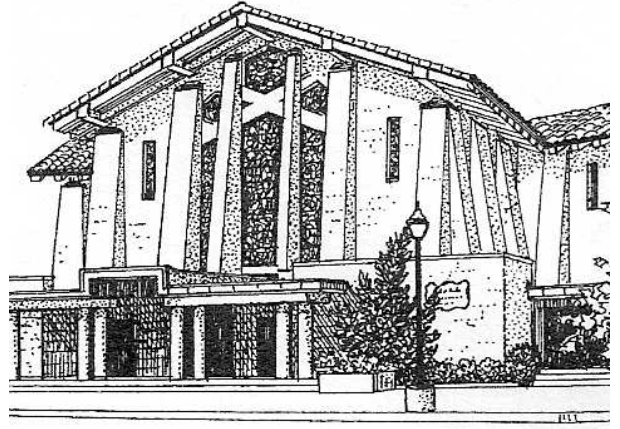


WELCOME to St. Pius Parish!

St. Pius Parish, 1100 Woodside Rd., Redwood City, CA 94061 – www.pius.org – parish@pius.org

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 26TH,
2007
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**



Our Mission

The mission of Saint Pius Parish is to develop and nurture a faith filled, prayerful, generous and caring community rooted in the testimony of the gospel and the tradition of our faith.

We hope that your family will join our parish family as we strive to love like Jesus and build God's kingdom here on earth.

Mass Schedule

Vigil Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses: 8:00, 9:30,
11:30 am & 5:00 pm

Daily Mass: 8:00 am (M-Sat)

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:30-4:30 pm
(Contact a priest if you wish to receive the sacrament on another day.)

Baptism: Baptisms are normally held on the second and fourth Sundays at 1:00 pm. Arrangements should be made at least three months in advance. Parents must attend baptismal instruction before the baptism of their child. This preparation may be done before the birth of the child.

Marriage: Arrangements should be made by the prospective bride and groom at least six months in advance. The parish marriage preparation program is required of all couples.

Communion in the Home: Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring Communion to those who are unable to attend Mass. Please call the Parish Center.

Anointing of the Sick: This sacrament is for those who are elderly, seriously sick or scheduled for surgery. Please call the Parish Center. For those in the hospital, contact the chaplain's office at that hospital.

Parish Staff

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NOTE FROM FR. JIM:

Fr. Kevin Kennedy, the Catholic Chaplain for Sequoia and Kaiser Hospitals, will be away for a well-earned vacation for two months plus, **beginning September 1st**. Due to the shortage of priests in our Archdiocese, there will be no priest chaplain for the hospitals during his time away.

The thirteen priests assigned to full time ministry in the parishes of the Deanery only will cover the hospitals for emergency calls. The Eucharistic Ministers, who now bring communion to the sick in the hospitals, will continue to do so. If one knows ahead of time that they are going to the hospital due to serious illness, they should contact the parish office to request the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick before going to the hospital.

BOOK SIGNING - ROBERT F. KENNEDY, JR.

You are cordially invited to attend an evening with children's book author, Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. who authored "St. Francis of Assisi: A Life of Joy". This is on **Wednesday, September 5, at the National Shrine of St. Francis of Assisi, 624 Vallejo Street, San Francisco, California.** There is a kid-friendly snack reception at 5 pm and a discussion with book signing 6 - 8 pm. Questions? Call 415-983-0222.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

2007-2008 Fiscal Year as of 8/19/2007

Budgeted \$84,615.44

Actually received \$85,658.68

\$1,043.24

BEST WISHES TO OUR NEWLY MARRIED

Natalie Miller and Steve Carbone

TRANSITIONS

TRANSITONS is a *drop-in* support group for those who are undergoing the *transition* from couple-hood to single-hood. There is no cost involved. These meetings are held all **Wednesdays in September, at 7:30 pm, at St. Thomas Aquinas Pastoral Center, 3290 Middlefield Rd., Palo Alto.** Questions? Call 408-739-2881.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONER WHO HAS PASSED AWAY:

Theresa Ortiz

GRIEF MINISTRY GROUP SESSIONS

The St. Pius Grief Ministry will be holding a "Focused" Grief Support Group starting **Monday, September 24th**. The morning session will be from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm or you can join the evening session from 6:30 - 8:00 pm, in the Parish Center. This group will meet once per week for ten weeks. Sessions will be facilitated by trained grief ministers. For more information call Linda Beroldo at 366-3153 or email grief_help@hotmail.com

THANK YOU FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Thank you for your generosity for the 5th Sunday collection on July 31st & August 1st. Your donations amounted to **\$3,300**. With your support and prayers we will continue to provide assistance to those within our Parish who are in need.

