

**FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR**

For the past eight years our parish has been blessed by the gifts and dedication of our Religious Education for Children Director, Sr. Mary Keefe. Sr. Mary will be leaving us next month to pursue a new endeavor. I am sure you will agree that Sr. Mary's tireless and committed service to our community has enhanced the lives of our parish family in many ways.

Please join us for a reception in her honor in the Parish Center on **Sunday, May 20, following the 9:30 am Mass.**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

"Blessed are they who have not seen and yet believed," Jesus says in today's Gospel. For those who have not seen to believe, however, we must be good stewards of our faith, living it joyfully and sharing it generously. Then, in our time too, "men and women in great numbers" will be "added to the Lord."

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

Confirmation	April 21
Women's Club Casino Night	April 21
ICF Anniversary Dinner	April 28
First Communion	May 5, 6
Parish Festival	June 1, 2, 3

**ST. PIUS PARISH BLOOD DRIVE**

St. Pius is sponsoring a **Blood Drive** on **Sunday, April 29,** starting at **8 am.** There is a huge shortage of blood at our blood banks and they are desperately in need of donations. Please call the Parish Center to schedule your appointment (361-1411). Thank you for your wonderful gift of life for another person.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY:**

- Adrienne Principal
- Laura Lotti
- Michael Verducci
- Robert Burling
- James McCracken
- Jerry Murphy
- Jean Hardoy

**COLLECTION FOR LATIN AMERICA - APRIL 22**

Your generous gift to the Church in Latin educates priests, religious, and lay pastoral leaders, assists missionaries and pastoral workers, trains catechists and youth ministers and supports the Church' work with those in need.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Register for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, **April 20-22, Burlingame.** It's the best gift you'll ever give to each other! Go to **www.sf.lovemoredeeply.org** or call Paul & Yvonne at 366-7093.

**ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

We have received \$118,656 from 374 parishioners, toward our assessment of \$126,000. This represents 94% of our goal. Thank you for your support.

**ST. PIUS SCHOOL BOARD SEEKING NEW MEMBERS:**

St. Pius School Board is seeking applications for new members for the 2007-2008 school year. The Board's primary purpose is to establish goals and define policies which govern the operations of St. Pius School in conjunction with both the Pastor and Principal. Experience with marketing, web development, grant writing or facilities management would be particularly beneficial, but a strong commitment to Catholic education and St. Pius School and enthusiasm in ensuring its ongoing success are the most important skills to be successful in this position. For more information, please contact Elizabeth Polek at (650) 299-9362.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK AND THEIR CAREGIVERS IN OUR COMMUNITY:**

Deacon Steve	Dave Tinsley	Mary Lou Putnam
Helen Coccary	Lana Vanderzyl	Bev Eggleston
Keira Bowman	Parker Isom	Howard Lester
Jocelyn Maroun	Angelo Garcia	Frank Purpura
Rich Ferrari	Ann Pierazzi	Elizabeth Nicolas
Francisco Felipe Tesio	Arthur Ortiz	Al San Miguel
Jocelyn Maroun	Jillian Geenen	Deborah Baca

**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.**

### **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 [kmck092488@comcast.net](mailto:kmck092488@comcast.net)

### **CASINO ROYALE, APRIL 21....SAVE THE DATE**

Our 2007 fundraiser is coming! Casino Royale will include professionally staffed gaming tables, a Texas Hold'em tournament, exciting prizes, dinner and music! Tickets are on sale now. We still have room for sponsors and prize donations. Please call Yvette Gilardi at 369-0138 or email to [womensclub@pius.org](mailto:womensclub@pius.org) for tickets.

**Easter flower donations** were made in memory of the following: Jennifer Copeland, Dan A. Baldini, Larry Baldini, Bernard McCavitt, Irene Beland, Joe Crespo, Serafina & Joe Rappa, Glavich Family, Don Goold, Koops Family, Mother & Father, Marcella Logan, Charlotte Brewer, Pete Perucca, The Visconti & Gotelli Families, Norman Castellano, Shauna Platt, Bill Koller, Richard Hilton, Peter J. Rusake, Harry Pariani, Peter Zammuto, Beatrice Zammuto, Jo-Ann Miller, Arthur Carbone, Lockwood Vogeli, Fred Cosgrove, S.J., Billis Dietz, Nicholas Clayton Danczak, Young K. Baek, Alfio March, Emma Matheson, Celia Rossi, Anne Gaggero, Hank Dotoli, Janet Fabbro-Ira, Joy Ira, Ralph Stevenson, William Fogarty, Sarah Fogarty, William Kern, Mueller/Miles Family.

### **YOUNG LADIES INSTITUTE #124 SCHOLARSHIP**

YLI #124 is again offering the Valda Britschgi Scholarship to any boy or girl in the 8th grade (public or parochial school) who desires to attend a Catholic high school. This is a one-year scholarship. The usual award is from \$100 to \$300. Applications are available at the CCD Office or at the School office. Applications must be returned by May 1, 2007.

