

## Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Friends: I have another one of my famous “confessions” to make. I have to confess that every once in a while, I secretly watch HGTV on those rare Saturday mornings when I have a little free time. It has been a while since I have tuned in to that particular cable TV channel, but one of the programs I occasionally gravitated to was “Curb Appeal.” As many of you know, the premise of the show is to present a crew giving a makeover to a home that is badly in need of an exterior facelift. They re-do landscaping, add architectural details, paint siding and window frames, and renovate walkways to give the home a more appealing look from the curb. Invariably, everything is strategically implemented in order to highlight the front door so that it becomes a focal point that draws the eye in and makes it look more welcoming. It is interesting that we place such emphasis on doorways, because it is through the door that people enter into our homes. The door gives a glimpse into what lies beyond. Are our hearts any different?

### IT BEGINS!

All 9th-12th graders...

Don't miss our Life Teen kickoff **this Sunday** at 6:30PM.

Meet Bobby, our new youth director, and find out about all the great new things to come this year... see page 4 for more info.

This week, the Catholic Church is embarking upon a year-long event called the “Year of Faith.” The Year of Faith begins on Thursday, October 11, 2012 and concludes on Sunday, November 24, 2013 with the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King. It commemorates the 50th anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council, and also marks the 20th anniversary of the publication of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. In his apostolic letter, *Porta Fidei* (Door of Faith), in which he declared the Year of Faith, Pope Benedict XVI reminds us that the “door of faith” is always open to us, ushering us into the life of communion with God and offering entry into his Church.” We first pass through that door at baptism, but faith is a life-long journey that calls us to an ever deeper relationship with the Father, and Our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Essentially, the Year of Faith invites us to open the doors of our heart to a deeper understanding of our Faith. In some sense, we may need to do a little re-landscaping and remodeling of our lives so that we can welcome the Lord anew into our heart. We never stop learning. One of the great goals of the Second Vatican Council was



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to revitalize the faithful. Pope John XXIII had said that the windows of the Church should be thrown open to let in a breath of fresh air. He convoked the Council not to re-fashion the Church, but to help it to address the needs of a rapidly changing world in a fresh way. Ultimately, the Council called the faithful to see their appropriate role in the Church and in evangelizing the world.

As we begin this Year of Faith, we are invited to explore the rich treasures of the Church again. Each Catholic is asked to study the documents of Vatican II and the teachings of the Catechism, so as to understand our Faith better, as well as learn how to live it more fully. We are summoned to an authentic conversion to the Lord. In order to assist us in this endeavor, our parish will be providing special educational opportunities to plumb the depths and the richness of Catholic teaching. We will also urge everyone to develop lives of prayer, especially by spending time in the presence of the Eucharist. Finally, we hope to develop retreat opportunities, like ACTS, to reignite a personal faith in the Lord.

As part of the Year of Faith activities, I will be leading a group on a pilgrimage to Italy starting October 15th. Our group will also be attending the Canonization Mass of two new American saints, Kateri Tekakwitha and Marianne Cope.

Please pray for us as we embark on this journey.

Open the door of your heart to faith this year. Together, let us grow in knowledge and grace as we seek to encounter the Lord, Jesus Christ! God bless,

### Successful Rummage Sale!

Our Rummage Sale last week was a great success: \$3,938.25. Thank you to all the persons who donated items and thank you also to the hard workers who set up and priced the items: Linda Bodie, Virginia Medrano, Helen Shelandier, Sarah Morrison and the other ladies who helped that week.

### Men's Club BBQ Chicken

Please support our Men's Club fundraiser! They are selling BBQ chicken after the 8:00am, 10:00am, and 12:00noon Masses today, Sunday, October 7. The cost is \$7.50 for a whole chicken and \$4.00 for a half.

### Blessing of the Animals

#### Calling all pets and their owners!

Commemorating the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi on October 4, the blessing of the animals is scheduled for

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 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: 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*

this Sunday at 4PM. Assemble in front of the Parish Hall. Awards will be given to the best dressed, etc.!!

## Catholic Daughters

The Catholic Daughters will meet this coming Tuesday, October 9, at 7 PM in CC#2. All ladies are most welcome. Come and be a part of the Circle of Love ministry.

