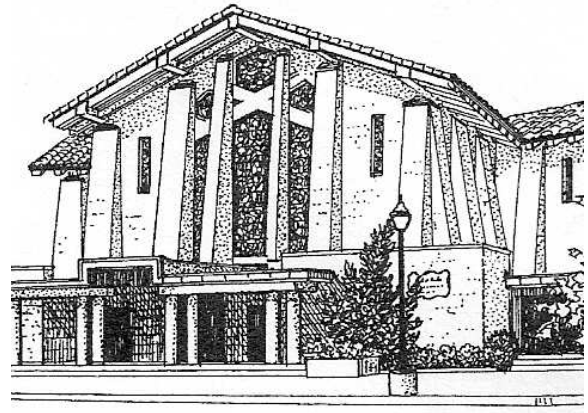


# WELCOME TO St. Pius Parish!

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**September 27, 2009**  
**Twenty-Sixth**  
**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	<a href="mailto:jim@pius.org">jim@pius.org</a>
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Rev. Kevin Kennedy, Chaplain, Sequoia & Kaiser Hospitals	361-1411	
Rev. Gerald D. Coleman, S.S., Our Special Associate	361-1411	
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Elaine Rachko, Youth Minister	365-0140	<a href="mailto:elaine@pius.org">elaine@pius.org</a>

## 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

## 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 MINISTRIES

The wide spectrum of ministries for parish children would not be possible without our 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](mailto:maria@pius.org), or Pam Spencer, Childcare Coordinator, and Faith Formation assistant, [pam@pius.org](mailto:pam@pius.org).

## Toddler/Childcare - 9:30 & 11:30 am 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.

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

The children in pre-kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade, hear and discuss the readings in a way they can understand. Remember to ask your children what they heard in the readings and to act on that message as a family. The questions of the week are provided to begin your discussion.

## NOT AGAINST US

Like Moses before him, Jesus corrects his disciples' misunderstanding of the gift of the Spirit. They saw people who were not of their company casting out demons and doing other works such as Jesus had done. Jesus points out that no one who does a good deed in his name can be opposed to him at the same time! He goes on to point out the importance of the “little ones”: the poor, simple people, children, the meek ones who are not important in the world. It is to them that he was sent, not to the wealthy and the self-righteous. He underscores the importance of small works done in faith, as well as big works like driving out demons. “Anyone who gives you a cup of water . . . because you belong to Christ . . . will surely not lose his reward” (Mark 9:41). God builds the coming reign little by little in our actions, however small and unassuming, when they are done out of love of God and neighbor.

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Moses said, “Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets!” (Numbers 11:25-29).

**Psalm** — The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart (Psalm 19).

**Second Reading** — Come now, you rich. The wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud (James 5:1-6).

**Gospel** — Whoever is not against us is for us (Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48).

## QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

**Question for Children:** In what specific ways do you share what you have been given with the poor?

**Question for Youth:** Who are the people you have met who are against you? Are there people who persecute you because of your faith? How do you treat these people?

**Question for Adults:** In today's worldwide community, who are the rich and what does God want of them?

## St. Pius Children's Choir

Children in ALL GRADES are invited to join the Children's Choir and sing praises to the Lord. We will be singing, once a month, at the Sunday 9:30 am Children's Mass. Rehearsals are on Tuesdays, from 6 to 7 pm, in the Fitzsimon Music Room. For more information, please contact Cathy Yee at [cathy@pius.org](mailto:cathy@pius.org) or (650) 361-8295.

**HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT BECOMING A CATHOLIC?**

Please join us in the Parish Center, **Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup>** at **6:30 pm**, to find out how to become a Catholic, or how to receive the sacraments as an adult. This short meeting will discuss the **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)** process. Please bring any questions or doubts you may have. For more information, please call Laura at 361-1411 or email at [Laura@pius.org](mailto:Laura@pius.org).

**NEW HOURS AT PARISH CENTER**

As of **July 1<sup>st</sup>** 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

If you have a scheduled event & need a key on a day we close at 4 pm, you'll have to make arrangements to pick it up before that time at the Parish Center.

**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

2009-2010 as of 9/20/09

Last Sunday's collection	\$ 8,286.00
Cumulative total for year	\$129,222.43
Budgeted	\$129,408.00
Under Budget	\$ (185.57)

We appreciate your continued support and generosity.

**GRIEF SUPPORT " NEW SESSION BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 21, 2009:**

This is a weekly support group, made up of nine sessions, for those who have recently lost a loved one. Sessions are held in the Parish Center, facilitated by Sr. Suzanne Lasseigne, RCSJ, and Mary Dickinson. Meetings are from 7:00 P.M - 8:30 P.M. Registration is requested. To register, please call our Parish Grief Ministry hot line at 361-0655 or e-mail [grief\\_help@hotmail.com](mailto:grief_help@hotmail.com).

**YOUNG ADULTS GATHERING**

Come meet other young adults in their 20s and 30s! We will gather the last Sunday of the month to plan and participate in various activities. Come be a part of something bigger than yourself – give back and feel a sense of belonging in your Church, **Sunday, Sept. 27th**, 6 pm (following 5 pm Mass), in the Parish Center, located directly behind the church. Child care is available by reservation. For more information please contact Laura at 361-1411 or [laura@pius.org](mailto:laura@pius.org).

