

Catholic Community of St. Pius X

JANUARY 15, 2012

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Speak
for your Servant
is Listening

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 15, 2012 THE CALLING

The Scriptures at a Glance:

First Scripture: 1 Samuel 3: 3b-10; 19

The call of Samuel at first perplexes both Samuel and Eli. Both soon discover the meaning and Samuel responds to the call. He is listening.

Second Scripture: 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20

Our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, a dwelling place for our God. We were purchased for a great price and must give glory to God.

The Gospel: John 1:35-42

John points his disciples to Jesus as the “Lamb of God.” Jesus calls out to them, and Andrew, one of the two, accepts the invitation before bringing his brother Simon to Jesus. Jesus calls Simon and names him, Cephas, which is translated to Peter. Andrew and Peter respond to the call to discipleship.

BREAKING OPEN GOD’S WORD:

We see in the call of Samuel, the importance of listening to the call. We see in Andrew, the Apostle, the response to the call and how we can lead others to respond to the call as he brings Simon to Christ. They listen and they respond. As God’s people we are temples of the Holy Spirit called to give glory to God and to spread the Good News.

SOME REFLECTIONS:

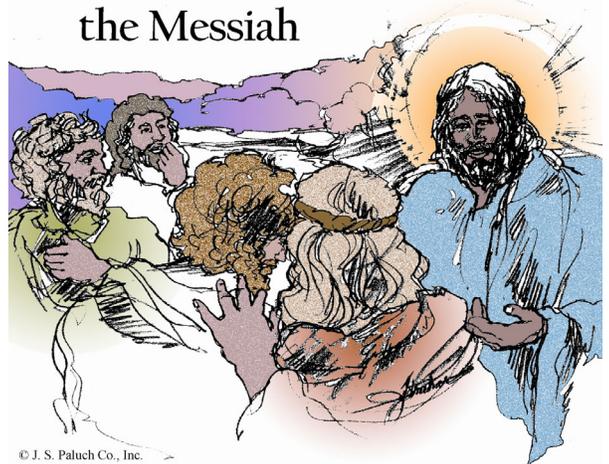
The Scriptures are filled with the call of God to various individuals. The call is central to scripture and the responses to the call vary, especially since many feel unworthy of the call. We see that the call must be discerned and Samuel illustrates how this call unfolds only as our understanding develops. The response to the call can be instantaneous as we see with Andrew, or reluctant as we see with Jonah. Yet, in the end, the response means a change in our lives, as we see in Simon, who is renamed Cephas or Peter. We see this in Joseph and in Mary, and in the lives of so many others who response to the call is decisive and radical. To respond to the call is to say yes and this is decisive. We are never again the same.

What we see in Samuel today is both the discerning of a calling and then the response to the calling. He listens. He hears. He discerns. He responds. Once he discerns the call and he responds, his life will never be the same. He is called by God to be a prophet. He is now a messenger. God had called him to his destiny.

John the Baptist has not only listened to the calling and responded, but now he begins to step back as he discerns that he has fulfilled his calling and will point the way to the Lamb of God. He is not the end but a means to the end. He now points his disciples to Jesus. Andrew responds and brings Peter to Jesus. He too answers the call. They are now the disciples of Jesus. Like Andrew, those who answer the call will always point others in the direction of Jesus. We are called to discipleship and like John, we point others in the direction of Jesus. We are never the end but the means to the end. We see that John hears the voice of God because he listens. Like John the Baptist, we too must listen and discern if we are truly to respond to the call and also to point others to Jesus.

