

St. Pius X Parish, R.C.

*"To Restore All Things in Christ"*

August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021

# Turn

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**"THE LORD  
HAS TURNED  
ALL OUR  
SUNSETS INTO  
SUNRISE."**

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## *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 Deacon John, Chaplain for Senior Club)

## Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel, the Pharisees and some scribes observe some of Jesus' disciples eating their meals with "unclean", that is unwashed hands. The Pharisees and scribes question Jesus: "Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?" Before we discuss Jesus' response, we have to realize that the Jews had about 430 precepts or traditions that they followed. They had a procedure for purifying cups, jugs, kettles, and even beds. These precepts were traditions handed down for many generations. Some of them more than likely were developed for health reasons. Although the Jews did not know about bacteria that can cause infections, they knew that washing one's hands before eating made it less likely for people to become sick. Another tradition was to thoroughly wash one's hands after being in the marketplace surrounded by a lot of people. In today's world of Covid, we have no problem seeing the benefit of that tradition. These traditions or precepts, however helpful, were not the word of God. One could follow faithfully all the traditions and yet not be following the word of God, namely, The Ten Commandments.



that it's okay to have traditions if we understand them. But following traditions without obeying the Commandments that God gave us is meaningless and hypocritical. Jesus summarized The Ten Commandments into the two Great Commandments: "You shall love the Lord your God with your whole heart, with your whole soul, and will all your mind." "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

If we don't do our best to follow these two Commandments, then all of the traditions in the world won't help us. We don't have to follow perfectly, because we are human and only God is perfect, but we must try our best. When we fail, we must not give up. We just need to try harder. Our life's purpose is to keep trying to better follow God's commands and to grow closer to God and neighbor with each passing day.



### We See God in the Ordinary

#### *Give it all Back*

Now, we get to Jesus' reply to the Pharisees and scribes. Jesus calls them hypocrites; He quotes from the prophecy of Isaiah: "This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines human precepts. You disregard God's commandment but cling to human traditions." Jesus tells the people that they follow the precepts and traditions that were developed by humans, often for all to see how religious they are. But they were not following the commandments given by God to Moses – The Ten Commandments. What does this mean for us? Well, we follow certain traditions too. We bless ourselves with Holy Water; the celebrant blesses the bride's and groom's rings with Holy Water at a wedding; the casket and grave are blessed with Holy Water at a burial. Why? What is the meaning of Holy Water? If we don't know, then we are merely following a tradition. When we bless ourselves with Holy Water, the water serves as a symbol, a reminder of the water used at our Baptism. It is a reminder that through our Baptism, we became adopted children of God, we received the Holy Spirit, we became heirs to the Kingdom of Heaven.

Pop culture has given us a unique idea of the term justice. Justice, we often think, is about taking. Taking what's owed. Taking revenge. Taking what we deserve. This worldview tends to make mincemeat of our Catholic social teachings. Seeking the good of the poor, a call to community and participation, solidarity — on the face of it, in a society where everything must be earned and we are encouraged to hoard for ourselves whatever success we can achieve, these principles look a lot like highway robbery.

But when you remember the presence of an omnipotent, all-loving and all-merciful God, it turns our gunslinging sense of justice on its head. For how does justice inhabit the same universe as a God who is so quick to give and indeed to forgive?

Well, very easily, when we remember Who exactly is the source of every good and perfect thing in this world. There is no law that cannot be traced back to the Word. And the Word saves our souls.

Is that justice? No, that is a gift. It is the reckless, indulgent gift of a father whose love is greater than His anger. What is justice in the Biblical sense?

The answer is simple. Look at your life. See the hours in your day? See your spouse, your kids, your grandkids? See the house they live in, the money in your wallet, the food in your fridge, the breath in your lungs?

