

WELCOME to St. Pius Parish!

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

Eighteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time August 1, 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

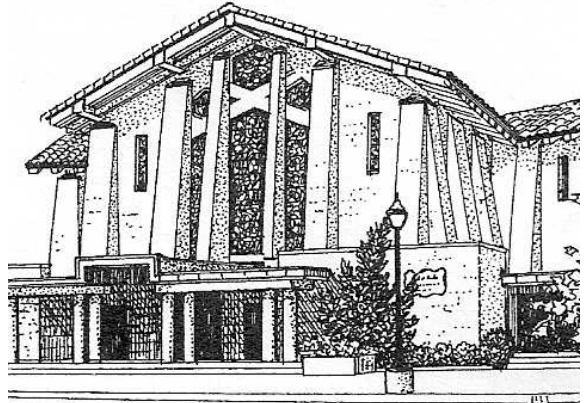
Vigil Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses: 8:00, 9:30,
11:30 am & 5:00 pm

Daily Mass: 8:00 am (M-Sat)

Parish Staff

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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 12:13-21)

One of the themes running through the gospels is that wealth can be an obstacle to entering fully into relationship with God. It is not wealth in itself that is problematic but rather valuing material riches above everything else and the constant desire to accumulate more and more. We have the story of the rich young man who asks Jesus what he must do to inherit the kingdom and Jesus tells him to sell everything he has and give away the proceeds. The young man goes away sad because he thought that with his great accumulation of wealth he'd be able to buy anything that he needed to gain the kingdom. We also have the saying of Jesus that it is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.

The parable in today's gospel depicts a man who has so much grain that he decides to build bigger barns to store it all. The parable follows Jesus' teaching that "a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs." The point is about having more than we need. What good is served by one person having more than they need while others do not have enough to meet their needs? The rich man who had the abundant harvest could have stored up all that he needed and still been able to share the abundance with others.

Liberation theology introduced the catch phrase, "live simply so that others may simply live". The call was for those in wealthier countries to simplify their wasteful and indulgent lifestyles so that others may be able to meet their most basic of needs.

Scriptural context – Do not worry

This parable and teaching about the love of wealth is followed up by Jesus telling his disciples not to worry about what they will eat and what they will wear. He invites them to look to the birds of the air and flowers of the fields. God provides them with all that they need. Jesus tells his disciples to seek the kingdom, and all the other necessities of life will be given to them as well. Rather than focusing on accumulating wealth as the rich man in today's parable, Jesus reassures his disciples that if they focus their lives on the kingdom they will have all that they need.

Living the Gospel – This hoard of yours...

Our modern society is particularly dominated by a mindset of accumulating more than we might ever need. The saying "Whoever has the most toys, wins" holds more than just a shred of truth for many people. Our consumerist lifestyle

nurtures the desire to accumulate more and more "stuff". Every time we turn on the television there is a new "must have" gadget. We talk about built-in obsolescence of manufactured goods and every new technological device makes older models redundant so that we feel we constantly have to upgrade. How would we answer God's question, "so this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?"

Questions for Children

- Q. In today's gospel, what did the farmer grow?
- Q. What did he decide to build?
- Q. Why did he want to store everything up?
- Q. God told the farmer that he was foolish to try and store everything up because he was not going to live forever. Why does God warn the farmer against putting all his effort into storing up wealth and possessions?
- Q. How can we be "rich" rather than "poor" in the sight of God?

Questions for Adolescents

- Q. Why might the man in the crowd have asked Jesus to sort out the dispute with his brother?
- Q. What is the message of Jesus' parable about the rich man with the good harvest?
- Q. What does Jesus mean by making ourselves "rich in the sight of God"?
- Q. How could you simplify your lifestyle and make a difference in the lives of others?
- Q. How is it possible to maintain integrity in the face of constant advertising pressure to acquire new things?

Questions for Adults

- Q. In what way is the parable an answer to the man's question about the dispute with his brother?
- Q. What experience do you have of people hoarding their wealth and sharing their abundance?
- Q. What are the implications of this gospel for the way we share our personal gifts and talents?
- Q. How could your local community better strive to live out this gospel message?



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From the Desk of Father Jim

This Message is to advise our Parishioners that, in the past week, someone took the 11th Station of the Cross off our Church wall. Additionally, there has been repeated theft of candles from our Candle room. In light of these thefts, I am calling upon you, our Parishioners, to please be observant of any suspicious activity of person(s) in and around the Church and it's premises. Should you observe someone and/or notice any items disturbed or missing, please notify the Parish Center Office and/or the Redwood City Police Dept. immediately. I thank you for your assistance and cooperation in helping to resolve this matter.

PRAYER & INVESTITURE OF MONSIGNORS

Archbishop Niederauer invites you to Evening Prayer in honor of the Assumption and the Investiture of our new Monsignors, **Sunday, August 15th, 4:00 pm**, at the Cathedral of St. Mary, Geary and Gough, San Francisco. Congratulations to: Rev. Monsignor James O'Malley, Rev. Monsignor James Tarantino, Rev. Monsignor C. Michael Padazinski, and Rev. Monsignor John Talesfore.

BUDGET REPORT 2009-2010

As of 7/26/10	Budgeted	Actual
Income		
Offertory	\$ 44,440.00	\$ 38,208.00
Festival	-	-
Christmas	-	-
Easter		
Total	\$ 44,440.00	\$ 38,208.00
Deficit		\$ (6,232.00)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY:

Rosetta Nicolosi
Antonio Paravati

WELCOME TO THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Mycah Do	Azalea Fayette
Nicolas Yglesias	Savino Santana
Laleigh Abigail Clemencio	Nunzio Cano

SCHOOL SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:

The school office is **closed until 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

A Message to the Person(s) who removed the 11th Station of the Cross

We call upon you to please return this Station of the Cross to its position on the Church wall. This Station is part of a set and is irreplaceable as it has been in the Church since it's beginning. We implore upon your good conscience and Catholic faith to return the missing Station to its rightful home.

