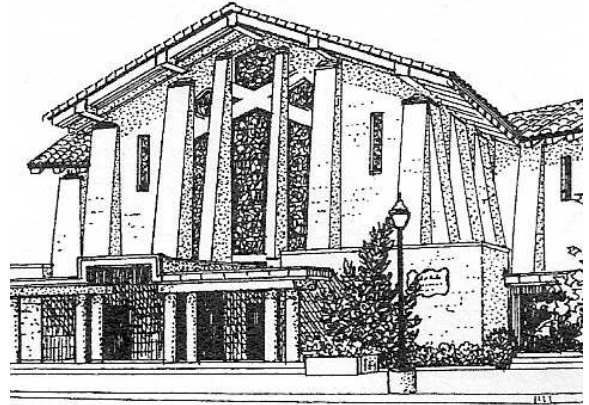


WELCOME to St. Pius Parish!

St. Pius Parish, 1100 Woodside Rd., Redwood City, CA 94061, Fax 369-3641 – www.pius.org -- parish@pius.org

**SUNDAY,
FEBRUARY 24 ,
2008
THIRD SUNDAY OF
LENT**



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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DAILY MASSES DURING LENT

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

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

We are very grateful for the generous response we have received to our Appeal so far this year. We have received 127 pledges for a total of \$42,135, towards our goal of \$127,900. Thank you very much.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY:

Alice Mitchell
Robert Eggleston
Tom Freeman

SERVICES FOR TOM FREEMAN

A funeral service is planned for former parishioner, Tom Freeman, Monday, February 25, at 2 pm, at Sts. Peter & Paul Church in Rocklin, California.

ST. PIUS SENIORS

We will meet on February 29th. We'll have lunch at the Senior Center or a prepared lunch at our Senior Room.

SAVE THE DATE - WOMEN'S RETREAT

This retreat is **April 11 - April 13,** at Vallombrosa Center in Menlo Park. Come join us for another wonderful year of reflection, friendship and spiritual growth. Guest speaker, Sister Patricia Bruno, writer of "Stories Seldom Heard", will take us on a journey celebrating women in scripture, remembering women in our lives. Registration forms are now available. Call Kristine at 306-9766 or Carolyn at 368-2984.

MEN'S CLUB RETREAT - MARCH 28 - 30TH

Mark your calendars for the 25th Annual Retreat for the men of St. Pius. This is at Vallombrosa Retreat Center on **March 28th, 29th & 30th.** The retreat begins on Friday evening and ends after 11am Mass on Sunday. The retreat master is Sr. Jose' Hobday who has degrees in Architecture and Space Watch as well as American Literature and Theology. Call John Clardy at 369-1620 for more information.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you have an hour to spare helping our neighbors in need? You are invited to the next St. Vincent de Paul Volunteer Orientation to learn about the many opportunities available to assist the poor in our community. Volunteers are needed to answer the help line, give general office assistance, as well as to serve lunch at the various Homeless Centers. Call Lisa Rapaszky at 373-0623 for more information.

WINE AND ROSES - BENEFIT ST. FRANCIS CENTER

This elegant benefit for St. Francis Center in memory of Mary Lou Putnam, is on **SUNDAY, MARCH 2, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm, at 345 Miramonte Road in Woodside.** Enjoy a wonderful evening wine tasting, coupled with signature appetizers from renowned local restaurants, for \$75.00 per person. You can sip champagne amidst candlelight and chamber music and possibly win a lovely gold and diamond bracelet! Call Lynda Connolly at 592-7714 for **email lconnolly@gmail.com**

WELCOME TO OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

Emilio Rocio Lao Thelmo
Julianna Linda Loar

SUNDAY COLLECTION

2007-2008 Fiscal Year as of 2/17/08
Budgeted \$359,615.62
Actually received \$373,558.34
\$13,942.72

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK AND THEIR CAREGIVERS IN OUR COMMUNITY:

Deacon Steve	Lana Vanderzyl	Tony Sanchez
Guido Zan	Eddie Flores	Terry Chadha
Dave Tinsley	Betty Stevenson	David Addiego
Madison Kitz	Bob Bergstrom	Bev Eggleston
Melanie Conroy		

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 CORNER

2008 Festival Theme: FUN!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are in need NOW of key festival helpers. We need enthusiastic people to chair the following booths: Pizza, Soda (2), Face Painting, Hair Wraps, Frog Jump, Vegas. Get together with a friend and help make this happen. Never volunteered or chaired a booth before? No problem, we'll walk you through it. Please call or email today if you would like to volunteer or know of someone who could help out. Contact Carol Sheetz at 365-2830 or email her at Carol.Sheetz@comcast.net or Keith Hipsher at 367-1277 or email him at hip1@pacbell.net to volunteer today.

TICKETS AVAILABLE: We're already taking reservations for the hilarious comedy event – Late Night Catechism 2. So, if you want the best seats in the house, RESERVE TODAY!

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 & 2 free raffle tickets

Please contact Elizabeth Krebs 364-2766 for more information or pick up an order form at the school or parish office.

AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED: We would love to get some fabulous items for the silent and live auctions this year. Clean out your gift closet, design a great party, or put on your shopping shoes. Your donations directly help the parish meet our financial goals. Please drop items by the parish center.

Get involved and be in on the FUN! Make OUR festival one of the best ever! We need YOU to help make it successful.

