# ST. PIUS X

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#### MASSES

Sunday Vigil: 5:00 pm (Saturday) Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am & 12:00 Noon Weekdays: 7:00 & 9:00 am Saturday: 9:00 am Only Vigil of Holy Days: 5:30 pm Holy Days: Please see schedule inside bulletin.

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#### FRIARY OFFICE

P: (860) 347-4441 F: (860) 347-3001 **Office Hours:** Sun: 8:30 am - 2:30 pm Mon-Fri: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Sat: 9:30 am - 6:30 pm

#### FAITH FORMATION CENTER

(860) 346-9100

#### SACRAMENTS

**Baptisms:** Twice a month at 1:30 pm for registered parishioners. Instruction for parents is required. Arrangements must be made in advance.

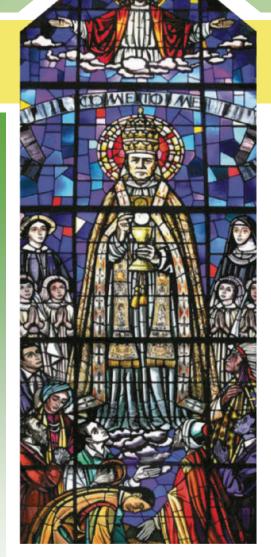
Marriages: Arrangements must be made at least one year in advance.

**Care of the Sick:** Please advise us of anyone from your family who is sick or hospitalized that we may keep them in prayer, visit them and bring the sacraments.

Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3:30 - 4:30 pm Thursdays before First Fridays at 4:00 - 4:30 pm Other times by appointment



14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## WELCOME TO ST. PIUS X

We extend a warm welcome to all who attend our church. We hope that you find our parish community a place where your life of faith will be nourished. We also hope that you will share your special gifts with the community. Your prayers, your presence, and your talents are most welcome. Please introduce yourself after Mass. May God bless all of you. St. Pius Parish Mission Statement:

We, a community of faith, have come together to respond to God's invitation to become holy by living the Gospel. We strive to do this through our awareness of God's presence, our sense of responsibility to one another, and our response to needs within and beyond the parish of St. Pius X.

"Love one another, as I have loved you." (John 13:34)



#### Saturday, July 2

5:00 PM Dec. Salvatore J. Scirpo-37A

#### Sunday, July 3

7:30 AM Capuchin Benefactors 9:00 AM Living & Deceased Members of the Toth Family 10:30 AM 12:00 NN

#### Monday, July 4

9:00 AM Living & Deceased Parishioners

#### Tuesday, July 5

7:00 AMSpecial Intention Elena Debrosse9:00 AMDec. Joseph Footit

#### Wednesday, July 6

7:00 ÅM	Special Intention Rick Miano
9:00 AM	Dec. Nicolo Fazzino

#### Thursday, July 7

7:00 AM	Special Intention Connie Miano
9:00 AM	Dec. Donald Pehota

#### Friday, July 8

7:00 AM Dec. Margaret Resseguie 9:00 AM Dec. Karen Dube

#### Saturday, July 9

9:00 AM Special Intention Marjorie DiMartino 5:00 PM Dec. John Gauvin

#### Sunday, July 10

7:30 AM	Dec. William Mann
9:00 AM	Living & Deceased Parishioners
10:30 AM	Dec. Eileen Kelly
12:00 NN	Book of Deceased



Monday, July 4, Independence Day, there will be one Mass celebrated at 9 AM. The Friary Office will be closed.

We welcome to our parish family, *Georgia Mae Dunn, Eleanor Jane Skymba, Phillip Bondo Stonier, Lucas Dean Zucchetto* and congratulate their happy parents and baptism sponsors.





The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in loving memory of *Elizabeth Jesudason*.

#### Stewardship Is Our Way Of Life

Tithing (Stewardship) is an important way to consecrate ourselves to the Lord. Our gift is made holy because we give thanks and praise to God without strings or conditions.

#### <u>Stewardship of Treasure</u>

All are asked to prayerfully consider tithing and return 10% of our income to the Lord (5% to the parish, 5% to God's other charities) in gratitude<sup>.</sup> The spiritual practice of tithing disposes us to place God first in every area of our lives!

#### Week 52—June 26

 2021 - 22
 2020 - 21

 Actual Sunday Offering
 \$5,028\*
 \$6,460\*

 Electronic Giving for the Week
 \$5,376\*
 \$4,684\*

 \$10,404\*
 \$11,144\*

#### "Tithing—Putting God First" - Stewardship

"He said to them, 'The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few...'" Luke 10:2

As Catholics we are all called to serve. Each of us has been given "charisms" otherwise known as gifts from the Holy Spirit to help build God's Church. Our charisms can only be used for good. We know that we are using them in the right ministry when we are filled with joy and we want to share stories about our charitable works. Discern how God is calling you to use your charisms. Say "yes" to what God is calling you to do and then do it! Share your joy and invite others to do the same.