ST. PIUS BLOOD DRIVE

WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN SOMEONE'S LIFE?

St. Pius Parish is sponsoring a blood drive on **Sunday, Sept. 16, starting at 8 am**. There is a huge shortage of blood at our blood banks and they are desperately in need of donations. Someone you know will need blood at least once during their lifetime for such events as open heart surgery, caesarean deliveries, hip replacement surgery, some bone fractures or shock trauma due to burns, puncture wounds or accident. Please sign up to donate by calling the Parish Center, 361-1411 or emailing Barbara at barb@pius.org. Thank you.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK AND THEIR CAREGIVERS IN OUR COMMUNITY:

Deacon Steve	Dolores Hacker	Scott Meyers
Michael Pieretti	Philip Townsend	Celeste Zanoni
Mary Lou Putnam	Keira Bowman	Hayden Meyers
Arthur Ortiz	Steve Alonso	Alice de Bie
Dave Tinsley	Noreen Byrne	Lana Zandrzył

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.

35TH ANNUAL FITZSIMON GOLF CLASSIC

The St. Pius Men's Club invites you to join us for a day of fun, sun, and friends at our 35th Annual Fitzsimon Golf Classic, **September 15, 2007.** This year's tournament will be held at Shoreline, with dinner to follow IN Fitzsimon Center. Golf/Dinner (for 2) \$135.00, Golf/Dinner (for 1) \$110.00, golf only \$95.00, and dinner only \$35.00. Tournament sponsorships are also being sought. Please call Mike Descalso at (650) 224-2618 for further information.

DEACON STEVE MICHAELSON RECEPTION

Deacon Steve will be visiting St. Pius the weekend of September 15/16 and we are taking this opportunity to celebrate his many years of service to our parish family by hosting a reception for him following the 9:30 Mass on Sunday, the 16th. Steve will be deacon at that Mass and all parishioners are invited to join us in the garden area behind the Parish Center to say "thank you" and "farewell" to a very wonderful man.

MEMORIAL MASS FOR CHILDREN

Project Rachel Post Abortion Ministry of the Respect Life Program and Holy Cross Cemetery are sponsoring the Biennial Memorial Mass for children who died before, during and shortly after birth. This is **Saturday, September 15th, 11:00 am** at Holy Cross Cemetery. All are welcome. For more information call 415-717-6428 or 415-614-5572.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Men's Club Golf Day	September 15
PTG Dinner/Auction	November 3
ICF Polenta Dinner	November 10
Christmas Tree Lot Opens	November 23
Women's Club Boutique	December 2
Men's Club Crab Feed	January 26
ICF Cioppino Dinner	February 2
Parish Mission	February 11, 12, 13
Women's Club Fashion Show	March 15
Men's Club Retreat	March 28, 29, 30
Women's Club Retreat	April 11, 12, 13
First Communion	May 3, 4
St. Pius Festival	May 30, 31 & June 1

INVITE YOUR FRIENDS TO CONSIDER BECOMING CATHOLIC OR PREPARING FOR SACRAMENTS

Any adults interested in becoming Catholic or preparing for the sacraments of First Communion or Confirmation are invited to meet after the 9:30am mass on Sunday mornings in the parish center starting October 7. Contact Kevin at 365-0140 or Kevin@pius.org

CORPUS CHRISTI MONASTERY

On September 1st at 9:00 am, the Dominican Nuns at Corpus Christi Monastery, 215 Oak Grove Avenue, Menlo Park, would like you to join them in prayer as they host the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Fatima to obtain world peace especially in Iraq and to give special honor to Mary.

HOUSEBOUND, AWAY, ILL?

We want to remind you that our bulletin can be ac-

STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Retrouaille is a program for married couples who feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. For confidential information call (415) 893-1005 or email: SF@Retrouaille.org or visit the web at www.Retrouaille.org

DEEPEN YOUR FAITH SPEAKER SERIES

Join us on September 26th for an evening with Fr. Gerald Coleman "How to Face Serious Issues About Death and Dying" at 7pm in Homer Crouse Hall. If you missed these last year, you missed a lot of great discussions and insights into our Catholic Faith. The speakers are engaging and diverse. For more information check our website www.pius.org, Kevin@pius.org or call 365-0140. **Mark your calendars for future events (Wednesday evenings at 7pm): 9/26, 10/24, 11/28, 1/23/08, 2/13/08, 3/26/08, 4/23/08, 5/28/08**

ATTENTION YOUTH --YOUTH CLUB 2007

How should youth be included in the life of St. Pius Parish? How can we encourage more youth to get involved with the parish? How can we make the parish welcoming to youth? Help us figure this out! Our first Youth Club meeting in 2007 will be on Tuesday evening, October 2nd in the Rock House at 7pm. We will elect officers for 2007-08 and plan a basic calendar of events for the year. Join Us! For more information, contact Kevin at Kevin@pius.org or 365-0140.

