

St. Pius X

3040 PIONEER AVENUE
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**Solemnity of Mary
Holy Mother of God
January 01, 2017**

Parish Mission Statement

In the spirit of our patron, Pope St. Pius X, we are a faith community centered in and nurtured by the Eucharist.

Called by the Father and inspired by the Holy Spirit, we strive to follow Jesus by hearing and living the Gospel. Through our ongoing commitment to religious education and sacramental renewal, we seek to witness our faith in our changing neighborhoods and modern world.

We endeavor to reach out to all ages, the poor, the homebound and those who have strayed, as we prepare for the future of the Church.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor— Reverend James Bachner

Parochial Vicar - Reverend Gary Oehmler

Parochial Vicar - Reverend Fernando Torres

Deacons—Mark S. Bibro

Rich Longo

Tom O'Neill

Religious Education Coordinator—Patricia Schwerin

Secretaries - Clare Joint & Annette Ferrieri

Director of Music Ministry....John Jay Zibura

Parish Office Hours— 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

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Principal - Janet Salley Rakoczy

Hotline for Victims of Sexual Abuse: 1-888-808-1235.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesdays - 6:15 PM - 6:45 PM or by appointment

MARRIAGES

The prospective bride and groom are required to make arrangements with the Pastor at least six months prior to the wedding. All couples are required to attend a pre-marriage preparation program. The latest time for weddings on Saturday is 2:00 PM.

BAPTISMS

Baptism is celebrated at a mutually agreed appointment on the first and third Sundays at 11:00 AM. Please call the rectory to make arrangements. A Baptismal preparation class is required for first-time parents and are offered monthly.

INSTRUCTIONS IN THE FAITH

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is offered for those interested in the Catholic Faith. This Program begins in September and ends in May. For further information contact the Religious Education Office.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Monday morning, following the 8:00 AM Mass.

ROSARY

Every Tuesday morning before the 8:00 AM Mass. Also, everyday in May and October, before the 8:00 AM Mass starting at 7:35 AM. and at 6:35 on Wednesdays prior to mass.

HOSPITALIZED PARISHIONERS AND SHUT-INS -

Please notify the parish office of any parishioner who is not able to attend Mass due to illness or age, or who wishes to receive the Eucharist or a visit to their home, a care facility or a hospital. A Priest or Eucharistic Minister can bring Communion to the home.

Mass Intentions & Services for the Week

Monday	01/02/17
8:00 AM Mrs. Helen Larkin (Helene)	
Tuesday	01/03/17
8:00 AM Charlie Amond, Jr. (Diane)	
Wednesday	01/04/17
7:00PM Frank Damratoski (Family)	
Saturday	01/07/17
8:00AM Elmer "Moe" Jacob (Wife & Children)	
4:00 PM Rocco Family (Theresa Rocco)	
Sunday	01/08/17
8:00 AM Mislevy Family Members (Marilyn Mislevy)	

Neighboring Churches Mass Schedule

Our Lady of Loreto

Tues. 7:30 AM
 Thur. 7:30AM
 Fri. 7:30AM
Sun. 9:30AM

St. Catherine of Siena

Tues. 8:45AM
 Wed. 8:45AM
 Thurs. 8:45AM
 Fri. 8:45AM
 Sat. 8:45AM
4:00PM
Sun. 11:00AM
1:00PM (Spanish)

Resurrection Church

Mon. 6:00 PM
 Wed. 9:00AM
 Thur. 9:00AM
 Fri. 9:00AM
Sat. 5:30PM
Sun. 11:30AM
6:30 PM

St. Pamphilus

Tues-Sat 8:30AM
Sat. 5:30PM
8:00AM
11:00AM

CONFESSION SCHEDULE-

Mondays from 5-5:45PM at Resurrection. Wednesdays from 6:15-6:45PM at St. Pius X, and Saturdays from noon-12:30PM at St. Catherine of Siena.

Pray For

Remember in your prayers our parishioners who are ill or in the hospital and unable to worship with our community of prayer, especially: Bob Anderson, Laura Anderson, Marianne Ascenzi, Alice Aul, Stephanie Burey, Francis Burke, Judy Carlucci, Joann Cottrill, Dennis Cronin, Mary DeLembo, Maria DeSensi, Rita Dzubinski, Judy Fair, Pat Fennel, Anna Folino, Frances and Sam Gargotta, Harry Goedert, Kim Goray, Karen Graziano, , Pete Haggerty, Robert Homer, Rosemary Jacob, Kieran Johnston Barbara Kramer, Nancy Lang, Vince Mazza, Jill McGaha, Lois June McCauley, Stephanie Morrison, Frank Mussitsch, Leo & Anna Marie Mostyn, John & Toni Nasky, Vince Paladini, Frank Pitkuts, Joe Rasch, Linda Reick, Jack Sabina, Patricia Serafini, Mary Scolieri, Mel Skindzier, Lois Stack, Charlene Thompson, Andrew Tichon, Cindy Totino, Jean Warren, Nicholas Wittman, JoAnn Wuchevich, Debra Young, and the Zamperini Family. May God extend His helping and healing hands upon them.



