

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

“To renew all things in Christ”

Saint Pius X
CATHOLIC CHURCH

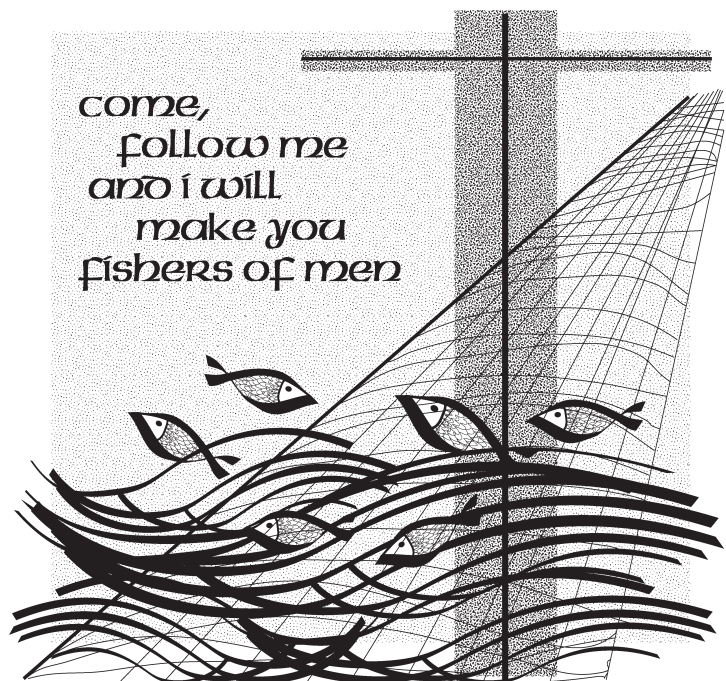
Dear Friends, Reflecting upon the call of the disciples portrayed in the Gospel this weekend, I can't help but reflect back upon my own call to the priesthood. It was 21 years ago this past Thursday, that I committed my life to the service of the Lord at my ordination to the priesthood. It was also 21 years ago that I celebrated my First Mass here at St. Pius X with many of you in attendance. It is hard to believe how quickly time has passed! I could have never imagined how spiritually enriching life as a priest could be!

It had never struck me until now, that my initial call to become a priest is strikingly similar to that of the disciples in the Gospel. Like those early disciples, my call came along a seashore. I was attending a youth retreat at a center in Bayside, Texas, and happened to be spending a moment in prayer outdoors. I was sitting on the bluff overlooking Copano Bay as a soft, gentle breeze blew in off the water and rolling waves lapped up against the shore. I didn't see the Lord walking along the shoreline, but I heard an interior voice in my mind and in my heart calling me to be a priest. It wasn't an audible voice, but rather a pronounced thought that penetrated into my mind. At first, I tried to dismiss the thought. "The Lord could not possibly be calling me to be a priest," I thought to myself. Yet, the more that I tried to dismiss it, the stronger that interior voice became until I finally gave in! At that point, I knew that God would be relentless until I took steps to give a vocation to the priesthood a try. God was inviting me to leave all my plans and dreams behind to devote my life to His service.

My priesthood has had it's challenging moments, but I have never regretted my decision to follow this path. I have long had to let go of the idea of having a secular career, a wife, and a family, but I have received so many more blessings that I could not have hoped for otherwise. In a sense, I "abandoned my boats and nets" so to speak, and discovered that what I left behind is nothing in comparison to the life that I have been given in Christ!

Over the years, St. Pius X has been rich in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. I have been only one of seven who have come into an encounter with the Lord here and have responded willingly to His bidding in this regard. This is surprising for a parish that is not yet 50 years old! It seems to me that this is a reflection of the quality of faith that resides here in the people.

