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**Sixth Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

February 12, 2023

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Monday - Thursday

9:30 am - 4:30 pm

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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 Days-----9:00 & 7:30 pm

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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 am Mass.

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
MASS INTENTIONS
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2023**

Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Feb. 11th – Vigil: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time James Russel Durie <i>req. by Jack & Jean Welby</i>
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	February 12th – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time People of the Parish <i>req. by</i>
10:00 a.m.	Carol Capabianca <i>req. by Erika</i>
12:00 p.m.	Lucille Quinn <i>req. by Lauren Piccinich</i>
Monday 9:00 a.m.	February 13th – Weekday Dean Capabianca, Jr. (<i>Special Intention-Living</i>) <i>req. by Erika</i>
Tuesday 9:00 a.m.	February 14th – Ss. Cyril & Methodius  Suzanne Cruz <i>req. by Nadine Lawrence & Maurice Lynch</i>
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.	February 15th – Weekday Lucille Witt <i>req. by Lucia Passante</i>
Thursday 9:00 a.m.	February 16th – Weekday Gerald Growney <i>req. by Roberta Manganaro</i>
Friday 9:00 a.m.	February 17th – The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order Toni Ann Capabianca (<i>Special Intention-Living</i>) <i>req. by Erika</i>
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Feb. 18th – Vigil: 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Brian Duffy <i>req. by Pat Boscia</i>
Sunday 8:00 a.m.	February 19th – 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Dominick DiNoto <i>req. by Virginia DiNoto</i>
10:00 a.m.	People of the Parish <i>req. by</i>
12:00 p.m.	Madeline & Louis Carini <i>req. by Louise & Jim Januzzi</i>

Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE
ILL & THEIR CARETAKERS**

Dyanne Alvine, Gary Bagnoli, Alice Bauer, Maria Burke, Matthew Cea, Claire Collins, Laurie Deluca, Maura Duffy, Timothy Goldsmith, Kelly Hayes, Nazar Lesiv, Paulette Ley, Teresa & Michael Lotierzo, Michele McKeown, Donna Morris, Anne Newkirk, Danielle Newkirk, Albina Perez, Elissa Perrone, Jean Richardson, Marius Richardson, Joanna Smith, Eva Sweeney, Mia Tangredi, and Baby Berkley Williams.

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

FIND THE SOURCE OF YOUR LONELINESS

Whenever you feel lonely, you must try to find the source of this feeling. You are inclined either to run away from your loneliness or to dwell in it. When you run away from it, your loneliness does not really diminish; you simply force it out of your mind temporarily. When you start dwelling in it, your feelings only become stronger, and you slip into depression.

The spiritual task is not to escape your loneliness, not to let yourself drown in it, but to find its source. This is not so easy to do, but when you can somehow identify the place from which these feelings emerge, they will lose some of their power over you. This identification is not an intellectual task; it is a task of the heart. With your heart you must search for that place without fear.

This is an important search because it leads you to discern something good about yourself. The pain of your loneliness may be rooted in your deepest vocation. You might find that your loneliness is linked to your call to live completely for God. Thus your loneliness may be revealed to you as the other side of your unique gift. Once you can experience in your innermost being the truth of this, you may find your loneliness not only tolerable but even fruitful. What seemed primarily painful may then become a feeling that, though painful, opens for you the way to an even deeper knowledge of God's love. *Henri Nouwen, Daily Reflections, February 7, 2023*



WEEKLY MASS OFFERING

February 11 - 17, 2023

**The Sanctuary Candle, In Memory of
Alice Philomena Harrington**

Requested by Christine & Seamus Clarke & Family

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**The Bread & Wine, In Memory of
Rosita DiTrollo**

Requested by Beth & Vinny Ferrara

OUR COLLECTION

Last weekend's collection figures were not available at the time of publication. They will be included in next weekend's bulletin.

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER KEVIN

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

As I write this weekly letter, the family chapel is filled with parishioners adoring our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. This may be the first time that we've had Eucharistic Adoration in the chapel. It was a beautiful sight to see so many praying, and I'm sure some were praying for our beloved community.

The world itself is in need of prayer. I think of places like Ukraine, Turkey, and Syria, where stability has given way to instability; peace has given way to war; countless hearts, homes, and lives have been shattered. The tragic scenes making headlines remind me of what happened in the Book of Genesis – only in reverse.

Each day this week, our first reading for daily Mass has come from the Book of Genesis. The author describes how God created the cosmos. "In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, and the earth was without form or shape, with darkness over the abyss... God said, 'Let there be light, and there was light...'"

