

St. Pius X Catholic Church

"A Place to Call Home"

#31: June 26, 2016
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



SUMMER FUNFEST

THANK YOU TO

Adoremus Books
Aksarben Cinema
Amazing Pizza Machine
American National Bank
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Brazen Head Irish Pub
Brite Ideas Decorating
Bucky's Express
Charleston Café
Cheesecake Factory
Creighton Federal Credit Union
Creighton University Athletics
Culver's Butterburgers
Dairy Queen
Danny's Bar and Grill
Dave & Buster
Dee-Sign Landscape & Gardening
Discount Tires
Dudley's
Durham Museum
e-Creamery

Eagle Run Golf Course
Earl May Nursery
Eddie's Catering
Enzo's Italian
Family Fun Center
Famous Dave's
FareW+B17y Foods
Fontenelle Forest/Neal Woods
Gearbox
Gloria Deo
Hairloom
Haney's Shoe Store
Henry Doorly Zoo
Hy-Vee Store, Peony Park
Infusion Brewing Co.
James Skinner Baking
Jane's Health Food
Joslyn Art Museum
Kansas City Royals
Kolache Factory
Lauritzen Gardens
Localmotive Express
Longhorn Steak House
Lowe's Hardware
Mama's Pizza Kitchen
Mangia Italiana
Maplewood Lanes
The Mark (Sempeck Bowling)
Midwest Tae Kwon Do
Moylan Tranquility Iceplex
No Name Health Foods

Northwest Feed
Old Chicago, 78th & Cass
Omaha Children's Museum
Omaha Lancer's Hockey Club
Orsi's Bakery & Ital. Pizzeria
Outback Steakhouse
Papa Murphy's
Papio Fun Park
Parables Books & Gifts
Petrow's Restaurant
Pizza Ranch
Planet Sub
Putting Plus
Romeo's Mexican Restaurant
Rose Theatre
Rosie Jane
Rotella's Italian Bakery, Inc.
SkateDaze
Sky Zone Trampoline Park
Spruce Interior & Gifts
Star Deli
Steve's Service
Stone Creek Golf Course
Supermercado Stores
Taxi's Grill & Bar
To A "T"
24 Hour Fitness
Upstream Brewing Company
Werner Park
Westlake Ace Hardware
Wheelin 'n Dealin Band

Mass Intentions

Monday, June 27

7:00 am Louise Hewitt MB
5:30 pm Kathryn Fischer DS

Tuesday, June 28

7:00 am +Jane Bender MB
5:30 pm +Lethan Armstrong DS

Wednesday, June 29

7:00 am +Magdalena Blanco DS
5:30 pm +Bob & +Bernice Brown MB

Thursday, June 30

7:00 am +Delane Dalton MB
5:30 pm +Henry Klug DS

Friday, July 1

7:00 am +Marty Baye DS
5:30 pm +Marcia Sertterh (Cuellar) MB

First Saturday Mass, July 2

7:00 am +Matthew Kuhfahl MB

Saturday Vigil, July 2

5:00 pm +Jim & +Genevieve O'Neil MB
7:00 pm +Craig Cockson DS

Sunday, July 3

7:30 am Pius X Parishioners DS
9:30 am +William Flood MB
11:30 am +Pat Crampton MB

Please Pray for

Our Deceased

+Shawn Simon
+Richard Castle

Our Sick

Louise Hanten, Ed Schultingkemper
Jacqueline Dobson, Kim Dobson
Matt Dai, Bill Gaffney
Iris Oswald, Paul & Lorraine Versch

To have a name listed in the bulletin: call the rectory at 402-558-8446.

