

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

More Than 50 Years of Faith!

Saint Pius X

CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL "To renew all things in Christ"

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Throughout Sacred Scripture, there are miracles God performs left and right. Whatever happened to miracles? We haven't had an apparition of the Blessed Mother or the bleeding of a Sacred Host in a while — is the time of miracles over?

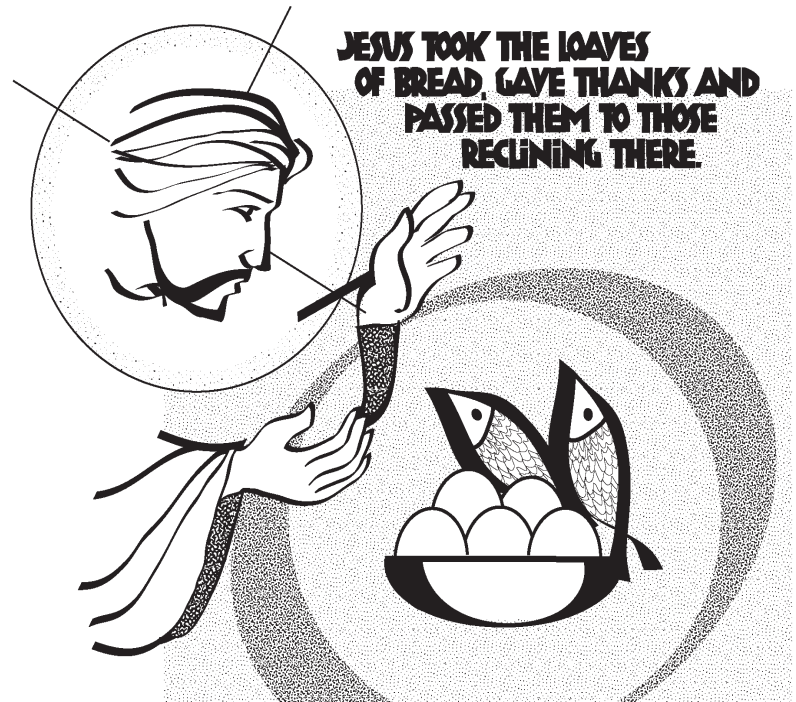
I have been asked this question many times, and it's not necessarily a bad question. We have to remember that God is not a circus clown; he doesn't exist to entertain us or to defy the laws of physics (which he is the author of). This goes without saying, but God is not a vending machine either, giving us exactly what we want in exchange for the "good" things we do.

All kidding aside, we do need miracles. This world is a difficult world to live in, with all the political hoopla and families becoming more divided. But we do not get to choose which miracles God is to perform. We may know the problems that exist in the world, but who are we to tell God what the solutions are? We don't know our hearts and mind as well as God does; therefore, we do not know what remedies we need, but Jesus Christ is our Divine Physician. Last week, the refrain for the Responsorial Psalm was, "the Lord is my Shepherd; there is nothing I shall want." Within that psalm we heard, "beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul." God performs miracles for the benefit of our salvation. The apparition of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the Eucharistic miracle of Orvieto, and the multiplication of the loaves and fishes are all for the sake of our belief in God and conversion of heart.

To say that Jesus Christ is very smart is an understatement. His wisdom is beyond our understanding, but we know he left us the sacraments for a reason. He knew that the sacraments would bring healing to us and be the cause of conversion for countless people. For those of us who haven't had the privilege witnessing an apparition or Eucharistic miracle, we have seven miracles that we all can be a witness to, especially the Holy Eucharist and Reconciliation. I recommend that you witness as much as you can-and pay attention! I went to two priestly ordinations this summer. These were moments I received great hope, because I knew that the problems we have-even in the Church- are nothing compared to what our Lord accomplishes through his priests. If you can go to a priestly ordination, I encourage you to go. It's the most amazing thing!