## Carnival Raffle Tickets

St. Pius X Catholic School is selling raffle tickets after each Mass during the month of October in anticipation of their Halloween Carnival, October 26th from 5:30-10pm. Money and ticket stubs can be turned in to either the parents and students outside or to the school office during the week. Tickets are only \$2. Many of you received tickets in the mail last week and have seen what great prizes are available to win! Justin Bieber concert tickets, gift cards, electronics...so don't delay, get your tickets now!

## Activities for Children during Sunday Masses

Nursery in the Parish Hall for children ages 0-5 during 10 and 12 o'clock Masses.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for children ages 3-5 in the Atrium during the 10 o'clock Mass ONLY.

Children's Liturgy of the Word for grades 1-5 during 10 & 12 o'clock Masses most Sundays.

We invite parents to take advantage of these times that could benefit you and the children.

Those supervising/teaching the children have completed the CSME required of all volunteers.

## Waffle Breakfast

Bring the family for fellowship and All-You-Can-Eat Belgian Waffles on Sunday, October 14, 9 AM to 12 noon at the Parish Hall. \$6.00 donation per person. The Catholic Daughters will be selling tickets after the morning Masses today.

## Friendship Circle to Meet

Ladies, this month we will have our luncheon in the NEW youth center on Wednesday, October the 17. Parking is available off the Lum street entrance. See you then!

## All Souls Day Mass at Seaside Funeral Home

Date: Friday, Nov. 2, 1012 at 2:00PM.

Officiating: Most Reverend Edmond Carmody, Bishop Emeritus of Corpus Christi

Assisting: Rev. Msgr. Richard Shirley

Deacons will be blessing graves after Mass: Sal Alvarado, Ron Dubuque, etc. Bring a framed photo of your loved one. There will be one complementary gift per family distributed after Mass.

## Comings and Goings

*The Week at a Glance*



### Sunday, October 7

8:00-10:00AM – RCIA – CC#2

Sale of Men's Club BBQ Chicken

Catholic Daughters Waffle breakfast tickets sold

1:30PM – Baptism Class – CC#1

1:30PM – RCIA Tour of Church

4:00PM – Blessing of animals

### Monday, October 8

School Fall Break

5:30PM – Journey Board – CC#2

7:00-9:00PM – Church History – CC#2

### Tuesday, October 9

7:00-9:00AM – Men's Journey – CC#1&2

10:00AM – Journey – CC#2

12:30PM – MAP – CC#1

2:00-4:00PM – Church History – CC#2

6:00PM – CMSE – CC#1

7:00PM – Catholic Daughters – CC#2

8:00PM – Night Angels – CC#1

### Wednesday, October 10

7-9AM – Joyful Pillars – CC#2

9:30AM – Schola – C/R

9:00AM-12:00PM – MAP – CC#1

6:30PM – CCD – CC#1&2 & Cafeteria

6:30PM – EDGE Kick-off - YC

6:30PM – Alhambra election - PH

### Thursday, October 11

1:00PM – Bridge – CC#1&2

4:30-5:15PM – Webelos – CC#2

6:00PM – Bell Choir – C/R

6:00PM – Bunco for Breast Cancer - PH

7:00PM – Adoration – CH

7:00PM – Veritas – Cafeteria

7:30PM – Adult Choir- C/R

### Friday, October 12

9-11AM – Women of Faith – CC#2

4:00PM – Webelos – CC#2

### Sunday, October 14

8:00-10AM – RCIA – CC#2

8:00AM – Catholic Daughters' Waffle Breakfast – PH

Sale of school Halloween tickets after Masses

10:00AM – Scouts at Mass – CH & Cafeteria

## Acts of Charity

The committee met last Tuesday. One of the agenda items was to plan for the Thanksgiving baskets. In the near future we will be asking our parish family to participate in bringing food for these baskets which will be delivered to those in need. If any parishioner knows of a family in need, please contact us at 993-9024.

## YOUTH CORNER



9th-12th Graders

### This Week: **FALL KICKOFF THIS SUNDAY!**

Come help us welcome Bobby, our new Youth Director, and have a blast at our official Fall Life Teen kickoff! Come see what's new, and if you've never come to Life Teen, this is a perfect time to meet and get to know what may turn out to be life long friends! We hope to see you here Sunday at 6:30PM in the Youth Center. \$50, Starbucks Cards, and Bobby's hair are on the line so bring friends!

