

# St. Pius X Parish, R.C.

*"To Restore All Things in Christ"*

May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
Sixth Sunday of Easter



## Mission Statement

Love God. Love Others. Make Disciples and Strive to "Restore all Things in Christ."

## Welcome to our Parish

No matter what your present or past status in the Catholic Church;  
No matter what your current family or marital situation;  
No matter what your personal history, age, background, race, or color;  
You are invited, welcomed, accepted and loved  
at St. Pius X Roman Catholic Church.

## Mass Schedule

**Monday - Saturday: 8:45 am**

**Saturday: 3:45 pm - 5:15 pm**

**Sunday: 7:00 am - 8:30 am - 10:30 am - 12:00 pm**

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# Scripture Reflection

(by Fr. Valentine, Pastor)



## Sixth Sunday of Easter - Mother's Day

Today we thank our mothers, pray for them, honor them by celebrating Mother's Day and by offering our mothers living and deceased on the altar of God.

**The origin of "Mother's Day."** Anna M. Jarvis (1864-1948), first suggested the national observance of an annual day honoring all mothers because she had loved her own mother so dearly. At a memorial service for her mother on May 10, 1908, Miss Jarvis gave a carnation (her mother's favorite flower), to each person who attended. Within the next few years, the idea of a day to honor mothers gained popularity, and Mother's Day was observed in a number of large cities in the U.S. On May 9, 1914, by an act of Congress, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day. He established the day as a time for "public expression of our love and reverence for the mothers of our country." By then it had become customary to wear white carnations to honor departed mothers and red to honor the living, a custom that continues to this day. Proverbs 31:10-31 presents us with God's description and estimation of what a godly wife and mother looks like.

**The role of mothers in our lives:** This is a day to admit gratefully the fact that none of us is able to return, in the same measure, all the love that our mothers have given us. Their influence on their children is so great that it affects the children throughout their lives. Our mothers not only gave us birth but nursed us, nurtured us, trained us in their religious beliefs and practices, taught us good manners and ideal behavior, disciplined us as best as they could, and made us good citizens of our country, our Church, and our society. There is a beautiful Spanish proverb: "An ounce of mother is better than a pound of clergy." Hence, it is highly proper for us to express our love and gratitude to our mothers by our presence (not possible this strange year), gifts, and prayers on Mother's Day. We offer this Eucharistic celebration on Mother's Day for all the mothers in our congregation, whether they are alive here or have gone for their eternal reward. The word "mom" is synonymous with sacrificial, *agápe* love in its purest form, as commanded by Jesus in his farewell speech: "Love one another as I have loved you." Hence, let us lavish our love on our mothers and express our gratitude for them in the form of fervent prayers offered for them before God.

**Remember that a Christian has two mothers:** On Mother's Day, let us acknowledge the truth that we have two mothers: our earthly mother and our Heavenly Mother, the Mother of Jesus. The Catholic Church proclaims the great nobility of the Mother of Jesus, Mary most holy, and presents her as the supreme model for all mothers. On this Mother's Day, presenting all mothers on the altar, let us sing the beautiful song we sing on the Feast of the Presentation, "Gentle woman, peaceful dove, teach us wisdom, teach us love." Let us show our love and appreciation for both of our mothers and let us ask our Heavenly Mother to take care of our earthly mothers. We need to be persons for others, sacrificing out time, talents and lives for them as our mothers are.

Mothers and motherly women in the Bible: Certainly, the Bible recognizes women in positions of power – women who have contributed to making the world a better place. There was Miriam who led the people in praising God after the crossing of the Red Sea (Ex 15:21); Ruth who put God first and became the ancestress of King David (Ruth 1:16; 4:17); Deborah, a judge in Israel (Judges 5); Hannah who "gave to the Lord" the child of her prayers (1 Sam 1:28); Esther who took her life in her hands to plead for her doomed people (Esther C:14-30); the pagan widow whose obedience sustained the prophet Elijah (1 Kings 17:9-16); a little captive Jewish maid who told Naaman's wife of the man of God who could cure Naaman of his leprosy (2 Kings 5:2-4). The most important mother in the New Testament is Jesus' Mother, Mary, whom Jesus, on the cross, gave to be Mother to John, his beloved friend, and in him to all of us for whom he was dying. Jesus praised the poor widow for her gift of two mites to the Temple (Mk 12:43). The New Testament also presents some women who showed maternal love. There is the woman who anointed Jesus with the expensive ointment (Mk

