

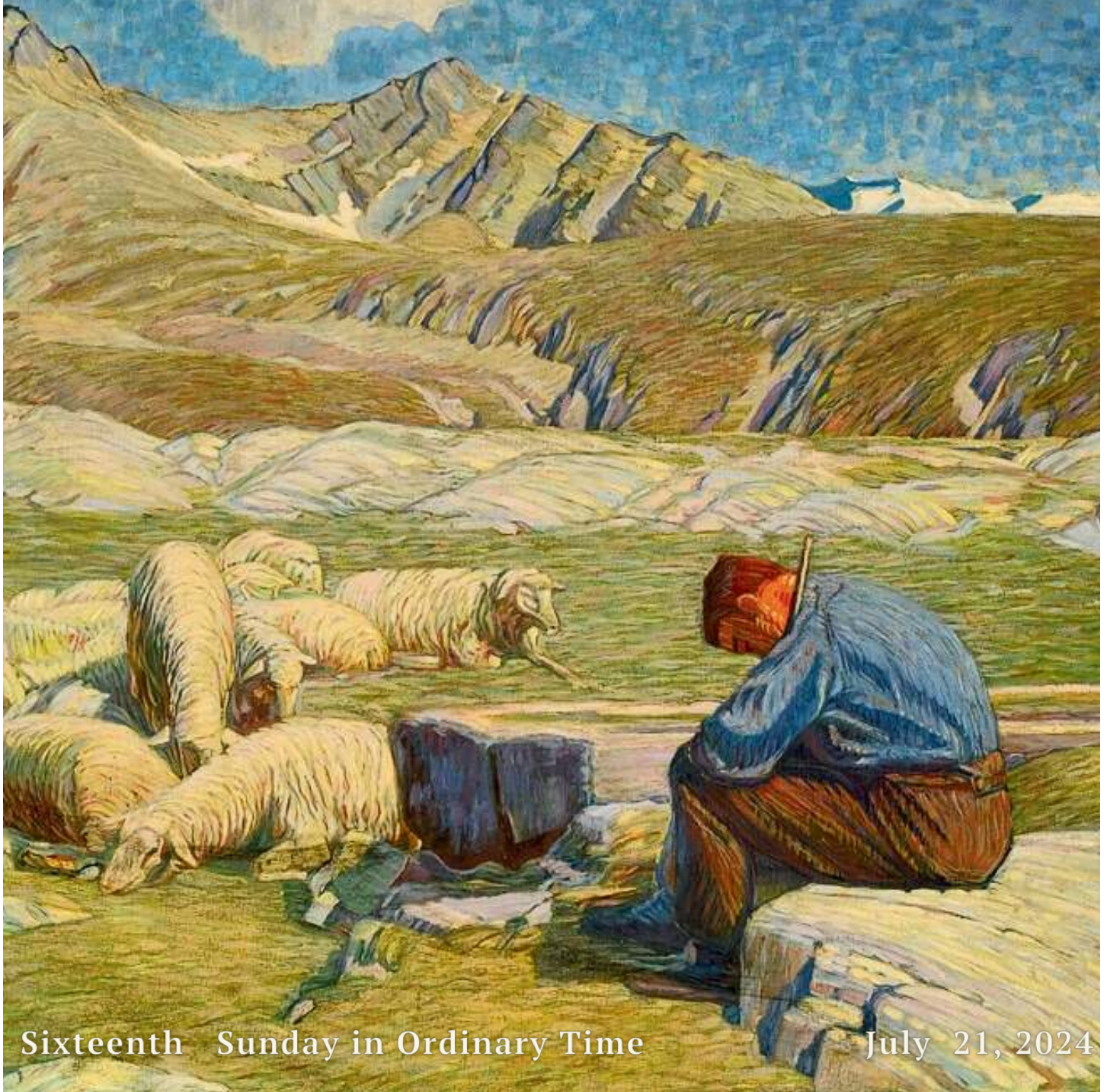


ST. PIUS X PARISH

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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 21, 2024

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MASS TIMES

Daily 8:30AM, Monday-Saturday, Church
Monday 7PM, Extraordinary Form, Chapel
Saturday 5:15PM, Vigil Mass, Church
Sunday 7:30AM, 9AM, 11AM, Church

Holy Days

Vigil 5:30PM, Church
Holy Day 8:30AM, 5:30PM, Church

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation

Saturday, 4-5PM, Church
Wednesday, 7-8PM, Church

Baptism

Pre-baptismal classes are on the first Sunday of every month. Call the Parish Office to register for the class and to schedule your child's baptism.

