

St. Pius Roman Catholic Church

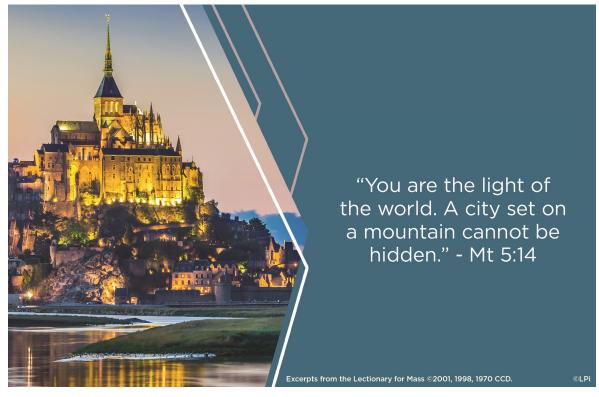
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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 5, 2023



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> Leigh Masi Preschool Director

Deacon Arrion Rosales-Llantos
Assisting Deacon

Judy Giacometti
Parish Operations Manager

Mass Times

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am in person only 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 - 8:00 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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(event dates/times subject to change)

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

February 4 - 11, 2023

4	Saturday 6:00 pm	St. Joseph of Leonissa Men's Club Crab Feast	8	Wednesda 6:00 pm	y St. Josephine Bakhita RCIA (C1-Conf Rm)
5	Sunday 9:30 am 12:30 pm 4:00 pm	5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sacramental Preparation Mass & Class Candlemas Celebration (HC) Confirmation Class - Parish Youth (HC Sr Rm)	9	Thursday 6:30 pm	St. Jerome Emiliani ICF Meeting (HC Sr Rm)
6	Monday 6:30 pm	St. Paul Miki & Companions Grief Ministry General Committee Meeting (C1-Conf Rm)	10	Friday 10:00 am	St. Scholastica Senior's Meeting (HC Sr Rm)
7	Tuesday 7:00 pm	St. Colette Men's Club Board Meeting (C1-Conf Rm)	11	Saturday 3:30 pm	Our Lady of Lourdes Individual Reconciliation (Church)

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from the pastor

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I wish to thank all the many people who banded together to make our *Catholic Schools Week* Mass and celebration last Sunday. The music was beautiful; the students who were lectors and who spoke after Communion were truly impressive; the gathering together as a parish community exuded an optimism and joy that is the fruit of hard work and dedication. Mr. Brandt spoke of the importance of the credibility of listening to the parents and students and this was done so ably by Theresa and Matthew Molinelli.

This mom and son duo spoke of the close-knit community which is certainly one of the strong points of our identity. Matthew noted the fun activities such as sports and field trips which augment classroom instruction. Theresa spoke of how the rigorous academic program here prepared her son Andrew to thrive and succeed at St. Ignatius College Preparatory in San Francisco, one of the top prep schools in the State of California. It was affirming to hear such a positive and re-assuring perspective by a parent and student who are demonstrably invested in the life of the school and parish. Their reflection lent itself to credibility and an invitation for prospective families to take a closer look at St. Pius Catholic School. After Communion, several students each shared five reasons why they love St. Pius. This was the perfect close to a wonderful celebration. I would ask that we get the word out to family, friends, and neighbors with school-aged children and encourage them to contact the school to arrange a tour!

Thanks are also in order to Brian and Richard Tupper and Moises Salazar who scrubbed the interior of the field kitchen. It is sparkling clean!! It took a lot of time and effort to clean out this space. Also, thanks to Judy Giacometti and Debbie and Gary Castelli who cleaned out the kitchen in Homer Crouse Hall and organized the cleaning and kitchen supplies. Their commitment and dedication help to ensure a safe and healthy environment. Many groups use these facilities so let's work together to maintain our common spaces!

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Sam and Katherine Carlson who were married here at St. Pius Church on Saturday, January 28th. Katherine is an alumnus of our school and we wish them many graces and blessings as they begin their new life together!