Take advantage of these miracles. When all is said and done, the Eucharist by far is the most precious miracle, and we are humbled, not only to be in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ, but to receive him as well. God will send us signs as he sees fit, but right now, we have the best sign-and that is the Eucharist.

Raymond Penolton



HE DID THE SAME WITH THE DRIED FISH AS MUCH AS THEY WANTED.

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† *May They Rest in Peace*

Please pray for the repose of the soul of parishioner Shirley Currie, and for Jerry Martin, whose funeral services were held here this past week. Please keep the families in your prayers.

Position Available In The Parish Office

We are seeking a full-time Receptionist/Administrative Assistant for the Parish Office. To maximize our resources, Lisa Catchings will be taking on the role of Bookkeeper for both the parish and St. Pius X School and will retain some administrative tasks. The change in duties necessitates a new position. Applicants must possess good, positive interpersonal skills, safeguard confidentiality, needs to be capable of administrative skills that involve handling multiple phone lines, handling correspondence and letter composition, computer skills, maintain parish schedules, oversee and maintain confidential sacramental records, editing and printing bulletins and/or other publications, and other office tasks. Please submit resumes to Fr. Paul at the parish office.

Walking With Purpose Women's Catholic Bible Study is back this September!

Do you desire to grow in your Catholic faith? Are you searching for something more in your life? Would you like to connect with other women in our parish community?

Come back to community! We invite you to consider joining Walking with Purpose, a women's Catholic Bible study, this fall at St. Pius. Weekly group sessions are starting Monday, September 13 at 7:00 pm and Thursday, September 16 at 9:15 am. Opening Your Heart, our foundational study, is designed for a woman new to WWP whether or not you have any Bible study experience; you are welcome as you are to learn how the Scriptures apply to our everyday lives. Our second study, Touching the Divine, is a study of the Gospel of John and designed for women who have already participated in WWP and are ready for a more advanced level of study as we learn how to know Christ in a deeper, more intimate way. We will be offering both studies, meeting at the same time in the youth hall. You will be able to register online on the St Pius website (www.stpiusxcc.org) starting August 2 and paper registration forms will be available after all Masses on the weekends of August 7-8 and August 14-15. We do have a limited capacity, so please register early!



The hand
of the LORD
feeds us

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Friday, 9:00AM-5:00PM

Schedule of Services

Masses: *First Friday: 5:30PM - Anointing of the Sick*

First Saturday: 8:15AM

Saturday: Vigil at 5:30PM.

Sunday: 8AM, 10AM, 12PM, 5:30PM

Vietnamese Mass: 7:30PM

(Babysitting at 10AM and 12 noon Sunday Masses - Ages 6mo-5yrs - in Parish Hall Nursery)

Weekdays: Monday through Friday 8:15AM,

Wednesday & Friday 5:30PM

Holy Days: 6:30AM, 8:15AM, 12PM & 6:00PM(Vigil 5:30PM)

Confessions: Saturdays - 4-5PM and 6:30-7:30PM and Thursdays 7-8PM

Marriages: By appointment only and notice six months in advance.

Baptismal Instruction: Pre-register through the office.

Anointing of the Sick: On request and at the 5:30PM Mass on First Fridays

Acts of Charity

As you may have noticed, many of the Acts of Charity programs are getting up and running. Thank you for your generous support!!

Another program that needs a boost to get started is the BEREAVEMENT PROGRAM. This is such a stressful time for family as they try to navigate the funeral process. We would love to be able to offer them a stress-free reception/light meal if they so desired. This is where we need your help! What the committee is looking for is:

- Volunteers to make salads/desserts and deliver to the parish hall.
- Volunteers who could be available during the receptions to make sure the food/drinks are out and ready for the family.
- Volunteers who could help with legal/accounting/general questions that can sometimes arise after a family member has passed.