Whenever a community is sincere and spiritually vibrant, the seeds of a vocation are planted and nurtured. There is no doubt that there are many faithful disciples in this parish who live their faith and choose to learn from Jesus the Master. I firmly believe that God is sowing the seeds of a vocation to the priesthood and consecrated life even now. It is up to



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us to continue to foster a culture of vocations and to pray constantly that he will call many more young men and women in our parish to service in the Church. We must also pray that these individuals respond with generous hearts, willing to “abandon all” to follow Him.

This call to surrender is not just for those who are thinking of the priesthood and consecrated life. It is also for those who are married and single as well. Let God into your life. Enter into a personal relationship with him. If your son or daughter expresses an interest in the priesthood or life as a sister or brother, encourage them. Don't discourage them. God will bless you a hundred, or sixty, or thirty fold! God bless!



May He Rest in Peace

Please pray for the soul of parishioner Joe Shropshire who passed away last weekend. Our sympathy to his wife Helen and the entire family.

Altar & Rosary Society

We will meet in CC#2 on Thursday, January 26 at 9:15AM. Please plan to be there to make plans for our Annual Card Party fundraiser on Thursday, March 1st. Join us for refreshments and lots of conversation!

Mother Teresa Shelter

Collection of breakfast items for the Mother Teresa Shelter are continuing. Please leave donations in the box in church or at the parish office. Cereal, cream, eggs, little smoked sausages, paper goods including paper bowls, plastic cutlery. Thank you!

Wanting to travel?

Those persons interested in traveling to the Pacific Northwest in late July are asked to meet in CC # 1 on Sunday, January 29 at 3:30 pm. There will be an opportunity for questions to be answered, and a visual presentation be made.

Women's Circle

The next Women's Circle Meeting will be at 7 pm, Wednesday, January 25, in the Parish Hall. All women of the parish are welcome to attend.

Rectory Office Hours:

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

Schedule of Services

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

First Saturday: 8:15AM Vigil at 5:30PM.

Sunday: 8AM, 10AM, 12PM, 5:30PM (Youth Mass)

(Babysitting at 10, 12 & 5:30 Sunday Masses - Ages 6mo-5yrs - in Parish Hall Nursery)

Weekdays: Monday through Friday 8:15AM,

Wednesday & Friday 5:30PM

Holy Days: 7AM, 12PM & 6:30PM (Vigil 5:30PM)

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

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

Weddings take place on weekdays any time and on Saturdays no later than 3:00PM

Baptismal Instruction: Pre-register through the office.

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

St. Patrick's Day Festival Committee Meeting

Calling all St. Pius X Leprechauns! Today, Sunday, January 22 is the first meeting for the St. Patrick's Day Irish Brunch and Festival committee and will meet in the Parish Hall at 1:30pm. If anyone would like to join our committee, please call Maxine Sommers at 814-8814.

Around the Diocese

Are you Lonely? Are you Hurting? Is your Marriage suffering? Rediscover yourself, your spouse and a loving relationship! Retrouvaille is a program designed to help you rediscover the strengths of your marriage and redefine your relationship. For confidential information or to register for the

Feb 24th-26th program in Corpus Christi, call 800-470-2230, email 2047@retrouvaille.org, or visit the website at www.helpourmarriage.com

Financial Report for week ending 1/15/12

Operating Revenue:

Sunday 2011 End of Year Donations\$ 2,040.00
 Sunday 1/1/2012 Collection\$17,787.31
 Other Income\$ 2,462.23
Total Operating Revenue.....\$ 22,289.54

LESS: Week of 1/16/2012 Actual

Operating Expenses\$ 9,801.28
 (Includes weekly Diocesan loan payment,
 monthly Diocesan Infirm/Retired Priest
 Assessment payment.)

