

NOTES FROM FR. JIM:

This week you will receive a letter from me concerning the **2007 Archbishop's Annual Appeal**. Funds raised by this Appeal provide support for necessary services to individuals and parishes. The assessment for St. Pius Parish is \$126,000. On the **next two weekends** you will have an opportunity to pick up your pledge cards in the Parish Center after all the Masses. I ask you to please join me in making a pledge to the 2007 Archbishop's Annual Appeal.

The St. Pius Parish Pastoral Council is a planning body that examines, considers and recommends the improvement of parish ministries. It makes a recommendation to the pastor and the parish staff. Last year the Parish Pastoral Council recommended that the parish train people to help those who have lost family members. Three weeks ago there was a two-day training course given to sixteen members of the parish on how to support those who are grieving. You will soon be learning more about how this ministry is going to be activated at St. Pius. This year the Parish Council is examining how the parish welcomes new members and how we minister to the needs of young families with pre-school children. If you have ideas or input call the Parish Center at 361-1411.

SAVE THE DATES - WOMEN'S RETREAT

The Women's Retreat is **March 9, 10, & 11**. Join us for a wonderful weekend with our fabulous moderator, Sr. Monica Miller. A weekend of camaraderie, socials, reflection, abundant food, prayer, laughter, Mass.....Register at www.vallombrosa.org or call Kristine Ball at 306-9766 for more information.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

2006-2007 Fiscal Year as of 1/29/07
 Budgeted \$328,235.44
 Actually received \$325,007.64
 Shortfall (\$3,227.80)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

Deacon Steve	Candace Cain	Alec Dini
Dave Tinsley	Nancy Geenen	Elizabeth Sturken
Marie Morin & Family	Madison Kitz	
Mel & Patty Prichard		

ALL NAMES WILL REMAIN ON THIS LIST FOR ONE MONTH. PLEASE CALL AFTER THAT TIME IF YOU WOULD LIKE A NAME TO REMAIN ON THE LIST, 361-1411. IF WE DO NOT RECEIVE A CALL THE NAME WILL BE REMOVED.

Mission Trip 2007

The annual high school mission trip to Mexico will take place June 9-16, 2007. The trip is open to students who will be in 10-12th grade in September 2007. **Mission Trip Registration form and \$100 deposit are due NO LATER THAN February 15th.** Download form and information from our website at www.pius.org. Contact Kevin at Kevin@pius.org or 365-0140.

ANNIVERSARY MASS - ST. MARY'S

All married couples in the S.F. Bay Area celebrating a 25th, 50th or 50+ anniversary are invited to join Bishop John Wester on **Sat., Feb. 10th, at 10:00 am** for the annual Anniversary Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral in San Francisco. For more information go to www.sfcatholic.com/cfm or email info@sfcatholic.com

MASS FOR BISHOP JOHN C. WESTER

Congratulations to Bishop John Wester who was appointed Bishop of Salt Lake City. There is a special Mass of Thanksgiving, **Tuesday, February 20, at 5:30 pm, at St. Mary's Cathedral**, San Francisco. This Mass, with a reception following, will commemorate Bishop Wester's long service to the people of the Archdiocese of San Francisco.

BE IRISH FOR AN EVENING

Please join us for an evening of great food (*your choice of corned beef or chicken*), terrific entertainment and lots of laughs. Our St. Patrick's Dinner is on **Saturday, March 3, at 6 pm**. Bagpipes will lead our Irish Dancers, an Irish tenor will croon, and food will be catered by The Carvery from the Hof Brau. Dance the night away! Tickets at \$35 each can be obtained by contacting the Parish Center at 361-1411.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY:

Fr. Jack Penebsky
 Pamela R. Flynn
 Charlotte Willis

WOMEN'S CLUB FUN

Join us for an evening of fun, laughter and a lucky roll of the dice at the Women's Club **Game Night/Bunco on Tuesday, February 13th, at 6:30 pm** in Homer Crouse Hall. Pizza & cocktails will be served for \$10 seniors & \$15 members. The Board Nominating Committee will also be elected then. RSVP before Feb. 12th to 364-5204 or email: womensclub@pius.org.

CAREGIVER TRAINING

Catholic Charities CYO San Carlos Adult Day Services is offering a free series of four workshops for those caring for an older spouse or parent at home. They are: **Feb. 27, March 27, and April 24, 3 pm - 4:30 pm**. Call Michael Vargas at 592-9325.

FESTIVAL SILENT AUCTION

We are looking for donations. Do you have any items you would like to donate to June's Silent Auction? Would you like to help out with the auction? We would love to hear from you. Contact Kika Kilmartin at 367-6698 or mck092488@comcast.net

SERRA HIGH SCHOOL HONORS

Congratulations to St. Pius parishioner, Kevin Sibuciao, who earned all A's during the Fall Semester at Junipero Serra High School, San Mateo.

