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Third Sunday of Lent

March 12, 2023

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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.

Faith Formation & Family Ministry: 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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT MASS INTENTIONS SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2023

Saturday March 11th – Vigil: Third Sunday of Lent

4:30 p.m. James Conneely

req. by Cathy Mullen

Sunday March 12th – Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Antoniette Calabro

req. by the Carbone Family

10:00 a.m. Joseph & Mary Barragato

req. by Marie & Charles Barragato

12:00 p.m. John DiNoto

req. by Virginia DiNoto

Monday March 13th – Lenten Weekday

9:00 a.m. Marie Camardella

req. by the Rosemarie Loffredo

Tuesday March 14th – Lenten Weekday

9:00 a.m. Mark Brackenbury

req. by Joe & Ann Marie McCarthy

Wednesday March 15th – Lenten Weekday

9:00 a.m. Robert Masi, Jr.

req. by Julia & Julie Fortunato & Michael Khret

Thursday March 16th – Lenten Weekday

9:00 a.m. Arlene Forma

req. by Kira & Rob Adamo

Friday March 17th – St. Patrick's Day

9:00 a.m. Andrew & Josephine Adegoke

req. by Tolu Oluwole

Saturday March 18th – Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Lent

4:30 p.m. James Scotti

req. by Alphonse Scotti

Sunday March 19th – Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Giovannina Peroita

reg. by Virginia DiNoto

10:00 a.m. People of the Parish

req. by

12:00 p.m. Chiarina Loffredo

req. by Rosemarie Loffredo

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.

GRATITUDE

Gratitude, though, is more than a mental exercise, more than a formula of words. We cannot be satisfied to make a mental note of things which God had done for us and then perfunctorily thank Him for favors received.

To be grateful is to recognize the Love of God in everything He has given us – and He has given us everything. Every breath we draw is a gift of His love, every moment of existence is a grace, for it brings with it immense graces from Him. Gratitude therefore takes nothing for granted, is never unresponsive, is constantly awakening to new wonder and to praise of the goodness of God. For the grateful many knows that God is good, not by hearsay but by experience. And that is what makes all the difference.





WEEKLY MASS OFFERING

March 11 - 17, 2023

The Sanctuary Candle, In Memory of Richard Garrity

Requested by the Garrity & Grifonetti Families

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The Bread & Wine, In Memory of Philip Vincenti

Requested by Pete & Nikki Newkirk

OUR COLLECTION - MARCH 5, 2023

Envelope Collection: \$ 4,339.00 We Share Collection: \$ 3,959.00 Parishsoft Giving: \$ 2,960.00 Assessment: \$ 305.00 Heritage: \$ 20.00 Snow Removal: \$ 120.00 Utilities: \$ 323.00 Soup Kitchen: \$ 342.00 \$12,368.00 Total:

Thank you for your generosity and support!!!

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER KEVIN

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

By the time you begin reading this, the church painting should be complete! I hope everyone is satisfied. Our painters worked diligently to make sure the job was done correctly and on time. Please say a prayer of thanksgiving for Diane Alzapiedi, who was the project manager for the church painting. She is an active parishioner and a member of our Buildings and Grounds Committee, which is chaired by Bob Zaccone. Also, on Diane's team were: Bob Zaccone, Rosemarie Loffredo, Pastoral Council Chair, and Carol Conklin-Spillane.

We are also completing our livestream / audio / lighting project. Sara Armstrong, our Director of Music, has led this effort. With our new livestreaming service, we are now streaming daily Mass, as well as our 10 am and 12 pm Sunday Masses. We also spruced up our speakers in the church, fixed the speakers in the narthex and family chapel, and have installed LED lighting, which should highlight our new paint colors.

I want to thank every parishioner who has helped make this possible by contributing their time, treasure, and I or talent. Together, our momentum continues!

I also want to thank Lisa Guzzo and Liz Manning who chaired our '23 Pocketbook Bingo, another success! There were nearly 200 participants, 70 gift baskets, and 13 pocketbooks for our Bingo winners! This was certainly a team effort. Thank you to all who contributed to this "Building Community" evening of fun. In addition, we raised \$13,000!

Looking ahead, please mark your calendars for a number of events:

As I mentioned at Mass last weekend, I am taking our parish staff and nearly 20 ministry leaders to Fatima, Portugal, from April 23-29. This will be a week-long retreat, ending with our celebration of Mass in Fatima and our reception of the traveling statue of Our Lady. We will bring her here to St. Pius X on Friday, April 29.

