

Catholic Community of St. Pius X

Magi from the East arrived



JANUARY 8, 2012

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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First (Hebrew) Scripture: Isaiah 60:1-6

The splendor of the Holy City of Jerusalem is proclaimed. It is a beacon of light in the darkness.

The New Testament Letter: Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6

The salvation of God is given to Gentiles as well as Jews. The Gentiles are the limbs of the body of Israel.

The Gospel of the Epiphany: Matthew 2:1-12

The visit of the Magi from the east sparks a troubled mind in Herod and his followers. The newborn king is not in the halls of power but in a house with his mother. The Magi visit, pay homage to the child, and present gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh, before returning home guided by a dream from God.



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Breaking Open God's Word:

The light has come into the darkness of the world. Yes, the glory of God shines. The star filled with a special light leads the Magi to Christ. They give him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. He is the one. He is the light of the world, the source of light, the Christ.

Reflections on the Readings:

As a society, during these days we can be in something of a “postpartum” depression. Our celebrations of Christmas and the New Year are over, and after today many of us will put away the decorations and the last visible remnants of the celebrations of the past weeks. The apostle Paul today uses the expression “partners in the promise.” This is an uplifting phrase for us to reflect upon, and to think of as our own calling in these days following the birth of the Lord. What is this promise? We can find it in the gifts the magi bring: it is a promise of being a royal priesthood (gold), a holy nation (frankincense), a people set apart for self-giving (myrrh). We find more of the promise in Isaiah—a light shines upon us! In the psalm we know a promise of a world of flowering justice, profound peace, the poor rescued, pity for the lowly and the poor. This is the promise; and one of the best ways for us to lift ourselves out of any possible low spirits we may be suffering is to live out our partnership in this promise each and every day.

WHAT WILL THE NEIGHBORS THINK?

It must have been quite a sight on the streets of Bethlehem as the magi, those star-searchers, made their way to the house of Joseph (in Matthew's Gospel the holy family are residents of Bethlehem until the flight to Egypt). Imagine the wonder that filled the eyes of the neighborhood children as this caravan made its way. Matthew doesn't tell us many specifics about them (he never numbers them as three or calls them “kings”), but travel was hard in that time, and “safety in numbers” was the rule for making a lengthy trek. Most likely it was a lengthy cortege that wound its way under the guidance of that star. If the celestial phenomenon that guided them there hadn't already excited the village, the arrival of these women and men (in the ancient world astrologers and sign-readers were frequently female) with their dromedaries, unusual clothing, foreign ways—and gifts!—certainly would have roused the neighbors. News travels fast in small towns, and imagine the surprise when it was learned where these travelers stopped.

DON'T BE FOOLED

We can include the magi on our list of role models in faith for the season. They were not Jews, but were willing to follow a route that led to an insignificant and troublesome Roman province. When they were led to the holy family's humble abode in Bethlehem they did not say, “No way! This can't be the place. It's too lowly, they're not affluent enough.” They simply bowed down and worshipped Jesus the Christ, in a scene that prefigures the disciples bowing to worship him later in Matthew's Gospel after his resurrection. These sign-seekers were willing to be led by their wonder, ready to persist in their journey, not knowing where the quest for their revelation would lead them, but open to its possible presence anywhere. We, like they, must be ready to seek the *epiphania*, the manifestation of God, earnestly and honestly, and be prepared to bow in worship when we find it.

MESSAGE FROM FR. GEORGE

“Brothers and sisters:

You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace
that was given to me for your benefit,
namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation.
It was not made known to people in other generations
as it has now been revealed
to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit:
that the Gentiles [*Foreigners*] are coheirs, members of the same body,
and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel.”
Ephesians 3:2-6



Dear Parishioners:

Just a few weeks ago my religious community, the Congregation of the Resurrection, who already serves two parishes in the Diocese of Joliet, learned of the need for pastoral assistance at another of its parishes. That parish was St Pius X.

