St. Pius Roman Catholic Church

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord April 10, 2022

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Deacon Dario Rinaldi
Assisting Deacons

Marc Nava
St. Pius School Principal

Leigh Masi
Preschool Director

Judy Giacometti
Parish Operations Manager

Mass Times

Monday - Friday:	8:00 am	in person & livestreamed
Saturday Vigil:	5:00 pm	in person only
Sunday Schedule:	8:00 am	in person only
	9:30 am	in person & livestreamed
	11:30 am (Spanish)	in person & livestreamed
	5:00 pm	in person only
Reconciliation:	Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 pm	
Adoration Chapel:	9:00 am - 9:00 pm	

For all Sacraments
Family must be registered in the parish for at least 6 months and attend Mass regularly.
Contact the Parish Center at least **one month** *in advance for Baptism and* **six months** *in advance for Marriage.*

Anointing of the Sick & Viaticum
For those who are scheduled for surgery or seriously ill, please contact the Parish Center. For those in the hospital, please contact the hospital chaplain.

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this week *(event dates/times subject to change)*

PC = Parish Center FC = Fitzsimon Center
HC = Homer Crouse

April 9 - 16, 2022

9 Saturday **St. Casilda**

10 Sunday **Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**
9:30 am Sacramental Preparation Mass & Class

11 Monday **Monday of Holy Week**
7:00 pm Grief Ministry Support Group (C1-Conf Rm)
7:30 pm YLI Meeting (HC Sr Rm)

12 Tuesday **Tuesday of Holy Week**
7:00 pm St. Vincent de Paul Meeting (C1-Conf Rm)

13 Wednesday **Wednesday of Holy Week**
7:00 pm Grief Ministry Board Meeting (C2-Tiled Rm)
7:00 pm Men's Club Board Meeting (HC)

14 Thursday **Holy Thursday**
8:00 am Morning Prayer - No Mass (Church)
7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (Church) followed by Adoration at the Altar of Repose until 10:00 pm (Adoration Chapel)

15 Friday **Good Friday**
8:00 am Morning Prayer - No Mass (Church)
3:00 pm Solemn Liturgy w/Adoration of the Cross & Holy Communion (Church)
6:00 pm Solemn Liturgy w/Adoration of the Cross & Holy Communion - Spanish (Church)

16 Saturday **Holy Saturday**
8:00 am Morning Prayer - No Mass (Church)
8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass (Church)

Masks are recommended indoors.

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from the pastor

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today the Church enters the "high point" of the liturgical year as we observe Palm Sunday and Holy Week. This is a time of intense drama as so many aspects of human nature are on full display. Commencing with the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem amidst great acclaim, we see how quickly that adulation turns to betrayal and indifference, truly reflecting "man's inhumanity to man." Jesus and his companions share a valedictory or final meal in the Upper Room. There are so many implications to the message Jesus imparts to his brothers. In the breaking of bread and drinking of wine, Jesus memorializes the sacrifice he himself will make on their behalf and that of those who will be their descendants in faith. The bread and wine, through Jesus's capitulation to the Passion and his death, will now be affected as the Real Presence, the body and blood, soul and divinity, of Christ Jesus.

Servant of God Monsignor Romano Guardini, a preeminent Catholic scholar of the twentieth century, in his book *The Lord*, offers this keen perspective on the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem. He notes that Jesus, heretofore, had resisted outright the identity of messiah. Guardini categorizes the entry as a prophetic event. He wrote, "Jesus acts - and the same Spirit that inspires his actions moves in those about him, revealing to them its meaning. Simultaneously, their eyes see the Lord as he rides through the street, and their spirit sees what is behind the event. The physical eye and the spiritual are one. And those who truly 'saw' in that hour were not the particularly talented, neither geniuses nor in any way the elite or the mighty; but the 'common people,' those who happened to be in the streets at the time.

For the power that opened their eyes and hearts was not human power, but the Spirit of God moving among men. Indeed, it is 'the little ones,' possessors of the kingdom of heaven, as Jesus calls them, who are particularly free and open to the workings of the Spirit, for in them it can operate untrammeled by the consciousness of their own human value." Those who would turn on Jesus would not, could not see the implications of the mission Jesus had come to fulfill. "No matter what Jesus said - though he uttered words of divine power and profundity - invariably they were answered with stubbornness, distrust, and hate. No matter what he did - heal, help, pardon, shower with gifts - his thanks were hardness of heart, calumny, misinterpretation of his motives, blasphemy against the Spirit."