Calendar Club Winners

June 19th	1369	Meli Armstrong
June 20th	2398	Pat & Maury Zach
June 21st	1496	Ryan Juszyk
June 22nd	1021	Patrick & Cara Lazure
June 23rd	2010	Barb Haesaert
June 24th	1514	Jeff Ostronic
June 25th	1907	Don & Sharon Schleich

From your Pastor's Desk

Fr. Mike Eckley



A friend of mine from St. Paul Seminary came to mind when I read the readings for this weekend. He is a priest now but when he entered the seminary he wasn't sure he was going to stay. He had been in a college seminary and decided to take some time off after college. He went to work as a stock broker in Boston and was very successful. He still had this nagging feeling that he should go back into the seminary but he wasn't sure of the level of his commitment. When he reentered the seminary he decided to keep the lease on his apartment in Boston. He figured he could always return there if he didn't feel like seminary was a fit. He kept his lease for 2 years before finally committing fully to the seminary.

Elisha takes a completely different approach to the call that he receives. Elijah calls Elisha and Elisha goes with Elijah and makes sure he will not be able to return. We are told that when Elijah encounters Elisha, Elisha was plowing the field. What happens next is an incredible sign of commitment, ***"Elisha left him, and taking the yoke of oxen, slaughtered them; he used the plowing equipment for fuel to boil their flesh, and gave it to his people to eat. Then Elisha left and followed Elijah as his attendant."*** There is no way that Elisha can return to his old way of life. He destroyed the plow and slaughtered the oxen. His commitment is complete.

My friend's level of commitment to the seminary and priesthood is much different than Elisha's commitment to follow Elijah but I do think that it is a common level of commitment of many people today. We see this in all areas of life. It wasn't all that long ago that people would go to work for a company and stay with them their whole life. Today this is rare. Companies do not commit to their employees like they used to and in return employees are not as committed to their companies.

We see the same thing going on in personal relationships. Couples are choosing to live together without making the legal and Sacramental commitment of marriage. They are trying it out before make the commitment to each other.

The Lord has made a complete commitment to us. He has sealed that commitment with His Blood. He invites us to come and follow Him and commit ourselves completely. He says in today's Gospel, ***"No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God."*** What is our commitment to Christ?

Mission Weekend: I received the following thank you from Rev. Tim Mulroy, regional director of the Missionary Society of St. Columban:

Thank you for the warm welcome your parishioners gave Fr. Charles O'Rourke who was at your parish to speak on the Columban missions as part of the 2016 Missionary Cooperation Plan.

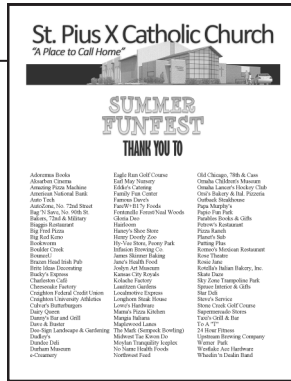
We appreciate the generosity of the people of St. Pius X Parish. It means a lot to a missionary to be well received by the local parish and to note their interest in the missions. It goes without saying that we depend on this good will and generosity to continue our Columban Mission.

Please extend to all the people of your parish our deep appreciation, and be assured of our prayers for you parishioners.

Discussions with the Pastor: You are invited to come and visit with an idea, concern, question, or if you would just like to talk. Feel free to come alone or with others. This week I will be available in the Multipurpose Room/Library just off the Narthex of the Church on Friday, July 1st from 4:30 to 5:30 pm and Saturday, July 2nd from 10:00 to 11:00 am.

On the Cover

THANK YOU



We want to extend a big thank you to all of the companies whose donation helped make our 2016 St. Pius X SummerFunFest a big success.

Thanks to our donors, we had some great prizes available for the silent auction.

We are preparing small "thank you" cards that you can pick up and hand out to businesses that donate to our festival – just as another way to say thanks and to let them know that we

do shop at their business. These cards and a list of the donors will be available in the kiosk shortly.

And, of course, a big thank you to all our parishioners, many of whom make small (or not so small!) contributions, sometimes with no recognition. We are glad that so many people come together to support the parish. The St. Pius Spirit is alive and well, and we can't thank you enough!

Journey of Hope

Journey of Hope will visit churches in Nebraska, July 15th - 23rd. People who have been directly affected by the death penalty will tell their stories of moving from violence to healing,

speaking from experience about why they choose to reject the death penalty. Watch for dates and locations in Omaha. Here their stories before you vote.