As you know Father Tom is taking his much-needed rest to refocus on his life and priestly ministry. Please continue to keep Father Tom in your prayers. I am very grateful to Bishop Daniel Conlon for allowing me to serve the People of God in the Diocese of Joliet, particularly you, the Parishioners of St Pius X.

I come to you as a stranger, hoping to become your brother. I also come to listen, to learn, and to love. I hope that you will find an extra room in your lives and in your hearts for me, and I humbly ask you to accept me for who I am – to accept the gift of my life and of my love for you. As I join you in your journey of faith to God's Kingdom I would like to assure you that in my pastoral service to you I will strive to serve your greater spiritual well-being and together with you, continue in our efforts to “restore all things in Christ” for the greater glory of God.

I have been appointed the Administrator of St Pius X Parish. This role imposes on me the awesome responsibility of leading you in all matters from the most mundane to the most complicated. I am called upon to ensure that this parish is spiritually, administratively, and financially sound. I can only do this by collaborating with you. I need your input, your understanding of the institutional history here, and your creative insights for the future. I want you to know that I take this responsibility very seriously and as your servant I will do all that I can to be faithful to this ministry entrusted to me.

At all times, I will ask one thing from all of you: communication. Our work together can only be successful if we have a full and open channel of communication. We cannot make fully informed decisions without full information. So I will expect you to come to me and talk to me. Together we can solve any problem.

As your Priest charged with the duties of a pastor, I am responsible for providing you with sacramental opportunities and spiritual growth. I am hopeful that during my short tenure we can continue to grow as a faith community.

Finally, as your Brother I will do all these things with an abundance of humanity and humility. Like all of you I will stumble and fall, and like all of you I will need prayers and support. I know that you have always been a gracious and loving community and I am hopeful that you will accept me as a friend and brother.

I promise that I will support you and I would ask, cognizant of my humanity, that you give me your prayerful support as we go about our work of bringing the hope, joy, and peace of Christ's Resurrection to all. I look forward to our journey in faith together.

Sincerely yours in the Risen Christ,



Father George Zięba, CR

Welcome Father George!

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

DEACON SPEAKIN'



In today's gospel, we once again hear the story of the three wise men from the East (sometimes referred to as the three kings) coming to find the Messiah, the Christ child, Jesus. This gospel story tells us, along with the second reading, that Jesus came for all people, including

us Gentiles (non-Jews), and not just for the Jews. Jesus is the Jewish Messiah, but He is also our Messiah. As Paul states, the Gentiles are co-heirs with the Jews for all that God promised, and all that God gives us through His gift of Jesus Christ. How great is this!!!

The beauty and the wonder of the gospel is the fact that its message is as current and applicable to our personal lives as the latest newsbreak. Today, we ought to think of ourselves as one of the three wise men. And as the saying goes, "Wise men *still* seek Him" and we need to do that. When we look at the Christmas story, we see the shepherds come to the stable, see, worship and adore Jesus, and then go back to their lives with this new mission to tell the world, their own world for sure, about their meeting Jesus and what it meant to them. The magi also searched for Jesus, found Him, worshipped and adored Him, and then went back to their lives "by another way," a way that was different from where they came. They too were changed and surely were now on a mission to tell the world, their world, about the Jesus they met, and what it meant to them. Notice how none of these visitors stayed with Jesus. They met Him. Their lives were changed for having met Him. They were sent out into the world to spread the good news. We are to do the same. This Christmas, once again, we searched for Him through Advent. We met Him at the stable on Christmas. Now we must go back to our lives, changed for having met Him. Now we must start a new year telling the world, our world, what this Christmas season we just celebrated with the world has meant to us. How it has changed us. How it can change the world.

Pray for me as I will pray for you, that we go back to our ordinary lives "by another way."

