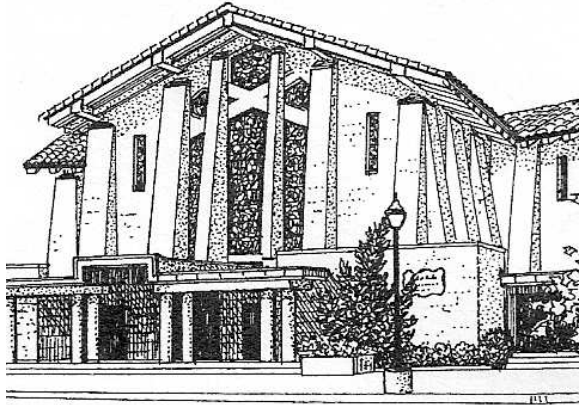


WELCOME to St. Pius Parish!

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

**SUNDAY,
September 28,
2008
Twenty-Sixth
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

Daily Mass: 8:00 am
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

Parish Staff

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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.

BUZZ BURNS PANTRY - FITZSIMON CENTER

On **Sunday, October 5, following the 9:30 am Mass**, we will hold a dedication of our new kitchen in Fitzsimon Center - The Buzz Burns Pantry. We invite everyone to join us to see our grand new facility only made possible by the generous donors, volunteer workers and planning committee. The blessing will take place in the Marty and Anne Putnam Community Room, refreshments will be served on the lawn in front of the facility, and you will have an opportunity to walk through and admire our new Buzz Burns Pantry. Please join us!

THANK YOU FOR DONATING BLOOD

Thank you for the selfless act of donating a small part of yourselves and we assure you that your efforts positively impact the lives of others. There were **29 people** who registered. We had 23 able to donate and we collected 26 pints of blood, which means three people were able to donate double red cells. Because these pints can be separated into three life-saving components, your group helped treat 78 patients! **Below are some examples of Bay Area Patient Stories:**

2 year old girl	Leukemia given 3 quad A-
35 year old female	Neurosurgery given 5 pints B+
39 year old male	Gastro-Intestinal bleed given 4 pints A+
60 year old male	Heart Surgery given 2 pints O+
15 day old baby girl	Heart Surgery given 4 quad O+
56 year old female	Liver Transplant given 3 pints O+
62 year old male	Neurosurgery given 6 pints O+
50 year old male	Neurosurgery given 5 pints A+
4 month old baby girl	Neurosurgery given 3 quad O+

VOCATION RETREAT FOR YOUNG WOMEN

This is **Sunday, October 12**, at Nazareth House, 245 Nova Albion Way, San Rafael, from 9:00 - 4:00 pm. Call Sister Fintan 310-216-8170 or Sister Margaret 415-470-8282 or email: naz@yahoo.com

WELCOME TO THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Lucas Rich

Youth Ministry

Special THANKS! to all who made the **Youth Mass** last Sunday a success, especially, the great Youth Choir/Band, Youth Lectors, Ushers, and Eucharistic Ministers! You can all look forward to seeing us again **OCTOBER 19TH**.

All interested in helping to advance Youth Ministry including TEENS, PARENTS, and OTHERS interested in Leadership, we will have a Visioning Meeting on September 29th, Monday, at 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM in Homer Crouse Hall where we will enjoy PIZZA, and sharing of ideas. RSVP by email to Elaine@pius.org or call 650 365-0140.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY:

Lorraine Spinelli
Rudolf Luff

ST. PIUS GRIEF SUPPORT - FALL SESSION

The Grief Support Group will meet on **Mondays, September 15th - November 17th, 7:00 - 8:30 pm**, in the Chapel in the Parish Center. Call St. Pius Grief Ministry at 361-0655 or grief_help@hotmail.com

SUNDAY COLLECTION

2008-2009 as of 9/21/08 (new fiscal year)	
Last Sunday's collection	\$9,732.50
Cumulative total for year	\$122,906.40
Budgeted	\$131,220.19
Over/(Under) budget	(\$8,313.79)

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK AND THEIR CAREGIVERS IN OUR COMMUNITY:

Lloyd Knudsen	Dee Dee Hacker	Deacon Steve
Donald Theis	Pia Coco	Frank DiFede
Patricia Kucker	Eddie Flores	Dave Tinsley
Pat Dixon	Karen Conaway	Dolores Hacker
Madison Kitz	David Addiego	

ALL NAMES WILL REMAIN ON THIS LIST FOR ONE MONTH. PLEASE CALL AFTER THAT TIME IF YOU WOULD LIKE A NAME OF A PARISHIONER TO REMAIN ON THE LIST, 361-1411. IF WE DO NOT RECEIVE A CALL THE NAME WILL BE REMOVED.

FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN (CCD)

Religious Education Classes (CCD) will begin

Wed. Oct. 1 or Sun. Oct. 5. The time on Wednesdays is 3:45-4:45 pm and on Sundays from 10:30-11:30 am. Registration forms are in the Parish Center. All registrants must have a baptismal certificate on file, or baptismal date if baptized at St. Pius Church.

First Reconciliation and First Eucharist Preparation for all parish children will begin in October and continue through the first week of May 2009.

Children's Liturgy of the Word The program will be available for 3 -5 year old and 5-11 year old children during the 9:30 am Sunday Mass and **begins Oct. 12.** Toddler Program for 18 month - 3 year old children will begin in October during the 9:30am Mass.

Adults and high school students who are interested in assisting with this program may call Maria Cornell @ 368-0429 or email maria@pius.org **Training will be offered on September 28, at 10:45 am in Room 5.**

FORE!!!

Come tee it up at the 36th Annual Fitzsimon Golf Classic. The St. Pius Men's Club invites you to join us on **Saturday, October 25th,** at the Palo Alto Golf Course for a day of sun, fun, friends & golf at Palo Alto Golf Course along the shores of the San Francisco Bay. After golf, enjoy a delicious catered dinner and dancing at Fitzsimon Center. "Early Bird" discount available until Monday, Sept. 29th! Contact Matt Healy - 996-3246 [healymj@sbcglobal.net] or Mike Nangle - 218-0155 [mikenangle@yahoo.com] for more informa-

FAMILY CAREGIVERS

Catholic Charities CYO San Carlos Adult Day Services is offering a Family Caregiver Mini-Sabbatical. This four-part series is for family members helping an older spouse, parent or sibling, especially someone with increasing memory loss or confusion. The sessions will be offered in San Carlos on Tuesday afternoons in October (7th, 14th, 21st, & 28th) from 3:00 - 4:30 pm. There is a \$25 fee for the 4-week program. For more information call 592-9325 or email: mvargas@cccvo.org

"Come and See,
and they left their nets and followed"

Matthew 4:18-20

Attention! High School Youth

- You are invited to "come and see" by joining with other young people preparing to celebrate Confirmation
- Confirmation welcomes us, deepens our friendship with God, and strengthens us for
 - our mission as disciples.
- Youth will be learning and growing as they join together to prepare to celebrate the Sacrament
- The preparation program will begin **October 19th** with an orientation for candidates and their parents
- **Registration materials available on our website are due October 3rd**

- www.pius.org

For more information call Elaine 650 365-0140 or email Elaine@pius.org

WOMEN'S CLUB OCTOBERFEST DINNER/MTG

The General Meeting is **Wednesday, October 8th.**

Please join us for cocktails at 6:30 pm, and at 7 pm, a delicious dinner served by Harry's Hof Brau. There will be a discussion on "Nutrition" by Christine Healy. General Members \$15, Seniors \$10, and Non-Members \$20. Please RSVP to the hotline at 364-5204, or email: womensclub@pius.org. We look forward to this fun evening!

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Mass will be on Friday, October 10th, with Fr. Jim as our celebrant. On October 3rd we'll have someone speak to us on Measure W. Please come and join us as it will be very interesting. If you would like to join our group, please call Adele at 366-3646.

ADULT SCRIPTURE STUDY

This will accommodate the beginner, as well as challenge those well versed in Scripture to discover even more about God's revelation found in Scripture. Let us learn together as we reflect on God's word. Join us in the Parish Center either every other Tuesday evening from 7-8:30 pm (starting Sept. 16th) or every other Thursday afternoon from 2-3:30 pm (starting Sept. 25th). We'll use "A Catholic Guide to the Bible" to assist us in an overview of the Bible which you can purchase on the first day of our study. Questions? Call Laura at 361-1411.

