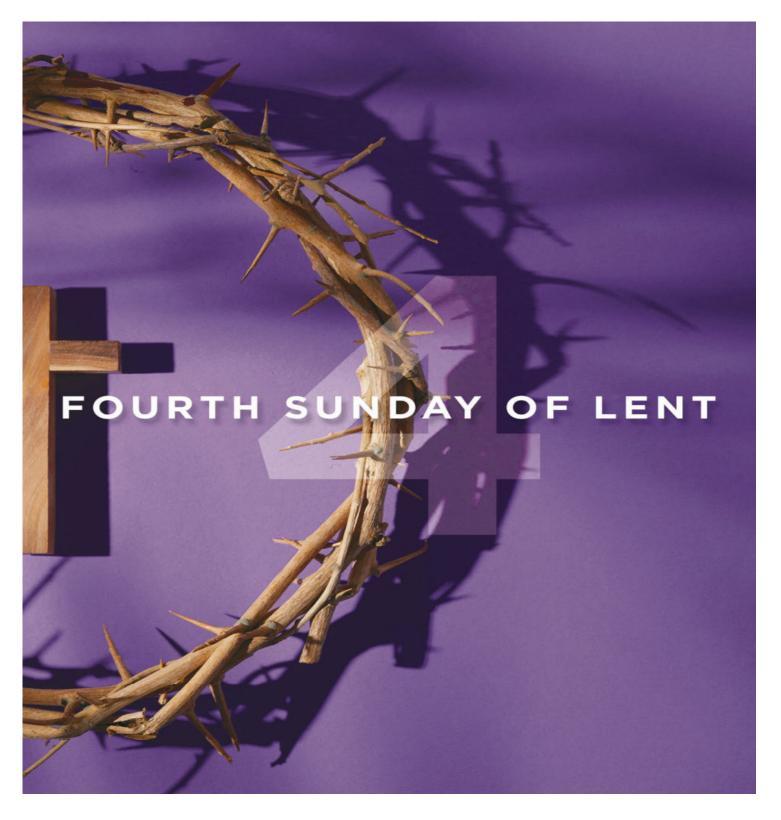


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Fr. Russ

Who do we need to forgive?

On this 4th Sunday of Lent, we hear that familiar story about the Prodigal Son. How often when I have read or heard this parable and my focus has been on the prodigal son as, if we are brutally honest perhaps, we can see ourselves as prodigal from time to time. However, I would like to suggest that we are all, as well, much like the older brother in the parable who becomes angry and resentful toward his prodigal brother and forgiving father.



God has created us for relationship, as our God – Father, Son, and Spirit, are a relationship. But unlike the Trinity, our love for one another often falls short and we can find ourselves in the unforgiving and resentful brothers shoes, or sandals. Reminds me of the words of a little child named Larry in a book entitled, *Children's Letters to God* who says: "Maybe Cain and Abel would not kill each other so much if they had their own rooms. It works for me and my brother." Who among us has not felt compelled to think or say the same when you were children growing up with older brothers and sisters. As life moves on for us we can find that being an adult proves to be more of the same. One thing is for certain – there will be people throughout our lives that we will be called upon to forgive. Lent calls us to recognize/experience God's mercy toward each and everyone of us. Therefore, Lent calls us to reciprocate this love of Jesus' faithfulness toward humanity.

Each time we pray the Lord's Prayer, we say these words – "...forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us..." To forgive someone who has hurt you takes courage and courage is a gift of the Holy Spirit. So we CANNOT extend forgiveness alone! We need the Holy Spirit to help us here as the Spirit does for us what we CANNOT do for ourselves. To forgive someone who has hurt you is a process so forgiveness does not happen overnight – forgiveness takes time. If you find yourself at odds with someone in your life, begin by



PRAYING for the person's well-being. Furthermore, "fake it until you make it" as is said in certain spiritual programs.

We know the story – Jesus resolutely sets his face towards Jerusalem during the Lenten Season and decides to remain faithful to the Father's will. Because of this faithfulness, Jesus has bestowed divine mercy upon us, the world. May we experience this divine mercy and share this divine mercy with our brothers and sisters. May we summon the power of the Holy Spirit given us in Baptism in order to be Christ's Body here and now.

