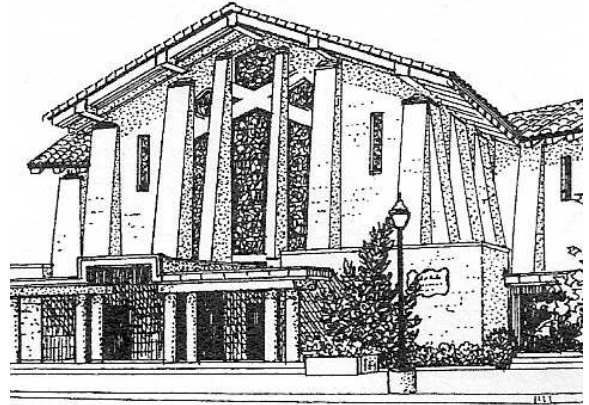


WELCOME TO St. Pius Parish!

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

September 6, 2009
Twenty-Third
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

Daily Mass: 8:00 am
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)

Parish Staff

Rev. Jim MacDonald, Pastor	361-1411	jim@pius.org
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Rev. Gerald D. Coleman, S.S., Our Special Associate	361-1411	
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Adele Sanchez, Senior Adult Coordinator	361-1411	
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Elaine Rachko, Youth Minister	365-0140	elaine@pius.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.

FAITH FORMATION AT ST. PIUS

Holy Communion

We have reinstated the opportunity to receive Holy Communion from the cup, in the form of the **Blood of Christ**, at all masses. **A few reminders:** we should all use common sense when experiencing symptoms of a common cold, flu or other illnesses. In addition, everyone should practice good hygiene. When you are ill, stay home to rest and recover. Your absence also avoids further contact likely to spread the contamination, and is in the best interest of everyone.

Children's Liturgy of the Word - 9:30 am Mass:

Thanks to a group of dedicated moms, we are able to offer Children's Liturgy of the Word year round! The children in pre-kindergarten through 5th grade, hear and discuss the readings in a way that they can understand. The children are able to truly grasp the message and put Jesus' message into action. The readings this summer have reminded us that through our baptism we are connected to one another and called to be loving, humble disciples of Jesus. Remember to ask your children what they heard in the readings and to decide as a family how you can live out the message during the coming week. The questions of the week are provided to begin your discussion.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

The wide spectrum of ministries for parish children would not be possible without our many volunteers. Are you an adult or teenager who enjoys working with children and has some time to spare? If you need more information, please call Maria Cornell, 368-0429, Coordinator of Children's Faith Formation, or email maria@pius.org, or Pam Spencer, Childcare Coordinator, and Faith Formation assistant, pam@pius.org.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Question for Children: How do you shun others whom you don't like?

Question for Youth: Who are the people in our world today who sometimes go unnoticed? What could you do to help them?

Question for Adults: In what ways do you discriminate in your heart against those whom you judge less than fully worthy?

Teen Confirmation!

If you are a High School Age youth, and will be in 10th, 11th, or 12th grade, this Fall – **Registrations are due NOW!**

Our Orientation for candidates and parents:
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th

3:00PM - 6:00PM.

Registration materials and schedules are available on our website at www.pius.org. If you need a hard copy of the registration materials, please stop by the Parish Center or call and we will mail them to you. Call Elaine (650) 365-0140 to schedule your entrance interview! **Or email elaine@pius.org.**

Children's Faith Formation (CCD)

Classes for children in grades K-8 will begin on **Wednesday, September 23rd and Sunday, September 27th**. Families may choose from classes on Sunday morning, following the 9:30 am Mass, from 10:30-11:30am, or Wednesday from 3:45-4:45pm, in the school building near the lawn. Faith Formation classes offer children the opportunity to learn about their faith while reinforcing what is being taught at home and at mass. The children participate in a three-part program including *The Call to Faith*, content-centered catechesis, based on Scripture and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Students and their parents participate quarterly in intergenerational catechesis during class time, and families will put their faith into action through our monthly community service/outreach collections, and learning about Catholic Social teachings. Registration materials and calendars for the 2009-2010 school year are available on the St. Pius website – "Download Registration Materials Below: Religious Education for Children Registration packet".