We are called in many ways, but the most important call is to discipleship. This means that we must learn to listen. Our prayer must begin with listening. We must hear the voice of God speaking to us. There are so many voices which call for our attention, but the core of our lives must center first on the voice of God calling us and on our ability and willingness to hear and to be transformed. God will take us to places that we cannot even begin to imagine and God will empower in his Spirit to do things that are not otherwise possible. Like Samuel, we may have difficulty discerning what God is calling us to do and to be, but God will guide us. The call is not always easy to understand, nor do we always respond immediately. Yet, God is patient and continues to call each of us, even in the midst of all the other voices. The call is personal and by name. Paul, who also answered the call in a very dramatic way, reminds us that we are temples of the Holy Spirit when we genuinely accept the call and respond. When we do so, our lives are never the same. After we respond, we live in discipleship. We pray especially for those who are being called by Christ to the priesthood and religious life and who must hear the voice, listen, discern, and respond. The call is there. Who will answer the call? Yes, Lord, we say this day with Samuel, “Speak Lord, your servant is listening.”

We have found the Messiah



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COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BISHOP

LATIN AMERICA

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* teaches us that "the disciple of Christ must not only keep the faith and live on it, but also profess it, confidently bear witness to it, and spread it" (no. 1816). As we give generously to the Collection for the Church in Latin America, we **keep faith** and help spread it with our support.

In 2010, the generosity of Catholics in the United States allowed the Collection to distribute over \$7.5 million to support the Church in Latin America. It funded seminarian formation and the continuing education of clergy as well as the formation of lay ministers. By using collected funds for these causes and more, we are able to ensure that our impact will be felt for years to come and will help create self-sustaining Catholic communities.

Our diocese takes up this collection the weekend of January 21/22. Please be generous in the Collection for the Church in Latin America and **keep faith**. Your support will truly make a difference.

Thank you and God bless you.

Most Reverend R. Daniel Conlon
Bishop of Joliet



DEACON SPEAKIN'

In today's first reading and gospel, we hear how God's people are called. Samuel, hearing God's voice in the middle of the night, and the apostle Andrew and his unidentified friend, having been directed by John the Baptist to the Lamb of God approached Jesus. He told them to "Come and see." The thing we need to reflect on is that we too are being invited by Jesus to "come and see" and stay awhile. Our readings for the next few weeks of ordinary time, right up to Ash Wednesday, will be opportunities for us to be reminded of what we agreed to when we became His followers. It is way too easy to get caught up in life, the culture, our work, money and other material things, and very subtly lose sight of who we are, and what our mission is as followers of Jesus Christ.

What is also worth noting about today's gospel is that people usually come to Jesus by way of another person. Someone who knows Jesus tells someone else, who tells someone else, who tells someone else. John the Baptist, told Andrew who Jesus was. Andrew went and met Him, and then went on to tell his brother Simon (Peter) who we now know, then went on and told many others through his preaching, his writings and his life example. We must do the same. I remember my mother and grandmother telling me who Jesus was when I was three. It was not a very complex teaching, but it stuck with me. Now the question is how many people have I told about Jesus? Whatever the number is, be sure it is not enough. How about you? How many people have you told about Jesus?

These readings also tie in to the second reading where Paul reminds us "the body is not for immorality, but for the Lord." When was the last time you heard anyone talk about immorality and the body. When I look at the entertainment on public television, much less cable stations, one would think that this issue of bodily immorality has never been mentioned. No one talks about modesty and purity anymore. Many people do not even consider it in their dress. The culture seems to be winning the war on immorality in direct contradiction to what Paul is telling us. I think if you are reading this column, you believe that the body is not for immorality, but for the Lord. Maybe this is the message we should be spreading to our friends and neighbors and children who have not gotten the message. This is one of the things Jesus would show us if we agree to "Come and see."

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.**

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

SACRISTAN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to commit only a couple of hours once per month or less to help with laundering the small altar linens used at Mass. If you are interested in serving in the Sacristan ministry or if you have further questions regarding the degree of commitment, please call Michelle LoCoco: at 630-620-6283.