SURPLUS FOR WEEK.....\$ 12,488.26

Other Contributions:

St. Vincent de Paul.....\$ 40.00
Total Other Contributions.....\$ 40.00

Total Contributions 1/15/2012\$ 22,329.54

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Comings and Goings

The Week at a Glance



Sunday, January 22

8:30AM RCIA – CC#2
 6th Grade sale of Waffle Breakfast tickets
 1:30PM – St. Patrick's Festival Meeting – PH
 1:30PM – Baptisms - CH
 4:00-5:30PM – Boy Scouts – CC#2
 6:30PM – Life Teen - YC

Monday, January 23

10:00AM – Staff Meeting – R
 3:00-4:30PM – School ballet class – PH
 4:00-8:00PM – Confirmation Class – CC#1
 7:00-9:00PM – bible Study – CC#2
 7:00PM – Scouts - Cafeteria

Tuesday, January 24

10:00AM – Journey – CC#2
 2:00-4:00PM – Bible Study – CC#2

Wednesday, January 25

7:00-8:00AM – Joyful Pillars – CC#2
 7:00Am – 3:00PM – School pictures - PH
 9:00AM – 2:00PM – MAP – CC#1
 9:30AM – Schola – C/R
 3:30PM – Children's Choir – C/R
 4:30PM – Youth Choir – C/R
 6:30PM – Alhambra - PH
 6:30PM – EDGE – YC
 6:30PM – CCD - CC#1&2, Cafeteria
 7:00PM – Women's Circle - PH
 8:00PM – Youth Band practice - CH

Thursday, January 26

9:15AM – Altar & Rosary Society – CC#2
 1:00PM – Bridge – CC#1&2
 6:00PM – Bell Choir – C/R
 7:00PM – Adoration - CH
 7:30PM – Adult Choir – C/R

Friday, January 27

9:00-11:00AM – Women's Study Group – CC#2
 1:30-3:00PM – Talent Show Practice – PH
 3:30-5:30PM – Webelos – CC#2
 3:30PM – Chess – CC#1
 7:00PM – Organ Recital & Dinner – CH & PH

Saturday, January 28

9:00AM – 3:00PM – CCD Retreat – All Premises

Sunday, January 29

8:30AM – RCIA – CC#2
 6th Grade sale of Waffle Breakfast tickets
 10:00AM – Scouts at Mass – CH
 11:00AM – Scouts - Cafeteria
 3:30-5:00PM – Trip Meeting – CC#1
 6:30PM – LIFE TEEN - YC

YOUTH CORNER



Edge – ALL 6th -8th grade, Join us for the Edge on Jan. 25 for an important night on bullying. “Faith Like A Child”, middle school retreat has been postponed to February 25-26.

Life Teen – ALL 9th-12th grade teens, join us for “For Better or Worse”, a night on the vocation of marriage. Life Teen goes to Steubenville Atlanta July 2012! All 8th-12th grade teens and parents are invited to an informational meeting on Sunday, Jan 22 at 8PM in the Youth Building.



*Guide me
O Lord
in your truth*

Altar Servers Jan. 28 & 29

Sat. 5:30 p.m.
MC Zach Pekar
Dalton Zawicky
Kyle Pekar



Sun. 8:00 a.m.
MC Gabe Skrobarczyk
MC David Acker
Logan Campbell

Sun. 10:00 a.m.
MC Lali Rodriguez
MC Evan Rodriguez
Sang Hoang

Sun. 12:00 p.m.
MC Sara Rucker
Ranger Quintero
Lauren Cook

Sun. 5:30 p.m.
Ethan Pompa
Luke Bean
Acadia Tamez

Feb. 3 – 5:30 p.m.
Healing Mass
MC Steven Wendel
Josh Ramirez
Kyle Wendel
Kate Soward

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

CONGRATULATIONS to Sacramental Prep Ia class for perfect attendance. Mrs. Luera and Mr. Salazar are the Catechists for the class.



REMINDER of First Reconciliation Retreat— Saturday, January 28th 8:45-12:00. A parent must accompany the child to the retreat.