Children's Monthly Mass at 9:30am:

Once a month, at the 9:30 am Mass, (October - May), we'll have the children (school age) as our readers, ushers, gift bearers and greeters. For **Altar Server** information and training, or to volunteer for a role in our Children's Mass, call or email Maria. **Children's Choir** will begin **rehearsals in September**. More details to come.

THANK YOU - FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Thank you so much for donating to the **5th Sunday collection** last weekend. The collection total was \$7900.00, and we thank you for your generosity. Because of you, we can continue caring for those in need. St. Pius St. Vincent de Paul.

Toddler/Childcare during 9:30 & 11:30am Mass:

Toddler/Childcare provides a playful, faith filled, environment, complete with the week's Gospel story and hand-made crafts to bring the message home. Children, age 18 months to 4 years old, are invited to participate. There is a nominal fee per family to assist with expenses: \$25 per year for those who volunteer, or \$50 per year for those who do not, and \$3, for those who drop-in.

WOMEN'S CLUB

Please join us for our first **General Meeting on Wednesday, September 9th.** New members are invited to a free evening! We will meet in Homer Crouse Hall at 6:30 pm. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be served. General members \$15, Seniors \$10. **Please RSVP** to the hotline at **364-5204**, or e-mail **womensclub@pius.org**. We look forward to seeing you, and planning a fun and exciting new year!

SENIOR PEER COUNSELING

Do you ever wish you had someone to talk to? This counseling offers **free** confidential emotional support, guidance and empathy, to older adults facing challenges, such as loneliness, depression, grief, and isolation from family and friends. Counselors are trained, older adults, who share similar experiences, values, wisdom and culture. These services are available to **San Mateo County adults, age 55 years or older.** Call 403-4300, ext. 4389.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

2009-2010 as of 8/30/09

Last Sunday's collection	\$9,556.00
Cumulative total for year	\$93,999.00
Budgeted	\$97,056.00
Under Budget	(\$3,057.00)

We appreciate your continued support and generosity.

BLOOD DRIVE - ST. PIUS CHURCH

This is scheduled for **Sunday, September 13, 8:30 am - 1:30 pm, in Homer Crouse Hall.** Please schedule your appointment online at **www.bloodheroes.com** and click on "Donate Blood" and enter Sponsor Code: **stpiuschurch** or contact linda@pius.org, or call the Parish Center at 361-1411. **By donating your blood you can enter to win a Smart Car! Ask about it when you come on Sunday.**

ST. PIUS CHURCH WEBSITE

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

NEW HOURS AT PARISH CENTER

As of **July 1st** the new office hours are:

Sunday	9:00 am to 2:00 pm
Monday-Tuesday	8:30 am to 4:00 pm
Wednesday-Thursday	8:30 am to 8:00 pm
Friday	8:30 am to 3:00 pm
Saturday	3:00 pm to 6:30 pm

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK AND THEIR CAREGIVERS IN OUR COMMUNITY:

Michael Richter	Deacon Steve	Mike Pieretti
David Addiego	Armella Wahl	Judy Marks
Marilyn Scranton	Theresa Hannig	

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 YOU DO NOT RECEIVE A CALL THE NAME WILL BE REMOVED.



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YOUTH MINISTRY

We are kicking off a high school *Youth Ministry* program this year!!! Our next leadership meeting is **Sunday, September 13, from 3-5pm, in the Youth Ministry Room, (# 4 at the school).**

Contact Elaine for more information, 365-0140 or elaine@pius.org

Archdiocesan Youth Mass

September 26th, 7 pm, @St. Anne of the Sunset in SF— a joint effort of *Campus Ministers and Youth Ministers of the Archdiocese*. We are celebrating the beginning of the year! If you would like to attend, contact Elaine right away at 365-0140 or elaine@pius.org. We have been offered space on a free bus with youth from another parish.