ACTS: THE SPREAD OF THE KINGDOM



Week of January 15 – Session 2: *Prelude to Power*
Readings: Acts 1; Daniel 7:13-14, 18, 22 & 27;
Matthew 10:5-6; Catechism 668-682

The book of Acts begins with a brief but crucial phase in the life of the new Christian community – the seven weeks following the resurrection of Jesus. During that time, the apostles devoted themselves to prayer and waited for “the promise of the Father,” the baptism of the Holy Spirit. They also waited and wondered about when Christ’s kingdom would be established. They had expected an earthly, political kingdom but were given a spiritual one instead. With Christ enthroned in heaven, the apostles were charged to be his witnesses on earth. Judas was replaced in order to restore their number to the Twelve, representing the twelve tribes and the restored kingdom of Israel.

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

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Monday January 16

1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22
8:30 am St. Pius X Parish Family

Tuesday January 17—Saint Anthony

1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28
8:30 am †Geri Draniczarek by Pat & Mary Knoll

Wednesday January 18

1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6
8:30 am †Helen Guzik by Reschak Family
†Laverne Boland by Jones Family

Thursday January 19

1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12
8:30 am †Mary Roubal by Violet & Carol Paddock

Friday January 20

1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19
8:30 am St. Pius X School Students
(Grade School Participating)

Saturday January 21

2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3:20-21
11:00 am Hispanic Ministry-First Reconciliation
4:00-4:30 pm Reconciliation

Vigil—Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm †Joseph Jablonsky by Naty & Pete Rigor
†Geri Draniczarek by M. Commare & P. Roberts
7:00 pm Misa en español

Sunday January 22

Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20
8:00 am †Grace Rimicci by Marjorie Ortiz
9:30 am †Antoinette Campo by Jean Leaf
11:00 am Youth of St. Pius X



the following parishioners
and friends who are ill:

Timothy Field
Fr. Herb Essig
Dolores Stroh
Joyce Watts

George McAloon
Marilyn Lawler
Ralph LoCoco
Kevin Blaney

SCOUT VALUES

The winds of November rolled in, and the popcorn fundraiser and the Christmas wreath fundraisers had the Scouts and committee working overtime. However, we were able to arrange and take our annual cabin camp outing. We traditionally plan a cabin camp in November and invite the Cub Scout Webelos II to join us for a day of model rocket building and launching. It is hard to miss when an outing includes rockets and indoor camping!

The plan included a few Scouts attempting to earn their Polar Bear patch. Part of the Polar Bear patch requires that a Scout does not enter indoors the entire weekend and cooks all meals on an open fire. It also requires that the temperature goes below freezing during the campout. Well, the fall weekend was unseasonably warm, so the conditions for Polar Bear camp were not too good. It was a spectacular day for launching rockets of all sizes! As usual, the food was outstanding and a day of hiking wore the Scouts down for a nice evening of sleep!

Many "thanks" to the small team of Scouts and leaders who set up the Christmas manger in the front of the church. The chill in the air on Thanksgiving did require that we follow up on a different day to finish the effort. Thanks to the Werners, Rezniceks, and Mr. Wilcer for preparing the symbolic birth place of our Savior!

Our December Troop outing was an overnight in the Social Center. Few outings spike participation more than an all night play party in a gym! A number of floor hockey, basketball and card games were played. It is one of the few times a year we allow electronic games to be played during the outing. Xbox competitions, big screen movies and music rolled all night long! 5:30 A.M. came with an all out clean up effort to ensure we were wrapped up by 7 A.M.

Now that the holidays are wrapped up, our attention will turn our entire focus on supporting a successful and profitable pancake breakfast.

We also would like to welcome former Scoutmaster Joe Martinet to the advancement committee. Joe has agreed to sit in as a committee to fill the position with the passing of Lad Lamplot. Joe has dedicated decades of support to our troop and the Scouting program. Our troop looks forward to the wisdom and experience Joe has to offer!

Jeff Werner

Praying for Pancakes? Sunday, February 12 Scouts' Pancake Breakfast

Please Support Our Scouts! The St. Pius X Pack/Troop 140 Annual Pancake Breakfast is on **Sunday, February 12** in the Social Center from **7:30 am-1:00 pm**. You can purchase tickets in advance from any scout or on Friendship Sunday, February 5 after each Mass for \$5. You can purchase tickets at the door for \$7. Children under 5 free.