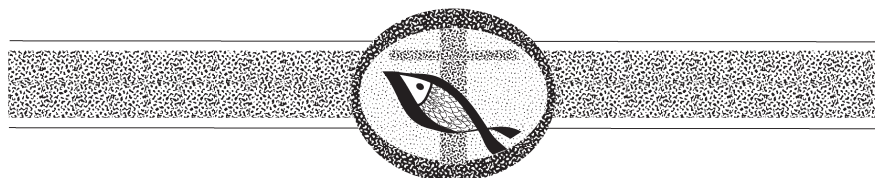


“What’s this?...1001 Easy Steps to Congregational Organization?”

LECTORS

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- JAN 28 SAT 5:30 P.M. Dotti Hill-Duerr
- JAN 28 SAT 5:30 P.M. Dick Poremba
- JAN 29 SUN 8:00 A.M. Dennis Diersing
- JAN 29 SUN 8:00 A.M. Ethel Dulak
- JAN 29 SUN 10:00 A.M. Cub Scouts
- JAN 29 SUN 10:00 A.M. Cub Scouts
- JAN 29 SUN 12:00 NOON Jenny Sehy
- JAN 29 SUN 12:00 NOON Ron Osman
- JAN 29 SUN 5:30 P.M. Simon Purnell
- JAN 29 SUN 5:30 P.M. Martha St. Romain



School News

By Principal Kathy Clark

Last week we had Monday off for the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. It made for a short week! When we returned, the teachers in 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grades began holding their classroom spelling bees to determine their top ten spellers. These students will represent their class in the school spelling bee on February 2. Congratulations to:



3rd Grade:

Mary Arnolds
Hannah Cazalas
Tess English
Andres Flores
Simon Fritz
Lucy Kainer
J. P. Lee
Ellie Ostrom
Ayden Smith
Elisa Webster

4th Grade

Luis Armstrong
Rilley Arreola
Julian Boehm
Kraig Bray
Maggie Harrel
Amber Jones
Sarah Grace O'Donnell
Christian Ramos
Jacob Rivera
Michael Speed

5th Grade

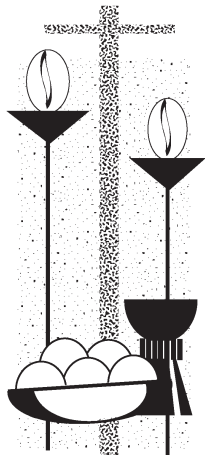
Melissa Alaniz
Emilee Flores
Toby Johnson
Kayla Kenyon
Brian Kostoch
Matthew Lutz
Benjamin Mikulencak
Taylor Skrobarczyk
William Tucker
Charlie Uecker

6th Grade

Blaine Buchanan
Reagan Gibbon
Jordyn Harney
Sang Hoang
Victoria Humphrey
Aaron Martin
Esme' McMullan
Quarter Morrison
Evan Pangilinan
Kyle Pekar

The top winner from the school spelling bee will advance to the Caller Times Regional Spelling Bee on February 25. The winner of that bee will represent our region in Washington D.C. in March.

The principal, Mr. Mario Vasquez, from Bishop Garriga Middle School, along with several of his students, visited our 6th graders on Thursday, January 19, to inform them about their middle school. It was an informative event. Each of the students received a school t-shirt after the presentation.



Speaking of our 6th graders, you may see them after the Masses this weekend selling tickets to our Waffle Breakfast that will be held on February 5 in the Parish Hall. It will be a part of our week-long celebration of National Catholic Schools Week. We invite all of our parishioners to attend. Tickets cost \$6.00. The money from this fundraiser will help them pay for their end of school trip to the Outdoor School in April.

