

# St. Pius X Parish Community



## Mass Schedule

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday**  
8:00 am

**Saturday**  
5:00 pm

**Sunday**  
8:00 & 10:30 am

### *Mission Statement*

The mission of St. Pius X Catholic Community is to nurture, deepen, celebrate and live out our identity as an apostolic community, a people who are called, gifted and sent by our God.

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**July 25, 2021**



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[www.stpiusparish.org](http://www.stpiusparish.org)

### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Friday 9:00 - noon

### **Reconciliation**

Saturday from 4:00 - 4:30 pm in the chapel or contact Fr. Paul to schedule an appointment.

### **Anointing of the Sick & Hospital Visits**

Contact Fr. Paul to schedule an anointing or visit.

### **Baptisms**

Baptism preparation classes are held every three months.  
Contact the St. Pius X parish office for information.

### **Weddings**

Preparation must begin six months prior to the planned wedding date. Contact Fr. Paul for more information.

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## **Welcome to St. Pius X!**

Whether you are new to the area or visiting from another parish, welcome to our faith community! If you wish to become a member of our parish family, please take a "New Membership" packet available in the church lobby, call the parish office at (414) 453-3875 or visit [www.stpiusparish.org/im-new.html](http://www.stpiusparish.org/im-new.html).

Already a member? Please let us know of any changes to your address, email address, phone number, or addition to the family by contacting the parish office at (414) 453-3875 or going to <https://bit.ly/ParishInfoUpdate>.



Wauwatosa Catholic School serves a diverse community of learners by teaching our students to live Christ centered lives, to embrace Catholic values, and to excel academically, while developing leaders who have a passion to serve and create a better world.

## **Submission Guidelines for Bulletin Content**

All potential content must be submitted to the parish office by 12:00 pm the Monday before the weekend you would like it published.

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### Ministry Schedule July 31<sup>st</sup> & August 1<sup>st</sup>

#### Eucharistic Ministers

Sat 31 <sup>st</sup>	5:00 pm	Frank & Rosie Baldwin
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup>	8:00 am	Peg Michl & Carol Skelton
	10:30 am	Sarah Willmering

#### Lectors

Sat 31 <sup>st</sup>	5:00 pm	Don Horaitis
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup>	8:00 am	Dominique Sanchez
	10:30 am	Jen or Tim Sumiec

#### Cantors

Sat 31 <sup>st</sup>	5:00 pm	Louise Reinmuller
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup>	8:00 am	Ron Skelton
	10:30 am	Shawn Dauer

#### Ministers of Hospitality

Sat 31 <sup>st</sup>	5:00 pm	Nick DeLeo Ronald Glisch Christina Rill
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup>	8:00 am	Pat Casillo Judy & Noah Poston
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup>	10:30 am	Dennis and Donna Matthews Don Nowak

#### How to Request a Mass Intention

A beautiful way to remember or honor loved ones is to have a Mass offered for them.

If you would like to schedule a Mass intention, contact Terese in the parish office at (414) 453-3875 or [tneureuther@stpiusparish.org](mailto:tneureuther@stpiusparish.org).

Intentions may be for a deceased loved one, someone who is sick or suffering, in celebration of a birthday, anniversary or other special moment, or a prayer request. A \$10 stipend is suggested, but any donation amount is appreciated.

For more information on requesting a Mass intention visit [www.stpiusparish.org/mass-intention-requests.html](http://www.stpiusparish.org/mass-intention-requests.html).

### Mass Intentions

#### Monday, July 26<sup>th</sup>

8:00 am † Pamela Konkel

#### Wednesday, July 28<sup>th</sup>

8:00 am † Robert Westfall III

#### Friday, July 30<sup>th</sup>

8:00 am † Margaret Doyle

#### Saturday, July 31<sup>st</sup>

5:00 pm Parishioners

#### Sunday, August 1<sup>st</sup>

8:00 am † Florence & Edward Siehr  
10:30 am † Todd Hanson

### Everyday Stewardship - Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

#### *It's All in the Basket*

St. Therese of Lisieux made a point of going the extra mile in kindness towards those people who really got under her skin. It was part of her own brand of Everyday Stewardship — thanking God for all His creation, even the parts with which, in her own humanness, she struggled to cope.

