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(Saturday)

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& 12:00 Noon

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Saturday: 9:00 am Only

Vigil of Holy Days: 5:30 pm

Holy Days: Please see
schedule
inside bulletin.

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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



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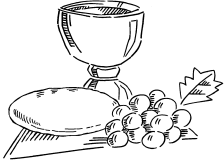
We extend a warm welcome to all who attend our church. We hope that you find our parish community a place where your life of faith will be nourished. We also hope that you will share your special gifts with the community. Your prayers, your presence, and your talents are most welcome. Please introduce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

ST. PIUS X, MIDDLETOWN

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)



Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 9

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 11

7:00 AM Dec. Anthony & Ruth Simon
9:00 AM Dec. Douglas Mitchell

Tuesday, July 12

7:00 AM Dec. Fr. Venard Kelly, OFM Cap.
9:00 AM Dec. Elizabeth Pernel

Wednesday, July 13

7:00 AM Special Intention Christina Gallagher
9:00 AM Dec. Diane Bergeron

Thursday, July 14

7:00 AM In Thanksgiving
9:00 AM Dec. Bob & Aileen Bannon

Friday, July 15

7:00 AM Dec. Bart Sheehan
9:00 AM Dec. Walter Zawisa

Saturday, July 16

9:00 AM Special Intention Dylan DiMartino
5:00 PM Dec. Genie Dypa

Sunday, July 17

7:30 AM Dec. Santo Berdino
9:00 AM Dec. Margaret Resseguie
10:30 AM Dec. Stanley Szalkiewicz
12:00 NN Dec. Felix Sheehan, MD



The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn this week in loving memory of **Carmen Urso**, requested by Bea Zappulla..



The **Altar Flowers, Bread and Wine** are donated this week in loving memory of **Arlene & Mark Baker**.



Wedding  Banns

I Shaun Spiteri & Maria Zammit

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.

Stewardship of Treasure

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. The spiritual practice of tithing disposes us to place God first in every area of our lives!

Week 1—July 3

	2022 - 23	2021 - 22
Actual Sunday Offering	\$9,170.	\$10,229.
Electronic Giving for the Week	\$4,473.	\$4,970.
	\$13,343.	\$15,199.

"Tithing—Putting God First" - Stewardship

"Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'" Luke 10:37

This was Jesus' command at the end of the Good Samaritan story. Did you know that the Samaritans and Jews despised each other? The moral of the story is to love our neighbor. That means loving someone you may not know, or someone that looks different than you, or someone that has different beliefs than you, or someone that you don't like. All without expecting anything in return.

Stewardship of Time and Talent

Spending Time with God in Prayer

Try attending daily Mass during the summer months..

Talents in Service to God and Others

Are you planning on making a donation to Goodwill? Stop by the Friary Office to pick up a "Good Neighbor Donation" card and your donations along with the card will benefit St. Vincent de Paul here in Middletown,

Readings for the week of July 10, 2022

Sunday: Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [9])/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37
Mon. Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 10:34—11:1
Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8/Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15/Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21/Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16/Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14/Mt 12:14-21

July 10, 2022

St. Dominic and St. Francis not only lived at the same time but actually knew each other personally. They found their orders: (later called Franciscans and Dominicans – they didn't name their orders after themselves). Both orders are itinerant- that is they move rather than have a cloister. Both ask simplicity and poverty of their brothers.

A generation later the two great thinkers of the Dominicans and Franciscans arise: St. Thomas Aquinas and St. Bonaventure. They knew each other and taught in the University of Paris together. The Theology of St. Thomas Aquinas is an essential foundation for Roman Catholic theology. Every seminarian has to be acquainted with the basics. St. Bonaventure seems like he is in St. Thomas' shadow. But he is a very different type of theologian. Thomas stresses the power of reason to make faith understandable. Bonaventure is more of a mystic. His theology comes from and points toward prayer as an experience.

