

WELCOME to St. Pius Parish!

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**SUNDAY,
FEBRUARY 3, 2008
FOURTH SUNDAY
OF
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

Find Out How To Grow In Your Faith:
www.increaseourfaith.org

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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ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES - FEBRUARY 6TH

On **Wednesday, February 6th**, we will have the following Ash Wednesday Masses:
6:30 am, 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 12:10 and 6:30 pm.

In addition to the daily 8 am Mass, Monday to Friday, we will have a **6:30 am Mass during Lent.**

JOIN US FOR OUR LENTEN PARISH MISSION
Feb 23-27, 2008

Fr. Pettingill will preach at all masses February 23-24 and present a talk twice each day on three consecutive days, Feb. 25-27. Immediately following the 8am mass in Homer Crouse Hall and 7pm in the evening in the church.

Homily at Masses Feb 23-24

“Embracing A Church With Warts”

Monday, February 25 @ 8:30am & 7pm

“Putting Skin on Jesus Christ”

Tuesday, February 26 @ 8:30am & 7pm

“Living the Easter Cycle of Jesus’ Own Life”

Wednesday, February 27 @ 8:30am & 7pm

“The Four Ingredients of a Healthy Catholic Life”

ABSTINENCE

Everyone fourteen years of age and older is bound to abstain from meat on **ASH WEDNESDAY**, the **FRIDAYS of Lent** and **GOOD FRIDAY**.

FAST

Everyone eighteen years of age and older but under the age of sixty is also bound to fast on **ASH WEDNESDAY** and **GOOD FRIDAY**.

On these two days, the law of fast allows only one full meal a day, but does not prohibit taking some food during the day, so long as this does not constitute another full meal. Drinking liquids during the day is permitted.

WELCOME TO OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

Joseph Baltodano

Hannah Baltodano

Natalia Cuneo

Simone Almendarez

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY:

Edith Romero

Nadine Franceschini

THEOLOGY BY THE GLASS

Join us each month for *GREAT* wine and an *ENGAGING* speaker at the Savvy Cellar, 2048 Broadway in Redwood City, www.savvycellar.com

Sunday, March 9th @ 7pm Fr. Gerald Coleman, SS
Knocking On Heaven’s Door:

The Church & The Terminally Ill,

Sunday, April 13th @ 7pm -- Fr. Dan Danielson -
Evangelization? Why Should I Care?

Sunday, May 18th @ 7pm -- Fr. George Schultze, SJ
HDJW: How Did Jesus Work?

More info? 365-0140 or Kevin@pius.org

Adult Faith formation: www.increaseourfaith.org

SUNDAY COLLECTION

2007-2008 Fiscal Year as of 1/27/08

Budgeted \$327,884.83

Actually received \$341,167.34

\$13,282.51

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK AND THEIR CAREGIVERS IN OUR COMMUNITY:

Deacon Steve	Lana Vanderzyl	Gaylynn Mann
Dave Gaggero	Eddie Flores	Dolores Hacker
Lina Tomalino	John Wesolowski	Josie Vanos
Otto & Betty Berg	Dee Dee Hacker	Matthew Maier
Melanie Conroy	Betty Stevenson	

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.

SECOND COLLECTION FEBRUARY 24

Please note that our envelope company included an envelope for a second collection for Catholic Charities on February 24. This is incorrect and we ask that you disregard that envelope. The Catholic Charities collection is scheduled for April 13. We regret this error.

FESTIVAL CORNER

2008 Festival Theme: FUN!

Start the summer off with a bang with the annual Festival. It will be FUN for everyone. Be involved and help us make this the best, FUN-filled festival yet! You'll have much more FUN being a part of it. So, if you're an alumni or part of our parish community, please pick up the phone now to volunteer. We are adding many new FUN events and attractions this year including:

Kickoff Dance – Friday, May 30th

from 8:30 – 11:30pm with BUSTA GROOVE

A parish favorite, this fantastic group will get your body movin'. Tickets are \$25, more info to follow.

Rib Dinner – Friday, May 30th

Break out of the ordinary this year with a new rib recipe. The ribs are smoked and barbecued to fall off the bone. Rob Hunt and Mark Englehart are sharing their secret recipe with us.

Comedy Entertainment - Late Night Catechism 2 – Sunday, June 1 at 2:00pm

Ticket prices \$60 – General - Reserved seating with a chicken lunch or dinner.

\$55 – General Play Only – Reserved seating, play only.

\$45 – Senior Citizen (60+) - Reserved seating with a chicken lunch or dinner.

\$85 – VIP Package – VIP seating, chicken lunch or dinner, 2 free drink tickets and 2 free raffle tickets.

Please contact Elizabeth Krebs 364-2766 for more information.

More surprises to come!

Get involved and be in on the FUN! Make OUR festival one of the best this year! We need YOU to help make it successful. Please contact Carol Sheetz at 365-2830 or Keith Hipsher at 367-1277 to volunteer today.

JOSIE TRUE AWARD BRUNCH - APRIL 3RD

This special event is **Sunday, February 24th**, following the 9:30 am Mass. We will honor a woman in the parish who has demonstrated acts of charitable giving and service. The winner will be announced at the 9:30 am Mass, followed by an excellent brunch in Homer Crouse Hall. To make your reservation for this brunch please write your check to "St. Pius Women's Club" for \$15.00 and bring it to the Parish Center. The deadline is **February 19th**.