Please take an opportunity to listen to our St. Pius Schola. A schola is a choir of sacred music consisting of Gregorian and Latin chant. We are blessed to have a schola here comprised of graduate students from Stanford University who are also members of our parish family. I am grateful for their dedication and hard work as well as generosity in gifting our liturgies with such beautiful sacred music. The schola usually sings one Sunday a month at the 8:00 am Sunday Mass. This past Sunday, January 29, they sang at the 5:00 pm Mass. Please go to the St. Pius Youtube page to view.

Today's readings call us to a life of action and service which glorifies God. In doing so, we elevate discourse and relationships we have with one another, especially as a Christian community. The words of the prophet Isaiah point to a transformation from darkness to light, from doom to joy by concrete actions which build up and edify.

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Queridos hermanos y hermanas,

Deseo agradecer a todas las personas que se unieron para hacer nuestra Misa y celebración de la Semana de las Escuelas Católicas el domingo pasado. La música era hermosa; los estudiantes que fueron lectores y que hablaron después de la Comunión fueron realmente impresionantes; el encuentro como comunidad parroquial emanaba optimismo y alegría fruto del trabajo y la dedicación. El Sr. Brandt habló de la importancia de la credibilidad de escuchar a los padres y estudiantes y Theresa y Matthew Molinelli lo hicieron muy hábilmente.

Este dúo de madre e hijo habló de la comunidad unida que es sin duda uno de los puntos fuertes de nuestra identidad. Matthew destacó las actividades divertidas, como los deportes y las excursiones, que aumentan la instrucción en el salón de clases. Theresa habló de cómo el riguroso programa académico aquí preparó a su hijo Andrew para prosperar y tener éxito en Saint Ignatius College Preparatory en San Francisco, una de las mejores escuelas preparatorias del estado de California. Fue reconfortante escuchar una perspectiva tan positiva y tranquilizadora de un padre y un estudiante que están demostrablemente involucrados en la vida de la escuela y la parroquia. Su reflexión se prestó a la credibilidad y una invitación para las posibles familias a echar un vistazo más de cerca a la Escuela Católica Saint Pius. Después de la Comunión, varios estudiantes compartieron cinco razones por las que aman a San Pío. Este fue el cierre perfecto para una maravillosa celebración. ¡Quiero que hagamos correr la voz a familiares, amigos y vecinos con niños en edad escolar y los animemos a comunicarse con la escuela para organizar una visita!

También se agradece a Brian y Richard Tupper y a Moises Salazar quienes fregaron el interior de la cocina de campo. ¡¡Está recientemente limpio!! Tomó mucho tiempo y esfuerzo limpiar este espacio. También, gracias a Judy Giacometti y Debbie y Gary Castelli que limpiaron la cocina en Homer Crouse Hall y organizaron los artículos de limpieza y cocina. Su compromiso y dedicación ayudan a garantizar un entorno seguro y saludable. ¡Muchos grupos usan estas instalaciones, así que trabajemos juntos para mantener nuestros espacios comunes!

Felicitaciones al Sr. y la Sra. Sam y Katherine Carlson que se casaron aquí en la Iglesia de San Pío el sábado 28 de enero. ¡Katherine es alumna de nuestra escuela y les deseamos muchas gracias y bendiciones al comenzar su nueva vida juntos!

Por Favor aproveche la oportunidad de escuchar nuestra Schola de San Pío. Una schola es un coro de música sacra compuesto por canto gregoriano y latino. Tenemos la suerte de tener una escuela aquí compuesta por estudiantes graduados de la Universidad de Stanford que también son miembros de nuestra familia parroquial. Estoy agradecido por su dedicación y arduo trabajo, así como por su generosidad al regalar a nuestras liturgias una música sagrada tan hermosa. La schola generalmente canta un domingo al mes en la misa dominical de las 8:00 a. m. El pasado domingo 29 de enero cantaron en la misa de las 5:00 pm Visite la página de Youtube de San Pío para ver.

Las lecturas de hoy nos llaman a una vida de acción y servicio que glorifica a Dios. Al hacerlo, elevamos el discurso y las relaciones que tenemos unos con otros, especialmente como comunidad cristiana. Las palabras del profeta Isaías apuntan a una transformación de las tinieblas a la luz, de la ruina a la alegría mediante acciones concretas que construyen y edifican.

