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**Twenty-eighth Sunday in
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October 15, 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.

**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
MASS INTENTIONS
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2023**

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| Saturday 4:30 p.m. | October 14th – Vigil: 28th Ordinary Sunday Frank DiNoto <i>req. by Virginia DiNoto</i> |
| Sunday 8:00 a.m. | October 15th – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Natalie Schroeder <i>req. by the DelBaggio Family</i> |
| 10:00 a.m. | People of the Parish |
| 12:00 p.m. | Linda Smith <i>req. by Louise & Jim Januzzi</i> |
| Monday 9:00 a.m. | October 16th – St. Hedwig Palma Di Manno <i>req. by Maurice Lynch</i> |
| Tuesday 9:00 a.m. | October 17th – St. Ignatius of Antioch Kim Marie Robles <i>req. by Joan M. Robles</i> |
| Wednesday 9:00 a.m. | October 18th – St. Luke the Evangelist Adelaide Vaccari <i>req. by Jim & Louise Januzzi</i> |
| Thursday 9:00 a.m. | October 19th – Ss. John deBrébeuf & Issac Jogues and Companions Mark Brackenbury <i>req. by Doug & Laurie Low</i> |
| Friday 9:00 a.m. | October 20th – St. Paul of the Cross Hilarion Macahilig <i>req. by the Havriliak Family</i> |
| Saturday 4:30 p.m. | October 21st – Vigil: 29th Ordinary Sunday Ticknor Litchfield <i>req. by Marylu Coviello</i> |
| Sunday 8:00 a.m. | October 22nd – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Natalie Schroeder <i>req. by Lisa & Joe Guzzo</i> |
| 10:00 a.m. | Linda Anne Smith <i>req. by Lucia Passante</i> |
| 12:00 p.m. | People of the Parish |

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

Coletti Aloï, Gary Bagnoli, Alice Bauer, Maria Burke, Matthew Cea, Claire Collins, Luciano Damato, Louie Damato, Laurie Deluca, Liam Dimmino, Lois Gallagher, Timothy Goldsmith, Amy Hartwell, Kelly Hayes, Tamara Hee, 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, Stefan Wiklinski, and Berkley Williams.

Please pray for all our servicemen/women, including Christopher TenBroeck, Sean Keohane, ENS Sarah Ryan, Trooper Porcelli, Army Serviceman Benjamin Clemente, and Navy Serviceman Jonathan Clemente their families, and for the victims of terrorism and war.

DIVINE FORGIVENESS

I have often said, "I forgive you," but even as I said these words my heart remained angry or resentful. I still wanted to hear the story that I was right after all; I still wanted to hear apologies and excuses; I still wanted the satisfaction of receiving some praise in return—if only the praise for being so forgiving!

But God's forgiveness is unconditional; it comes from a heart that does not demand anything of itself, a heart that is completely empty of self-seeking. It is this divine forgiveness that I have to practice in my daily life. It calls me to keep stepping over all my arguments that say forgiveness is unwise, unhealthy, and impractical. It challenges me to step over all my needs for gratitude and compliments. Finally, it demands of me that I step over that wounded part of my heart that feels hurt and wronged and that wants to stay in control and put a few conditions between me and the one whom I am asked to forgive. . . . Only when I remember that I am the Beloved Child can I welcome those who want to return with the same compassion as that with which the Father welcomes me. ~Henri Nouwen, *Daily Meditations*, October 4, 2023



WEEKLY MASS OFFERING

October 14 – 20, 2023

**The Sanctuary Candle, In Memory of
Marge Brennan**

Requested by Ellen Buccola

**The Bread & Wine, In Memory of
Marge Brennan**

Requested by Ellen Buccola

OUR COLLECTION – OCTOBER 8, 2023

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| Envelope Collection: | \$ 5,565.00 |
| We Share Collection: | \$ 1,115.00 |
| Parishsoft Giving: | \$ 300.00 |
| Assessment: | \$ 125.00 |
| Heritage Collection: | \$ 355.00 |
| Candles: | \$ 192.00 |
| Soup Kitchen: | \$ <u>335.00</u> |
| Total: | \$ 7,987.00 |

Thank you for your generosity and support!!!

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER KEVIN

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

I'd like to follow up this week on our parish's upcoming *Annual Report*. I preached on this last weekend, using a few vignettes to highlight the many wonderful things happening in our parish. There are still a few copies available in the narthex from our 2022 edition. The 2023 report will be issued at our upcoming dinner at Florentine Gardens (celebrating 70 years as a parish!) on Wednesday, November 29th. I hope to see you there! You can sign up for the dinner on the app now.

