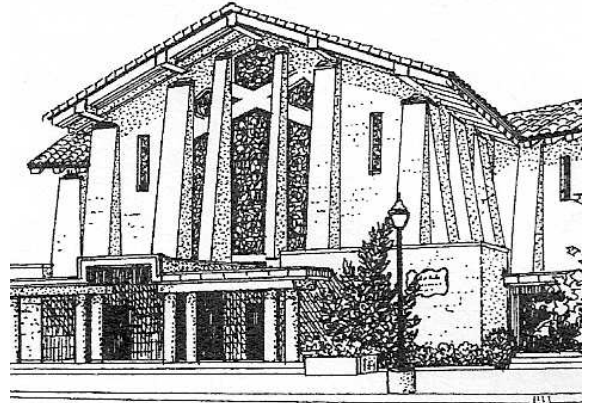


WELCOME to St. Pius Parish!

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

Third Sunday of Easter April 18, 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 Reflection (John 21: 1-19)

Scholars suggest that the 21st chapter of the Gospel of John is a later addition to the gospel, especially given the finality of the language at the end of chapter 20. The style of chapter 21 is much more church-oriented than the earlier chapters. The barbecue breakfast on the beach takes on a Eucharistic feel and the passage is at pains to portray Peter as the leader of the disciples and the one chosen by Jesus to provide leadership into the future. We must remember that the Gospel of John was written almost 70 years after the death of Jesus and if this final chapter is indeed an addition then it is likely written some time in the 2nd century. It was only in the late 1st and early 2nd centuries that the church began to adopt a structure of bishops as leaders of communities and it was important to clearly establish the authority of Peter as the first leader of the Church and the authority of his successors. Obviously, a scriptural reference to Jesus' choice of Peter would have cemented the case and so this later addition to the Gospel of John may have been constructed to serve this purpose.

Regardless of its original intended purpose, this passage provides a wonderful account of the appearance of the resurrected Jesus to his disciples. Like other post-resurrection accounts, the disciples do not at first recognize Jesus and it is not until the miraculous catch of fish that the beloved disciple declares, "It is the Lord." In a beautifully everyday touch, the risen Jesus prepares breakfast on the beach for the disciples and blesses the simple food in the same way as he did the bread and wine at their last supper.

Gospel Focus – Do you love me?

Three times Jesus asks Peter, "Do you love me?" and three times Peter answers, "You know I do." Some writers suggest that the three-fold question by Jesus and the three-fold reply by Peter is intended to balance out the triple denial of Jesus by Peter at the time of the arrest and trial of Jesus. Where once Peter denied even knowing Jesus, he now declares his love for Jesus in no uncertain terms. It is a reminder to all of us that there is no act that we can perform that cannot be forgiven by God and from which we cannot come back.

Historical Context – Feed my sheep

When Jesus asks Peter, "Do you love me?" and Peter repeatedly assures Jesus that he does, Jesus instructs Peter to "Feed my sheep." This image of feeding sheep is used to describe the caring leadership Peter is to take over the other disciples and the other followers of Jesus. The image of a shepherd has carried through the years and finds expression in the stylized shepherd's crook (crosier) that is carried as a symbol of office by bishops. The people of the church are often referred to as the bishop's flock—further carrying on the image of a shepherd and his sheep.

Have you thought? – 153 fish

When the disciples drag ashore their miraculous haul of fish, the gospel writer tells us that there were 153 fish! This seems an odd number and an odd fact to specifically mention. Mathematically, 153 is a number with several interesting attributes, and historically, it has been suggested that the ancients believed that there were 153 species of fish or 153 nations in the world. Like nearly every number used in the Bible, its meaning is symbolic, not literal. It is intended to convey that the catch of fish was huge and is indicative of the vast numbers of people who will be caught up in the disciples' new ministry.

Questions for Children

- Q. Have you ever been fishing?
- Q. What is it like when you are waiting for a bite and nothing happens?
- Q. Jesus told his disciples to put out their nets even though they had caught nothing all night. What would the disciples have thought when Jesus told them to try their nets again?

