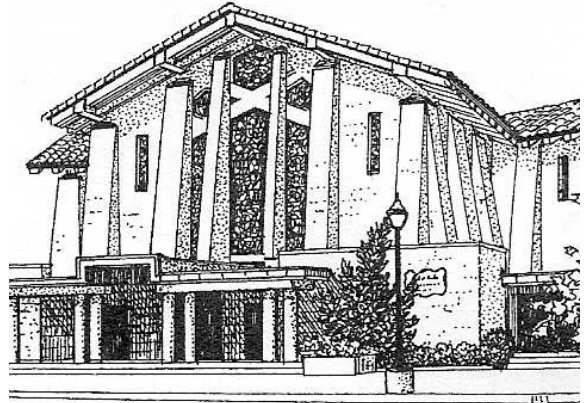


WELCOME to St. Pius Parish!

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

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 24, 2010



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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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

Gospel Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

Since many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us, just as those who were eyewitnesses from the beginning and ministers of the word have handed them down to us, I too have decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write it down in an orderly sequence for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may realize the certainty of the teachings you have received. Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news of him spread throughout the whole region. He taught in their synagogues and was praised by all. He came to Nazareth, where he had grown up, and went according to his custom into the synagogue on the sabbath day. He stood up to read and was handed a scroll of the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written: The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord. Rolling up the scroll, he handed it back to the attendant and sat down, and the eyes of all in the synagogue looked intently at him. He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."

Reflection

This week marks the beginning of the liturgical use of the gospel of Luke that will be featured throughout this year. The choice of passage to begin our journey with Luke is most appropriate. We have the first four verses of the gospel in which the writer makes his purpose clear. We then skip over all the infancy narrative and pick up again in chapter 4 of the gospel where Jesus makes his first public appearance. Jesus returns to the synagogue in which he has worshiped all his life. He is given the scroll of Isaiah to read and reads the first two verses of Isaiah, chapter 61. But in the middle of this passage he flips back to chapter 58 of Isaiah and reads an additional line, 'to set the downtrodden (oppressed) free'. This event in Nazareth is sometimes referred to as Jesus' inauguration or declaration of mission. The inclusion of the additional verse from Isaiah signals very clearly the way in which Jesus will be portrayed throughout this particular gospel. The gospel of Luke is often described as a gospel of compassion.

CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA - JAN. 23RD & 24TH

Approximately half of the world's Catholic population lives in Latin America, but the church is losing members at an alarming rate. This **second collection will help fund the programs needed to renew the faith of the people.** Thank you for your generosity.

Throughout the gospel we see Jesus enact the verses from Isaiah – bringing good news to the lowliest of society; inviting the least to share in the reign of God. In fact, having read from the scripture, Jesus' very simple homily on the text is 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen'.

Jesus declares himself to be acting out and fulfilling the prophecy of Isaiah. This short extract from Isaiah that Jesus adopted as his own 'mission statement' is indeed a mission statement for all Christian people. This is what we too are called to do.

Questions for Adults and Adolescents:

Q. In what ways can the mission Jesus claimed be seen as a mission for all Christians?

Q. Who are the people in your community who are really trying to bring about this mission?

Q. *How do you/or can you* contribute to this mission?

Q. Why was it significant that Jesus returned to Nazareth to begin his ministry?

Q. Why was the inclusion of 'set the downtrodden free' such an important addition to the Isaiah text?

Questions for Children:

Today we hear that, just as our bodies are made up of many parts, so too is the Body of Christ made up of many parts.

Q. Can you name parts of your head? Hand? Leg? Etc. How do these parts work together?

Q. Jesus says that we are parts of his body. If you are Jesus' hands (voice, feet etc). what could you do?

Q. What part of Jesus will you be this week?

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Let us pray for **Jennifer King** who will begin her formal formation into the Catholic Church during the *Rite of Acceptance* on January 24th at the 8:00 am Mass. During this rite, Jen will declare her intention to join in our way of life through the initiation sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation at the Easter Vigil in 2011. The Church represented by the St. Pius community will welcome her and pledge to support her on her journey.