Guardini sets up the perfect framework by which we can enter the spirit of Holy Week both with context but also with an understanding of all of the contradictions which take place in the unfolding of days before the Passion and death of Jesus. He reveals a picture of the historical time in which Jesus lived, the profound desire of the Jewish people to be saved by a messiah - albeit a political, temporal one - and the ironic realization that by his own poverty, humility and self-surrender, Jesus Christ would offer the ultimate road to salvation: the very gift of himself.

A focal point of the visit of Jesus and his disciples to Jerusalem is the celebration of Passover. This event would have taken on a sense of urgency and intrigue as the Jewish people were gathering in a dangerous circumstance: many Jews were working towards the overthrow of the Roman occupation which they faced. In a sacred ritual among friends, he gives the gift of himself which will be memorialized to this day.

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Queridos hermanos y hermanas,

Hoy la Iglesia entra en el "punto culminante" del año litúrgico al observar el Domingo de Ramos y la Semana Santa. Este es un momento de intenso drama, ya que muchos aspectos de la naturaleza humana están en plena exhibición. Comenzando con la entrada de Jesús en Jerusalén en medio de una gran aclamación, vemos cuán rápidamente esa adulación se convierte en traición e indiferencia, reflejando verdaderamente "la inhumanidad del hombre hacia el hombre". Jesús y sus compañeros comparten una comida de despedida o final en el Cenáculo. Hay tantas implicaciones en el mensaje que Jesús imparte a sus hermanos. Al partir el pan y beber el vino, Jesús recuerda el sacrificio que él mismo hará por ellos y por los que serán sus descendientes en la fe. El pan y el vino, a través de la capitulación de Jesús a la Pasión y su muerte, ahora serán afectados como la Presencia Real, el cuerpo y la sangre, el alma y la divinidad de Cristo Jesús.

El Siervo de Dios Monseñor Romano Guardini, preeminente erudito católico del siglo XX, en su libro El Señor, ofrece esta aguda perspectiva sobre la entrada de Jesús en Jerusalén. Señala que Jesús, hasta ahora, se había resistido rotundamente a la identidad del mesías. Guardini cataloga la entrada como un acontecimiento profético. Él escribió: "Jesús actúa, y el mismo Espíritu que inspira sus acciones se mueve en quienes lo rodean, revelándoles su significado. Simultáneamente, sus ojos ven al Señor mientras cabalga por la calle, y su espíritu ve lo que hay detrás del evento. El ojo físico y el espiritual son uno. Y aquellos que verdaderamente 'vieron' en esa hora no fueron los particularmente talentosos, ni los genios ni de ninguna manera la élite o los poderosos; sino la 'gente común', aquellos que casualmente estaban en las calles en ese momento.

Porque el poder que les abrió los ojos y el corazón no era poder humano, sino el Espíritu de Dios que se movía entre los hombres. En efecto, son 'los pequeños', poseedores del reino de los cielos, como los llama Jesús, los que son particularmente libres y abiertos a la obra del Espíritu, que en ellos puede obrar libre de la conciencia de su propio valor humano." Aquellos que se volverían contra Jesús no verían las implicaciones de la misión que Jesús había venido a cumplir. "No importa lo que Jesús dijo, aunque pronunció palabras de poder y profundidad divinos, invariablemente fueron respondidas con terquedad, desconfianza y odio. Hiciera lo que hiciera - sanar, ayudar, perdonar, colmar de dones - su agradecimiento fue dureza de corazón, calumnia, mala interpretación de sus motivos, blasfemia contra el Espíritu".

Guardini establece el marco perfecto por el cual podemos entrar en el espíritu de la Semana Santa tanto con el contexto como con la comprensión de todas las contradicciones que tienen lugar en el desarrollo de los días previos a la Pasión y muerte de Jesús. Revela un cuadro del tiempo histórico en el que vivió Jesús, el profundo deseo del pueblo judío de ser salvado por un mesías -aunque político, temporal- y la irónica realización de que por su propia pobreza, humildad y entrega de sí mismo, Jesucristo ofrecería el último camino a la salvación: el don mismo de sí mismo.

Un punto focal de la visita de Jesús y sus discípulos a Jerusalén es la celebración de la Pascua. Este evento habría adquirido un sentido de urgencia e intriga ya que el pueblo judío se estaba reuniendo en una circunstancia peligrosa: muchos judíos estaban trabajando para derrocar la ocupación romana a la que se enfrentaban. En un ritual sagrado entre amigos, se da el don de sí mismo que será recordado hasta el día de hoy.