Thank You, St. Pius X!

Dear Parishioners of St. Pius X:

It was truly great to be with you a couple of weekends ago for the mission appeal. Your interest and generosity to the mission effort is so much appreciated.

I know that the requests for help are many and so I am grateful to you

for your generous spirit of sacrifice that you make for the missions. I will be sure to keep you in my prayers.

Thanks again for all your love.
Fr. Charlie O'Rourke
Columban Fathers

Events this Week

Sunday, June 26

1:00pm Sacred Conversations for Race (PC)

Tuesday, June 28

6:30pm AA (Sch. Cafeteria)

Wednesday, June 29

11:00am Mass at Skyline

4:00pm Human Needs (P3)

Friday, July 1

10:30am Mass at Maple Crest

Saturday, July 2

Dusting Disciples Crew #6 - Martins

7:00am First Saturday Mass

7:30am Respect Life Meeting (MPR)

12:00pm Reception (P2/P3)

2:00pm Wedding (C)

NEWLY BAPTIZED

Nora Grace Rosburg
Daughter of Mark and Sara Rosburg

Aria Nichol Bishop
Daughter of Michael Bishop and Samantha Klitzke

We welcome our newest members to St. Pius X Parish!

St. Pius Youth Ministry would like input in building a program that serves the young people of our parish. We ask all Youth Grades 7-12 and their parents to complete a survey. The links can be found below. Thank you for your participation and input to continuing the growth of our program.

The Youth Survey is at <http://www.stpiusxomaha.org/youth-ministry-survey-youth/>

The Parent Survey is at <http://www.stpiusxomaha.org/youth-ministry-survey-parents/>

Our garage sale is July 14th thru 16th. Collection starts July 9th at 10:00 am until 5:00 pm; Sunday, July 10th from noon until 3:00 pm; Monday and Tuesday 9:00 am. to 5:00 p.m. We would appreciate all donations by the end of the day on Tuesday, July 12th.

If you are donating an item that would benefit from advertising before the sale, such as a collector's item, or something unusual, we would appreciate a notice ahead of time so that we can get it in our ad. The sale starts are Thursday, July 14th, 9:00 am to 7:00 pm. Friday, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm and Saturday 9:00 am to noon.

If you can donate some time to help sort and set up, please call Joyce Zupan at 402-391-9459 or 402-214-6650, or Joyce Cockson at 402-391-8931. If you need someone to pick up items please call either of the numbers listed.

St. Pius/St. Leo School Cafeteria is seeking a part-time employee for the 2016-17 year. Call or e-mail Mary Jalbert at 402-393-5842 or send an email to mary.jalbert@spsl.net.



St. Pius X/St. Leo School

Joyce Gubbels, Principal

ST. PIUS X/ ST. LEO SCHOOL YEARS OF SERVICE AWARDS

The following faculty and staff members were honored at the end of the school year luncheon by the School Board for their years of service to St. Pius X / St. Leo School:

5 Years of Service

- Marge Dunlap (4th Grade Teacher Assistant)
- Mychal Lanik (Physical Education Teacher)
- Heather Owens (5th Grade Teacher), Meg Peitzmeier (Kindergarten Teacher)
- Mary Wenck (Kindergarten Teacher Assistant)

10 Years of Service

- Colleen Donahoe (Pre-Kindergarten Teacher Assistant)
- Sarah Franco (3rd Grade Teacher)
- Patsy Mischo (Cafeteria Personnel)
- Jodi Newsome (6th Grade Teacher)
- Laura Osborn (Kindergarten Teacher Assistant)
- Melissa Sahm (Pre-Kindergarten Teacher)
- Linda Walz (Pre-Kindergarten Teacher Assistant)

15 Years of Service

- Rose Badalucco (Extended Care Personnel)
- Mary Jo Barry (6th Grade Teacher)
- Carol Drvol (Music Teacher)

20 Years of Service

- Kathy Graney (School Secretary)

25 Years of Service:

- Cindy Horton (Cafeteria Personnel)
- Mary Kay Nelson (Technology Specialist)
- Mary Scarpello (Resource Teacher)

30 Years of Service:

- Chris Peters (Physical Education Teacher)

Special Awards

This year we also honored the following people who are leaving our school, some after many years and others a few years of ministry, and who has touched all of us in our school community. We are thankful to the following people for their years of service to our school:

- Kristin Caniglia – 2nd Grade Teacher for 1 year.
- Ruth Mumm – Creighton University Magis Program – 4th Grade Teacher for 1 year.