Calling it all your own, refusing to share any of it — that's robbery. Giving it all back to the One who gave it to you — that's justice.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS  
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Traditions are fine, even beneficial, if we understand the meaning behind the traditions. What if we blessed ourselves with Holy Water and wore a cross or crucifix and upon leaving church we went into the parking lot and started an argument with someone or was nasty to someone? What word would Jesus use for us? Based on today's Gospel, it would likely be "hypocrite". What Jesus tells us today is

# Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



## Monday, August 30

8:45 am Michael Centrone

## Tuesday, August 31

8:45 am Richard Dannenhoffer

## Wednesday, September 1

8:45 am Maddalena Malchiodi

## Thursday, September 2

8:45 am Lisa & Senora Rebello *(Living)*

## Friday, September 3

*(St. Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church)*

8:45 am Marie & Richard Marcantonio *(Living)*

## Saturday, September 4

*(St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church)*

8:45 am Mercedes Colin & Family *(Living)*

### *(Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time)*

3:45 pm Aiello Family, Sal Vetrano & Family  
*(Living)*, Richard Quinn & Family *(Living)*

5:15 pm Audrey Maune, Anne & George  
Bantleon & Family *(Living)*, John &  
Angela Manzi & Family *(Living)*

## Sunday, September 5

*(Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time)*

7:00 am St. Pius X Parishioners

8:30 am Bill Bulwinkel & Family *(Living)*, Grand  
Knight Marc Cashman & Family  
*(Living)*

10:30 am James Quinonas, John & Dee Mazzola,  
Pat Fabiano

12:00 pm Salvatore Manziello, Marion Celenza  
*(Living)*, Joseph & Maryann Rietschlin



### **Intentions of the Holy Father Pope Francis Evangelization - The Church**

Let us pray for the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

## We Pray for ...

### ***The Deceased & their Families***

Margaret Gould, John J. Grilli, Anthony F. Prestipino, Anita T. Gervasi, Rita M. Zippel, Thomas F. Scott, Tina Sica, John Michael Blaszczyk, Ann Masciarelli

### ***The Sick***

Annette Prahalis, Salvatore Vitrano, Sarina Vito, Magda Kruk, Lenny Schroder, John Heilig, Susan Reilly, Daniel Donovan Jr., Sal Spano, Joseph Panaccilli, Grace Rossi, Eileen Corrigan, Robert Furlani, Don Dickinson, Dolores Weiss, Sheila Burkart, Christopher Endrizzi, Joanne Masciocchi, Pietra LoMento, Geraldine Freiler, Doug Bernardo, Rosemary Pesali, Frances Manziello, Mario Muscardin, Michael Ferrari, Carl Smitelli, Jan Schatzberg, 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, Joseph Witowski, Nina Antonio, Bridget & Charles McGuinness, Adeline Mifsud, 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, Lettie Graham, Margaret LiCausi, Janet Morrissey, Adelaide Motta, Julia Serpe, Joanne Pirraglia, Nancy Pesiri, Mary Canty, Phyllis DeGregoris, Robert Perham, Anne Dailey, Rose Bell, Angela Artale, Lena Jankowski, James D. Quinn, Adam Volpe, Rose Rutigliano, Phil Roeske, Rosemary Burke, Donna Lawson Ceparano, Dorothy McKeever, Ann Abitabilo, Barbara Zmoos, Peter Mancini, Susan Pabst Behrens, Alistair Magee, Patti Sullivan, Marie & Richard Marcantonio, Tom Flynn, John Brusdeilins, Terese Blakeney, Rosa Crispino, Carolyn Holland, Gloria Romuno, Bob Corrigan, Gabrielle Wolf, Pat Walsh, Robert & Muriel Reahl, Mary Posch, Richard Harrig, Fr. Bob McGuire, Fr. Daniel Sheridan, Fr. John Whelan

*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,, Kathleen Donovan *(Army)*  
Brandon Sassone, John Brennan *(Navy)*  
Ryan Scheckler *(Marines)*



**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.



### **Adoration for August**

**Tuesday, August 31<sup>st</sup>**

**9:15am to 4:00pm**

# We Give & We Remember

## Financially Speaking

|                    |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| August 22 .....    | \$2,495.00        |
| Online .....       | 2,815.00          |
| <b>Total .....</b> | <b>\$5,310.00</b> |
| St. Vincent .....  | \$ 495.00         |
| Online .....       | 85.00             |
| <b>Total .....</b> | <b>\$ 580.00</b>  |

