



Saint Pius X

Roman Catholic Parish

OCTOBER 17, 2021 | THE TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Liturgical Schedule

Liturgy

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sundays 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm

Weekdays 9:00 am

Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:00 pm or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

First Fridays 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Rosary

Weekdays 8:30 am

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Open Daily 7:00 am to 5:00 pm



Mission Statement

St. Pius X Parish, a Roman Catholic Faith Community, affirms that we are gifted with many diverse talents. We are called to use these talents to respond to the needs of others through prayer, action, outreach, hospitality and stewardship. Guided by the Holy Spirit and nourished by the Eucharist, we share our faith by personal witness to the Gospel through acts of charity, justice, mercy and forgiveness.

"To Restore All Things in Christ"

BAPTISMS: Congratulations! A new child is a blessing! Parents, please call the office four months prior to the anticipated birth of the child to schedule a Baptismal class to learn more about this most important sacrament. As you prepare to have your child baptized, begin to pray about who would be good and holy Godparents to help your child grow in the faith. A Godparent in the Catholic tradition is someone who participates at Liturgy regularly, has been Confirmed, and lives a life in accord with the Catholic Church. All prospective Godparents must receive a letter of approval from their pastor.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS: Is the Holy Spirit calling you to become Catholic? Call the Parish Office for more information.

CARE OF THE SICK: Anyone seriously ill or entering the hospital in anticipation of surgery may receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Best wishes! Couples seeking a Catholic marriage, please contact the Pastor at least six months prior to a planned wedding day. Attendance at a marriage preparation program (Pre-Cana) is required.

EUCCHARIST TO THE SICK AND SHUT-INS: If ill or shut-in, please call the parish office if you wish that the Blessed Sacrament be brought to you.

JOINING OUR PARISH: New members and families are warmly welcomed. Contact the parish office to register, and please introduce yourself to the pastor when you join us for Liturgy. Know that you are always welcome and we are blessed to have your presence.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION: One of the great ways to live out our call as disciples is to help others grow in the faith. Being asked to serve as a Godparent or Sponsor for Confirmation is a great honor and responsibility. As we raise our children in the tradition of the Church, it is our duty to set a good example for them. Prospective Godparents and Sponsors are to be individuals who regularly participates at Liturgy and have been Confirmed. For those who are married, their marriage must be validly recognized by the Catholic Church. For those who have children, their children must be enrolled in Faith Formation at St. Pius X Parish. Please call the office to request a letter.



MINISTERIAL SERVING SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, VIGIL

3:00pm Reconciliation
4:00pm Stanley & Clara Szymanski req. Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45
8:00am Ron Reed req. Jacci Reed
8:50am Novena to Our Blessed Mother
10:00am Raymond Simon req. Frank & Deb Colletti
12:00pm Gerry Kowalski req. Karen & Judy

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, ST. LUKE, EVANGELIST

2 Tm 4:10-17/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Lk 10:1-9
8:30am Rosary
9:00am Marlene Pridgeon req. Husband Tony and Daughters

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, Ss. JOHN DE BRÉBEUF & ISAAC JOGUES, PRIESTS & COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

Rom 5:12, 15, 17-19, 20-21/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 17 /Lk 12:35-38
8:30am Rosary
9:00am For the Parishioners

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS, PRIEST

Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8]/Lk 12:39-48
8:30am Rosary
9:00am Joan von der Empten req. Paul von der Empten
12:00pm - 12:30pm Prayer and Meditation (Chapel)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21

Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5]/Lk 12:49-53
8:30am Rosary
9:00am John & Janet Carver req. Don & Liz Witucki

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22, ST. JOHN PAUL II, POPE

Rom 7:18-25/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94 [68]/Lk 12:54-59
8:30am Rosary
9:00am Anne Green req. Paul von der Empten

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23, VIGIL

3:00pm Reconciliation
4:00pm Francis Schaub req. The Brown Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24, THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52
8:00am Nickolas Ngurney req. Shannon & Tony
10:00am Betty Ensminger req. Family
12:00pm V. Lou Polito req. Jackie Sullivan

4:00PM SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23

LECTOR: Elizabeth Ehrmann
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Dianne Camp & Joan Costello

8:00AM SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24

LECTOR: Laura Salgado
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Betty & Bill Eichhorn

10:00AM

LECTOR: Julane Beck
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Pauline Campagna & Cheryl Malzan

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LECTOR: Ashton Joseph
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Aileen Stewart & Kathy Skipper

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

In these uncertain times, please pray for the sick, especially Charlie Kaiser, LuAnn Moliterno, Msgr. George Yiengst, those with COVID and our parishioners confined at home, in nursing homes, assisted living centers and in hospitals.