Sacramental Life

Newly Baptized

May the waters of baptism call to mind our baptism into Christ who has redeemed us by his death and resurrection. We welcome in baptism:

Lilla James Paulson Roche

Daughter of: Lille Paulson Roche and Lucas Gullickson

Our Congratulations!

"A baby is God's opinion that the world should go on."



In Sympathy

Please remember in your prayers, Former Parishioner:

Peter Solinger+

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

Parish Life

Rochester Adult & Teen Challenge Choir

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.

St. Pius X Spaghetti Dinner

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. Save by purchasing your tickets in advance [adults (\$9), children ages 6 through 11 (\$6) and family (\$25), children 5 and under are free]. Tickets at the door will be \$10 for all with no family pricing available. Join us for some great food and fellowship, all for a great cause in

St. Pius X Facebook Page

support of our St. Pius X Youth.

Have a meeting, ministry, or event at St. Pius X?? Snap a picture with a write up about the event and send it to: jcarlin@piusx.org. We would love to post it to our Facebook page! If you want to keep up with all the happenings at St. Pius X - make sure you like our Facebook page! There are a couple of St Pius X Facebook pages out there, but ours is the one with the picture of Father Russ in the profile.

5th Grade Religion Project

Mr. Fuhrmeister's 5th grade class has been studying the different crosses throughout the world as part of their Lenten religion project. The students have assembled a number of different crosses and placed them throughout



the church along with descriptions and explanations of their symbolism. If you have not noticed them, you are invited to take a moment and read up on the students interpretation of crosses around the world.

Celebrate Holy Week

Sunday, April 10

Palm Sunday Mass

St. Pius X Church Sat. 4 pm Sun. 8 and 10 am Donut Sunday following Sunday services.

Communal Reconciliation

Co-Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist

3:30 pm

Monday, April 11 Pax Christi Church

Mass of Chrism 4 pm

Wednesday, April 13

Tenebrae Service

Pax Christi Church

This service includes powerful music by choir, orchestra and soloists with dramatic readings which presents a great opportunity to prepare for the Sacred Triduum.

Thursday, April 14 St. Pius X Church

Holy Thursday Mass

7 pm (livestreamed)

Friday, April 15

Way of the Cross

Main Entrance to the Government Center 4:00 pm A walk with Christ on the Way of the Cross through downtown Rochester, with scripture, poetry, song, and silence. Please arrive by 3:50 pm.

Good Friday

Service St. Pius X Church and 7 pm

12:15 pm (livestreamed)

Saturday, April 16

Easter Vigil

St. Pius X Church

8 pm (livestreamed)

Sunday, April 17

Easter Sunday

Catholic Charities' Lenten Campaign Visit the Imprisoned

"The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; He has sent me to bring good news to the afflicted, to bind up the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives, release to the prisoners" (Is. 61:1). This week, answer Christ's call to Visit the Imprisoned by 1) Praying for an end to human trafficking and the use of the death penalty; 2) Fasting from social media and unnecessary phone use; 3) Writing to prisoners. For more ideas on how to put Christ's Mercy in Motion this Lent, visit www.ccsomn.org/mercyinmotion.

Daily Mass Schedule Change

St. Pius School will be not be in session all of next week due to Spring Break . Wednesday daily Mass will take place at 8:00 am that morning. It will return to the normal 8:45 am time for the remainder of the school year following Spring Break.

