St. Pius X Catholic Community

November 4, 2012 **Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

To love God with all your heart and to love your neighbor as yourself is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices

Mark 12:28b-34

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WELCOME TO

ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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MISSION STATEMENT

We the people of St. Pius X Church, a faith community in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Joliet, Illinois, accept the challenge to restore all things in Christ through the use of our gifts and ministry. Guided by the Father, nourished by the Eucharist, and inspired by the Holy Spirit we embrace all through our commitment to worship, education, service, and stewardship.

LEMA DE NUESTRA MISIÓN

Nosotros las personas de la Iglesia de San Pío X, una comunidad de fe Católica de la Diócesis de Joliet, Illinois, aceptamos los desafíos de restaurar todas las cosas en Cristo, por medio de nuestros talentos y ministerios. Guiados por el Padre, nutridos por la Eucaristía, e inspirados por el Espíritu Santo; unidos y comprometidos todos nosotros por medio de nuestros dones, educación y servicio.

Pastor:
Father George Zieba, CR

Deacons:
John Chan, Ron Knecht,
Larry Lissak, Tom Rachubinski

Hispanic Ministry Pastoral Assistant:
Fr. Fernando Cuevas, CS

Pastoral Care: Sr. Pauline Schutz, OSF

School Principal: Daniel Flaherty

Youth Ministry - Director: Gina Wiedman

Faith Formation - Director: Dee Sulla

Music Ministry - Director: Ryan Rump

Hispanic Ministry - Coordinator / Secretary:
Laura Mora

Business Manager: John Matyasik

Administrative Assistant: Donna Cooper

Parish Secretary: Pam Matyasik

Maintenance Director: Sallie McGinn

Parish Office: 630-627-4526
Fax: 630-495-5926

Faith Formation: 630-627-1551

School: 630-627-2353
Fax: 630-627-1810

Convent 630-627-5810

IMPORTANT TO KNOW

MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 PM Anticipation of Sunday
Misa en Español: Sábado 7 PM
Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, and 11:30 AM
Mass interpreted in sign language:5 PM Sat.
Holy Days: see previous Sunday Bulletin
Weekdays: 8:30 AM Monday through Friday
Saturday: 8:30 AM First Saturday of each month

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 PM or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the first and third Sundays at the 11:30 AM Mass. No Baptisms are celebrated during Lent. Parent preparation is required. The parent meeting for Baptism is generally on the first Monday of the month at 7:00 PM. Please call the Parish Office for more information (630-627-4526).

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please call the Parish Office at least 6 months before your desired wedding date, to check availability.

FUNERALS

Arrangements should be made at the Parish Office before publication in the newspaper.

SICK CALLS

Homebound because of sickness or age, please call the Parish Office (630-627-4526) to arrange a visit with a Minister of Care or a priest.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office for arrangements.

Because of HIPAA Privacy regulations, hospitals can no longer contact the parish without family consent. If you are hospitalized and would like a priest or minister to visit or have your name added to the Prayers of the Faithful, your family should notify the Parish Office.

INFORMATION ABOUT OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

For questions and instruction in the faith or to become a part of the RCIA process (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), call the Parish Office.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday
9:00 AM—12:30 PM; 1:00 PM—4:00 PM
Friday: 9:00 AM—12:00 PM; 12:30—3:00 PM

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome! You are invited to come to or call the Parish Office to register. Forms are also available on the website.

MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

If you are interested in one of our many ministries or wish to volunteer time or talent, please contact the Parish Office or see our website for more details.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

If you have a prayer intention that you would like the parish to pray for, write it in the Book of Prayer in Church.

BULLETIN ARTICLES

Due **ten** days prior to bulletin date. Attach Word file and email to bulletin@stpiuslombard.org. Please put a contact name and phone number on each article indicating the date(s) you would like the article to run. Every effort will be made to see that your request is granted.

As a general rule, we encourage using "bulletin space" instead of a separate insert whenever possible——this saves the cost of printing. The following guidelines should be observed if an insert is necessary:A proposed insert must be submitted for approval prior to bulletin insertion weekend. Approved inserts must be delivered by Thursday to the Parish Office.

