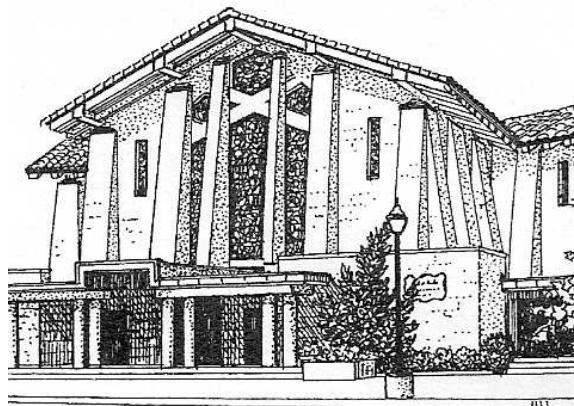


# WELCOME to St. Pius Parish!

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## Fifth Sunday of Easter May 2, 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

**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)

### 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.

### Parish Staff

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## FAITH FORMATION AT ST. PIUS

### **Gospel Reflection** (Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35)

The passage from the Gospel of John actually comes from the Last Supper account, as is indicated by the opening line: "When Judas had gone." However, the passage is being used during the post-resurrection Easter season. The passage about being glorified can be read in this context as referring to the crucifixion that was, rather than the crucifixion that is still to come in the original setting. The reference that Jesus will not be with the disciples much longer can also be read as an indicator towards the Ascension. It is a clever liturgical use of a gospel passage out of its intended context.

The second half of the gospel passage is perhaps the more familiar section. It is a common text for marriage ceremonies. However, sometimes its selection is purely based on the use of the term "love". Earlier in his ministry, Jesus was asked which commandment was the most important. He replied that you must love the Lord your God with all your heart and that you must love your neighbor as yourself. (Mt 22) The "new" commandment that he issues at the Last Supper is not so much a new commandment as a variation on a theme. The newness highlights the changes that are occurring in the small group of friends. His language conveys an imperative: you must love one another, "just as I have loved you." He tells the disciples—and us—that the way they behave towards one another must be with the same love that Jesus treated them. And the love that Jesus gave was the love of God for all the world. So the love that Jesus commands the disciples (us) to show one another is nothing less than the powerful love of God.

### **Have you thought? Love**

I love my dog! I love your hair! I love that new song! I absolutely love chocolate! We throw around the word "love" so casually today that it has almost lost its meaning. The decision whether or not to say "I love you" in a relationship has become a major dilemma—or alternatively, just the formula that has to be said to get what you want! Jesus did not use the word so casually or so inappropriately. He spoke of love very deliberately and very specifically. Jesus calls us to share in the selfless love that he modeled and to follow his example.

### **Gospel Focus – God's Love**

What does it mean to love as Jesus loved? The love Jesus poured out to all was an expression of God's love that has been poured out to all creation since the very beginning and continues to be poured out today. God's love doesn't keep score. When humankind turned its back on God, God's love continued to call them back to faithful relationship. God's love is not conditional—whatever we do, God continues to love us. There is no barrier that we can construct that God's love cannot get around. It is this sort of love that the new commandment demands of us.

### **Living the Gospel – Love is all around**

Love surrounds us all the time. It is impossible to turn on a radio without hearing "love" used in one way or another. Love is the most common theme of songs, poetry, literature, and art. Although we might bemoan the casual use of "love," the fact remains that we fill our lives with the sounds and images of love. It's easier to imagine the all-pervasive nature of God's love when we recognize just how pervasive the commercial and artistic expressions of love have become. As Christian people, the challenge that faces us is to imbue these expressions with a richer, deeper notion of love.

### **Questions for Children**

- Q. How do they show you they love you?
- Q. How did Jesus show us he loves us?
- Q. What does he ask that we do in return?
- Q. How can we show that we are his disciples this week?

### **Questions for Adults & Adolescents**

- Q. What is the glorification to which Jesus refers?
- Q. Why was it at this particular time that Jesus chose to give his disciples the new commandment?
- Q. In what ways does "love" get misused today?
- Q. How does the command to love as Jesus loved challenge you?

**LIFE AND DIGNITY SUNDAY - MAY 15TH/16TH**

At the request of Archbishop George Niederauer, all parishes in the Archdiocese of San Francisco will be focusing attention on our civic responsibilities by inviting interested parishioners to register for a newly created Catholic Legislative Network. It has been described as a "Voice for Life and Dignity in California." Next weekend there will be a one-page explanation of the Network and *Life & Dignity Sunday* in our parish bulletin. Please read it and then carefully and prayerfully consider registering for the Catholic Legislative Network on May 15th and 16th.

**BUDGET REPORT 2009-2010**

As of 4/25/10	Budgeted	Actual
Income		
Offertory	452,928.00	456,584.00
Festival	90,000.00	80,300.00
Christmas	50,000.00	41,658.00
Easter	34,000.00	35,039.50
Total	626,928.00	613,581.50
<b>Deficit</b>		<b>(13,346.50)</b>

**BLOOD DRIVE - ST. PIUS CHURCH - MAY 16TH**

This is scheduled for **Sunday, May 16th, 8:30 am -1:30 pm**, in Homer Crouse Hall. Please schedule your appointment online at [www.bloodheroes.com](http://www.bloodheroes.com), click on "Donate Blood" and enter Sponsor Code: **stpiuschurch** or contact [linda@pius.org](mailto:linda@pius.org) or call the Parish Center at 361-1411. Thank you for giving "the gift of life".

