

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Friends: For some reason, nobody has ever had to tell me how important it is to have a good meal. Well . . . maybe when I was very little. I certainly don't remember ever having had anyone try to convince me that eating was a good thing. Sure, I had to be coaxed to eat vegetables and certain other foods, but I have typically had no trouble eating.

I have been blessed to have a mother that knows how to cook! Without fail, she provided us with plenty of food to keep us kids strong and healthy. If she is a great cook, she is an even better baker! Mom always supplied us with any number of baked pies, cakes, and other confections. Living in our household was like living in a dream when it came to food!

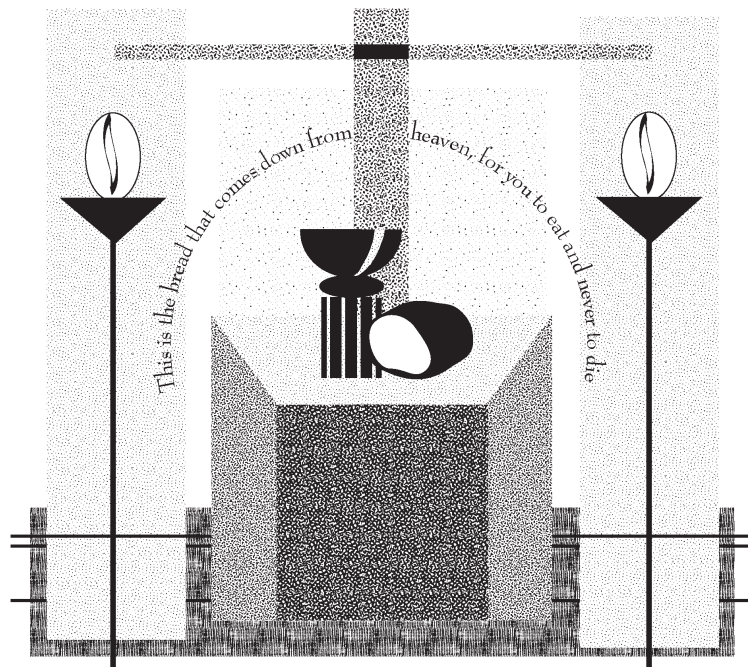
As a family, we always ate breakfast together and dinner was always on the table in the evening. These rituals, while sometimes a bit difficult to achieve, made a tremendous difference in our lives.

First, there was the consistency of having a balanced meal every day. We were quite active and those meals enabled us to find the strength to be involved in myriad activities. We grew and developed and found the capacity to accomplish much because mom made sure we were well fed.

Second, the daily gathering around the table built up a family bond that helped forge Christian values and resiliency. Those meals were not always “kumbaya” moments. In other words, the family dinner wasn't always peace, love, and harmony. In fact, quite often, we had tense moments, as well as moments of friction. There were times when I couldn't wait for dinner to be over so that I could push away from the table. To be sure, family life is about both the good and the bad. The moments of joy and laughter and the moments of strife and headache were all equally valuable because they taught us what love is all about. Love is more than an emotion. It is even deeper than a commitment. It is a bond – a connection that is both human and supernatural.

If I were to recommend a discipline for families in order to help them foster love and weather the storms of life, I would definitely suggest regular family dinners at the top of my list. I'm not just talking about a night out to the restaurant. I'm talking about a good old-fashioned home-cooked dinner. I would also recommend putting away the smartphones and leaving the TV off. We need to deal with one another. We need to communicate. We also need to spend time with one another. Families are already disjointed enough.

Just as physical nourishment is key for the body and for family bonding, so is spiritual nourishment. It is my belief that Jesus really knew what he was doing when he instituted the Mass. He was calling us all together for a sacred meal that was to build our bond of unity as Christians and nourish us for the many facets of human existence. That is why the Church invokes us to attend Mass every Sunday. To absent ourselves from it would be to deprive ourselves of the nourishment that we need. We do need to be told how important this meal is. So, the Church reminds us that it is



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in keeping with the Lord's command to keep holy the Lord's Day.

