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November 26, 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.

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE
MASS INTENTIONS
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2023**

Saturday **November 25th – Vigil: Christ the King**
4:30 p.m. Leonard Miraglia
 req. by Miraglia Family

Sunday **November 26th – Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe**
8:00 a.m. Filomena Scotti
 Req. by Alphonse Scotti
10:00 a.m. Victorio Torres
 req. by Julie Torres
12:00 p.m. For the People of the Parish

Monday **November 27th – Weekday**
9:00 a.m. Joseph M Capria, Jr.
 req. by Annette & Dominick Venanzi

Tuesday **November 28th – Weekday**
9:00 a.m. Salvatore Buccola
 req. by Rosemary McKeown

Wednesday **November 29th – Weekday**
9:00 a.m. Anthony DeMarco
 req. by the DeMarco Family

Thursday **November 30th – St. Andrew**
9:00 a.m. Vincent Favaloro
 req. by the DeMarco Family

Friday **December 1st – Weekday**
9:00 a.m. Fred DePhillips
 req. by Rosemarie DePhillips

Saturday **December 2nd – 1st Sunday of Advent - Vigil**
4:30 p.m. For the People of the Parish

Sunday **December 3rd – 1st Sunday of Advent**
8:00 a.m. Betty & John Puleo
 Req. by Bruce E. Puleo
10:00 a.m. Felix & Felicia Scala
 req. by Marie & Charles Barragato
12:00 p.m. Agnes Kickham
 Paul & Kathy Shields

**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, Timothy Goldsmith, Amy Hartwell, Kelly Hayes, Tamara Hee, Nazar Lesiv, Paulette Ley, Teresa & Michael Lotierzo, Tom McDermott, 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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday
 Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46
Monday
 Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday
 Dn 2:31-45; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday
 Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday
 Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22
First Friday
 Dn 7:2-14; Lk 21:29-33
First Saturday
 Dn 7:15-27; Lk 21:34-36

**WEEKLY MASS OFFERING
November 25 – December 1, 2023**

**The Sanctuary Candle, for
The People of the Parish**

**The Bread and Wine, for
The People of the Parish**

OUR COLLECTION – NOVEMBER 19, 2023

No information, early holiday bulletin

Thank you for your generosity and support!!!

Readings for Sunday

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

This passage beautifully describes how the Lord God, as shepherd, will tend his flock. He will rescue those who are lost, bring back those who stray, heal the sick, and “pasture” all.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

Paul once again stresses the significance of Christ’s resurrection in the total divine plan, emphasizing that Christ’s rising means that those who believe in him will also rise after death. Christianity, he argues, is meaningless if it concerns only this life on earth. In the end, even death will be destroyed, and “God will be all in all.”

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

With words both poetic and vivid, Jesus tells the disciples that since he is present in all people, whatever they do to “one of my least brothers” they do to him; and whatever they fail to do to his “least,” they fail to do to him.

A MESSAGE FROM FATHER KEVIN

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

On my desk at home, I have a prayer card with the painting, *Repos en Egypte*, by Joseph Aubert. It depicts Joseph and Mary resting under a palm tree in the desert. Jesus, still an infant, is resting in Mary's arms. As we are reminded each Christmas Season, the Holy Family was forced to flee their home in Bethlehem because of the wrath of King Herod, who wanted to kill the Christ-child. When looking at this painting, I wonder, "What were Mary and Joseph thinking? How uncertain did they feel about their future?" Above all, "How much consolation did the baby Jesus provide them?"

It's a scene that not only reminds me of the Christmas season, but also of Thanksgiving, which we celebrated this week. Seeing this young family rest in the desert reminds me that, even in desolate places, God is with us. Because of our faith, there is always something – Someone – to celebrate.

Speaking of celebrations, November 15th marked my third anniversary as pastor of St. Pius XI! These three years and counting have been the best of my priesthood. They've been deeply rewarding because of the people I've met, served, and have come to love – you.

Together, we have not only rebuilt the church physically – including a new HVAC system, shingled roof, playground, and paint job – but more importantly, we've revitalized our community *spiritually*. Seeing how many people come to worship each Sunday, how many stay for conversation in the narthex after Mass, how many have stepped up and served one another in ministry and faith formation, how many believe in our mission – ***Building Community, Worshipping God, Making Disciples*** – is humbling and exciting. I'd like to thank my staff, members of the pastoral and finance councils, and all who teach in our faith formation program, in particular, who support, encourage, and dream with me day by day. I look forward to our many years ahead of, "journeying together."

