

# ST. PIUS X



## CATHOLIC CHURCH

### MASS TIMES

Saturday 4:30 p.m. (Reconciliation 3:30 p.m.)  
 Sunday 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.  
 Weekdays/Holydays check inside bulletin

**Parish Office Hours:** Monday-Friday 8:30am—4:00pm

**Parish Registration:** Contact the office to set an appointment.

**Baptism:** Pre-baptism class required; call the parish office 393-4445

**Marriages:** Contact Anthony Lavorata at least 9 months before desired date.

# JANUARY 16, 2022

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### Our St. Pius X Parish Mission:

St. Pius X Parish is a Catholic faith community of worship, prayer, and thanksgiving, serving the world through outreach and action. (Adopted 2013)

*Mary, Health of the Sick, pray for us  
 and for a swift end to the pandemic.*



## 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY *in ordinary time*

Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." - Jn 2:4

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## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear friends,

What will God provide for us in 2022? We are about to enter into a third year of the COVID pandemic. Who would have thought that it would last this long? But it is what it is. I think we are all experiencing COVID fatigue. We are tired of it. We want it to be over and done with. We are tired of wearing masks. We are tired of all the inconveniences. But wishing it to go away will not make it go away. We must actively do our part to combat this pandemic.

On this past Monday, Pope Francis said to international diplomats: "It is important to continue the effort to immunize the general population as much as possible. This calls for a manifold commitment on the personal, political and international levels. First, on the personal level. Each of us has a responsibility to care for ourselves and our health, and this translates into respect for the health of those around us. **Health care is a moral obligation.** Sadly, we are finding increasingly that we live in a world of strong ideological divides. Frequently people let themselves be influenced by the ideology of the moment, often bolstered by baseless information or poorly documented facts. Every ideological statement severs the bond of human reason with the objective reality of things. The pandemic, on the other hand, urges us to adopt a sort of "reality therapy" that makes us confront the problem head on and adopt suitable remedies to resolve it. Vaccines are not a magical means of healing, yet surely they represent, in addition to other treatments that need to be developed, the most reasonable solution for the prevention of the disease."

Wear your mask in public places where you are among strangers, *especially here in church.* Get vaccinated. Archbishop Vincenzo Paglia, president of the Pontifical Academy for Life, says that authorized COVID vaccines present no ethical dilemma. And Archbishop Jackels has reflected that as Jesus was pierced with nails and a lance to save humanity, we should at least be willing to be pierced with a needle for the sake of humanity's bodily health.

The pandemic is real. There is no denying its seriousness. Worldwide, 5½ million people have died from it. In the United States, the death toll is over 800,000, and in Iowa it is over 8,000. COVID has reduced life expectancy in America by almost two years.

Make it a New Year's resolution to live responsibly and unselfishly. Be concerned with the common good.

*Fr. Phil Thompson*



## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

### January 2

Envelope Contributions 37 families gave	\$	3,134.00
Unreceipted offertory (loose cash)	\$	263.00
Building & Maintenance 1 families gave	\$	250.00
Social Concerns Envelopes 2 families gave	\$	260.00

### January 9

Envelope Contributions 107 families gave	\$	8,575.00
Unreceipted offertory (loose cash)	\$	339.00
Building & Maintenance 21 families gave	\$	455.00
Social Concerns Envelopes 10 families gave	\$	400.00

Budget for January	\$	95,000.00
Contributions Received Jan MTD (incl EFT)	\$	35,467.10
YTD Under-budget	\$	- 32,735.22

Coins for a Cause:

**HACAP Homelessness Programs** \$ 48.52

January 16 & 23 **Horizon's Summer Lunch Program** answers the question "Where will students get the kind of nutritious lunches they receive from school cafeterias?" 43% of all Cedar Rapids students qualify for free or reduced-price school lunches based on family income. January 30 & February 6 **IA Foster & Adoptive Parents**



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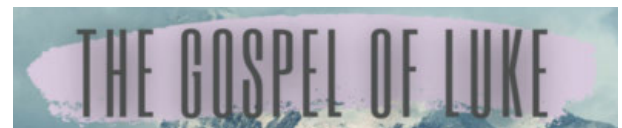
## FORMATION

*Beauty in Christ* Archdiocesan Women's Virtual Conference  
*Holy Women of the Visitation*



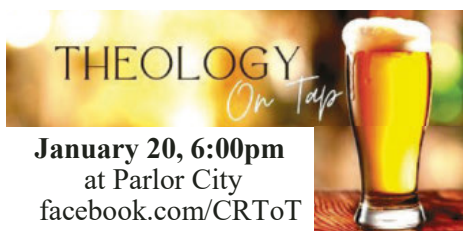
January 29, 8:30am-1pm  
More info or register at  
[ArchWomensConference.org](http://ArchWomensConference.org)

If you are interested in watching this in Pius Hall with other women of the parish, contact Mary Swiderski: [secretary@crpixus.org](mailto:secretary@crpixus.org) or 393-4445.