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prayer and worship

Mass Intentions

(**T**=deceased; INT=special intention)

Saturday, Feb., 4	5:00 pm	Regina Weitzman 🕈
Sunday, Feb., 5	8:00 am 9:30 am 11:30 am 5:00 pm	Elizabeth Steele † People of St. Pius Cathy Echeverria † Eileen Bristley †
Monday, Feb., 6	8:00 am	Trudy Maxwell 🕏
Tuesday, Feb., 7	8:00 am	Mark Shah 🕏
Wednesday, Feb., 8	8:00 am	Shadrick Dzinamira 🕈
Thursday, Feb., 9	8:00 am	Mary & Frank Ambrose 🕈

8:00 am

This Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 58:7-10; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5; Matthew 5:13-16





Please pray for our faithful departed

Rufo Arcenio

Catholic Schools Week Mass January 28, 2023 10:00 am

Eileen Philpott 🕈



Friday, Feb., 10











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.

Cornelia Anderson Bob Beggs Imelda Contreras Tapia Joe Cornish Agnes Fogl John Helman John Hernandez Anita Martin Josefina Mendez Fr. Bill McCain Nancy Reynoso Dorothy Rollins

Lisa Sawyer Fe Segura John Tarantino Peter Welsh Lorraine Wright



prayer and worship

World Day of the Sick

Saturday, February 11, 2023



This day of observation was started by Pope John Paul II as a way for believers to offer prayers for those suffering from illnesses.

The day coincides with the commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Join us at St. Pius for 5:00 pm Mass. The Anointing of the Sick will be administered at the end of Mass.



On this World Day of the Sick, at Oakland's The Cathedral of Christ the Light, join us for the world premiere of a new healing Mass honoring our Lady of Lourdes.

Oakland's Bishop Michael C. Barber and San Francisco's Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone will join forces for this very special healing Mass composed by Frank La Rocca for the Benedict XVI Institute. The Oakland and San Francisco Locations of the Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of Saint John of Jerusalem, of Rhodes and of Malta will combine forces to assist.

Register now for Frank La Rocca's *Messe Des Malades: Honoring Our Lady of Lourdes* at: https://tinyurl.com/WDoSmass2023.

For more information, please contact Randy Harris at lrh@jmbm.com or (510) 918-7890 The Cathedral of Christ the Light, 2121 Harrison Street, Oakland

Love is in the air...... St. Pius Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating a milestone Wedding Anniversary in 2023?

Receive a blessing on Sunday, February 12th at either the 9:30 am Mass or 11:30 am Spanish Mass.

Couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (5, 10, 15....35, 40, 45, 50, or 50+ years) this year are invited to participate in our annual Anniversary Mass and Blessing.

Please RSVP <u>here</u> by Monday, February 6th or to Cathy Yee at <u>cathy@pius.org</u> or (650) 361-1411, ext. 116.





Ash Wednesday - February 22, 2023

The imposition of ashes on Ash Wednesday will be the usual customary practice of tracing the sign of the cross with the ashes on the forehead.

Mass Times: 8:00 am, 12:10 pm 7:00 pm Spanish



from the pastor (continued)

The prophet prescribes specific actions such as feeding the hungry and housing the homeless, removing oppression as well as false accusation and malicious speech. Recall that these words were echoed in the ancient world; how prescient are they in today's culture and society. In caring for one another and working for a culture which dignifies the human person, "then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your wound shall be quickly healed; then light shall rise for you in the darkness, and the gloom shall become for you like midday."

"The works of mercy recommended in this oracle are echoed in Jesus' discourse on the Last Judgement in Matthew 25: 23-45. Christian spirituality has always stressed that love of neighbor and works of mercy are clear proof of a person's love of God and are a touchstone of true religion, for "...works of mercy are proof of a truly holy life." (Rabanus Maurus, recorded by St. Thomas Aquinas in the Catena Aurea). And St. Leo the Great taught: 'Let each of the faithful examine his own conscience, seeking out his deepest desires; if he finds the fruits of love within his soul, he will know that God is with him, and he should strive even harder to be worthy of so great a guest, being ever more generous in his works of mercy.' (Sermones, 48, 3)." This reflection is taken from The Navarre Bible: Major Prophets, Texts and Commentaries.

