

WELCOME to St. Pius Parish!

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 6, 2008 EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



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.

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THANK YOU - CATHOLIC WORKER HOUSE
Thank you for your gifts to the Catholic Worker House. The family and teens had a blast and thank all of you for your generosity. Peace, Larry Purcell

THANK YOU - FROM SAINT FRANCIS CENTER

This was the BEST Christmas toy Program EVER! Thank you for thinking about and bringing JOY into the lives of others. Thank you for responding so tenderly and generously. I pray that you and your families will experience many blessings in the New Year. Sister Christina Heltsley

SAVE THE DATES!!!

St. Pius Parish Mission - February 23 - 27, 2008, presented by Fr. David Pettingill. He will preach at all masses, and speak on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday morning and evening. Morning presentations will take place in Homer Crouse Hall following the 8 am Mass. Evening presentations for adults at 7 pm in the church. Children's program in Homer Crouse Hall during the evening talks.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

2007-2008 Fiscal Year as of 12/30/2007
Budgeted \$285,577.11
Actually received \$298,100.88
\$12,622.77

ST. PIUS YOUNG PEOPLE'S THEATER GROUP

The St. Pius Young People's Theater Group will present their 2008 musical production on **Thursday, April 24, Friday, April 25, Saturday, April 26, and Sunday, April 27**. More information to follow. Auditions will be on **Thursday, January 17, 2008, 7:00 - 8:00 pm**, in Fitzsimon Center Gym. If you have any questions, call Karen Elmore at 366-0115

PRO-LIFE MASS & PRAYER WALK - 1/22/08

Fr. Larry Percell will celebrate this Mass at 11:30 am on Tuesday, January 22nd, at St. Nicholas Church in Los Altos, which marks the anniversary of the Supreme Court legalizing abortion. The walk will continue to the City Hall at 12:30 pm. For more information call St. Nicholas Church at 948-2158.

THANK YOU - FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Dear St. Pius Parishioners:

Thank you so much for your generous donation of gift cards to St. Vincent de Paul. These donations allow us to continue our work serving the needy in our community. Your thoughtfulness is very much appreciated. St. Pius St. Vincent de Paul Society

WALK FOR LIFE WEST COAST - 2008

Make history and join thousands of West Coast proliferators on **January 19, 2008**, in the **4th Annual Walk for Life West Coast**. Speakers include Dr. Alveda King of the Martin Luther King, Jr. family. Join us as we *challenge the idea that abortion has been a good choice for women, for men, for families and for our society*. Join us as we proclaim a message of Life and Peace throughout the streets of San Francisco. The walk begins at 11:00 am at Justin Herman Plaza (near the Ferry Building). For more information call 415) 586-1576 or the website www.walkforlifewc.com.

ST. PIUS CHURCH WEBSITE

Please check out our new website online at www.pius.org

MID-PENINSULA HOUSING COALITION

You are invited to an interfaith community forum about the future of the salt works east of Highway 101. The forum will take place from **12:30 to 2:30 pm, Sunday, January 13**, at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 2124 Brewster Avenue, at Lowell, in Redwood City. This is being co-sponsored by St. Matthias Church. Admission is free. Refreshments will be served.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK AND THEIR CAREGIVERS IN OUR COMMUNITY:

Deacon Steve	Dee Dee Hacker	Dolores Hacker
Mary McCourt	David Addiego	Bev Eggleston
Dave Tinsley	Eddie Flores	Mari Hartnett
Madison Kitz	Lina Tomalino	Terri Burris
John Wesolowski		

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.

Deacon Jim Meyers speaks at St. Pius

Please join us on **Tuesday, January 29, 2008**, in Homer Crouse Hall for a night with Deacon Jim Meyers. Jim is a permanent deacon at St. Isabella's Parish in San Rafael and had a career in broadcasting before becoming a deacon. He replaced world-famous disc jockey Don Sherwood at KSFO radio station in San Francisco and went on to become the general manager of that station. Jim is a very engaging and entertaining speaker and his topic is quite timely - **"If God is everywhere, why is He so hard to find?"** The evening, sponsored by the Men's Club, includes dinner as well as Jim's talk and begins at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$10.00 at the door. Please **RSVP to Mike Descalso at (650) 224-2618**.

FREE DRIVE IN & DROP OFF ELECTRONIC WASTE COLLECTION EVENT

This event is **Saturday, February 2, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm**, at the St. Pius Parish parking lot. This is an opportunity to recycle your outdated equipment & lead the way for a healthier environment and benefit the Women's Club activities and programs, too. What is accepted: computers, laptops, printers, cables/cords, dvd players, power supplies, disk drives, tape drives, pc boards, telephones (batteries removed), power supplies, fax machines, computer monitors, keyboards/mice, televisions, vcr's, microwaves, stereo equipment, cell phones, zip drives, hard drives, radios (batteries removed), stereo components, & electronic parts. If you are unable to bring your items to the event on February 2, please call Michele at 207-3756 or Laurie at 245-4562 to arrange for someone to pick them up. Thank you so much for your participation in this fund drive.