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prayer and worship

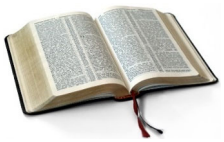
Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

(✞=deceased; INT=special intention)

Saturday, April 9	5:00 pm	Leonore Dei Rossi (INT)
Sunday, April 10	8:00 am	Tom & Maria Natoli ✞
	9:30 am	People of St. Pius
	11:30 am	Ignacio Ureña ✞
	5:00 pm	Deceased of the Moustirats Family ✞
Monday, April 11	8:00 am	Robert Billingsley ✞
Tuesday, April 12	8:00 am	Zenaida Rivera Ang ✞
Wednesday, April 13	8:00 am	Christina Bulanti Welsh ✞
Thursday, April 14	7:00 pm	People of St. Pius

This Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 50:4-7;
Philippians 2:6-11;
Luke 22:14-23:56



As Catholics, we believe the real presence of Christ is in the Eucharist, not merely symbolically or metaphorically, but in a true, real and substantial way.

The Body of Christ must be *immediately* consumed by the person receiving Communion. It is never permissible or reverent for a person to walk away with Communion in hand.

St. Pius Men's Club Dinner

Wednesday, April 13, 2022
(moved from April 20th)
Doors open at 6:00 pm/Dinner starts at 7:00 pm

Chefs are preparing:
1/2 roasted chicken, St. Pius special creamed corn & salad.

Questions? Please contact mensclub@pius.org.

Abstinence: Those 14 years old and older abstain from meat on Good Friday.

Fasting: 18 - 59 years old must fast on Good Friday. Fasting consists of one full meal per day, with two smaller meals that do not add up to a full meal, and no snacks. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. In the spirit of penance, the faithful should not lightly excuse themselves from this obligation.

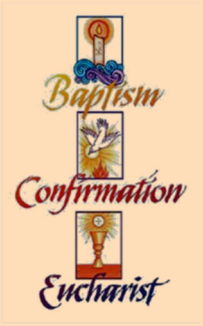
Please pray for our sick, that Jesus be a source of strength and comfort for them.

Names are automatically removed after 30 days; please call the Parish Center to add a name to this list.

Stephanie Carrillo
Presita Condrott
Joe Cornish
Edmundo Cortes
Francesco DiFede
John Hernandez

Susan (Renstrom) Klass
John Malanca
Anita Martin
Fr. Bill McCain
Rachel Moody
Lisa Sawyer

prayer and worship



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Please pray for our catechumens & candidates who will receive their Sacraments at the Easter Vigil.

Roxanna Alavez
Erika Michel Bravo-Garcia
Clare Regina Lanigan
Sheena Sherrell Roldan
Armando Santos
Rene Charlene Schykerynec
Caesar Antonio Seddon

Almighty God, grant that we may hear your voice and respond faithfully to your call with an open heart. ~ Amen

Holy Week & Easter Sunday 2022 Schedule

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - April 10th

Saturday: 5:00 pm Vigil Mass
Sunday Masses: 8:00 am, 9:30 am & 11:30 am (Spanish), 5:00 pm

Holy Triduum

Holy Thursday - April 14th

Morning Prayer: 8:00 am (no Mass)
Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00 pm
Adoration at the Altar of Repose in Adoration Chapel until 10:00 pm

Good Friday of the Passion of the Lord - April 15th

Morning Prayer: 8:00 am (no Mass)
Stations of the Cross on your own and quiet reflection: 2:30 pm
Solemn Liturgy with Adoration of the Cross & Holy Communion: 3:00 pm & 6:00 pm (Spanish)

Holy Saturday - April 16th

Morning Prayer: 8:00 am (no Mass)
Easter Vigil Mass: 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection - April 17th

Masses: 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am (Spanish).
No 5:00 pm Mass

Easter Egg Hunt after 9:30 am & 11:30 am Masses on the school lawn
(hosted by St. Pius School PTG)

The celebration of Easter continues for 50 days until Pentecost Sunday, June 5th.

A blessed Easter to everyone!

from the pastor (continued)

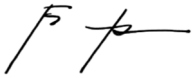
The Catholic writer and apologist extraordinaire, Scott Hahn, offers this reflection connecting the Last Supper to our celebration of the Eucharist, expressed in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass: "Paul teaches us that the Eucharist is ordered to the cross, and the cross is ordered to the resurrection. It is the crucified and resurrected humanity of Jesus that Christians consume in Holy Communion. We come to it by way of suffering, but we receive the Host as a pledge of lasting glory, and we have the grace to endure the rest. This is something we cannot appreciate fully until we have learned to see it 'as it was in the beginning,' as it was for those first Jewish Christians, who saw an old, familiar world ending and a new one descending as a heavenly Jerusalem."

