



# 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

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#### 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

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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](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.

# FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JANUARY 28, 2024

## Save us, O Lord our God!

### MASSES FOR JANUARY 29-FEBRUARY 4, 2024

#### Monday, January 29

8:30 a.m. (FMK) ✠ Maria Nease by Clarke & Julie Williams

#### Tuesday, January 30

8:30 a.m. (Seton) ✠ Robert Dunbar by Ed & Lynda McIlroy

✠ William Kerr by the Kerr Family

#### Wednesday, January 31

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

✠ Mary Shannon Allen by Mary Girard

#### Thursday, February 1

8:30 a.m. (FPW) ✠ William Thomas by Ed & Lyndia McIlroy

#### Friday, February 2

8:30 a.m. (FPW) ✠ Deceased Member of the Horvath Family  
by Bill & Roseann Stroh

#### Saturday, February 3

7:00 a.m. (FPW) Mass

4:30 p.m. (FMK) ✠ Beatrice Miller by The Schmitz Family

#### Sunday, February 4

8:00 a.m. (FPW) ✠ Mary Talerico by Mr. & Mrs. O'Sullivan

10:00 a.m. (FMK) Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

**Newly Registered:** Jacob & Katherine McCabe; Pamela Storm;  
Nataly Ramirez-DeJesus & Nehemia Gaines-Ramirez

### 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.*

### COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

#### For the Week of January 21, 2024

Budget Requirements	\$	22,000.00
Weekly Offertory Received:	\$	15,447.21
Weekly Surplus (Deficit):	\$	(6,552.79)
Adjustments:	\$	(40.00)
**EFT (Debit) Program	\$	5,768.34
Envelope Offering:	\$	5,912.00
Loose Offering:	\$	3,806.87
Total Offering:	\$	15,447.21

#### For the Month of January 2024

MTD Budget Requirements:	\$	66,000.00
MTD Actual Offertory Received:	\$	51,315.57
MTD Surplus (Deficit):	\$	(14,684.43)
YTD Budget Requirements	\$	612,000.00
YTD Actual Offertory Received	\$	602,554.92
YTD Surplus (Deficit)	\$	(9,445.08)
Debit Program Participants:		91
Envelopes Used:		114

### PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Pancake Breakfast is this weekend in the Parish Center from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Stop in for a great breakfast to start your day!

Vespers/Holy Hour for the Church will now be held every Sunday beginning at 4:00 p.m. for an hour. This is to provide additional time for parishioners to pray together.

#### TAX LETTERS

If you need a tax letter for your 2023 donations to the church, you must call the business office at 614-866-2859 to request one. We no longer send them out automatically.

#### LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH (JANUARY 28)...

#### TIME FOR PANCAKES!

Last Sunday of the month means PANCAKE BREAKFAST TIME!

Please join all your fellow Parishioners for a Pancake Breakfast on **Sunday, January 28, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**

*All welcome! All invited! Bring the kids – everyone loves pancakes!*

Costs: \$6.00/person, \$25.00/family.

Cash, check or card ALL accepted.

Dine-in or take-out available!

### ST. PIUS X SCHOOL PROSPECTIVE FAMILY INFORMATION

#### Wednesday, January 31

Prospective Family Open House for Preschool-8th Grade

6:30-7:30 p.m., Preschool and School

Tour the school, meet the teachers,  
and learn about the St. Pius X difference!  
Please RSVP at [www.spxelementary.com](http://www.spxelementary.com).

#### February 1-15

New Student Application Window

#### February 22 and 23

Kindergarten Screening

For questions about admissions,  
please email [cvanmete@cducation.org](mailto:cvanmete@cducation.org).



NATIONAL  
**Eucharistic  
Congress**

#### NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

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. The National Eucharistic Revival is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. As part of this revival, a National Eucharistic Congress will take place July 12-21, 2024 at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, IN. For more information, including registration for the Congress, go to [eucharisticcongress.org](http://eucharisticcongress.org). Stay tuned to the bulletin and FlockNote for more information.