“GRIEF SUPPORT ” NEW SESSION

BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 21, 2009:

This is a weekly support group for those who have recently lost a loved one. This is a *nine-session* focused support group. Sessions are held in the Parish Center, facilitated by Sr. Suzanne Lassagne, RCSJ, and Mary Dickinson. Meetings are from 7:00 P.M - 8:30 PM. Registration is requested. To register, please call our Parish Grief Ministry hot line at 361-0655 or e-mail grief_help@hotmail.com.

ST. FRANCIS CENTER WINE TASTING EVENT

St. Francis Center is dedicated to providing food, clothing, and education, to the poor in Redwood City. The 2nd Annual Wine Tasting event, for the benefit of St. Francis Center, will be **Saturday, September 19 from 3-6 pm**, on the lovely grounds of an Atherton estate. Contact Lynda Connolly at 592-7714 or email lyndaconnolly@c2usa.net. Tickets are \$75 per person.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

When you care enough to love the very best in your marriage, treat yourselves to a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The last one in 2009 will be **November 6-8, in San Mateo**. Call Paul & Yvonne at 366-7093 or go to sf.lovemoredeeply.org.

MASSES

Sat.	Sept. 5	5 pm	Cortopassi Family
Sun.	Sept. 6	8 am	James Steffen
		9:30	Mueller-Miles families
		11:30	Sebastian Moustirats
		5 pm	People of St. Pius
Mon.	Sept. 7	8 am	Francisco Lisama
Tues.	Sept. 8	8 am	Manuel Paradela, Sr.
Wed.	Sept. 9	8 am	Margaret Martella
Thurs.	Sept. 10	8 am	Young K. Baek
Fri.	Sept. 11	8 am	John Gardetto
Sat.	Sept. 12	8 am	Paul Jones
		5 pm	Maria & Fritz Hackel
Sun.	Sept. 13	8 am	J.B. Moore & Christine Reese
		9:30	Barbara Frediani
		11:30	Laurie Gibson
		5 pm	People of St. Pius

SENIOR FRIENDSHIP GROUP

- We will have a Mass on Friday, September 11th.
- On Friday, September 18th, a speaker from PG& E will come to speak to us and on Friday, September 25th, we will have a pot luck lunch. Please come and support our meetings. Thank you.

MEN'S CLUB GENERAL MEETING & DINNER

Join us for the first Men's Club **General Meeting** of the year, **Wednesday September 16th**, in Homer Crouse Hall. Doors open at 6:30 and dinner will be served at 7:30pm. Welcome to all men of the parish!

KEEP YOUR PURSES SAFE

In church please put your purses in a place where you can see them and they are safe. It is best that you **take your purse to Communion with you**.



MEN'S CLUB **mensclub@pius.org**

President: Tom Cortopassi
 Vice-President: Brad Naylor
 2nd Vice President: Tony Perazzo
 Treasurer: Peter Dunlavey
 Secretary: Dave Swan

WOMEN'S CLUB

President: Dee Cereghino
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 First VP: Lisa Maskarich
 Second VP: Julia Fex
 Third VP: Chris Swan
 Rec. Secretary: Barbara Cage
 Treasurer: Norene Rusteen

PTG BOARD

President: Kelli Crowley
 VP: Christine Healy
 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

Mike Descalso, Chair	Sharon Geenen
Karen Chang, Co-Chair	Tom Lunzer
Kit Fragulia	Bill McSweeney
Joe Krauss	Arcie Eppler
Katie Stafford-Eady	

GRIEF SUPPORT MINISTERS**grief_help@hotmail.com**

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Linda Beroldo	Rita Morton
Angela Brassinga	Pam Nehrenz
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 - Tuesday	8:30 AM - 4 PM
Wednesday-Thursday	8:30 AM - 8 PM
Friday	8:30 AM - 3 PM
Saturday	3 PM - 6:30 PM
Sunday	9 AM - 2 PM