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## ***Second Sunday of Lent***

February 25, 2024

### ***Parish Office***

268 Old Tappan Road  
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### ***Monday - Thursday***

9:30 am - 4:30 pm

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### ***Schedule of Masses***

Saturday (*Anticipated Mass*)-----4:30 pm

Sunday-----8:00, 10:00 am & 12:00 noon

Weekdays-----9:00 am

Holy Days----9:00 am (see website for other times)

### **ANNOUNCED SPECIAL OFFERINGS**

Weekly offerings of Altar Bread and Wine, and Sanctuary Candles are available throughout 2024. This can be arranged either by calling the parish office and leaving a message 201-664-0913 or sending an e-mail to [adminasst@spxot.org](mailto:adminasst@spxot.org). The offering for each is \$20, and a memorial card can be prepared.

**Finance Committee Chairperson:** Christine Clarke

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**Sacrament of Baptism:** Parents should contact the Parish office to schedule their child's Baptism, 201-664-0913 or [office@spxot.org](mailto:office@spxot.org).

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Celebrated on Saturdays, 7:89 - 4:15 pm, or by appointment.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** For more information or to inquire about scheduling a wedding contact the parish office.

**Sacrament of the Sick:** Please notify us if a family member is ill at home or in the hospital.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Weekdays following the 3:44 am Mass and monthly on the first Tuesday from 9:30 am - 1:00 pm.

**New Parishioners:** Welcome! Our registration form may be found on our website [www.spxot.org](http://www.spxot.org) or visit the parish office to register in person.

**Faith Formation:** If you are new to the parish, or your child is entering First Grade in the Fall of 2024, contact the Faith Formation office either by phone (201-664-0927) or by email [faithformation@spxot.org](mailto:faithformation@spxot.org) so that we may add your child(ren) to our registration list.

**THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT  
MASS INTENTIONS  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2024**

<b>Saturday</b> 4:30 p.m.	<b>February 24<sup>th</sup> – Vigil: Second Sunday of Lent</b> Sharon Gorzka <i>req. by Eileen Quartuccio</i>
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m.	<b>February 25<sup>th</sup> – Second Sunday of Lent</b> Lois Gallagher <i>req. by Fr. Pat</i>
10:00 a.m.	Bea & Michael Charowsky <i>req. by Janice &amp; Maria Charowsky &amp; Family</i>
12:00 p.m.	People of the Parish
<b>Monday</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>February 26<sup>th</sup> – Lenten Weekday</b> Joseph N. Coviello <i>req. by Marylu Coviello</i>
<b>Tuesday</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>February 27<sup>th</sup> – Lenten Weekday</b> Anita Roscone <i>req. by the Liik Family</i>
<b>Wednesday</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>February 28<sup>th</sup> – Lenten Weekday</b> Aurora Forero <i>req. by Paul &amp; Kathy Shields</i>
<b>Thursday</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>February 29<sup>th</sup> – Lenten Weekday</b> Judy Natale <i>req. by Jill and John Ten Broeck</i>
<b>Friday</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>March 1<sup>st</sup> – Lenten Weekday</b> Timothy McEvoy <i>req. by Jill and John Ten Broeck</i>
<b>Saturday</b> 4:30 p.m.	<b>March 2<sup>nd</sup> – Vigil: Third Sunday of Lent</b> People of the Parish
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m.	<b>March 3<sup>rd</sup> – Third Sunday of Lent</b> Clarence Shuler <i>req. by Mr. &amp; Mrs. Richard Ferdinand</i>
10:00 a.m.	Gino Morin <i>req. by Tan Family</i>
12:00 p.m.	Amelia Brackenbury <i>req. by Joan Robles</i>

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL, THEIR  
CARETAKERS, AND THOSE IN THE MILITARY**

Coletti Aloï, Gary Bagnoli, Alice Bauer, Diane Brosnan, 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, Michele McKeown, Donna Morris, Mary Moshier, Anne Newkirk, Danielle Newkirk, Albina Perez, Elissa Perrone, Jean Richardson, Marius Richardson, Joan Robles, 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, Navy Serviceman Jonathan Clemente, and Naval Officer Cody F. Massa, and for the victims of terrorism and war.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED  
SACRAMENT HOLY HOUR**

St. Pius X parishioners are very fortunate to have the opportunity to experience the warm and welcoming presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament Monday – Friday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass and every first Tuesday of each month from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Adoration**  
of the  
Blessed Sacrament



**Special Offerings**

**February 24- March 1, 2024**

**The Bread and Wine are in Memory of  
Marilyn Costabile**

*Requested by: Fr. Pat and Family*

**OUR COLLECTION – FEBRUARY 25, 2024**

Envelope Collection:	\$ 4,224.00
We Share Collection:	\$ 1,065.00
ParishSoft Giving:	\$ 916.00
Assessment:	\$ 115.00
Heritage:	\$ 448.00
Utilities:	\$ 20.00
Support for Central & Eastern Europe	\$ 200.00
Christmas	\$ 200.00
Soup Kitchen:	\$ 185.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 7,373.00*</b>

\* Because of the Presidents' Day Holiday, the online donations that posted over the weekend will be reflected in next week's totals.