Men's Club Golf Tournament

The St. Pius Men's Club will be holding its Annual Golf Tournament on Saturday, October 16th, at Palo Alto Municipal Golf Course. This event is always a lot of fun and spots are filling up quickly. Please email mensclub@pius.com or call Tony Perazzo at 415)365-5446 to reserve your spot and receive an early registration form before a mailer goes out to all parishioners. The tournament will sell out, so please respond now!

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

We have received **\$103,105** from **338** parishioners, toward our assessment of \$114,500. We have reached **90%** of our goal. If you do not have the pledge 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.

Youth Ministry Information Night for Adults

This meeting is for parents of junior high or high school students and adults who want to support the youth in our parish. We will discuss the opportunities for both junior high & high school students to be involved in the parish and have some fun! We will also discuss how the adults of the parish (parents and other adults) can support this important ministry. Please join us on **Tuesday, August 3rd at 7 pm, in the Youth Ministry Room** (Room 4 of the school). Please call Laura at 361-1411 or Laura@pius.org if you have any questions or ideas regarding Youth Ministry.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK AND THEIR CAREGIVERS IN OUR COMMUNITY:

Deacon Steve	Therese Buelher	Gene Clark
Belinda Redington	Pauline Truscelli	Marilyn Beale
Alice Sotto	Ligaya Lim	Tim Burke

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.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Married Couples: The greatest gift you can give your children - two parents deeply in love with each other. Come and renew your love at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Call Paul & Yvonne at 366-7093 or go to sf.lovemoredeeply.org. The next weekend is **August 13 - 15.**

MEMORIAL MASS FOR MSGR. ARMSTRONG

This Mass will be celebrated by Monsignor Michael Hariman at the outdoor cathedral of CYO Camp, Sunday, August 15th, at 1:00 pm. There is a reception to follow at the Union Hotel in Occidental. The Buffet dinner is \$20.00, with a no host bar. Please RSVP to Barbara at the hotel, (707) 874-3444. You can make your check out to Union Hotel, Post Office Box 1, Occidental, CA 95465.

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 years of age.

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CATECHISTS NEEDED for *Children's Liturgy of the Word* on Sunday mornings at the 9:30 am Mass, and for Children's Faith Formation on Sundays, 10:30-11:30 am, and Wednesdays, 3:45-4:45 pm. Training for catechists will be held on Saturday mornings and Tuesday evenings in August. Contact Maria Cornell for further information, Maria@pius.org.

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - SPIRITUAL CARE

The Spiritual Care Service at Stanford Hospital is seeking Catholic volunteers to visit, pray and offer the Eucharist to patients and families. Volunteers must be willing to commit two hours a week for a year and attend five evenings of training. You may request an application by calling 723-5101 or email

ghollingsworth@stanfordmed.org.

Leave your name, phone number, church affiliation and email address.

ST. PIUS CHURCH WEBSITE

Please check out our website at www.pius.org

MASSES

Sat.	July 31	5 pm	Mark Severi
Sun.	August 1	8 am	People of St. Pius
		9:30	Rosalie Longo
		11:30	Assunta & Noello Luporini
		5 pm	Noritka Symbatti
Mon.	August 2	8 am	Mary Gambelin
Tues.	August 3	8 am	The Penovich Family
Wed.	August 4	8 am	Joseph Sheehan
Thurs.	August 5	8 am	Dan Baldini
Friday	August 6	8 am	Evelyn Koenig
Sat.	August 7	8 am	Narciso & Santini Campigli
		5 pm	Siaosi Vehikite
Sun.	August 8	8 am	Andy Dei Rossi
		9:30	People of St. Pius
		11:30	Randy Cardellini
		5pm	Liam Brogan

YES (Youth Encountering Spirit) Training:

All potential high school leaders mark your calendars! On **July 31st & August 1st** (9 am - 5 pm both days), the Archdiocese of San Francisco is providing a two day training for high school leaders.

St. Pius will provide the transportation and chaperones for all those interested in attending. Contact Laura at laura@pius.org for more information on costs and registration.

RETREAT FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS OF ALCOHOLICS - VALLOMBROSA

The weekend of **August 20 - 22**, we will look at the tools and treasures of Al-Anon. We will have some conversations, some prayer, some quiet, and some time to rest and to share our experiences. The retreat begins at 4 pm on Friday and concludes on Sunday at lunch. For more information or to register call 325-5614 or

www.vallombrosa.org

DISCOUNT COUPONS - THEME PARKS

We have some discount coupons for Great America, Gilroy Gardens (Bonfante Gardens), Raging Waters, and Malibu. You are welcome to pick them up at the Parish Center. Be sure to check the expiration dates. *Each coupon* includes discounts for **up to six people**.

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

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

WOMEN'S CLUB

President: Julia Fex
womensclub@pius.org
First VP: Chris Swan
Corres. Secretary: Laura Vargas
Treasurer: Bobbie Day

PTG BOARD

President: Christine Healy
VP: Carolyn Reich
Secretary: Kelli Kellerman
Treasurer: Terri Bedel

ST. PIUS SENIOR FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Adele Sanchez, Coordinator
Meets each Friday in the Senior Room at 10:00 am

MEMBERS OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Karen Chang, Chair	Tom Lunzer
Kit Fragulia	Arcie Eppler
Joe Krauss	Bill McSweeney
Katie Stafford	Jan Sullivan
Anthony Price	Al Zappelli
Sharon Geenen	

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