Information on 300 Club

8th Week due to holiday will be in next week

If interested in joining, please call Florence Coyne at 412 531-0382.

Readings for the Week of January 1, 2017

Sunday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21
 Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98/Jn 1:19-28
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29--3:6/Ps 98/Jn 1:29-34
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98/Jn 1:35-42
 Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21/Ps 100/Jn 1:43-51
 Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147/Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38
 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149/Jn 2:1-11
 Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Observances for the Week of January 1, 2017

Sunday: Mary, the Holy Mother of God; Octave of Christmas; New Year's Day; World Day of Peace
 Monday: Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church
 Tuesday: Most Holy Name of Jesus
 Wednesday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
 Thursday: St. John Neumann, Bishop
 Friday: St. André Bessette, Religious
 Saturday: St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest
 Next Sunday: Epiphany of the Lord; National Migration Week

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Offering for Sunday, December 25, 2016
Not Available due to the Holiday
Will appear next Sunday



CLUSTER CORNER

Diocesan Faith Formation Information Baptism Class

Sunday January 8th 11:00 AM

St. Pius X in the School

Bingo at Resurrection Church

Monday, Doors Open at 6:00 PM
Quinn Hall

Bible Study— Tuesday— 7:00PM to 8:00PM St. John Bosco Academy Please join Fr. Gary as he leads in reflecting on Sacred Scriptures. All are welcome to attend and participate.

HALL RENTAL— Looking for a place to hold a funeral luncheon, or a baby shower, graduation party, or other events for up to 125 people. St. Catherine of Siena hall is now an option for you. For more information call Maria at 412-614-3447 or 412-531-4617. Catering is also available.

The Beechview/Brookline Cluster will offer the second of three programs starting in January. The first was Discovering Christ. The next is called Following Christ. Following Christ helps people to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ. This is accomplished through the grace of God by praying together, teaching, and supporting one another in some to the basic disciplines and truths practiced by Christians since the early Church. Please join us and bring a friend. The sessions will be held on Wednesdays at St. Pius X in Brookline in Cullen Hall. The dates are January 11, 18, 25 February 1,8,15,22. The sessions include a light meal (soup and sandwich). Sessions beginning with Mass at 7:00 PM and continue until 9:15 PM. For more information and registration please call 412 531 9227. Thank you.

Help Wanted If you would be interested in helping with the upcoming series "**Following Christ**" that will be held in January and February at St. Pius X, please call 412 531-9227. We need help with the registration, food, set up and clean up.

Thanks!

Tax Statements: If you need a tax statement for your donations to St. Pius X Parish for 2015, please contact the Parish Center at 412 563 5423

***Best wishes for a Blessed New Year !!
From Father Jim , Father Gary and
Father Fernando
Deacon Mark , Deacon Tom,
Deacon Rich and
the Parish Staff***

St. Pius Book Club will be on Thursday, Jan. 26 at 7:30. We are reading *Go Set A Watchman* by Harper Lee.

PITTSBURGH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER-A few people were asking about getting more Pittsburgh Catholic newspapers at the church doors. It actually saves the parish money if we get you on the list for **Home Delivery**. If you would like to make sure you get a Pittsburgh Catholic every week, please call the Parish office and leave your name, address, and phone number.

ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE! - Thank you! More than 27,000 people attended 329 parish consultation sessions in October and November. Your initial feedback will help to guide our work ahead. Next steps include:
1. Parish-based opportunities for prayer and conversation;
2. Continued formation experiences to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ;
3. Additional information shared and new opportunities to provide feedback. Stay involved and sign up for e-mail updates at OnMissionChurchAlive.org.

Are you in need of a spiritual getaway?

A Pilgrimage to the Shrines of Croatia and Medjugorje will be led by Father Daniele Vallecorsa from May 21-31, 2017. Visits to the shrines and churches of Zagreb, Zadar, Dubrovnik and Sarajevo and 6 days in Medjugorje. Visits with Franciscan Friars Fr. Jozo and Fr. Svetovar. The cost is \$2,695 and includes an English speaking guide. Seats are limited. For more information contact Bernadette at 412-563-3857 or marystravel2@gmail.com

High School Silent Retreat -- God is alive and we believe that He speaks to us. At this men's High School Silent Retreat, we are going to give God the time and space to speak to our hearts about our lives and our vocations. The retreat will be led by Fr. Mike Ackerman and Fr. Joe Freedy at The Arc and The Dove Retreat House, January 14-15, 2017. For more information or to register, visit PGHPriest.com.

AA/NA Meetings are held at the Church of the Advent (next door) on Tuesdays at 6:30 PM and 8:00 PM; Wednesdays at Noon. Dormont meetings are held Wednesday at 7PM and 8:30PM.