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, 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. **The deadline is Monday, February 25th.**

YOUTH MINISTRY & ADULT FAITH FORMATION

JUNIOR HIGH MINISTRY

Tues., Feb 26 & Mar 11, 6-7:30pm

Play Hard, Pray Harder

Video Game & Prayer Ministry

In the Rock House

HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

February 23 & 24

Mission Trip Collection

After ALL Masses

February 24, 6:30-8pm

**Mission Trip Meeting @ Mt. Carmel
For Adults & Students Attending Trip**

March 9, 3:30-6pm

Confirmation Large Group Meeting
Homer Crouse Hall

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

www.increaseourfaith.org

PARISH MISSION

Sat.-Wed., February 23-27

Fr. Dave Pettingill

"Embracing A Church With Warts"

Preaching at masses Feb 23-24

Feb. 25 @ 8:30am & 7pm

"Putting Skin on Jesus Christ"

Feb 26 @ 8:30am & 7pm

"Living the Easter Cycle of Jesus' Own Life"

Feb 27 @ 8:30am & 7pm

"4 Ingredients of a Healthy Catholic Life"

SPEAKERS

Sunday, March 9 @ 7pm

Theology By the Glass @ The Savvy Cellar

Fr. Gerald Coleman

"Knocking on Heaven's Door"

the Church & the Terminally Ill

*Join us for great wine and an engaging speaker
at the Savvy Cellar www.savvycellar.com.*

RCIA

Sun., Feb 24, 8-10:00am

First Scrutiny (8am Mass)

Sun. Mar 2, 10:30-12:30

Second Scrutiny (11:30am Mass)

Sun., Mar 9, 9:30-11:30am

Third Scrutiny (9:30am Mass)

For more information, check out our parish website at

www.pius.org or contact Kevin Staszko

Kevin@pius.org or (650)365-0140

THIRSTING FOR LIFE-GIVING WATERS

Especially during the Lenten, Holy Week, and Easter seasons, the prayer texts of the Eastern Church revel in paradoxical images of Christ: the eternal life who is put to death, the host of the supper who is also its meal, the thirsty crucified one with living water streaming from his side. These images flow from the evangelists' portrayals of Jesus and from his very ministry, during which he often upset or reversed people's expectations about him or the ways of God. This "reversal" is at play in today's Gospel, as Jesus speaks to an enemy foreigner who is also a woman beneath his status. In addition he, the thirsting one, shows the woman to be the one truly thirsting. He—whose parched lips will say "I thirst" before he dies—is the source of life and life-giving water. Lent calls upon us to dwell on how each of us is thirsting for Christ, and it leads us, ultimately, back to the life-giving waters of our baptism into his Body.

ST. PIUS SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

St. Pius School is now accepting applications for new students for the 2008-2009 school year. Our web site is: www.stpiusschool.com, or you may call the office at 368-8327 for more information.

SCHEDULED MASSES

Sat.	Feb. 23	5 pm	Jerry Murphy
Sun.	Feb. 24	8 am	Sofia Rosmo
		9:30	James Steffen
		11:30	John, Anna & Mary DiMarco
Mon.	Feb. 25	5 pm	People of St. Pius
		6:30	Andrea & Delfin Chu
Tues.	Feb. 26	8 am	Victor Musante
		6:30	Special Intention
Wed.	Feb. 27	8 am	Victor Musante
		6:30	Honorio Rodriguez (INT)
Thurs.	Feb. 28	8 am	Sylvia Lemm
		6:30	Special Intention
Fri.	Feb. 29	8am	Peter Mussio
		6:30	Karlo Vrljic
Sat.	Mar. 1	8 am	Alberto Tomalino
		5 pm	Young K. Baek
Sun.	Mar. 2	8 am	Cortopassi Family
		8 am	People of St. Pius
		9:30	D'Anne Quinton Spolter
		11:30	Ignatius & Madeline Fauci
		5 pm	Rose Field

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Question for Children: How do you experience Jesus helping and loving you?

Question for Youth: Jesus revealed himself to an out-cast of society. How can you be "living water" to the out-casts of your school? Society? The world?

Question for Adults: When you are tempted to try to satisfy your "thirst for meaning" through some other means, what keeps you coming back to the living water of intimacy with Christ? Through what means do you experience Christ's power in your life: sacraments? scripture?

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — When the people grumbled to Moses for water in the desert, the LORD heard and brought forth water from the rock for all to drink (Exodus 17:3-7).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading — God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit (Romans 5:1-2, 5-8).

Gospel — Ask, and you will be given living water so that you will never thirst again (John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]).

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.

"Mirror, Mirror: Reflections of the Latest Fashion"

Please join the St. Pius Women's Club as they host a Fashion Show on **Saturday, March 15, 2008**, from **11:00 AM to 2:00 PM**. This will be a wonderful afternoon with models from the parish and school showcasing various clothiers' latest fashions. A buffet lunch and refreshments will be served. Proceeds for this event will benefit the Women's Club programs, scholarship fund and the parish community. Tickets are \$45.00 per person or a table of ten for \$400.00. Also, please consider sponsoring the event by advertising in our catalogue. Sponsorships are available for full-page, half-page, quarter-page or a one line "best wishes" greeting. Questions? Call the St. Pius Women's Club hotline at 650-364-5204.

MEN'S CLUB

President: Mike Descalso
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Treasurer: Gina Clark 369-7072

PTG BOARD

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Secretary: Laura Vargas
Treasurer: Bridget West

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 8:30 AM - 8 PM
Friday 8:30 AM - 3 PM
Saturday 2 PM - 6:30 PM
Sunday 9 AM - 2 PM

MEMBERS OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Tammy Finato	Sharon Geenen
Mike Descalso	Daniel Mendoza
Katie Stafford-Eady	Karen Elmore
Kit Fragulia	Tom Lunzer
Mel Sigona	Bill McSweeney
Arcie Eppler	Fr. Linh Nguyen

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