As revealed in sacred scripture, manna or bread played a central and prominent role in salvation history. It was manna which God gave to the Jewish people who languished in the desert, "bread from heaven." The motif of bread provides powerful resonance and Jesus dined with his friends, offering them bread as fuel for their own discovery of what that meal would mean for them long after their time with Jesus on earth receded.

Exodus 12 explains the Passover and this offers a connection between the ancient ritual of the slaughter of the lamb and Jesus Christ, who is the victim who was slain, in order for us to be saved. "Go and choose animals from the flock on behalf of your families and kill the Passover victim. Then take a spray of hyssop, dip it in the blood that is in the basin, and with the blood from the basin touch the lintel and the two doorposts. Let none of you venture out of the house till morning. Then, when the Lord goes through Egypt to strike it, and sees the blood on the lintel and on the two doorposts, he will pass over the door and not allow the destroyer to enter your homes and strike." Note the parallels between the lamb slaughtered and blood shed in ancient Judaism and Jesus as the lamb of God who sheds his blood, lays down his life, for redemption of our sins and thus protects us from the snare of the evil one.

Thus, we see unfolding before us the seamless connection between Eucharist and cross as sacrifice and resurrection as the fullness of the meal shared and the life laid down. In Eucharist we share in the suffering endured for our sake. We are fed and nourished by the sacrifice of Jesus for our redemption. As Eucharistic people, we strive to see the "food" which Jesus gives to us in our spiritual lives as sufficient for us. We are able to enter into the mystery of suffering and to see its redemptive qualities, precisely because Jesus first showed us the way to suffering, surrender and ultimate freedom and liberation.

This Holy Week is aptly named as it draws us in as participants in the most profound expression of salvation history. We are invited to enter the depths of friendship, despair, betrayal and deepest love. As Jesus told his disciples, we too are welcomed to stand sentry with Jesus in the Garden at Gethsemane, to "abide in him," in his suffering and Passion. We are called not to be disinterested bystanders, indifferent to all that surrounds "the greatest story ever told," but to learn at the foot of the Master, to take note of all the proceedings so we can have a better appreciation of "all that had taken place" in order to celebrate the beauty and abundant grace of Easter. May we take advantage of this solemn time and keep one another in thought and prayer!



El escritor católico y extraordinario apologista, Scott Hahn, ofrece esta reflexión conectando la Última Cena con nuestra celebración de la Eucaristía, expresada en el Santo Sacrificio de la Misa: "Pablo nos enseña que la Eucaristía está ordenada a la cruz, y la cruz es ordenado a la resurrección. Es la humanidad crucificada y resucitada de Jesús la que los cristianos consumen en la Sagrada Comunión. Llegamos a ella a través del sufrimiento, pero recibimos la Hostia como prenda de gloria duradera, y tenemos la gracia de soportar el resto. Esto es algo que no podemos apreciar completamente hasta que hayamos aprendido a verlo 'como era en el principio', como lo fue para aquellos primeros cristianos judíos, que vieron el final de un mundo viejo y familiar y uno nuevo que descendía como una Jerusalén celestial."

Como se revela en las Sagradas Escrituras, el maná o el pan desempeñaron un papel central y destacado en la historia de la salvación. Era el maná que Dios le dio al pueblo judío que languidecía en el desierto, "pan del cielo". El tema del pan proporciona una resonancia poderosa y Jesús cenó con sus amigos, ofreciéndoles pan como combustible para su propio descubrimiento de lo que esa comida significaría para ellos mucho después de que su tiempo con Jesús en la tierra se acabara.

Éxodo 12 explica la Pascua y esto ofrece una conexión entre el antiguo ritual del sacrificio del cordero y Jesucristo, quien es la víctima que fue inmolada, para que nosotros fuéramos salvos. "Id y escoged animales del rebaño en nombre de vuestras familias y matar a la víctima de la Pascua. Luego toma un poco de hisopo, mójalo en la sangre que está en la palangana, y con la sangre de la palangana toca el dintel y los dos postes de la puerta. Que ninguno de ustedes se aventure a salir de la casa hasta la mañana. Entonces, cuando el Señor pase por Egipto para herirlo, y vea la sangre en el dintel y en los dos postes de la puerta, pasará por encima de la puerta y no permitirá que el destructor entre en sus casas y los hiera. Tenga en cuenta los paralelos entre el cordero sacrificado y la sangre derramada en el judaísmo antiguo y Jesús como el cordero de Dios que derrama su sangre, da su vida, para la redención de nuestros pecados y así nos protege de la trampa del maligno.