On Saturday, April 30, we will have a Mass in honor of the Blessed Mother at 9 am, followed by the recitation of the rosary every 90 minutes until the 4:30 pm Mass. Please join us!

On March 13 @ 7 pm, Ricardo Casimiro will offer a talk on the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima, in particular Mary's words, "I am from heaven." Please sign up on the app!

On March 20 @ 7 pm, we will have our third and final "Art Talk with Roger Davidoff," who will be focusing on the Passion of Christ. Please sign-up on the app.

On March 28 @ 6:30 pm, Cardinal Tobin will celebrate a weekday Mass. Please join! If you are staying for the reception, then please sign-up on the app.

On April 4th @ 7 pm, Monsignor Sheeran, President Emeritus of Seton Hall, will be giving a lecture, "Were You There? A Meditation on the Passion of Our Lord." Please sign up on the app.

In Christ,

Fr. Kevin

BUILDING COMMUNITY

ST. PATRICK'S DAY SENIOR LUNCHEON

The Beyond Soup Kitchen Ministry is inviting our Seniors to a St. Patrick's Luncheon, (with a cameo appearance by St. Joseph).



WHEN: Wednesday, March 15 at 12:00 noon in the Narthex. Please register on the Parish App!

ARTALKS



The final of our three **Artalks** presentation is on **Monday, March 20, 2023, at 7:30 p.m.** in the Family Chapel.

This presentation will be themed around The Passion of Christ with

selected masterpieces by Leonardo, Giotto, Tintoretto, Mantegna, Raphael, Michelangelo, Verrocchio and Durer.

Roger Davidoff will present each work and discuss why each captures our imagination and appreciation. Please register on the parish app if you are interested.

YOGA MINISTRY

Our New Yoga Ministry, led by Eileen Carey, is a hit! Yoga classes are on Mondays, March 13, 20 & 27 at 1:30 p.m. It is a "mixed levels" class, allowing room for anyone from beginner to expert. Please bring your Yoga mat. Sign up on the Parish App if you are interested in attending. All are welcome!



BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Jesus says in the Beatitudes, "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."

Everyone will experience grief at some point in their life and it can be overwhelming. If you are grieving the loss of a spouse, parent/s, child/children, siblings, or friends, you are not alone in your grief. We at St. Pius X now have our third series of meetings starting shortly.

Eight Wednesday evenings from 7-8 p.m. in the Family Chapel as follows:

04/12/23 (1) Welcome & Introductions

04/19/23 (2) Feelings 04/26/23 (3) Anger

05/03/23 (4) Family Systems, who plays which role?

05/10/23 (5) Grief (6 stages) 05/17/23 (6) Guilt & Regrets

05/24/23 (7) Hopefulness / Candle Service

05/31/23 (8) Loneliness / Caretaking / Recovery

Eight weeks, a short time to hopefully feel a lot better. Grieving can be difficult and is meant to be a shared experience. Contact Lorraine Delling, at lldelling@gmail.com or 201-722-0982 or just come and register at the first meeting.

ST PIUS X BOOK GROUP

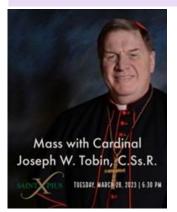
The St. Pius X Book Group has **rescheduled** its meeting to **Monday, March 27th from 7:00-8:30 p.m.** in the Library of the Faith Formation Wing. We will be discussing **"The Power & the Glory,"** by Graham Greene. This novel has come to be regarded by critics and by the author himself as Green's masterpiece. Considered a classic of fiction from the years between the two World Wars.

FIRST COMMUNION OUTFITS NEEDED

The First Communion Day of our child is a very special occasion—a day to be celebrated and always remembered! Please help to make another child's First Communion Day one that will be cherished by donating any Communion dresses, suits, shirts, ties, head pieces or shoes. Please bring all articles, clean, on hangers, and covered in plastic, to St. John the Baptist Church, Hillsdale on **Saturday, March 25th from 10AM – 2PM**, or call Kathy at 201-666-4185. Monetary donations will also be accepted. This collection will be held on ONE DAY ONLY. If you or anyone that you know may need an outfit, please contact Kathy. Thank you!

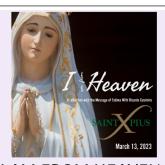
WORSHIPPING GOD

MASS WITH CARDINAL JOSEPH W. TOBIN, C.Ss.R.



His Eminence Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin will celebrate a Lenten Evening Mass on Tuesday, March 28, at 6:30 p.m. with the parishioners of St. Pius X and the young adults who will represent the Archdiocese of Newark

at World Youth Day in Portugal. A light reception will follow the Mass.