**BOOTH SPONSORS FOR FESTIVAL**

The annual St. Pius Festival will be held from June 4<sup>th</sup> through June 6<sup>th</sup>. In an effort to underwrite the expenses, we are seeking sponsors for each of our booths. Sponsorships are \$150.00 and your name or business will be displayed on a booth. If you are interested, please contact Mercedes Reshke, Booth Sponsor Chairperson at 367-8349.

Thank you to those who have already sponsored: Pribuss Engineering Inc., Eric L. Barrett from Barrett Insurance Services, The Saddle Room, Dennis & Stephanie Durkin, Copymat, David Sawyer, The Hannig Family, Crippen & Flynn Woodside Chapel, Redwood Chapel, Kelley Benetti, Dr. Joseph Krauss, DDS, Putnam Lexus, Dr. Gabby Thodas, The Morton Family, Masarie & Sons, and Ironstone Metalworks Inc.

**MSGR. HAGGARTY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The family of Msgr. Jim Haggarty, to honor his memory, is offering a \$500 scholarship to a female 8<sup>th</sup> grader and a \$500 scholarship to a male 8<sup>th</sup> grader who will be attending a Catholic high school. In order to apply for this scholarship, the student needs to write an essay on **What can I do, in light of my Catholic faith, to make the community where I live a better place?** These essays must be submitted to Barbara in the Parish Center **by Wednesday, May 25, 2010**. If you have any questions please call Barbara at 361-1411.

**ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

We have received \$96,280 from 318 parishioners, toward our assessment of \$114,500. We have reached 84% of our goal. If you need an envelope just mark the outside of a plain envelope "**Appeal**", place your donation inside and drop it in the collection basket or take it to the Parish Center. Thank you to those who have contributed.

**WELCOME TO THE NEWLY BAPTIZED**

Tomas Ortez

**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.

**ST. PIUS CHURCH WEBSITE**

Please check out our website at [www.pius.org](http://www.pius.org)

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

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| Deacon Steve     | Angela Arevalo  | Chuck Byrns |
| Matthew Gonzalez | Michael Kuester | Alice Sotto |
| Ligaya Lim       | Mary Sorenson   |             |

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.

### ***Ciao!***

*2010 Festival Theme: Italian*

*Dates: June 4-6, 2010*

*Thank you to the parishioners who have already volunteered to chair a booth this year. We are still looking for volunteers. Please contact one of the chairs if you are interested in helping.*

***Grazie,***

*Your St. Pius Festival chairs ...*

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### **MASSES**

Sat.	May 1	5 pm	Hilda Gerard
Sun.	May 2	8 am	deceased Zan family
		9:30	John Garibaldi
		11:30	Virginia Armstrong
		5 pm	People of St. Pius
Mon.	May 3	8 am	Dan Thorpe
Tues.	May 4	8 am	Andrea & Delfin Chu
Wed.	May 5	8 am	Vittori Dei Rossi
Thurs.	May 6	8 am	Janet Cocconi
Friday	May 7	8 am	Eric Schoenstein
Sat.	May 8	8 am	Andy Dei Rossi
		5 pm	Cortopassi Family
Sun.	May 9	8 am	Lina Tomalino
		9:30	Anthony Giraud
		11:30	People of St. Pius
		5 pm	Michael Verducci

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

Please join us in the Parish Center on **Thursday, May 6th, at 6:30 pm**, and find out how to become a Catholic or how to receive the sacraments as an adult. At this short meeting we will discuss the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, the RCIA process. Please bring any questions or doubts you may have. For more information please call Laura at 361-1411 or email:

### **ST. PIUS SENIORS**

On Friday, May 7th, we'll have a Senior Companion luncheon and a lesson in Ballroom dancing. On Friday, May 21st, the First Grade class will host a luncheon for the Seniors.

### **NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL - 6TH & 7TH GRADE DAY**

All 6th and 7th grade girls are invited for a fun afternoon on **Friday, May 14th, 1:00 to 3:15 pm**. You will have the opportunity to ask questions and become more familiar with the school. Reservations are requested. Visit **www.ndhsb.org** or call **595-1913, ext. 315**.

### **7TH ANNUAL HEALING MASS - OLA CHURCH**

This Healing Mass is **Friday, May 7th, at 7 pm**, at **Our Lady of Angels Church**, 1721 Hillside Dr., 2 blocks west of El Camino Real, Burlingame. Fr. Kevin Kennedy is one of the celebrants. Questions? Call Barney at 921-0188.

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

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Secretary: Dave Swan

**WOMEN'S CLUB**

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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

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Patty Dana	Dorothy Rottinghaus
Mary Dickinson	Linda Hird
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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