He has plenty of works. The ones I revisit are: **The Soul's Journey into God, The Life of St. Francis, The Tree of Life, and the Threefold Path.**

The Soul's Journey considers how we grow in knowledge of God through the things He has made, to the things that move the things He has made, to knowledge of God in Himself. **The Life of Francis** is a meditation on the Life of St. Francis and how his spiritual gifts from God shaped how He walked in the world. It was required reading for friars in formation. **The Tree of Life** is a meditation on the life of Jesus Christ divided into 12 different aspects- like branches on a tree. Each section has a meditation then a prayer. **The Threefold Path** is a short book of meditations for growth in the life of prayer, three sections: purgation, illumination, union. Each of those divided in the three parts: prayer, meditation, and contemplation. Bonaventure is a great intellect but knew what came first:

"Any old woman can love God better than a doctor of theology can."

And that knowledge should lead to an experience.

"To know much but taste nothing what is the use of that"

In terms of the Papacy the Franciscans have had a good run. The first Jesuit Pope clearly wishes he was a Franciscan in being the Pope Francis. Less well known is that Pope Benedict XVI was a scholar of St. Bonaventure- his doctoral work centered on Bonaventure's theology. When you read his writings it peeks out fairly regularly.

We have in the church a window of St. Thomas Aquinas and facing him our brother St. Bonaventure. He is a doctor of the Church and part of the Treasures of our Catholic Tradition.



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: <https://bit.ly/CYFMCLASP2022> and Jr. CLASP: <https://bit.ly/CYFMCLASPJR>. For more info, contact Mary Ellen: myannitelli@capuchin.org; (845) 718-0218.



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Bulletin Advertising Opportunities Available!

Lisa Elliott from Liturgical Publications will be working remotely the week of July 11th working on securing new ads for the advertisement section of our bulletin. We need your help! Please consider purchasing an ad. Your ad and participation makes our 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 elliott@4lpi.com.



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



Proteins and Products for the Pantry

Pack the Pick-Up. Please help us fill the shelves for Amazing Grace Food Pantry. Altrusans, Civitans and Soroptimists are joining with our community to collect food, personal products, school supplies and monetary donations to fill the Pantry shelves.



Saturday, August 20, 2022
 (rain or shine)

8 AM - 12 Noon

St. Pius X Church – Lower Parking Lot

SAVE THE DATE!

**19th Annual St. Pius Golf Outing
 Portland Golf Course**

Thursday, September 29 – 10:30am shotgun
 More details to follow in the coming weeks!



"Fall...Into the Holidays Fair"

Please come and join us for some Old-Fashioned Fun!

Saturday, October 15, 2022 9 AM – 3 PM in the Church Hall and Lower Parking Lot

There will be **Arts and Crafts, Bakes Goods, Our Legendary General Raffle, Plants, White Elephant, Food and Activities for Children.**

Please contact the Church Friary Office 860-347-4441 if you can help at the Fair. NEW items for the General Raffle must have a value of at least \$25. Donations to the White Elephant Booth can be delivered after Labor Day - No furniture, electronics or clothing.

Thanks for your support for our St. Pius X Fair encouraging

Fun – Family – Fellowship!



Formed—Pick of the Week—July 10

St. Kateri Tekakwitha, otherwise known as the "Lily of the Mohawks," became our first Native American Saint after her canonization in 2012. During her life, young Kateri suffered much ridicule due to her counter-cultural decision to remain a virgin out of love for Christ. As we celebrate Kateri's feast day today, enjoy this short audio book that describes Kateri's journey to Our Lord within the context of her native tribe.



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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: *Mabel Brown, Estelle Shugrue, David Myjak, Hugo Scaramella. Anna Cucia, William Mann, Edward Petritus, Guy Misenti, Sr., Agnes Lightfoot, Anna Marselli, Michael J. Silva, Betty Ann Coughlin, Rocco V. Pizzorusso, Claire Edwards, Madeline Ciaburri, Daniel Marselli, Phillip Edwards, John McMahon, Diane Bergeron, Thomas S. LaBella, Dolores Bonenfant, Roger Sabourin, Victor J. Barrymore, Fr. Venard Kelly, OFM Cap., Elsie Greco, Matthew Cook, Michele Leveille, John S. Kosenski, Richard Duffy, Jeannine Kieft-Schnipper, Francis Dionne.*



Mass of Healing and Hope

Come join us for a Mass of Healing and Hope 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 faithevents@norwichdiocese.net or 860-848-2237 ext. 203



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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

Ticket link: <https://offer.fevo.com/diocese-of-norwich-8adb0c>

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