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Pope Francis on Lenten Fasting

Fast from hurting words and say kind words
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude
Fast from anger and be filled with patience
Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope
Fast from worries and trust in God
Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity
Fast from pressures and be prayerful
Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy
Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others
Fast from grudges and be reconciled
Fast from words and be silent – so you can listen

Fr. Russ

2022 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

Last weekend, I spoke with all concerning the 2022 *CMA*, Catholic Ministries Appeal. The theme for this year's appeal is *Disciples of Christ*, *Stewards of His Gifts*. Each year I ask all to please consider praying about participating in the CMA. Remember, it is *not*



how much one contributes but if one *participates*. If most of our 1,875 St. Pius registered members will participate, Pius will have no problem reaching its goal of *\$73,800.00* We have all received the CMA mailing so please familiarize yourself with where these funds go and how they can benefit St. Pius Parish. If by chance you have "file thirteened" the mailing, there are extra envelopes and information in the entry ways of the church. As stewards of God's gifts, we are called upon



to reach out in many ways. Through the 2022 CMA, our financial and spiritual support maintains the day to day operations of Bishop Quinn and this Local Southern Minnesota Diocese of Winona-Rochester. Our participation in the CMA is a great way we can all practice our Lenten practice of almsgiving, whether spiritual or financial.

A Stewardship Thought

The amount of time, talent, and treasure we decide to share with others, our parish, our diocese, the poor, and all those who need our help usually corresponds to how well we understand and accept all that we are, have, and can do for an *undeserved* gift from God. Living in faith and doing the good works of our Lord, as a way of life, flows like a river from hearts that have gained wisdom. *Please support the 2022 CMA so that we may be Disciples of Christ, Stewards of His Gifts.*

\$73,800 Pledged & Received \$12,500



Sacramental Life





Please remember in your prayers,
Parishioner:
Daniel "Danny"

Daniel "Danny" Ellingson+

Son of: John and Millie Ellingson Brother of: Dave Ellingson

May Daniel and the all the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



In Sympathy

Please remember in your prayers,
Parishioner:

Joe Sturgis+

Son of: Geraldine and Darrell Sturgis Brother of: Ron Sturgis

May Joe and the all the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

INVOCATION OF PEACE

God of Love, you created us and you call us to live as brothers and sisters. Give us the strength daily to be instruments of peace; enable us to see everyone who crosses our path as our brother or sister. Make us



sensitive to the plea of our citizens who entreat us to turn our weapons of war into implements of peace, our trepidation into confident trust, and our quarreling into forgiveness. . . . Lord, defuse the violence of our tongues and our hands. Renew our hearts and minds, so that . . . our way of life will always be that of: Shalom, Peace, Salaam! Amen. - Pope Francis

School News

Summer Care Program Available Registration for our Summer Care program for ages 3-12 is open! The



registration link can be found on the RCS website and in the weekly broadcasts. Summer Care will be held at Holy Spirit Catholic School. For families interested in Summer tutoring and Summer Academy, registration will open at a later date.

The Nest Preschool at RCS is Expanding in 2022-2023! The Nest preschool at Rochester Catholic Schools is growing and will feature expanded offerings including programs at all five of our convenient RCS locations for the fall of 2022. New offerings include an all-day Pre-Kindergarten (Age 4) program at our St. Francis of Assisi and Lourdes High School campuses. In addition, we have added a Preschool (Age 3) classroom at the Co-Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist Middle School, and opened an Early Preschool (Age 2) program at Holy Spirit Catholic School! Our classrooms are filling - learn more and register today by visiting rcsmn.org/thenest.

Parish Life

Adult & Teen Challenge Choir To Visit St. Pius X Sunday, April 10, 7PM

Mark your calendar. Invite family, neighbors and friends. Don't miss the opportunity. Come hear the inspiring music and heart-warming testimonials from the men and women currently in our Rochester Adult & Teen Challenge program just up the hill from our church. Adult & Teen Challenge is a faith based addiction treatment program. Event is free (love offering will be appreciated). Info – Fran Bradley, 507-358-1688.

