

Twenty Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saint Pius X
CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCHOOL "To renew all things in Christ"
More Than 50 Years of Faith!

From the desk of our Transitional Deacon....

Dear St. Pius Family,

Really, if we're honest, all moments of our lives here on earth are seldom dull or boring. Most of this life is either memorably blessed and joyous, or memorably horrible and painful...but it is always memorable, and hardly ever dull! Sadly, though, the things that are memorably good are not so obvious because the things that are memorably bad seem to dominate our thoughts. So, it is often true that many, many good things that we've been given escape our notice more than they should.

Good health and bad health, for example. We should never diminish what it is you need healing from right now, but we should also never diminish what it is we have been healed from...and what health we enjoy at this very moment. I know when I'm seriously sick with something unusually discomfiting, like a bad fever or something, I always say to myself, "I never knew feeling healthy and 'normal' felt so good until I felt this bad!" And I resolve in my heart to always be thankful for "feeling well". But, you know what? Once the illness goes away, I'm hardly as thankful for good and "normal" health as I should be, and as I say I will be from now on. I can't speak for you, but chances are that this is so with you too!

It is true of our spiritual health too. Yes, you have sins shaking around in your life right now...and your sins are not my sins, yet we all got 'em! But, ever stopped to be grateful for that part of your spiritual life that is healthy right now? For instance, perhaps you recently confessed (or need to confess) a sin that is recurring in your life, no matter how hard to want to get rid of it. Just keeps coming back! True, you should not diminish this ugly part of your life, but you know what? If what you're confessing is a constantly recurring sin, you have something to thank God for: thank God that there are no new sins in your life. Celebrate that! No new sins! That's something worth being happy about...very happy about.

Or even if there are a few new sins, I promise you that there is some area in your soul where you are excelling...so find it! And celebrate it. Thank God for it. And don't lose hope that that one recurring ugly spot in in your sins and in your heart can be healed, because it can...with the help of God and with the help of others. So too, for that promise of healing that will not rest until it is fulfilled...thank God in advance! He'll bless you in advance, and with your cooperation might just hasten the healing you so anxiously want and need.

In all things, we are awfully good at grieving over what truly does grieve our heart, and we should never stop that...because it's natural. But we should never forget to thank God, because even on our darkest day, there is something (however small sometimes) to thank Him for. Sometimes our cause of thanksgiving is so invisible to us. We just have no idea! We never ever know what tragedy we've been spared from, what sadness we've been spared from, what big Mack truck of circumstances was speeding right towards us but at the last minute swerved to miss us simply because of the prayers, care and love of another. You never know...but do know that many Mack trucks have steered clear of you precisely because of another's prayers. We can never ever neglect thanking God for that...never!

Saying "thank you" is so quick, small and precious a thing to do, and it's one of the most important and sweet things to possibly do. When we say "thank you", we are humbly acknowledging that we have received something from someone way beyond our doing, our asking, and our deserving it. We really need to say it often enough to each other, and (first) to God.

In the Gospel today, only one out of ten who Christ healed returned to thank Him. Each of us should really remind ourselves every day to be the one who does return to thank God.



Ten were cleansed, were they not?
Where are the other nine?
Has none but this foreigner
returned to give thanks to God?

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Just say it...don't make a big scene out of it, and don't be dramatic about it. Just simply say to Him, "thank you". Once in a while is enough...that's way more than the other nine, and when you say it and mean it, it means everything to Him! You know, it makes His day. So, go on and make His day...He'll make yours!

Thankful to serve, Deacon Eric

Welcome New Parishioners!

Please welcome our new parishioners Chris and Ashley Cartwright & sons, Noah and Wyatt. We invite them to become an active part of our growing faith community.

May He Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of former parishioner, James Brannigan, whose funeral Mass was held here last week.

A Message on Mercy



Charity is a supreme virtue, and the great channel through which the mercy of God is passed onto mankind. (Conrad Hilton)

Mercy for Ourselves

Accepting God's mercy to us through word, deed and prayer.