## THIS WEEK AT ST. PIUS X – JANUARY 29-FEBRUARY 4, 2024

<b>Monday, January 29</b>	Confessions	Church	8:00-8:20 a.m.
	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
	Women Ablaze	Parish Center	10:00 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.
	TMIY	Parish Center, Meeting Room	7:00 p.m.
<b>Tuesday, January 30</b>	Confessions.	Church	8:00-8:20 a.m.
	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
	Choir	Church	7:15 p.m.
<b>Wednesday, January 31</b>	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.
			1:00-9:00 p.m.
	Holy Hour – Confessions	Church Sanctuary	12:00-1:00 p.m.
<b>Thursday, February 1</b>	School Open House for Prospective Families	School/Pre-School	6:00 p.m.
	OCIA	Parish Center, Room A	6:30 p.m.
	TMIY	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.
	New Creation	Church	7:00 p.m.
	Confessions	Church	8:00-8:20 a.m.
<b>Friday, February 2</b>	Liturgy of the Hours	Church	8:00 a.m.
	24 Hours of Adoration	Chapel	9:00 a.m.-6:30 a.m.
	Rosary	Church	9:15 a.m.
	24 Hours of Adoration Benediction & Reposition	Chapel	6:30 a.m.
<b>Saturday, February 3</b>	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.
	Donut Sunday	Vestibule	11:00 a.m.
<b>Sunday, February 4</b>	Rosary	Chapel	11:15 a.m.
	PSR	School	11:15 a.m.-12:45 p.m.
	Vespers/Holy Hour for Church	Church	4:00-5:00 p.m.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE: FEBRUARY 3/4: FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	SACRISTAN	LECTORS	EMHC	SERVERS	THURIFER	USHERS
<b>Saturday, 4:30 p.m.</b>	Meghan Swails (sub req.)	Tanaka Mukudu (1) Chris Ross (2)	Megan Berger – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) Duane Wikoff – Organ Host (EMHC 1) Carol Summa – Xtra EMHC (1)	Jennsen Swails (sub req.) Lenna Sinicropi Adi Vega		Jim (1) Beck Tom (2) Haddox Mike (3) Angle Dianne (5) Einstein
<b>Sunday, 8:00 a.m.</b>	Michael Krolikowski	Valerie Bryan (1) Denise Trusken (2)	Kurt Rodenkirchen – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) De Ann Bukowski – Organ Host (EMHC 1)	Max Ujcz Adam Rodenkirchen Michael Balazik		Dan Ujcz Cheryl Krolikowski David Dlugiewicz Anthony Kanne
<b>Sunday, 10:00 a.m.</b>	David Roby	Dennis Summers (1) Emerson Summers (2)	Mindy Goetz – Ambo Host (EMHC 1) John E. Goetz – Organ Host (EMHC 1)	Deryn Summers Maxwell Sandy Noah Viglietta	Lynden Summers	Mary Ann Wingard Wayne Wingard Steven Frase Bob Outlaw
<b>Sunday, 11:00 a.m. (Church Linens) – Mary Girard</b>						
<b>Sunday, 4:00 p.m.</b> <i>Vespers and Holy Hour</i>	Mary Girard			Lynden Summers	Deryn Summers	

## Pastor's Platform – Gestures during *The Lord's Prayer* in Holy Mass

On our own, we are free to assume whatever postures we like in prayer. We can lay prostrate on the floor, we can hold our hands folded, we can kneel, we can hold our hands up to the sky however we like.

But during the Church's liturgy – the structured, official prayers and rites of the Catholic Church – every movement and posture has a history, meaning and symbolism. Everything should be done according to the approved liturgical texts.

The Roman Missal and its instructions, for example, tell us, especially the priest, exactly when and where to genuflect, when to make the sign of the cross, and so on. In Eucharistic Prayer I, for example, it even instructs the priest where to look with his eyes. Thus, during the liturgy, we are not free to adopt whatever posture we please, whenever we please. Doing so can disrupt the liturgy and mess with the symbolism of the parts of the Mass. We should know what's called for at each moment, and why we do what we do, when we do it.

During the Lord's Prayer at Mass, the priest celebrant is instructed to lead the prayer with hands extended. There is no instruction for the laity to do anything with their hands at that time. That's not to say they cannot, therefore, do anything. But they shouldn't do anything that would be disruptive, confusing, or problematic, symbolically.

