Mass, you will receive the Eucharist, then during the Liturgy, we will ask God's pardon and peace to come upon all present and, in a special way, those to be anointed.

It is important to understand that this Sacrament is not to be delayed until the last minute. Though that cannot be avoided at times, often people who are in hospice or failing near the end-of-life neglect to ask for the Sacrament earlier. The Sacrament is not magic. Yet, Anointing of the Sick can do amazing things, especially when the person receiving it is still awake and aware that their sins have been forgiven. There is a realization that a loving God is coming to them to bring them some peace.

A person who has been anointed once does not need to be anointed again within the same illness unless they commit a mortal sin, which is improbable in most situations. We are all in need of God's peace and healing. God is more than willing to give us all that we need. Let us pray for those in the most need of His mercy and healing!

Rev. Patrick Watikha, AJ

USE OF INCENSE AT 10:00 A.M. SUNDAY MASS

Incense will be used at the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass every weekend, beginning Sunday, December 31. This will be the only weekend Mass it will be used.

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 possibly could be cancelled for funerals or weddings that are scheduled. Please watch the bulletin or call the Parish Office on the Friday before. This Mass is not a substitute for the 4:30 p.m. Sunday obligation. It is an extension of the morning Masses.



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**HONORING A PARISHIONER!**

We are pleased to announce that our parishioner, Rose Crane, has won the Mel Clemons Award for her unwavering and continuing volunteer services at Joseph's Coat of Central Ohio. Rose will be recognized for her many years of dedication and service on Monday, December 11, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. at Reynoldsburg City Hall. She was nominated by Cherie Hoffman, Operating Manager for Joseph's Coat. Please plan to attend and honor this special lady!

ADOPT-A-CHILD CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**ADOPT-A-CHILD COLLECTION WEEKEND IS THIS WEEKEND!**

All gifts must be received after the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, December 10. If you have forgotten your gift, please call Ashleigh at the number below to find out how to get it to her. The Adopt-A-Child program has been able to fulfill Christmas wishes throughout the years for hundreds of families in both our St. Pius X community and beyond. This year, we will be working with the following groups: Our Lady of Guadalupe Center, which is part of Catholic Social Services, Ronald McDonald House which supports families of children who are hospitalized, and local families from the Reynoldsburg community. Oftentimes, we get requests from families that have last-minute needs, so monetary donations are also a huge help in the effort St. Pius X makes in fulfilling those needs and wishes. If you have any questions, or know of any families in need, please contact Ashleigh Mashensic at 440-453-4456 or amrn293@aol.com.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

It is with heavy hearts that we reach out to our St. Pius X community, asking for your prayers and support for a family of our parish and school. In the wake of a devastating house fire, one of our parishioners who attended Mass daily, Marielda Achu-Samba Nangah, and her grandson, an SPX Pre-K student, DeAndre Berry-Samba, lost their lives. Thankfully, Skylar Berry-Samba, a SPX 7th grader, and Zeena Berry-Samba, a SPX 5th grader, were able to escape to safety. We have started a GoFundMe account to help this family with their expenses through this devastating loss. Please use <https://www.gofundme.com/f/support-for-the-berry-samba-family> to donate and please pray for this family.

BULLETIN DEADLINES FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON:

December 17 Bulletin is submitted on December 12
 Christmas Bulletin is submitted on December 15
 New Year's Day Bulletin is submitted on December 22
 Epiphany (January 7, 2024) Bulletin is submitted on December 22

**IMMEDIATE OPENINGS FOR SANTA'S HELPERS
(NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY):**

Once again, the St. Vincent de Paul Ministry will prepare Christmas gift bags for approximately 90 residents at The Woodlands Assisted Living Facility and can use your help. Small stocking stuffers, such as chocolate candy (no nuts), candy canes, Life Saver candy, mints, lip balm, combs, emery boards and small puzzle books are greatly appreciated. If you meet the qualifications to become an official "Santa's Helper," kindly drop off any items into our donation bin located at the side entrance. We will accept donations through today, December 10th. Please do not leave donations in the Narthex/Vestibule. Thank you.

JOSEPH'S COAT COOKIE SALE

St. Pius X Cookie Sale for Joseph's Coat will be December 16-17 at all Masses. Our bakers and helpers are busy getting our tasty treats ready for you! Next weekend, we will be selling the large cookie boxes for \$20.00 each. You can pay with cash or check. Thanks to all our helpers and to all who purchase these yummy cookies to benefit Joseph's Coat! Have a Blessed and Merry Christmas!
 Thank you, Leah & Eileen

WEDNESDAY ADORATION EXTENDED

Wednesday Evening Adoration has been extended to 9:00 p.m., starting immediately. If anyone feels that they can cover the hours from 6:00-9:00 p.m., please sign up online under Eucharistic Exposition. It is suggested that anyone attending Adoration at a certain time on a regular basis to please sign up online, as well.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