14:3); Martha who served and Mary who sat at the feet of Jesus (Lk 10:38-42); Mary Magdalene who brought spices to anoint Jesus, who first greeted the risen Lord and who received the first commission – "Go tell" (Jn 20:17-18; Mk 16:9); Lydia one of the first converts in Macedonia (Acts 16:14); Tabitha, called Dorcas – full of good works (Acts 9:36); Phoebe and Priscilla – servants of the Church (Rom 16:1-4); Lois and Eunice who had sincere faith (2 Tim 1:5), Persis "the beloved," and Tryphena and Tryphosa who labored for the Lord (Rom 16:12). So being a mother does not suggest lack of initiative and ability. It does mean getting one's priorities straight. It doesn't mean freeing men from all responsibility with young children. It means mutual sharing of responsibilities with the recognition of individual gifts and needs.

Eminent men on mothers: George Washington once said, "My mother was the most beautiful woman I ever saw. All I am I owe to my mother. I attribute all my success in life to the moral, intellectual, and physical education I received from her." Abraham Lincoln spoke similar words when he said, "All that I am or ever hope to be, I owe to my angel Mother." Theodore Roosevelt has the following beautiful advice to all mothers: "Into the woman's keeping is committed the destiny of the generations to come after us. In bringing up your children, you mothers must remember that, while it is essential to love and be tender, it is no less essential to be wise and firm." Thomas Edison once said, "I did not have my mother long, but she cast over me an influence which has lasted all my life. The good effects of her early training I can never lose. If it had not been for her appreciation and her faith in me at a critical time in my experience, I should never likely have become an inventor. I was always a careless boy, and with a mother of different mental caliber, I should have turned out badly. But her firmness, her sweetness, her goodness were potent powers to keep me in the right path. My mother was the making of me. The memory of her will always be a blessing to me."



## We See God in the Ordinary

### Choosing to Love One Another

"That's Love one another. The greatest commandment, the simplest commandment — and if you've ever loved anyone, you know it's also the hardest.

I'm man enough to admit it. I've seen one or two of those cheesy Hallmark movies that are especially popular around the holidays. Boy meets Girl. Boy and Girl encounter a catastrophic roadblock to their relationship — they're coaches of rival high school volleyball teams, or he runs a dog kennel and she works at a feline rescue, so it could never, ever work out, right? But sprinkle a little movie magic over the whole situation and Boy and Girl find what Hallmark tells us is true love.

I could make a list of all the things that are inaccurate about these movies, and something I would put right near the top — maybe even above the sometimes-unbelievable storylines — is the idea that love is a feeling.

See, I'm not sure if it's accurate to call these movies love stories. Attraction stories, sure. But if you've ever forgiven someone who's hurt you, nursed a dying parent, gotten up for an infant's night feeding or let your kid have the last piece of cake, you know that real love is a verb. It's something you do. And it is almost always a choice.

Love one another. How often do we hear this? How often do we think about what it really means? How often do we take a moment to consider the action Jesus is asking us to take and the choice he is asking us to make?

?Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS  
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**Monday, May 10**

(St. Damien de Veuster, Priest)

8:45 am Marie & Richard Marcantonio (Living)

**Tuesday, May 11**

8:45 am Arthur O'Connell, Fr. Francis Vattakudiyil (Living)

**Wednesday, May 12**

(Sts. Nereus & Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr)

8:45 am Msgr. Thomas Mulvaney (Anniversary of Ordination Remembrance)

**Wednesday, May 12**

(Ascension)

Thursday - VIGIL)

3:45 pm Victims of Covid-19, St. Pius X Parish Family

**Thursday, May 13**

(Ascension Thursday, Our Lady of Fatima)

8:45 am Xavier Coutinho (Living)

12:15 pm Maryann & Joseph Rietschlin, Michael DiCarlo

7:30 pm Mary & Frank Phelan, Dr. John & Thomas Pesiri

**Friday, May 14**

(St. Matthias, Apostle)

8:45 am St. Vincent dePaul Society

**Saturday, May 15**

(St. Isidore)

8:45 am Matthew Stucchio (4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Remembrance), Bencivenga Family,

(Seventh Sunday of Easter)

3:45 pm Michael DiCarlo, Luz Ebelia Lugo, Kenneth Mannion, Jeanne Curran, Elizabeth Wankovilc

5:15 pm Nicolette Milite, Kevin D'Souza, Nicholas Gomes, Angeline Lemos

**Sunday, May 6**

(Seventh Sunday of Easter)