DISCIPLINE

It is no accident that the words “disciple” and “discipline” are nearly identical. Their relationship in Christian faith and life, however, has fallen somewhat out of favor in the past generation, as certain prescribed Church rules and regulations have been reduced and relaxed. These rules were often referred to as “disciplines.” We are mistaken, however, to think that it no longer takes discipline to follow Christ. The Letter to the Hebrews assures us of that today. Our discipline is more like that of an athlete pursuing a victory or a personal best, or a musician striving for a concert career or to master a new piece of music. This discipline comes from desire, not from regulations. It was the desire to do the will of God that led Jesus on the path to his cross. It is that same desire he encourages in us today: to strive to enter through the narrow gate, to find ourselves in the kingdom with a surprising assortment of people who are there not because of mere observation of rules, but out of a genuine desire to recline at the table of the heavenly banquet.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading —I come to gather nations of every language; they shall come and see my glory (Isaiah 66:18-21).

Psalms — Go out to all the world and tell the Good News (Psalm 117).

Second Reading — Strengthen your drooping hands and your weak knees (Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13).

Gospel — People will come from the east and the west, from the north and the south, and will recline at table in the kingdom of God (Luke 13:22-30).

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's reading from Isaiah describes the Israelites bringing their offering to the Lord "in clean vessels." The gift of myself - my patient endurance and fidelity to the will of God - is as important as the monetary gift I offer.

SCHEDULED MASSES

Sat.	Aug. 25	5 pm	Lugo family (INT)
Sun.	Aug. 26	8 am	Judy Sharrah
		9:30	Artemio Cataneda
		11:30	Tom Gilardi
		5 pm	People of St. Pius
Mon.	Aug. 27	8 am	Mary Tubia
Tues.	Aug. 28	8 am	Robert Pfeffer (INT)
Wed.	Aug. 29	8 am	Albert Tomalino
Thurs.	Aug. 30	8 am	Charles Fragulia
Fri.	Aug. 31	8 am	Livia Granara
Sat.	Sept. 1	8 am	Claire Sans

CUB SCOUT INFORMATION & SIGN-UP MEETING - TUES., SEPT. 4TH, 7:00 PM HOMER CROUSE HALL

St. Pius Cub Scout Pack 110 is having an information and sign-up meeting for all new Cub Scouts. St. Pius Cub Scouts is open to all school and parish boys in grades 1 through 5. Some of the pack activities for this year include the annual campout at Boulder Creek, the Pinewood Derby, an overnight stay on the USS Hornet Aircraft Carrier, sports activities, and various arts and crafting. We promote good citizenship and community involvement. Annual fees are \$50.00. For more information or an application, please contact Jim Bujtor, Chairman, at jbujtor@comcast.net or 368-8818 or Larry Weber, Cubmaster, at 369-1302.

Each day of our lives we make deposits in the memory banks of our children.

ATTENTION JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS

Mark your Calendars!! **Dances at Mt. Carmel** (Fridays 7-10pm) 10/5/07, 12/14/07, 2/1/08, 5/2/08
Junior High EVENTS (Mondays 7-8:30pm) 11/19/07 (Roller Skating), 1/28/08, 2/25/08, 3/17/08, 4/21/08 (Bowling)

ST. CLARE RETREAT FOR WOMEN

This retreat, in the Santa Cruz mountains, will be held on the weekend of **September 7th-9th**. A \$10 deposit is requested at time of reservations. The suggested donation for a private room is \$105 or a shared room is \$95 per person. Please contact Virginia Spiker for further information at 650-368-1839.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED

Family Services TRIP Program needs volunteer drivers to transport qualified, home bound Seniors to their destinations. Loss of driving ability for Seniors means greater losses: the ability to grocery shop, to visit friends, go to church, the doctor or hair dresser. **Drivers receive a tax-free mileage reimbursement, thanks to a California State Lifeline Grant. Seniors ride for free.** If you're 25 or over call Alan or Kathy at 780-7546.

ST. PIUS SENIORS

Our next meeting is Friday, Aug. 31st. We are looking forward to having lunch with the students. Thank you to all the parents who make this possible.

MEMBERS OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Tammy Finato
Sharon Geenen
Paul Kirincich
Dennis Durkin
Daniel Mendoza
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Karen Elmore
Kit Fragulia
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