Join us for Pancakes <u>NEXT</u> Sunday, March 20th after the 8am & 10am Masses in Kennedy Hall



Parish Life

Reminder: Knights Spring Flower Sale—All orders need to be in by Sunday, March 13th!

Two bouquets are available; the classic "Respect Life" rose bouquet and the beautiful mix of spring flowers called "Brilliant Spring". Your orders must be submitted by March 13th so act now. Refer to the recent bulletin insert or flock note for an order form or stop at the office. Instructions for ordering your flowers are on the form. Bouquet pickup at "Flowers by Jerry" will be April 7-11, just before Easter. Thanks for supporting the Knights and enjoy your beautiful spring flowers.

St. Pius X Spaghetti

Dinner - It's back again! The St. Pius X Knights and Youth Group are co-sponsoring their



annual Spaghetti Dinner Saturday evening, April 23. The dinner will again be catered by Victoria's Restaurant. The menu includes spaghetti, meat ball, salad, roll, beverages and sherbet. Serving begins in Kennedy Hall right after the 4 pm Mass and continues until 6:30 pm. All proceeds go to the St. Pius X Youth Group to fund their summer mission trips. This is a great meal at a great price and you save by buying your tickets in advance [adults (\$9), children ages 6 through 11 (\$6) and family (\$25). children 5 and under are free]. Members of the Knights and the Youth Group will be selling tickets at the March Donut Sunday and Pancake Breakfast events. Tickets at the door that evening will be \$10 for all with no family pricing available. Join us for some great food and fellowship, all for a great cause in support of our St. Pius X Youth.

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Community

Shelter the Homeless: "Is this not, rather, the fast that I choose: . . . sharing your bread with the hungry, bringing the afflicted and the homeless into your house; clothing the naked when you see them, and not turning your back on your own flesh" (Is. 58:6-7)? This week, answer Christ's call to Shelter the Homeless by 1) Praying for those without shelter, as well as those who are forced to leave their home countries; 2) Lowering the thermostat by 5 degrees in solidarity with those who have no warm shelter; 3) Generously supporting your local Habitat for Humanity. For more ideas on how to put Christ's Mercy in Motion this Lent, visit www.ccsomn.org/mercyinmotion.

Weekly Fish Fry at Christ the King Christ the King in Byron will host a Fish Fry each Friday, March 4-April 8 through Lent. Drive-up service will be available again as well as limited dine-in service.



Catholic Charities Diaper Drive March 1-31,

2022. Catholic Charities supports women who are pregnant or have a baby under a year old. They are often in need of baby items! Would you help us stock our shelves so we can continue providing baby necessities all year? We are in need of Diapers sizes 1-6, Wipes, Baby lotion and shampoo. Thank you for your generous support! Collection Sites are Pax Christi Catholic Church and Catholic Charities 903 Center St. W, STE 220; Rochester.

There will be a Mass of Anointing for the
Elderly and Sick
Wednesday, March 30 at 10:30 am.
The Co-Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist
Rochester, Minnesota
Followed by Fellowship and Treats
Handicapped parking available in the north parking lot.
Parking available on 4th Ave. and
South of the church on 1st St SW (school parking lot)

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 14, 2022

NO DAILY MASS

Tuesday, March 15, 2022

8:00 am Kenneth J. Bawek† and James A. Bawek† Marian C. Schneider†

Wednesday March 16, 2022

8:45 am Linda Godsill

Thursday, March 17, 2022

8:00 am Bill Briggst / Kathleen T. Plummert

Friday, March 18, 2022

8:00 am Jim Hausman† / Linda Krolo†

Saturday, March 19, 2022

8:00 am Daniel Ellingson†

4:00 pm Ed[†], Cleo[†], Richard[†] Machacek / Jim Ward[†]