THEOLOGY BY THE GLASS - JANUARY 28TH

Join us this month for **Theology by the Glass**. Get to know others while enjoying a glass of wine and listening to an engaging speaker. We'll have Patrick Vallez-Kelly discuss the connection between the Sunday liturgy and our everyday lives. We'll meet at **Angelica's Bistro** in downtown Redwood City at 7 pm on Thursday, January 28th. Call Laura at 361-1411 or email Laura@pius.org.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP - FEBRUARY 15TH

Grief Support is available to those in our parish community who are grieving. This Support Group is having nine sessions beginning Monday, February 15th, from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm, and will continue until Monday, April 12th, in the Chapel at the Parish Center. For more information call the Grief Support phone line at 361-0655, and leave your name and phone number, or email grief_help@hotmail.com. **ALL CONVERSATIONS ARE CONFIDENTIAL.**

St. Pius Men's Retreat

Sponsored by St. Pius Men's Club

All men are welcome! **February 19-21, 2010**

Vallombrosa - Menlo Park - Lead by Spiritual Director

of St Patrick Seminary, Rev. Dr. George Schultze, SJ

Topic: Trusting in the Lord, Got Peace?

Time for escape, good food, reflection and connection.

The cost for the two nights and six meals is **only \$214.00.**

Email Brad at: zixnaylor@sbcglobal.net, or call 363-6168

MUSICAL ACCOMPANIST NEEDED

The 9:30 am choir is in need of a piano accompanist for the 9:30 am Sunday Mass. If you are interested please contact Bev Hilliard at 325-4399.

WOMEN'S CLUB FASHION SHOW - MARCH 20

THE place to BE this spring is the St. Pius Women's Club Fashion Show, *Springtime in Paris*. The day will feature a delicious buffet luncheon, tempting raffle prizes, trendy fashion vendors, and our own St. Pius models representing over 15 clothiers. Mark your calendar for 11am, **Saturday, March 20th**. For information regarding modeling, call Lisa Cortopassi at lcorto4@yahoo.com or call 364-7746.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

2009-2010 as of 1/17/10

Last Sunday's collection \$ 6,840.00

Cumulative total for year \$323,825.27

Budgeted \$312,736.00
\$ 11,089.27

CRAB CIOPPINO DINNER - FEBRUARY 20TH

The St. Pius I.C.F. is having their annual dinner on **Saturday, February 20th**. Cocktails begin at 6:00 pm, and dinner will be served at 7:00 pm. Each adult dinner is \$42.50 per person. To purchase tickets call Romano at 367-1142 or Jean at 368-5486.

HAITI EARTHQUAKE DONATIONS

At either the national or Archdiocesan level, a collection will be organized in the coming days to help the people who have been affected by last week's earthquake in Haiti. In the meantime, I invite you to send an immediate donation as follows:

HOW TO HELP:

DONATE VIA PHONE: 1-877-HELP-CRS

DONATE ONLINE: www.CRS.ORG

WRITE A CHECK: Catholic Relief Services

P.O. Box 17090

Baltimore, MD 21203-7090

Memo portion of check: **HAITI EARTHQUAKE**

ST. PIUS SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE-JANUARY 31ST

We invite all prospective parents and their children, parishioners, and current school families, to the School Open House immediately following 9:30 am Mass, **Sunday January 31st**. There will be an opportunity to tour the classrooms, view student work and meet the teachers to learn more about curriculum and student life. The Science Fair will be in Homer Crouse Hall and a Book Fair will be in Room 5. The dividends of a Catholic education - students prepared in faith, knowledge, morals and discipline - lasts a lifetime. To learn more about a Catholic education for your child, please join us for this Open House, or contact the School Office at 368-8327. Applications for Fall 2010 will be available at the Open House or on line at www.stpiusschool.org.