Do you have a flexible schedule that would allow you to be free a morning/afternoon once or twice a month? Can you bake (or buy) a dessert? Do you have an understanding of legal issues that arise after death? Is the Holy Spirit leading you to help this ministry? If so, please contact the parish office, or visit the Acts of Charity tab under the parish website (St. Pius X Catholic Church: Acts of Charity (stpiousxcc.org)).

Hands on Help

Are you a licensed plumber, electrician, general contractor or handyman? The Acts of Charity Hands on Help Program would love to add you to our list of providers who might be able to bid on small home projects. If you would reach out to us via the parish office or on the parish website, we would greatly appreciate your help.

CMSE Re-certification Class

If you are part of a ministry here at St. Pius X, or a volunteer at the church or school, please check your blue card to see if it has expired. If it has, and you wish to continue in your ministry or volunteer work, we will be having a CMSE re-certification class on Tuesday, August 10th, at 6:30 p.m. in CC #2. Because space is limited, reservations are required, no exceptions. No walk-ins will be allowed. Please call the parish office at (361)993-4053 to reserve your spot!

Summer Polkafest!

Czech Food, Czech Music, Czech Fun! The 8th annual Summer Polkafest is August 7, 2021 at Moravian Hall, 5601 Kostoryz Rd. Doors open at 11:00 a.m. Admission is \$12.00. Drinks and meals are available for purchase. For more information contact Randy Sykora (361)960-3220.

Stewardship Is A Way Of Life

Our parish is engaged in many different types of ministry that serves the People of God and helps spread the Gospel message. We encourage you to support these ministries by your regular contributions. To make a contribution, open the camera on your cell phone or tablet and scan this code, which will take you to our contribution portal. Thank you for your generosity!



Comings and Goings

The Week at a Glance



Monday, July 26th

7:00PM – Scouts - CAF

Tuesday, July 27th

7:00-8:00AM – Joyful Pillars – CC#2

Wednesday, July 28th

12:00-3:00PM – Bridge Club – CC#1

Thursday, July 29th

7:00PM – Adoration – CH

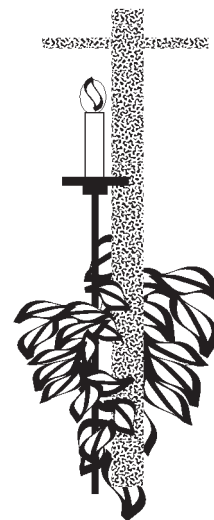
7:00PM – Confessions - CH

Friday, July 30th

Saturday, July 31st

3:00PM – Wedding Annv. Mass - CH

4:00-5:00PM – Confessions – CH



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**Deadline for submitting
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Wednesday's @ 12:00noon**

Saturday, July 24th

5:30PM † Duane Read by Cheryl Johnson

Sunday, July 25th

8:00AM David Russell's Intentions by D. Havel

10:00AM † John H. Kelly's Annv. by K.K.H.

12:00PM † Jay Shaw by William & Dianne Tate

5:30PM For the Parishioners

Monday, July 26th

8:15AM † Adela Villarreal by Johnny & Yolanda Villarreal

Tuesday, July 27th

8:15AM † John Boyd by Lucy Boyd

Wednesday, July 28th

8:15AM † David N. Scherzer by Grace Scherzer

† Charlotte Groner by Thomas Groner

† Sam Ferris, Jr. by Julia & Terry Johns

† James E. Kelly, Sr. & Helen B. Kelly by James & John Kelly

† Albert & Mary Pat Slavik by James & John Kelly

† Anna Van Dyke by James Kelly

† Valerie Alyss by Mother & family

5:30PM † Gloria B. Garcia by Goldie Acuña

† Mary, John & James Patrick Kelly by K.K.H.