Pregnant? Confused? Need Help? Please call **Woman's Choice Services** at 630-261-9221.

R.E.T.U.R.N. Ministry (Post Abortion Reconciliation) 815-838-7171

Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life:
www.vocations.com or call 815-834-4004.
Support Serra Vocations at the monthly Vocation Mass and dinner at St. Petronille Parish in Glen Ellyn. Please call 630-932-8098 for information.

Reporting Sexual Abuse: Anyone who has reasonable cause to suspect the sexual abuse of a minor by a member of the clergy or other Church personnel is urged to report the matter immediately. To inform the Diocese of Joliet, call Mrs. Judith Speckman (Victim Assistance Coordinator) at 815-263-6467 or write the Diocese of Joliet, 425 Summit Street, Joliet 60435. Contact DCFS at 1-800-252-2873 or call the local County States Attorney.

FREE ministry to traveling Catholics.
For nationwide Mass times and locations:
www.Masstimes.org. or parishesonline.com

LITURGICAL NEWS

Liturgical Calendar

Monday November 5-Weekday
Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:12-14
8:30 am †Bernice Hoban by Tom Nolte Family

Tuesday November 6-Weekday
Phil 2:5-11; Ps 22:26b-32; Lk 14:15-24
8:30 am †Mary Ann Gabriel by family
†Lee Kirchoff by Pauley Family

Wednesday November 7-Weekday
Phil 2:12-18; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 14:25-33
8:30 am †Joseph Jablonsky by family

Thursday November 8-Weekday
Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 15:1-10
8:30 am †Leo Reschak by family
†John Roche by family
(Grade School Participating)

Friday November 9-The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
8:30 am †Eileen Galvin by family
†Lou Duerinck by family

Saturday November 10-Saint Leo the Great
Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 81, 9; Lk 16:9-15
3:30-4:30 pm Reconciliation

Vigil—Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm †Viola Birner by Leo Zuke
7:00 pm Misa en español

Sunday November 11
1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:1-10; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44
7:30 am †Mortimer Rubenstein by family
†Margaret Prusz by Tadda Family
9:30 am †Mr. & Mrs. Peter Pietrolonardo by L. Maxwell
11:30 am †Mary Jane Crackel by Jan & Dave Crackel

St. Pius X Prayer Chapel

The Prayer Chapel is open Sunday through Friday evenings, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Please come and adore Him. Use Door #8 on east side of church building. Would you like to sign up for an hour per week in the Prayer Chapel? Please contact our leaders to pledge your hour.

Sunday	Estelle Soger	630-627-8310
Monday	Cathy Monckton	708-646-8067
Tuesday	Michelle LoCoco	630-620-6283
Wednesday	Linda Chan	630-941-8918
Thursday	Ceil D'Acquisto	630-627-9472
Friday	Carol Gawenda	630-833-3211

Ministry Schedule — November 10/11

Saturday 5:00 pm	**E/M**: L. Bajda, M. Burns, B. Kramer, S. Lechtenberg, R. Pitello, S. Trefilek **Lectors:** D. Fowler, L. Kunzer **A/S:** D. & M. Bajda, E. & J. Flaherty **G:** C. Devito, F. Krawczyk
Saturday 7:00 pm Español	**Acolitos:** A. Cruz, D. Morgan, R. Garcia **Ministros:** L. & J. Tolentino, H. & B. Torres, J. Aguilera **Hospitalidad:** F. Garcia, D. Morales, M. Lagunas, R. Segura **Lectores:** A. Segura, A. Segura
Sunday 7:30 am	**E/M:** S. Cerone, D. Czocher, C. Gawenda, D. May-Carter, L. Newman, D. Pflum **Lectors:** G. Wiedman, D. Galvin **A/S:** T. Georgitsis, M. Hassler, L. & R. Wiedman **G:** J. Nelson, C. Wilson
Sunday 9:30 am	**E/M:** J. Gosmire, B. & H. Grant, M. Koykar, J. Meyer, B. Sutton **Lectors:** L. Meyer, B. Whalen **A/S:** E. Ciaccio, H. Konrath, J. Pantano, C. Yarusso **G:** W. & C. Stuercke
Sunday 11:30 am	**E/M:** F. & J. Enda, C. & K. Grafton, N. Rigor, D. Trapp **Lectors:** M. Reaves, K. Gandt **A/S:** E. Castaneda, E. Crotty, J. Schneider, S. Williams **G:** J. & M Gerlesits