Pray for medical personnel, first responders, the military and all victims of physical and sexual abuse.

We also remember those who have passed from this life, especially, Andy Adam, husband of Lori Adam and Wayne Leising, brother of Jean Braunscheidel and all our faithful departed.

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL IN BUFFALO

In every age, O God, you have called us to be your people, to be your Church. In this time, we begin anew to discern the pathways that will lead us, your people closer to you.

Continually bless our journey as we proclaim your Good News, celebrate your saving presence among us, serve others with charity and justice, and steward the world you have entrusted to our care.

Send your Spirit to lead and guide our Emmaus journey as we commit ourselves to the renewal of our Church.

This we ask through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING

OCTOBER 9 & 10, 2021

Envelope	6,053.00
Loose	869.00
We Share	1,427.00
Mission (India)	200.00
Diocesan Formation	<u>100.00</u>
	\$8,649.00

May God bless you for your generosity!

Grace and Peace of Our Lord Jesus Christ...

"For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and give his life as a ransom for many."



Once again in Mark's gospel the disciples, James and John, are concerned about their glory and prestige. Jesus tells them that true greatness does not lie in lording power over another, but instead in taking on the mantle of servanthood, just as He has done.

As Jesus nears Jerusalem, the disciples are hoping for a tangible victory that will usher in Jesus' earthly kingship. Jesus predicts His passion, death, and resurrection three times in this gospel. On the Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth Sundays, we heard the first and second predictions. The third comes right before James' and John's request in today's gospel reading. This prediction offers even more details of how Jesus' passion will play out. Articulating rather graphically that the Son of Man, Jesus, will be mocked, spit upon, and scourged. The path to Jesus' glory lies in the shadow of the cross. And this is true not only for him, but also for those of us, you and I, who choose to follow him even now.

Despite having just heard Jesus' prediction of the ignominious death that awaits him, James and John still dare to ask to have privileged seats when Jesus enters into His glory. Again and again, Jesus teaches His disciples that true greatness lies not in power, prestige and authority but in humble service that one can offer to another. This lesson is difficult to learn, however, it seems that the disciples, like us, still need to constantly be reminded to let go of the desire for personal gain.

When word of James' and John's request causes consternation among the rest of the disciples, Jesus warns them that they have embarked on a new path. Jesus, invites them to take their ambition for greatness and turn their ambition for greatness into service: "For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and give his life as a ransom for many."

My dear friends, we too, like James and John sometimes fall into the habits of our world. We may demonstrate that quality that seems contrary to Jesus' path towards holiness and the virtues of His kingdom. It is a call today for us as it was for the disciples, that is, a call to humble service, given in love that challenges the established norms and bears the fruits of the heavenly kingdom. May we always strive to imitate Jesus as we follow Him on that alternative path that leads to an awesome reality of a different world reflected in the glory of the heavenly kingdom.

In Christ,

Fr. Rob

From Lifelong Faith Formation...

As part of our Faith Formation program, we invite all classes to participate in monthly service projects. We will start off by working with a new ministry here at St. Pius X called the "Pius Refugee Mission." They will be hosting a donation drive for Buffalo United for Afghan Refugees on the weekend of October 23-24. Please look in this bulletin for a list of what is needed and drop off items in the Fr. Weber Center or in the Church. Thank you for your generosity!

October is the month of the Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We prayed a decade of the rosary at the beginning of the month during our opening prayer before going to the classrooms. Several students brought in their rosaries; and if they didn't have one, we had given them one to take home. We also provided a "How to" pamphlet which included the prayers, the mysteries and a schedule for which mystery to use when praying this devotion. Our hope is that our Faith Formation families and parish community will pray the rosary during October as well as continuing throughout the year.

Hope & Blessings,
Pam Rankin

Parish Project Updates...