† Claude T. Allen, Jr. by Joyce Zarsky

† Roquelito Auza by Riza Auza & kids

Liliane Van Hoof's well-being by James Kelly

John C. Kelly's well-being by James Kelly

James W. Kelly 3rd well-being by James Kelly

† Jerry & Gloria Alvarez by Carlos & Judy Rubinstein

Thursday, July 29th

8:15AM † Patricia Gore by her family

Friday, July 30th

8:15 AM † Carlos A. Wagner Annv. by his family

5:30PM † Mario Lopez by Pearl Lopez

Saturday, July 31st

5:30PM † Larry Blint by Joanie Whitmire

Sunday, August 1st

8:00AM For the parishioners

10:00AM † Felix Gonzalez, Sr. by Goldie Acuña

12:00PM † Stella Campos Annv. by her family

5:30PM † Juliet Ordener Johnson by Sandra & Randy

Financial Report for Sunday 07/18/2021

Operating Revenue:

Sunday Collection..... \$10,505.05

Sunday Online \$8,188.66

Other Income..... \$250.00

Total Operating Revenue... \$18,943.71

Other Contributions:

Acts of Charity \$1,025.00

Donations to Quilters \$52.00

Church in Africa \$100.00

Total Other Contributions.... \$1,177.00

Total Contributions..... \$20,120.71

**Diocesan Loan – Parking Lot, A/C,
Roof Repairs (1/6/2017)**

Amount borrowed \$389,469.05

Principal pd (6/30/21) \$271,716.90

Ending balance..... \$117,752.15

Please Pray for our Sick & Shut-Ins:

Luis Alvarado, Theresa Alvarado, Kirk Anderson, Sugar Arras, Abby Arredondo, Missy O'Rourke Atkinson, Tamra Bacon, Allan Balderas, Elida Benavides, Georgie Benton, Bernice Berry, Isabel Black, Judy Bowman, John Buckner, Jimmy Buehrig, Nicole Cuellar, Michael Campos, Lisa Caperton, Carlos Cardenas, Eddie Castro, Sylvia Chatelain, Dora Church, Carole Cotter, Harly Day, Sandy DeGregorio, Florinda DeLaGarza, Pud'n Dellinger, Albert Diemert, Natalie & Elaine Elwood, Bobby Floyd, Debbie Fuqua, Julian Galloway, Berta Garcia, Dakota Garcia, Minerva Garcia, Leigh & Jackson Gavarkovs, Deborah Giese, Beatriz Gonzalez, Juan Gonzalez, Jared Groner, Felix Guerra, Jr., Linda Habeeb, Monte Hall, Janice Harney, Owen Harris, Roger Heitzmann, Jr., Shain Hennig, Graham Hughes, Mark Hyde, Carl Jacobi, Elizabeth Johnson, Lorena Kolanski, Frank Kolda, Germaine Kraft, Dennis Kramer, James Lawrence, Arlene Leep, Diana Lopez, Medad Lopez, Larry Ludka, Bill Lyman, Mary Mandujano, Christopher & Linda Manka, Gilbert Martinez, Jack McCord, Pat McLemore, Fred Mitchell, Billy Monti, Arlene Morgan, John Morgan, Liz Morgan, Sam Morris, Sterling Murphy, Doug Nicol, Sandra R. Nicolas, Trent O'Connell, Doug Odle, John & Jerilynn Okoniewski, Anna Fay Olenick, Jason Olog, Ozzie & Mary Osborne, Valerie Pompa, Derral & Dolores Puckett, Irma Ramirez, Tino Ramos, John Rank, Patricia Riek, Joseph Rollins, JoAnn Rosales, John & Irene Rosales, Rebecca Rosales, Hedy Rosenast, Lorena Roy, David Russell, Americo Salazar, Luis Salazar, Sandra Salinas, Robert Sanchez, Janie San Miguel, Rick Sanders, Brandee Saylor, Steve Schuster, Msgr. Richard Shirley, Charles Skrobarczyk, Maxine Sommers, Dean Smith, Denise Sosa-Villagran, Mary Ann Starkey, Gloria Swantner, Andrew Trevino, Judy West, Wally Whitworth, Jr., Cynthia Williams, Helen Witzsche, Joe Zepeda and all those who asked for and need our prayers.

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