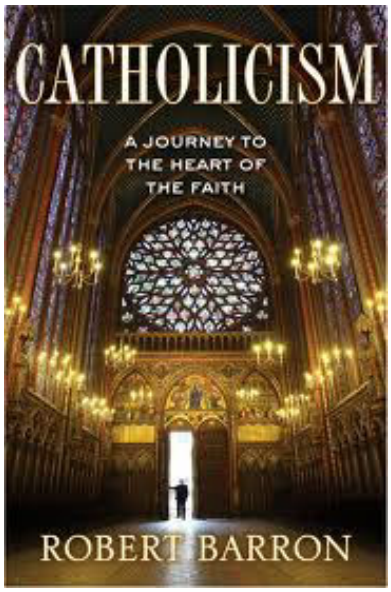
Altar Servers:
Friday, November 9 at 8:30 am— J. Braddock, K. Tortorici

Correction: This weekend's hosts for Fellowship weekend — Elizabeth Ministry.

the following parishioners and friends who are ill:

McKenna Tyszkiewicz
Antoinette Pignatoro
Linda Sloan
Eileen Blaney
Kevin Blaney
John Johnson
George McAloon
Irene Halicka
George O'Connor

The Adult Faith Formation Committee Presents



"Catholicism is a one of a kind, global, and intimate journey, capturing "The Catholic Thing" in all its depth and beauty. Eclectic, unique, and inspiring, Father Barron seeks to capture the body, heart, and mind of the Catholic faith in a style that is both faithful to timeless truths while simultaneously speaking in the language of contemporary life." *Catholicism*

There is something for everyone in this series. Intellectual arguments, art, architecture, literature, music and all the riches of the Catholic tradition are used to explain what Catholics believe. Travel with Father Barron to 15 countries, from Italy to Mexico, India, Uganda, and the Holy Land, and see how Catholics worldwide celebrate the Faith.

"Father Barron is one of the Church's best Messengers." *Francis Cardinal George*

Wednesdays from 6:45 pm until 8:15 pm in the church

November 7:	The Revelation of God Become Man
November 14:	The Teachings of Jesus
November 28:	That Which Nothing Greater can be Thought
December 5:	Mary, the Mother of God
December 12:	Peter, Paul, and the Missionary Adventure

From Father Barron as interviewed in *Christ is Our Hope*, September 2011:

What do you hope people take away from this series? *"I hope Catholics feel uplifted in their faith and better informed about it…I want…Catholics to feel a renewed sense of pride in their faith...through the words and ideas and even more so by the imagery and the beauty of the faith."*

"I would like… to set a certain fire for evangelization in people...We all need to be about the work of evangelization."

Questions? Contact Mary Jane Tadda (mjtbook@aol.com, 630-935-3701)
Barb Harazin (bharazin@comcast.net, 630-629-7956)

Year of Faith: October 11, 2012—November 24, 2013

Catechism Corner

"The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life. It is the mystery of God himself. It is therefore the source of all the other mysteries of faith, the light that enlightens them." (CCC, n. 234)

Year of Faith Events:

November 10, 2012: *A day of reflection for married couples in their 20s & 30s will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.* at St. Isaac Jogues Parish, 306 W. Fourth St., Hinsdale.

All married men and women in their 20s and 30s are invited to participate in this retreat exclusively for young couples, focusing specifically on the spirituality and needs of the early years of marriage. This retreat, co-sponsored by the Diocese of Joliet and Charis Ministries, will include witness presentations, time for prayer, and opportunities for connecting with other couples. It will conclude with Mass, and an optional wine-and-cheese social in the evening. The cost is only $45 per couple and includes food and snacks, as well as retreat materials. The evening social is available for an additional $15 per couple. Registration and payment of $45 per couple can be done online (by Nov. 7) at http://charisministries.org/Marriage_Chicago_Nov2012.