Genesis teaches us an important lesson about God and our world: only God orders the chaos; only God turns darkness into light; only God makes crooked ways straight; only God turns death into life. It must feel in faraway places like Ukraine that the world is sliding back into the formless waste it once was in the Book of Genesis. Even in our own hearts, there may be times when we feel a sense of being lost or broken within. But scripture reminds us that God can bring order and peace once again. Perhaps we can say the famous prayer of St. Francis for all who are in need of the Holy Spirit, the giver of all good gifts:

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.
Amen.

In Christ,

Fr. Kevin Kilgore

BUILDING COMMUNITY

A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTORAL COUNCIL

"The Parish Pastoral Council members are excited to share with you the formation of a volunteer Parish Events Committee. Given the desires and interests of parishioners and friends of the parish over the past couple of years, we have experienced an Events schedule that has grown in scope and number. We need to organize!

As we continue to embrace our pillars to Build Community, Worship God and Create Disciples, the timing is right to create the Events Committee. It will develop, coordinate, and execute the calendar of events for St. Pius X Church such as the Annual Golf Outing, SPX participation in Old Tappan and River Vale Town Days, Galas and Dinners, Designer Bag Bingo, Quiz Night as well as Ministry generated events and excursions.

We are also looking for a parish volunteer with experience, time and talent to fill the role of **Events Committee – Lead**. The Volunteer Position Description is being crafted and will be available shortly. The responsibilities of the Lead role will include creation of strategy and provision of direction for the Committee, as well as collaboration with the Parish Pastoral Council, Finance Council and Parish Office. If you have experience planning events, are organized, work effectively with people and want to become more active in St. Pius X Church this position may be for you.

If you do have an interest in being part of the Events Committee, or have the gifts of talent and time to lead the Committee, please contact Scott Litchfield, Pastoral Council Vice-Chair, directly at 201.913.6275 scottlitchfield@verizon.net. We are all quite excited about the prospects of this "Committee in Creation" and we hope many of you are, too. Come and See!

ST PIUS X BOOK GROUP

The St. Pius X Book Group will meet on **Monday, February 13th from 7:00-8:30 p.m.** in the Library of the Faith Formation Wing. We will be discussing "**The Red Tent**," by Anita Diamant.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

2023 Lenten Fish Fry Fundraiser! With Takeout/Drive-up Option!

Our Knights of Columbus council announces the resumption of our annual 'Legendary' **Lenten Fish Fry** will be held on **February 24** at the Sacred Heart Parish Cafeteria at 102 Park Street in Haworth from 6-8 PM. Enjoy fresh battered cod, fries, homemade macs and cheese, Cole slaw, desserts, beer, wine, soft drinks, coffee and tea. For inside seating the prices are \$20 for adults, \$7 for kids 6-12 years, and kids under 6 free. There is a \$50 maximum for families with children under age 13. For **takeout/driveup** \$18 for a substantial dinner plate.

Reservations and pre-payment are required for this popular event and can be made by mailing a check made out to 'KOFC 9021' or by paying electronically:

KOFC 9021 or Venmo: @Joe-McGuire-96
211 Summit Street Zelle: @6463272548
Norwood, NJ 07648
Attn: Joseph McGuire, FS

Pickup a flyer with a reservation form as you leave church. Reservations are due by **February 19**. For more info about the event or to make reservations contact the event coordinators at JOEMCG96@GMAIL.COM or call 201-820-5972.

Knights of Columbus, Immaculate Conception Council 9021, is a men's Catholic Fraternal organization with 145 members who have served our parishes through Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism for over 37 years. Catholic Men over age 18 are **encouraged** to join our Council and can inquire via our membership director at 201-233-5993 or by emailing KOFC9021@GMAIL.COM. More information about the Knights can always be found at: KOFC.ORG

WORSHIPPING GOD



Are you interested in diving deeper into the bible?
Do you want to know how to better apply Christ's teachings to your life?

Join us for a weekly bible study! We will learn and discuss the weekly readings for the following Sunday. Bringing a bible is encouraged, but all readings can be found online: www.usccb.org There will also be extra bibles available in the chapel.

When: Tuesday evenings, 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the St. Pius X Family Chapel.

Want more information? Feel free to contact Mary Anne Olivo at: maryanneolivo@gmail.com You could sign-up on our parish app under "Events."

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

St. Pius X Parishioners and guests are very fortunate to have the opportunity to experience the warm and welcoming presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament during our **Holy Hour every first Tuesday of each month after the 9:00 a.m. Mass and from 5:00-7:00 p.m.** All are invited to join us on **Tuesday, March 7, 2023.**

In a world where there is so much noise, so much bewilderment, there is need for silent Adoration of Jesus concealed in the Host. Be assiduous in the prayer of Adoration and teach it to the faithful. It is a source of comfort and light, particularly to those who are suffering.