Jesus tells us: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." Partaking of this meal is imperative if we are to be bound together as a loving family and be adequately nourished for spiritual strength. It is here that that bond of mystical love is forged and the commitment of love is strengthened. It is in this sacred meal that we deal with each other, even if there are tensions and turmoil. God builds us up in love, so that we might be ready to receive the fullness of love when our journey in life has ended. Make it a point to share in a family meal and eliminate all obstacles to sharing in the "Bread of Life," which is Jesus Christ! God bless!



Newly Baptized

St. Pius X welcomes into the Catholic Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism: Jobe Austin Molina, Miken Phung Nguyen, and Annika Rose Urbanovsky.

Welcome, New Parishioners

Please welcome our new parishioners: Nelda Cummings and sons: Zachary, Joshua, and Matthew, also Robert and Beatrice Gabrillo and son Robert. We invite them to become an active part of our growing faith community!

St Pius X Women's Group

NEW STUDY!

When we say we are Catholic, we are not simply saying something about what we believe or who we are. Our Faith is meant to be put into practice. At its heart, Christianity is a way of life. And being Christian means daring to "walk the walk", daring to live our lives for Christ, daring to allow Christ to transform our lives so we can live for him.

Put Your Faith into Practice with:

Walking Toward Eternity: Daring to Walk the Walk

This group will meet on Fridays, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., starting September 7, 2012. For more information, please contact Sarah Morrison @ sfm011@grandecom.net or 361-816-8246.

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

Men's Club

The Men's Club is having another Food Handlers class this coming Monday, August 14 at 6:30 in the Cafeteria. If anybody is interested, please bring \$10.00 cash to pay for the class.



ANNUAL BARBECUE

Sunday, August 26, 2012
Parish Hall
11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

1/2 Chicken BBQ
Potato Salad and Beans

One Plate – Only \$8.00

We'll Cook For You!

Acts of Charity Committee Meeting

The Acts of Charity committee will meet tomorrow, Monday, August 13 at 6:30 pm in CC#1.

We always welcome new people and new ideas to the committee. Our goal is to reach out those who are in need of various types of assistance. So... anyone interested is invited to come to the meeting.

Holy Day of Obligation ~ Solemnity of the Assumption

This Wednesday, August 15th, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and is a Holy Day of Obligation. We will have several Masses available to help you fulfill your obligation. We will have Vigil Mass on Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. and Masses on Wednesday at 7:00 a.m., 8:15 a.m., 12 noon, and 6:30 p.m. Be sure to mark your calendars! The parish office will be closed on Wednesday for the Holy Day.

From the Parish Mailbox:

To the Staff from the Winsteads: Special thanks to all of you that are taking extra work while Keith is recovering in Austin.

To the Altar Servers from Frank Pompa: There will be a meeting on August 18, 2012 at 11am for all incoming 9th graders and above who wish to become MC with at least 3 years of experience. This will be the only meeting