**A SCRIPTURE STUDY FOR THE NEW YEAR**  
January 19-April 7

Wednesdays at 7:30pm or Thursdays at 10am  
Part one of the study will be January 19—February 24  
Part two of the study will meet March 2—April 7  
To register, contact Tony at [formation@crpixus.org](mailto:formation@crpixus.org)



**January 20, 6:00pm**  
at Parlor City  
[facebook.com/CRTOT](https://facebook.com/CRTOT)

All 21-39 year olds are invited to join us to hear from Deacon Scott Zogg on "Faith and Science." First drink is on us!



**PARISH EVENTS**

**SUNDAY, January 16**

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Masses in the church  
 11:30 a.m. Confirmation class in Pius Hall  
 2:00 p.m. 9th grade Encounter in Pius Hall

**MONDAY, January 17**

7:15 a.m. ELC training in Pius Hall  
 6:00 p.m. KITES in the Youth Room  
 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts meeting in Pius Hall

**TUESDAY, January 18**

6:00 a.m. Men's Group in Pastors Hall  
 8:00 a.m. Mass in the church  
 5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer in the church  
 7:00 p.m. Sanctity of Life meeting in the Clare Room

**WEDNESDAY, January 19**

8:00 a.m. Mass in the church  
 6:00 p.m. Religious Education classes in the school  
 7:00 p.m. Youth Ministry in the Youth Room  
 7:30 p.m. Scripture Study in the Clare Room

**THURSDAY, January 20**

9:00 a.m. School Mass in the church  
 10:00 a.m. Scripture Study in the Clare Room  
 4:00 p.m. Finance Committee in Pastors Hall  
 6:00 p.m. Faith Formation Commission in Pastors Hall

**FRIDAY, January 21**

8:00 a.m. Mass in the church  
 11:00 a.m. Adoration in the church

**SATURDAY, January 22**

3:30 p.m. Reconciliation in the church  
 4:30 p.m. Mass in the church

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JAN. 16**

**Sunday:** Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11  
**Monday:** 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22  
**Tuesday:** 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28  
**Wednesday:** 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6  
**Thursday:** 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12  
**Friday:** 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19  
**Saturday:** 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21  
**Next Sunday:** Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

**PASTORAL CARE**

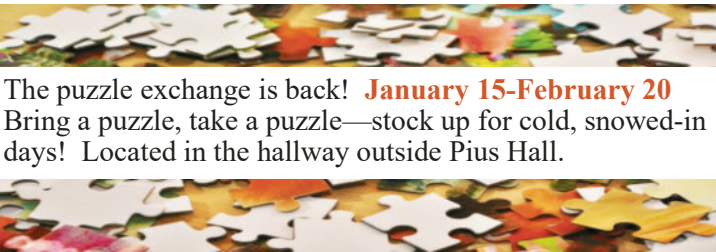


May the Lord grant peace and consolation in their time of need to the families of **Lois Gannon**, mother of Mary Kaufmann **Naomi Mitchell** **Bruno Lensing**



Last weekend we welcomed **Victoria Rose Lynch**, child of Seth & Kayla, into the family of God through the waters of Baptism.

**PRAYER LINE: Contact Glenda Hutton-Stejskal**  
 gc7t@yahoo.com or (319) 329-0006



The puzzle exchange is back! **January 15-February 20**  
 Bring a puzzle, take a puzzle—stock up for cold, snowed-in days! Located in the hallway outside Pius Hall.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter** is a Catholic faith-based marriage enrichment program and has been providing couples with better communication skills and tools for over 50 years. Upcoming weekends: Feb. 11-13 in Ankeny and April 23-24 in Epworth. Iowa-wwme.org or 563-608-3305.

**IN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS...**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
January 23 <i>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:30am & 10:30am Masses 3pm Troop 42 Court of Honor	January 24 7pm Boy Scouts	January 25 6am Men's Group 8am Mass 5:30pm Evening Prayer	January 26 8am Mass No RE classes 6pm The Search 7pm Youth Ministry 7:30pm Scripture Study	January 27 9am School Mass 10am Scripture Study	January 28 8am Mass 11am Adoration 6pm Young Adult game night	January 29 8:30am Women's Conference 3:30pm Reconciliation 4:30pm Mass
January 30 <i>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:30am & 10:30am Masses	January 31 7pm Boy Scouts	February 1 6am Men's Group 8am Mass 5:30pm Evening Prayer	February 2 8am Mass 6pm RE classes 7pm Youth Ministry 7:30pm Celebration Choir rehearsal & social 7:30pm Scripture Study	February 3 9am Mass 10am Scripture Study 10am Kindergarten concert 6:30pm Wine & Wisdom 7pm Glory rehearsal	February 4 8am Mass 11am Adoration	February 5 3:30pm Reconciliation 4:30pm Mass
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## MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