"Serving the St. Pius X Parish and Community for over 47 Years"



ELIZABETH MINISTRY BAKE SALE



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.

MOMS & TOTS

Welcome to the Elizabeth Ministry's Mom and Tots Playgroup! Founded in 1966, the St. Pius X Elizabeth Ministry is an outreach to women and their families in special times of motherhood. The ministry is visible throughout many areas of activity in the parish. The Elizabeth Ministry's Mom and Tots playgroup is held one morning a month unless otherwise noted. Each month we will journey to different places that will have activities to enhance your child's social/ emotional skills. You will also get a chance to socialize with other moms. The playgroup is a parish sponsored activity and is open to anyone interested. Feel free to bring family, friends and neighbors. All ages are welcome as well.

You may call us if you have questions. Our contact information is:

Kelli Rolston
klrolston@yahoo.com
630-627-1377

Donnamarie Dion
g gabrielles_mom@att.net
630-628-1969

**St. Pius X Youth Ministry
presents.....**

Family Game Night!



Take time away from it all, and spend a night with your family and other junior and senior high Youth Ministry families at St. Pius X playing games and having fun!



You can come by yourself, with friends, and/or with family. And you can come for part of the time if you can't make it for the whole thing.

Bring a snack to share with other families. Bring some things to drink.

Come ready for fun, to meet new friends, to play some games you know, to learn a new game, and to have a night full of FUN!



No need to register - just show up with a favorite game to share!

Friday, January 27, 2012 7:00pm – 9:00pm

**Questions: Call the Youth Ministry office at 630-627-4526 x204
youthministry@stpiuslombard.org**

VILLAGE OF LOMBARD BLOOD DRIVE

The Village of Lombard will be hosting its first Blood Drive of the 2012 season on Wednesday, January 18 from 9:30 am to 1 pm at Yorktown Center and from 1:30 pm until 7:00 pm at the Lombard Village Hall. **Each donor will receive a coupon from Oberweis and a coupon from Culver's.** For more information or to schedule an appointment, please contact Carol Bauer at 630-620-5712 or email Carol at bauerc@villageoflombard.org

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME

St. Mary of Gostyn Catholic Church in Downers Grove will conduct an ongoing series called **CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME** on six consecutive Tuesday evenings from 7:30 pm-9:00 pm in the Parish Center at 445 Prairie Avenue, beginning Tuesday, January 17. These sessions are for non-practicing Catholics who are seeking answers to questions about returning to the Church. There will be informal sharing and an update of the Catholic faith. For more details, call Bob at 630-969-5169.

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.com or 630.854.1536

see you there!





Students invite all to get involved in "adopting" fifty U.S. Sailors

As a part of their Catholic Schools Week activities, parents and students of St. Pius X Parish School, in association with **Molly Adopt a Sailor**, are adopting fifty United States Navy sailors who are currently at sea. They are holding a "packing party" on February 2nd (from 1:30 p.m. to 2:50 p.m.) at the school to pack and send these dedicated men and women much needed supplies.

Since July, 2008, **Molly Adopt a Sailor** has sent cards, letters and packages to a different deployed unit every month. They have reached 14,351 sailors, marines, soldiers and airmen so far.

They sacrifice much, much more than many of us can ever imagine, and all too often they feel forgotten. During the holidays we constantly get letters saying "if it wasn't for your care package, your letter, your card, Christmas would have been just another day."

It is our commitment to never again allow our military personnel to feel like they are forgotten or unappreciated.

It is our commitment and goal to touch each and every service member that is deployed and dedicated to something bigger than themselves, dedicated to their country and dedicated to allowing us to walk around, a very free nation.