I think about this a lot when I challenge myself to give thanks for things that bother me and people who challenge me. When I do this, I envision Christ giving thanks over those insufficient loaves. How many of us would see that paltry little basket and kick a rock in frustration because we can't feed all our people? "You didn't give me enough, Lord! You didn't give me enough patience, enough money, enough creativity, enough stamina to be a good steward. If you had given me more, I could also give more!"

In those moments of despair, we need to take a good look at the life God has given us. We need to look at the trials and the challenges and the shortcomings. The hopes that didn't pan out, the disappointments that keep cropping up. Somewhere therein lies what we need to be the steward God asks us to be, just as St. Therese's own stewardship was defined by the people she simply couldn't stand.

God does not give us all we want. He does not give us all we ask for. He does us one better: He gives us all we need. It's all in the basket.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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## **A Disciple's Journey** *with Renee Barthel and daughter CC*

**Q**

Tell us a little bit about yourselves and how you first got involved with Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS)

**A**

**Renee:** We are parishioners of Saint Bernard for five years. My husband, Ted, and I (Renee) have two daughters, Cecilia "CC" and Dorothea "Thea," ages 14 and 10. Having taught religious education for younger grades since my kids were small, I was intrigued when I first heard of CGS from when our Children's Director, Sam El Azem, held a parent information night. She told about the Montessori based origins of CGS and how it is designed to engage young learners. Sam was just getting CGS off the ground in our Tri-Parish community while still transitioning from the traditional small groups so there was a lot of need for help. I could see how effective CGS was from the experiences of my own children when they attended Montessori kindergarten. My "aha" moment came one day when I was trying to find Sam and sought out the atrium (there was only 1 small room at the time); the room was so quiet with a number of children just learning quietly - I wasn't sure I had the right room; these young children were so engaged in the special environment and so reverent! That sold me! I knew that CGS was the way we should be teaching these kids about our faith. It just took prayer and patience to figure out how I could help.

**CC:** I really like CGS because I enjoy working with kids, and I wanted to help out in the atrium. It was something I really enjoyed, and as a helper in the atrium, I got to learn about the works alongside the kids. The environment of the atrium, the CGS classroom, is so focused and calm, it is amazing to me how focused everyone is and how well young kids can contemplate and pray. CGS for me also brought back lots of memories from when I used to be in a Montessori preschool, and some of the things are the same, such as rolling out a work mat or the practical life shelf, but the works in the CGS atrium lead to prayer and contemplation that you get to see and it is so amazing to see young kids doing that!

**Q**

What is CGS? What makes it different than other forms of Religious Education?

**A**

**CC:** It's not a traditional classroom by any sense. It's not even called a classroom! It's called an atrium, which highlights the fact that it is a carefully prepared environment. Catechists and helpers make the materials. Catechists have to be specially trained as to how to work with the materials and present them to the children. What sticks out to me the most about CGS is how lots of trust is given to the children and the works are not like what you would expect in a preschool classroom. The kids are allowed to freely choose works that they have been shown. The works are related to prophecies, parables, and the narratives of the holy family. The works are all hand painted by catechists, and are very well made. It is a really great environment for kids because it is very hands-on and

leads to contemplation and praise of God. They learn to care for the atrium and it is the children's space, not the Catechist's. That is a hard thing for me personally because I want to be there with the kids and do the work along with them! But we have to remember that it is the children's space and not ours.

**Q**

Do you have a particular work in the atrium that is your favorite? Why does that work stick out to you?

**A**

**CC:** One work in the atrium that sticks out to me is the leaven. With this work, you can follow along in the gospels as you make the leaven, a type of simple bread. When I would help out in the atrium, I accidentally showed this work without really knowing what it was or how to present it. My mistake inspired me to learn more about CGS and take the training so I could present the works to the kids correctly.