Así, vemos desplegarse ante nosotros la conexión perfecta entre la Eucaristía y la cruz como sacrificio y la resurrección como la plenitud de la comida compartida y la vida entregada. En la Eucaristía compartimos el sufrimiento soportado por nosotros. Somos alimentados y nutridos por el sacrificio de Jesús por nuestra redención. Como pueblo eucarístico, nos esforzamos por ver el "alimento" que Jesús nos da en nuestra vida espiritual como suficiente para nosotros. Podemos entrar en el misterio del sufrimiento y ver sus cualidades redentoras, precisamente porque Jesús nos mostró primero el camino hacia el sufrimiento, la entrega y la libertad y liberación definitivas.

Esta Semana Santa se llama acertadamente porque nos atrae como partícipes de la expresión más profunda de la historia de la salvación. Estamos invitados a entrar en las profundidades de la amistad, la desesperación, la traición y el amor más profundo. Como Jesús les dijo a sus discípulos, nosotros también somos bienvenidos a ser centinelas con Jesús en el Huerto de Getsemaní, a "permanecer en él", en su sufrimiento y Pasión. Estamos llamados a no ser espectadores desinteresados, indiferentes a todo lo que rodea "la historia más grande jamás contada", sino a aprender a los pies del Maestro, a tomar nota de todo lo actuado para apreciar mejor "todo lo que había tenido lugar" para celebrar la belleza y abundante gracia de la Pascua. ¡Que aprovechemos este tiempo solemne y nos mantengamos unos a otros en pensamiento y oración!

stewardship

Sunday Collections

Due to an early bulletin deadline, the numbers below reflect the prior week.

July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022 (annual goal)	$505,000.00
July 1, 2021 - March 27, 2022 (goal to date)	$386,176.44
July 1, 2020 - March 27, 2022 (actual rec'd)*	$330,306.23
Sunday Collection - March 27, 2022	
Collection for our Parish	$ 7,131.00
Second Collection - March 27, 2022	
Catholic Relief Services	$ 5,135.00

**includes electronic contributions to February 28, 2022*

2022 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal Campaign	$113,069.00
2022 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (received)	$ 8,225.00
Campaign Goal less payments received	$104,844.00

Thank you for your support!

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER TOM

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
I am pleased to present to you the Annual Report 2021 of St. Pius Catholic Church and School. Now in its seventieth year, our parish remains a vibrant and dynamic community of faith in Southern San Mateo County. This impressive and transparent review of the financial picture of St. Pius Church would not have been possible without the hard work and dedication of our entire parish staff. I am most grateful to the leadership of our Parish Council: Tom D'Orsi, Chair, Marcela Salazar, Vice Chair, Alma Portillo, Secretary, and members-at-large: Mary Chacon, Susie Hamlin, Stephanie Herbst, Gena Pass, Shalimar Perez, John Philpott, Balbina Ramirez, Chris Swan, Mike Sweeney, and Dave Tomatis. The Parish Council ably offers advice and ideas which help us chart a strong and effective course for our community.

I am grateful to the current members of the Finance Council: Donna Schreiber, Chair, Tom Cortopassi, Don Gambelin, Kathy Martell, Joe Martin and Stephen Philpott. All of the members of the Finance Council have a strong financial background and are leaders in their industries. They represent the diversity of our parish community and several are long-time parishioners and alumni of St. Pius School. Judy Giacometti and Debbie Castelli, as staff responsible for our financial reporting, assist the Finance Council in its mission. We generally meet monthly where we review the financials of the parish, school, and preschool; we discuss the current financial condition of the parish; and address expenditures needed for infrastructure upgrades, etc.

As a Catholic community, our commitment to responsible stewardship is predicated upon Gospel values. All that we endeavor to do is rooted in evangelization and the celebration of the sacramental life of the Church. Thus, the financial support you so generously render to the parish is not for profit; it is to meet the obligations and needs of a parish family of over 3,000 registered families.

I am pleased to report that our financial picture is strong, especially in light of the economic hardships experienced through almost two years of a global pandemic. We were very fortunate to be served by the government's Payroll Protection Program; this allowed our dedicated staff, both parish and school, to continue working.