I AM FROM HEAVEN

The Message of Fatima is the best-known event of the 20th century, with such intense repercussions that it still marks the history of humanity today. On Monday, March 13th, at 7:00 p.m., Ricardo Casimiro, will present to us this Lady from Heaven who, in the apparitions of Cova da Iria, points to God's mercy on this wounded humanity and in search of a safe haven for their nights.

Ricardo Casimiro is the Campus Minister at Montclair State University. He is an enthusiastic and engaging speaker who lectures regularly about the message of Fatima. He has produced many television productions, which explores the biblical foundation of Catholic faith and Theology. Ricardo has over twenty years of extensive leadership, ministry, and teaching experience in the areas of catechetics and pastoral theology. Sign up on our Parish App.

ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK 2023 LENTEN REGULATIONS

. The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal quantity.

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

- 2. The obligation to observe the law of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.
- 3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.
- The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the First Sunday of Lent, February 26th to the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, June 4, 2023.

*Canon 920, §1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.

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, April 4, 2023.

MAKING DISCIPLES

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Confirmation Candidates

This **Sunday, March 12, during our 10:00 a.m. Mass** our Confirmation Candidates will officially be accepted to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Spring.

There is a Confirmation Preparation class on Sunday, March 19, from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. All candidates are required to attend.

First Eucharist Presentation

On Sunday, March 19, during the 10:00 a.m. Mass, our First Eucharist Candidates will be presented to parish. Pease keep these children in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of First Eucharist in May.

Lenten Reconciliation

On **Tuesday, March 14th, from 3:15-4:10 p.m.**, as part of our curriculum, all Faith Formation students from Grades 3-9 are required to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation during this Lenten Season. There will be a sign in sheet in the narthex; please remind your children to sign in.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Maria Charowsky or Christine Arthur at 201-664-0927.

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.

If you would like to join, go to: <u>www.formed.org</u> 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.

FUEL: YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

FUEL Young Adult Ministry had an overwhelming turnout and many new faces at our January Monthly Meeting - "Faith and our Mental Health" held at Saint Joseph Church in Oradell to kick off the new year! We would like to thank our guest speaker Sister Mary Foley, SSND, and Sister Josefina Morales, SSND for joining us. At this meeting, we were able to collect many canned soups, which have been donated to those in need.

Are you a young adult age 21-35 and would like to join us? Our monthly meetings are every last Friday of the month at 7:30pm!

Email us at <u>fuel@sjcnj.org</u> if you would like to be added to our mailing list, and follow us on Facebook/Instagram @fuelyoungadultministry!

UPCOMING EVENTS

RECURRING SPX MINISTRIES & SPX EVENTS. COME & SEE!

SOUP KITCHEN: Every Monday, 7:00-9:00 a.m. **YOGA:** Every Monday 2/2 – 3/27, 1:30 p.m.

EUCHARIST ADORATION: First Tuesday of every month, 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. & 5:00-7:00 p.m.

BIBLE STUDY: Every Tuesday, 7:00-8:00 p.m. **PLAYTIME:** Every Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.

BAKING CAFÉ: Every Saturday, 12:00-4:00 p.m. **BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY:** Every Wednesday 7-8 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE!!



The statue of Our Lady of Fatima is coming to St. Pius X Church!!

Opening Mass will be held on

Saturday, April 29, 2023 at 9 AM

followed by the recitation of the rosary every 90 minutes until the 4:30 PM Vigil Mass. Sign up on APP to lead the rosary.

ARTALKS BY ROGER DAVIDOFF

The final of our three Artalks with Roger Davidoff will



be themed around The Passion of Christ with selected masterpieces by Leonardo, Giotto, Tintoretto, Mantegna, Raphael, Michelangelo, Verrocchio and Dürer.

DATE: Monday, March 20, 2023

TIME: 7:30 PM

LOCATION: St. Pius X Family Chapel Reservations are required. Please sign up on our Parish App.

SENIORS ST. PATRICK LUNCHEON



DATE: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 TIME: 12:00 p.m. Noon LOCATION: St. Pius X Narthex

MONSIGNOR ROBERT SHEERAN TALK

"Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

A holy week reflection of the Passion of Christ in the Four Gospels.

DATE: Tuesday, April 4, 2023 **TIME:** 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: St. Pius X Church

GUITAR CLUB

DATE: Monday, March 27, 2023

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: St. Pius X Family Chapel



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