**Renee:** The work that most inspires me is the Cenacle, which represents the upper room where the apostles and Jesus ate the Last Supper. I volunteered to prepare the Cenacle from the raw wood structure, because Sam needed one. I really didn't know what I was doing and needed lots of help and patience, but it was a fruitful experience.

**Q**

What is something you have learned about your faith through CGS?

**A**

**Renee:** I've learned how important it is to focus on the child—to slow down and observe how the child engages with each work. It's an exercise of patience and perseverance because each child has a unique and God-driven timeline for his/her relationship with God that cannot be forced or hurried. It takes time and nurturing like the mustard seed that grows to a full and mature plant.

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Watch this and other interviews in the "A Disciple's Journey" series on the YouTube channel at Christ King Catholic Parish and School.

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Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is a hands on, child-centered approach to spiritual formation. Built upon the Montessori methodology, CGS honors the spiritual life of the child and invites children and adults alike to listen for the voice of the Good Shepherd.

### **Sessions are grouped by ages:**

Level 1: K3-K5

Level 2: 1st-3rd Grade

Level 3: 4th-6th Grade

Want to learn out more about CGS? Interested in taking a tour of the Atrium? Contact Samantha El-Azem at [elazems@christkingparish.org](mailto:elazems@christkingparish.org).



## A Letter From Fr. Paul

I hope your summer continues to go well. It certainly is flying by quickly.

In our second reading, St. Paul urges the Ephesians, and us, to “live in a manner worthy of the call you have received.” What is that “call”?

There were strong divisions in the Ephesian community, especially between Jewish and Gentile Christians. The “call” was to bring unity and Paul lists four virtues that will lead to unity: humility, gentleness, patience, and bearing with one another.

There are strong and hateful divisions in our country and Church today. The call for humility, gentleness, patience, and bearing with one another is as relevant now as it was then.

We can say to ourselves, “who am I? Just one little person. How can I make a difference?” But look at our first and Gospel readings, which present large numbers of people being fed with a small amount of bread. Both Elisha’s servant and Jesus’ disciples objected that such a little bit couldn’t make a difference. But with God, it was not only possible, but happened: the bread was enough for everyone.

The point is we DO make a difference when we are humble, gentle, patient, and forbearing. My kindness, with God’s help, can have a domino effect on others. If everyone who calls themselves Christian would live these virtues, our country would be different. We would respect each other, listen to each other, and be able to come to agreements that benefit everyone, not just “my group.” That is the “one hope” that Paul refers to.

I invite us this week to reflect on how we are living the virtues of humility, gentleness, patience, and forbearance. How can I do better? As we struggle to grow, let us support each other in prayer.

**Church sign of the week:** *Is prayer your steering wheel or your spare tire?*

*Paul James Portland, SPS*

## Contribution Summary as of June 30, 2021

For our fiscal year, which ended June 30<sup>th</sup>, our Stewardship (envelope) contributions totaled \$382,664.

Despite Covid-19 we fell just \$3,336 short of our budgeted/planned amount for the fiscal year. PACT: Pius Parishioners Always Come Through!

Parish financial statements will be included in the September Parish Press newsletter.

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## Register for Youth Ministry

Middle school and high school faith formation kicks off mid-September and registration is now open.

- **6 & 7<sup>th</sup> grades – Wonder:** experience the wonder and mystery of God and His Church through nature, prayer, art, stories, and more!
- **8<sup>th</sup> grade – The Chosen:** watch and discuss season 1 of this incredible TV series, as Jesus calls and transforms the lives of his first disciples.
- **HS Alpha:** If you’re in high school start here with this 1-semester program which gives teens the space to hear the Gospel message, share their beliefs and opinion, and respond to God. This is a pre-requisite for all other high school programs.
- **HS Connect Groups:** post-Alpha, gather regularly with a group of peers to challenge and support one another, as you strive to grow in holiness.
- **Confirmation:** begins in April in preparation for a November Confirmation Mass. If you missed it, please contact Sarah for options.

To register, visit [www.triparishfaithformation.org](http://www.triparishfaithformation.org) or contact Sarah Daszczuk, Director of Youth Ministry, at [daszczuks@christkingparish.org](mailto:daszczuks@christkingparish.org).





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