Word: Laugh out loud, allow yourself to enjoy the presence of others.

Deed: Participate in a healthy activity; take a walk, dance, exercise.

Prayer: Pray for your own well-being and health.

Lector Training

Attention all current and future Lectors! If you are in full communion with the Catholic Church and would like to become a Lector or continue to serve as a Lector, there will be Lector Training on Wednesday, October 12th, at 7 pm, as well as Saturday, October 15th, at 11 am. Both sessions will be in the church and the same content, so come to the one which best fits your schedule. Again, this training is required for all current Lector's and all who would like to become a Lector.

Join Us!

St. Pius X Altar & Rosary Society will be visiting Our Lady of Corpus Christi Perpetual Adoration Chapel on Lantana Thursday, October 13, 2016. While there we will recite the Holy Rosary and Sr. Mary Mediatrix of All Grace will be our guest speaker. To travel as a group please meet in St. Pius X parking lot by 9:15am. We would love to have other church members join us. For more info please contact Susan Dougherty at 361-855-8541 or suedougherty@sbcglobal.net.

Knights of Columbus

-Council meeting, Thursday, Oct. 20th, 6:30pm, CC #1.

-"That Man is You!", this Saturday, 6:30-8:00 am in CC#2.

-Join us each Sunday for the Rosary at 9:25am in the church.

-Last day to register to vote is October 11th, early voting begins on October 24th.

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

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

Additional Confession times during the Year of Mercy: Wednesdays & Fridays 5-5:30PM and Thursdays 6-8PM

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

Baptismal Instruction: Pre-register through the office.

Halloween Carnival Donations

The Halloween Carnival is the largest fundraiser for our school. If it is within your means to make a monetary donation to cover expenses OR to donate an item for our silent auction, we would greatly appreciate it! Please contact the Carnival Chair, D'Ann Tatsch at mike_tatsch@hotmail.com or call the school office at 361-992-1343.

All Souls Novena of Masses

We will be having a Novena of Masses for All Souls Day from November 2nd – 10th. Each day, one Mass will be offered for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed. If you would like for your deceased family member or loved one to be included in the novena, simply use the All Souls envelope included in your monthly envelope mailing, or you may take an envelope provided for your convenience at one of the entrances to the church. Be sure to list their names and return the envelope with your donation by Oct. 31st, and they will be placed in the sanctuary during the novena.

All Souls Service to Remember Our Loved Ones

Everyone is invited to a special All Souls Service to remember your loved ones who have died, on Wednesday, November 2nd, at 7:00 p.m. in the church. We will pray for all of your family members and friends who have died. We will light special candles especially remembering all who died during the past year and whose funeral services we celebrated in our parish. Please come and offer your prayers for those you hold dear to your heart.

ST. PIUS X YOUTH MINISTRY

High School Youth Spectacular

High school Youth Spectacular is October 22 at the American Bank Center. The final deadline is October 12! Sign up packets will be in the Youth Center.

Life Teen

Sunday, October 9 - XLT: A Night of Adoration
Sunday, October 16 - Super Denario Bros. - Stewardship

EDGE

This semester Edge will be doing a series called Existence. This series dives deep into the very beginning of everything. Youth will shown the depths of the love of God and the great truth that we were created out of love of God and to love God. Existence will walk the youth through learning about who God is and the world He has created.

Wednesday, October 12 - The Big Lie: The Fall of Man
Wednesday, October 19 - Bad News: Suffering and Evil

Stay Up To Date!