Now, what about raising hands in prayer during the Lord's Prayer? Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger (Pope Benedict XVI), in his book *The Spirit of the Liturgy*, described this posture, called the "orans" posture, as "the oldest gesture of prayer in Christendom." Depictions of it can be found on the walls of Rome's ancient catacombs. Benedict continued, writing, "It is also a gesture of seeking and hoping. Man reaches out to the hidden God, stretches out toward him. Arms extended have been compared to wings: man seeks the heights, he wants to be, as it were, carried upward by God on the wings of prayer. But for Christians, arms extended also have a Christological meaning. They remind us of the extended arms of Christ on the Cross."

Obviously, this is a powerful and common posture of prayer. We still see it at all kinds of worship services and Christian concerts. But, as mentioned, during the Mass our postures are governed by the liturgical rites of the Church. Each aspect of the Mass, including our posture at each moment, has meaning. We are seated for the readings in a position of listening and learning. We stand out of respect for the Word of God as the Gospel is read. We kneel in Adoration during parts of the Eucharistic Prayer. And so on.

The liturgical rites instruct the priest to extend his hands in this "orans" posture during the Lord's Prayer.

The priest is supposed to raise or extend his hands in the orans position during certain prayers at Mass. Orans is a Latin word meaning "praying" and refers to the way the ancients beseeched and thanked God with arms outstretched. This orans position of the priest is required of him as the main celebrant of the Mass during the "Our Father."

The priest also raises his hands in prayer during other parts of the Mass, such as the Opening Prayer, the Prayer over the Gifts, the Preface and Eucharistic Prayers and the Prayer after Communion. He does this because he is designated by God and the Church to pray officially in the name of the entire Body of Christ.

Of course, we all pray at Mass. But we are not all the same in our roles at Mass. The priest has the responsibility to offer the prayers and sacrifices in union with the one sacrifice of Christ at Mass. He gathers, as it were, our prayers when he says, "Let us pray." At those words, he is to pause for silence so that we can unite our interior prayers and intentions with his formal prayer.

We also unite our sacrifices to his offering when he says, "Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father." In these instances, we do not all shout out our intentions to God. Instead, we offer them as rational human beings by spiritually uniting ourselves to the priest and to the Church and to God.

An example from ordinary life is when one says from the heart to a friend, "I'm with you in your suffering," or when one expresses to a loved one that he/she is missed. It is a way of expressing interior or spiritual union.

When the priest raises his hands and prays, he is speaking to God on our behalf. When the priest raises his hands at the "Our Father," and we pray with him, he is still the one who is offering our prayer to the Father. When we are praying the "Our Father" with the priest, we are both speaking to God and simultaneously uniting ourselves with the priest whose responsibility it is to bring us and our needs to God.

Perhaps for some, this is a time to reflect on the childlike humility required to surrender our prayers and needs to the priest, our spiritual father, so that he can bring them to God for us. Even a deacon in the sanctuary would not dare to raise his hands at that point. Nor would a priest who is "merely" attending Mass in the congregation/pews, but not concelebrating priests raise their hands.

The 1997 instruction "On Certain Questions Regarding the Collaboration of the Non-Ordained Faithful in the Sacred Ministry of Priests," article 6, seeks "to promote the proper identity" of the roles of clerics and lay people in liturgical actions. Specifically, deacons and non-ordained members of the faithful may not "use gestures or actions which are proper to the same priest celebrant." The "Our Father" is not to be reduced to a community prayer. It is more than that because it is the preparation for Holy Communion. The "Our Father" is a time to join hearts, not hands, in praising and beseeching God's mercy and love. With this explanation at St. Pius X Parish only the Priest principal celebrant and concelebrating priests will raise hands ("orans") during the Our Father Prayer.



**this Wondrous Gift**

COLUMBUS CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

February 17, 2024 • 8:00 am to 5:00 pm  
Ohio Expo Center – Kasich Hall

**Speakers:**

Fr. John Burns

Heather Khym

Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio, J.C.D.