There's an old saying, "There's a lid for every pot." I'd like to think there's also a parish – and a ministry – for every person. Part of the purpose of the Annual Report is to help parishioners see the many opportunities available to get involved. It's also an opportunity for us to thank everyone for their contributions of time, treasure, and talent over the last year.

I'd like to thank in advance Rosemarie Loffredo, Pastoral Council Chair, Rose Flynn, Pastoral Council Secretary, Mark and Kathy Fable, parishioners and owners of Quinn Fable Advertising, and the Passantes of Royal Printing, in advance for their leadership in getting this year's report designed and delivered.

Last weekend, we also had a parishioner, Valeri Parker, speak about her experience in the Welcome and Hospitality Ministry. She's also spearheading the New Parishioner's Luncheon after the 12 pm Mass this week. (All are welcome, please just sign up on the app). Valeri has helped to start an initiative that I strongly believe in – faith and ministry sharing. As we continue developing our parish culture, I'd like for faith sharing to become "normal," even expected on some Sundays. It's always encouraging to have parishioners speak about their involvement in the parish, as well as ways in which they see the Lord acting in their lives. It makes our faith seem all the more relevant and accessible. In the coming months, I hope that other ministry leaders will do the same.

This week, we also had a Catechist formation meeting, which was an opportunity for Maria Charowsky and I, along with members of our faith formation team, to receive feedback on our transitional program. We are still gathering data on what works, what can be improved, etc., as we move to a universal program in 2024. Thank you to all of our catechists for your time and investment in our program!

A special thanks to Jerry Palmieri, as well, who spoke to us on Wednesday evening about, "What is a Christian athlete?" His words were truly inspirational! Thanks to Sean Devir and Chris Bozzella for inviting him!

I hope you have a great week.

In Christ,

Fr. Kevin Kilgore

BUILDING COMMUNITY



Are you a new mom?

Want to connect with other moms?

Currently, we have SPX Playtime, an active community for parents and their children 2 and up, but we also want to build up the community of new moms. Join us for a **Welcome Brunch on Monday, October 23rd at 10:00 a.m.** as we begin our "Mommy and Me" ministry! All moms and children are welcome! Please sign up on our Parish App!

OLD TAPPAN EMERGENCY SERVICES SUPERHERO 5K

October 21st at 9:00 a.m.

Stone Point Park

Westwood Avenue, Old Tappan

- Great fun for runners, walkers and kids!
- Free Kid's Dash (first 100 kids to register get a free Superhero cape!)
- \$30 for runners (USATF Qualifying Race)
\$25 for walkers.
- Want to be an event sponsor? Contact oldtappan5k@gmail.com for more information.

Register or Donate at <https://runsignup.com/ot5k>
Hosted by the Old Tappan Emergency Services, Fire Company, First Aid Corps, PBA 206 (Old Tappan)



SAVE THE DATES, please!

Saturday and Sunday, November 04/05, 2023

The Old Tappan Food Pantry is the weekend of November 4th and 5th. They are requesting tuna fish (albacore, please), pasta sauce, pasta, oil, mayonnaise, flour and sugar. Check your food closet and bring your donation to Mass. Many thanks for your incredible generosity!

Saturday, November 11, 2023

Good Counsel's Fall Clean Up! Join other St. Pius X parishioners as we rake and blow the fallen leaves at the homeless shelter for expectant and new moms in Spring Valley, NY. Bring your garden tools and gloves and join this great volunteer opportunity. Sign up on the app. Thank you!

***Arranging rides is the most requested volunteer service. If you could spare a few minutes to 2 hours, we have an opportunity for you. Please call the parish office.

ST. PIUS X BOOK GROUP



Our next Book Group meeting will be on **Monday, November 6th, from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.** in the chapel. Our group chose the book, **"Lady Tan's Circle of Women."** The latest historical novel from New York Times bestselling author Lisa See, inspired by the true story of a woman physician from 15th century China – perfect for fans of See's classic *Snow Flower and the Secret Fan* and the *Island of Sea Women*. Please join us, new members who have read the book are welcome!

"You know you've read a good book when you turn the last page and feel a little as if you have lost a friend."

WORSHIPPING GOD



Our **Fellowship Choir** is back and we welcome three new members this season. Among them are some familiar faces: Jack Arthur, Alanna Arthur and Marianne Scordel. Catch us at the 4:30 p.m. Mass this Saturday.