#### Stewardship of Time and Talent Spending Time with God in Prayer

Celebrate the 4th of July by attending Mass at 9 AM, thanking God and especially remembering those who gave their lives for our freedom Talents in Service to God and Others

"The fact is, with every friendship you make and every bond of trust you establish, you are shaping the image of America projected to the rest of the world." *Michelle Obama* 

Readings for the week of July 3, 2022 Sunday: Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 [1]/Gal 6:14-18/ Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9 Monday: Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 9:18-26 Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10//Mt 9:32-38 Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 10:1-7 Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16/Mt 10:7-15 Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17/Mt 10:16-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17/ Saturday: Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mt 10:24-33

#### July 3, 2022

My dear friends, this Monday, we will celebrate the 246<sup>th</sup> birthday of our nation. I am sure that many of you will be celebrating with barbecues, days at the beach, and attending fireworks shows or other patriotic festivities. And rightly so! I always have had a tremendous appreciation for the freedoms and blessings that we have here in the United States. I think that part of this is due to the fact that my father and grandfather were both war veterans. Both were U.S. Marines. One served in World War II, and the other in Vietnam. Like so many others who have served in the military, they fought for the preservation of our freedoms and the values that we as American citizens hold dear to us. I want to personally thank all of our veterans in our parish, and all those who are currently active serving in the military for all you do for our country. In our Gospel reading for this Sunday, we hear the beautiful passage from Luke, as Jesus gives instructions to those 72 being sent out in pairs on mission to preach the Word and to heal. He tells them to put their trust in God's goodness to provide them with shelter and sustenance. "Carry no money bag, no sack, no sandals....Stay in the same house and eat and drink what is offered to you." They were asked to trust that God knows what they will need and provide for them.

I think that this weekend and as we celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, we are also to be mindful of all of the gifts we have received from God, especially the gift of our freedoms. With that said, it's especially important to be thankful for the freedom to practice our faith. I think we are all aware of the persecutions and great dangers facing Christians in different parts of the world. This past weekend, two priests lost their lives in Nigeria. Both Fr. Christopher Odia and Fr. Vitus Borogo were murdered in two separate incidents. Earlier this month, over 50 people were martyred during the celebration of Pentecost Sunday Mass in Nigeria. These are just a few examples of the real difficulties facing Christians in different places. May we give thanks to God for all of the blessings we have as Americans here in our Country. And may we also not forget to give thanks to God for the beauty of our land; the mountains and lakes, the beautiful picturesque deserts and forests, the rivers and coastlands that are all part of the beauty of God's creation. With that said, with gratitude comes the continuous call to be responsible for these gifts by our care for them; to protect our resources, to protect and care for those who have served our country, and to protect those most vulnerable, particularly the unborn. I wish you all a very Happy and Safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July, and may God bless you all.

Fr. Perento Bedand, DFM Cop

#### **Capuchin Appalachian Mission Trip** The Capuchin Appalachian Mission trip is once again happening this year and St. Pius X is blest to have an adult volunteer who has been selected to participate in CYFM's CAM Program which ministers to the people in Harlan County, KY. Martin Gerndt spoke at some of the Masses last weekend about his upcoming trip, July 9-17, and has asked you, our parish family to be

his Companion-In-Service by your generous giving of prayers: giving attention to the needs of the poverty stricken people right here in the USA, and the giving of your 100% tax deductible financial support to help make the mission trip a success. Donations can still be made to support his trip to Harlan County. Checks can be made payable directly to CYFM, and can be placed in the offertory basket, or dropped off at the Friary Office. Thank you in advance for your generosity and being his Companion-In-Service.

#### CLASP

CLASP (Catholic Literature & Arts Summer Program): A uniquely Catholic and universally fun theater arts camp, Sun., Jul 31 through Sat., Aug 6, 2022. CYFM's team of educators, dancers, choreographers, directors, acting coaches, religious, and priests bring out the best in each participant. Participants grow and share their gifts and talents, pray and worship, and debut a new original musical, *Jonah and the Prophettes!* CLASP is for

high school students (including rising 9th graders); elementary-age students are welcome to join Jr. CLASP (day program). Housing, meals, and worship & socialization space at Mt Alvernia Retreat Center and Rehearsal-Performance Space is St. Mary's Church 2 Convent Ave, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. No prior theater experience is necessary. Application and deposit must be received by Monday, July 11, 2022; apply online: CLASP: <u>https://bit.ly/CYFMCLASP2022</u> and Jr. CLASP: <u>https://bit.ly/CYFMCLASPJR</u>. For more info, contact Mary Ellen: <u>myannitelli@capuchin.org</u>; (845) 718-0218.