Our parish staff takes very seriously the commitment we bear to be good stewards of your generosity. Funds are not spent frivolously and the support and oversight of the Finance Council and Judy Giacometti as Operations Manager ensures the responsible expenditures of funds. We have healthy reserves to ensure we are financially viable. The main source of funding for Operations comes through the Sunday Offerings, or "Ordinary Income." Your support is essential to our well-being as a parish. This entails funding staff for operations and programs such as Faith Formation and Liturgical Music.

This year, we instituted the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for children ages 2 to 5. Modeled after the Maria Montessori method, this program has proven to serve more young families to parishes which use it. We started up our Teen Club which has had several outings and continues to grow. We were able to do major upgrades in the kitchen of Homer Crouse and other essential capital improvements. We have been able to strengthen the technology of our livestreaming ministry.

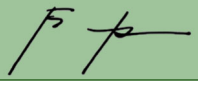
None of this would have been possible without your continued generosity and financial support.

In order to continue to remain strong and grow as a parish community, we are dependent upon your financial support. I am so grateful and appreciative of all of the sacrifices you make, in so many ways, to the life of our parish. In addition to financial support, volunteer service in the Altar Society, Environment Committee, Music Ministry, Adult Evangelization, Athletics, Men's and Women's Club, Grief Ministry, St. Vincent de Paul Society, parish organizations and all liturgical ministries, catechesis, and outreach to the poor and those in need are indispensable to witnessing to our Catholic, Christian discipleship. I am appealing to you to consider, if you are able, increasing your weekly giving. Please consider leaving St. Pius Church in your estate, thus building a legacy and investment in our community. There are opportunities to leverage gifts for matching funds through such venues as "Giving Tuesday." Every gift, every donation, is a building block creating a strong financial foundation for St. Pius. I am working with the parish staff as well as the Parish and Finance Councils to develop an education campaign to increase giving.

Each day, by innumerable acts of kindness and generosity, we are living the MAGIS, the more…all for the greater glory and honor of God. May God continue to watch over you, bless you, and grant you every grace and blessings.

St. Pius X, pray for us! Blessed Carlo Acutis, pray for us!

Sincerely in the Lord,



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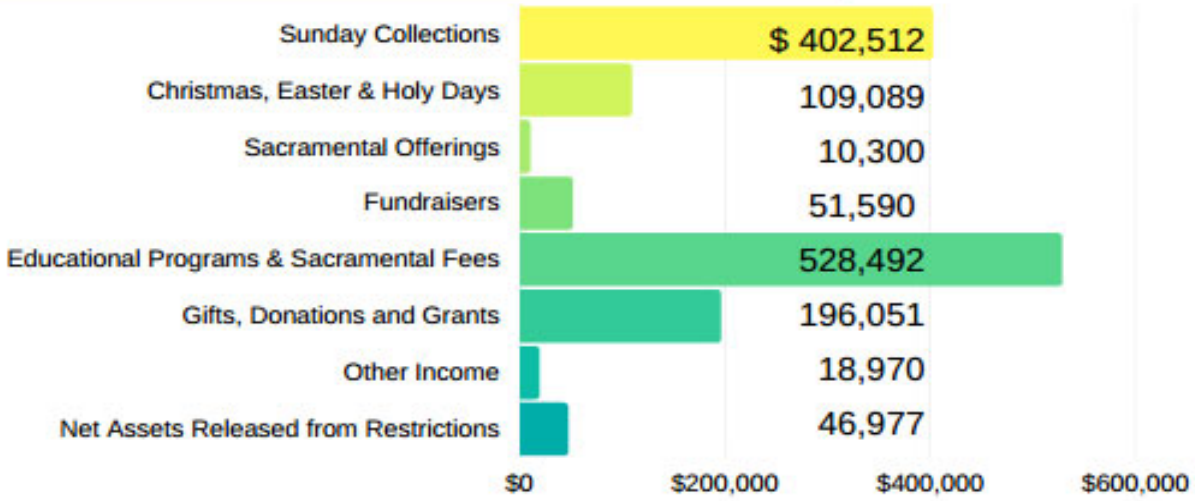
Annual Report