Your Christmas Flower Donations with your loved one's names must be received by the Rectory/Business Office by **Wednesday, December 13**. Parishioners who use Faith Direct **MUST** submit their loved one's names or at least let the office know that you have donated to the Christmas Flowers. The report from Faith Direct is not received until after the bulletin has been submitted.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The Children's Choir rehearsals are Tuesdays, 5:15-5:45 p.m. in the Choir Room. Choir is open to K-8th Grade children of St. Pius X. Our first Mass will be the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Christmas Day. We will start singing the 4:30 p.m. Mass on the fourth Saturday of the month, starting January 27, 2024. Come join us! Email John Pottkotter at pottkotterj@gmail.com, or call 614-309-3152 and leave a message, or just come to the first practice. THANK YOU! The candy bowl will be filled!

SURVEY COMING UP

In the next weekend or two, we will take a survey to see how many parishioners would be interested in attending an evening Mass during the week. Many parishioners are not able to attend the morning weekday Masses currently being held and it was suggested to see if there is an interest in an evening Mass on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. This mass would not be a substitute for the Sunday obligation. Please take the time to answer the survey when it is presented.

2023 ADVENT CALENDAR

December 16/17 Communal Anointing of the Sick after all Masses – Saturday 4:30 p.m.; Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.
 December 23/24 Regular Saturday & Sunday Mass Schedule for the Sunday Obligation.
 Christmas Eve Masses Sunday evening at 4:00 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.
 December 25 Christmas Day Mass 9:00 a.m. only
 There is NO Midnight Mass
 December 30/31 Regular Weekend Mass Schedule
 Saturday 4:30 p.m.; Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.
 There is NO Vigil Mass for New Year's Day
 New Year's Day is NOT a Holy Day this year.
 January 1 Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God
 Regular weekday Mass schedule, 8:30 a.m.
 This is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation this year.

Regular Confession schedule throughout the Season of Advent:

Monday-Friday, 8:00-8:20 a.m.; Wednesday during Holy Hour, 12:00-1:00 p.m.; Saturday, 3:00-4:00 p.m.

THE PSR PROGRAM HAS A NEED FOR AN ADULT AIDE.

The St. Pius X PSR Program is in a great need of an adult aide who has their Protecting God's Children Requirement of the PGC Class and fingerprinting. PSR meets on Sundays from 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. in the SPX School Building. If you have any questions, please feel free to call De Ann Bukowski's cell at 614-648-9191.



Do you love to sing? Have you been told that you have a nice voice? Do you play an instrument...guitar, etc.? Come share the word of God through music with New Creation! We would love to have you sing with us! We are in need of singers, guitarists, and other musicians. Please prayerfully consider offering your gifts and talents to God in this way. It will not only allow you to enter deeply into the liturgy through prayer in song, but also helps fellow parishioners to fill their minds, hearts and souls with sounds of praise to God. New Creation provides music at the 8:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. We sing three Sundays a month, and occasionally at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. If interested, please send an email to mcmenepp@insight.rr.com or jzacovic1@gmail.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 jclemay@sbcglobal.net or 660-233-2289.

MSP MINISTRY SCHEDULE

For all parishioners who are involved in the Mass on 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.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE – DECEMBER 16/17: THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

	SACRISTAN	LECTORS	EMHC	SERVERS	USHERS
Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	Cyndi Williams	Tanaka Mukudu (1) Donna Nesbitt (2)	Diane Bailey – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) Duane Wikoff – Organ Host (EMHC 1)	James Baljak Josie Baljak Lenna Sinicropi	Jim (1) Beck Ken (6) Marr Chris (8) Bailey Liam (9) Bailey
Sunday, 8:00 a.m. (Dcn Kelly)	Michael Paszkiewicz	Kimberly Favinger (1) Judy Cafmeyer (2)	Linda Dlugiewicz – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) Valerie Bryan – Organ Host (EMHC 1)	Christopher Filous Thomas Filous Adam Rodenkirchen	David Dlugiewicz Anthony Kanne Dan Ujcz Dave Williams
Sunday, 10:00 a.m. (Dcn Kelly)	Mary Girard	Ed Holliday (1) John E Goetz (2)	Karen Kostora – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) Wayne Wingard – Organ Host (EMHC 1)	Andrew Bassetti Sammy Gerardi Lyla Gerardi	Ted Habak Gervase Ngalla Bob Outlaw David Roby
Sunday, 11:00 a.m. (Church Linens) – Christina Zacovic					