Comings and Goings

The Week at a Glance



Sunday, August 12

Sale of Men's Club BBQ tickets

8:00AM – Polka Mass – CH & PH

8:00-10:00AM – RCIA – CC#2

Monday, August 13

5:30PM – Journey Board – CC#2

Tuesday, August 14

7:00-9:00AM – Men's Journey – CC#1&2

10:00AM – Journey – CC#2

12:30PM – MAP – CC#1

6:30PM – CMSE – CC#1

6:30PM – Men's Club Food Handlers Class –
Cafeteria

7:00PM – Catholic Daughters – CC#2

8:00PM – Night Angels – CC#1

Wednesday, August 15

7-9AM – Joyful Pillars – CC#2

7:30AM – School pictures - PH

9:00AM-12:00PM – MAP – CC#1

6:30-8:30PM – Edge & Life Teen Movie Night - YC

Thursday, August 16

1:00PM – Bridge – CC#1&2

7:00PM – Adoration – CH

Friday, August 17

4:00PM – Convalidation - CH

7:00PM – Chopin Concert - CH

Saturday, August 18

8:15AM – Sultanas Mass – CH

11:00AM – Altar Server Training - CH

12:00PM – Conference – PH

12:00-9PM – After Glow – YC

Sunday, August 19

2nd Collection: Black Bag

Men's Club sale of BBQ tickets

8:00-10:00AM – RCIA – CC#2

9:00AM – 2:00PM – BLOOD DRIVE

1:30PM – Baptisms - CH

so please make arrangements to attend. Also any new or existing parishioners who wish to become altar servers who are an incoming 4th grader or older who is not attending St. Pius X school should attend this meeting. St. Pius School will be conducting their own meeting during school.

GOD
is LOVE

YOUTH CORNER



No Life Teen Sunday August 12.

MOVIE Night for all Edge and Life Teen on Wed., Aug. 15, in the Youth Building from 6:30 - 8:30PM.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

COMING IN THE FALL: EPIC!



This year has been designated as The Year of Faith. Would you like to know how the faith has been lived through the centuries? IF so, join Sr. Annette for a one-year journey

through church history.

Monday (7:00 to 9:00 PM) class begins Sep. 10.
Tuesday (2:00 to 4:00 PM) class begins Sep. 11.

FIRST TUESDAY SNAPSHOTS

During this Year of Faith, spend some time looking at a single aspect of our faith or how we Catholics express our faith.



Join Sr. Annette in CC-2 every First Tuesday of the month to explore one topic deeply. (NO HOMEWORK!) We begin September 4 by answering the question: What kind of God do you believe in?

ABOUT RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) is for:

- any non-Catholic who wants to find out more about the Catholic faith
- any Catholic who has been away from the Catholic community, wants to be re-introduced to the Catholic way of life and perhaps complete initiation sacraments

Sessions are being held Sundays, from 8:30 to 9:45 in CC-2. For more information, contact Sr. Annette Wagner at 993-0299 or awagner@stpiouscc.org.



Altar Servers Aug 18-19

Sat. 5:30 p.m.
MC Brittany McCarty
Dalton Zawisky
Kyle Pekar



Sun. 8:00 a.m.
MC Gabe Skrobarczyk
Logan Campbell
Kevin Beckwith

Sun. 12:00 p.m.
MC J.J. Arizmendi
Ace Castillo
Quarter Morrison
Christian Castillo

Sun. 10:00 a.m.
MC Ryan Trevino
MC Joshua Harney
Natalie Trevino
Jordyn Harney

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

Lectors

20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUG 18	SAT	5:30	P.M.	Dick Poremba
AUG 18	SAT	5:30	P.M.	Christine Wisian
AUG 19	SUN	8:00	A.M.	Tracie Jensen
AUG 19	SUN	8:00	A.M.	Ethel Dulak
AUG 19	SUN	10:00	A.M.	Denise Hyde
AUG 19	SUN	10:00	A.M.	Larry Hyde
AUG 19	SUN	12:00	NOON	Delbert Hooper
AUG 19	SUN	12:00	NOON	Jenny Sehy
AUG 19	SUN	5:30	P.M.	Angela L. Soliz
AUG 19	SUN	5:30	P.M.	Mike Winstead

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CCD REGISTRATION will

continue throughout the month of August. You can obtain the registration form online or at either the parish office or the CCD office. We welcome all families who have children of Catechetical age 3-12. A Catechesis of the Good Shepherd class will be held on Sunday mornings for those who are interested. This will be for children ages 3-5 only. We are also registering for Confirmation I and Confirmation II classes.