Deacon Tom

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Monday January 9-The Baptism of the Lord
Is 55:1-11; Mk 1:7-11
8:30 am St. Pius X Parish Family

Tuesday January 10
1 Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28
8:30 am †Norma Stierheim by Diener Family

Wednesday January 11
1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Mk 1:29-39
8:30 am †John Roche by Betsy Chmelik

Thursday January 12
1 Sm 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45
8:30 am †Geri Draniczarek by Barb Keane

Friday January 13
1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mk 2:1-12
8:30 am St. Pius X Parish Family

Saturday January 14
1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Mk 2:13-17
10:30 am First Reconciliation
12:00 pm Baptism Ceremony
1:30 pm First Reconciliation
4:00-4:30 pm Reconciliation

Vigil—Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm †George Grass by Loretta Grass
†Carmella Perri by John & Carol Corsini
7:00 pm Misa en español

Sunday January 15
1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42
8:00 am St. Pius X Parish Family
9:30 am †John McIntier by Catherine Monckton
11:00 am †Joseph Jablonsky by Patricia Jablonsky and Linda Gunia
†Larry Piet by Family
12:30 pm Baptism Ceremony


Pray for the following parishioners
and friends who are ill:

Timothy Field
Fr. Herb Essig
Dolores Stroh

Joyce Watts
George McAloon

Marilyn Lawler
Ralph LoCoco

With the new year, we began a new prayer list. If you would like the name of a loved one on the list, please call Donna or Pam at 630-627-4526. They will remain on for eight weeks. After that time, family should let us know if they want them to remain on the list.

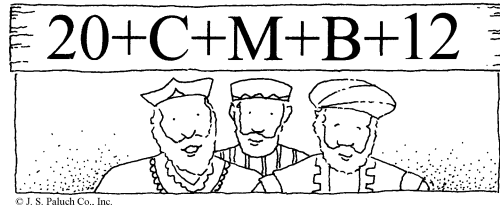
BLESS YOUR DOOR ON EPIPHANY

The Gospel tells us that the magi found Christ “on entering the house.” The door to your home is a holy threshold. You can bless those who come in and go out by inscribing above the door in chalk the first two numbers of the year+C+M+B+the last two numbers of the year. Tradition tells us that the letters stand for the name of the Magi: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar. Adolph Adam points out that it may also mean “Christus Mansionem benedicat” or “May Christ bless this dwelling.” It’s appropriate to bless your door in January—janua means “door” and the first month is the door to the new year.

After inscribing the doorway, say this prayer:

God of Bethlehem and Cana,
God of Jordan’s leaping waters,
in baptism you bring us into your family.
You wed us and embrace us
as your beloved.
May we fill this place
with kindness to one another,
with hospitality to guests,
and with abundant care
for every stranger.
By the gentle light of a star,
guide home all who seek you
on paths of faith, hope and love.
Then we will join the angels in
proclaiming your praise:
Glory in heaven and peace on earth,
Now and forever. Amen.

(Then sing a Christmas carol.)



**Blessed Chalk will be available after
Masses today.**



**St. Pius X School
Out To Dinner
Wednesday January 11 — 5 to 9 pm**

Auction tickets will be sold.
Anyone who purchases tickets gets an out of
uniform day on 1-19-2012

Gulliver’s will donate 20% of the sales for the day.

(Please present this flyer to server)

**St. Pius X School
January 11 — 5 to 9 pm**

**GULLIVERS
PIZZA & PUB**

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ST. PIUS X PARISH SCHOOL'S 2012 ANNUAL AUCTION

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FESTA ITALIANA

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saturday january 28th Saint Pius X Social Center the
knights of columbus 6090 presents a delicious event. we will be adding new menu
items so if you haven't come by in a few years please join us .

this is a party with a purpose. a portion
of the net proceeds will help fund the new handicapped entrance in the
Saint Pius X worship space. so come out enjoy the food, friends, family and fun. if
you would like to help sponsor this event please contact dan sulla
at [dfsulla@gmail](mailto:dfsulla@gmail.com) or 630.854.1536

see you there!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR P.A.D.S.

