SAINT PIUS X Roman Catholic Church

OLD TAPPAN, NEW JERSEY



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Schedule of Liturgies

Saturday (Anticipated Mass) 4:30 pm
Sunday 8:00, 10:00 am & 12:00 noon
Weekdays 9:00 am
Holy Days9:00 & 7:30 pm

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Phone: 201-664-0927 Email: spxpcl@optonline.net Fifth Sunday of Easter May 2, 2021

Rite of Baptism: Parents should make arrangements by contacting the Parish Office.

Rite of Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:45 - 4:15 pm or anytime by appointment.

Marriages... Joined Together in Christ: Arrangements one year in advance according to common policy preparation by contacting the Parish Office.

Sacrament of the Sick: Please notify us if a family member is ill at home or in the hospital.

New Parishioners: Please visit the Parish Office at 268 Old Tappan Road to register at your earliest convenience.

Religious Education: Classes for grade levels (1-9) are conducted September through May. Religious Education Center is open from 9:30 am - 4:30 pm Monday through Thursday.

Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction: Every first Tuesday immediately following the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MASS INTENTIONS SUNDAY, MAY 2, 2021

Saturday	May 1 st – Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Easter
4:30 p.m.	Eva Durante & Antoinette Aiello
	req. by the Aiello Family
Sunday	May 2 nd – Fifth Sunday of Easter
8:00 a.m.	Antonio Fortunato
	req. by Daughter & Granddaughter
10:00 a.m.	Bob Searson
	req by the Searson Family
12:00 p.m.	In Honor of the Blessed Mother
	req by Alphonse & Caroline Piccinich
Monday	May 3 rd – Ss. Philip & James, Apostles
9:00 a.m.	George Frascione
	req by Victor & Pat Frascione
Tuesday	May 4 th – Easter Weekday
9:00 a.m.	Yinka Oluwole ~ Living
	req. by Tolu Oluwole
Wednesday	May 5 th – Easter Weekday
9:00 a.m.	Marie Kober
	req. by Renew Prayer Group
Thursday	May 6 th – Easter Weekday
9:00 a.m.	Bob Ein
	req. by the Carbone Family
Friday	May 7 th – Easter Weekday
9:00 a.m.	Louise Andreata
	req. by Alphonse Scotti
Saturday	May 8 th – Vigil: Sixth Sunday of Easter
4:30 p.m.	Mary & Edward Ford
	req. by Nancy Ford
Sunday	May 9 th – Sixth Sunday of Easter
8:00 a.m.	All Mothers, Grandmothers, Godmothers
	req. by St. Pius X Parish Community
10:00 a.m.	Raymond Massaro
12.00	req by the Massaro Family
12:00 p.m.	Rose Marino
	req by the Spilka & Davidoff Families

Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL & THEIR CARETAKERS

Margie Aracaroli, Gary Bagnoli, Alice Bauer, Maria Burke, Matthew Cea, Claire Collins, Laurie Deluca, Carol Filice, Timothy Goldsmith, Kelly Hayes, Paulette Ley, Teresa & Michael Lotierzo, Rick Lutz, Jaqui Lyman, Arthur, Michele McKeown, Donna Morris, Albina Perez, Jean Richardson, Marius Richardson, Dennis Ryan, Joanna Smith, Nicholas Storms Vita Sullivan and Baby Berkley Williams.

Please pray for all our servicemen/women, including Christopher TenBroeck, and PFC Sean Keohane, their families, and for the victims of terrorism and war.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Pius X invites you to join us for the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on first Tuesday each month after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Our upcoming Adoration is on Tuesday, May 4th, from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The devotion begins with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. A priest or



deacon removes the sacred host from the tabernacle and places it on the altar for adoration. The purpose of adoration is to highlight the presence of the Our Lord in the Eucharist. When a consecrated host is placed in the monstrance, it is said to be a solemn exposition. Adoration ceremonies traditionally include Scripture readings, hymns, prayers, and time for silent adoration.

"Of all devotions, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest after the sacraments, the one dearest to God and the one most helpful to us."

~St. Alphonsus Liguori



WEEKLY MASS OFFERING May 1 - 7, 2021 The Sanctuary Candle: In Memory of Maureen Donahue Requested by Mike Donahue



OUR COLLECTION - APRIL 25, 2021

Sunday Collection:	\$ 9,194.00
We Share Collection:	\$ 638.00
Liturgical Supplies:	\$ 407.00
Parish Maintenance:	\$ 195.00
Soup Kitchen:	\$ 80.00
Additional Easter:	<u>\$ 200.00</u>
Total:	\$10,714.00

Thank you for your generosity and support!!!