Marriage

Registered parishioners should make arrangements one year in advance with the Parish Office. Visit www.st-pius.org for more information or call the Parish Office.

Communion for the Homebound

If you or a loved one would like to receive Communion at home, contact Deacon Don Ross at dnross@diobpt.org.

Anointing of the Sick

If you or someone you know is ill and would like to be anointed, call the Parish Office.

Becoming Catholic

The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) is open to anyone who wants to learn more about our faith or complete their initiation as a Roman Catholic. Call the Parish Office for more information.

PARISH INFORMATION

Summer Office Hours Monday-Thursday, 9AM-4PM
Friday, closed with staff available by email until 12PM

Parish Phone 203-255-6134
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Parish Email secretary@st-pius.org

Parish Corporation

Kathryn Vogt Lay Member
Arthur Wolf Lay Member
Jeremy Joyce, Chair Parish Finance Council

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Co-Op Mission Sunday



The Passionist Missionaries goal is to promote the memory of the Passion of Jesus Christ by witnessing and preaching to the sufferings of our time.

Through their projects in Kenya, they are able to evangelize and promote integral human development. Their projects involve programs and activities for alleviating poverty and foster social justice and economic empowerment of the communities they serve. They have 36 seminarians, run two orphanages with 70 orphans, and support poor widows in their missions. They organize and preach retreats for both religious and lay Faithful. Your generous support continues their mission affecting a positive change in people's daily lives and the hope for a better tomorrow.

Fr. Evans Fwamba Cp will be sharing their mission story July 20/21, 2024. If you find time, please visit www.passionistskenya.org.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 20

8:30AM+Brian McGeady.....McGeady Family
 5:15PM.....+Fran Thompson.....B. Barrett

Sunday, July 21

7:30AMAll Parishioners
 9AM.....+Mary Farren.....J. Kaner
 11AM.....+Carmen E. Corica.....M. Lantowski

Monday, July 22

8:30AM.....+James Brennan.....Feeney Family
 7PM.....+All Deceased Members of the Rocca Family

Tuesday, July 23

8:30AM.....+Matthew Littlefield.....Carpanzano Family

Wednesday, July 24

8:30AM.....+Meghan Raveis.....B. & B. Scinto

Thursday, July 25

7PM +Daniel Purus....Fr. Sam Kachuba and Fr. Brendan Blawie

Friday, July 26

8:30AM.....+Peter M. Rembetsy.....J. & J. Myers

Saturday, July 27

8:30AM.....+Lorraine Barr.....Nunziata Family
 5:15PM.....+Meghan Raveis.....R. & E. Boldrighini

Sunday, July 28

7:30AMAll Parishioners
 9AM.....+Kevin Leary.....C. & D. Van Tornhout
 11AM.....+Constance Casalina.....J. & B. Marschall



Sanctuary Lights Will Burn

in the church in Thanksgiving for the McAuliffe & Oerlamans Families
 in the chapel for the intentions of Barbara & Alex Devaraj

STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Offertory

Offerings	July 7	July 14
Weekend	\$ 12,713	\$ 9,612
Monthly	\$ 1,745	\$ 1,012
Mission	\$ 364	\$ 100
Maintenance	\$ 339	N/A
Votives	\$ 431	N/A



We Stand With Christ Construction Loan

\$ 750,000 Outstanding Loan
 \$ 61,802 Donated
 133 Number of Gifts

To give to the WSWC Construction Loan, scan the QR code, drop a check in the Sunday basket with Construction Loan in the memo or visit www.osvhub.com/st-piusfairfield/giving/funds and choose gift.