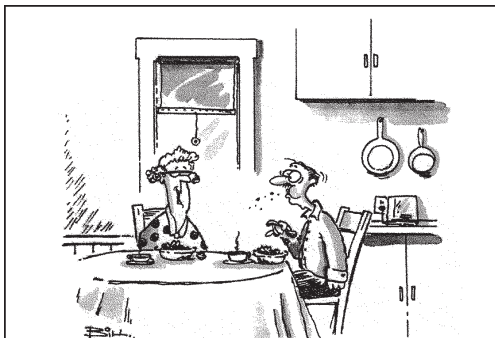
We will be holding an Open House from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on February 2, 2012, for anyone interested in learning more about our Blue Ribbon School. Pre-registration for the 2012-2013 school year will take place the next week after the Open House. If you know of anyone who is interested in enrolling their child(ren) in our school, please send them our way. We would be happy to answer any questions they might have and give them a tour of our school.

Have a blessed week!

Mass Intentions



- Sat. 1/21 5:30PM Buddy Moore by Lory Moore
Jose E. Salinas, Sr. by Beatriz A. Salinas & Family
- Sun. 1/22 8:00AM Gregorio Laurel Jr. and Gregorio III by Elva Laurel
10:00AM For the Parishioners
12:00PM Alvino Campos by Stella Campos
5:30PM Margaret & Reno Delagarza by Maria Rodarte
- Mon. 1/23 8:15AM Jose E. Salinas, Sr. by Beatriz A. Salinas & Family
- Tue. 1/24 8:15AM In Thanksgiving to St. Jude & St. Joseph by Minga De Los Santos
- Wed. 1/25 8:15AM Vernelle Brannigan by Gary & Kathy Clark
Mitzi Mendleski by Joseph & Frances Abel
Joe Bilka by Peter & Joanne Volpe
Ralph M. Reyna by Sonny & Cassie Wheeler
5:30PM Sandra Sykora by Bob & Gennie Malott
George Ganley by M. E. Ganley
Anselmo Torres by family
- Thu. 1/26 8:15AM Michael Pacheco Jr. by Penny Pacheco
- Fri. 1/27 8:15AM R. J. Shirley's Anniversary by Patricia Janosek
5:30PM Alice Sosa by Coastal Bend Assoc. Health Underwriters
- Sat. 1/28 5:30PM Ray E. Whitmire's Anniv. by Joanie Whitmire
- Sun. 1/29 8:00AM Willie Mae Shirley's Birthday Intentions by Mary & Art Salinas
10:00AM Jack Fodor by mary Fodor
12:00PM For the Parishioners
5:30PM Leroy Krnavek's Anniversary by Family



"I thought I'd surprise you with something different this morning...John the Baptist Oatmeal! I've wanted to make it for some time, but you wouldn't believe how hard it is to find locusts."

Please Pray for our Sick & Shut-Ins...