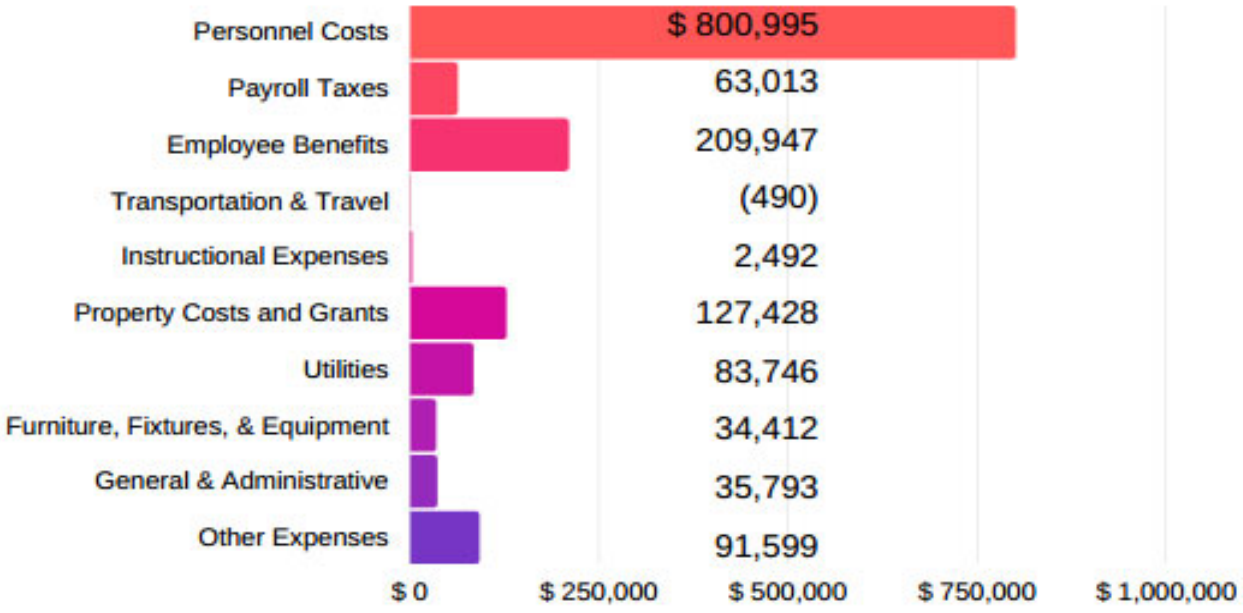
July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

Includes All Church Programs and St. Pius Preschool

TOTAL REVENUES: $ 1,363,980

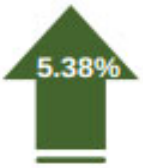


TOTAL EXPENSES: $ 1,448,933



EXCESS/DEFICIENCY FROM OPERATIONS: $ (84,953)

DEFICIENCY FROM OPERATIONS	**$**	**(84,953)**
Government Grant Income		236,100
Change in Donor Restricted Assets		
Endowments/Donor Restricted Gifts Received		268
CASC Interest Received		1,658
Net Restricted Assets Used		(46,977)
Total Change in Donor Restricted Net Assets		(45,052)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS		**106,095**
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	**$**	**1,970,559**
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	**$**	**2,076,654**



SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Catholic Relief Service - $ 585
Catholic Home Missions - $ 911
Campaign for Human Development - $ 1,256
Catholic Charities CYO Appeal - $ 1,837
Catholic Communications - $ 1,154
Peter's Pence - $ 1,481
Holy Land - $ 814
Priests' Retirement - $ 1,727
Retirement for the Religious - $ 1,146
World Mission Sunday - $ 778
St. Patrick's Seminary - $ 954
TOTAL - $ 12,643

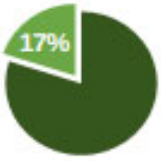
Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2021
$ 119,207
Number of Contributors
206
Donations Collected
$ 142,391
Overage of AAA (back to parish)
$ 23,084
Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2022
$ 113,069

Parish Statistics 2020-2021

Sacraments Celebrated	Baptisms	38
	Holy Communion	53
	Confirmation	42
	Marriages	2
	Funerals	32

Contributor Data

514 **Contributing Households** (Based on envelopes, checks, and online donations) **out of** **3,029** **Total Registered Households**