**The St. Pius Men's Club** invites all men of the parish to attend our monthly **General Dinner Meeting** on **Wednesday, April 18, 2007**, in Homer Crouse Hall. Cocktails will begin at 6:30 p.m., with dinner to follow. The cost is free to first time attendees. If you have any questions, please call Mike Maskarich at (650)369-5158.

### **WELCOME TO OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED**

Dorothea Loughery

### **ANNIVERSARY MASS**

**On May 19 at the 5 pm Mass we will be celebrating the anniversaries of parishioners who have been married for 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 and 50 years. There will be a reception after the Mass. After 50 years you are invited to celebrate with the parish every year! If you are going to attend the Anniversary Mass please call Barbara Drake by May 1st at 361-1411.**

**FREE CAR WASH** St. Pius School's 6th grade class will be hosting a free car wash on Sunday, April 15th, from 8 am to 12 pm in front of Homer Crouse Hall. Please stop by after mass to shine up your car. Donations will be accepted to help fund their trip to Jones' Gulch scheduled for May 7-11th.

**BOOTH SPONSORS FOR FESTIVAL:** The annual St. Pius Festival will be held from June 1st - June 3rd. In an effort to underwrite the expenses, we are seeking sponsors for each of our booths. Sponsorships are \$150 and your name or business will be displayed on a booth. If you are interested, please contact Mercedes Reshke, Booth Sponsorship Chairperson, at 367-8349. Thank you to those who have already sponsored: Putnam Dealer Group, Putnam Lexus, Dr. Joseph Krauss, DDS, Pribuss Engineering, Inc. Mechanical Contractors, Eric Barrett from Barrett Insurance Services, Gray's Paint & Wallpaper, Copymat, Crippen & Flynn Woodside Chapel, A. Parenti Insurance, The Kenneally Family, Del Rio Roofing Co., Inc., A&D Automatic Gate & Access, INTER-STATE Grading & Paving, Inc., Dr. Gabrielle Thodas, DDS MSD and Kathy Wright from Everlasting Beauty.

### **IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY, BELMONT HOLDS ANNUAL AUCTION/DINNER DANCE**

"THE CITY BY THE BAY" on Saturday, April 21, 2007 at the San Mateo Marriott. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. followed by a fabulous dinner at 7:30 p.m. Live Auction and dancing to 1 a.m. Reservations a must! Please call (650) 593-6157 and ask for Gail to receive your invitation.

### **ST. PIUS PARISH FESTIVAL - JUNE 1, 2 & 3 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

We are in need of chair people for the following activities...High Striker and Lawn Inflatable. These do not require set up or clean up. Please contact Danielle Ghiozzi at 364-0887 or [danilg@sbcglobal.net](mailto:danilg@sbcglobal.net) or Anthony Bertolacci at 367-1919 or [abertolacci@comcast.net](mailto:abertolacci@comcast.net).

**Question for Adults:** Jesus said: "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." Give one example of how you will show your belief in Jesus this week - how you are being sent forth.

**Question for Youth:** Thomas didn't believe because he hadn't seen Jesus. How hard is it for you to believe in God without being able to see Him? How do you see God in the words and actions of others?

**Question for Children:** Jesus appeared to the women in the garden and the disciples in the closed room. How can you show Jesus to another person this week by how you act?

### **JOINING THE COMPANY OF BELIEVERS**

What will help you to believe? Today's scripture readings tell of faith and doubt. They offer stories "recorded to help you believe," as the passage from John's Gospel (20:31) remarks today. There is an urgency about this. On this second Sunday of Easter we are challenged to join the company of believers—countless men and women who witnessed the power of the Apostles' faith. There is no doubt that this power comes from Jesus Christ. The second reading, from the book of Revelation, reports John's mystical vision of the Son of Man, who proclaims, "Once I was dead, but now I live" (Revelation 1:18). The Gospel gathers everyone but Thomas to see the Risen Jesus and receive the Holy Spirit from him. Like Thomas, we who have come along later must have faith so that we can have life.

**TODAY'S READINGS - First Reading** — A large number of people gathered, bringing the sick, and all were cured (Acts 5:12-16).

**Psalm** — Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

**Second Reading** — Do not be afraid. I am the first and the last, the one who lives (Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19). **Gospel** — The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts.

### **SCHEDULED MASSES**

Sat.	April 14	5 pm	Evangeline Telucci
Sun.	April 15	8 am	Albert A. Carey
		9:30	Barbara Frediani
		11:30	People of St. Pius
		5 pm	Charles Berry
Mon.	April 16	8 am	Lilas Miles
Tues.	April 17	8 am	In thanksgiving of St. Rita
Wed.	April 18	8 am	Bill McGrath
Thurs.	April 19	8 am	Bill McGrath
Fri.	April 20	8 am	Christopher
Sat.	April 21	8 am	Bill McGrath