

WELCOME to St. Pius Parish!

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

Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time June 20, 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.

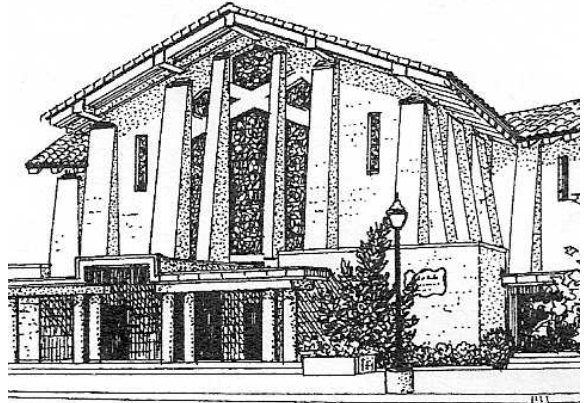
We hope that your **family** will join our parish family as we strive to love like Jesus and build God's kingdom here on **earth**.

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)

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 Luke 9:18-24

In today's gospel, Jesus asks the disciples the question that has echoed through the intervening generations and continues to demand our attention today: "Who do you say that I am?" With both hope and trepidation, Peter answers, "The Messiah of God." The gospel episode reveals that Jesus was aware that the people were speculating about him and it would have been obvious that the disciples themselves were debating amongst themselves the significance of this man they were following. The expectation about the coming of the Messiah had been rife for decades leading up to this time. Under the occupation by the Romans, the Messiah expectation was at an all time high. Every Jew of the time was longing for the Messiah to rise up from their midst and rescue the people.

When Peter says that the disciples believe Jesus to be the Messiah it is as much a statement of hope as of conviction. What an amazing break for the disciples to discover that they are the followers of the one person the entire Jewish people are hoping for. The reflected glory for them would be magnificent! As Peter utters his answer, you can almost see the disciples edging forward in anticipation of all that would come their way as disciples of the Messiah.

But Jesus immediately shatters their dreams of glory by spelling out to them the reality of what it means for him to be the Messiah and also what it means for them to be his disciples. It is not the pathway of triumph and glory that lies ahead but the pathway of sacrifice, service and suffering. Peter is completely right when he names Jesus as Messiah but completely wrong in what he thinks that means.

From the perspective of – the disciples.

How exciting it must have been to be a disciple of Jesus. Firstly, they were called to be disciples when they had given up any hope of this life. Here was a rabbi, a teacher, who thought that they could one day be like him. Then, as they travel with him, they become excited by what they see him do and the way the people respond to him. They begin to hope that Jesus might indeed be the one: the Messiah! How good would that be: to be a disciple of the Messiah? But then, he's not that sort of Messiah.

Have you thought? – Who do you mean?

There are a couple of billion people in the world today who call themselves "Christians"—followers of Jesus Christ. However, if you were to ask each of them, "Who do you say Jesus is?" you would get thousands—even millions—of different answers.

When I speak about Jesus, his teachings and values, I have certain characteristics and beliefs of and about Jesus in mind. I can't be certain that the person listening has those same concepts. Just because we use the same language doesn't mean we're talking about the same thing!

Living the Gospel – Who do you say I am?

Jesus' question to the disciples is also addressed to us today. It is a question that every Christian person must answer honestly if they are to grow beyond the simple faith of their childhood. The answers revealed to us may change many times throughout our lives but it is our desire and honest efforts to answer the question itself that will continue to call us forward. Our answer to Jesus' question is an indicator of what we need him to be at that time; who we are at that time; and what we are called to be at that time.

Questions for Children

Jesus asked the disciples "Who do people say I am?" What are some words you would use to describe Jesus?

Jesus wants people to "take up their cross" and follow him. What does that mean? What are some of the "crosses" that people carry?

Questions for Adolescents

Why did Jesus press the disciples for their answer to his question, rather than what the crowds said?

Why is Peter's answer often described as a "profession of faith"?

How might the disciples have reacted to hearing Jesus describe what was going to happen to him?

How would you answer Jesus' question, "Who do you say I am?"

Jesus described what it meant to be a follower of his. What does it mean to be a follower of Jesus today?