### MONDAY, JAN. 17—ST. ANTHONY OF EGYPT

No Mass

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 18—WEEKDAY

8:00 a.m. + *Naomi Mitchell*

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19—WEEKDAY

8:00 a.m. + *Grace Lebbert*

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 20—WEEKDAY

9:00 a.m. + *Presider intention*

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 21—ST AGNES

8:00 a.m. + *Joseph A. Sherbon*

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

#### THIRD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

**4:30 p.m.** + *Florence & Pete Saller*

**Servers:** Sadie Takes, Natalie Rushton

**Lectors:** Linda Sokolowski, Michael Becker, Cori Butkowski

**Musicians:** Sandra Pickart, Jen Ford

**Lead EM:** Dan Stabile

**Ushers:** Mark Pannkuk, Dave & Willow Schillig, **2 SUBS**

**Greeters:** Don & Mary Chizek, Sue Schollman, Mary Stull, Steven & Courtney Takes, Charlotte Schillig

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

**8:30 a.m.** + *Wendy Portz*

**Servers:** Delaney Shindelar, Zoe Delgado

**Lectors:** Angela Olson, Bill Holtz, Chris McCarville

**Musicians:** Michael Becker, Micaela Andrews

**Lead EM:** Deb Owen

**Ushers:** Steve Pasker, John Pffiffner, Ernie Zaugg, **2 SUBS**

**Greeters:** Scott & Susan Garbe, Ron & Rosemary Hackman, Phyllis Seidl, Robert Wilson, **SUB**

**10:30 a.m.** *For the Parish*

**Servers:** Sam Banaszek, Catherine Swiderski

**Lectors:** Al Langenfeld, Chad Huntington, Jason Davis

**Musicians:** Sue May, Jessica Conrad

**Lead EM:** Anne Thing

**Ushers:** Dave Diebold, Ann Erger, Joe Nguyen, **2 SUBS**

**Greeters:** Jim & Bonnie Beardsworth, Laura Diebold, Staker family, Mary Swiderski, Heather Nguyen

\*\*This minister list is as of noon on January 12.

Changes may have been made after the bulletin went to the printer.

## XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

### 5th grade families -- Save The Date to Explore Regis!

Mark **Saturday, January 29, 9-11 am**, on your calendars for **Explore Regis** at Regis Middle School, 735 Prairie Dr. NE. Current fifth grade students and their families will have a chance to learn about all the opportunities Regis offers and will meet Regis students, parents, teachers, and staff. Please contact Dianne Clarke [dclarke@regisroyals.org](mailto:dclarke@regisroyals.org) or 319-363-1968 to RSVP or if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you at Explore Regis on January 29th!

### ATTENTION! Children Ages 3 & 4 year olds

**What: You are invited to Part time Preschool Registration!**

**Ages: 3 and 4 year old Preschool & Enrichment**

**Where: St. Pius X Early Learning Center**

**When: January 27, 2022**

## SOCIAL JUSTICE/OUTREACH



As we begin this new year, why not take the opportunity to find a new way to serve others? St. Pius X Parish has a long and proud history of serving with various groups in the surrounding area. For you cooks we have groups that make meals for **Catholic Worker House** or hand out meals at **Green Square Meals**. If cooking isn't your strong point, maybe you could find your niche by helping out at any of the various volunteer opportunities at the **Willis Dady Homeless Shelter** or **Metro Catholic Outreach (MCO)**.

If you are more of a builder and enjoy working with tools, look no further than our **Habitat for Humanity** groups or the **Wheelchair Ramp Accessibility Program (WRAP)**. We also have other groups that are always on the lookout for new faces. As you can see there is truly something for everyone! If you have questions or would like more information about any of these groups please contact Sean at 319-393-4445 or e-mail him at [pa@crpiusx.org](mailto:pa@crpiusx.org)



With your help, last week we served 251 people in 115 families and gave out 19 homeless bags.

### Current needs:

- stew/soup/chili
- pancake mix & syrup
- canned pasta
- potatoes (fresh or boxed)
- protein meals for homeless bags
- shampoo/conditioner
- plastic or brown paper grocery bags
- rice
- Helper meals
- soap/body wash
- toothpaste & brushes
- laundry pods
- men's gloves



*Thank you!*

## January 22: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children



Join us as we March for Life and Equality in the Womb on **January 22**. We will meet at St. Matthew's First Avenue parking lot by 9:15. We will have signs available for your use as we march to Planned Parenthood. Once there, we will pray and witness for an end to abortion. The return march

starts at 10:30 back to St. Matthew where in the lower level (Kern Hall) we will warm up eating some delicious chili and have a rally from 11:10-11:40 featuring Bernie Hayes. Those who are unable to march may drive and join in also. Another option is to join the Adoration and Rosary that will be led by the Archdiocesan Council of Women (ACCW) at St. Matthew church from 9:30-10:30. We will be collecting disposable diapers, wipes, and newborn clothes for distribution to Bridgehaven and Birthright.

Questions? Sue Martinek 319-270-0054





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