Two 30' flagpoles will be installed and dedicated at the 9/11 Memorial Shrine. The support for this project was generated from our 20th Anniversary Liturgy last month at the shrine. The two flagpoles - one American and the other Papal - will welcome our guests to the campus.

Our second project is an enhancement of the lighting for the sanctuary. The goal is to make the primary areas of the altar and ambo more predominant by focusing the lights to illuminate their importance especially during liturgy.

Finally, we are currently having our heating and cooling units of the church worked on. There are four units that provide for the church. Since my arrival we discovered only two units have been working correctly. With all four units working well the church should be more comfortable especially as we approach the winter months. If anyone is interested in donating or funding any of these projects know that all donations are welcome. Know that we are always trying to improve our campus. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

COVID PROCEDURES

Masks are mandated for entry and exit in the Church and when receiving Eucharist. Once seated, the mask may be taken off at one's discretion. Social distancing has resumed. In the Church, please sit in the pews marked with blue tape. The safety of others should always be considered when making your choice.

SAVE TIME AND DONATE ONLINE!

Online Giving is now available for parishioners with We Share, an easy and convenient way to save time and support the church. Donating is simple, safe, and completely secure. With WeShare, you can set up a recurring weekly or monthly transaction using your checking, savings, or credit card account. You can decide how much to give to any collection and make changes any time, day or night. Plus, you can leave your check-book at home on Sundays.

If you would like to enroll in Online Giving, please visit <https://stpiusxrcc.weshareonline.org> If you have any questions or concerns about the program or would like help setting up your account, please call our parish office at 716-688-9143.

RENEWAL LEADERS NEEDED! "HERE I AM, LORD! IT IS I LORD!"

Renewing the Diocese of Buffalo requires skilled leaders to move the Renewal Initiative forward. Now is the time for parishioners who have the needed skills and talents to demonstrate their discipleship by offering their time and talents.

The Renewal needs

Faith Filled People	People who want to share their love of Jesus
Project Managers	People with organizational skills
IT Experts	People with strong communication skills
Leaders/Managers	Facilitators/Teachers

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Renewal@buffalodiocese.org - or mail to:

Office of Renewal
795 Main St.
Buffalo, NY 14203

SENIORS

Wanted! New members to join the St. Pius X Seniors. Married, single, widowed & divorced. Our goal is to provide members with activities and enjoyment through spiritual, social, recreational and educational means. Please join us for next meeting on November 3rd at 1:00 pm in the Fr. Weber Center. For further information call Connie Rudes at (716) 639-0810.

NOVEMBER BOOK CLUB

The Library Book by Susan Orlean tells the riveting story of the 1986 fire at the Los Angeles Public Library. A suspect was identified, but a mystery still remains about who the perpetrator really was. Please join us on Monday, November 1st at 1 p.m. in the Father Weber Center. Learn about the evolution of libraries, what they mean to our communities and to us personally. Can you come to a conclusion about who was the arsonist? Let's find out together.

THANK YOU!

Dear St. Pius X Bible School,
Thank you so much for all of your donations over the summer. Our families here at the Mother Teresa Home felt the love and companion of others through your generosity. Thank you all so much for all you do and may God bless you all today and always.

With Many Thanks,
The Families and Staff at the Mother Teresa Home

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The St Pius X Holy Name Society will sponsor a pancake breakfast Sunday October 24 after the 8:00am & 10:00am Masses. Price is \$7.00 for adults, \$6.00 for seniors and \$2.00 for children. Proceeds will be used to support the needs of our Parish Faith Formation Program.

MANY COLLECTION ENVELOPES REMAIN!

If you have not picked yours up, please do so and if you know of a friend or neighbor who hasn't picked theirs up, please take their box to them. They are located in the main vestibule of the Church.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Did you know? Catholic Charities Our Kids Parent Education and Awareness Program (OKPEAP) is available to parents or caregivers and their significant others who have experienced conflict regarding custody and/or access issues related to their children. OKPEAP helps parents develop a "business" relationship and encourages co-parents to refrain from putting the children in the middle of conflict. Topics covered include: the impact of separation/divorce on children; child development and the implications for parenting after separation/divorce; cooperative and parallel approaches to parenting; an overview of family law as it affects custody and visitation; and conflict management and problem-solving. Groups are being held virtually and are available to individuals throughout WNY. Ready to connect? Call 716-896-6390. For more information on Catholic Charities and other services and programs we provide, visit www.ccwny.org. Join us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