CONSTRUCTION LOAN



Baptisms

We welcome the newly baptized into the Church:

- Wells Cameron DeLuca
- James Gerard Dunne, Jr.

WED

24

JULY

Sandwich Making, 7PM, Community Room & Kitchen

SUN

28

JULY

Coffee Hour, After 9AM Mass, Community Room

PRAYER



ADORATION

Monday, 9AM - Friday, 9PM, Chapel

Adore our Lord truly present in the Blessed Sacrament! Consider signing up for:

- 1) Any hour with no adorer
 - Monday: 11PM
 - Tuesday: 12AM, 2PM, 4PM
 - Wednesday: 4AM, 8AM, 3PM
 - Thursday: 12AM, 2AM, 3AM, 10AM
 - Friday: 1AM, 12PM
- 2) Any hour that has an adorer as we hope to have at least two adorers for each time slot.
- 3) A weekend hour. As soon as we have enough weekend commitments we will launch Perpetual Adoration, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

To sign up or to become a substitute visit www.st-pius.org/adore365/ or scan the QR code.



ROSARY AND CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Friday, 9AM, Church

Come pray the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy lead by Pat Heile. All are welcome to attend!

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

First Saturday, 9AM, Church

Join us for a devotion to Our Lady. We will pray the Rosary, Litany of Loreto, and follow with Benediction.



ST. PIUS X PRAYER LINE

We must never underestimate the power of prayer! Email your petitions and/or thanksgivings to Pat Heile, anytime, at stpiusxprayerln@aol.com. If you'd like to pray for others, let Pat know and she will add you to the Prayer Line Team.

EVENTS



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION OPEN!

Registration Deadlines

Friday, August 9 - Cohort 1 Confirmation Prep

Monday, September 23 - Grades 1-5 and Cohort 2

For class offerings and start dates, check the back of the bulletin or visit www.st-pius.org/elementary-faith-formation/. Contact Shari Mellinger at sgarcia@st-pius.org or call the Parish Office at 203-255-6134 with questions.



ST. PIUS X LUXURY RAFFLE

Saturday, September 14, 8PM, Drawing at SPX

Take a chance on winning a 2024 BMW X5 SUV and other amazing prizes! For tickets, visit tinyurl.com/spxluxuryraffle, scan the code. You've got to be in it, to win it! All proceeds benefit the St. Pius X Construction Loan and Knights of Columbus Council # 16347 outreach efforts. Email Paul Sposato at psposato@optonline.net with questions.



MINISTRIES

COMMUNITY, SERVICE AND FORMATION



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Saturday, 6:30AM, Community Room

Join the men of the parish for prayer, conversation, and fellowship! For more information, contact Mark Drexel at drexel2424@optonline.net. We look forward to welcoming you!



SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR

July 28, After 9AM Mass, Community Room

Come to the Community Room after the 9AM Mass for coffee and treats. If you would like to help with the hospitality, contact Genevieve Ritch at gfanelliritch@optonline.net or scan the QR code to contribute. All are welcome!



YOUNG AT HEART SENIOR LUNCHEON

Monday, August 5, 12PM, Community Room

Don't miss the 3rd annual Super Duper Weenie food truck lunch. Hot dogs, burgers, all condiments made from scratch, and fries made daily. Come enjoy a relaxing summertime lunch and fellowship with friends. Lunch \$13 CASH ONLY, payable to Super Duper Weenie and includes your choice of two items (dog and burger, two dogs, or two burgers) and fries. Beverages provided by St. Pius X. **RSVP required** to Peter Carey at aandp1964@aol.com or 203-673-2081. Bring a friend (or two!) See you there!



OPERATION HOPE MEAL PREP

Last Monday of the Month, Community Kitchen

Our Operation Hope Meal Prep Team would love for you to join them. You're invited to help prepare and deliver a monthly meal for 50 of Operation Hope's clients. If you're interested in cooking, donating food or cash to this effort, scan the QR Code or contact Genevieve Ritch at gfanelliritch@optonline.net.