Matthew's Gospel offers a wonderful response and reflection on the admonition to incorporate works of mercy as tangible signs of the vitality of our Christian life. Jesus tells his disciples that they are salt of the earth that must be kept strong and vibrance or else it loses its flavor and becomes dull. We know that salt is used to enhance flavor. In the same way, when we love and serve one another we add flavor to our relationships and interconnectedness with others. When we say that someone is the "salt of the earth" this connotes a genuine spirit of optimism and hope; this person adds spice to life and illuminates conversations and activities. By Jesus referring to his disciples in this way, he is calling them to a vocation that will engage others as a reflection of their very own relationship and companionship with Jesus.

To be "salt of the earth" and "light of the world" is to transform the world around us and conform it more closely to the kingdom of heaven which God intends for us. God gives us innate gifts and talents which ought to be used in the service of others, not selfishly guarded or hidden. "In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men; so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven."

Correction: In my homily last Sunday at the 10:00 am Mass, I referred to the 1983 movie Educating Rita starring Michael Caine and Julie Walters. I said that the character Rita lived in a working-class town in Scotland. In fact, her character lives and attends university in Liverpool, England. Mea culpa!

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El profeta prescribe acciones específicas como alimentar a los hambrientos y albergar a los desamparados, eliminar la opresión, así como las falsas acusaciones y el lenguaje malicioso. Recuérdese que estas palabras tuvieron eco en el mundo antiguo; cuán proféticos son en la cultura y la sociedad de hoy. Cuidándonos unos a otros y trabajando por una cultura que dignifique a la persona humana, "entonces brotará vuestra luz como la aurora, y vuestra herida sanará pronto; entonces la luz se levantará para ti en la oscuridad, y las tinieblas se volverán para ti como el mediodía".

"Las obras de misericordia recomendadas en este oráculo tienen eco en el discurso de Jesús sobre el Juicio Final en Mateo 25: 23-45. La espiritualidad cristiana siempre ha enfatizado que el amor al prójimo y las obras de misericordia son una prueba clara del amor de una persona a Dios y son una piedra de toque de la verdadera religión, porque '... las obras de misericordia son prueba de una vida verdaderamente santa' (Rabanus Maurus, registrado de Santo Tomás de Aquino en la Catena Aurea). Y San León Magno enseñó: "Que cada uno de los fieles examine su propia conciencia, buscando sus deseos más profundos; si encuentra en su alma los frutos del amor, sabrá que Dios está con él, y deberá esforzarse aún más para ser digno de tan gran huésped, siendo cada vez más generoso en sus obras de misericordia» (Sermones, 48)., 3)." Esta reflexión está tomada de La Biblia de Navarra: Profetas Mayores, Textos y Comentarios.

El Evangelio de Mateo ofrece una maravillosa respuesta y reflexión sobre la exhortación a incorporar las obras de misericordia como signos tangibles de la vitalidad de nuestra vida cristiana. Jesús les dice a sus discípulos que son la sal de la tierra que debe mantenerse fuerte y vibrante o de lo contrario pierde su sabor y se vuelve opaca. Sabemos que la sal se usa para realzar el sabor. De la misma manera, cuando nos amamos y nos servimos unos a otros, agregamos sabor a nuestras relaciones e interconexión con los demás. Cuando decimos que alguien es la "sal de la tierra" esto connota un genuino espíritu de optimismo y esperanza; esta persona le da sabor a la vida e ilumina las conversaciones y actividades. Al referirse Jesús a sus discípulos de esta manera, los está llamando a una vocación que involucrará a otros como un reflejo de su propia relación y compañerismo con Jesús.

Ser "sal de la tierra" y "luz del mundo" es transformar el mundo que nos rodea y conformarlo más al reino de los cielos que Dios tiene destinado para nosotros. Dios nos da dones y talentos innatos que deben ser usados al servicio de los demás, no guardados ni escondidos egoístamente. "Así debe brillar vuestra luz a la vista de los hombres; para que, viendo vuestras buenas obras, alaben a vuestro Padre que está en los cielos".