From the Molly Adopt a Soldier website: www.mollyadoptsoldier.com

With **Molly Adopt A Sailor** committing to pay for all shipping expenses and the U.S. Post Office sending complimentary shipping supplies - students and families have been invited to donate supplies, fun items, and lots of love in the form of letters and artwork. The moms of sailors who run the Molly Adopt a Sailor Program tell us that the sailors love the letters and pictures as much as they appreciate receiving the supplies.

Students are reaching out to all St. Pius X school and parish families to help them make this adoption a success.

Parish and school families wishing to get involved are asked to purchase/donate snacks, drink packets, personal products for both men and women, and/or entertainment items such as board games, puzzles or magazines. A complete supply list can be found online on the school website at: www.stpiuslombard.org/school. Items may be dropped off after all Masses next week or at the school anytime during school hours. If you have any questions regarding this project please call Sue Williams, at 630-408-1242.



School Open Houses

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 more information.



Catholic Schools

ST. PIUS X MANNA PROGRAM

Every time you make a purchase, you are earning tuition credit and helping our school. Thanks to all of you who purchased manna during the holiday season. If only we could keep that level of participation throughout the rest of the year, think of the money you would save on tuition and the funds that would be generated for our school. Maybe you could make it your New Year's resolution to use Manna more often!



Quick Manna Schedule

Friday, January 13	8:30 AM to 9:15 AM	School Lobby
Sunday, January 15	9:00 AM to 11:00 AM	O'Neill Room
Friday, January 20	8:30 AM to 9:15 AM	School Lobby
Sunday, January 22	9:00 AM to 11:00 AM	O'Neill Room
Friday, January 27	8:30 AM to 9:15 AM	School Lobby
Sunday, January 29	9:00 AM to 11:00 AM	O'Neill Room
Friday, February 3	8:30 AM to 9:15 AM	School Lobby
Sunday, February 5	9:00 AM to 11:00 AM	O'Neill Room

Updates

Effective immediately, we will no longer have McDonald's or American Airlines gift certificates available through manna. Although we truly hope this situation is temporary, we have no idea when or if we will be able to provide these certificates again. We will keep you posted.

Due to the overwhelming response to our specially-added holiday vendors, we have decided to keep Brio, Buy Buy Baby, DSW, Groupon, L. L. Bean, Qdoba, REI, and Shutterfly permanently! These gift cards have been added to the regular manna order form.

ST. PIUS X SPRED CENTER

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.

ALTAR SERVER DAILY SCHEDULE

Monday 1/16 8:30	J. Braddock, T. Georgitsis, M. Guzik	Thursday 1/19 8:30	E. Crotty, N. Sanchez, J. Schneider
Tuesday 1/17	M. Bajda, D. & M. Trimarco	Friday 1/20	School assignments
Wednesday 1/18	C. Chiaramonti, P. Crossland, R. Wiedman		

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday-January 16– Martin Luther King Day

Parish Office and facilities Closed

Tuesday-January 17

Boy Scouts	7:00 p.m.	Social Center
First Grade Sacrament Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Church

Wednesday-January 18

CCW Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Wagner Room
Rosary/Prayer/Benediction	8:00 p.m.	Prayer Chapel

Thursday-January 19

Finance Meeting	5:00 p.m.	Parish Office
Knights of Columbus	7:30 p.m.	Wagner Room

Friday-January 20

All School Mass	8:30 a.m.	Church
Moms & Tots	9:30 a.m.	Wagner Room
Girl Scout Troop 3002	3:00 p.m.	Wagner Room
SPRED Social	7:00 p.m.	Wagner Room

NEW MINISTRY SCHEDULE REQUESTS

**Altar Servers — Greeters
Extraordinary Ministers — Lectors
Schedules being prepared through May 30**

It's time to schedule for the next few months! Any restrictions?

llissak@stpiouslombard.org or call Deacon Larry at
630-627-4526, ext. 207

OR

Contact your ministry head.