**Next Week:** Have you ever wanted to experience freezing temperatures? Could you stand the extreme cold of the Eskimos? And what do Eskimos have to do with God's Covenants with the human race? Well, you have to be at Life Teen to know. Sunday, October 14 at 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm, following 5:30 pm Mass.



6th-8th Graders

What do nachos, \$50 cash, roller coasters, human coke machines and Snowman J have in common? If you want to find out, then come to EDGE this Wednesday, October 10 from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm in the Youth Center. Don't forget to bring your friends to join in the fun!!!

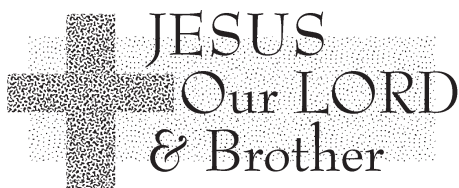
**Facebook: Join us online at St. Pius X Life Teen.**  
Get all the dates on upcoming events and news!

### **Bunko for Breast Cancer Awareness**

Ladies, join us for an exciting and fun evening! Never Played? Don't want to play? Love to play? (Rules fully explained before play begins)

In any case, come and have fun and support two worthy causes: the 2012 "Making Strides Against Breast Cancer" & St. Pius X Youth. Come to St. Pius X Parish Hall this Thursday, October 11 from 6:15 to 8:30PM. \$20 all inclusive, (cash & checks accepted). Appetizers and beverages included. Amazing raffle items!

Adults only – RSVP not required.



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



**CCD** – Confirmation II class will NOT meet on Monday, October 8. See you again on October 15.

**PERFECT ATTENDANCE**—the following classes had perfect attendance this past Wednesday.

SacPrep IIc—Mrs. Quiroz & Mrs. Lopez

SacPrep IIa—Mr. & Mrs. Anzualda

Fifth Grade—Mrs. Salinas

Congratulations to these Catechists and the students.

**Parent Meeting**—we had a large turn-out of parents at the first Parent Meeting. This year has been designated by Pope Benedict XVI as the Year of Faith. The presentations this year for the parent meetings will center on this theme.

### **Altar Servers** October 13-14

**Sat. 5:30 p.m.**

MC Brittany McCarty

Dalton Zawicky

Kyle Pekar



**Sun. 8:00 a.m.**

MC Gabe SkrobarczykMC

Logan Campbell

Kevin Beckwith

Sophie Campbell

Lucy Kainer

**Sun. 12:00 p.m.**

MC Sara Rucker

Ranger Quintero

Charlie Uecker

Sarah Calaway

**Sun. 10:00 a.m.**

MC Andrew Thomas

MC Jeremy Bedolla

Ben DeSive

Mackenzie DeSive

**Sun. 5:30 p.m.**

MC Nicholas Nye

Gareth Purnell

Gabriel Purnell

Timothy Nye

### **Lectors**

OCT 13 SAT 5:30 P.M. Peter Anzaldúa

OCT 13 SAT 5:30 P.M. Bud Colwell

OCT 14 SUN 8:00 A.M. Carl Chatelain

OCT 14 SUN 8:00 A.M. Ethel Dulak

OCT 14 SUN 10:00 A.M. Cub Scouts

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OCT 14 SUN 12:00 NOON Art Aubin

OCT 14 SUN 12:00 NOON Tamba Milot

OCT 14 SUN 5:30 P.M. Frank Pompa

OCT 14 SUN 5:30 P.M. Angela L. Soliz

## School News

By Principal Kathy Clark



By the time this bulletin goes to print, the students and staff of St. Pius X Catholic School will have started their Fall break. It marks the end of the first nine weeks of school. When we return on October 15, school will be dismissed at 2:00 p.m. so that teachers can meet with parents to discuss their child's progress this year. Report cards will be given out at these conferences. It's hard to believe that we are already ¼ of the way through the school year. Time flies when you're having a good time!

The first quarter of school has been a good one. Our enrollment is up this year. At the current time we have 180 students. Four of our classes are full, with waiting lists. We started off the year with a new playground in place for the children, security fencing for better safety, and surveillance cameras so that we can monitor activity on the school grounds at all times. The children love their new playground and the parents love the fact that the school is a safer place for their children.