Corrección: En mi homilía del domingo pasado en la Misa de las 10:00 am, me referí a la película Educating Rita de 1983 protagonizada por Michael Caine y Julia Walters. Dije que el personaje de Rita vivía en un pueblo de clase trabajadora en Escocia. De hecho, su personaje vive y asiste a la universidad en Liverpool, Inglaterra. ¡Mea culpa!

stewardship

Sunday Collections

 July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023 (annual goal)
 \$505,000.00

 July 1, 2022 - Jan. 29, 2023 (goal to date)
 \$303,000.00

 July 1, 2022 - Jan. 29, 2023 (actual rec'd*)
 \$248,806.77

Sunday Collection - Jan. 29, 2023 Collection for our Parish

*includes electronic contributions to December 31, 2022

2022 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

"As I have done for you, you should do also."

~ John 13:15

The St. Pius Annual Appeal campaign goal for 2022 was \$113,069.

We are happy to report that St. Pius met that goal and exceeded it by \$120.

Thank you to all who donated!

Northern California has lately been subject to remarkable storms and we may be set for more before the season is over. While we need rain, it seems to be coming all at once, creating challenges. Catholic Charities has a special fund to aid California flood victims.

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As iron sharpens, so one man sharpens another.
- Proverbs 27:17

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other events



Human Trafficking Webinar & Prayer - Online

Wednesday, February 8, 2023 • 6:00 pm

The memorial of St. Josephine Bakhita, February 8, has been designated as the first International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking.

Prolife is hosting this webinar rosary prayer to invoke the aid of St. Josephine Bakhita in bringing awareness of the evil of Human Trafficking and interceding for the victims and survivors of human trafficking.

Guest speaker Susan Patterson, Director of Through God's Grace Ministry, will give us a quick summary of what the Church can do to address human trafficking and will join us in prayer. Elizabeth Vasquez will also speak, sharing her own experiences as a survivor of human trafficking.

Register at sfarch.org/event/josephine to receive the webinar link.



Diaconate Formation Informational Evenings

The Office of Formation for the Permanent Diaconate will hold Informational Evenings for men considering the possibility of serving the Church as Permanent Deacons

7:00 - 8:30 pm

Wednesday, February 15, 2023 Archdiocese of San Francisco, One Peter Yorke Way, St. Mark C San Francisco

Tuesday, February 21, 2023 St. Mark Catholic Church, 325 Marine View Ave., Belmont

The evening will include discussion of the ministry of the Deacon in the Church, the Formation program and the application process.

Single and married men between the ages of 30 and 60 may apply for the program and are invited to the evening. Married applicants must be married at least five years and all married applicants need the complete support of their wives in order to pursue the program; therefore, wives are encouraged to attend.

Deacon Fred Totah, Director of Diaconate Formation - (415) 614-5615/totah.fred@sfarch.org
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community life



Grief Ministry "Moving Through the Loss of A Loved One"

Monday evenings beginning Monday, February 13, 2023 7:00 - 8:30 pm ● Parish Center (runs 8 weeks, no meeting on President's Day, February 20th)

A focused support group being offered by the St. Pius Grief Ministry. This session is intended for those who would like to participate in a support group focused on progressing through their personal grief journey.

For more information or to register, please contact Grief Ministry at (650) 361-0655 or griefministry@pius.org.

(New members may join up to the 3rd session)

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Week of February 05, 2023



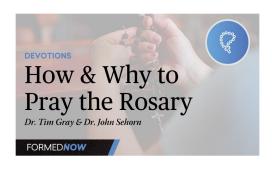
Bernadette

Millions of people each year go on pilgrimage to Lourdes, a place where miracles frequently occur. Explore the origins of this miraculous place of encounter with the Lord in this movie which depicts Mary's apparitions to St. Bernadette.



Bakhita: From Slave to Saint

Bahkita: From Slave to Saint tells the incredible story of St. Josephine Bakhita. Originally born in Sudan, Josephine was kidnapped by slavers and was eventually sold to a merchant in Italy. By the grace of God, she lived a heroic life of forgiveness and mercy which led her to become a saint.



How and Why to Pray the Rosary

As we celebrate Our Lady of Lourdes this week, we invite you to learn more about the Rosary! Join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. John Sehorn as they discuss how they pray the Rosary and how it has changed their lives!

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