Retrouvaille: A Lifeline for Married Couples.

Retrouvaille offers help to couples experiencing trouble in their marriage. The weekend and post sessions focus on rebuilding marriage through better communication, listening, and understanding. Call today to begin the healing process beginning with a weekend on January 13, 2017. Contact Retrouvaille at 412-277-3434. More information is available at <http://www.retrouvailleofpittsburghinc.org/>

Child Care --Providence Connections, Inc., a ministry of the Sisters of Divine Providence, offers child care for children six weeks up to Pre-Kindergarten. We also offer afterschool care for children in Kindergarten through 5th grade. Come visit our Star 3 center, conveniently located on Brighton Road, just north of city. For more information and registration details call the center at 412-766-3860 or visit www.providenceconnections.org.

On Friday, January 6 2017 St. Mary of the Mount's

SOUP & SONG is the perfect cold winter evening event for the whole family. SOUP & SONG will be held at Sullivan Hall, 131 Bigham Street, Pittsburgh PA 15211. At 6:30 p.m. the event begins with Grace, dinner service at 7:00 p.m. Menu includes all you can eat soup Bacon Potato Soup, Italian Wedding Soup, Beef Minestrone soup, Vegetable Soup, Stuffed Pepper Soup Tossed Salad, Crusty bread, Soft Drink or Coffee, and one ticket for a Door Prize. Dinner prices are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12, no charge for children under 4. Take out menu includes 2 pints of soup, 2 rolls and salad for 2 for \$10. Sing-along is from 7:30 to 8:00. Also available is dessert at the Bake Sale, Gift Basket Raffle, Lottery Ticket Raffle, and 50/50.

Reservations are required. Please call Nancy DeCarpio at (412) 481-8064 with name, phone number, and number of diners. Payment is accepted at the door.

Golf Bash to be held at St. Ferdinand Parish on Saturday, January 28, 2017.

Hey Golfers! Need new golf clubs to help lower your golf score? Then make plans to attend the Golf Bash at St. Ferdinand. The Golf Bash will be held on Saturday, January 28, 2017 from 11:30 am to 5:00 pm in Oldenski Hall. The donation is \$35 per person, which includes raffles for 20 great golf prizes (including 5 full sets of irons- see the link at www.stferd.org for a listing of all the prizes) and plenty of free food and draft beer during the day. Ticket holders do not need to be present to win, so even if you can't attend that day, you can still buy a ticket and be eligible to win some great new golf clubs. Tickets can be purchased at the Church Administrative Office located at 2535 Rochester Road, Cranberry Twp., PA 16066. For more information, contact Mark at 724-816-7299.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION- We have begun to have monthly Adoration of the Eucharist at Resurrection Church every 3rd Monday from 5-5:45PM (prior to the 6PM Mass). This gives our cluster several opportunities each month to adore Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. Other times are: at St. Pius X every Last Wednesday of the Month from 7:30-8PM (after 7PM Mass); and at St. Catherine of Siena 1st Fridays from 9:15-10AM (after the 8:45AM Mass).

Divorced, Widowed, or Separated? --The loss of a spouse through separation, divorce, or death is a traumatic experience. The *Coping with Life Alone* program offered through *Beginning Experience International Ministry, Inc.*, is structured to help those in all stages of grief and loss cope with their feelings about the end of their marriage. The feelings of hurt, alienation, and pain that accompany the loss of one's spouse can be made bearable, and the grief work can begin effectively, with the support from others who have had a common experience.

Coping with Life Alone sessions will be held weekly on Thursdays from 7:00-9:00 PM beginning January 12, 2017 at Ss. Simon & Jude parish (1607 Greentree Road, Pgh. 15220) in the Parish Life Center (former school building). Cost of attendance is \$25 for the entire 9-week session. For more information, contact Theresa Smith (412-260-1807 or Theresa.mchenry@gmail.com) or Karen Walker (412-884-5904 or walker@bishopcanevin.org).

Please consider supporting Catholic Hospice as you explore volunteer possibilities

Catholic Hospice is reaching out & inviting you to consider volunteering with us in support of our pro-life mission towards end of life care. We would love to have people who share in our mission and are open to encountering one of life's most rewarding experiences, join our volunteer team. If Patient Care is not your primary interest, we are welcoming people who enjoy fundraising, community events or clerical work to join our team as well. Volunteer training for Patient Care will be held **on Friday January 27th 2017** from 9AM-4PM at Sewickley office. If you are interested in learning more about our volunteer opportunities, please call Robyn Aguzzi at 724.933.6222 or email raguzzi@catholichospicepgh.org. For additional information on Catholic Hospice go to www.catholichospicepgh.org. For groups of 5 or more, we'll bring training to your location. Meeting People Face to Faith...Embrace the Journey

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