Sean Daly†

Sunday, March 20, 2022

8:00 am Betty Ahle† / Bill Otto†

10:00 am For the Deceased Members of the Shovelin Family



Susan Windley-Daoust, Director of Missionary Discipleship, will host the webinar *The Art of Invitation: Inviting Others to Consider Christ*, with both noon and 7:00 pm options. If you are looking for a way to invite people back to Mass at Easter, this is for you. The presentation is a "brass tacks" talk on how we invite people to Mass, back to Mass, to the Bible study, the fish fry, etc. We'll get into practicals on this short (30 minute) webinar and leave time for questions after the 30-minute mark.

Register with Emily Smithley at esmithley@dowr.org and specify Noon or 7:00 p.m.



Faith Formation

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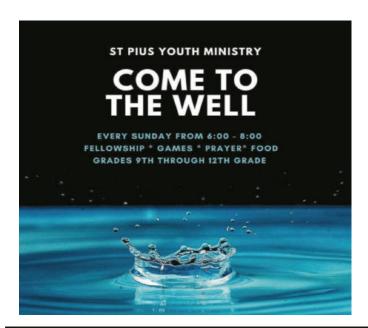
Stations of the Cross is happening every Friday

starting at 6:30pm during Lent. To support families in bringing their

CROSS children to this beautiful Catholic tradition, please look on the table at the North

Entrance for coloring and activity pages. Coloring crayons will not be provided so please bring your own coloring items.

Snap a picture of your child's completed colored stations of the cross and it can be featured on the Facebook page during Lent. Please included first name and age.





June 26 - July 1 9:15 - 11:30 AM

St. Pius X and the Co-Cathedral St. John's invite 3 year old through current 3rd graders to join us for Vacation Bible School this summer. Registration is now open, scan the QR code listed to access registration. Online payment is available and can be found near the end of the online registration. Please direct questions to Jen Carlin at jcarlin@piusx.org.







Faith Formation and Events Calendar				
	1ST SACRAMENTS	CONFIRMATION	FAMILY CATECHESIS	RCIA
	Grade 2 6:00 - 7:00 pm	Grades 9-10 6:00 - 7:30 pm	Following the 10 AM Mass	6:00 -7:30 pm
Sunday, 3/13	Donut Sunday Kennedy Hall			
	Come	to the Well 9th-12th G	Grade 6:00 - 8:00 PM St. Pius X	(Gym
Monday, 3/14	The Chosen (Season 2) Founders Hall 6:30 - 8:00 PM			
Wednesday, 3/16	Bride's Room	Founders Hall		RCIA
Friday, 3/18	Stations of the Cross 8:45 AM (School - All are welcome) 6:30 PM			
Sunday, 3/20	Pancake Sunday Kennedy Hall			
	Come to the Well 9th-12th Grade 6:00 - 8:00 PM St. Pius X Gym			
Monday, 3/21	The Chosen (Season 2) Founders Hall 6:30 - 8:00 PM			
Wednesday, 3/23	Bride's Room	Founders Hall		RCIA
Friday, 3/25	Stations of the Cross 6:30 PM			
Sunday, 3/27			Founders Hall	
	Come to the Well 9th-12th Grade 6:00 - 8:00 PM St. Pius X Gym			

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 13, 2022

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/Phil 3:17—4:1 or

3:20-4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt

21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13,

16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Next Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor 10:1-6,

10-12/Lk 13:1-9

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 13, 2022

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time begins

Thursday: St. Patrick, Bishop; St. Patrick's Day

Friday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

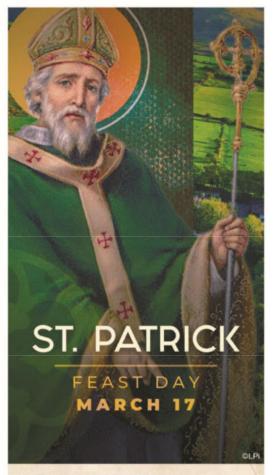
Saturday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Lent