St. Pius School, mindful of its mission to be a witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students of any race, color, and national and/or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded to or made available to students at this school. St. Pius School does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, and national and/or ethnic origin, age, gender or disability in administration of educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, athletic and other school administered programs.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK AND THEIR CARE-GIVERS IN OUR COMMUNITY:

Deacon Steve	Lou Gambelin	Gloria Cazavos
Margaret Rocchi	Madison Kitz	Alice Sotto
Jackalynn Cronin	Mary Salino	Lisa Kitz
Ferdinand Engesser	David Addiego	Steve Moore
Bill Beaton	Judy Marks	Ligaya Lim
Helen Parker	Martha Sullivan	Jean Merloe

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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION- 1/30 & 1/31

The weekend of **January 30th and 31st** is the fifth Sunday collection for St. Vincent de Paul. We wish to thank all our parishioners for their generosity during the holidays. We were able to provide food, toys, and gift cards, to 48 families at Thanksgiving and for 40 families at Christmas. We have also provided assistance with rent and utilities, During the last 3 months we have paid \$11,000 to tide these families over.
Thank you again for all your support and prayers.

SENIOR FRIENDSHIP GROUP

On Friday, January 29th, Mr. Chapman will come and serenade us with his wonderful voice. The Kindergarten class and the parents will host a luncheon for us that day. What a fun day it will be! Come and join the Seniors.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY:

Doris Bacigalupi
Adolph Patrick
Kevin Kelly

SACRAMENT PREPARATION FOR ADULTS

We'll have special preparation classes starting soon for adults who are baptized Catholic, raised in the faith, have received First Communion, and now wish to receive Confirmation, as well as for baptized Christians from other traditions who want to learn about the Catholic faith or become Catholic. The classes are starting this February and an initial meeting with Laura, Coordinator of Adult Faith Formation, is necessary. For more information or to schedule a meeting call 361-1411 or laura@pius.org.

MASSES

Sat.	Jan. 23	5 pm	Linda La Fauci
Sun.	Jan. 24	8 am	Ben & Mary O'Riordan
		9:30	Sue Burns
		11:30	Oretta Banducci
		5 pm	People of St. Pius
Mon.	Jan. 25	8 am	Mary Kay & Frances Jacklin
Tues.	Jan 26	8 am	Winnie Cooper
Wed.	Jan 27	8 am	Mary Tomasetti
Thurs.	Jan.28	8 am	Mary & Davide Gambelin
Fri.	Jan 29	8 am	Don Pors. Jr.
Sat.	Jan 30	8 am	Peter Mussio
		5 pm	Alfred Pfennig
Sun.	Jan 31	8 am	Ben & Mary O'Riordan
		9:30	Lauryn Catherine Grace Coelho
		11:30	Laura Annette Krawczuk
		5 pm	People of St. Pius

PARISH DIRECTORY - DEADLINE

If you would like to place an advertisement in the Parish Directory the **deadline is February 10th.** For more information please call Kit at 366-6371.

ANNIVERSARY MASS-ST.MARY'S CATHEDRAL

Bishop William Justice cordially invites all married couples to a Eucharistic Celebration and renewal of vows on **Saturday, February 27th, at 12 noon,** at St. Mary of the Assumption Cathedral, 1111 Gough Street, San Francisco. Special honor will be shown to those celebrating their 25th, 50th or 50+, Wedding Anniversaries. Call (707) 552-3394.

LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES - "HOW ONE HOUR A WEEK CAN TRANSFORM YOUR LIFE"

Tuesdays, **February 23rd, March 2nd & March 9th,** during Lent 2010

Morning session: **following 8 am Mass in Homer Crouse Hall**

or

evening session: at **7:00 pm** in the **church** (following the soup supper in Homer Crouse Hall @ 6:00 pm)

AND

PARISH MISSION 2010 - "MOVING FROM ANGER TO FORGIVENESS"

April 17th & 18th - special homilies at all Masses

April 19th & 20th - morning session following 8 am Mass in Homer Crouse Hall

or

evening session @ **7 pm** in the church

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

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womensclub@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	Jan Sullivan
Anthony Price	Al Zappelli

GRIEF SUPPORT MINISTERS

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Mary Dickinson	Linda Hird
Elizabeth Rowan-Mitchell	Mel Sigona
Mary Houweling	Katie Stafford
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