7:00 am St. Pius X Parishioners, Harry McLaughlin

8:30 am Gloria Lema, Philip Cavallaro, Rev. Simon Palliparambil

10:30 am Salvatore Manziello, Maryann Rietschlin

12:00 pm Sam Cosentino

**Intentions of the Holy Father Pope Francis  
Universal - The World of Finance**

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

**The Deceased & their Families**

Jeanne Curran, Angeline Lemos, Ivan Kelly, Sr. Mary Jane Kelly OP, Fr. Oscar Baretto, Dorothy Vetri, Naomi Fonseca, Genna LaGrasta, Edilee Rosales Omyon, Nicolette Milite

**The Sick**

Miriam O'Connell, Joanne Masciocchi, Baby Josie Gray, Pietra LoMenzo, Geraldine Freiler, Doug Bernardo, Cathrine Onufrey, Rosemary Pesali, Helen Morrissey, Tony & Marina Piccolo, Frances Manziello, Mario Muscardin, Michael Ferrari, Ann Mascarelli, Carl Smitelli, Lenny Schroder, Ed Thorgersen Sr., Jan Schatzberg, Julia Noya, Debra Jean Fisher, Mike & Maureen Kenney, Donna Tortora, Gianna Ragusa, Lisa Hulsen, Stacey Bell, Rachel Staiano, Joseph P. Pisanti, Marie & Joe Giambalvo, Rufina Storelli, Marion Celenza, Linda Ludwig, Anna Rafter, Joseph Witowski, Nina Antonio, Bridget & Charles McGuinness, Adeline Mifsud, Richard Dannenhoffer, Anne & George Bantleon, Eugene Purnell, Audrey & Ed Coyne, Mary Ellen Phelan, Marylou & Judy Kohler, Dorothy Walsh, Carol Herlihy, Veronica Gentile, Phil Saglimbene, Rosa Zulo, Anna Sinisgalli, Arlene Benigno, Grace Marino, Rosalie Zurlo, Bill & Elaine Murray, Lettie Graham, Margaret LiCausi, Janet Morrissey, Adelaide Motta, Julia Serpe, Joanne Pirraglia, Nancy Pesiri, Mary Cauty, Phyllis DeGregoris, Robert Perham, Anne Dailey, Rose Bell, Angela Artale, Lena Jankowski, Angela Borruso, James D. Quinn, Adam Volpe, Rose Rutigliano, Phil Roeske, Rosemary Burke, Donna Lawson Ceparano, Dorothy McKeever, Ann Abitabilo, Barbara Zmoos, Peter Mancini, Eugenie Schirm, Susan Pabst Behrens, Alistair Magee, Patti Sullivan, Marie & Richard Marcantonio, Tom Flynn, John Brusdeilins, Terese Blakeney, Rosa Crispino, Carolyn Holland, Russell Worth, Gloria Romuno, Bob Corrigan, Gabrielle Wolf, Pat Walsh, Robert & Muriel Reahl, Debbie Lahey, Mary Posch, Richard Harrigan, Fr. Bob McGuire, Fr. John Whelan, Cathy Gerrity, Grace Carbone

Names of the sick will remain on the Prayer List for 1 month. Please notify the Parish Office if prayers are still requested after 1 month or if the person is deceased.

**Safety of our Parish Members in the Armed Forces**

Michelle Meyers, Rafael Borrero, Kathleen Donovan (Army)  
Brandon Sassone, John Brennan (Navy)



God Bless the USA!

**Special Devotions**

**Novena to the Immaculate Conception:** Every Monday following the 8:45am Mass

**Rosary:** Monday - Saturday following the 8:45am Mass

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Every Friday following the 8:45am Mass until 10:15am in the church and the last Tuesday of each month from 9:15am to 7:00pm

**Care of the Sick:** Please notify the Parish Office if there is any parishioner who is ill at home so that we may administer the proper spiritual care.



**NO ADORATION  
until further notice**

# We Give & We Remember

## Financially Speaking

May 2 .....	\$4,870.00
Online .....	1,045.00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$5,915.00</b>
Catholic Schools .....	\$ 150.00

**Note: Second collection on May 15/16 is a special Diocesan Collection for Catholic Communications.**

*Thank you for your generosity!*



Clare Crossley  
CMA Coordinator

### 2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal (as of May 4)

Goal Amount: .....	\$43,400.00
Pledges: .....	\$33,786.00
Payments: .....	\$25,768.50
Donors: .....	135

## Altar Candles

for the week of May 8 - 14

*In loving memory of*

**Audrey Maune**

*Donated by the Rosary Society*



## Bread & Wine Altar Flowers Sanctuary Lamp

for the week of May 8 - 14

**In memory of all  
COVID-19 victims**



## Monthly Food Drive Upcoming Dates

**May 22/23  
June 26/27**

In our community there are many families who rely on our generosity!