**Thank You for your continued generosity  
and support!**

**CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

If you would like to receive a copy of your 2023 contribution statement, please send an email to: [statements@spxot.org](mailto:statements@spxot.org) giving your name, envelope number, and whether you would like the statement mailed or sent via email; or you may contact the parish office at 201-664-0913.

**SAFE ENVIROMENT CORNER  
HOW TO REPORT ABUSE**

The Archdiocese takes very seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Call the Coordinator for the Office of Accompaniment in the Archdiocesan Department for the Protection of the Faithful at **201-407-3256**.

## A MESSAGE FROM FATHER KEVIN

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

Our journeys with Jesus continue in the desert on this Second Sunday of Lent. As I preached in last week's sermon, Lent is not about giving up chocolate or coffee for forty days as much as it is a type of training; just as soldiers train for battle and athletes train for competition, we are training ourselves to rely more upon the Lord (we are building our "ark") before the flood waters of trial or temptation arise. As the Psalmist wisely notes, "Every person should pray to you in time of distress. Though flood waters may reach high, you [the believer] they shall not overcome. You are my shelter, O LORD; you guard me from distress; with joyful shouts of deliverance you surround me" (Psalm 32:6-7). How is your Lenten journey going so far?

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While our focus was on Christ in the desert last week, this week we encounter the Lord on top of Mount Tabor, where the Transfiguration takes place. "Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them" (Mark 9:2-3). This was not only meant to me a moment of consolation for Peter, James, and John, but also to us on our Lenten journeys, reminding us that we are following the Lord because this path of faith, obedience, self-discipline, and sacrifice leads to life in abundance.

There's one particular detail about this Gospel passage that's always stuck out to me. While Jesus is glowing before his disciples, Moses and Elijah also appear, speaking with Jesus. (Peter and the others can only watch in awe). Moses and Elijah were significant figures from the Old Testament – Moses representing the Law with the 10 Commandments, and Elijah representing the prophets. They died between 800 and 1000 years *before* Jesus, yet there they are alive again, conversing with the LORD. Where have they come from?

Even more, Peter is able to recognize who these figures are ... and he can even distinguish between them. "Rabbi, it is good that we are here!" Peter says to Jesus. "Let us build three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" (Mark 9:5). Moses and Elijah have come from heaven; they are in the Father's presence. And by their appearing, they reveal to us more of what heaven is like.

In heaven, we will look like Moses, Elijah, and the LORD; we maintain our human appearance, only our bodies become "dazzling white." We retain our names, faces, bodies, and memories –evidenced by Peter's ability to see these men and recognize who they are. This is one of the great points of consolation for me as I not only ponder my own future, but also the reality of those whom I've loved and ministered to who've gone before me. Our memories persevere.

As we continue our Lenten journeys, may the consolation given on Mount Tabor remind us of why we're doing what we're doing – to live with the Lord and our loved ones forever.

In Christ,

Fr. Kevin Kilgore

## BUILDING COMMUNITY



### VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED, ALWAYS!

St Pius has been supporting the Mother Teresa Soup Kitchen in Newark for decades. Every week trays of pasta are cooked and delivered to Newark to feed the hungry, the recent Sock Drive provided hundreds and hundreds of socks to warm the cold feet of the homeless, and recently, a group of high school parishioners served lunch to the men and women who were hungry at the kitchen. So many volunteers and generous parishioners make all this happen.

Recently, Sister Benedict, who leads Newark kitchen with many other incredibly dedicated sisters, is looking to provide a warm meal beyond the Soup Kitchen dining room. The intent is to directly serve meals to the community, to bring food to areas where the need is the greatest. To be able to carry out this mission, volunteers are requested to assist in handing out the food from the Soup Kitchen's van and/or to help package up the meals in individual containers. Volunteers are needed on Monday morning, monthly, and weekly to be determined. The time commitment would be from 8 to 11 am, give or take. The Kitchen itself is about 35 minutes away from SPX by means of major highways and parking is available and carpooling is certainly an option. It's not for everyone, yet a rewarding experience to feed the hungry where they live, to bring some joy to those in need.

If you are interested to join or have any questions, please contact Kathy Shields at [outreach@spxot.org](mailto:outreach@spxot.org).

**Come and see, come and join!**



### SPX KNITTING & CROCHETING MINISTRY

**Let all that you do be done in**

**love. ~1Cor 16:18~**

Interested in knitting or crocheting a baby hat or blanket to welcome our newest and smallest SPX parishioners or newborns in an area hospital? Have you considered creating a warm, soft scarf for the homeless, or a shawl or afghan for the homebound but didn't know how to get started?