For the past several weeks, our School Advisory Council has been working on long range goals for the school, and will be coming up with action plans to reach those goals. Our school is desperately in need of more space for a computer lab and an art room. Our computers are aging and many are in need of replacing. Keeping up with the ever-changing technology demands is challenging, to say the least. We are currently using the old Scout room in the cafeteria as an art room. It is difficult to fit 25 bodies in that little room every week. We are making it work, but it's not the ideal situation. Many of our parents have expressed the desire to add a 7th and 8th grade to our school, as O.L.P.H. and St. Joseph's Schools have done. All of these things will need to be considered and discussed thoroughly as we decide where we want our school to be five years from now.

When we get back from our break, we will jump head first into the last phase of planning for our Halloween Carnival that is happening on October 26, 2012. Our PTO members have been very busy getting donations for the Silent Auction and prizes for the raffle ticket drawing and game booths. By now parishioners should have received the book of raffle tickets that we sent in the mail. There are some nice prizes to be won. There are Justin Bieber concert tickets with a one-night stay at the Palacio Del Rio Hotel in San Antonio, an Apple iPad, an Xbox 360, and \$150 gift cards to HEB, Best Buy and Toys R Us. The tickets cost \$2 each. We are hoping that all of our parishioners will buy all 10 tickets that were sent to them. Many thanks to Donna Tindall of Personally Yours Florist and Seaside Memorial Park & Funeral Home for being our ticket sponsors.

The 12:00 Mass today is our school Mass, so if you attend that Mass, you will see our students in uniform serving as lectors, choir members, altar servers and gift bearers. They will get a Free Dress Day pass that will entitle them to a day off from wearing their school uniform when we return from our break.

Our Student Council is sponsoring a coat and jacket drive

during the month of October. They would like to invite parishioners to join us by donating gently-used coats, jackets, sweaters, and blankets that will be given to Timon's Ministries and the Mother Teresa Shelter. There will be a box in the back of the church for the clothing. Thank you for your help with this project. Have a blessed week.

## SAFE ENVIRONMENT (CMSE) CLASSES

CMSE—there will be a Safe Environment recertification class this Tuesday, October 9 at 6:30 pm in CC#2. There are some changes in the certification process and they will be explained to you. Please bring your BLUE CARD from the previous certification with you. If you are ministering in the parish in ANY capacity and have not received the CMSE (Safe Environment) training you must complete it as soon as possible. Please call Sister Barbara Netek at 993-9024 to register for the October 23rd class. This class is at 6:30 pm. All classes are now one hour classes.

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

#### **Schedule for re-certification classes:**

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

**Schedule for Core classes:** October 23

## Christmas in October

We are collecting special items to be put in Christmas stocking CARE boxes for our active military personnel serving in harm's way. Join us as we bring items to the decorated box in the church lobby: Christmas or hard candy (NO chocolate!), Christmas cookies in small pre-wrapped packs, Christmas CDs., blank Christmas cards with envelopes, cereal bars, travel-size mouth wash, travel-size hand sanitizer, puzzle books, small notebooks, small games, disposable cameras, manicure kits for male or female, hand warmers.

If you would like a CARE box sent to an active military man or woman serving overseas, please give the name and address at the church office. The expense for mailing each box is between \$11-15; if you can contribute to that expense, drop a check in the offertory made out to "Coastal Bend Troop Support" and it will be sent with the collected items to the group in Rockport that prepares the boxes. Thank you for your contributions.

## Plan for Vacation

Looking ahead to the summer..have you considered visiting the southern Atlantic Coast: South Carolina, Georgia, Florida? Beautiful antebellum homes, lovely beaches, history of the early days of our country, etc. Think about it and look for more information forth-coming