**Put donations in separate bags:  
Canned & Boxed Goods / Toiletries**

***Make sure food items have not expired - No produce***

# Letter to Nurses from Bishop Barres



DIocese OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE  
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Dear Nurses of Long Island,

In this last year, no one was left unaffected by the trials and tribulations of the COVID-19 pandemic, but nurses, in a most profound way, were at the frontline from the very beginning, have been there during the darkest hours, and will be there to the very end. I am most grateful for the dedication of every nurse in our Diocese of Rockville Centre who, called to duty in these unprecedented times, demonstrated the grace, strength, and perseverance that epitomized the Nursing profession and our Christian duty to care for the sick and suffering.

But it is more than just the last year. I thank every one of you in our hospitals, nursing homes and rehabilitation centers, home care environments, hospices, primary care and specialty clinics, schools, and most especially in our Catholic Health system, for giving selflessly, throughout your careers, and bringing Christ's compassion and consolation to so many. I thank you for seeing the beauty and dignity of the human person in every patient you serve.

In the last year, I know how so many of you, painfully aware of the dangers you faced with an unknown infection, bravely donned full body Personal Protective Equipment to minister to the sick and dying in our hospitals, nursing homes and private residences. But I also know of the less-chronicled times you have been away from your own families for extended shifts during a snowstorm or hurricane, when you have brought cheer with a small token of love for a lonesome patient, when you have listened or prayed with a family member, and when you have rejoiced over the news of a cure or recovery. At the same time, you have been there to comfort, console, and accompany many patients and their families through difficult times. You have been at the foot of the Cross.

It is for these qualities of character, this deep commitment, and these sacrifices whether small or heroic, that we know those who enter the field of Nursing have a special vocation: to bring Christ to the bedside, to heal the wounds of the body, and more importantly, those of the soul.

And so, as we mark National Nurses Week, it is with the sincerest gratitude that I thank you for all you do to serve God's people here on Long Island, for bearing witness to His call to love our neighbor: "For the whole law is fulfilled in one statement, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'" (Gal 5:14). Nursing, in its purest form, manifests this truth articulated by Pope Benedict XVI in *Caritas in Veritate*: "everything has its origin in God's love, everything is shaped by it, everything is directed towards it. Love is God's greatest gift to humanity; it is his promise and our hope."

May God bless you in your dedicated work and in your heroic sacrifices and charity.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
*John O. Barres*  
Most Reverend John O. Barres  
Bishop of Rockville Centre

# We Pray & We Reflect



## FIRST READING: ACTS 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and, falling at his feet, paid him homage. Peter, however, raised him up, saying, “Get up. I myself am also a human being.” Then Peter proceeded to speak and said, “In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him.”

While Peter was still speaking these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening to the word.

The circumcised believers who had accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the Gentiles also, for they could hear them speaking in tongues and glorifying God.

Then Peter responded, “Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit even as we have?” He ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

Sing to the LORD a new song,  
for he has done wondrous deeds;  
His right hand has won victory for him,  
his holy arm.

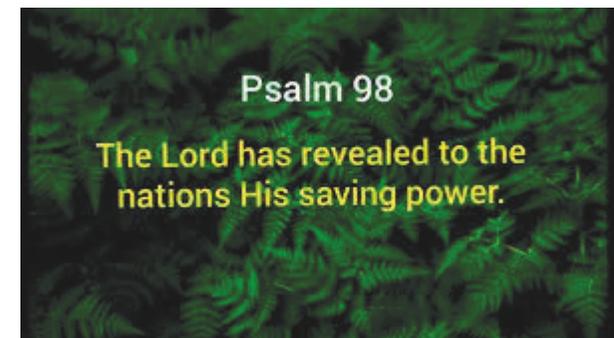
**R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.**

The LORD has made his salvation known:  
in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice.  
He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness  
toward the house of Israel.

**R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.**

All the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation by our God.  
Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands;  
break into song; sing praise.