**HIDDEN CHILDREN OF THE HOLOCAUST:**

In the summer of 1942, Nazis began the brutal roundup of Jewish families. Because Belgium was a Catholic country the church was a safe haven, and the nuns hid more than 1200 children in the convents. Suzanne Vromen presents research based on her interviews with men and women who were hidden as children, the women of the Resistance, and the nuns who sheltered the children. This presentation will take place on **Wednesday, November 4, at 7:30pm**, at the Bureau of Jewish Education Jewish Community Library, 1835 Ellis St., S. F. **This is free and open to the public.**

**SENIOR FRIENDSHIP GROUP**

On Friday, October 23rd, Ann Traylkill, from the Veteran's Administration Hospital, will come and talk to us. Please come and support our meetings. Thank you.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK AND THEIR CAREGIVERS IN OUR COMMUNITY:**

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| Michael Richter   | Deacon Steve     | Gene Clark  |
| Martha Sullivan   | Armella Wahl     | Steve Moore |
| Roberto Cervantes | Theresa Hannig   |             |
| John Wesolowski   | Debbie Garibaldi |             |
| Donna Cervelli    | Sarah Kensella   |             |

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.

We may be willing to tell a story twice, but we are never willing to hear it more than once.

-William Hazlitt

### **Stay-at-Home Play Group**

This group gathers monthly, (first Friday of the month), for faith sharing, friendship building, and activities for the little ones. All parents and children are welcome! Call or email Laura at 361-1411 or [laura@pius.org](mailto:laura@pius.org) for more information.

**Next Meeting: Friday, October 2nd**, from **10- 11:00 am**, in the St. Pius Fitzsimon Center Community Room.

### **OMBUDSMEN VOLUNTEERS - AS ADVOCATES**

Do you have compassion for the elderly and disabled, and want to volunteer as an advocate for those in long-term facilities in San Mateo county? Ombudsmen are trained to monitor facilities, receive, investigate and bring resolution to complaints on behalf of residents. Training begins on September 9th, and involves 40 hours of classroom study followed by a brief internship. For more information call 780-5707.

### **AGE OF AQUINAS - CHRISTIAN SINGLES 40 + Saturday, October 3, @ 9:00 am: Edgewood Park Hike & Coffee - Redwood City**

Meet in the INNER parking lot of Edgewood Park at 9 am. Look for the "Age of Aquinas - Gather Here" sign. This is a hike that will take you up and down, in sun and shade, amidst grasses, trees and wildflowers, for about an hour and a quarter. Afterwards we'll gather at a nearby eatery, about 10:30 am, for coffee, brunch, or lunch. Since the paths are not paved, we won't hike if it's raining. Email: [age-of-aquinas@paloaltocatholic.org](mailto:age-of-aquinas@paloaltocatholic.org), or call Josephine at 619-4024.

### **EMPLOYMENT WORKSHOP**

Attention job seekers! **Informational Interviewing** is a proven method for exploring career goals and networking with potential employers. Here is a **free two-hour workshop** by PeninsulaWorks, hosted by the Redwood City Public Library, providing participants with tips and new skills that can help in searching for jobs, and open new doors of employment opportunity. Informational Interviews are: **Tuesday, September 29, 1 – 3 pm, Redwood City Downtown Library, Community Room**, 1044 Middlefield Road. Space is limited and advance registration is recommended. Call 802-3371 to register. This workshop is co-sponsored by the Redwood City Public Library and Friends of the Redwood City Library.

### **MASSES**

Sat.	Sept. 26	5 pm	Norma Zan
Sun.	Sept. 27	8 am	People of St. Pius
		9:30	St. Vincent de Paul members & families
		11:30	Carlos Carrara
		5 pm	Anthony Girauda
Mon.	Sept. 28	8 am	George Thorpe
Tues.	Sept. 29	8 am	Helen & Jim McCracken
Wed.	Sept. 30	8 am	Leo T. Englert
Thurs.	Oct. 1	8 am	Nello Lombardi
Fri.	Oct. 2	8 am	Sue Burns
Sat.	Oct. 3	8 am	Ben Nord
		5 pm	Jean Berhan
Sun.	Oct. 4	8 am	Fran LaCasse
		9:30	Joanna Guhit (INT)
		11:30	People of St. Pius
		5 pm	John Vitelli

### **Family Caregiver Workshops Offered By Catholic Charities CYO**

Catholic Charities CYO is offering **three workshops** that are **FREE** for *primary family caregivers* who are caring for an older adult with memory loss and confusion. Family caregivers are welcome to enroll in one, two, and/or all three workshops in this series. This is an opportunity to get some respite and relaxation while refreshing caregiver skills. **Workshops are not for professional care-givers.** Workshops are funded by a generous grant from the Sequoia Healthcare District to provide support for primary family caregivers and support Aging in Place.

The sessions will be offered in **San Carlos**, on **Thursdays, October 15th, 22nd, and 29th**, from **4:00-5:30 pm**. For more information or to obtain a registration brochure, please call Michael Vargas, MSW, 592-9325, or email [mvargas@cccyo.org](mailto:mvargas@cccyo.org)

### **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](http://sf.lovemoredeeply.org).

**MEN'S CLUB**      **[mensclub@pius.org](mailto: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  
**[womensclub\\_members@pius.org](mailto:womensclub_members@pius.org)**  
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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**

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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