YOUNG AT HEART GAME DAY

Tuesday, 10AM-12PM, Community Room, Mahjong

Wednesday, 10AM-12PM, Community Room, Canasta

Bring a friend and meet us in the Community Room. Learn how to play or just stop by for fellowship and conversation. Questions? Contact Margaret at blk125@msn.com or call her at 908-399-2945.



ST. PIUS X SANDWICH MAKING

Wednesday, July 24, 7-8PM, Community Room & Kitchen

Join us this July as we continue making sandwiches for nOURish Bridgeport. We have most of the supplies we need but we could always use a few more granola bars and 8oz water bottles. If you're interested in donating items, setting up or making the lunches, please email stpiussandwichmaking@gmail.com. Thank you!

MINISTRIES

COMMUNITY, SERVICE AND FORMATION



SMALL GROUP LEADER WORKSHOP

Wednesday, July 31 or August 28, 6:30-9PM, Community Room

God created us to be known and be in community. St. Pius X Small Groups provide the opportunity for us to experience both! If you are interested in leading a small group, visit, www.st-pius.org/smallgroups to apply for training or contact Paola Peña at ppena@st-pius.org.



TASTEBUDS

Wednesday, August 21, 5-7PM, Community Room & Kitchen

Come to our Tastebuds gathering! Along with cooking demonstrations, we will review recipes, and enjoy the meal we created together. Our dinners may be paired with complimenting wines and beverages. The cost is \$15. Email catherinemacdonaldcake@gmail.com to RSVP and scan the QR code to pay.



WALKING WITH PURPOSE

Thursday, October 3, 2024- January 30, 2025, 9:30-11:30AM

Rooted and Radiant. By studying the book of Colossians, we will realize the challenges the Colossians faced, are remarkably similar to our own challenges today.

Thursdays, February 6, 2025 - May 8, 2025, 9:30-11:30AM

Passionate Discipleship. We will immerse ourselves in 2 Timothy, Paul's last and deeply personal letter to his beloved friend and mentee, Timothy. For more information, email dawnmariec@sbcglobal.net or visit www.st-pius.org/wwwp.



BAPTISMAL GARMENT MINISTRY

Every child baptized at St. Pius X receives a handmade baptismal garment that is lovingly created by this ministry. If you enjoy simple sewing and embroidery, email Eleanor Burke profefurke@optonline.net and join their efforts.



WRAPPED IN LOVE

This group crochets and knits blankets for our newly baptized babies as well as prayer shawls for those who are ill. Each stitch is infused with the crafter's prayers for the recipients. Once completed, the items are blessed by Fr. Brendan. If you would like to help with this ministry, contact Kim Leon at kleon@st-pius.org. We provide the yarn.



VIRTUS TRAINING

Volunteers are required by the Diocese of Bridgeport to have a background check and complete a training program, "Protecting God's Children." Volunteers may sign up online for the free class. The class is approximately 3 hours and may be taken virtually or in person at various locations in the diocese. Upon completion of the class, a copy of the certificate must be submitted to the parish office prior to beginning duties as a volunteer. Scan the QR code or visit www.bridgeportdiocese.org/safe-environments/virtus/ to register.





ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC CHURCH

Small Group Leader Workshop

Be empowered and equipped to walk with a few.

Wednesday, July 31, 2024

OR

Wednesday, August 28, 2024

6:30pm- 9pm in the Community Room

TO LEARN MORE AND APPLY, VISIT WWW.ST-PIUS.ORG/SMALL-GROUPS

Contact Paola Peña, Director of Evangelization, at ppena@st-pius.org.

Elementary Faith Formation

2024-2025 REGISTRATION INFORMATION

GRADE

OPTION(S) AVAILABLE

REGISTRATION DEADLINES & START DATES

1

At-home only. Weekly lessons from My Catholic Faith Delivered

2

First Reconciliation & First Communion Preparation. In-person only. Classes offered Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday from 4:30pm-5:30pm.

3

In-person only. Classes offered Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday from 4:30pm-5:30pm.

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In-person only. Classes offered Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday from 4:30pm-5:30pm.

5

In-person only. Classes offered Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday from 4:30pm-5:30pm.

6

Confirmation Preparation. In-person only. Offered on Mondays from 4:30pm-5:30pm for 14 consecutive weeks. Monthly Edge Youth Ministry attendance required.