Share your Faith

During the school year, the children in grades 1-5 who attend the 10am or 12 Noon Mass are invited to leave church and attend the "Liturgy of the Word" for children in another location. They return for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Adult leaders who want to lead this activity, read the readings, share their faith, profess the Creed, and offer prayers of intentions are certainly impressed by the sincerity and participation of the children. If you would like to be one the leaders, contact Sister Barbara Bluntzer at the church office to volunteer and get further information.

Altar and Rosary Society

All women of St. Pius X Parish are invited to join the Altar and Rosary Society. Members share duties in caring for the sanctuary and sacristy and help supply the altar breads, wine and candles for worship during the months of January through June. They also participate in other parish activities throughout the year and also help financially in parish projects. Their next meeting will be held on Thursday, August 23 at 9AM in CC#2. Coffee and fellowship will precede the meeting. Dues will be payable at this time. For additional information, contact Emily Dickinson at 446-2401.

Blood Drive

Our next Blood Drive is scheduled for next Sunday, August 19 from 9AM to 2PM. Donate blood. You can help save 3 lives. Photo I.D. is required. You will get a free t-shirt & a Sonic coupon.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT CLASSES

REMINDER

PLEASE CHECK the expiration date on your blue Safe Environment Card. If it is expired or about to expire come in for a re-certification class.

ALL CLASSES ARE IN CC#1 AT 6:30 pm

Schedule for re-certification classes:

August 14	September 11
October 9	November 13
December 11	January 8
February 12	March 12
April 9	May 14

Please check your cards for expiration date and update if you card is expired.

Schedule for Core classes:

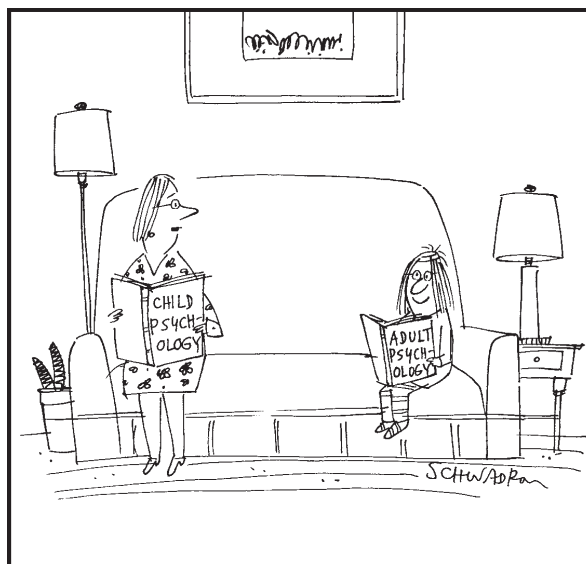
August 28	October 23
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Prescription Eye Glasses

We have a Lion's Club drop off box at the office for prescription eye glasses. Bring your old glasses!

Around the Diocese

Consecration of the Cathedral.- As the centennial of the city and of Cathedral parish approached in 1952, Bishop Mariano Garriga made plans to decorate the Church and consecrate it to celebrate the anniversaries and the retirement of the debt. Plans included much of the artwork we see today, mosaics, stained glass windows, decorative painting and stenciling. In the sanctuary apse images of the saints associated with the Eucharist surrounding Christ the King replaced the blue sky and stars. Though much of the early stenciling and painting has been removed, the seven sacraments depicted in the sanctuary arch and the capitals of the 12 columns still retain the vibrant colors of the original color scheme.



Financial Report for week ending 8/5/2012

Operating Revenue:

Sunday Collection	\$ 25,670.67
Other Income	\$ 110.00
Total Operating Revenue.....	\$ 25,780.67

Other Contributions:

Acts of Charity	\$ 35.00
Janosek Scholarship	\$ 125.00
Catholic Charities	\$ 105.00
Total Other Contributions.....	\$ 265.00
Total Contributions 8/5/2012	\$ 26,045.67

Loan balance on Youth Bldg

as of July 31, 2012	\$1,021,519.90
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Mass Intentions