GOD'S WAYS

In the stream of readings during this portion of Ordinary Time one week's texts can often appear to pick up exactly where the previous week's concluded. The sentiments expressed in today's first reading seem to be a direct reaction to the Gospel passage we heard last week. In that Gospel, the land-owner pays the same wages to his workers whether they worked for a full day or for only a few minutes. Today Ezekiel gives us the lament, "The LORD's way is not fair!" (Ezekiel 18:25). These Sundays in Ordinary Time offer us a glimpse into the ways of the Lord. We see how God's way has the tendency to turn the accepted conventions of the day upside down. Those who always expected that their way to heaven was guaranteed are disappointed. Those who thought they never had a chance are given that chance. Today offers us another opportunity to discover the abundance of God's mercy and love.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — When the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is right, they shall surely live (Ezekiel 18:25-28).

Psalms — Remember your mercies, O Lord (Psalm 25) **Second Reading** — Look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others (Philippians 2:1-11 [1-5]). **Gospel** — Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you (Matthew 21:28-32).

MASSES:

Sat.	Sept. 27	5 pm	Norma Zan
Sun.	Sept. 28	8 am	George Thorpe
		9:30	Robert J. Mancarti
		11:30	People of St. Pius
		5 pm	Aldina Corradetti (INT)
Mon.	Sept. 29	8 am	Alberto Tomalino
Tues.	Sept. 30	8 am	Leo T. Englert
Wed.	Oct. 1	8 am	Helen & Jim McCracken
Thurs.	Oct. 2	8 am	Mancarti Family
Fri.	Oct. 3	8 am	Mariano Corradetti
Sat.	Oct. 4	8 am	Forcari Family
		5 pm	Cortopassi Family
Sun.	Oct. 5	8 am	Paolo Cinquini
		9:30	Catherine & Segundo Etcheverry
		11:30	Joe Giordano
		5 pm	George & Jane Barry

Question for Children: How do you show your love for Jesus by doing what he asks, even when it is difficult for you?

Question for Youth: Today's parable reminds us that it isn't what we say that counts as much as what we do. How would someone know you are a Christian through your actions?

Question for Adults: How and when were you like each of the sons in the Gospel?

PRESENTATION/LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

The Social Justice Committee of St. Matthias invites you to the presentation of the League of Women Voters and discussion of the 2008 November election. This is **Monday, October 6th, 7:30 pm at St. Matthias Church**, 1685 Cordilleras Road, Redwood City.

PRO-LIFE ROSARY

Next Saturday, October 4th, is the first Saturday of the month. On every 1st Saturday we pray a rosary to end abortion. We meet at 9AM in front of Planned Parenthood, 2211 Palm Ave, San Mateo. Recently a baby was saved from abortion during our prayer there!

Come and join us!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Men's Club Dinner/Meeting	September 17
ICF Polenta Dinner	October 18
Men's Club Golf Tournament	October 25
Flu/Pneumonia Shots	October 26
PTG Auction	November 22
Men's Club Tree Lot opens	November 28
Women's Club Boutique	December 7
Men's Club Crab Feed	January 24
ICF Crab Cioppino Dinner	January 31
Men's Club Retreat	February 27 - March 1
Women's Club Retreat	March 13 - 15
Women's Club Fashion Show	March 28

ST. PIUS CHURCH WEBSITE

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

MEN'S CLUB

President: Tom Giannini
cptg1968@yahoo.com
First VP: Tom Cortopassi
Secretary: Brad Naylor
Treasurer: Peter Dunlavey

WOMEN'S CLUB

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Second VP: Lisa Maskarich
Rec. Secretary: Barbara Cage
Treasurer: Michelle Ortiz

PTG BOARD

President: Siobhan Surraco
VP: Kelli Crowley
Secretary: Amy Reynolds
Treasurer: Bridget West

ST. PIUS SENIOR FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Adele Sanchez, Coordinator
Meets each Friday in the Senior Room at 10:00 am

MEMBERS OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Kit Fragulia, President	Sharon Geenen
Arcie Eppler	Daniel Mendoza
Katie Stafford-Eady	Tom Lunzer
Mel Sigona	Bill McSweeney
Fr. Linh Nguyen	Sue Burns
Mike Descalso	Karen Chang
Joe Krauss	

GRIEF SUPPORT MINISTERS

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Patty Dana	Dorothy Rottinghaus
Mary Dickinson	Linda Hird
Elizabeth Rowan-Mitchell	Mel Sigona
Mary Houweling	Katie Stafford-Eady
Suzanne Lasseigne, RSCJ	

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

FESTIVAL CHAIRS

Keith Hipsher Carol Sheetz