Deadline for schedule changes: February 6

FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS COMMITTEE

Wood Burning Fire Places and Stoves

Wood burning fireplaces and stoves can bring you warmth, can be aesthetically pleasing and if used properly, even save you money on heating bills. However, if you are not careful they could cost you money, your health, or even cause a fire. By burning only dry, seasoned wood while maintaining a hot fire, you will have a more effective fire saving you money and time. To prevent home fires from creosote buildup in the chimney, have your chimney annually cleaned by a certified chimney sweep. And for a healthier home, upgrade to an efficient, EPA-approved wood-burning appliance. They burn cleaner and produce less smoke inside and outside your home.

It is important to avoid burning the following items: household garbage or cardboard; plastics, foam and the colored ink on magazines, boxes, and wrappers produce harmful chemicals when burned. They may also damage your wood-burning appliance. Coated, painted, or pressure-treated wood, ocean driftwood, plywood, particle board, or any wood with glue on or in it are also problematic. They all release toxic chemicals when burned. Never burn wet, rotted, diseased, or moldy wood.

Remember to check your local [air quality forecast](#) before you burn. You can also sign up for daily air quality notifications at [enviroflash](#).

For more information visit U.S. EPA's web site, [Burn Wise](#). Another option that you can look into is using alternative fuels, which can range from dried corn kernels to cherry pits. However, one of the most popular forms of alternative fueling is a sawdust based product pressed into the form of a pellet. When burned, these pellets are clean burning and highly efficient for heating rooms or homes of all sizes. Visit [Alternative-Heating.com](#) for more information or the [U.S. Department of Energy](#).

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—JANUARY 21/22

Saturday 5:00 pm	E/M: L. Bajda, E. Soger, D. Trapp, S. Trefilek, L. & P. Warda Lectors: S. Rakowski, C. Weiland A/S: R. Fagan, K. Konrath, K. Trapp, A. Treado G: I. Halicka
Saturday 7:00 pm Español	Acolitos: C. Torres, P. Perez, C. Ruiz Ministros: V. Ortega, J. Ortega, G. Rivera, F. Garcia, J. Aguilera Hospitalidad: R. Serna, A. Mora, D. Morales, R. Segura Lectores: Adriana & Ana Segura
Sunday 8:00 am	E/M: C. Gawenda, J. Gosmire, P. Kohler, L. Newman, R. Pitello, L. Thurman Lectors: B. Whalen, D. Fowler A/S: I. Ledonne, J. Pantano, K. Fox, R. Wiedman G: T. & C. Blaszak, D. Hakes
Sunday 9:30 am	E/M: B. & H. Grant, V. McClelland, J. Stawiarski, A. Stoltman Lectors: K. Reznicek, J. Reznicek A/S: G. Guthrie, K. Bjorklund, S. Poirier, A. Wolf G: R. & M. Olbrysh, B. & T. Casey
Sunday 11:00 am	E/M, Lectors, and A/S Youth & Family G: J. & M. Gerlesits

ESSE ADULT DAY CENTER

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Samuel responde al llamado del Señor:
“Habla, Señor, tu siervo te escucha”
(1 Samuel 3:3-10, 19).

Salmo — Aquí estoy, Señor, para hacer tu voluntad
(Salmo 40 [39]).

Segunda lectura — Tu cuerpo es un templo del Espíritu Santo;
por tanto glorifica a Dios en tu cuerpo
(1 Corintios 6:13-15, 17-20).

Evangelio — Los primeros discípulos empiezan a seguir a Jesús
y declaran que es el Mesías (Juan 1:35-42).

La próxima semana realizaremos la Colecta para la Iglesia en América Latina. En esa región, la Iglesia enfrenta muchos desafíos singulares. La escasez de sacerdotes y de ministros capacitados, el alto índice de emigración y el ritmo alarmante en el que los feligreses están abandonando la fe, dificultan la labor de la Iglesia para ayudar a los fieles en esa región. Hoy es más importante que nunca que **mantengamos la fe** con la Iglesia en América Latina y en el Caribe. Por favor, contribuya generosamente a la Colecta de la próxima semana.

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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
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Holy Days: see previous Sunday Bulletin
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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).

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FUNERALS

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