Catholic Education: A Ministry of the Parish

29 in Children's Faith Formation

244 in St. Pius Catholic School

42 in St. Pius Preschool

$ 1,377 Average Yearly Giving of Contributing Households

$ 26.50 Average Weekly Giving of Contributing Households

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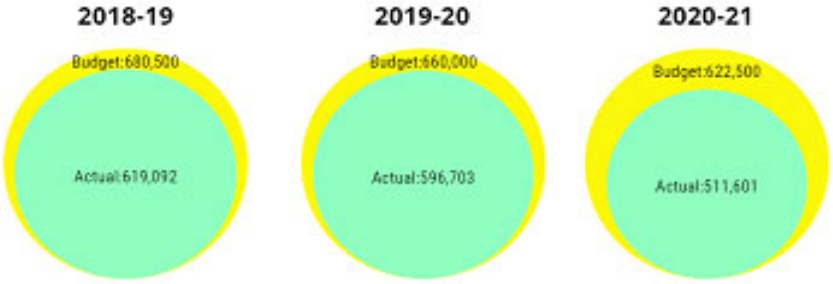
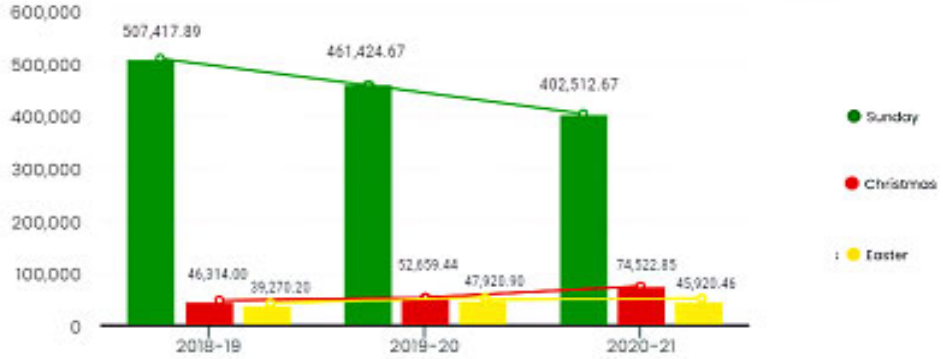
3-YEAR REVIEW: TOTAL COLLECTIONS INCOME ($)

Fiscal Year June to July



MAIN SOURCES OF COLLECTIONS INCOME ($)



ACTUAL VS. BUDGET

Includes All Church Programs and St. Pius Preschool

	Actual 2020-2021	Budget 2020-2021	Budget 2021-2022
Revenues			
Collections	511,601	622,500	650,500
Sacramental Offerings	10,300	7,500	12,000
Other Fund Raisers	51,590	120,500	170,000
Educational Programs & Sacramental Fees	528,492	489,150	594,600
Gifts, Donations and Grants	196,051	150,500	177,500
Other Income	15,809	15,000	28,000
Non-Operating Income	3,161	150	250
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	46,977	-	-
Total Revenues	**1,363,980**	**1,405,300**	**1,632,850**
Expenses			
Personnel Costs	800,995	803,429	884,913
Payroll Taxes	63,013	70,814	76,355
Employee Benefits	209,947	232,438	277,589
Transportation & Travel	(490)	500	1,250
Instructional Expenses	2,492	6,806	6,800
Property Costs	127,428	53,200	116,645
Utilities	83,746	99,650	64,350
Furniture, Fixtures, & Equipment	34,412	16,050	15,150
General & Administrative	35,793	40,375	57,909
Other Operating Expense	83,799	93,415	50,520
Other Expenses	7,800	7,700	7,700
Subsidies	-	-	-
Total Expenses	**1,448,933**	**1,424,377**	**1,559,181**
Excess/Deficiency from Operations	**(84,953)**	**(19,077)**	**73,669**

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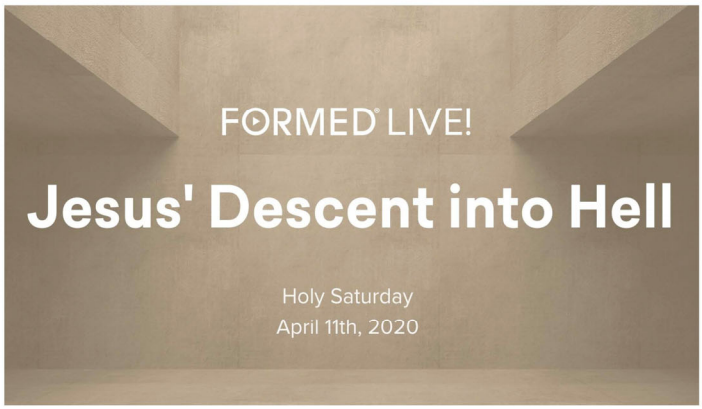

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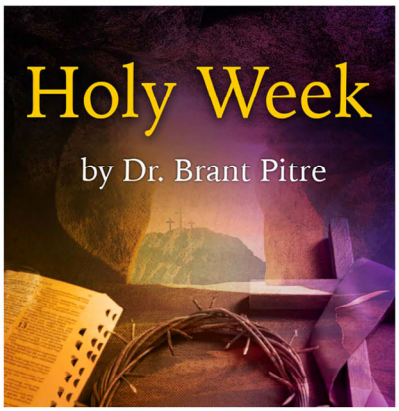

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