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Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 19, 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

#### Family Life & Faith Formation

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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.

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT MASS INTENTIONS

**SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2023** 

Saturday March 18<sup>th</sup> – Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Lent

4:30 p.m. James Scotti

req. by Alphonse Scotti

Sunday March 19<sup>th</sup> – Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Giovannina Peroita

req. by Virginia DiNoto

10:00 a.m. People of the Parish

req. by

12:00 p.m. Chiarina Loffredo

req. by Rosemarie Loffredo

Monday March  $20^{th}$  – St. Joseph

**9:00 a.m.** Brian Duffy

req. by Jill & John TenBroeck

Tuesday March 21<sup>st</sup> – Lenten Weekday

**9:00 a.m.** Antonio Messina

req. by Maria Messina

Wednesday March 22<sup>nd</sup> – Lenten Weekday

**9:00 a.m.** Mark Brackenbury

req. by Rosemary Cenicola & Family

Thursday March 23<sup>rd</sup> – St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

**9:00 a.m.** Brian Duffy

req. by Amelia Brackenbury

Friday March 24<sup>th</sup> – Lenten Weekday

**9:00 a.m.** Jennifer Flaig

req. by Marilou & Jim Allgor

Saturday March 25<sup>th</sup> – Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Lent

**4:30 p.m.** Patricia Vzzalino

req. by Ron & Jeanine Binaghi

Sunday March 26<sup>th</sup> – Fifth Sunday of Lent

**8:00 a.m.** Craig Sheppard

reg. by Kathy Sheppard

**10:00 a.m.** Maria Teresa DiMarco ~ 5 Year Anniversary

req. by Maria & Joe Squillace

**12:00 p.m.** People of the Parish

req. by

#### 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.

#### SAINT JOSEPH

The mention of St. Joseph conjures up thoughts of a holy man, the spouse of Mary, earthly father of Jesus and a hard-working carpenter. Although he's one of the most-recognized saints, little is known about him.

In the Bible, he is referred to as a "just man," which was considered a high compliment in his time. It also meant that he was willing and open to do whatever God asked of him, including taking Mary as his wife, despite her unusual — and blessed pregnancy (Matthew 1:19). He also loved and cared for Jesus. St. Joseph protected his family, heeding the Lord's direction, which came in a series of dreams and messages from angels.

He has two feast days: March 19 is the traditional feast day of **St. Joseph, husband of Mary** that has been on the liturgical calendar for many years — dating to about the 10th century. May 1, the **feast of St. Joseph the Worker**, was established in 1955 by Pope Pius XII.

Many people pray to St. Joseph for intercession, including praying novenas, a nine-day series of prayers or devotions. It is believed that St. Joseph died before Jesus began his public ministry. St, Joseph is known as the patron saint of the Universal Church, a happy death, families, fathers, expectant mothers, explorers, pilgrims, travelers, immigrants, home sellers and buyers, craftsmen, engineers and working people. Also, many cities and countries are dedicated to him.





#### **WEEKLY MASS OFFERING**

March 18 - 24, 2023

The Sanctuary Candle, In Memory of Michael LaViola

Requested by Fr. Pat Mulewski

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The Bread & Wine, In Memory of Eamon P. Connor

Requested by Stephen George

#### OUR COLLECTION - MARCH 12, 2023

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#### A MESSAGE FROM FATHER KEVIN

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

Wishing everyone a blessed, joyful Saint Patrick's Day (weekend). At first thought, we may associate this holiday with parades, dancing, soda bread, even rivers dyed green. But behind this feast is the story of a man whose faith and courage transformed a nation.

When he was only a boy, Patrick was kidnapped by Irish raiders and sold into slavery. He spent the next several years suffering terribly from hunger and the cold. Eventually, he escaped from his captors and made his way back home to Britain, where he entered the seminary, was ordained a priest, and spent the next 20 years in ministry.

One night, however, Patrick had a dream. A voice with an Irish accent pleaded with him, "We appeal to you, to come and walk among us."

Patrick felt strongly that this call came from the LORD, so he returned to Ireland a free man. He would spend the next — and final — 28 years of his life sharing the Gospel with the Irish. Today 90% of Ireland identifies as Catholic!

We rely upon the same Holy Spirit to help us share – and live – the Gospel with our family, co-workers, neighbors, and friends. It's my hope and strong belief that, together, we can create a tiny slice of "Ireland" here at St. Pius X, meaning we create a community that is in constant growth and that lives, and loves, our faith. May Saint Patrick pray for us!