Caleb Adamson, Martin Adrian, Fred Alanis, Mabel Allen, Ulie Alvarado, Susan Ames, Marie Annis, Irene Arkwright, Nancy Arkwright, Rita Austin, Madison Beckwith, Elizabeth Berry, Hazel Billodeau, Beatrice Bocanegra, Dawson Boone, Michael Boone, Robert Bowden, Martha Brown, Sr. Patrick Bruen, Dana Cadena, Michael Campos, Stella Campos, Ashley Cantu, Jonathan Carlson, Alexzandria Carrion, Judy Carroll, Tricia Carson, Emma Casares, Annie Castro, M/M John Castro, Cameron Chrissman, Julie Anna Chrissman, Mela Ciochetto, Kathy Collins, Suzanne Conklin, Daniel Covich, Richard Lee Daily, Florinda De La Garza, Minga De Los Santos, Mark DeGaish, Elva DeLeon, Thomas Denniston, Samantha Didear Deste, Bertha Dominguez, Scott Dossat, Yolanda Duran, Maggie Dyer, Patricia Edson, Vance Elliot, Elizabeth Elovitz, Bill Enters, Sandi Escobar, Bess Evans, Aurelia Fay, Mercedes Felan, Patsy Fikes, Bobby Floyd, Lexi Fuller, Frances Galvan, Travis Garbe, Alice Garci, Concepcion Garcia, Pam Garcia, Ruben Garcia, Carlos Garcia, Jr., Laura Garza, Marvin Gates, Jackson Gavarkovs, Michael Gil, Krista Glorfield, James Goins, Melissa Golay, Elida Gonzalez, Jessica Gonzalez, Kathy Gonzalez, Bobby Gough, Charlotte Groner, Jared Groner, Terry Groner, Tommy Groner, Illuminada Gunnar, Colleen Habeeb, Marie Habeeb, Carolyn Haese, Rose Marie Hand, James Hardeman, Bud Harris, Bartus Hebenwald, David Arriana Hernandez, Vanessa Hernandez, Gabriel Hinojosa, Shelly Hinojosa, Chris Holland, Judy Holmes, Edwin Imhoff, Edward Jacobsan, Adam Jewel, Elizabeth Johnson, Elizabeth Jones, Jeremy Keller, Willie Keller, Jason Keppery, Judy Kirchner, Alene Krause, Dorothy Krause, Evelyn Lane, Emma Lane (child), Susanne Logan, Baby Michael James Long, Jr., Larry Looka, Arlinda Lopez, Orlando Lopez, Randall Lovelace, Richard Lundeen, Christopher Mankan, Deborah V. Martinez, Stella Martinez, Georgia Maughan, Laura Mayagoitia, Michael McCloskey, John Medina, Mary Medrano, Virginia Medrano, Dorothy Meehleib, Jose Mercado, Domenic Michaud, Robert Miller, Jennifer Mirabal, Estefana Mireles, Avita John Moore, Jose I. Morales, John Morgan, Idolina Munoz, Daniel Murray, LTC, Jerry Muttera, Patricia Paris, Phil Perabo, Alma Mae Peter, Thien-Huong Phan, Karen Pinkerton-Kowalik, Robert M. Pope, Cameron Propp, James Ragan, Andres Ramirez, Irma Ramirez, Juan R. Ramirez, Rosenda Ramon, Rey Ramos, Judy West Razor, Pat Reddick, Billy Redfox, Priscilla Renteria, Regina Richter, J.R. Rios, Dr. Alice Robinson, Maria Rocha, Betty Rodgers, Calvin Rodrigues, Sr., Armandina Rodriguez, Cleto Rodriguez, Mary Lee Rodriguez, Marguerite Ross, Troy Ross, Angie Rossi, Robert Rushing, Isaiah Ryland, Luis Salazar, Maria Salazar, Joseph Salinas, Reynaldo Salinas, Janie San Miguel & children, Terry Schacherl, Terry Schacherl, Alison Schaff, Nathan Schoggins, Valerie V. Schoggins, Jenna Schulz, James Sedberry, Liz Sefcik, Walter Sheehan, Josephine C. Sheldon, Dorothy Sherman, Msgr. Richard Shirley, Willie Mae Shirley, Jaden A. Silva, Ian Silvertooth, Judy Slaughter, Kelley Smith, Morrie Smith, Marie Sophie, Adrian Sosa, Renato Sovran, Mirium Lee Speiner, Mary Ann Starkey, Richard Stasiak, Jr., Mary Kay Stoner, Steve Struve, Irma Suarez, James H. Tansey, Melissa Taylor, Lydia Tey, Rossly Thonnard, Bill Traeger, Jim Trammell, Joseph Trevino, Tony Trevino, Laverne Ulbricht, Gary Valencia, Silverio Valencia, Jr., Dalinda Veriali, Johnny Villarreal, Kristopher Villarreal, Ardeth Weed, Steve Weikal, Catalina Weitzel, Joyce West, Nova West, Mary Ellen Whitworth, Greg Wiegthman, Belinda Wightnam, Mary Jo Williams, Bea Wilson, Maritza Windsor, Linda Witt, Linda Witt, Fr. John Wright, Jim Yaklin, Dollya Zittellie and all those who asked for and need our prayers.