Finance Corner

FEBRUA	RY 2022 FIN	ANCE CORNE	R
Revenue	2022	2022	2021
Revenue	February	YTD	YTD
Adult Envelopes	34,448	319,582	404,254
Children	0	0	0
Direct Bank Giving	27,860	223,898	233,816
Offertory	2,813	28,377	5,069
Online Giving	8,935	83,753	94,705
Stock Donation	0	10,417	17,112
Bequests	0	10,000	6,885
Holy Days & Holidays	35	23,643	17,733
Charitable Outreach	851	10,256	9,055
All Other	-1,499	447,787	167,117
Total Revenue	\$ 73,443	1,157,713	955,746

Expense		2022 February	2022 YTD	2021 YTD
Wages & Benefits	_	32,411	286,637	302,259
Buildings & Grounds		8,116	83,904	52,413
Catholic School Subsidy		28,111	225,101	223,352
Diocesan Assessment		4,889	39,111	36,162
Parish Programs		4,741	30,919	29,583
Charitable Outreach		0	5,759	6,350
All Other		2,418	46,258	22,697
Capital Improvements		0	103,351	3,373
Total Expense	\$_	80,686	821,040	676,189
+/-	\$	-7,243	336,673	279,557

Direct Bank Giving (checking/savings)

Sign up is available any time. Please contact the Parish Office with questions.

Electronic Giving (credit card)

Scan the QR code to link directly to the St. Pius X online giving site. There you will be able to navigate all of the church's giving opportunities. Contact Doug in the Parish Office at 288-8238 with any questions.



Thank you for your continued support of St. Pius X!

Finance Corner questions? Rectory 507-288-8238 or chaugh@piusx.org

PARISH CENSUS

Registered Active Families

Registered Active Members

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 28, 2022 NO DAILY MASS

Tuesday, March 29, 2022

8:00 am Sean Daly† / Cora Gana†

Wednesday March 30, 2022

8:00 am Matthew Klaus†

Thursday, March 31, 2022

8:00 am Paul Synder† / Danny Ellingson†

Friday, April 1, 2022

8:00 am Bill Briggs† / Linda Godsill

Saturday, April 2, 2022

8:00 am Karen Loegering 4:00 pm Nancy Trinkes† / Jeanine Ryan† Butch Klipsic†

Sunday, April 3, 2022

8:00 am Edward Warren† / Sona Frissora† 10:00 am Kenneth† J. and Jamie† Bawek

To schedule Mass intentions, please contact the parish office at 288-8238.

AmazonSmile

St. Pius X Church has been issued a \$57.15 donation



from the AmazonSmile Foundation as a result of activity between October 1 and December 31, 2021. If you would like to support St. Pius while shopping Amazon, visit smile.amazon.com and select St Pius X as the organization you would like to support. These donations support our church at no additional cost to you. Remember, only purchases at smile.amazon.com or through AmazonSmile activated in the Amazon Shopping app will support your selected charity. Thank you to the 42 families currently supporting St. Pius through AmazonSmile.

2022 Goal \$73,800 **Pledged & Received** \$29,970

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Participants 93

11% of St. Pius Registered Families
Updated 3/18/22

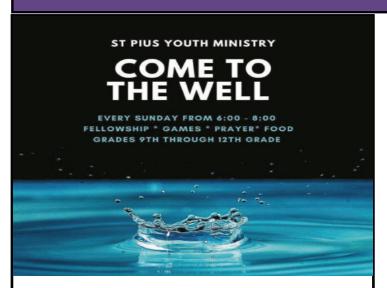
2022 Catholic

Catholic Ministries Appeal

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Faith Formation



We are in need of VIRTUS trained adult volunteers to keep the Well ministry going!

If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please email jcarlin@piusx.org.

Please note, the last Well event will be May 22. Look for summer events to roll out soon!

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)



The Hunt is On - Sunday, May 1, 2022 St Pius X Faith and Youth Ministry is excited to host an Easter Egg Hunt for children ages 10 and under. Bring your Easter basket to the 10 am Mass. Following Mass, hop on over to the green space by the playground. We will have light refreshments and yard games available for fellowship following the Egg hunt.