**Note: Second collection on September 4/5 is for the Maintenance & Repair of our parish facilities.**

*Thank you for your generosity!*

### 2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal (as of August 24)

|                    |             |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Goal Amount: ..... | \$43,400.00 |
| Pledges: .....     | \$39,042.00 |
| Payments: .....    | \$35,754.50 |
| Donors: .....      | 159         |



Clare Crossley  
CMA Coordinator

## Remember a loved one with a special gift

The remembrance can be for an anniversary, a birthday, in thanksgiving or to remember our deceased loved ones. Stop by the Parish Office to arrange to have the Bread and Wine, Flowers, Altar Candles and/or Sanctuary Lamp donated for someone you love. All donations are for one week (Saturday—Friday).

|                   |                 |                    |      |
|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|------|
| Altar Flowers ... | \$65            | Bread & Wine ..    | \$35 |
| Altar Candles ... | \$35            | Sanctuary Lamp ... | \$30 |
| Masses ....       | \$20 (per Mass) |                    |      |

### **HELP - I NEED A MASS CARD**

**If you need a Mass Card or commemorative gift ... please contact the Parish Office at (516)938-3956 ... We accept credit cards or you can mail a check ... We are here to assist you ... We will mail the Mass card for you ...**



## Altar Flowers, Altar Candles, Bread & Wine, Sanctuary Lamp



for the week of  
August 28 – September 3



For all victims of the  
earthquake  
in Haiti



## Monthly Food Drive Upcoming Dates

### August 28/29

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**



## We Care

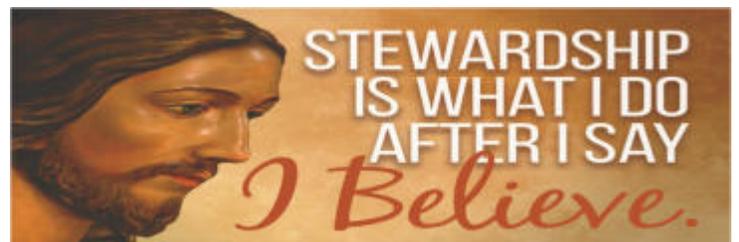
### St. Vincent DePaul Society

"...TO SERVE THE POOR  
IS TO GO TO GOD..."  
St. Vincent de Paul



The St. Vincent de Paul Society takes care of the needy of our Parish and local community. Our motto is "Need not Creed". Through the generosity of the Parishioners of St. Pius X, who are always willing to help with food, household supplies, clothing etc. Anyone in need may call on St. Vincent's help by leaving a message at the Parish Office (516)938-3956. All information will remain strictly confidential.

Virginia Wildemann, *President*



# We Heal

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## 2021 Bereavement Support Group

Bridges to Hope Bereavement ministry, sponsored by St. Pius X Parish, is holding a six-week Grief Support Program, open to all regardless of how long ago your loss occurred.

*You are not alone in the grief process.*

**First session ~ Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup>**

7:30pm in RM #1, St. Pius X Parish Center  
Please bring a picture of your loved one.

**Registration is required.** Please call the parish office at (516)938-3956 or CarolAnn at (516)840-0000, or email CarolAnn at [ny2rome@yahoo.com](mailto:ny2rome@yahoo.com)

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## BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

“CRAZY” is normal for those suffering the loss of a loved one. Please consider joining a *Bereavement Support Group*, with trained facilitators. The group will meet for eight *Wednesdays*, beginning *September 29<sup>th</sup>*, at *Holy Family Parish (O’Dea Center)*, 17 *Fordham Ave., Hicksville*. **PRE-REGISTRATION is necessary.** CALL: Sister Carol, 516-938-3846x331 by September 20<sup>th</sup> for more information.



*“Those whom we have loved and lost are no longer where they were before. They are now... wherever we are.”*

*~ St. John Chrysostom*

*We remember those who have died, holding them in thought and prayer.*

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As we gradually resume normalcy, we are faced with so many people who have lost loved ones to COVID, or who have lost family members due to other causes but were not able to receive the needed support because of CDC restrictions. We are resuming in-person support groups in our parish center for our parishioners as well as our neighbors in other parishes. We will be following CDC guidelines for indoor events.