- Sat. 8/11 5:30PM Bob Noack's Anniv. by Penny Pacheco
 Maria O. Garcia's Anniv. by Doris Garcia
- Sun. 8/12 8:00AM Living & Deceased Members of KJZT
 10:00AM Erich Wendl by Ken & Liz Morgan
 12:00PM Alvino Campos by Stella Campos
 5:30PM For the Parishioners
- Mon. 8/13 8:15AM Anna Louise Dunne by Penny Pacheco
- Tue. 8/14 8:15AM Msgr. Shirley's Birthday Ints. by the family
 5:30PM Gilbert Schanen by Nancy Schanen
 Antonieta Wagner by the Toledo family
- Wed. 8/15 7:00AM Mary Annie Gross' Anniv. by Chuck Gross
 8:15AM Louis Vrazel's Anniversary by Anna Vrazel
 William and Agnes Parker by Donna Parker
 Dawson Boone by Dorothy Mathews
 Pat Janosek's Birthday Intentions by Mary
 & Art Salinas
 Principal, Staff & Children of St. Pius X School
 by Gerardo & Rosie Garza
- 12:00PM For the Parishioners
 6:30PM Dominga Guerrero by the Ramirez, Leal,
 Hinojosa families
 Joel Guerra by family
 M/M John Mendleski & family by Roseanne
 Conger
 Frank Baish by Bobby & Donna Gough
 Regina Richter, CDA Court 246 by the
 Catholic Daughters
 Patricia Reddick by Frank & Martha Kolda
 Richard Villarreal by Jim & Carolyn Buerig
- Thu. 8/16 8:15AM Christopher Janosek's Anniversary by the
 Janosek family
- Fri. 8/17 8:15AM Msgr. George Scecina by Martha & Frank
 Kolda
 5:30PM Joe McCullough by Martha & Ruth Williams
- Sat. 8/18 5:30PM Bob Shirley by Mary & Art Salinas
- Sun. 8/19 8:00AM Wayne Irvin's Anniversary by John, Debra
 & Brian Janosek
- 10:00AM For the Parishioners
 12:00PM Patrick Sehy's Anniversary by Diane, Kevin
 & Jenny
 5:30PM Ken Morgan's Anniversary by Ken & Liz
 Morgan

Blessed are you, Lord,
 through your goodness
 we have this bread
 and wine to offer



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

Manuel Balbin, Madison Beckwith, John Boyd, Frances Branning, Sr. Patrick Bruen, Bob Byrd, Stella & Michael Campos, Ashley Carroll, Jason Cox, Alicia de Boza, Florinda De La Garza, Mark DeGaish, Sandy DeGregorio, Minga DeLosSantos, Samantha Didear Deste, Liz Elovitz, Bobby Floyd, Frances Galvan, Raymond Garcia, Jr., Jackson Gavarkovs, Elida Gonzalez, Bobby Gough, Glenda Graham, Vickie Grainger, Charlotte & Tommy Groner, Jared Groner, Terry Groner, Coleen Habeeb, Marie Habeeb, Rose Marie Hand, James Hartman, Corina Herndon, Cathy Hervey, Chris Holland, Elizabeth Johnson, Martha Kaler, Dorothy Krause, Ed Lewis, Dorothy Mathews, Michael McCloskey, Virginia Medrano, Robert Miller, John Morgan, Dan Murray, Patricia Paris, Phil Perabo, Robert M. Pope, Raymond Richter, Marguerite Ross, Luis Salazar, Tim Salch, Carlos Samudo, Janie San Miguel & children, Amber Saylor, Terry Schacherl, Josephine Sheldon, Tina Shepherd, Msgr. Richard Shirley, Willie Mae Shirley, Mary Pat Slavik, Maxine Sommers, Lydia Tey, Luz Villarreal, Mary Lois Webster, Bea Wilson, Linda Witt, Dolly Zihelli, Sarah Zuniga and all those who asked for and need our prayers.



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