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Comings and Goings

The Week at a Glance

Sunday, October 9th

Sale of Waffle Breakfast tickets after all Masses
11:30AM-1:00PM – RCIA class - YC
6:30PM – Life Teen – YC

Monday, October 10th

3:15-4:15PM – School – Ballet – PH
5:30-7:30PM – Confirmation I – CC#1
6:00-7:00PM – Cub Scouts - CAF
7:00PM – Scouts – CAF
7:30PM – Angels – CC#2

Tuesday, October 11th

6:00-8:00AM – Men's Journey groups – CC#1&2
10:00AM - 12:00PM – Journey – CC#2
12:00-3:00PM – MAP – CC#1
6:00-9:00PM – Year of Mercy – YC
6:00-7:00PM – Webelos – CAF
6:00-7:00PM – Tiger Scouts - PH
6:30-8:00PM – CMSE class – CC#1
7:00-9:00PM – Catholic Daughters – CC#2

Wednesday, October 12th

7:00AM – Joyful Pillars – CC#2
9:00AM – 12:00PM – MAP – CC#1 office
9:00AM-12:00PM – Flu Clinic – CC#1
9:30AM – Schola – C/R
6:30PM – EDGE - YC
3:30-4:30PM – Children's Choir – C/R
4:30-5:30PM – Youth Choir – C/R
5:30PM – CCD - CC#1&2
6:30-7:30PM – Confirmation I – CAF
6:30-9:00PM – Alhambra – PH
6:30-7:30PM – CCD – CC#1
7:00-8:30PM – Lectors Training – CH
7:30PM – Youth Band practice – C/R

Thursday, October 13th

9:30AM – Altar Society – CC#2
1:30PM – Bridge – CC#1&2
1:00-4:00PM – Year of Mercy – YC
1:30-5:00PM – Bridge – CC#1&2
2:45-3:30PM – School choir - CH
6:00PM – Bell Choir – C/R
7:15-9:15PM – Prayer Shawl Ministry – CC#1
7:00PM – Adoration – CH
7:30PM- Adult Choir – C/R

Friday, October 14th

12:00-3:00PM – St. Pius X School – CC#2
12:30-2:30PM – Prayer Shawl Ministry – CC#1

Saturday, October 15th

7:00AM-12:00PM – Journey Group – CAF
8:00AM-3:00PM- Women's "The Way" – PH
10:00-10:30AM – Baptisms – CH
11:00AM – 12:30 PM – Lectors' Training - CH

Sunday, October 16th

8:00AM-1:00PM –Waffle Breakfast - PH
10:00AM-2:00PM – RCIA class – YC
6:30PM – Life Teen – YC

Mass Intentions



Saturday, October 8th

5:30PM † Pete A. Balli by Jeanie Balli
† Catherine Gardfold Annv. by Theresie Krnavek

Sunday, October 9th

8:00AM † Bruce Bayerlein by family
10:00AM † Mary, John & James Kelly by Kathleen Horne
12:00PM † Don Leiser Annv. by Corinne Leiser
5:30PM For the Parishioners
7:30PM Vietnamese Mass – For the Vietnamese Community

Monday, October 10th

8:15AM † Michael Pacheco, Sr. Annv by Penny Pacheco

Tuesday, October 11th

8:15AM † Amparo Rodriguez Annv. by Bonifacio Rodriguez & family

Wednesday, October 12th

8:15AM † Dee Samperi by Mary Fodor
† Mary Pat Slavik by James & John Kelly
† Evelyn Mansheim by Randy & Geraldine Sykora
† Dorothy Mathews by Betty Connolly
† Mike Winstead by Lory Moore
† Dora Diaz Ortiz by Frances Thompson
† Evangelina Friedrichs by Pete & Nancy Anzaldua
5:30 PM † Jerry Muttera by Lory Moore
† Martina Granados Annv. by Ramirez, Leal & Hinojosa families
James W. Kelly III wellbeing by family
† John Kovaric by Kay Kovaric
† Raymond Richter by M/M Henry Moczygemba, Jr.
† Adrian Sosa, Jr. by M/M Pablo Chavera, Jr.