In the event of inclement weather the event will be moved to Kennedy Hall

Any questions - please contact jcarlin@piusx.org



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	Grades 9-10	Following the 10 AM Mass	6:00 -7:30 pm		
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Sunday, 3/27			Founders Hall			
	Come t	to the Well 9th-12th G	rade 6:00 - 8:00 PM St. Pius X 0	Gym		
Monday, 3/28	The Chosen (Season 2) Founders Hall 6:30 - 8:00 PM					
Wednesday, 3/30	NO RELIGION CLASSES SPRING BREAK					
Friday, 4/1	Stations of the Cross 6:30 PM					
Sunday, 4/3			Founders Hall			
	Come t	to the Well 9th-12th G	rade 6:00 - 8:00 PM St. Pius X (Gym		
Monday, 4/4		The Chosen (Season 2)	Founders Hall 6:30 - 8:00 PM			
Wednesday, 4/6	Bride's Room	Founders Hall		RCIA		
Friday, 4/8	Statio	ns of the Cross 8:45 AN	(School - All are welcome) 6:30	PM		
Sunday, 4/10	Final Donut Sunday of the Spring Kennedy Hall					
	Come t	to the Well 9th-12th G	rade 6:00 - 8:00 PM St. Pius X (Gym		

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 27, 2022

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-

3, 11-32

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 27, 2022

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Lent

Friday: April Fools' Day

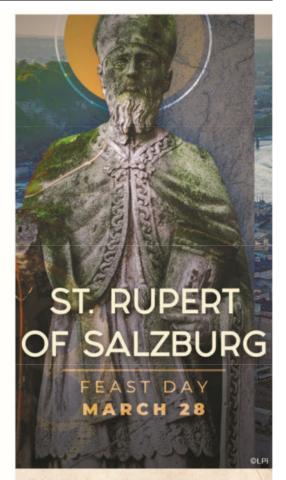
Saturday: St. Francis of Paola, Hermit

Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Have you ever given thought to the fact that you are an "ambassador for Christ?" An ambassador is an accredited diplomat and official representative. We are asked to be ambassadors for Christ and his message of reconciliation. Within each one of us is a prodigal son who realizes the need to return home, an elder brother who struggles with entitlement and self-pity, and a forgiving father who simply wants to celebrate love. Realizing that all of these things are operative in our hearts, we can bring credibility to God's ministry of reconciliation. Genuine witnesses are those who not only recognize their need for wholeness, mercy, and forgiveness but also their tendency to be over self-focused and stubborn. Then, discovering freedom from all that binds them, they can then extend the love they have received to others. These ambassadors embody unity, mercy, and reconciliation and can look on others with deep compassion because they know what it is to walk in their shoes. Can God count on you to deliver this message?



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Rupert of Salzburg is also known as the "Apostle of Bavaria and Austria." Although mostly legend, it is believed that he was born sometime around 660 in Gaul, which is now part of France. It is possible that he is a descendant of the Merovingian royal line. Not much is known about the saint's early life.

We do know that Rupert was first appointed as Bishop of Worms in present-day Germany and despite many good works there, the pagan population eventually beat him and forced him from the city. Rupert retired to Rome for a time until Duke Theodo of Bavaria asked him to come to help establish the Church more firmly in Bavaria. Rupert agreed and brought with him a group of priests. Rupert traveled the region, effecting conversions, miracles, healing.

Eventually Rupert chose to settle at Juvavum an old Roman city mostly in ruins. He renamed the city Salzburg or "Salt Castle," and established there a great cathedral and monastery under the Rule of St. Benedict. His niece became abbess of the Benedictine convent he founded nearby. Rupert was the first bishop of Salzburg, serving also as abbot of the monastery.

St. Rupert is usually portrayed carrying a vessel of salt, as he helped establish the salt mining industry for which he named the city. It is said that Rupert died on Easter Sunday though sources disagree on the year, which could have been around 710 or possibly as late as 718.

Lent 2022

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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.

March 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 led by St. Pius students: 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.



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!

Weekly Fish Fry's Every Friday During Lent

Christ the King in Byron

Fish Frys continue through April 8
Drive up & Dine in options!
Meal includes: Choice of baked or fried fish, coleslaw, green beans, potatoes, bread/ butter, tartar sauce and dessert.
Cost: \$16/meal



Church St. Michael in Pine Island

Serving from 4:30-7:00 PM in the Community Room. Baked & fried fish will be available. Prices: adults \$12.00, children 5-12 \$6.00, and family maximum \$40.00. Take out is available.

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