We need volunteers scheduled for the upcoming, January, February, March, and April Dinners and Breakfasts. St. Pius X is committed through P.A.D.S. (www.dupagepads.org) to provide and serve dinner for the homeless on the 4th Friday of each month from October through April at Grace Lutheran Church in Villa Park. Breakfast and a sack lunch are also provided the following morning. 3 to 4 Families for Dinner and 1 to 2 Families for Breakfast.

Contact Deacon Larry at 630-629-9234.

There is an opening in the early morning shift from 3:00 am to 7:00 am Saturday morning to watch the guests.

ACTS: THE SPREAD OF THE KINGDOM



Week of January 8 – Session 1:

Introduction to the Acts of the Apostles

Readings: Pages 1-6 in the binder; quickly read through Acts of the Apostles to familiarize yourself with the material we will be covering.

This study is the third part of the foundational studies of *The Great Adventure* that began with *The Bible Timeline* and continued with *Matthew: The King and His Kingdom*. In the book of Acts, we will see the work of Christ continuing beyond his resurrection as He empowers believers with the Holy Spirit to do His work on earth.

Facilitators should have contacted group members regarding the first session date and time. Groups will continue to meet in the same rooms as were assigned for the *Matthew* study.

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

ELIZABETH MINISTRY BAKE SALE



**BE SURE TO HANG ON TO
YOUR HOLIDAY DESSERT RECIPES
AND BAKING SUPPLIES!!**

**THE ELIZABETH MINISTRY
ANNUAL BAKE SALE
IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER ON
JANUARY 28/29
AND WE NEED YOUR HELP!!**

The Elizabeth Ministry is having its Annual Bake Sale the weekend of January 28/29 after all Masses. To make this a successful event, we are asking for both parish and school support. This major fundraiser supports our Elizabeth Ministry outreach and many programs including celebration gift bags for new baby/baptism and pregnancy. Won't you please consider making a batch of cookies or a cake to help support the ministry we do?

Baked goods can be dropped off between 2:30 pm and 5:00 pm on Saturday, January 28 in the Shimanek Hall at tables provided. The bake sale committee will take care of the pricing. You will receive a reminder call the Thursday before the bake sale. Wrapping instructions and labels are available in the O'Neill Room. We are hoping for many bakers! Please call **Sue D'Alessandro** at 630-617-5671 or **Chris Matasek** at 630-832-3251 with any questions or to sign up to bake. We greatly appreciate your response and support

Elizabeth Ministry is an international movement designed to support women and their families during the joys, challenges, and sorrows of the childbearing years. Our mission is to cherish children, encourage families and build community. We always welcome new members, are happy to offer prayer and support, and have many activities throughout the year for both fellowship and mission.

For more information on the Elizabeth Ministry, please feel free to contact **Donnamarie Dion** at 630-628-1969.



KNIGHTLIFE

what's happening at school . . .

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We're Now 500 Students Strong and Growing . . .

At St. Pius X Parish School we describe ourselves as "*a community of faith, service and academic excellence*" and we are performing extremely well in all aspects of our mission.

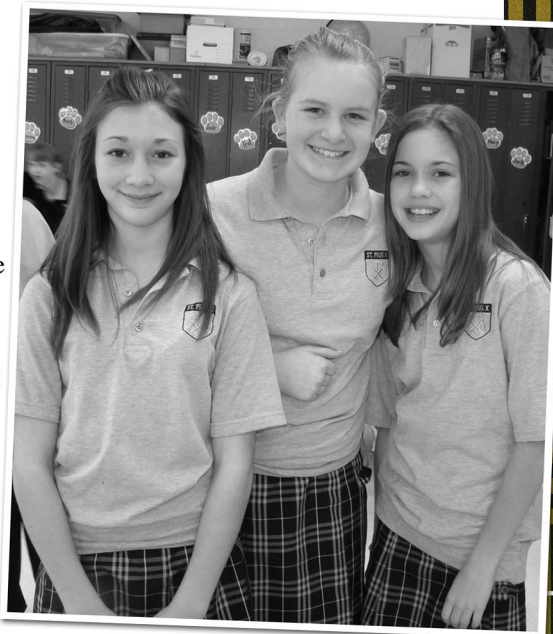
Opening our doors in 1956 to 276 students, we have been serving the parish community of St. Pius X for over 55 years. We are now 500 students strong and growing.