Our **Day By Day Choir** also welcomes several new members and will be singing at this Sunday's 10:00 a.m. Mass. New Member are always welcome to join, if so email Sara at music@spxot.org or see her after Mass.

Sara Armstrong, Music Ministry Director.

SAINT PIUS X FAITH FORMATION

Our 2023-2024 Fall Faith Formation Program School Year classes stated on Sunday, October 1 and Tuesday, October 3.



Every first Sunday of the month all Faith Formation families are invited and encouraged to attend the 10:00 a.m. Mass. A different grade level will lead the Mass each month.

Faith Formation class sessions take place on the first Sunday and Tuesday of each month. Focus Experiences take place on the third Sunday and Tuesday of each month. For more information, please call the Faith Formation Office.

Upcoming Focus Experiences:

Sunday, October 15: Stained Glass Making,
Tuesday, October 17: Children's Bible Stories

If you have a child entering **Grade 1** and have not registered them in our program, please call the office at 201-664-0927, or if you have any questions about our program.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

JAM: Jesus and Me!

Children's Liturgy of the Word

St. Pius X is now offering a Children's Liturgy of the Word during our **10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass**.

Children will process to a separate classroom in the Discipleship Wing after the Opening Prayer and experience the Word of God at a level they can appreciate. There will be prayer, song, readings, discussions, and activities geared to their age level. Children will return to their families before the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

All children ages 3 and up are welcome to join in. This is an optional program, there are no sign-ups. If your child feels comfortable attending one week and not the next, that is fine.

Adult family members are welcome to volunteer to act as facilitators or assistants. Please contact Gayle Scirocco at 201-394-8278 for more information.

*Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me,
and do not hinder them,
for the kingdom of heaven
belongs to such as these."
Matthew 19: 14*

All Souls Day

Prayers for the faithful departed



All Souls Day 2023—if possible, please submit this information using our parish APP.

Have you lost a loved one during this past year? Or, do you need a moment of healing? Is there someone we can pray for?

Please join us for a peaceful evening Mass on **All Souls Day**.

When: Thursday, November 2 @ 7 pm.

Where: St. Pius X Church.

Light refreshments to follow.

Please note:

If you register for the Mass and provide your information, we will have a candle labeled with the name of your loved one. You will be able to bring this candle to the altar during Mass as a special acknowledgement of your loved one.

We also invite you to send a picture of your loved one to: office@spxot.org. We will have a running slideshow of your loved ones presented in the narthex after Mass.

"He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away" (Revelation 21:4).

Name of person completing this form: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Number of people attending the Mass on November 2 _____

Name of Deceased: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Date of Death: _____

Name of Deceased: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Date of Death: _____

If necessary, list additional names and information on the reverse side. Submit to office no later than 10/28/23

UPCOMING EVENTS

RECURRING SPX MINISTRIES & SPX EVENTS. COME & SEE!

SOUP KITCHEN: Every Monday, 7:00-9:00 a.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, 5:30 p.m.

PLAYTIME: Every Thursday at 9:30 a.m.

WOMEN'S CORNERSTONE ALUMNI: Every Third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

BAKING CAFÉ: Every Saturday, 12:00-4:00 p.m.



2023-2024 FAITH FORMATION

CLASSES HAVE STARTED

November 5 – Grade 7

Grade Level Liturgy: 10:00 a.m. Mass

If you have not registered for your children's Focus Experiences, please do so as soon as possible! This can be done on our parish app.

SPX PLAYTIME

Every Thursday

9:30 – 11:30 a.m.



LAUNCHING ST PIUS X'S 70TH YEAR

SAVE THE DATE!

DATE: Wednesday, November 29, 2023

DETAILS: Join us for a celebratory and fundraising dinner at the Estate at Florentine Gardens.

Sign-up and more details on our parish app, under "Events".

NEW PARISHIONER WELCOME

Are you new to our Parish???

If so, you are invited to attend!

When: Sunday, October 15, 2023

Where: St. Pius X Church

Time: 12:00 Noon Mass, Reception to follow

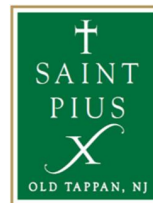
Registration: Sign up on our Parish App



Follow St. Pius X Church on our Social Media platforms to stay up to date with our many events, read Father Kevin's "God minute" and more!
Use QR codes below to download onto your mobile phone or tablet today!



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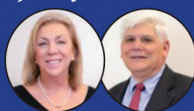
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