Three groups are being offered:

A **general bereavement group** led by me for those with a recent loss. This group will focus on helping the bereaved learn about the bereavement process, develop coping skills for dealing with grief, and learn to adjust to living without their loved one. The group will consist of those who have lost a part-ner, a sibling, parent or other relative. It is a closed group that meets for ten weeks.

We also have two ongoing groups that meet twice a month:

**Survivors of suicide loss and bereaved parents.** These are specialized groups that deal with the challenges of losing a loved one to suicide & the devastation of losing a son or daughter. I will lead the suicide group, and two trained, experienced bereaved parents will lead the child loss group.

There is a one-time registration fee of \$25 for all groups. Interested individuals need to register by contacting Sr. Christine Sammons at 516-731-6074. She will mail you a registration form.

General Bereavement Group (meets weekly): Saturdays, September 18 -Nov 20, 11 AM to noon

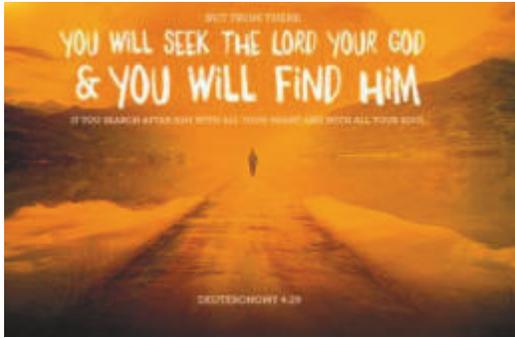
Group for Bereaved Parents (meets 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month): Mondays, September 20 - ongoing; 7:00 PM to 8:15 PM

Group for Survivors of Suicide (meets 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month) Mondays, September 13 - ongoing; 7:00 PM to 8:15 PM

Those who have questions about the groups can contact me via email at [loumb@aol.com](mailto:loumb@aol.com) or by calling my office at 631-823-0552. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Luciano Sabatini, PhD, *St. Bernard Bereavement Coordinator*

# We Pray & We Reflect



## FIRST READING: DT 4:1-2, 6-8

Moses said to the people:  
“Now, Israel, hear the statutes and decrees  
which I am teaching you to observe,  
that you may live, and may enter in and take possession of  
the land  
which the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you.  
In your observance of the commandments of the LORD,  
your God,  
which I enjoin upon you,  
you shall not add to what I command you nor subtract  
from it.  
Observe them carefully,  
for thus will you give evidence  
of your wisdom and intelligence to the nations,  
who will hear of all these statutes and say,  
‘This great nation is truly a wise and intelligent people.’  
For what great nation is there  
that has gods so close to it as the LORD, our God, is to us  
whenever we call upon him?  
Or what great nation has statutes and decrees  
that are as just as this whole law  
which I am setting before you today?”

**The one who does justice will  
live in the presence  
of the Lord.  
(Psalm 15)**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5

**R. The one who does justice will live in the presence of  
the Lord.**

Whoever walks blamelessly and does justice;  
who thinks the truth in his heart  
and slanders not with his tongue.

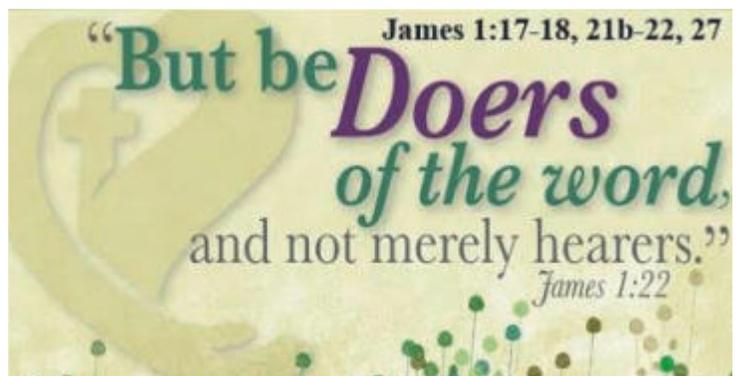
**R. The one who does justice will live in the presence of  
the Lord.**

Who harms not his fellow man,  
nor takes up a reproach against his neighbor;  
by whom the reprobate is despised,  
while he honors those who fear the LORD.