**R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.**



## RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32

**R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.**

## SECOND READING: 1 JN 4:7-10

Beloved, let us love one another,  
because love is of God;  
everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.  
Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love.

In this way the love of God was revealed to us:  
God sent his only Son into the world  
so that we might have life through him.

In this is love:  
not that we have loved God, but that he loved us  
and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.

# We Pray & We Reflect

## GOSPEL for Fifth Sunday of Easter JN 15: 9-17

Jesus said to his disciples:  
“As the Father loves me, so I also love you.  
Remain in my love.  
If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love,  
just as I have kept my Father’s commandments  
and remain in his love.  
“I have told you this so that my joy may be in you  
and your joy might be complete.  
This is my commandment: love one another as I love you.  
No one has greater love than this,  
to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.  
You are my friends if you do what I command you.  
I no longer call you slaves,  
because a slave does not know what his master is doing.  
I have called you friends,  
because I have told you everything I have heard from my  
Father.  
It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you  
and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain,  
so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may  
give you.  
This I command you: love one another.”

## GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

“Remain in my love,” and, “I call you friends,” are powerful words that are found in John’s Gospel. Most of us probably have them committed to memory or have at least heard them proclaimed dozens of times. They are words that can easily become trite and quickly glossed over without fully pondering and digesting their profound beauty. When we take the time to immerse ourselves in them, they can radically change our lives and our relationships. They can open up new doors of adventure and hold countless possibilities for meaning. The essence of love and friendship are things that can easily be taken for granted. They have always been there and are a significant part of our lives. Many would say that they could not live without love and friendship, and they put a great deal of care into preserving, deepening and sustaining them. Love and friendship share a mutual relationship with each other that deserves more reflection.

Where does love come from? We can consider relationships that have not succeeded and conclude that they were somehow due to our “failures in love.” In doing so, we assume that human beings are the ones responsible for love, its success and also its failure. While our weakness, emotional composition and sinfulness can easily impact our ability to love, its origin is not human. God is love. God is love’s author and origin. When we love, it is God who loves in and through us. It is because of this divine closeness that Jesus is able to call us friends! It is not because of anything we have done but simply because of who we are. Realizing and contemplating this awesome reality becomes a game changer across the board. It gives us reason to clear the table of anything that can adversely affect the way we love so that we can open the door for its author to shine forth.

Coming upon this truth is what leads folks like St. Francis of Assisi to leave that which is comfortable and worldly and live a radical life. They relate with the love of God that radiates in and through all living things and appreciate their sacredness. It was having an intimate experience of God’s love and friendship that propelled St. Francis and others to embrace simplicity, act nonviolently, pursue humility, love enemies, care for the earth and open up avenues for true justice. Understanding this profound truth will also help us find peaceful solutions to world’s problems, restore relationships with our sisters and brothers, bring the grace of loving stewardship to creation and heal many wounds. Once we begin to see how wonderfully holy all of life really is, we discover joy. We lose our need for fear, develop a fierce fortitude, act prudently and seek justice. There is great power in love because it comes from God. It will never fail. It also enjoys the company of two other friends who are eager to become our friends as well: faith and hope. These are just as important to have and to share.

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# A Word from the Pastor



My Dear Family,

*Happy Mother's Day* to all of our mothers, grandmothers, stepmothers, godmothers, mothers-2-B and to all who have been mother figures to us. Over the past few weeks, I presided at two funeral services of such wonderful & giving mothers. One mother was in her 70s, the other in her 90s but as I consoled the families, it was evident how much these mothers had touched the lives of their loved ones.



It is one of those things that we can so easily take for granted. Our mothers can seem like such a constant in our lives. We expect them to be there continually. If I had more time, I will research, the origin of Mother's Day. Let me just say, that whoever came up with the idea I'm glad they did.

If you're old like me and your mom now rests with our loving Father, I hope you're blessed with warm memories. One of the fondest memories I have of my Mom was in 2015 on what turned out to be the last Mother's Day we would share. She had battled her Alzheimer's for two years. I asked her, if she knew who I was and she just said "I know you're my friend and I love you."

If you are lucky enough to have your mom still with you, consider yourself blessed and cherish her, because the older I get, I look back at the memories, I have, and like me you will discover that every day is a Mother's Day.

## ***Celebrating Nurses Week !***

***Thursday, May 6<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>***

This week is dedicated to celebrate, acknowledge and honor nurses for all of their hard work and dedication. As the world begins to recover from a pandemic, we realize more than ever the importance of nursing and nurses in our society.