Thursday, October 13th

8:15AM † Michael Pacheco, Jr. by Penny Pacheco
† Ernesto Elefante by wife

Friday, October 14th

8:15AM † Mike Mattheisen Annv. by Virginia Haas
5:30PM † Amador Zamora Annv. by Elva Laurel

Saturday, October 15th

5:30PM † John Boyd by Elva Laurel

Sunday, October 16th

8:00AM For the Parishioners
10:00AM † Dee Samperi Annv. by Mary Fodor
† Dorothy Krause by Judy Buchanan
12:00PM † Alvino C. Campos Annv. by Stella Campos
† Col. Norval Sommers by Maxine Sommers
5:30PM † Teresa Anorga by Tamez family
7:30PM Vietnamese Mass – For the Vietnamese Community



HEALTH CORNER!

LAST REMINDER: St. Pius X Church is offering one more "Flu Shot Clinic"! Parents of St. Pius X School are encouraged to have their children immunized against the flu! Mark your calendar! Wednesday, October 12, 2016 from 9:00am to 1:00pm in Community Center #1. Note: Please bring your Insurance Card with you. Sign-up at the Foyer of our church sign-up sheets! Thank you for participating. **[This is not medical advice.]**

Financial Report for Sunday 10/2/2016

Operating Revenue:

Sunday Collection \$16,267.96
Sunday Online..... \$3,035.00
Other Income \$225.00
Total Operating Revenue .. \$19,527.96

Other Contributions:

Acts of Charity \$140.00
Filipino Mission Appeal..... \$2,820.00
Disaster Relief \$40.00
Memorials\$..... 25.00
Janosek Scholarship \$25.00
Respect Life \$540.00
Flowers..... \$25.00
Total Other Contributions \$3,615.00

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Please Pray for our Sick & Shut-Ins:

Ernest Alatorre, Alicia & Luis Alvarado, Sidra Alvarez, Elida Benavides, Felipe Benavidez, Bernice Berry, Don Birt, Judy Bowman, Kanon Brown, Jimmy Buehrig, Stella & Michael Campos, Curtis Cantwell, Sondra Cazalas, Sabrina Cisneros, Shirley Currie, Allen Daehne, Andrea Dahlstrom, Patrick Delgado, Sandy DeGregorio, Florinda DeLaGarza, Minga DeLosSantos, Didra DeLosSantos, Samantha Didear Deste, Pud'n Dellinger, Liz Elovitz, Natalie & Elaine Elwood, Elijah Ethridge, Bobby Floyd, Alicia Garcia, Antonio Garcia, Esperanza Garcia, Dora Garza, Roel Garza, Terry Garza, Cindy Gedge, Elida Gonzalez, Charlotte & Tommy Groner, Jared Groner, Rose Marie Hand, Graham Hughes, Mark Hyde, Ben Janosek, Elizabeth Johnson, Jim Johnston, R. W. Jones, Nathan Kelley, Frank Kolda, Gerri Kosik, Dora Lambert, Elva Laurel, Melanie Lee, Arlene Leep, Eddie Litchko, Larry Ludka, Bill Lyman, Frances Marsden, Michael McCloskey, Jim & Pat McLemore, Fred & Vicki Mitchell, Melynda Moore, John Morgan, Liz Morgan, Patrick Moyers, Patricia Paris, Mary Lou Penne, Robert M. Pope, Patti Powers, Patricia Riek, John Lee Robertson, Amanda Rodriguez, Stella Rollins, John & Irene Rosales, Rebecca Rosales, Paul Rossi, Albert Rubio, David Russell, Billy Ruzicka, Americo Salazar, Luis Salazar, Tim Salch, David N. Scherzer, Toni Sharif, Josephine Sheldon, Tina Shepard, Msgr. Richard Shirley, Judy Slaughter, Constance Smith, Maxine Sommers, Renato Sovran, Mary Ann Starkey, Mamie Stoner, Jo Teichman, Diane Thompson, Donna Tindall, Luke Valdez, Bessie Vasquez, Idolina Vela, Pedro & David Vela, Johnny Villarreal, Luz Villarreal, Judy West, Lillian Anderson Williams, Sarah Zuniga and all those who asked for and need our prayers.