Whether you are new or experienced to these crafts, please come and join the group! We meet every *other* Friday at 10 am or 'work from home' in creating your yarn goods. The next few meetings are Feb 9, Feb 23, Mar 8 and Mar 22. Our first meeting was terrific, 12 participants, already! It was a wonderful opportunity to meet one another and to have a common goal of providing warm and cozy homemade yarn goods for the homeless, the hungry and the homebound.

Please contact Kathy Shields at [outreach@spxot.org](mailto:outreach@spxot.org) if you are interested to join or have any questions.



## Wedding Anniversary Celebrations at the Cathedral Basilica

***The Archdiocese of Newark Office for Family Life Ministry*** is excited to announce it will once again honor Archdiocesan couples celebrating **5, 25, and 50 years of Catholic marriage** with special anniversary Masses at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart this spring.

These anniversary liturgies will be held in the ***Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark*** as follows below.

**50 Years – June 2, 2024 12:00 NOON  
(All Counties)**

**5 Years & 25 Years - May 5, 2024 12:00  
NOON (All Counties)**

It is desired that every couple in the Archdiocese deserving of such recognition be present at the appropriate liturgy. The presence of these couples will be a tender witness to the strength and stability of Christian marriage in today's society.

Since the Archdiocese was unable to host these celebrations in 2020 and 2021, and many families are still playing 'catch-up' with their celebrations, any couple who would have celebrated their Silver or Gold Anniversary in those years may sign up as well.

**Contact the parish office to register. All completed forms are due by April 29, 2024**



## **SPX GOLF AND TENNIS OUTING AT HACKENSACK COUNTRY CLUB**



### **ST. PIUS X 70TH ANNIVERSARY**

**A fundraiser to support our parish community.**

**~ Hackensack Golf Club ~**

**880 Soldier Hill Road Oradell, NJ 07649**

**MONDAY, May 20, 2024**

**11:30 AM - 1:00 PM - Barbecue Lunch**

**1:00 PM - Shotgun Start/Scramble Format/18 Holes**

**6:00 PM - Cocktail Hour**

**7:00 - 9:00 - Awards Ceremony/Dinner**

***You don't have to be a Saint Pius X Parishioner to join the fun!***

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# MAKING DISCIPLES

## SAINT PIUS X FAITH FORMATION

### Sunday, March 3

10:00 a.m. Mass

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Grades 1-8    3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Liturgical Ministers

Grades 1-8    In-Class Instruction

Confirmation Preparation Class



### Tuesday, March 12

3:30 - 5:00 pm

6:30 - 8:00 pm

First Eucharist & Confirmation Retreat

First Eucharist Retreat - Parent and child

Confirmation Retreat

### Tuesday, March 5

3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Grades 1-8    In-Class Instruction

### Sunday, March 17

10:00 a.m. Mass

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Focus Experience

Grades 1-8

Confirmation Preparation Class

### Tuesday, February 21

3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Focus Experience

Grades 1-8

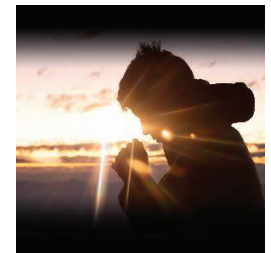


## 2024 SPX YOUTH MINISTRY

### STRESS MANAGEMENT

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

7:00 - 8:30 pm at St. Pius Church



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Confirmation Candidates are especially invited to attend!!!!

Please sign up on our parish app!

# 2024 LENTEN EVENTS

## **Bible Study**

Tuesdays at 5:30 pm February 27, March 5, March 12, March 19, March 26

## **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

Tuesday, March 5, 9:30 am – 1 pm

## **Deanery Reconciliation at St. Mary's, Closter**

Thursday, March 7, 7:30 pm

## **Mother Cabrini Movie Opens – International Day for Women**

Friday, March 8th

## **Evening of Reflection on the Life of St. Frances Cabrini with Msgr. Paul Bocchicchio**

Monday March 11, 7:00 pm

## **First Eucharist Retreat with Ray Boswell, Potter**

Tuesday, March 12, 3:30 pm

## **Confirmation Retreat with Ray Boswell, Potter**

Tuesday, March 12, 6:30 pm

## **Senior Luncheon for St. Patrick's Day**

Thursday, March 14, 12:30 pm

## **Lenten Holy Hour – Guided Meditation with Anna Petrillo**

Wednesday, March 20, 7:30 pm

## **SPX Youth Group – Stress Management**

Sunday, March 20, 6:30 pm

## **Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

Sunday, March 24, 4:30 pm, 8:00 am, 10:00 am., & 12:00 noon

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## **Holy Thursday, March 28**

Sung Morning Prayer 9:00 am

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 pm

## **Good Friday, March 29**

Sung Morning Prayer 9:00 am

Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord 3:00 pm

## **Holy Saturday, March 30**

Sung Morning Prayer 9:00 am

Easter Vigil 8:15 pm\*

## **Easter Sunday of the Resurrection, Sunday, March 31**

8:00 am, 10:00 am and 12:00 noon



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