- Jen Martinez – 7th Grade Teacher, Drama and Speech Coach for 9 years.
- Donna Ervin – 3rd Grade Teacher, Development Office Assistant for 13 years.
- Melody Phelps – 1st Grade Teacher Assistant for 16 years.
- Betsy Cowles – 2nd Grade Teacher Assistant, Extended Care Co-Director for 16 years.
- Sr. Jeannine Hershiser – School Liturgist for 18 years.
- Paula Holder – 8th Grade Teacher and Grade Coordinator for 31 years.
- Peg Lowndes – Most of her years were as a 5th Grade Teacher, Grade Coordinator and Religion Coordinator for 39 years.

We are thankful for the service these people have given to our school community and wish them well in their new endeavors. They will be greatly missed by the members of our school community.

St. Pius X / St. Leo School is accepting registrations for all grades pre-kindergarten (3 & 4 year olds) through grade 8 for the coming school year. Please call the school office at 551-6667 for information and a tour.



High School Youth Ministry

Janet Drvol, Director

St. Pius X Church Youth Group is a gathering for all 9-12th Grade Students. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at 12:30. It is an opportunity to meet new people, learn about our faith, and have fun, too. All are welcome! For more information,

please contact Janet Drvol at janetd@stpioxomaha.org or 402-558-8446.

Some ways to make this the happiest, healthiest, and holiest Summer ever!

Spend more time out of your bed

than in your bed.

Sleep outside once a week and invite friends to join the camp out each week.

Challenge yourself to make 3 healthy changes this Summer.

- Modified from www.LifeTeen.com



Religious Formation Ministry

Colleen Ciciulla, Director

Sharing the Gift of Faith: The Easter Vigil begins with the Service of Light, where the assembly gathers in the dark with unlit candles and waits for the new Paschal candle to be lit. As the flame from the Paschal candle gets passed from person to person, eventually everyone's candle is lit and the church is no longer dark.

I love to watch how eagerly everyone shares their flame with those around them. Sometimes it's with a family member; sometimes it's a stranger. But always, it's a beautiful



moment of sharing the light of Christ with someone.

The gift of faith comes from God alone. But that gift is nurtured by those around us whose lives and actions serve as powerful examples to us. And it is enriched by those who invite us to explore and deepen our faith.

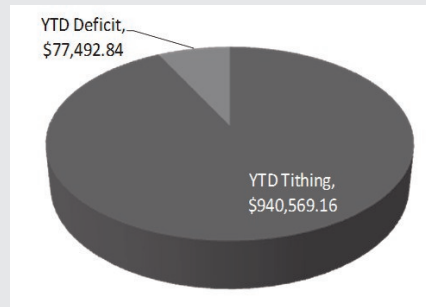
Who nurtured or enriched your faith? Take a moment this week to thank those who are still alive and lift up a prayer for those who have passed on. How you are called to share your gift of faith with others?

Fiscal Year July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016
WEEKEND DONATIONS
June 18/19

Our Sunday goal is	\$19,962.00
Sunday Envelopes	\$15,141.00
Auto Ded.-6/20/16 Contrib.	\$19,450.91
Deficit Reduction	\$35.00
Children's Collection	\$87.95
Plate Collection	\$609.48
Total Sunday Contribution	\$35,324.34
This week's surplus	\$15,362.34

YTD Parish Stewardship	\$940,569.16
Budgeted YTD Stewardship	\$1,018,062.00
Parish Deficit YTD	(\$77,492.84)

This is week 51 of 52 weeks this fiscal year 2015-16.
Our Weekly Average YTD is \$18,442.53



2nd Collection next weekend-Outreach
Emergency for the Poor
Thanks for your help!