~ Pope Benedict XVI

THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Sirach 15:15-20

This passage from Sirach gives strong, unequivocal emphasis to free will in every person. Before each of us is set, sin or virtue, life or death, and each of us are free to choose the one or the other.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

Paul explains to the Corinthians that there are two different kinds of wisdom — the wisdom of God and the wisdom of the world. The wisdom of God is mysterious, but this wisdom has been revealed "to those who love him" through the Spirit.

Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus tells the people he has come to fulfill the law. He speaks strongly against murder and anger, against adultery and lust, and against false oaths and lies. He warns the people that unless their virtue exceeds that of the Pharisees, they "will not enter the kingdom of God."

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

"If you choose you can keep the commandments, they will save you; trust in God, you too shall live... Before man are life and death, good and evil, whichever he chooses shall be given him... The eyes of God are on those who fear him; he understands man's every need."

Our lives are marked daily by constant choices. We decide what to eat, what to wear, what to do. The choices we make address the now, but Sirach reminds us they influence the gift of salvation the Lord offers to us, yes each day.

A director of a retreat provided the following insight, speaking of our decisions. He offered several 'decisions' which affect our life with the Lord. We make the following decisions or choices to trust in God more deeply and live with Him. These decisions are: to pray, to forgive, to know God's will and to love.

May we check our decisions, one each day, to assure we are alive in the Lord. Our 'fear' of the Lord is our respect and love for Him.

MAKING DISCIPLES

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

PARENT REGISTRATION MEETING

As part of building the St. Pius X Parish Community, using the three Pillars of “Building Community,” “Worshipping God,” and “Making Disciples,” we will be making some exciting adjustments to our 2023-2024 Faith Formation programs. We would like to share our “Vision” with you by inviting you to attend a **Parent Registration Meeting on Monday, February 13 at 7:00 p.m.** “COME AND SEE!”

FORMED: The Catholic Faith On Demand!

“What is **FORMED**?” **FORMED** is an online database of over 8,000 Catholic videos (and counting). It provides the best Catholic content from over 60 different organizations to allow families, children, and parishioners to dive deeper into their faith from anywhere. While it will take time to make this program part of our parish culture, we are excited to announce that it has “officially” begun.

Included in the FORMED database are bible studies, lecture series’, explanations of the Sunday readings, videos for adults and children – including engaging content about Jesus, the Sacraments, the Saints – as well as the very popular show, “The Chosen”!

We are working as a staff to integrate some of this content into our faith formation program, as well. Parents can also access this content at home. The best part about FORMED is that every parishioner has access to the database.

If you’d like to dive in, just go to: www.formed.org. Then, click, “Sign up as a parishioner.” Put in your email address, select our parish, and enter our parish zip code, 07675. Then you’re set! You can also sign up for FORMED emails to receive a weekly update on content and download the free app.

POCKETBOOK BINGO!

We hope you will join us at our **Pocketbook Bingo Event on March 3, 2023!** In addition to attending, there are other ways to get involved! We are forming a Pocketbook Bingo committee and are looking for volunteers to help plan this event. Please contact Lisa Guzzo at 845-642-6176 or Liz Manning at 845-536-1986 if you are interested.



We are also putting together an enticing **Tricky Tray to raffle off with “themed” gift baskets, gift cards or gift certificates.** If you are interested in donating a gift basket or gift item, please drop them at the Parish office **before February 28th.** Please note that the gift must be valued at \$50 or more.

Cash donations are also appreciated and would be put towards creating gift baskets for the tricky tray. Please use the QR code below to donate directly on our Parish App or checks are of course welcome and can be dropped off or mailed to our Parish Office.





SPX POCKETBOOK BINGO. BE THERE!

Join us for a fun-filled evening at the Saint Pius X Annual Pocketbook Bingo event! Enjoy many chances to win authentic designer handbags from Coach, Michael Kors, Kate Spade, Tory Burch and more — while benefitting the many ministries provided by Saint Pius X Church. Plus, try your luck at our Tricky Tray, 50/50 Raffle and our Table Captain Raffles!

Registration/Payment is due Feb. 27, 2023. Pay via our Parish App, QR CODE, by check (or by calling the office at 201.664.0913).



WHEN: Friday, March 3, 2023/Snow Date: March 10

WHERE: Dominican College @ Rosary Hall,
Lawrence Room, 470 Western Highway
Orangeburg, NY

TIME: Doors open at 6PM/Games begin at 7PM

PRICE: \$45 (Includes Bingo Card, Markers and Door Prize Ticket)



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