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JUNIOR HIGH MINISTRY –

INTEREST MINISTRIES 2008

7th & 8th Graders – Sign Up By February 7th.

The Journey (Hiking Ministry) or **Play Hard, Pray Harder** (Gamer Ministry). Details on the parish website: www.pius.org

HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP – JUNE 7-14

Deadline for youth and adults that wish to register for the mission trip is February 15th. Download registration packet on the parish website: www.pius.org

BREAK OUT YOUR GREEN!!!!!!

Please join us for an evening of great food, terrific entertainment and lots of laughs. Our **St. Patrick's Dinner is on Saturday, March 1, at 6 pm**. Bagpipes will lead our Irish Dancers, an Irish tenor will serenade, and food will be catered by The Carvery from the Hof Brau. Tickets at \$35 each can be obtained by contacting the Parish Center at 361-1411.

ST. PAT'S RAFFLE

One of the many enjoyable aspects of the annual St. Patrick's Dinner Dance is the raffle prize drawing. If you have an item you could contribute to this event we would very much appreciate it. If you wish to donate, please send/deliver the item to the Parish Center C/O Barbara Drake prior to February 19th. We thank you in advance for your support and hope to see you on March 1st.

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

This week marks the beginning of the Archbishop's Annual Appeal 2008. Our parish assessment is \$127,900. All dollars donated in excess of this assessment will be returned to the parish to meet our needs. Last week, all parishioners should have received a letter from Fr. MacDonald and a brochure that explains the programs and services funded by the Annual Appeal. Starting this Sunday we will be taking pledges in the Parish Center. Through the Appeal we join with other parishes and the Archbishop in ministering to youth, seniors, families, and the sick and disadvantaged. We help train priests and deacons and we care for our retired priests. The Annual Appeal also helps the Archbishop provide seminary tuition assistance, hospital chaplains, and Archdiocesan services and ministries that benefit every parish and mission.

THE CHOSEN REMNANT

Zephaniah is one of the least-known of the Old Testament prophets. He speaks in today's first reading of impending judgment. But the Lord will leave a "remnant" in Israel. This image of a remnant, or remainder, was to become vital to both Judaism and Christianity.

Paul's letter to Corinth makes obvious his deep concern for the Christians there. They are too self-confident, he says, too sure of themselves. He admonishes them to remember that Christ has given them all they have.

Today's Gospel comprises the opening of Jesus' "Great Sermon." As God gave Moses the law on Sinai, so now Jesus gathers his disciples on a hillside to teach them the new law. Each of these Beatitudes contrasts the humiliation of the present with the glory of the future: poverty vs. the riches of God's kingdom, hunger for holiness vs. fulfillment in the Spirit, persecution vs. the reign of God. Jesus is here speaking to God's chosen "remnant."

ST. PIUS SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

St. Pius School is now accepting applications for new students for the 2008-2009 school year. Kindergarten applications should be returned for testing by February 2, 2008. Our web site is:

www.stpiusschool.com), or you may call the office at 368-8327 for more information.

SCHEDULED MASSES

Sat.	Feb. 2	5 pm	Ed Sarraille
Sun.	Feb. 3	8 am	Larry Baldini
		9:30	Barbara Frediani
		11:30	Richard & Josephine Novelli
		5 pm	Dalfa Giovannetti
Mon.	Feb. 4	8 am	Fr. Vincent Ring (INT)
Tues.	Feb. 5	8 am	Don Goold
Wed.	Feb. 6	6:30	Dominico Luc
		8 am	Janet Cocconi
		9:30	Carmen Perruquet
		12:10	Richard Solman
		6:30	Jean Cedarry
Thurs.	Feb. 7	6:30	Larry Baldini
\		8am	Al Garafoli
Fri.	Feb. 8	6:30	Patt Coffman
		8 am	Randy Cardellini
Sat.	Feb. 9	8 am	Margaret Martella
		5 pm	Jim Richter
Sun.	Feb. 10	8 am	Joseph Giordano
		9:30	Thomas & Josephine Gilardi
		11:30	Eric Schoenstein
		5 pm	People of St. Pius

Question for Children: Choose one of the Beatitudes and share how you will make it part of your life.

Question for Youth: Jesus gives us a plan for our happiness in the beatitudes. Do the things that make you happiest also lead you towards God? Do they follow God's plan?

Question for Adults: How do you describe what it means to be "blest" in your own life?

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — You humble of the land, seek justice and humility, and the LORD will be your protection (Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13).

Psalm — Blessed the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — God chose the weak of the world, those who count for nothing, so that whoever boasts, should boast in the Lord (1 Corinthians 1:26-31).

Gospel — Jesus taught the crowds from the mountain: Blessed are the poor in spirit (Matthew 5:1-12a).

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

So you've got faith, but you have no clue how to help it grow... Have no fear,

www.increaseourfaith.org is here!

Check out our NEW and IMPROVED Catholic adult faith formation website for Southern San Mateo County.

DEEPEN YOUR FAITH

Join us in Homer Crouse Hall for an engaging speaker, and in-depth discussion. Mark your calendars!

Wed., April 30th @ 7pm – Anna Horen
What Makes Us Catholic?

More info? 365-0140 or Kevin@pius.org

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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
High School Mission Trip	June 7-14

MEN'S CLUB

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