Wishing you all a very happy and blessed Thanksgiving,

Fr. Kevin Kilgore

"I give thanks to my God always, remembering you in my prayers" (Philemon 1:4).



BUILDING COMMUNITY



SPX PLAYTIME

The SPX Playtime is calling all Pre-school aged children and their Moms, Dads, Aunties, Uncles, Grand-Mom's and Grand-Pop's are welcome to join us on Thursday mornings from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Please sign up on our parish app.



If anyone has a wooden block set or magnetic tile set that their children have outgrown and are no longer using it, please consider donating it to our SPX Playtime Group for the children of the parish to enjoy.



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. Please sign up on our Parish App as we begin our “Mommy and Me” ministry! All moms and children are welcome!!

Use the QR Code below to download our parish app for the most up to date information about happenings in the parish.

THIS
WEEKEND!

ST. PIUS CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE



Tags will be available after all masses beginning the weekend of November 25-26. We will be collecting UNWRAPPED listed clothing (with the original store tags still attached) and toiletries with the gift tag securely attached for the Bergen County Homeless Shelter, gift cards for “Center for Hope and Safety” (Formally “Shelter our Sisters” battered women's shelter) and Mother Teresa’s soup kitchen in Newark. Please take a tag from the tree and replace it with another for fellow parishioners to select. Gifts must be back no later than 12/17 at 12:00. As always, Thank you in advance for your consideration and generosity. Any questions please call Patrice Rosato (201) 736-2380.

ST. PIUS 50 / 50 POWER RAFFLE

50 / 50 Tickets are available at the Parish Office and after all the weekend Masses.

The drawing will be held on Wednesday, November 29th at the Estate at Florentine Gardens at our 70th Anniversary Kick-off dinner.

Each ticket is \$50, and the entire net proceeds are donated to St. Pius Church.

1st Prize 25% of the Gross Revenue

2nd Prize 15% of the Gross Revenue

3rd Prize 10% of the Gross Revenue

WORSHIPPING GOD

Parish Feedback Survey

We are interested in increasing our experience of worship together at Sunday Mass.

We need to hear from you. Please take our anonymous survey now! This will help to build a common vision for how we celebrate together on Sundays. The survey is available on our Parish APP , on our Website: www.spxot.org or by using the QR Code:



MAKING DISCIPLES

SAINT PIUS X FAITH FORMATION

Up next...

Sunday, December 3 – Grade Level Mass – 6th Grade

9:15 – 10 AM

Day by Day Singers Rehearsal Followed by Mass

11 AM – 12:30 PM

In Class Instruction – Grades 1 – 8

1 – 2PM

Christmas Pageant – Rehearsal – Grades 1 – 8

7 – 8:30 PM

Confirmation Preparation Session - Session #5 – The Bible

What is your Confirmation name and who is your sponsor, and why?

Tuesday, December 5 – In-Class Instruction – Grades 1 - 8

3:30 – 5PM

In-Class Instruction – Grades 1 – 8

Wednesday, December 6 – Focus Experience – Grades 1-8

5 – 6:30 PM

Christmas Pageant Rehearsal

Friday, December 8 - Focus Experience – Grades 1-8

5 – 6:30 PM

Christmas Pageant Dress Rehearsal

Sunday, December 10 - Christmas Pageant 5:00 pm – Grades 1-8 All are welcome!

Sunday, December 17 – Third Sunday of Advent – Focus Experiences

9:15 – 10 AM

Day by Day Singers Rehearsal Followed by Mass

11AM – 12:30 pm

Making a Nativity Scene (Gr.1-8) (Pre-registration required)

