

St. Pius X

3040 PIONEER AVENUE
PITTSBURGH, PA 15226-1799



**Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 26, 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

TELEPHONES

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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 02/27/17
 8:00 AM Ida Grattan (Joseph Grattan, son)
Tuesday 02/28/17
 8:00 AM Andy Dowd (Mom, Dad, Larry & Darla)
Wednesday **ASH WEDNESDAY** 03/01/17
 1:00PM Richie Ingold (John Jenkins)
 7:00PM Dorothy G. Conway (Husband & Children)
Saturday 03/04/17
 8:00AM Health & Well Being Joe Kramer (A Friend)
 4:00PM Deceased members of Arzenti, DeSensi & Folino
 Grandparents (Grand daughters Maria & Caroline)
Sunday 03/05/17
 8:00 AM Lois Graham (David & Sharon Macowick)



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

Stations of The Cross

Fridays of Lent

ST. Pius X 1:15 PM
 Resurrection 4:30 PM
 Our Lady of Loreto 6:00 PM
 St. Catherine 7:00 PM

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, Philip Mitchell, 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

16th Week #205 Christine Jones \$100
 If interested in joining, please call Florence Coyne at 412 531-0382.

Readings for the Week of February 26, 2017

Sunday: Is 49:14-15/Ps 62:2-3, 6-9/1 Cor 4:1-5/Mt 6:24-34
 Monday: Sir 17:20-24/Ps 32:1-2, 5-7/Mk 10:17-27
 Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23/Mk 10:28-31
 Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17/2 Cor 5:20--6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
 Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 9:22-25
 Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15
 Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-6/Lk 5:27-32
 Next Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-6, 12-13, 17/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

Observances for the Week of February 26, 2017

Sunday: 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Monday:
 Tuesday: Mardi Gras
 Wednesday: Ash Wednesday; Day of Fasting & Abstinence
 Thursday:
 Friday: St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin; Day of Abstinence
 Saturday: St. Casimir
 Next Sunday: 1st Sunday of Lent

Offering for Sunday, February 19, 2017

Envelopes (199).....\$ 3,119.00
Cash Contributions.....\$ 356.00
Total.....\$ 3,475.00
Religious Education.....\$ 414.00

February 26, 2017.....St. Vincent De Paul
March 05, 2017.....Parish Share



CLUSTER CORNER

Baptism Class

Tuesday March 7 - 7PM

Our Lady of Loreto—In the Church

412 341 6161



Bingo at Resurrection Church

Monday, Doors Open at 6:00 PM

Quinn Hall



Bible Study will NOW be meeting in the St. Pius Church Hall [*Cullen Hall beneath the Church*]. Each Session is One Hour, from 7:00 to 8:00PM. All are welcome.

Schedule as follows:

Feb 28 7:00 -8:00

Mar 7 7:00 -8:00

Mar 14 7:00 -8:00

Mar 21 7:00 -8:00

Mar 28 **No Session**



Coming soon! Two Hearts Coffeehouse - a

community coffeehouse at McCann Hall (SCS). Our hours will be on Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. beginning on March 7. Join us for a cup of coffee or tea on opening night! All are welcome!



During the Season of Lent, the St. Pius X Women's Group asks you to help families in the Pittsburgh area who are in need of supplies for their babies. Beginning next Sunday, please take a card from one of the baskets that will be located near the doors of the church. Each card names a gift that a family may need. You may return your gift any time before April 2nd by placing it in the bassinet in the front of church. There is no need to wrap the gift. The gifts will be distributed by the P.C. U. C. (People Concerned for the Unborn Child). Monetary donations are welcome and may be put in the offertory basket in an envelope marked 'Baby Shower'.

The St. Pius X Women's Group will host their Eighth Annual Women's Retreat on Saturday

April 8th. We invite all women to keep this date open and invite your friends to join us for this special day of prayer and reflection. Look for more information with next week's bulletin.

This Sunday, Feb. 26th, St. Pius Women's Group will be packing lunches for Shepherd's Heart at 12:00 noon.

THROUGH OUR BAPTISM WE SHARE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH.

Jesus calls us to discipleship and to share our unique gifts with the Church. Our beloved priests cannot "do it all." All of us are called to step up and lead others in faith.

This is what it means to be On Mission for The Church Alive!

Prepare your heart for the work of discipleship at "Back to the Font", a Morning of Reflection. **The presentation, prayer and discussion will held on Sat. March 4 from 9 a.m. to noon.** Choose the location nearest you: St. Alphonsus, Wexford; St. Bonaventure, Glenshaw; St. Cecilia, Rochester; St. Frances Cabrini, Center Twp., Holy Family, New Brighton; Immaculate Conception, Washington; St. James the Apostle, Pulaski; St. Katharine Drexel (Ave Maria church), Bentleyville; St. Michael, Avella; Our Lady of Joy, Holiday Park; St. Paul Seminary, Crafton; **St. Pius X, Brookline**; St. Rita, Munhall; St. Stephen, Hazelwood; St. Vincent de Paul, New Castle; St. Wendelin, Carbon Center. Visit OnMissionChurchAlive.org or call 412-456-3180 for more information or to register.