Development Dialogue

Bequests to our Parish and/or School, gifts of real estate, stocks, bonds, and certificates of deposit can perpetuate your ideals and faith in our School or Parish. Please remember the ongoing and long-range needs that exist in our School and/or Parish. Please prayerfully consider remembering our School and/or Parish in your Planned giving. Please contact Bob Nowaczyk, SPSL's Development Coordinator at 402-551-6667 for more information.



Spirit of St. Pius: Faith in Action

Community Garden News & Thank You

The Catholic Social Teaching team has been discussing a garden at Pius for nearly a decade, but getting the church renovation done took priority. Fr. Mike was very interested after we celebrated our 60th Parish Anniversary.

Sunday, May 28th, Fr. Mike did a wonderful garden blessing. We sang "This is Holy Ground" and Max Strehle led a litany or prayers for the earth. Father reminded us that God built us a garden, The Garden of Eden, to live in.

Fr. Mike sprinkled holy water on both the raised beds and those gathered.

Once harvesting is in full swing, gardeners plan to share their over-produce with the pantry mid-week, and with parishioners on weekends.

Getting water easily to the site was a concern, but Fred Dohmen came to the rescue! He secured a very long heavy duty hose over the storage unit and right into the garden space. Thank you, Fred! The gardeners also want to

thank Sr. Rosalie for being our point person with the staff, and storer of necessary items left at the church.

We still have some debt to cover with the garden, for the dirt and delivery charge, and the sod cutter rental. Donations are still welcome, and Max Strehle with CST Team help is looking at new ways to fundraise.

Please feel free to contact Cindy Sauer with any questions at 402-571-4921 or email cindy@sauer@cox.net.

Ministry Schedule for July 2nd-3rd

	5:00 PM	7:00 PM	7:30 AM	9:30 AM	11:30 AM
EMHC	M. Bieker B. Davis M. Harrell M. Harrell J. Nardini T. Potter P. Potter	M. Cox M. Dorcey M. Hillier S. Hillier C. Nelson Teri Tipton NOT FILLED	M. J. Burns J. Kresl M. Leick J. Lohr A. Mitchell A. Oswald K. Siemek	Dave Mausbach J. Morrissey C. Morrissey A. Pyle J. Stolze F. Tollo R. Walet	N. Bock J. Brown Tom Griffith K. Martin M. Milota G. Schimonitz K. Schinker
Greeter	M. Donovan	K. Baye	M. Freyermuth	L. Skelton	NOT FILLED
Lector	E. Rogan - 1 C. Nardini - 2	NOT FILLED - 1 T. Strehle - 2	M. Freyermuth - 1 C. Ciciulla - 2	J. Walet - 1 J. Bataillon - 2	M. Rusch - 1 L. Alvarez - 2
Server	B. Gerards W. Wharton S. Wharton	M. Bope C. Bosiljevac W. Strehle	A. Jolley NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED T. Stolze D. Stolze	C. Gagnon-Koudji D. Rusch T. Rusch
CARE	M. Fell	NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED	B. Schulte	M. Martins
Music	P. Kern			Alleluia Choir	MJB
Maple Crest	P. Wagoner, NOT FILLED				



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Office Hours: Weekdays 8 am - 4:30 pm Saturdays 8:30 am - noon

Pastor: Rev. Michael Eckley

Associate: Rev. Mark Bridgman

Deacons: Mike Leick, Jim Nardini (Cindy), & Gene Schimonitz (Carol)

Weekend Masses: Saturdays 5:00 & 7:00 pm & Sundays 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 am

Daily Masses: 7:00 am & 5:30 pm

Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Marriage Preparation: Call the Parish Office at least 6 months in advance

New Parent Baptismal Class: Second Thursday of the month, 7:00 - 9:00 pm in the Parish

Class: Center. This class is required for baptism. *Pre-registration is required 1 week in advance. Call 402-558-1898.*

RCIA: For those interested in becoming a Catholic, please call the parish office, 402-558-8446.