Fr. Timothy Anastos

Claire Dwyer

Emcee: Jennifer Rice

Music By: Marie Miller

[columbuscatholicwomen.com](http://columbuscatholicwomen.com)



The 27th Annual  
**CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE**  
**CALLED TO BE SAINTS**  
THE EUCHARIST: GO DEEPER

**Saturday + February 24, 2024**  
**Kasich Hall + Ohio Expo Center, Columbus**

FEATURING:

John Edwards

Chris Stefanick

Fr. Burke Masters

Adoration + Reconciliation + Holy Mass  
Breakfast & Lunch + Faith Organizations

[www.CatholicMensMinistry.com](http://www.CatholicMensMinistry.com)



#### 2024 COLUMBUS CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

**Inviting all Women...** Please mark your calendar and Register NOW for the **COLUMBUS CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2024, FROM 8:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M.** Bring your Family and Friends. Register at [columbuscatholicwomen.com](http://columbuscatholicwomen.com) for the 16th Annual Columbus Catholic Women's Conference at the Ohio Expo Center and State Fairgrounds; the cost is \$15.00. Our theme is **This Wondrous Gift**, in honor of the Eucharistic Revival. **Come rest with Jesus**, and join your sisters in Christ, for Holy Mass, Adoration, Reconciliation, inspiring speakers, food, and shopping! The glove relic of St. Padre Pio will be at the conference the entire day for veneration!!! What a beautiful blessing for all those who are in attendance! Be lifted up in faith and fellowship together. Don't miss this uplifting, annual event for women to grow in faith, hope, and love!

Anyone interested, we will carpool from St. Pius X parking lot. For details or questions, please contact Jeanne Swisher at 614-314-2428 or [swisherjf@gmail.com](mailto:swisherjf@gmail.com).

#### ROMANS 12:13 NEW PARISHIONER BRUNCH

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

[Romans 12:13 Host Team: Mike P.]

#### 2024 COLUMBUS CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

The 27th Annual Catholic Men's Conference returns to Kasich Hall at the Ohio Expo Center and State Fairgrounds on February 24, 2024 at 7:00 a.m. **THE EUCHARIST: GO DEEPER** is this year's complementary theme, as we dedicate this Conference to the Source and Summit of our Faith – The Eucharist. Fall in love with Jesus through the Eucharist, and experience a love and strength like no other, as you walk with confidence on the path to Sainthood. This year's speakers include Father Burke Masters, John Edwards and Chris Stefanick.

Tickets are on sale at [www.catholicmensministry.com](http://www.catholicmensministry.com). If you have any questions, please call Frank Iannaggi at 614-570-9535.

#### 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](mailto:jclemay@sbcglobal.net) or 660-233-2289.

#### 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).



## THE SPX MEN'S MINISTRY

*"Instaurare Omnia in Christo!"*

*In the Armory with Saint Joseph*

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

**February 7th 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 9 of 14: "The Cups"*

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*Saint Joseph, Most Obedient, Pray for us!*

## THE MELCHIZEDEK PROJECT

The Melchizedek Project is a spiritual discernment group that helps high school and college-aged 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 beginning 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](mailto:MCarey@spxreynoldsburg.com) for more information or to join the group.



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## 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 DePaul, 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 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.

**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 the 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) or calling 614-863-1371 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 the Rectory at 614-866-2859 to schedule a visit.



# Saint Joseph of Leonissa

(January 8, 1556-February 4, 1612)

## Saint Joseph of Leonissa's Story

Joseph was born at Leonissa in the Kingdom of Naples. As a boy and as a student in early adulthood, Joseph drew attention for his energy and virtue. Offered a nobleman's daughter in marriage, Joseph refused and joined the Capuchins in his hometown in 1573 instead. Avoiding the safe compromises by which people sometimes undercut the Gospel, Joseph denied himself hearty meals and comfortable quarters as he prepared for ordination and a life of preaching.

In 1587, he went to Constantinople to take care of the Christian galley slaves working under Turkish masters. Imprisoned for this work, he was warned not to resume it on his release. He did and was again imprisoned and then condemned to death. Miraculously freed, he returned to Italy where he preached to the poor and reconciled feuding families as well as warring cities which had been at odds for years. He was canonized in 1745.

## Reflection

Saints often jar us because they challenge our ideas about what we need for "the good life." "I'll be happy when..." we may say, wasting an incredible amount of time on the periphery of life. People like Joseph of Leonissa challenge us to face life courageously and get to the heart of it: life with God. Joseph was a compelling preacher because his life was as convincing as his words.



SAINT OF  
THE DAY FOR  
FEBRUARY 4

## PHONES

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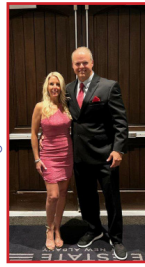
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