Questions for Adults

Why might Jesus have been identified with John the Baptist, Elijah, or one of the ancient prophets?

Why might Jesus have commanded the disciples not to tell anyone about their revelation?

How has your answer to Jesus' question, "Who do you say I am?" changed over time?

In what ways are you able to reveal to others who you say Jesus is?



FROM THE DESK OF FR. JIM MACDONALD:

July 1st is the day that priests receive their assignments in the Archdiocese of San Francisco. Fr. Honesto Gile, Jr., will become the Administrator of Sacred Heart in Olema and St. Mary Magdalene in Bolinas.

I wish to thank **Father Gile** for his competent and dedicated service to the people of this parish. Our community will miss him. There will be a reception for him on **Sunday, June 27th, in Homer Crouse Hall following the 9:30 am Mass.**

His replacement will be Deacon Wade Bjerke (Bee-yur'-key) who will be ordained a priest by Archbishop George Niederauer at St. Mary's in San Francisco on Saturday, June 26th at 10 am. He looks forward to beginning his service as a priest at St. Pius. We are fortunate to have a newly ordained priest as our Parochial Vicar. Please remember him in your prayers as he prepares for his ordination and his service to St. Pius Parish.

We will have a retired priest living in residence in the rectory. Fr. Jack O'Neill is retiring as pastor of Sacred Heart in Olema and St. Mary Magdalene in Bolinas. He has served in this Archdiocese for forty-three years and is looking forward to retirement. He has served as pastor of Our Lady of Loretto in Novato and St. James in San Francisco. He was also the Chaplain to San Quentin prison for almost twenty years. We were ordained together in the 1967 class from St. Patrick's Seminary.

Fr. Grimes will be here July 16th to August 23rd. He will help at St. Pius when I am away, July 17th - August 14th.

GRIEF MINISTRY TRAINING

Are you interested in becoming a member of the St. Pius Grief Ministry? There will be a Grief Ministry training session in Homer Crouse Hall on **Saturday, September 18th, 9 am - 4:30 pm.** The training will be conducted by Barbara Elordi of the San Francisco Archdiocese. If you are interested please call 361-0655.

SCHOOL SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:

During the summer, the school office will be open as follows:

June 21-July 2, 9:00 AM -12:00 PM

The school office will be closed July 5th - August 6th. During that time, mail and messages will be checked.

August 9-August 13, 9:00 AM -12:00 PM

August 16-20, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

August 23, 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION - June 26th, 27th

Next Week our diocese will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides the Holy Father with the assistance he needs to carry out his most important charitable works. The proceeds benefit the most disadvantaged victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Through your generosity, with Pope Benedict, we can cast the love of Christ upon the world.

BUDGET REPORT 2009-2010

As of 6/13/10	Budgeted	Actual
Income		
Offertory	528,416.00	529,522.75
Festival	90,000.00	80,300.00
Christmas	50,000.00	41,658.00
Easter	34,000.00	35,134.50
Total	702,416.00	686,615.25
Deficit		(15,800.75)

SERVICES FOR LONG TIME PARISHIONER

Marie Langdon, a St. Pius parishioner for many years, has passed away. The rosary is Monday, June 21st, at 11:30 am, and the funeral service will follow at 12:15 pm, at St. Stephen The First Martyr Parish. The address is 5461- 44th Street at 28th Avenue, Sacramento.

Festival Raffle Winners

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| Helene Ashby | Halley Family |
| Mary Coffron | Rosemary Heyeck |
| Esmo Dal Pogetto | James Jameson |
| Diane Descalso | Maria Lester |
| Tom D'Orsi | Kim Manca |
| Clark Ebel | William Mitchell |
| Ed von Emster | Leslie Nosek |
| Aldo Fontana | Steve Plummer |
| Sharon Geenen | Robert Sans |
| Bill Gibbons | Frank Straubel |

Grand Prize Winner

Yo Baldini

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

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| Deacon Steve | Gene Clark | Chuck Byrns |
| Mario Saballos | Michael Kuester | Ligaya Lim |
| Therese Buelher | Alice Sotto | Mary Gould |
| Helen Parker | | |

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.