For more information, contact Paul Jarzembowski (815-834-4047) or pjarzembowski@dioceseofjoliet.org.

YEAR OF FAITH PRAYER

O God, as you sent your Holy Spirit
upon the early Church
in the fiery tongues and
the mighty wind of Pentecost,
so now we ask you
to send that same Spirit upon us
that we may go forth
to proclaim the Gospel of Christ
to every creature.
We humbly pray
that you deepen your Trinitarian life within us;
make us effective and holy witnesses
of Jesus' death and Resurrection;
help us to live our Catholic faith
with such joy, conviction, and love
that others will be drawn
to the sacred mystery of your Church
and the powerful grace of the sacraments.
We implore you
to make us ministers of your Word,
in speech and action, in truth and charity,
in the mystery of Jesus' cross,
and the light of his resurrected glory.
Amen.

Diocesan webpage for Year of Faith:
www.dioceseofjoliet.org/yearoffaith/

PARISH ASSEMBLY DAY ONE – OCTOBER 27, 2012

On the morning of October 27, nearly 100 of our fellow parishioners convened in the Parish Social Center to share their ideas and dreams for the future of our parish. They began the process of developing our *Vision of Hope*, a new Parish Pastoral Plan, based on the seven essential elements that form the foundation of the pastoral mission of each parish. These elements: Worship; Community; Leadership; Word; Service; Evangelization; and Stewardship, constantly interrelate, each nurturing and supporting the other.

Participants were randomly assigned to one of seven groups and spent time in reflection and discussion to generate goals that are intended to support the attainment of their particular element. Following the small group discussion period, assembly participants gathered again in a large group. Each small group facilitator made a presentation to the entire assembly, giving the rationale for the five goals that their group determined to be representative of the needs of the parish. The next step was to ask the larger group to prioritize those goals; the top three in each category will form the nucleus – the concentration for each area. The final selection was achieved through a voting process, the results of which are presented today.

Typically, goals are broad, general descriptions that explain what is to be done and a desired result to be attained within three to five years. Objectives, on the other hand usually are brief, clear statements of outcomes to be reached within one year – each as a step toward goal attainment. The method(s) of achieving each goal will be determined in two weeks when we reconvene to develop those objectives.

As with the first assembly day, we urge all parishioners – high school age to VIP's - to participate in the process of setting the action plan – the objectives to meet the goals set last Saturday. We will meet again on November 10 from 8:30 AM until noon in the Social Center. Again – child care will be provided (ages 4-11). You need not have been at the first assembly to participate on the 10th. All are welcome. Assembly Day One was about "what" – Assembly Day Two will be about "how" – all insights are appreciated. Please come, be one of those who set the path to achieving our dreams for the future of our parish. Registration forms are available in the back of church, on line at www.stpiuslombard.org, or from the Parish Office.

Here are the prioritized results of Assembly Day One. On Assembly Day Two we will write objectives that will lead toward the attainment of the top three goals in each category. Thank you to all those who came together to share their time and talent - to revitalize our faith community – *to restore all things in Christ.* Join us on November 10.

WORSHIP – *INCLUDES ALL COMPONENTS OF WORSHIP AND THE FOSTERING OF INDIVIDUAL SPIRITUAL GROWTH.*

1. **Promote increased Mass attendance.**
2. **Create liturgies that embrace all age groups, i.e. family Masses.**
3. **To educate the community about reverence of service and worship**
4. **To connect people to sacramental presence of the Lord and each other**
5. **Continuing education for parish leaders -/chairs of commissions; Music Director; Liturgy Coordinator**

COMMUNITY – *INCLUDES THE SENSE OF BELONGING OF ALL MEMBERS, FRIENDLY, WELCOMING, AND OUTREACH TO PARISHIONERS TO INVOLVE AND INCLUDE THEM IN PARISH LIFE.*

1. **Inclusion of coming together with all faith groups, i.e. teens, Hispanic, SPRED, V.I.P's, etc.**
2. **To grow our community in numbers and retain for generations to come**
3. **Interacting with other parishes to grow as a uniform Catholic Community**
4. **To make our community totally welcoming**
5. **To grow as community in more prayer**