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I'd like to extend a word of gratitude to Cilia Galasso, Lucia Passante, Carolyn Morro, Diane Peragine, Roberta Manganaro, Valeri Parker, Mary Lombino, Laura Green, Kathy Shields, Natalie Glaasso, Eleanor Bradley, Jim Flynn, and Vinny Glasso, who helped prepare our Saint Patrick's Day Senior Luncheon on Wednesday. My heart was so happy seeing so many of our parishioners and friends gathered together to celebrate the day.

I'd also like to thank Ricardo Casimiro for his fascinating, hopeful talk last Monday on Our Lady of Fatima, and her words, "I am from heaven." I was delighted to see such a great turn out. Please remember to drop off your prayer intentions in the prayer box in the narthex, which the staff and I will bring to Portugal in April.

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This week we also sent out letters of acceptance for our summer and fall faith formation programs. We are in need of catechists who are interested in teaching our faith to our young people in the fall. In addition to the traditional position, we are also starting two new ministry opportunities — "Own a Month" and "Pinch Hitter." Anyone who is interested in teaching, but only available for a "month" or an occasional lesson can also assist. Please contact Maria Charowsky, DRE, for more information at: <a href="mailto:mcharowsky@spxot.org">mcharowsky@spxot.org</a>.

Continued prayers for a blessed, fruitful Lent! In Christ,

Fr. Kevin Kilgore

### BUILDING COMMUNITY

#### **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.

#### 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:

04/19/23 (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 <a href="mailto:ldelling@gmail.com">ldelling@gmail.com</a> 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 27<sup>th</sup> 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.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TEXAS 'HOLD-EM' FUNDRAISER



Our Knights of Columbus Council is partnering with St. Anthony's in Northvale in sponsoring a Charity Fundraiser **'Texas** 

Hold-Em' tournament on April 22, 2023, at St. Anthony's in Northvale beginning at 6:30 PM. Proceeds benefit the charitable efforts of our council along with St. Anthony Parish, which include support for the Knights 'Faith in Action' initiative, Food for Families, Seminarian financial support, and many Culture of Life causes. The tournament will be conducted by the legendary 'Mike's Poker Tables' and will include food and beverages. Buy in for the tournament is \$100 with licensed dealers and a \$5000 prize pool based on 75 players. Payment is at the door.

Reservations are available directly at:

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scanning the QR code:

Our event chair is Andy Gullestad at **201-803-7457** or **andygullestad@gmail.com**. Flyers are available as you leave church.

Upcoming Knights events include our annual **Intellectual Disabilities Drive** on March 25, and our **Pasta Dinner Fundraiser** on May 12 at St. Anthony's in Northvale.

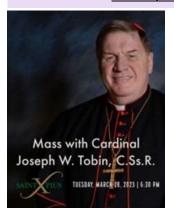
The Knights invite Catholic men over 18 to become members of the Knights. To join go to **KOFC.ORG/JOIN** or to request more information about membership, contact our membership director at <a href="MEMBERSHIP@KOFC9021.ORG">MEMBERSHIP@KOFC9021.ORG</a>, or at 201-233-5993. Information about the Knights of Columbus can always be found at <a href="https://www.kofc.org">WWW.KOFC.ORG</a>.

#### **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!

### 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.

#### 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.

"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time that you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in heaven, and will bring about an everlasting peace on earth."

~St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

## ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK 2023 LENTEN REGULATIONS

I. 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.

- 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 26<sup>th</sup> 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.

Stewardship, quite simply, is recognizing that everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God and being grateful with those gifts. God reveals His perfect love for us most visibly in His Son, Jesus Christ. A steward makes God's love visible by imitating Jesus.

### MAKING DISCIPLES

#### **FAITH FORMATION NEWS**

#### **Confirmation Candidates**

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.

#### 2023 - 2024 Registration

Have you registered your child/ren for our upcoming Faith Formation Program? If not, please so as soon as possible by using our Parish App under "EVENTS." We are trying to get an early start in setting up our programs.

Emails have been sent out to those families who have registered for the Summer, Hybrid and Fall programs.

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: 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.

#### **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.

#### **GUITAR CLUB**

**DATE:** Monday, March 27, 2023 **TIME:** 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: St. Pius X Family Chapel



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#### 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.

#### 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

Download the QR code below for our SPX Parish APP to register for ALL EVENTS!





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