**R. The one who does justice will live in the presence of  
the Lord.**

Who lends not his money at usury  
and accepts no bribe against the innocent.  
Whoever does these things  
shall never be disturbed.

**R. The one who does justice will live in the presence of  
the Lord.**



## SECOND READING: JAS 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

Dearest brothers and sisters:  
All good giving and every perfect gift is from above,  
coming down from the Father of lights,  
with whom there is no alteration or shadow caused by  
change.  
He willed to give us birth by the word of truth  
that we may be a kind of first fruits of his creatures.  
Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you  
and is able to save your souls.  
Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding  
yourselves.  
Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the  
Father is this:  
to care for orphans and widows in their affliction  
and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

# We Pray & We Reflect

## GOSPEL for the Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time MK 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

When the Pharisees with some scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they observed that some of his disciples ate their meals with unclean, that is, unwashed, hands.

—For the Pharisees and, in fact, all Jews, do not eat without carefully washing their hands, keeping the tradition of the elders.

And on coming from the marketplace they do not eat without purifying themselves. And there are many other things that they have traditionally observed, the purification of cups and jugs and kettles and beds. —

So the Pharisees and scribes questioned him, “Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders

but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?”

He responded,

“Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written:

This people honors me with their lips,  
but their hearts are far from me;  
in vain do they worship me,  
teaching as doctrines human precepts.

You disregard God’s commandment but cling to human tradition.”

He summoned the crowd again and said to them,

“Hear me, all of you, and understand.

Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person;

but the things that come out from within are what defile.

“From within people, from their hearts, come evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit,

licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly.

All these evils come from within and they defile.”

**HE MEETS US  
WHERE WE ARE**



## GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

“Albert Einstein said that the “true measure of intelligence is not knowledge but imagination.” Being a disciple of Jesus Christ requires a great deal of imagination. It is not enough to simply attend to facts, rules and rituals and consider the job done. Quite contrarily, the Gospels demands creativity, of trying to discern how to put flesh on the Beatitudes and properly serve God’s children. Jesus never doled out a top down agenda. Not once did he ever demand conformity over conversion or sacrifice over mercy. The Gospel is always about putting people in touch with their compassionate, forgiving, and unconditionally loving God and meeting them where they are.

For Jesus, it often meant breaking a few rules. Well respected and time-honored traditions had to be set aside in order to attend to what really mattered. God’s compassion, mercy and true conversion were always the trump cards. The story of the Good Samaritan, healing on the Sabbath, and bypassing of purification rituals all display this theme. Human beings can get too hung up on protocol and tradition. This is so much so that often preserving all of these things is of greater concern than the beggar knocking on our door or the sinner looking for mercy. It is no wonder, then, that we can easily become hypocritical. Many can see us on our knees in prayer while our true heart and actions, rooted in judgment and self-preservation, are hidden from others. It is a trap into which we can easily fall. Who cares how we live our lives as long as our hands are properly washed!

Here enters the need for imagination and the distinction of truly being a wise and intelligent person. It takes a good measure of creativity and a lot of guts to really be a doer of God’s word and not merely a hearer. Being a person who doesn’t just tell people about God but shows people God requires courage and ingenuity. That’s why people like St. Francis of Assisi and St. Teresa of Calcutta are timeless. Their genuineness speaks volumes generation to generation. It’s risky business taking the step to allow God into our hearts. Permitting God to release us from the grip of our evil thoughts, infidelity, greed, malice, sexual improprieties, licentiousness, envy, arrogance, folly, and the like takes courage. That’s why we prefer to spend our energy rearranging the future rather than take measures to secure a foundation that is most certainly crumbling.

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## A Word from the Pastor

### To Restore All Things in Christ

Dear Family,

August 21<sup>st</sup>, the feast day of St. Pius X (the patron saint of our beloved parish family) was a beautiful summer day. However, looming on everyone's mind was the impending hurricane *Henri* which was forecasted to make landfall on Long Island the following day. Filled with memories of Sandy, we all shifted from summer fun to storm preparation. While I am grateful that *Henri* was gentle to Long Island, we pray for those impacted.