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER KEVIN

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

I want to thank everyone who's already taken our parish survey. At the time of writing this, we have nearly 150 responses! But the more the better. My goal is 250 responses because this will give us the most accurate picture of where we as a parish are at.

I want to develop a culture here where we make data driven decisions that reflects the needs and desires of our community. This is partly how we fulfill that first pillar of our mission: building community.

If you have not taken the survey yet, there are paper copies that can be filled out in the Church narthex. There is also a link on our website, or for those "techies" a QR code below. All you need to do is open your cell phone, open your camera app and hold it over the QR code below. The survey will pop right up!

I will reveal the survey results – and some of the pastoral decisions to come from it – next weekend, which is Mother's Day (May 8^{th} and 9^{th}).

In the future, we may issue even smaller surveys – perhaps a single question – which will help us as we refine our mission and life in the parish.

The large takeaway from this will be which ministries we need to re-engage immediately.

As I mentioned last weekend, we are going to be receiving about \$5,000 back from the Archdiocese because we exceeded our Annual Appeal goal. (We also receive a 2% reduction in our assessment next year!)

I want to take those proceeds and invest them in our youth. This is one of the significant trends already showing up in our first two parish surveys. To that end, I invested in a middle school and high school ministry this week called Life Teen. The middle school program that comes with it is called Edge.

They're both terrific programs that are Catholic, engaging, and relevant to young people's lives. In order to develop our ministry to young people, however, we need your help! Please email me (<u>FrKevin@spxot.org</u>) if you are interested in getting involved.

And don't forget, please take the survey!

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Kevin Kilgore



MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

This weekend we welcome a group of young Catholics to the table of the Lord as they celebrate the sacrament of First Holy Communion. While there is a separate Mass for most of them on Saturday afternoon, two will be present on Sunday at the 10:00am Mass. I know you'll join me in praying for them and their families that this is only the *first* of *many* communions.

For the families of those first communicants, you may like to review the following Communion hymns that we will be singing this weekend: an upbeat, jazzy "Taste and See" by Francis Patrick O'Brien; "For the Bread Which You Have Broken" by Copes and Benson; and "I Received the Living God" by Steve Grundy.

Also, at Sunday's 10:00am Mass we will carry on the beautiful tradition of the May Crowning. My first music teacher – my great Aunt Adeline Verina – taught me "Bring Flowers of the Rarest" when I was a kindergartener at Our Lady of Grace School in Fairview. I think of her whenever I hear this and many other Marian songs. If you have the opportunity to teach a hymn to a child, I promise you the experience will be rewarding for both of you, and will create a lifelong relationship between you, the child, and her faith. We'll sing "Bring Flowers" as the Blessed Mother is crowned by one of our first communicants.

Any classical music fans (or at least those who are familiar with Handel's *Messiah*) will recognize and hopefully appreciate our closing hymn, "I Know that My Redeemer Lives." Ken Bible has brilliantly modified this famous soprano aria into simple hymn form so we can all sing along.

If you have new ideas about how our music ministry can help us **build community, worship God and make disciples**, let's talk soon.

Yours faithfully, Sara Armstrong Music Ministry Director



l Received the Living God: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZZlg9plzxjo

Bring Flowers of the Rarest: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IPISwWu7IKA

I Know that My Redeemer Liveth (Messiah- sung by 11year-old) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Q0qho_hKEg **St. Pius X Church is Proud to Announce** that thirteen young girls and boys are receiving the Eucharist for the very first time this weekend. Please keep them in your prayers that these children of God open their hearts to the love and goodness that Jesus has to offer them!



Louis Paul D'Angelis

Jacqueline Rose Fernino

Sawyer Hilmo

Edward John Klingele

McKayla Drew Kornett

Emilia Geraldine Lagala

Harper Everly Manna



Joseph Bruno Milone

MY FIRST

Communion

Declan Michael Murphy

Emma Rae Nicosia

Godie Therese Smith

Brandon Nicholas Vitti

Brody Ryan Weaver



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES DRIVE



For many years you may have seen our Knights of Columbus members at shopping locations, supermarkets, and on street corners 'shaking our donation cans' for the Intellectually

Disabled. Unfortunately, the current pandemic puts a bit of a crimp in those activities but does not dampen the need to support the less fortunate. This year we are doing it differently, and we invite you to participate in our drive on a 'no touch basis.' Our Knights council is conducting our drive with donations via our parishes, by mail and electronically. Money raised through your participation will go to projects like the Special Olympics, the Law Enforcement Torch run, and most importantly to our selected beneficiary, the Felician School for Exceptional Children, who we have supported for many years. This year's drive will end on May 10. Here is how you can help:

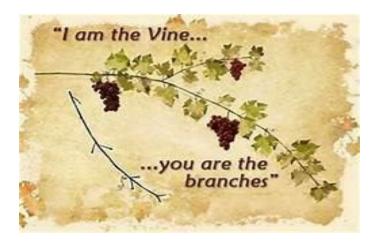
Send a check to our council at:

KOFC 9021 c/o Financial Secretary 200 Summit St. Norwood, NJ 07648

Or electronically donate at: Venmo - @Joe-McGuire-96 Zelle @646-327-2548

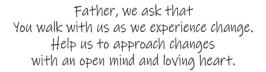
Designate 'Intellectual Disabilities Drive' on your donation.

Our Knights Council has directly served the Catholic Parishes in Old Tappan, Haworth, Norwood, River Vale, and Northvale since 1985 and has 140 members Information about the Knights of Columbus is available at WWW.KOFC.ORG. Membership in our council is encouraged for Catholic men over the age of 18. To inquire about membership, contact our membership director at KOFC9021@GMAIL.COM call 201-233-5993.



A PRAYER FOR SPRING 2021

God of Life, As the season of Spring melts away the bitterness of Winter, we turn to You with hope in our hearts. with Spring arrives the idea of change. Some changes we look forward to; others we approach with apprehension. Some changes we await eagerly, while other changes barge into our lives uninvited.



This year especially, as we enter year two of the pandemic, we ask that you awaken us to new life and give us a fresh perspective of the gifts you have laid before us. Renew our spirits and give us hope.

Lord, may the Spring rains wash over me and cleanse my soul, and may the warm sunlight remind me of Your constant presence in my life. Amen.

WE MEET THE WORLD WITH A HEART AT REST

The prayer of the heart is indeed the way to the purity of heart that gives us eyes to see the reality of our existence. This purity of heart allows us to see more clearly, not only our own needy, distorted, and anxious self but also the caring face of our compassionate God. When that vision remains clear and sharp, it will be possible to move into the midst of a tumultuous world with a heart at rest. It is this restful heart that will attract those who are groping to find their way through life. When we have found our rest in God we can do nothing other than minister. God's rest will be visible wherever we go and to whomever we meet. And before we speak any words, the Spirit of God, praying in us, will make his presence known and gather people into a new body, the body of Christ himself.

Daily Meditations, April 19

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: Acts 9:26-31

Paul the Apostle came to Jerusalem, where the other disciples were afraid of him. Then they learned that the Lord had spoken to Paul and he had preached openly in Damascus. When they learned that someone wanted to kill him, they protected him because they fully believed he had converted.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:18-24

John clearly states that we must love one another. All people who believe in Jesus Christ can show their faith only through their actions. If people believe in Jesus and love one another as he commanded us, they prove that they are true believers in Christ.

Gospel: John 15:1-8

Jesus compares himself to a vine, and compares his father to the vine-grower. He explains how God prunes the barren branches so that the rest might yield more fruit. He reminds them that apart from himself, his followers could not bear fruit.

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A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

Fifth Sunday of Easter ~ May 2, 2021

"Jesus said to his disciples, 'I am the true vine and my Father is the vinegrower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you... I am the vine, you are the branches."

It is springtime, and with God's help there is a reawakening of life in us all. Buds are sprouting on the trees, early flowers are beginning to appear, and John's gospel offers another 'I am' teaching.

Jesus spoke to the disciples and we are numbered among them. The grace of God, the new life He gives us is directed outward to bearing fruit. Our spiritual lives depend on that grace and it impels us to bring it to others. Allow the Lord to speak through you, as you invite someone to return to life in the church, to experience the growth that comes from God and the life that brings us peace, especially in this time of trial.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK Monday, May 3: 1 Cor 15:1–8; Jn 14:6–14 Tuesday, May 4: Acts 14:19–28; Jn 14:27–31a Wednesday, May 5: Acts 15:1–6; Jn 15:1–8 Thursday, May 5: Acts 15:7–21; Jn 15:1–8 Thursday, May 6: Acts 15:7–21; Jn 15:9–11 Friday, May 7: Acts 15:22–31; Jn 15:12–17 Saturday, May 8: Acts 16:1–10; Jn 15:18–21



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Gospel Today Fifth Sunday of Easter | John 15:1-8

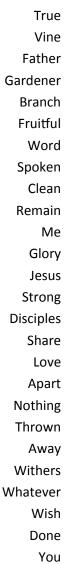
Jesus will help us grow into strong disciples and share His love.



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"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener." John 15:1



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