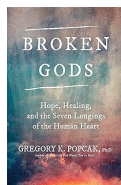


The Women Ablaze Monday Morning group will be offering a book study “Surrender All” starting **January 29th through March 18th** in the PFC from **10:00-11:30 a.m.** This study is written by contemporary Catholic artist Jen Norton who offers a unique opportunity to ponder the extravagant love of Christ through the Stations of the Cross. This study combines Norton’s powerful, full-color illustrations with Scripture, her original reflections and prayers, with journaling space. “Surrender All” will help you to encounter Christ’s Passion in a new light. We hope this book will help you to develop a devotion to The Stations of the Cross and help prepare you for Lent as well as encourage you to attend The Stations of the Cross that are offered during Lent at St. Pius X. This book can be ordered off of Amazon. For planning purposes, **please sign up no later than January 15th!**



WOMEN ABLAZE – EVENING SESSION

The holidays are upon us. Don’t get lost in the hustle and bustle of Christmas frivolity and forget the true meaning of the season. God wants to draw you closer to Himself this Advent! Come join us and prepare your heart for the birth of the Infant Jesus! We will meet on Monday, December 11 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. We will begin our evening with the Rosary and Adoration in the church, followed by reflection and fellowship in the parish center.



WOMEN ABLAZE – EVENING SESSION

Have you ever wondered why you long for the things you do? Where do these longings come from and are they even worth pursuing? Who doesn’t need Hope and Healing? In his book “Broken Gods” Dr. Gregory Popcak outlines the seven longings of the human heart, how the world distorts them, and the holy remedies (virtues) that can transform and heal us and get us back on the correct path to God. “Broken Gods” by Dr. Gregory Popcak will be the next book study beginning January 8-February 12 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. Only six weeks with no breaks!

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!

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

THE MELCHIZEDEK PROJECT

The Melchizedek Project is a spiritual discernment group that helps high school and college-age men consider a vocation to the Priesthood. It is based on the book, “To Save A Thousand Souls” by Fr. Brett Brannen. All participants will enjoy a meal at each meeting and receive the book for free. Led by Fr. Patrick Watikha, AJ and Fr. Milton Kiocha, AJ. St. Pius X Church, 1051 Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068. The sessions at St. Pius X is primarily for high schoolers. The group meets on the Third Thursday of each month. Dinner and discussion begins at 6:00 p.m. in the Blessed Mother Room of the Msgr. Funk Parish Family Center, followed by some time in the Adoration Chapel. Please email Michelle Carey at MCarey@spxreynoldsburg.com for more information or to join the group.

AROUND TOWN

ST. CHARLES HOSTING WOMEN’S AUDITIONS FOR “LIGHTING THIEF: THE PERCY JACKSON MUSICAL” PRODUCTION

The St. Charles Preparatory School Drama Department will hold women’s auditions for *The Lightning Thief: The Percy Jackson Musical* on Wednesday and Thursday, January 3 and 4, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. at the St. Charles Campus Theater, 2010 East Broad Street. (You need only attend one of the two days.) Auditions are open to all area high school women in Central Ohio. Production Dates: February 29-March 3, 2024. If you would like additional information, please email Doug Montgomery at dmontgomery@scprep.org.

Our Lady of Guadalupe

The Story of Our Lady of Guadalupe: The feast in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe goes back to the 16th century. Chronicles of that period tell us the story.

A poor Indian named Cuauhtlatohuac was baptized and given the name Juan Diego. He was a 57-year-old widower and lived in a small village near Mexico City. On Saturday morning December 9, 1531, he was on his way to a nearby barrio to attend Mass in honor of Our Lady. Juan was walking by a hill called Tepeyac when he heard beautiful music like the warbling of birds. A radiant cloud appeared, and within it stood an Indian maiden dressed like an Aztec princess. The lady spoke to him in his own language and sent him to the Bishop of Mexico, a Franciscan named Juan de Zumarraga. The Bishop was to build a chapel in the place where the lady appeared.

Eventually, the Bishop told Juan to have the lady give him a sign. About this same time, Juan's uncle became seriously ill. This led poor Juan to try to avoid the lady. Nevertheless, the lady found Juan, assured him that his uncle would recover, and provided roses for Juan to carry to the Bishop in his cape or tilma.

On December 12, when Juan Diego opened his tilma in the Bishop's presence, the roses fell to the ground, and the Bishop sank to his knees. On the tilma where the roses had been, appeared an image of Mary exactly as she had appeared at the hill of Tepeyac.

Reflection: Mary's appearance to Juan Diego as one of his people is a powerful reminder that Mary – and the God who sent her – accept all peoples. In the context of the sometimes rude and cruel treatment of the Indians by the Spaniards, the apparition was a rebuke to the Spaniards and an event of vast significance for the indigenous population. While a number of them had converted before this incident, they now came in droves. According to a contemporary chronicler, nine million Indians became Catholic in a very short time. In these days when we hear so much about God's preferential option for the poor, Our Lady of Guadalupe cries out to us that God's love for and identification with the poor is an age-old truth that stems from the Gospel itself.

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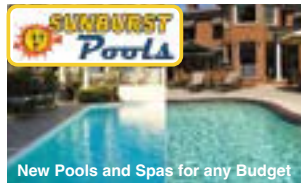
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