Questions for Adolescents

- Q. Why do you think the disciples had gone back to fishing at this time?
- Q. Why did the disciples fail to recognize Jesus at first?
- Q. What is the significance of the "Do you love me?" conversation between Jesus and Peter?

Questions for Adults

- Q. Why is it the amazing catch of fish that lets Peter recognize Jesus?
- Q. Why might this event sometimes be described as a Eucharistic meal?
- Q. What hope for us lies in Jesus' selection of flawed Peter as the one to carry on his work?

PARISH MISSION - APRIL 19TH & 20TH

“MOVING FROM ANGER TO FORGIVENESS” is the theme for this mission given by Fr. Tom Allender, S.J. Father Tom will give special homilies this weekend at all the Masses. On Monday & Tuesday mornings, the sessions will be **after the 8 am Mass in Homer Crouse Hall and in the evenings at 7 pm in the church.**

Childcare will be available for the evening sessions. Contact Pam Spencer for more information at pam@pius.org or 368-0429.

ACHTUNG ! The **Men's Club Dinner** will be held on **Wednesday, April 21st** in Homer Crouse Hall. Doors open at 6:30 pm, and dinner will be served at 7:30 pm.

Mark & his crew will be creating some of his favorite Bavarian comfort food. It is truly an evening that you will want to attend.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONER WHO HAS PASSED AWAY:

Dr. James Buckley

WELCOME TO THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

David Philpott Hannah Larraburu
Isabel Lawrence Izabelle Angeles
Ciara Lawrence

BUDGET REPORT 2009-2010

As of 4/4/10	Budgeted	Actual
Income		
Offertory	431,360.00	437,142.70
Festival	90,000.00	80,300.00
Christmas	50,000.00	41,658.00
Easter	34,000.00	34,819.00
Total	605,360.00	593,919.70
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SEEKING NEW BOARD MEMBERS

The *Women's Club* is looking for women who want to serve on the Women's Club Board for 2010-2011. Meetings are the **first Wednesday of the month**. Please call Lisa Maskarich at 644-5905, or email Lisa Maskarich lmaskarich@yahoo.com

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

This year the Appeal has turned its focus on Youth Ministry. In Youth Ministry programs, young Catholics grow in faith and gain valuable leadership skills. Without this Appeal poorer dioceses in the United States cannot sustain vital youth programs. This collection is **next week, April 24th and 25th.** Thank you for your generosity.

FROM THE DESK OF FR. JIM

Archbishop George Niederauer has appointed Fr. Honesto Gile as the Administrator of Sacred Heart Parish in Olema and St. Mary Magdalene in Bolinas. These two churches are in West Marin, which is part of the Archdiocese of San Francisco. He will begin his new ministry on July 1, 2010. I am very grateful to him for his continuing service to the people of St. Pius. The parish staff and parishioners of St. Pius will miss him. There will be a “going away” reception in the Parish Center patio after the **9:30 am Mass on Sunday, June 27th.**

GRADUATING SENIORS MASS AND DINNER

All high school Seniors who live in St. Pius Parish and are graduating from high school this year are invited to a special Mass and reception with their parents here at the Church and the Parish Center, **Monday, May 3rd at 6 pm.** After the reception the Seniors (without parents) will attend dinner in Homer Crouse Hall. **PLEASE CALL 361-1411 TO RSVP BY MONDAY, APRIL 26TH.**

First Eucharist Masses

These masses will take place on **Saturday, May 1st** at 5:00 pm for families of older children and **Sunday, May 2nd** at 9:30 am for children in Second Grade. Please keep our First Communicants in your prayers during their final preparations.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK AND THEIR CAREGIVERS IN OUR COMMUNITY:

Deacon Steve Pauline Truscelli Angela Arevalo
Susana Villagomez Alice Sotto Chuck Byrns
Mary Sorenson Matthew Gonzalez Mark Severi
Ligaya Lim

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.

WELCOME DINNER FOR NEW PARISHIONERS

The Parish Council will host a dinner in Homer Crouse Hall following the 5 pm Mass on **Saturday, May 15th**, for all **new** parishioners. If you are a **NEW** parishioner and have not registered please call the Parish Center at 361-1411. **RESERVATIONS ARE NECESSARY!** Please call 361-1411 to make your reservations.