MAKE A TOTAL CONSECRATION TO MARY

In honor of the 100th Anniversary of our Lady's apparitions at Fatima the Legion of Mary invites you to MAGNIFICAT HOUSE, 1705 BROWNSVILLE ROAD (three doors down from St. Basil Church) for a **SIX WEEK PROGRAM, 33 DAYS TO MORNING GLORY**. In this book St. Louis De Montfort, St. Teresa of Liseux, St. John Paul II and St. Teresa of Calcutta teach us through daily reflections how to entrust ourselves to Mary to lead us to Jesus. The surest way to holiness.

SIX SATURDAY MORNINGS FROM 10:30 TO 11:30 AM - APRIL 1,8,22,29 AND MAY 6, 13 WITH **CONSECRATION ON May 13, Feast of Our Lady of Fatima**. Session consists of prayer, group discussion and video. Free Will Offering of \$10 for book and materials. Register by March 25, brunettmaryann@yahoo.com or call 412-448-6444.

4th Annual St. Patrick's Day Party for the Bob O'Connor Foundation -- Saturday, February 25, 2017, from 7:00 – 11:00 p.m., at the Sokol Club, 2912 E. Carson St., Pgh. Food, wine and beer included (cash bar), 50/50, silent auction, Chinese auction, photo booth. Tickets can be purchased at www.boboconnorfoundation.com or by calling Heidy (O'Connor) Garth at 412-427-5235.

SCHOOL NEWS

St. John Bosco Academy PTG presents Paint Night! Friday, February 24th 7pm-9pm (doors open at 6:30) Cullen Hall (SJBA cafeteria). Instructors from the Art and Frame Gallery will be here to present their Paint and Sip event. They will guide us through completing a beautiful canvas painting that you take home that evening. Bring your favorite beverages and appetizers and friends and family (21 and over only) and have a great night out creating your own masterpiece! \$35 per person. Advance reservations required with payment by Feb. 17th. Please send in payment and reservations to the St John Bosco Academy office. Email sjbaptg@gmail.com for more information.

Come with us, to honor the “Divine Child Jesus,” at the “Most Blessed Sacrament Shrine” in Hanceville and “Our Lady of the Angels Monastery Shrine” at EWTN in Irondale, Alabama. We will depart from Pittsburgh International Airport, and upon arrival in Atlanta, board our motorcoach to Irondale and EWTN. In addition to being in the audience for two live programs at EWTN, we will also be there for Mass and spiritual talks. We will also attend Mass at the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville and attend spiritual talks, visit the “Lourdes Grotto” . Price is \$680.00, which includes airfare, motorcoach, lodging and some meals. Deposit of \$100.00 is due before February 25, 2017. Contact: Bernadette Burke--412-563-3857

Catholic Hospice Seeking Per Diem RN/Fulltime LPN and Fulltime CNAs

Eligible candidates will have:

- *One year demonstrated relevant experience
- *Current PA license as required for position applied
- *Reliable transportation for local travel in the community.

Catholic Hospice & Palliative Services, serving those of all faiths, is the area’s only hospice program which fully embraces and upholds hospice’s founding Christian principles, as well as the Church’s position on care of the dying as stated in the Vatican’s Declaration on Euthanasia for all faiths to follow. Please submit resumes via email to bstroud@catholichospicepgh.org or via fax to 724.933.6225.

Weekend Retreat for Post-Abortion Healing

Rachel’s Vineyard, a weekend retreat designed to heal the emotional and spiritual wounds of abortion, will be held on May 5-7, 2017 at Tabor House in Millvale. In a confidential and supportive atmosphere, Rachel’s Vineyard demonstrates God’s love, forgiveness, and compassion to women (and men) struggling with abortion’s aftermath. To register or for more information, call Toni Jester at 412-352-5348 or email: toniafj1@comcast.net

St. Pius X Book Club - The March book selection is *City Baker's Guide to Country Living* by Louise Miller. We will meet on Thursday, March 23, at 7:30 p.m. in the St. John Bosco Academy School Building. New members are always welcome!

YOUTH GROUP NEWS: Our four (4) parish Youth Group is scheduled to meet each month on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays for fun Activities.

1st Saturdays will be at St. Catherine

3rd Saturdays will be at Resurrection

4th Saturdays will be at SCS and will be gym sports nights.

All youth **6th thru 12th Grade** are encouraged to attend.

Holy Apostles Parish offers diocesan approved Pre-Cana classes for couples preparing for marriage. Our next program is scheduled for Friday evening, March 17 from 6:30 - 9:30PM. at St Albert the Great Church and resumes again on Saturday, March 18 from 9:00AM - 3:00PM.

The donation is \$60 per couple. Please call the parish office at 412-884-7744 or

holyapotes@holyapostlesparish.org to register or for more information.

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.

Divorced, Widowed, or Separated?

The loss of a spouse through separation, divorce, or death is a traumatic experience. The *Beginning Experience* weekend is intended to help widowed, divorced, or separated people who would like to pass through the grief and begin to move forward with their lives. Come to a safe place.

The next weekend will be **March 17-19, 2017** at Gilmary Retreat Center in Moon Twp., PA. Payment arrangements and possible financial assistance are available. For more information, explore our website

www.BeginningExperience.org or make a confidential call to Mary at 412-523-2405 or Steve at 412-720-8694.

In a troubled marriage? Is your marriage going down the right road . . . or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage.

Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on March 31, 2017, please contact Retrouvaille at 412-277-3434. More information is available at <http://www.retrouvailleofpittsburghinc.org>.

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