MSGR. HAGGARTY SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

The following eighth grade students were awarded scholarships of \$500: Brian McFadyen and Meaghan Castelli. Congratulations to both of you!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY:

Jerry Pribyl
Robert Harvey

St. Pius Summer Book Club

June 22nd, 29th, July 6th, 13th, and 20th
(you do not need to attend all meetings)

7:00 pm in the Parish Center

Join us for our first annual book club. We will gather to share ideas and thoughts about the book "Living the Mass: How One Hour a Week Can Change Your Life." This isn't so much a book about the Mass itself as it is a book about how to LIVE the Mass. We are meant to live the Mass, not merely attend it, write authors Fr. Dominic Grassi and Joe Paprocki, a priest and a layman who fervently believe that the central worship event of the Catholic faith is meant to transform our world.

Living the Mass will stir a new passion and a greater understanding about the Mass. The authors help us recall that at the end of every Mass we are charged to go forth and transform our families, our communities, and our world; *Living the Mass* inspires us to do that! Questions?

Call or email laura@pius.org or 361-1411.

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.

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

StMatthiasStPiusRedwoodCityCA

This is a service opportunity for 6th -12th grade students. Call Maria Cornell at 368-0429. To register: [http:// toolkit.thevbsplace.org /StMatthiasStPiusRedwoodCityCA](http://toolkit.thevbsplace.org/)

SAN FRANCISCO MARIAN CONFERENCE

This is scheduled for July 2, 3, & 4, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Foster City. The theme is "Mary Queen of Heaven". Registration is Friday, July 2, at 9 am, and the program begins at 10 am. Questions? Call 726-5394 or (800) 456-4197 or www.straphaelministries.org

MASSES

Sat.	June 19	5 pm	Elvira Cavazos
Sun.	June 20	8 am	Louis Rosasco
		9:30	Martin Etcheverry
		11:30	People of St. Pius
		5 pm	Lina Tomalino
Mon.	June 21	8 am	Young K. Baek
Tues.	June 22	8 am	Froilan Aragon
Wed.	June 23	8 am	Mark Severi
Thurs.	June 24	8 am	Don Goold
Friday	June 25	8 am	Rosalie Longo
Sat.	June 26	8 am	Pietro & Marianne Luporini
		5 pm	Kim Bottini
Sun.	June 27	8 am	Rich Herbst
		9:30	Ben & Louise Cremers
		11:30	People of St. Pius
		5 pm	Jim McCracken

Theology by the Glass

Join us at this month's Theology by the Glass gathering. Get to know others in the parish while enjoying a glass of wine and listening to an engaging speaker. This month Fr. Jim McKearney, Rector/President of St. Patrick's Seminary & University, will discuss the spirituality of priesthood. We will meet at **Angelica's Bistro** in downtown Redwood City at **7:00 pm on Tuesday, June 22nd**. Call or email Laura for more information at laura@pius.org or 361-1411.

Catechists needed for the 2010-2011 school year.

If you are an adult or high school student and wish to share your faith with elementary-age children (K-5), please contact Maria Cornell at 368-0429 or Maria@pius.org for more information, and to begin the process. Classes are held on Sundays from 10:30-11:30 am and on Wednesday afternoons from 3:45-4:45 pm. Training for new (and current) catechists will take place in August.

WELCOME TO THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Jaxson Musil
Camila Diaz

**HAPPY
FATHER'S DAY**

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SENIOR FRIENDSHIP CLUB

On Friday, June 25th we'll have a pot luck lunch so please bring your favorite dish.

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

President: Brad Naylor
Vice-President: Tony Perazzo
2nd Vice President: Dave Swan
Treasurer: John Cuneo
Secretary: Brian Cuneo

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womensclub@pius.org
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Corres. Secretary: Laura Vargas
Treasurer: Bobbie Day

PTG BOARD

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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

(361-0655)

Patty Dana	Rita Morton
Mary Dickinson	Pam Nehrenz
Mary Houweling	Dorothy Rottinghaus
Elizabeth Rowan-Mitchell	Katie Stasun
Rich Morton	

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