MEN'S CLUB CRAB FEED

The St. Pius Men's Club Crab Feed is **Saturday, January 26, 2008**. Get your tickets early! The price is \$35 per person (same as last year). There will be pasta for those who do not eat crab. Doors open at 6:30 pm. Contact Mark Engelhart for tickets at 365-4029.

THE ST. PIUS MEN'S CLUB

All men of the parish are invited to attend our monthly general meeting. This dinner/meeting will be held on **Wednesday, January 16, 2008**, 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 contact Mike Maskarich at (650)369-5158.

KINDERGARTEN APPLICATIONS

St. Pius School is now accepting applications for Kindergarten students for the 2008-2009 school year. Students **must** be 5 years old by September 1, 2008. Applications are available in the School Office, on the web (**www.stpiusschool.com**), or you may call the office at 368-8327. Please call if you have questions.

ADULTS! MARK YOUR CALENDARS

www.increaseourfaith.org

Deepen Your Faith Speaker Series

Join us on the fourth Wednesday of each month from 7-8:30pm in Homer Crouse Hall for an ENGAGING speaker!

January 23 – Sr. Pam Chiesa

February 27 – Dave Pettingill (part of the Feb 25-27 Parish Mission)

April 30 – Anna Horen

WOMEN'S CLUB - JANUARY MEETING

Please join us for our General Meeting on **Wednesday, January 9, 2008**. We will be playing an exciting game of Bunco. We'll meet in Homer Crouse Hall at 6:30 pm and begin with cocktails & hors d'oeuvres. General Members \$15, Seniors, \$10.

Please RSVP to the hotline at (650) 364-5204, or email **womensclub@pius.org**. We look forward to seeing you there. Bring some of your friends!

CATHOLIC WEBSITE

Archbishop Niederauer would like to draw your attention to a website **ActiveParishioner.com** which offers information re: A "one-stop" calendar of conferences, links for the latest Catholic news including Catholic News Service's headline stories, information for pilgrims wishing to visit the Vatican and an updated list of accredited Catholic academic institutions offering distance learning degrees in ministry, theology & religious education.

THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM

The unfolding of the story of the Incarnation continues today as the Church celebrates the Epiphany. The tale of the magi from the East is one of the most fascinating in all of scripture. It has much to teach us about what we can come to expect, even in circumstances and places that may seem insignificant or small. Bethlehem was a tiny town, what we might refer to today as a town without even one stop light. Yet it is over this seemingly insignificant place that the guiding star stops in its own search for the place where the Savior would be born. Too often we fail to recognize the fact that the star of Bethlehem comes to rest in our everyday lives, where we can experience God's presence, manifested in ever new ways. Epiphany calls us to shake off our stupor and recognize the One who comes to save us.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The LORD shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalm — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The mystery has been made known that the Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrived, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?" (Matthew 2:1-12).

SCHEDULED MASSES

Sat.	Jan. 5	5 pm	Dalfa Giovannetti
Sun.	Jan. 6	8 am	Elise & John Mancarti (INT)
		9:30	Thomas J. Gilardi
		11:30	Helene Giudicelli
		5 pm	People of St. Pius
Mon.	Jan. 7	8 am	Nick Glavich
Tues.	Jan. 8	8 am	Rose Zanardi
Wed.	Jan. 9	8 am	Margaret Martella
Thurs.	Jan. 10	8 am	Randy Cardellini
Fri.	Jan. 11	8 am	Andy Dei Rossi
Sat.	Jan. 12	8 am	Patricia Coffman
		5 pm	Cortopassi family
Sun.	Jan. 13	8 am	People of St. Pius
		9:30	James Steffen
		11:30	Eric Schoenstein
		5 pm	Margaret Whitney

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

January 6th

How do you carry the light of Christ out into the world and share it with others?

San Mateo Pro Life

Our next regular meeting will be: **Thursday, January 10, 2008 @ 7:30pm**, St. Gregory's Worner Center, 138 28th Ave., San Mateo. Discussion of Walk for Life (Jan 19) & January Lobby Day in Sacramento. All are welcome. For more information call Jessica at 650) 572-1468.

Theology By The Glass

Join us on the following Sunday evenings at 7pm at the Savvy Cellar (www.savvycellar.org) in Redwood City for GREAT wine and a FANTASTIC speaker!

March 9, April 13, May 18.

DO YOU HEAR A CALLING?

Young adult men (21-40) are invited to a **Priesthood Discernment Retreat Weekend** where you can reflect on your call in life and diocesan priesthood. This weekend is **February 1-3, at St. Patrick's Seminary & University** in Menlo Park. Interested? Call the Vocations Office at (415) 614-5683 for a registration form. Be sure to register soon for room availability.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Men's Club Crab Feed	January 26
ICF Cioppino Dinner	February 2
Parish Anniversary Mass	February 2
Josie True Award 9:30 mass	February 24
Parish Mission	February 25 - 27
St. Patrick's Day Dinner/Dance	March 1
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

MEN'S CLUB

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