Pray for nurses across the world who are saving lives and making a difference every day.

God Bless You,  
*Fr. Valentine*

## ***A Blessing of a Nurse's Hands***



- BLESSED be the works of your hands that will provide comfort to those in need.
- BLESSED be your hands that will provide hope and strength to patients who are suffering.
- BLESSED be your hands that give peace to those in fear and pain.
- BLESSED be your hands that nurture and care for the lonely.
- BLESSED be your hands that embrace others with passion.
- BLESSED be your hands that will plant new seeds and touch new life.
- BLESSED be your hands that will wipe away tears.
- BLESSED be your hands that have reached out and been received.
- BLESSED be your hands that embrace death and comfort those who mourn.
- BLESSED be your hands that carry out tasks as part of caring for each other, your family, and the community.
- BLESSED be the hands that hold the promise of your future.
- BLESSED be the works of your hands through Jesus Christ our LORD who will BLESS you and equip you to fulfill His purpose for your life.

# We Give Thanks for ALL Mothers





# Mother's Day Reflections

## *Reflection by Kristen Denicker*



It isn't until you hear the heartbeat of the first ultrasound that you realize your whole world has changed and you now have a whole new title, mother. It is with great honor and humble gratitude that I write about this experience.

When Fr. Valentine asked me to write something, my first thought about being a mother was my recent experience of having my second child and then all I could think about were my two role models; my mother and grandmother. The mother I am today is because of their guidance and unwavering support.

These women helped me to shape my faith. I have very fond memories of going to church with my mother every Saturday. We still do this, but now she comes to my parish. Every summer my family would spend weekends at my Grandma's where we would go to church on Sunday after a big pancake breakfast. Religion and our faith were a cornerstone of my upbringing and as I reflect on these special times, I hope to give my children the same type of foundation.

You will never fully understand what your mother has done for you and still continues to do until you take on the role of motherhood. During my pregnancies I clung to my faith and made sure that I prayed to saints that are special to me. I first prayed to St. Gerard Majella, the patron saint of expectant mothers. I, of course, turned to the Blessed Mother and am so grateful for her guidance. It is my faith that helped me throughout my pregnancy and continues to grow with me as a mother.



## *Reflection by Jennifer Reid*

“Mother Definition: One person who does the work of twenty. For free.” For Mother's Day, I find myself reflecting on all the qualities, awe, and love I have for my mom. Those who know her will attest to the unsurmountable generosity, kindness, and energy she has and I hope I can be a fraction of the mom she has been to myself and my siblings. Now as she steps into her new role as Nana, she is still teaching and guiding me along the way. I am beyond lucky to have learned everything I know about being a mom from her and can hear her voice in my head saying, “When you are a mom, you will understand!” I have just started getting some insight into what that means!

The gift of motherhood is the most special gift that God has given me. Being a mom means I now put my two babies before anything else. I will guide, teach, nurture and enjoy every minute because as many people have told me; it goes way too fast. So I will enjoy all the dirty diapers, late-night feeds, missing pacifiers, toddler tantrums, and pure exhaustion as there is no doubt about it, the benefits and love are worth every minute of it! Happy Mother's Day to all the moms out there!



# We Give Thanks for ALL Mothers



# Week at a Glance

## Worship for Sunday May 8/9

(Sixth Sunday of Easter - **MOTHER'S DAY**)

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

## Saturday, May 8

3:45 pm – Fr. Valentine

5:15 pm – Fr. Chux

## Sunday, May 9 (**MOTHER'S DAY**)

7:00 am – Fr. Chux

8:30 am – Fr. Chux

10:30 am – Fr. Valentine

12:00 pm – Fr. Valentine

## Worship for Sunday May 15/16

(Seventh Sunday of Easter)

Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19

## Saturday, May 15

3:45 pm – Fr. Chux

5:15 pm – Fr. Chux

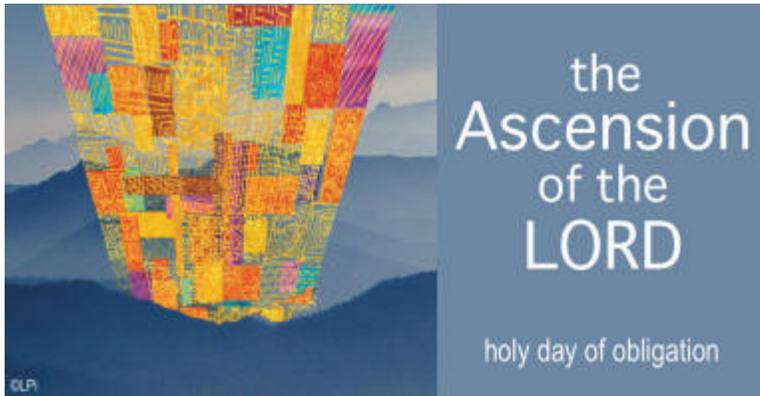
## Sunday, May 16

7:00 am – Fr. Valentine

8:30 am – Fr. Chux

10:30 am – Fr. Valentine

12:00 pm – Fr. Valentine



## Mass Schedule for Ascension Thursday May 12 / 13

### Wednesday, May 12

(Ascension Thursday Vigil)

3:45 pm – Fr. Chux

### Thursday, May 13

(Ascension Thursday)

8:45 pm – Fr. Chux

12:15 pm – Fr. Valentine

7:30 pm – Fr. Valentine



## **NURSES WEEK**

**May 6 - 12**

**God Bless  
ALL Nurses**



## **YOUTH**

### **GROUP ~ ALL ARE WELCOME**

Steve Rhoads, Youth Minister & Ryan Farrell, President



The Youth Group invites the parish family to join them for ...

### **Family Rosary Night**

**Monday May 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in the church**



The Rosary is led by the youth group along with talented Youth providing inspirational music

### **TEEN MASS**

**Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 5pm in the church**





## St. Pius X Seniors

Lou Fabiano, President

### St. Pius X senior Club Members

We have scheduled our *second* meeting of 2021!

Date: MAY 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021-TUESDAY  
Time: 10 AM  
Where: American Legion Hall  
115 Southern Parkway, Plainview, NY 11803

The meeting attendance will be on a first come basis and will be limited to **60 people**.

#### Card Bingo and please bring a deck of cards!

ALL participants **MUST** comply with the following rules:

- Have your temperature taken before being allowed to enter
- Show proof that you have completed your vaccine shot(s) and it has been at least 14 days past the last shot(s)
- NO EXCEPTIONS
- Practice social distancing while at the meeting
- Wear a mask
- Bring no food or drink to the meeting

The trip to Nashville in SEPT is still planned – you will be kept informed in future communications.

Nominations for Board members and subsequent elections will be held immediately upon the return of regular meetings. Please consider running for any position. We need everyone to participate in the support of this fine club.

#### STAY WELL & GOD BLESS

For information on upcoming trips or events, please call Lenny or Carol Schroeder at (516)596-2348.

**Membership:** Questions about membership, please call Vic Orlando at (631)414-7899.

**Sunshine:** Please call Rose Bell at (516) 694-9086 or (516) 574-9834 with information regarding illnesses, etc.



## Columbiettes

Anna Ensmenger, President

Next general meeting: May 24,  
Madonna Hall 7:30 pm

### SUPPORT our Trash Bag Fundraiser!

For information, contact Anna at [stpiusxcolumb@gmail.com](mailto:stpiusxcolumb@gmail.com)



## St. Pius X Rosary Society

Barbara Brown, President



MEETINGS:  
May 15, 11am., Rm 1

WELCOME TO OUR NEW ROSARIANS!  
Carol Zaccarese and Louise Panetta

May the Risen Christ be with all of my Rosarians especially this Easter & fill their hearts with Joy as we sing ALLELUIA! Wishing all my Rosarians & their Families a Blessed Easter!

Interested in joining us, contact, Barbara Brown, 516-359-9060.



## St. Pius X Knights of Columbus

Tom Hoefling, Grand Knight

The Key Principals of our orders are: Charity, Unity, Fraternity & Patriotism. There is no better way to experience love & compassion than by helping those in need.

- May 27: Social Meeting, 7:30pm
- June 3: Officer's Meeting, 7:30pm
- June 10: General Meeting, 7:30pm
- June 24: Social Meeting, 7:30pm

For information, contact Tom at [thoefling@optonline.net](mailto:thoefling@optonline.net)



### St Pius X Columbiettes Trash Bag Fundraiser

The Columbiettes will be having a Trash Bag Fundraiser.

We will be collecting the following items:

Anything that can be worn. All types of clothing & accessories, shoes, handbags, scarves, hats, gloves, ties, belts, etc.