*Henri* derailed our plans for a parish celebration to honor the patron saint of our parish, St. Pius X. The preparations for this celebration began more than a month ago. Many ZOOM meetings, planning, decorating, coordinating & MUCH MORE! I must admit I was very disappointed. My disappointment led me to pray to St. Pius X, even apologize that we were not able to celebrate his feast day.

When I think of St. Pius X, there are notables from his papacy that come to mind: the changing the age of reception of First Communion from 12 or 14 to the age of reason, around the age of 7 & the issuing of the *Motu Proprio Tra le sollecitudini* which gave directives on sacred music. This was the first time the pope used the term *actuosa participatio* (active participation) of the people during the celebration of Mass. The *Motu Proprio* & his later encyclical *E Supremi (On the Restoration of All Things In Christ)* launched the worldwide Liturgical Movement.

"To restore all things in Christ" ... this is the motto our beloved patron saint adopted for his papacy & it graces every bulletin & our parish website. I was drawn to reflect, what came to mind was St. Pius X was a *reforming* pontiff. Then I began to give humble thanks ... maybe it was providential for me to be the pastor of this faith family as I firmly espouse the values of our patron saint, St. Pius X. As your pastor, I have embraced many efforts to *restore* the parish family ... always *in Christ*. I espouse liturgical reformation that encourages the *active participation* of all present. Many projects to restore the parish facilities have been undertaken.

Through prayer & reflection, I believe our patron saint has guided me not to focus on my disappointment about the cancellation of this past weekend's celebration. I believe St. Pius X is guiding us not to adulate him but include him in a celebration of RESTORING our parish family, ministries, activities IN CHRIST as we return to parish life "post-covid". My disappointment turned to enthusiasm ... I am excited to announce plans are underway for this celebration to take place in September.

Please join me in expressing our gratitude to the planning team for our celebration ... I know they are ready to go once we decide on a date ... *TO RESTORE ALL THINGS IN CHRIST!*

God Bless You,  
Fr. Valentine

Everyday  
we reach to  
restore  
all things in  
Jesus Christ

### Upcoming Events at St. Pius X!

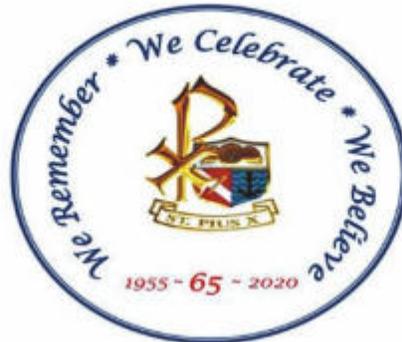
- September 11: *Interfaith Service of Remembrance to commemorate the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of 9/11*, Good Shepherd Church, 8:00pm
- September 12: **FAITH FORMATION BEGINS!**  
*Blessing of Children's Backpacks, Family Liturgy*, 10:30am, Hospitality following, Madonna Hall
- September 18/19: *Catechetical Sunday*, special blessing for our catechists
- September 25: *YOUTH MASS* - 5:15pm, *Level 7 Commitment Ceremony*





A Word from the Pastor

***SAVE the DATE to CELEBRATE!***



## **65<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY GALA**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17<sup>th</sup>

1:00PM to 5:00PM

Crest Hollow Country Club

*Enjoy*

COCKTAIL HOUR

SERVED LUNCH

PREMIUM LIQUOR, BEER, WINE *and* SODA

DESSERT \* DANCING \* ACTIVITIES for CHILDREN

ADULTS: \$60

CHILDREN (6 -17): \$20

CHILDREN (under 6): **FREE**

E-mail: [FRVAL.STPX@gmail.com](mailto:FRVAL.STPX@gmail.com)

Ph: (516)938-3956



# Week at a Glance

## Worship for Sunday August 28/29

*(Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time)*

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

### Saturday, August 28

3:45 pm – Fr. Valentine *Den. John Assisting*

5:15 pm – Fr. Valentine

### Sunday, August 29

7:00 am – Fr. Chux

8:30 am – Fr. Chux

10:30 am – Fr. Chux

12:00 pm – Fr. Valentine

## Worship for Sunday September 4/5

*(Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time)*

Is 35:4-7a/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

### Saturday, September 4

3:45 pm – Fr. Chux

5:15 pm – Fr. Chux

### Sunday, September 5

7:00 am – Fr. Valentine

8:30 am – Fr. Chux

10:30 am – Fr. Valentine

12:00 pm – Fr. Valentine *Den. John Assisting*



## Faith Formation

*Our Faith: The Next Generation – Pass It On!*



DO SOMETHING  
BEAUTIFUL FOR GOD!