ST. PIUS SENIORS

We'll meet on Feb. 9th & play Bingo. The 5th grade class will give the Seniors a lunch on Friday, Feb. 16th. We had a great lunch on Jan. 19th with the 8th grade class. The food was great & we had fun doing the "hokey pokey" with them. Thanks to all the parents!

"SONGS FROM THE HEART" BENEFIT

This is a benefit for Woodside High School class of 2007 "SAFE AND SOBER GRAD NIGHT", featuring Peter Girardot, a St. Pius parishioner, Maria Fassio-Pignati, and Ann Francis Dillon. This is **Saturday, February 10, at the Veteran's Memorial Senior Center**, in Redwood City, beginning at 6:30 pm with hors d'oeuvres, wine tasting & a raffle and 7:30 pm performance. Admission is \$20 and you can call Cheri Girardot at 366-7659.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Men's Club Retreat	February 2, 3, 4,
Parish Mission	February 26, 27, 28
Women's Club Retreat	March 9, 10, 11
Confirmation	April 21
ICF Anniversary Dinner	April 28
First Communion	May 5, 6
Parish Festival	June 1, 2, 3

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

**Do Something Intentionally
Each Month To Grow In Your Faith
GET THEOLOGICAL!**

Five Great Catholic Ideas By Edward Wm. Clark
Monday Evenings – Feb 5, 12 @ 7pm

Why are you Catholic? Join us for a four evening discussion of your faith in the chapel in the Parish Center. Discussion will be lead by Seminarian Michael Cox. Book available in the parish center for \$15. Please come prepared to discuss Ch. 1.

GET HISTORICAL!

Church History w/ Fr. Jim MacDonald

Monday Evenings – Mar 5, 12 & 26 @ 7pm

Join Fr. Jim as he presents church history by developing three important themes: Leadership, Freedom & Liturgy. Three Monday evenings in March in the Chapel.

"GET FAITHFUL IN 2007"

Adult Faith Formation

Contact Kevin 365-0140 * Kevin@pius.org

ANNUAL ST. FRANCIS CENTER PARTY

This annual lunch, auction, raffle, & entertainment is for a good cause. "*SPRING IS IN THE AIR*" will be held on **SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 11:00 AM, at St. Patrick's Seminary**, 320 Middlefield Road, Menlo Park. Please send your donation of \$50 to St. Francis Center Auxiliary and seating preference to Gerri Beasley, 1055 Deanna Dr., Menlo Park, 94025, 854-1262.

YOUNG FAMILIES COMMITTEE

The **Parish Council** is forming a committee involving parents interested in getting together with other young families in the parish. This would be for children who are pre-school & younger. The purpose is to have fun and meet other families here at St. Pius. If you are interested please call Paul Kirincich, 322-8899 or Tammy Finato, 556-1334. Watch the bulletin for date of meeting.

Question for Adults:

When recently did God call you to do something that was difficult?

Question for Youth:

Following Jesus can mean leaving some things behind. What do you need to let go of to follow Jesus more fully in your life?

Question for Children

What can I do to show that I am a follower of Jesus?

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY!

“Holy, holy, holy!” Ancient languages, like the Hebrew used in the scriptures, did not always have a way to express superlatives in one word. Isaiah could not say God was “holiest,” so he used the threefold repetition of the same word. This bit of scriptural minutiae about these “three little words” that we sing at every Mass serves as a reminder that answering God’s call has to be grounded in awareness of God’s holiness. In Isaiah and in the Gospel passage today, we hear accounts of the revelation of God’s power and might: the seraphim in the temple and the miraculous catch of fish. These are not wondrous revelations for their own sakes. They lead to a response in mission, Isaiah’s “Here I am, send me!” and the disciples’ leaving everything to follow Jesus. And so must our own “Holy, Holy, Holy!” lead us to Christ in the Eucharist every Sunday, and to a life following him day by day.

© Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts! (Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8)

Psalm — In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord (Psalm 138).

Second Reading — God’s grace to me has not been ineffective (1 Corinthians 15:1-11).

Gospel — The crowd was pressing in on Jesus and listening to the word of God (Luke 5:1-11).

SCHEDULED MASSES

Sat.	Feb. 3	5 pm	Tony Parrinella
Sun.	Feb. 4	8 am	Bill McGrath
		9:30	Larry Baldini
		11:30	Al Garofoli
		5:00	Jim Richter
Mon.	Feb. 5	8 am	Larry Baldini
Tues.	Feb. 6	8 am	Janet Cocconi
Wed.	Feb. 7	8 am	Marie Goyhenetche
Thurs.	Feb. 8	8 am	Randy Cardellini
Fri.	Feb. 9	8 am	Margaret Martella
Sat.	Feb. 10	8 am	Bernadette Larraburu