School: 402-551-6667

Religious Ed: 402-558-1898

Liturgy Office: 402-558-1847

Youth Ministry: 402-558-8446

Pastoral Ministry: 402-558-8446

Prayer Line: 402-558-8446

Bulletin Deadline: One week in advance.

Bulletin e-mail: bulletin@stpiusomaha.org

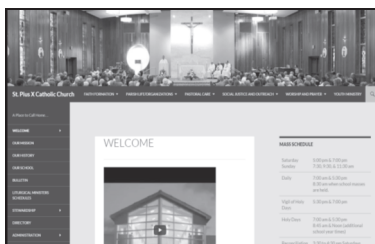
Effectively Challenging the Many Forms of Racism in Omaha - a

Conversation and a Promise: Sunday June 26th, 2:00 to 4:00 pm at Saint Pius X Catholic Church, 6905 Blondo Street. Back by Popular Demand! We have invited our acclaimed panelists from January to rejoin us and take the conversation to another level. The event includes panel discussion, Q&A, guided reflection time and action challenge. Shelley Henderson, moderator. Panelists: Ferial Pearson, Dr. Patrick Jones, Leo Louis II, Anthony Vargas, and Rev. Dr. Nikitah Imani
FREE - PLEASE Register at www.eventbrite.com

4 Stages of Marriage - The 4 stages of marriage are: (1) Romance, (2) Disillusionment, (3) Misery, and (4) Awakening. Many marriages experience the first 3 Stages. Marriages that end in divorce never make it to the 4th Stage of Awakening. Don't give up without learning about the 4th Stage of Awakening. If your marriage suffers from Disillusionment or Misery please contact Retrouvaille. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on August 26-28, 2016 call 1-888-317-565 or www.HelpOurMarriage.com

Fr. Lloyd Gnirk will be leading a tour to France from September 9th to 23rd. For more information contact elgn52@cox.net or call 402-359-5783.

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www.stpiusomaha.org



CONNECT WITH US!

We've strengthened our social media, creating dialogue, inspiring people and encouraging others to spread our messages. Take a look at our new social media pages and "Like" and "Follow" us today.



~ July 2016 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 10:30am-11am Mass at Maple Crest	2 Dusting Disciples Crew #6 - Mar- tins 7am-7:30am First Saturday Mass (Church) 7:30am-8:30am Respect Life Meeting (MPR) 12pm-2pm Recep- tion (P2/P3) 2pm-3pm Wedding
3	4 Independence Day 9am-10am July 4 Mass	5 1pm-3pm Shawl Ministry (P2/P3) 6:30pm-8pm AA (Sch. Cafeteria)	6 11am-12pm Mass at Skyline (Skyline) 4pm-6:30pm Human Needs (P3)	7	8 8am-8pm Ann's Attic (Gym) 8am-8pm Garage Sale (PC)	9 Dusting Disciples Crew #7 - Bian- chi 8am-8pm Ann's Attic (Gym) 8am-8pm Garage Sale (PC)
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17 3pm-11pm Koko Family Baptism (PC)	18 6:30pm-8pm Human Needs Outreach Meeting (P3)	19 6:30pm-8pm AA (Sch. Cafeteria) 7pm-8:30pm School Board Meeting (SL)	20 11am-12pm Mass at Skyline (Skyline) 4pm-6:30pm Human Needs (P3)	21 7pm-8:30pm Liturgy Core Team Meeting	22	23 Dusting Disciples Crew #1 - Hec- tor
24	25	26 6:30pm-8pm Just Faith Infor- mation Session (P4) 6:30pm-8pm AA (Sch. Cafeteria) 7pm-8:30pm Knights of Co- lumbus Officer's Meeting (P2/P3)	27 11am-12pm Mass at Skyline (Skyline) 4pm-6:30pm Human Needs (P3)	28	29	30 Dusting Disciples Crew #2 - Cox
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