7-8:30 PM

Confirmation Preparation Session – Session #5 - Relationships

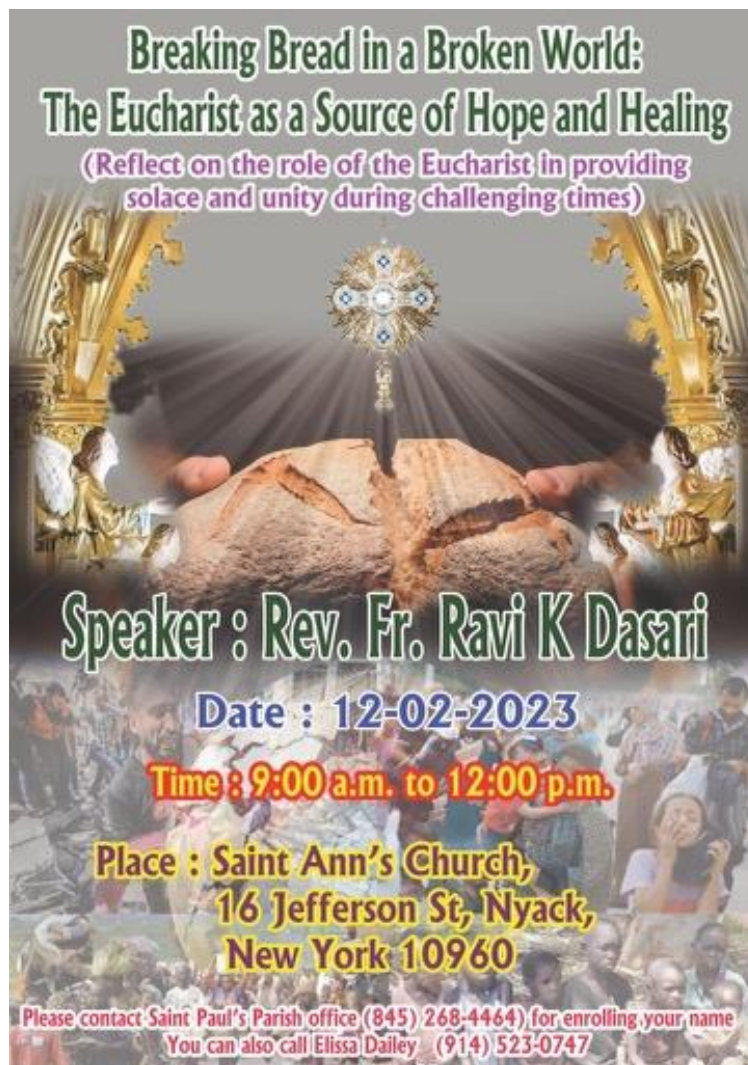


JOIN IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SEMINARY SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY for a daily Advent reflection series on "*The Hospitality of Advent*" as we prepare for the coming of our Lord at Christmas. Meditations are sent by email from December 3 through December 24.

Consider how Mary, Joseph, Elizabeth, and other great figures of the Gospels and Church tradition welcomed Jesus into their hearts.

How might Jesus be beckoning us this Advent to a greater understanding and appreciation of God's desire to come to us, dwell within us, and be welcomed into our homes and hearts? How might this year's Advent be a journey of an ever-deepening hospitality of the heart?

Please register at <https://www.shu.edu/theology/immaculate-conception-seminary-advent-series.cfm>.



A heartfelt thank you to many parishioners who have supported **Good Council**.....

Thanks to the 14 volunteers that participated in the 2nd annual Good Council Fall Clean Up on Saturday, November 11th. The grounds were cleaned up, the leaves were raked and filled 91 leaf bags! The front steps were decorated for Thanksgiving with pumpkins and mums, thanks to the generosity of **Stokes Farm**. It was a terrific day to be together and making a difference for the Good Council homeless shelter for pregnant moms and moms of newborns and toddlers.

A big shout out to **Dr. Mariliza Tong** for the second dental class that Mariliza has provided for the moms held at Good Council. They asked many great questions about proper dental care for themselves and their newborns. Additionally, the office of **Drs. Darren and Mariliza Tong**,

along with their smile team, provided free dental care for 6 of the moms and moms to be in their Bergenfield location. Outstanding!

Jill TenBroeck knitted 2 beautiful baby sweaters, hats and blankets. Two 1 month old newborns were the recipients of this love. The moms were overjoyed with this generous gift. Lastly, do you have a talent to help others you would like to share? Your profession, your passion, your purpose, we have opportunities for you within our Outreach Ministry.

Please let me know, sign up on the app, under Outreach.

Kathy Shields



UPCOMING EVENTS

RECURRING SPX MINISTRIES & SPX EVENTS. COME & SEE!

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

EUCCHARISTIC 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: Sign up on the App.

Adult Enrichment Series

December 5, 2023

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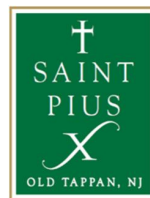
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Download the QR code below for our SPX Parish APP to register for ALL EVENTS!



POCKETBOOK BINGO

SAVE THE DATE
March 1, 2024



Donations of any new items especially designer pocketbooks would be appreciated.
Please drop off at the Parish Office.
More information to come!!!

CHRISTMAS COOKIE BAKING WITH HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

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