QUEEN OF PEACE HEALING MINISTRY

Please join us for our next regularly scheduled healing and anointing Liturgy on Monday, October 25th Fr. Rob will be our celebrant. with Reconciliation at 6:30pm., the Rosary at 7:00pm, and Liturgy at 7:30pm. Following Liturgy there will be individual intercessory prayers for healing. You are also invited to visit us at our website:

www.queenofpeacehealingministry.org

PARISH REFUGEE MISSION

Our plans are underway to launch our new ministry, "Pius Refugee Mission." We hope that you are excited about being of help to the hundreds of Afghan evacuees and refugees resettling in Buffalo. At this time, these are the items that they are in need of:

- Bar soap or Body Wash
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Lotion
- Hand sanitizer
- Deodorant (for men & women)

Note: these should be full-size.

There will be someone to accept your donation in the Father Weber Center on these dates:

Saturday, October 23 3 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Sunday, October 24 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

You will find a regularly updated list of items needed in the bulletin as well as dates and times of drop off.

If you have any questions, please call Jude (716-474-3213) or Donna (716-393-0028)

The refugees rely on our generosity and we thank you on their behalf for your tender-loving-kindness.

LITTLE PORTION FRIARY

We are seeking volunteers! Little Portion Friary is a homeless shelter, located at 1305 Main Street, Buffalo, NY 14209. The mission of Little Portion Friary is to "journey with our guests experiencing homelessness in a homelike environment and provide temporary shelter, meals, and counseling during their struggle to acquire permanent housing and jobs."

Currently, Little Portion Friary is assisting sixteen (16) men who are fully vaccinated. Volunteers are needed in the morning, afternoon and evenings. Can you spare some time for those in need? If you are interested, please call Connie at (716) 639-0810

WORD OF LIFE

"Dearest St. Joseph, at the word of an angel, you lovingly took Mary into your home. As God's humble servant, you guided the Holy Family on the road to Bethlehem, welcomed Jesus as your own son in the shelter of a manger, and fled far from your homeland for the safety of both Mother and Child... Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life - especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things. Amen." "A Prayer to St. Joseph, Defender of Life"

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16

7:00am - 5:00pm Chapel Open
8:30am - 9:30am K-8 Faith Formation (Main Hall & Classrooms)
3:00pm - 3:45pm Reconciliation (Cry Room)
4:00pm Liturgy

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00am; 10:00am; 12:00pm Liturgy
8:50am Novena to Our Blessed Mother
11:00am - 12:00pm Gr. 9-10 Faith Formation

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18

7:00am - 5:00pm Chapel Open
10:00am Altar Rosary (Main Hall)
8:30am Rosary & 9:00am Liturgy
4:45pm Evening Prayer (Chapel)
7:00pm Finance Committee (Rectory Conference Room)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19

7:00am - 5:00pm Chapel Open
8:30am Rosary & 9:00am Liturgy
4:45pm Evening Prayer (Chapel)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20

7:00am - 5:00pm Chapel Open
8:30am Rosary & 9:00am Liturgy
10:00am Adult Faith Formation (Rectory Conference Room)
12:00pm Prayer and Meditation (Chapel)
4:45pm Evening Prayer (Chapel)
5:45pm - 6:45pm Gr. K-6 Faith Formation (M Hall & Classroom)
7:00pm Adult Faith Formation Rectory Conference Room
7:00pm-8:00pm Gr. 7-10 Faith Formation (M Hall & Classroom)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21

7:00am - 5:00pm Chapel Open
8:30am Rosary & 9:00am Liturgy
4:45pm Evening Prayer (Chapel)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22

7:00am - 5:00pm Chapel Open Hours
8:30am Rosary & 9:00am Liturgy
4:45pm Evening Prayer (Chapel)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23

7:00am - 5:00pm Chapel Open
8:30am - 9:30am K-8 Faith Formation (Main Hall & Classrooms)
3:00pm - 3:45pm Reconciliation (Cry Room)
4:00pm Liturgy

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24, TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00am; 10:00am; 12:00pm Liturgy
8:50am - 11:30am Pancake Breakfast (Main Hall)
11:00am - 12:00pm Gr. 9-10 Faith Formation

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