Please fill as many Plastic Trash Bags as you can and bring them to St. Pius X RC Church (near Madonna Hall). We will be collecting them before and after each Mass:

Saturday, May 15th - 3:45pm & 5:15 pm

Sunday, May 16th - 7:00 am, 8:30am, 10:30am & 12:00pm



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Telephone (Faith Formation): 516-822-8348

E-mail: FrVal.STPX@gmail.com

Website: www.stpiusxrc.com

### Office Hours

Monday through Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm

Saturday and Sunday 9:00am - 1:00pm

Emergency: 516-661-5117

### Bulletin Submissions

E-mail submissions to admstpx@gmail.com by 5pm the Saturday one week prior to the bulletin date, and it will be reviewed for inclusion as space allows. Please note the deadline is earlier for all holidays.

### Sacraments

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays, 3:00-3:45pm or by appointment.

**Baptism:** The baptismal preparation program is offered throughout the year. Baptisms are celebrated on the second and third Sundays of each month. Please contact the Parish Office at 516-938-3956 to schedule a baptism date before making other plans. Allow at least one month preparation time.

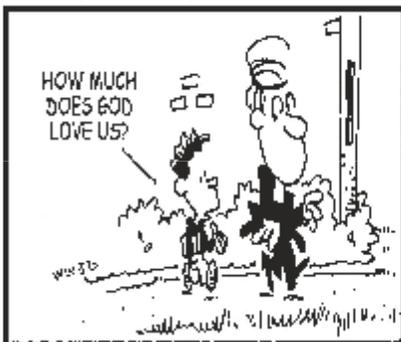
**Marriage:** Engaged couples must contact the Parish Office at (516)938-3956 at least six months prior to the wedding date you desire and before making any other arrangements.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Every second and fourth Wednesday of each month after the 8:45am Mass

**Other Sacraments:** Please contact the Parish Office at 516-938-3956.

**RCIA:** Are you interested in learning more about Catholicism? Do you have friends or acquaintances who are questioning what Catholicism is all about? Do you have Catholic family members or friends who have fallen away from the Faith? Invite them to investigate the truth about Catholicism by joining the RCIA group here at St. Pius X. Call the Parish Office at 516-938-3956.

6th SUNDAY OF EASTER



## Stay Connected

### Keep us Updated!

Have you moved? Married? Changed your email address? Help us keep our parish database up-to-date by sending us such changes via e-mail to: spxrecty@optonline.net or call the Parish Office at 516-938-3956. Remember to include your name, address, phone, cell, email and other relevant information.

### We Need You!

We invite you to review our ministries and get involved! If you wish to volunteer for any ministry, please contact Fr. Valentine at FrVal.STPX@gmail.com or 516-938-3956 for more information.

### Ministry for the Sick and Homebound

Please inform us about parishioners or loved ones who are hospitalized, homebound or in a nursing home by e-mailing the pastor at FrVal.STPX@gmail.com or call the Parish Office at 516-938-3956.

### Visit our Website!

Check the parish website to stay current with parish activities and events [www.stpiusxrc.com](http://www.stpiusxrc.com)

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The saints show us that we can praise God always, in good times and in bad, because He is the faithful friend, and his love never fails.

## Welcome Newcomers

### **Welcome!**

We are glad to welcome you to the St. Pius X parish family: Peto Family, Conte Family, Voss Family.

### **Newly Baptized**

We welcome the following children recently baptized: Charles Joseph Vincent, William James Vincent, Lorenzo Pasquale Mannino.

### **Information for Families with Young Children**

Welcome! Many families with children tend to worship at the monthly Family Mass at 10:30am as well as the 5:15pm Mass on Saturdays which offers contemporary music.



Here are some suggestions to parents to help their children learn to pray the Mass, and create a reverent, prayerful atmosphere at Mass for all ages.

- If you have time, visit the church and walk your child around the worship space and acquaint them with the art, statues and architecture of our beautiful Catholic tradition. Show them the baptismal font and talk about their baptism. Point out the beauty of our stained glass. Stop by the Parish Office - if the pastor is available, he will gladly accompany you on your visit.
- For Mass, arrive early to use the restroom, get a drink, and settle in.
- Children are curious. Sit toward the front. Children will be able to see what the priest is doing and with your help will pay more attention.
- Help your children pray and embrace the Mass. The Mass offers a teaching moment with your children to develop a sense of reverence and respect for the Mass and the sacred.
- Model full participation for your child by actively participating in the Mass responses and singing the hymns.

## Parish Staff

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Michaela Sedita

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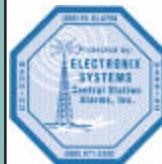
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