Our patron saint, St. Pius X's motto was "*to restore all things in Christ.*" St. Pius X Parish School enthusiastically accepts this command to teach the Good News to our students. We are committed to develop each child's character, intellect and identity and to provide them with a foundation to live a life modeled on Jesus Christ.

We prepare our students for the sacraments and celebrate weekly liturgies together. We pray together several times daily and come together to support one another in times of joy and sorrow. Most importantly, we encourage our students to develop a personal prayer life that brings them closer to Jesus.

Our students happily serve our parish community and our civic community in countless ways. We support the St. Vincent dePaul Society. We have developed a relationship with the Easter Seals center in Villa Park. We give our time, talent and treasure to support Catholic Relief Services in Haiti, the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, the Cancer Society for Research, the Deicke Home and other worthy causes.

At St. Pius X Parish School, we are joining dedicated parents in their mission of inspiring children to have the confidence and vision to go out into the world and truly make a difference, with God on their side.



School Open Houses

Come and see what a Catholic education is all about.

St. Pius X Parish School will host a series of open houses for prospective students and their families during Catholic Schools Week on:

Sunday, January 29 (12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.)

Monday, January 30 (9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.)

Tuesday, January 31 (9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.)

Tour guides will be available to provide a comprehensive and informative tour of the school. Registration packets will be available.

Come and meet our extraordinary teaching staff and see what makes St. Pius X such an outstanding educational environment.

Open registration will begin on Tuesday, February 7th at 9:30 a.m. Please contact the school office for additional information at 630-627-2353.



Faith. Academics. Service.
Catholic Schools

Items Needed

In February 2012, the St. Pius X SPRED Ministry will begin delivering catechesis to young adults with special needs who are 17 to 21 years of age from our parish as well as from other local parishes.

SPRED will be holding a shower and candy sale on Saturday, January 14 and Sunday, January 15 to raise funds for materials and supplies to use when welcoming our Friends in February. Monetary donations or gift cards to Hobby Lobby, K-Mart, Target, Kohls and Home Depot would be gladly accepted.

SPRED Centers attempt to create a welcoming, relaxed environment in which our Friends are able to focus on developing relationships with catechists, other Friends and most especially, God. We are in need of the following items to enhance the environment of the Wagner and O'Neil Rooms where we will be meeting:

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| · Area rug (5x 8 ft.) | Small coffee table or occasional table |
| · Floor lamps (4-5) | Small table lamps (2-3) |
| · Portable CD player (1-2) | Bible stand |

A variety of Art, Sensory and Everyday Living activities are made available to our Friends during the interiorization period, which draws Friends and catechists away from their hectic lives outside the Center in preparation for the celebration of God's Word.

Items needed for our Art Area include:

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| · Easel and/or table easel | Yarn (primary colors, black, white) |
| · Embroidery floss, cloth and hoops | Latch hook sets (objects from nature or color patterns) |
| · Stamps or stencils (objects from nature or basic shapes) | Glass beads and jewelry wire/elastic cording |
| · Old calendars (pictures of nature) | Trays and baskets (plastic or wicker) to organize materials |

Items needed for our Sensory Area include:

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| · Small jars (e.g. from a spice rack) | Art books focusing on objects or scenes from nature |
| · CDs – classical music or sounds of nature | Tangram block set or mosaic tiles |
| · Rain stick | Xylophone (3-10 tones) |

Items needed for our Everyday Living Activities Area include:

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| · Vases and floral shears | Coffee pot (10-12 cup) |
| · Glass pitcher | Silverware (service for 12-14 people) |
| · Brass objects to be polished | Silver-plated objects to be polished |
| · Tabletop ironing board | Iron (w/automatic shut off) |
| · Cutting boards and paring knives | |

If you are able to donate any of the items above, please contact Leanne Newman, Activity Catechist at 630-627-8509 or newman.leanne@sbcglobal.net to arrange for drop off or pick up of the items. If you have questions about the SPRED Ministry, you may contact Jackie Stawiarski, Parish Chairperson at 630-495-4610 or jackiestawiarski@msn.com.

FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS COMMITTEE



Can cigarette butts be harmful to the environment?

Littering is not only an eyesore but it also is against the law and subject to a costly fine. In addition, used cigarette filters can take up to a year to break down in fresh water and up to five years to break down in seawater. On dry land, the process can take even longer. Discarded cigarette filters often contain lead and cadmium in addition to nicotine, and tar. These chemicals can leach into lakes, streams, and rivers. In laboratory experiments a transparent crustacean that transfers energy and organic matter from algae died after only 48 hours of exposure in concentrations equivalent to only two used cigarette filters per liter of water.

It is easy to be a steward with regard to trash, and this includes cigarette butts.
Please help!

Reduce – Reuse – Recycle *and* please don't litter.

Recycling container in the O'Neill Room for cell phones, batteries, eyeglasses, ink cartridges and small electronics.

ALTAR SERVER DAILY SCHEDULE

Monday 1/9	8:30	School assignments	Thursday 1/12	8:30	C. Chiaramonti, K. Reznicek, R. Wiedman
Tuesday 1/10		J. Braddock, T. Georgitsis, I. Ledonne	Friday 1/13		K. Bjorklund, M. Ryan, I. Walsh
Wednesday 1/11		S. Frank, J. Guthrie, M. Guzik			

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday-January 9—Close of Christmas Season

All School Mass	8:30 a.m.	Church
Den 3	6:00 p.m.	Wagner Room
PSA Board	7:00 p.m.	School Library
Baptismal Preparation	7:00 p.m.	Church

Tuesday-January 10

Men's Cursillo	6:00 a.m.	O'Neill Room
V.I.P. Luncheon	11:30 a.m.	Sunrise Living
Boy Scouts	7:00 p.m.	Social Center
Worship Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Parish Office

Wednesday-January 11

Bear Scouts	6:30 p.m.	Wagner Room
Rosary/Prayer/Benediction	8:00 p.m.	Prayer Chapel

Thursday-January 12

Eagle Patrol	3:00 p.m.	Wagner Room
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Friday-January 13

Cub Scout Pack Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Social Center
Hispanic Ministry Baptismal	7:00 p.m.	Wagner Room

Saturday-January 14

First Reconciliation	10:30 a.m.	Church
First Reconciliation	1:30 p.m.	Church

Saturday, January 14 & Sunday, January 15 after Masses

Knights Festa Italiana tickets for sale
SPRED Shower in Wagner Room

Sunday, January 15

Council of Catholic Women Tea at the Carlisle

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—JANUARY 14/15

Saturday 5:00 pm	E/M: F. Birner, M. Burns, K. Kustra, T. Lanigan, P. Mancione, B. Sutton Lectors: B. Hocking, J. Lissak A/S: K. Konrath, A. Treado, L. & R. Wiedman G: Sr. Pauline Schutz
Saturday 7:00 pm Español	Acolitos: M. Gamboa, M. Mora, C. Ruiz Ministros: R. Serna, L. Serna, A. Chuy, H. Chuy, F. Diaz Hospitalidad: F. Garcia, G. Ruiz, M. Lagunas, R. Segura Lectores: L. Mora, K. Ortega
Sunday 8:00 am	E/M: J. Gosmire, C. & K. Grafton, B. Kramer, C. Monckton, C. Walsh Lectors: D. Galvin, P. Scalzitti A/S: E. Crotty, E. Malab, J. Pantano, J. Schneider G: C. Acosta, Z. Andree
Sunday 9:30 am	E/M: B. & D. Conlin, F. & J. Enda, S. Lechtenberg Lectors: S. Kwak, C. D'Acquisto A/S: I. Ledonne, S. Poirier, A. Wolf G: B. & H. Grant, W. & C. Stuercke
Sunday 11:00 am	E/M: J. Brechin, M. LoCoco, D. McNicholas, M. Reznicek, N. Rigor, C. Sutton Lectors: J. Dowling, J. Molenda A/S: S. Frank, N. Sanchez, K. Reznicek, I. Walsh G: J. & R. Martinet

TEA TIME!!