## Mass Intentions



- Sat. 10/06 8:15AM Paulina Cabello by Frances Thompson  
 5:30PM Regina Richter by Wilfred & Sally Wiatrek
- Sun. 10/07 8:00AM Raymond I. Sykora by Raymond & Randy Sykora  
 10:00AM Erich Wendl by M/M Bonifacio Rodriguez  
 12:00PM Chester Zablocki by Aneda Zablocki  
 5:30PM For the Parishioners
- Mon. 10/08 8:15AM Thomas Fitzgerald by the Fitzgerald family
- Tue. 10/09 8:15AM Mitzi Mendleski's Anniversary by Joseph & Frances Abel  
 Vernelle Brannigan's Anniversary by family
- Wed. 10/10 8:15AM William & Agnes Parker by Donna Parker  
 Rufino Garcia by Alice Garcia  
 Mary Kelly by Kathleen Horne  
 Annie Rhodes by Jim & Mim Cook  
 Bruce Bayerlein by the Bayerlein family  
 Anna Bayerlein by the Bayerlein family  
 5:30PM Michael Pacheco, Sr., Anniversary by Penny Pacheco  
 John Ley by Ellsworth & Ley families  
 Joe McCullough by Wayne & Camille Hojnacki  
 Art & Mary Salinas' Intentions by Allen & Janet Daehne  
 Pat Reddick by Altar & Rosary Society  
 Frank & Martha Kolda's Intentions by Bonnie & Wally Heinz  
 Filiberto Martinez by Carolyn & Wally Canchola
- Thu. 10/11 8:15AM Martin Pigott's Anniv. by the Pigott family
- Fri. 10/12 8:15AM Armi Darilek by the Didear family  
 5:30PM Rene Gilley by Sandy Rivera
- Sat. 10/13 5:30PM Bill Traeger by Allen & Janet Daehne
- Sun. 10/14 8:00AM Chris & John Janosek by David Janosek  
 10:00AM Dee Samperi by Mary Fodor  
 12:00PM Alvino Campos' Anniv. by Stella Campos  
 5:30PM For the Parishioners

"WE CARE" for children and adults



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## Please Pray for our Sick & Shut-Ins:

Manuel Balbin, Madison Beckwith, Sgt. 1st Class William Boone, Frances Branning, Bill Brumback, Bob Byrd, Stella & Michael Campos, Ashley Carroll, Reana Carter, Riana Carter, Jim Cook, Jason Cox, Alicia de Boza, Florinda De La Garza, Mark DeGaish, Sandy DeGregorio, Minga DeLosSantos, Samantha Didear Deste, Liz Elovitz, Yolanda Escobar, Juan A. Flores, Bobby Floyd, Frances Galvan, Raymond Garcia, Jr., Elida Gonzalez, Bobby Gough, Glenda Graham, Vickie Grainger, Maria Griffin, 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, Arlene Leep, Ed Lewis, Alois Lup, Arlene Lup, Cynthia Lup, Dorothy Mathews, Michael McCloskey, Virginia Medrano, Robert Miller, John Morgan, Dan Murray, Patricia Paris, Phil Perabo, Robert M. Pope, Ron Randolph, Roberto Reyes, Raymond Richter, Marguerite Ross, Luis Salazar, Tim Salch, 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, Idolina Vela, Luz Villarreal, Melva Walet, Mary Lois Webster, Bea Wilson, Linda Witt, Dolly Zihelli, Sarah Zuniga and all those who asked for and need our prayers.

## Health Ministry says THANK YOU

All who took part the past 2 Tuesdays, thank you for taking the time to receive your flu vaccination. A total of 68 people, including children received the flu shot. If you still need your flu shot, and your doctor does not provide the flu shot, there are other community resources: HEB pharmacies, Walgreen's pharmacies and CVS pharmacies.

See the Health Ministry page on the parish website ([stpiusxcc.org](http://stpiusxcc.org)) for good habits on avoiding the flu..

[This is not medical advice. Consult your doctor first.]

## Financial Report for week ending 9/30/2012

### Operating Revenue:

Sunday Collection .....	\$ 16,026.84
Other Income .....	\$ 108.00
Rummage Sale .....	\$ 3,938.25
<b>Total Operating Revenue.....</b>	<b>\$ 20,073.08</b>

### Other Contributions:

Acts of Charity .....	\$ 42.00
Janosek Scholarship .....	\$ 25.00
Catholic Charities .....	\$ 5.00
Disaster Relief .....	\$ 5.00
Respect Life .....	\$ 35.00
<b>Total Other Contributions.....</b>	<b>\$ 112.00</b>

**Total Contributions 9/30/2012 ...** \$ **20,185.08**

Loan balance on Youth Bldg

as of September 30, 2012.....\$ 993,453.52