LEADERSHIP *– INCLUDLES THE LEADERSHIP OF THE PASTOR, PASTORAL AND SCHOOL STAFF, AND MINISTRIES. IT INVOLVES THE VISION, PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE, AND EVALUATING THE SUCCESS OF PARISH EFFORTS.*

1. **Interweave all St. Pius X communities into one parish family (Hispanic Community, School, Faith Formation, Scouting families, etc.)**
2. **Develop and promote existing and new leaders, inclusive of teens, young adults, families, etc.**
3. **Networking with surrounding parishes and other community organizations to share resources and ideas.**
4. **Enhance visibility of existing leaders.**
5. **Make leadership opportunities known to community**

WORD *– REFERS TO THE SPIRITUAL FORMATION IN THE PARISH, AND INCLUDES EXPLAINING, INFORMING AND FORMING PARISHIONERS OF ALL AGES IN SCRIPTURE, CHURCH TEACHING, AND TRADITION.*

1. **Create forum for young adults (college age) to explore scripture, understanding why they are coming to church.**
2. **Support and educate our teachers (school and religious education) in their spiritual formation.**
3. **Establish opportunity for marriage enrichment.**
4. **Provide support and education of parents in the area of scripture.**
5. **Create a forum for single adults to explore and understand scripture.**

SERVICE *– INCLUDES ALL PARISH WORK DIRECTED AT ADVANCING ALL SOCIAL CONCERNS IN THE WIDER WORLD, NATION AND COMMUNITY*

1. **Educate parishioners about our existing ministries and mission of each one.**
2. **Expand our participation base to ensure the entire parish community feels welcome.**
3. **Remind our community that we are called to serve – Corporal works of mercy**
4. **Provide service opportunities inside and outside the parish for one-time service projects.**
5. **Understand the needs of different communities with the parish.**

EVANGELIZATION *– INCLUDES ALL EFFORTS TO WITNESS TO THE GOSPEL ESPECIALLY TO THE UNCHURCHED AND NON-PRACTICING CATHOLICS*

1. **Develop ways to attract parishioners who have left the parish.**
2. **Create a liturgy that meets the expectations of the middle age group.**
3. **To develop faith formation programs for adults**
4. **To explore ministries/programs at other parishes**
5. **Create an awareness of ministries we already have.**

STEWARDSHIP *– INVOLVES CHALLENGING PARISHIONERS TO SHARE THEIR TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE WITH THE PARISH.*

1. **To educate parishioners about the effective use of their treasure and areas of specific needs.**
2. **To increase school and faith formation families' participation in Mass and ministries**
3. **To bring back parishioners**
4. **To continue to expand and follow up with "Time and Talent" appeal**
5. **To educate parishioners about ministries within the parish**

KNIGHTLIFE

what's happening at school . . .

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Recognizing Good Deeds

St. Pius students are getting recognized daily for their good deeds and actions at school. The **Awesome Christian Example** (ACE) award is a way for teachers and staff to acknowledge extraordinary acts of service and kindness performed by students. Principal Daniel Flaherty presents the awards along with a congratulatory handshake to proud recipients at the end of each school day. "ACE awards are a means of positive reinforcement and let our students know that they have set a terrific example," he says. "Their parents should be very proud."

Photo: Nicholas C. receives an **Awesome Christian Example** Award.

Photo above: Jonathan Y. makes a face as he scoops pumpkin seeds. Fellow classmates Luke I. and Kendall M. look on.

Pumpkins - Inside and Out!

Kindergarteners received a hands-on and *hands-in* lesson on pumpkins this week in preparation for Halloween. The students measured the circumference of the pumpkins, weighed them and even experimented with placing them in water to see if they would float. After all the measurements were recorded, the fun really began as they dug in, and removed and counted the many seeds. The children completed the project by drawing faces on their pumpkins.

GIRLS NIGHT OUT

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH
SOCIAL CENTER AT 7:00 P.M.

Join us for a wonderful evening of fun! Start your shopping early or just treat yourself to a night out and meet new friends. If you are interested in being a vendor please contact Martha at 630-251-6490 or: mwiemerslage@att.net

BLACK & GOLD Gala

DINNER, MUSIC, LIVE & SILENT AUCTION
AT THE CARLISLE IN LOMBARD
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2013

Principal Flaherty is Now Tweeting!