#### St. Vincent de Paul's Service Date is July 10th

We will be partnering with Congregation Adath Israel to provide this meal. Items needed: jarred sauce, frozen meatballs, 120 hot/cold cups,120 plastic forks, Italian bread, butter. I am looking for 1 cook and a couple of servers. Please contact Janet Maune, 860-833-1185, if you would like to volunteer or can

provide an item so I will know what will need to be purchased. Thank you!

#### **Community Garden**

The St. Pius X Garden Club meets the third Friday of each month at 5:30 PM. The next meeting is Friday, July 15. We need more team members! Please join us by emailing Marty at mgabris@comcast.net or text at 860-510-2778





#### Mass of Healing and Hope

Come join us for a <u>Mass of Healing and Hope</u> the second Sunday of every month at 2 PM, at Church of the Holy Family, 185 Church St, Hebron. The next masses scheduled will be on July 10, August 14, and September 11. Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Ray Introvigne with a

healing service following the mass led by Father Ray Introvigne and Judith Hughes. For more information contact Andrea Hoisl at <u>faithevents@norwichdiocese.net</u> or 860-848-2237 ext. 203

#### **Connecticut Sun Basketball Tickets**

The Connecticut Sun Basketball Team is offering Diocese of Norwich Families & Members discounted ticket rates throughout the entire 2022 Sun Season!

Through this exclusive link you can purchase discounted tickets for 2022 Connecticut Sun Home Game

### Ticketlink:<a href="https://offer.fevo.com/diocese-of-norwich-8adbd0c">https://offer.fevo.com/diocese-of-norwich-8adbd0c</a>

If you have questions about Sun Tickets, please contact Lindsey Kaplan at <u>lkaplan@connecticutsun.com</u> or call 860-862-4320

#### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES IS HIRING**

Opening for an Administrative Assistant for our Norwich office. Marketing experience preferred, written communication a must, college degree required. To inquire or send a resume, email <u>catholiccharitiesnorwich@ccfsn.org</u>



**PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED** for the members of our parish who are suffering serious or chronic illness. Please take some time this week to remember them. If you or a member of your family would like the faith community of St. Pius to join you in prayers for special needs, contact the parish office at 860-347-4441. They will be remembered during the Masses that week and then listed in the bulletin for three months. To remain on the list after three months, a follow up call to the friary is necessary. *John Campbell*,



George Morton, Jenny Boutin, Ellen, Jackie Hinczynski, Helen Goldman, L. Butler, Sloane Baker, Gabby, Emily, Hank H., Lily Vartanian, Glenn R. Inman.

Please pray for the souls of our faithful departed and remember those whose anniversary of death occurs this week: *James Corcoran, Michael Poposki, Dr. Frank Jakubiec, Eric J. Kalber, Robert E. McBrien, Michael Skubel, Elpinice Janice Augeri,* 

Hiram Coleman, Irene Flynn, Clayton Berry, Irene M. Chase, Gerald Randazzo, Daniel V. Kuenstler, Salvatore Scirpo, David Silverman, Brian Berry, Dr. LeRoy A. Carlini, Carmelo Milardo, Florence Hunt, William McNeil, Nicholas D'Amato, Edward Smith, John Kowalewski, Charles Kennedy, Marilyn Drenzek, Louis Russo, Charles Gunn, Pamela Cotharin, Henry W. Valk, Genevieve Aforismo, Cecile Brady

#### Attention Business Owners, Professionals, Self Employed and Families!

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bulletin successful, and you attract customers! Advertisements can be purchased for a business, a family, a charity, In Memory of a Loved One or to support the church or a community service organization like emergency pregnancy counseling, the March of Dimes, etc. We need and appreciate your help.

If you would like to run an ad or would like more information, please call Lisa before her visit. Lisa can be reached directly at (860) 510-8926, or via e-mail to <u>lelliott@4lpi.com</u>.



#### FORMED—Pick of the Week—July 3, 2022 John Paul II in America: Uniting a Continent

The papacy of St. John Paul II left an indelible mark on our homeland. Driven a conviction to unite the Americas under the patronage of Our Lady of Guadalupe, he traveled from Argentina all the way to Alaska, shaping a generation and changing history along the way. In celebration of our country this week, enjoy this film documenting the journies of John Paul II, the "Pilgrim Pope."

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