FESTIVAL SILENT AUCTION

The St. Pius Festival will soon be here. The Silent Auction committee is now soliciting donations from parishioners and/or businesses.

Our wish list includes: tickets to sporting events (Giants, Sharks, 49ers), certificates for merchandise/restaurants, donations of themed baskets (a Summer Beach basket, Gardening basket, Back-to-School backpacks), themed dinners/parties, or items for the home. Any donation, no matter how large or small, is greatly appreciated. To be included in our Auction Program, the donation must be received **by May 15, 2010**. For more information, or to arrange for item pick-up/delivery, please contact Mary Vavuris at 368-6545.

FAMILY CAREGIVER WORKSHOPS

There are three workshops/sessions scheduled for **April 12th, 19th, and 26th** for **family members** caring for a spouse, parent, or sibling with memory loss and confusion. You are welcome to enroll in all the workshops and they are all **free**. These sessions are at the San Carlos Adult Day Services, 787 Walnut Street, San Carlos. **Questions? Call 592-9325.**

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

We have received \$89,980 from 294 parishioners, toward our assessment of \$114,500. This represents 78% of our goal. Thank you to those who have contributed.

Catholic Vacation Bible Camp – July 19-23

Monday - Friday, 9:00 am -1:00 pm at St. Pius Church.
Baobab Blast – God's Great Get-together!

This is for children entering Kindergarten - 5th grades in September. The Camp Cost is \$100. per child. After-camp care will be available for an additional fee. Camp will be held in Fitzsimon Center, with leaders from St. Pius and St. Matthias Parishes.

To register: <http://toolkit.thevbsplace.org/StMatthiasStPiusRedwoodCityCA>

This is a service opportunity for 6th -12th grade students. Call Maria Cornell at 368-0429.

MASSES

Sat.	Apr. 17	5 pm	Cortopassi family
Sun.	April 18	8 am	Charles & Louise Fragulia
		9:30	Jean Berhan
		11:30	Moira Schoenstein
		5 pm	People of St. Pius
Mon.	April 19	8 am	Lilas Miles
Tues.	April 20	8 am	Don Goold
Wed.	April 21	8 am	Moira Schoenstein
Thurs.	April 22	8 am	Mary Rose Branhan
Friday	April 23	8 am	Al Rocchi
Sat.	April 24	8 am	Winnie Cooper
		5 pm	Young K. Baek
Sun.	April 25	8 am	Rich Herbst
		9:30	Helena Pysna
		11:30	People of St. Pius
		5 pm	Andrea & Delfin Chu

MASS AND RECEPTION FOR BARBARA

Mark your calendar for **Sunday, May 23rd, following the 9:30 am Mass**, to attend our reception honoring Barbara Drake who will be retiring at the end of May. The reception will be held in the Parish Center patio. Please join us in thanking Barbara for her 31 years of dedication to our Parish and School and to wish her much happiness in her retirement years to come.

Toddler Care at 9:30 & 11:30 am Masses

Weekly activities, stories and crafts connect our young children to the Gospel of the week. Visit the Fitzsimon Center Community Room on Sundays to learn more about this amazing program for children from 1 1/2 to 4 yrs of age.

ST. PIUS SENIORS

On Friday, April 23rd the 2nd grade students and parents will host a lunch for the Seniors. On Friday, April 30th, we'll have a pot luck lunch so, please bring one of your special dishes for everyone to enjoy.

Confirmation

Our candidates will be confirmed on April 25th at the 5:00 pm Mass by Archbishop George Niederauer. The **rehearsal** for Candidates and their sponsors is **Thursday, April 22nd**, from 6:30 pm to 9 pm.

Note the change in date: Thursday, April 22nd is the correct date, not Friday, April 23rd.

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: Lisa Maskarich
womensclub@pius.org
First VP: Julia Fex
Second 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

grief_help@hotmail.com

Katie Stasun	Rich Morton
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
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