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

While we have to be cognizant of our societal and personal responsibilities in this world, we can never lose sight of where our true citizenship lies — heaven. When we become too immersed in earthly things and too preoccupied with our temporal responsibilities, we can actually become numb to our faith. Becoming ambivalent about our faith, our belief in Jesus Christ and the promises of heaven become more a source of agitation rather than a source of promise and hope. It is easy to become an enemy of Christ without even knowing it is happening. God has given us a very clear destiny. We are definitely not meant to conform ourselves to this world but to the transfiguration and glorification of our bodies to come. It is here where we can see clearly not only who God is but who we are. The way many conduct the daily business of their lives suggests that such a promise or hope is of little importance. What does the way you live your daily life say about you?



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Whether you know him as the man who brought Christianity to Ireland or simply as a reason you eat corned beef and cabbage in March, St. Patrick (415 – 493) is a well-known saint around the world.

St. Patrick was born in Britain of a Romanized family. At the age of 16, he was kidnapped by Irish raiders from the villa of his father, a deacon and local official, and brought into slavery in Ireland. He spent six long years there as a herdsman, during which he turned to his faith for strength. He later escaped back to Britain on a ship, where he was eventually reunited with his family.

His years of captivity changed him and brought out a zeal for God and a yearning to spread the message of Jesus Christ. Despite the constant danger of martyrdom, he continued to travel throughout Ireland where he baptized and confirmed in the name of Christ.

Lent 2022

FORMED

The Diocese of Winona -Rochester is pleased to announce that *all* our



parishes are to receive a one-year free subscription to FORMED. A parish FORMED subscription, created and powered by the Augustine Institute, includes 24/7 access to FORMED digital content for *all* people within your parish and the diocese. This is <u>FREE</u> for all of us here at St. Pius X! To sign up: visit the parish homepage -piusx.org and click on the "Formed Registration" link. There is a lot for you to choose from for your Lenten enrichment.

The Chosen

Join St. Pius X Monday evenings during Lent for the showing of The Chosen (Season 2). We will meet 6:30 - 8:00 pm in Founders Hall beginning Monday, March 7th.



March 14, 21, 28, April 4

Stations of the Cross

St. Pius X will be offering Stations of the Cross each Friday during Lent at 6:30 pm in the church. Additionally, the St. Pius X School will offer Stations lead by St. Pius students: Friday, March 18th and Friday, April 8th at 8:45 AM, following daily Mass. *All are welcome to attend.*

Communal Reconciliation

Please join us <u>Sunday</u>, <u>April 10th at 3:30 pm</u> for a Communal Penance Service at Co-Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. There will be a brief time of prayer followed by the opportunity for individual confessions.

Easter Flowers - All Easter flower memorial offerings need to be in the parish

office by Monday,

April 11th at noon.



Lenten Project 2022 MEAL ON US

For our 2022 Lenten Project, St. Pius X has chosen to support the John Marshall High School Resource Room. The Resource Room strives to connect students with basic items such as clothing, hygiene, and food so they can be successful students.

Funds collected will be used to assemble "MEAL ON US" meals to be distributed to students struggling to have enough food at home. These meals will consist of a \$10 Hy-vee card, pasta and pasta sauce.

Donations will be accepted in weekly collection, at the parish office or online at:

<u>https://piusx.weshareonline.org/2022LentenProject.</u> Please note "2022 Lenten Project"

Please join us in Kennedy Hall on Wednesday, April 13,

at 6:00 to assemble "Meal on Us" meals to be distributed to students.

Thank you for your support in this project!





RCS Vanselow Fish Fry
- Drive Thru -

Friday, April 8

4:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m. (Food served until 6:30 p.m.) Lourdes High School

Drive-thru pick up for meals and optional outdoor dining available.

Friends, Fellowship, & Fun

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More information and registration coming soon!

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