Catechesis is the act of bringing the Church's teachings to the world. A catechist is not just a teacher but someone who evangelizes. They share their excitement and joy of being a disciple of Jesus Christ.

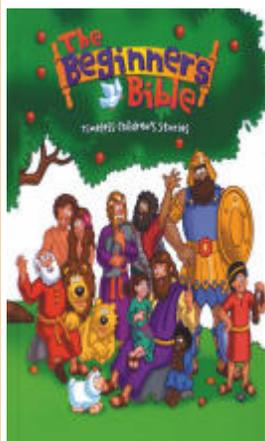
Catechesis is a distinct and special ministry in the Church. Come set aside an hour or so to highlight this as you share your faith with others. Don't hide your light under a bushel basket! You can make all of this happen by joining us as a Catechist in our Faith Formation Program. Think about having fun with your children and their friends. Think about being a role model for your children and their friends. Think about making your faith come alive. Put meaning into being a part of the Church.

Your faith will come alive as you become part of our amazing team here at St. Pius X. Come discover how your relationship with God will become more vibrant and meaningful as you bring the Word of God to our young parishioners. Let the children help you strengthen and enrich your own faith as you join and guide them on their faith journey.

New experiences and opportunities for our youth to connect with Jesus are in the works. Our Event Committee will be planning events that will strengthen our children's religious knowledge through engaging activities. Church is a place where we come together to encourage each other to serve others whether in your own home, here within the parish or on a larger level out in the community.

Don't worry about not knowing every detail of your faith— part of being a catechist involves openness to learning as you teach. Training is provided to help you learn different techniques to use as you engage the children in stories of Jesus' teachings. Help develop creative ways for the children to learn prayers that will sustain them throughout their lifetime. Bring music into their lives as an additional element of learning about their faith.

Come help us prepare our children to be disciples! Contact Fr. Valentine (516-938-3956) or the Faith Formation Office (516-822-8348 or [piuscat@optonline.net](mailto:piuscat@optonline.net)) to learn more about this exciting opportunity!



## Pre-School Bible Program

Children ages 3-5

Through timeless Bible stories, easy to do Preschool Bible Crafts, singing, and fun Preschool Bible Activities our young children will begin to develop a love of God.

**FIRST CLASS - Sunday, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, 9-10:15am**

We meet once a month (September through April) from 9:15-10:15am in the school prior to the Family Liturgy.

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

**Contact the Faith Formation Office at (516)822-8348!**

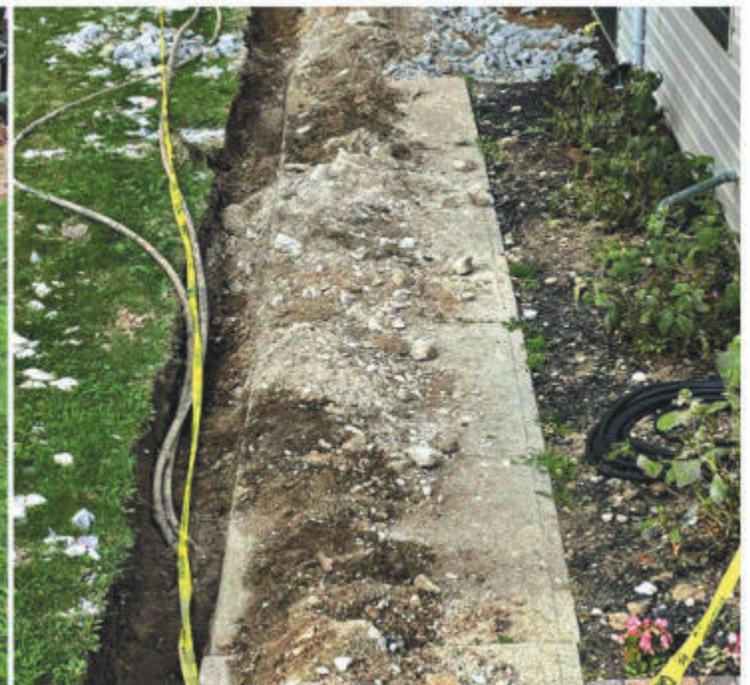
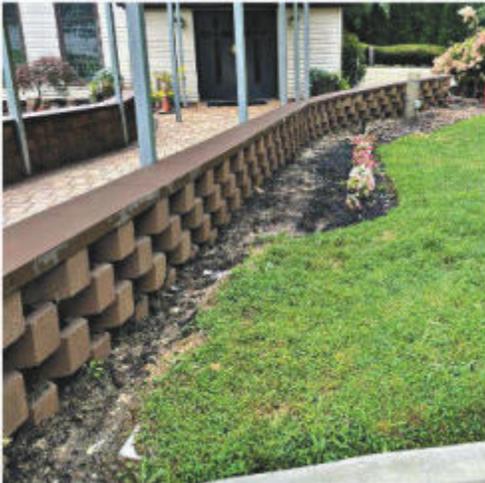




### CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS SUMMARY

- New stairs have a shorter rise, steps are wider, side railings will be installed (middle railing has been eliminated)
- Side entrance under canopy has been completed
- Side & back walkways are in progress

When completed, the new pathways & entrance while more aesthetically pleasing are also safer.





## St. Pius X Seniors

Lou Fabiano, President

### St. Pius X senior Club Members

#### NEXT MEETING

**Date:** SEPTEMBER 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (TUESDAY)

**Time:** 10 AM

**Where:** Bethpage Community Center  
103 Grumman Road  
W. Bethpage, NY 11724

President Fabiano is pleased to announce that all the Covid restrictions have been lifted for our Senior Meetings. All vaccinated members do not need to wear MASKS. Unvaccinated members must wear a mask.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

- August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021-Summer Gala at Crest Hollow Country Club
- September 12<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Trip to Nashville
- September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021-Senior Meeting, Bethpage Community Center, 10:00am
- September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021, Senior Meeting, Bethpage Community Center, 10:00am
- October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Luncheon & Show at Li Greci's Staaten-Oktoberfest, \$115 per person
- October 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Oldies Weekend, Wildwood, New Jersey

The doors will open for our meetings 9:45am and the meeting will be promptly at 10:00am.

**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.



## St. Pius X Knights of Columbus

Marc Cashman, 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.

Sept. 2: Officers Meeting, 7:30pm, RM #1

Sept. 9: Installation of Officers, 7:30pm, Madonna Hall

**For information, contact Marc at [marccashman@yahoo.com](mailto:marccashman@yahoo.com)**

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**Saturday, October 2nd**  
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## St. Pius X Rosary Society

Barbara Brown, President



**NEXT MEETING:**  
Sept. 11, 11am RM #1

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



## Columbiettes

Anna Ensmenger, President

The Columbiettes, an organization of Catholic women dedicated to our Patronesses, Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Theresa the Little Flower & St. Joan of Arc, are affiliated Auxiliaries of the Knights of Columbus Councils.

Sept. 27: General Meeting, 7:30pm, Madonna Hall

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

## St. Pius X Parish

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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.

### 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## 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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## Tweet of the Week



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We should not pursue God in dreams and in images of grandeur and power, but He must be recognized in the humanity of Jesus and, as a consequence, in that of the brothers and sisters we meet on the path of life.

## Welcome Newcomers

### **Welcome!**

We are glad you are here. We encourage you to explore the offerings of our parish. We think you will find much here to encourage your engagement in our common spiritual journey.

### **Register as a Parishioner**

If you regularly worship at St. Pius X Parish, we ask that you register with us. Simply e-mail Fr. Valentine at FrVal.STPX@gmail.com or call the Parish Office at 516-938-3956.

### **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

### **Clergy**

**Fr. Valentine Rebello**, Pastor

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**Fr. Chux Okochi**, Associate Pastor

**Deacon John Burkart**, Deacon

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