Ladies, have you purchased your tea tickets yet? Time is running out - the final day to purchase tickets is Sunday, January 8. The tea is being held on Sunday, January 15, at the Carlisle in Lombard. Our theme this year is Be Our Guest. A lovely luncheon will be served. Tickets for adult ladies (13 and up) are \$25.00, young ladies (12 and under) are \$20. A number of great packages will be raffled. As part of this year's tea, Storyteller (former parishioner) Marie Ringenberg will entertain us with stories. Marie has been telling stories professionally for over 20 years. We are hoping that many of the young ladies who come will dress up as their favorite story character. These young ladies will parade through the ballroom. We hope that many of you will attend. Tickets are available after weekend Masses on January 7/8. If you have any questions, please call Carol at 630-495-2647.



CCW WOMAN OF THE YEAR 2012

Ladies, it is time once again to nominate who you feel should be the recipient of the CCW Woman of the Year Award. The lady you nominate must be an active CCW member and cannot have previously received this award. Nomination forms are available in the Wagner Room (on shelf under the television). Forms must be returned by Sunday, January 8. The recipient will be announced at our annual tea on Sunday, January 15, at the Carlisle.

MINISTERIO HISPANO

Misa en Español

Sacerdote

Coordinador Educación Religiosa

Secretaria

Sábado 7:00 pm

Jesús M. Reyes

Abraham Rodríguez

Laura Mora

Matrimonios, Bautizos e Intenciones de misa

Hable a la Rectoría para mas información

Horario de Oficina

Jueves y Viernes

Teléfono

Email

1:00 a 4:00 p.m.

630-627-4526 X205

spxhispano@aol.com

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — ¡Levántate y brilla, Jerusalén! La gloria del Señor amaneció sobre ti (Isaías 60:1-6).

Salmo — Que te adoren, Señor, todos los pueblos (Salmo 72 [71]).

Segunda lectura — El misterio de que los gentiles son coherederos, socios en la promesa en Jesucristo, se ha dado a conocer a los hombres (Efesios 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Evangelio — Magos del oriente llegaron, diciendo: “¿Dónde está el rey de los judíos que ha nacido?” (Mateo 2:1-12)

PROMESA CUMPLIDA

Isaías le recuerda al pueblo de Dios que la tierra será devuelta a su posesión, se alegrarán de ver a su gente regresar de la esclavitud del exilio y serán una luz para las naciones. En otras palabras, el pueblo de Israel será la vía para que el Salvador venga a todos aquellos que buscan a Dios con un corazón sincero. Esto trae consigo la alegría y el resplandor de la gloria de Dios a todo el mundo y para todas las personas en todas partes. A causa de la fidelidad del pueblo de Dios, y de la fidelidad de Dios para ellos, todos los pueblos serán hijos de Dios y se regocijarán en el cumplimiento de la promesa de Dios a Israel.

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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.

MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 PM Anticipation of Sunday

Misa en Español: Sábado 7 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, and 11:00 AM

Mass interpreted in sign language: 5 PM Saturday

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: 4:00 to 4:30 PM (check bulletin) or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is usually celebrated on the second and third Sundays at 12:30 PM or at a Mass by request from the family. 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.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick available after Mass upon request. Please ask or call the Parish Office.

Because of HIPAA Privacy regulations, hospitals can no longer contact the parish without family consent. When you are in the hospital and want someone from St. Pius X to visit you or would like your name added to the Prayers of the Faithful, your family should notify 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—12:30 PM; 1:00 PM—3:00 PM

INFORMATION ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH

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

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome! You are invited to come to or call the Parish Office as soon as possible to register.

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.

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..

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