Parents wanting our principal's perspective on what's going on daily at school can become a follower! Simply go to: twitter.com/PiusXPrincipal and sign up!

JOIN US FOR OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, November 13th & Wednesday, November 14th
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Tour the school & pick-up a registration packet!

Our Very Own Christmas Stars

Congratulations to all St. Pius students chosen to perform in **It's a Wonderful Life A Live Radio Play:** Stephanie E., Hailey B., Shannon F., Jake F., Kaitlyn R. and Jack W. We are also proud of Brianna W. who was chosen as production assistant. The play, a Saint Genesius Production, will be held on Saturday, December 15th at 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., at Montini Catholic High School. Ticket order forms are available for download at: www.stpiuslombard.org/school.

FORMING CONSCIENCES FOR FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP

"Responsible citizenship is a virtue,
and participation in political life is a moral obligation."
-- Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship

By our baptism, Catholics are committed to following Jesus Christ and to be "salt for the earth, light for the nations." As the Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us, "It is necessary that all participate, according to his position and role, in promoting the common good. This is inherent in the dignity of the human person ... As far as possible citizens should take an active part in public life" (nos. 1913-1915).

READ MORE AT:
http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship/index.cfm

ELECTION PRAYER

Lord God, as the election approaches,
we seek to better understand the issues and concerns that confront our country,
and how the Gospel compels us to respond as faithful citizens in our community.
We ask for eyes that are free from blindness
so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity,
especially those who are victims of abuse and violence, deceit and poverty.
We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn and those abandoned,
Men and women oppressed because of race or creed, religion or gender.
We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of leaders
who will bring us closer to your Kingdom.
We pray for discernment so that we may choose leaders who hear your Word,
live your love, and keep in the ways of your truth
as they follow in the steps of Jesus and his Apostles
and guide us to your Kingdom of justice and peace.
We ask this in the name of your Son Jesus Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

PARISH NEWS

Our Stewardship of Sharing

Weekly Financial Report

Weekly Contributions ~ October 2012	
First Week Offering (10/1/12)	$8,101
First Week E-Share (electronic giving)	10,942
Second Week Offering (10/8/12)	12,386
Second Week E-Share	1,609
Third Week Offering (10/15/12)	9,900
Third Week E-Share	2,478
Fourth Week Offering (10/22/12)	10,724
Fourth Week E-Share	1,422
Fifth Week Offering (10/29/12)	9,676
Fifth Week E-Share	1,321
Income for October 2012	**$68,559**
Budgeted Income for October	**$74,230**
Over (Under) Budget	**(5,671)**

Fiscal Year-to-Date
July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013

Revenue	**257,419 thru October 31**
Budget	**267,230 thru October 31**
Deficit	**(9,811)**

Thank you for your continued support of our ministries to the people of God.

This Week's Calendar of Events

Monday-November 5		
Baptismal Preparation	7:00 pm	Church
Tuesday-November 6		
New Altar Server Training	3:15 pm	Church
Liturgy Meeting	7:00 pm	Parish Office
Boy Scouts	7:00 pm	Social Center
Wednesday-November 7		
New Altar Server Training	3:15 pm	Church
Webelo Den	6:30 pm	Wagner Room
Catholicism Series	7:00 pm	Church
Troop 140 Leaders	7:00 pm	Art Room
Rosary/Prayer/Benediction	8:00 pm	Prayer Chapel
Thursday-November 8		
All School Mass	8:30 am	Church
Environmental Awareness	7:00 pm	Convent
Stewardship Council	7:00 pm	Parish Office
Friday-November 9		
Platicas Pre-Bautismales	7:00 pm	Wagner Room
Saturday-November 10		
Parish Assembly	8:30 am	Social Center

V.I.P. Senior Group Reminder

Thank you for your RSVP. November13: Mass at 11:30 am. Lunch in Wagner Room after Mass.

We Care — We Share

In today's Gospel Jesus tells us ***"You shall love your neighbor as yourself."*** How can we as a community show our love for our less fortunate neighbors?