Cohort 1 Confirmation Prep Deadline:

Friday, August 9

Grades 1-5 and Cohort 2 Deadline:

Monday, September 23

Start Dates

Grades 1-5

October 7, 2024

Confirmation Prep Cohort 1

September 9, 2024

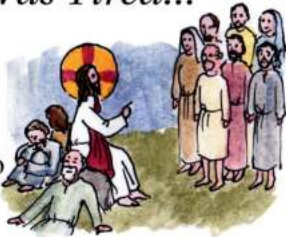
Confirmation Prep Cohort 2

January 13, 2025

To register or for more information, visit www.st-pius.org/elementary-faith-formation

When Jesus Was Tired...

The apostles were tired when they came back from their mission trip, so Jesus took them across the lake to a quiet place to have a rest.



But the other people saw where they were going and got there ahead of them! Jesus saw that these people were like sheep without a shepherd, so He felt sorry for them. Even though He was tired and hungry He decided to teach the people who needed Him, without taking a rest.



Have you ever been asked to help someone when you were tired? It isn't easy, is it? But we can learn from Jesus that no matter how tired we are, we should still be ready to help others who are in need.



Answers to Psalm 23 Word Puzzle: green, soul, for, dark, side, that, mc, spread, sigh, head, overflows, Lord.

Psalm 23 Word Puzzle

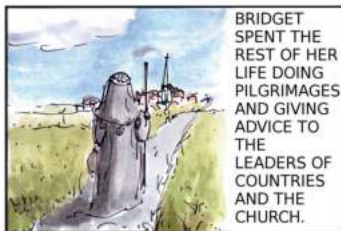
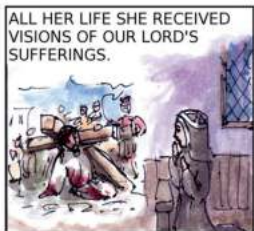
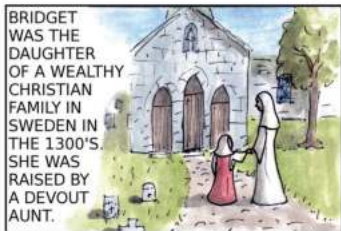
Who is this Psalm about? Unscramble the letters in blanks and use the ones in circles to fill in the answer at the bottom!

In _____ (EGRNE) pastures
 he gives me repose;
 beside restful waters he leads me;
 he refreshes my _____. (LOSU)
 He guides me in right paths
 ____ (FRO) his name's sake.
 Even though I walk
 in the _____ (AKRD) valley
 I fear no evil, for you are at my _____
 (IEDS)
 with your rod and your staff
 ____ (HATT) give ____ (EM) courage.
 You ____ (EADSRP) the table
 before me
 in the _____ (HGTSI) of my foes;
 you anoint my _____ (EAHD) with oil;
 my cup _____
 (FOWLVOESR)
 Only goodness and kindness follow me
 all the days of my life;
 and I shall dwell
 in the house of the _____ (DOLR)
 for years to come.



This Psalm tells us about the

ST. BRIDGET OF SWEDEN FEAST, DAY JULY 23



BRIDGET HAD A GREAT DEVOTION TO OUR LORD'S SUFFERINGS. SHE WROTE WHAT HE SHOWED HER IN VISIONS, AND SHE ENCOURAGED PEOPLE TO THINK ABOUT HIS SUFFERING. WE SHOULD TAKE A LITTLE TIME EVERY DAY TO LOOK AT A CRUCIFIX AND THINK ABOUT HOW MUCH OUR LORD LOVES US.



In today's Gospel reading, Jesus wanted to take the tired apostles across the lake to rest in a quiet place. But the people saw where Jesus was going and ran ahead. See if you can find their path through the maze.

AUGUST 24-25

COME CELEBRATE AFTER ALL MASSES

St. Pius X Feast Day



ENJOY A SCOOP ON THE HOUSE COURTESY OF

Saugatuck Sweets

ICE CREAM SCOOPERS NEEDED, EMAIL CCOYLE@ST-PIUS.ORG