In addition to our current pantry needs of:
Bottled water
Canned meals
Toothbrushes
donations of hats, coats, shoes and gloves would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for all you continue to do.

Have you noticed the Rosebuds at the Shrine of Mary Immaculate?

It is a beautiful space to petition prayers in support of those who are pregnant, celebrating birth or adoption, grieving miscarriage, stillbirth, abortion, infant or child death or wanting to become pregnant or adopt.

At the Shrine of Mary Immaculate you will find a basket of rosebuds.
Each will have an appropriate tag in support of women who are:

- Pregnant (Pink Rosebud)
- Celebrating birth or adoption (Red Rosebud)
- Grieving miscarriage, stillbirth, abortion, infant or child death (White Rosebud)
- Wanting to become pregnant or adopt (Yellow Rosebud)

You are invited to pick out the appropriate rosebud and fill out the attached tag.

Put the rosebud with the tag attached in the crystal vase provided.

Prayer cards for the various situations are displayed next to the vase in a holder. If you are filling out a tag, you are invited to take a prayer card for your personal meditation. Please do not take the rose home.

NOTE: The roses are not meant to take home for meditation. The Elizabeth Ministry uses the roses to keep your special intention in their daily prayers and to add to their Prayer Chain. After a few weeks the roses are recycled to use for new petitions.

For additional questions or direct prayer requests, please contact Mary Commare at 630-932-8046.

Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come

Week of Nov. 4: *Session 8 – Seven Bowls of Judgment and the Fall of Babylon*
Readings: Revelation 16-18

We now enter into the final set of earthly judgments as God responds to the fervent worship of his servants in Revelation 15:3-4 by releasing seven angels to pour out seven bowls of wrath upon the earth. As with the plagues brought on by the seals and trumpets in earlier chapters, these plagues are reminiscent of the Egyptian plagues. However, these judgments are final and definitive, affecting every living thing as opposed to the quarter of the earth affected by the breaking of the seals and the third affected by the trumpets. At the close of chapter 16, John's visions will move from this general judgment upon an unrepentant world to a specific judgment upon "Great Babylon," pictured as an alluring woman upon a beast who seduces the kings of the earth. Following the description of Babylon in all of its sinful glory, a warning of destruction is sounded and an angel sings her funeral hymn, which is a word of hope that all of God's enemies, no matter how mighty and attractive, will fall before his justice and righteousness.

Please be sure to check the location of your group on a weekly basis so you know where you are meeting. Also remember to arrive at least ten minutes prior to your session start time so that sessions may start on time.

If you have any questions about the study, call Kelly Reznicek at 630-629-5954 or e-mail KellyRez@comcast.net.

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Al acercarnos al final del año litúrgico escuchamos las lecturas del Evangelio de la etapa final del ministerio de Jesús: sus enseñanzas en Jerusalén. Este domingo Jesús está en conversación con uno de los escribas del templo. En un hecho más bien raro, Jesús y el escriba están de acuerdo con los dos mandamientos: amar a Dios con todo tu ser y amar a tu prójimo como a ti mismo.

En la selección del Deuteronomio hoy, Moisés enseña a los hijos de Israel lo que es el centro de su vida de fe y oración, y el Salmo 17 hace eco a esta oración con las palabras: "Yo te amo, SE
ÑOR, tú eres mi fuerza" (Salmo 17:2). Judíos y cristianos están de acuerdo en que nuestra mayor responsabilidad es amar al Dios uno y único, y que no podemos pretender amar a Dios sin amar a nuestro prójimo como a mismos.

LAS LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Guarden los mandamientos y normas del Señor. Ama al Señor, tu Dios, con todo tu ser (Deuteronomio 6:2-6).

Salmo — Ye te amo, Señor, tú eres mi fuerza (Psalm 18 [17]).

Segunda lectura — Jesús permanece para la eternidad y no cesará de ser sacerdote. Él se ofreció una vez por todas por los pecados de su pueblo (Hebreos 7:23-28).

Evangelio — Ama al Señor y a tu prójimo como a ti mismo. No hay ningún mandamiento más importante que estos (Marcos 12:28b-34).

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