Church of St. Pius X

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First Holy Communion

WELCOME TO THE TABLE OF THE LORD!

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Fr Russ

First Communion Sunday

This Sunday, the 5th Sunday of Easter we will celebrate First Communion Sunday with our little people with a 11:30 Mass for them. I am sort of sorry others will not be able to celebrate with us during this Pandemic time as I find these celebrations to be so joy filled.

Parents, always remember the examples you set for your children in the home. Praying with your children is so important and bringing them to Sunday Eucharist, attending Mass as a family is the best example you can provide for them. Though we are all busy and hectic these days, please try to make a commitment to the Sunday Eucharist with your children. The truth is – if your children do not see the importance of Sunday Eucharist in your weekend life, they will pick up the same. This day and age, I pray for you daily as you make the effort to raise your children in the spirit of Christ's way, truth, and life. Please come and celebrate Sunday Mass and so enable the Holy Spirit to fill your lives and homes as part of the larger family of God.

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Prayer

The Canticle of the Creatures

Most High, all-powerful, good Lord,
Yours are the praises, the glory, and the honor, and the all blessing,
To You alone, Most High, do they belong,
and no human is worthy to mention Your name.
Praised be You, my Lord, with all Your creatures, especially Sir Brother Sun, Who is the day and through whom You give us light. And he is beautiful and radiant with great splendor; and bears a likeness of You, Most High One.
Praised be You, my Lord, through Sister Moon and the stars, in heaven You formed them clear and precious and beautiful.
Praised be You, my Lord, through Brother Wind, and through the air, cloudy and serene, and every kind of weather, through whom You give sustenance to Your creatures.
Praised be You, my Lord, through Sister Water, who is very useful and humble and precious and chaste.
Praised be You, my Lord, through Brother Fire, through whom You light the night,
and he is beautiful and playful and robust and strong.
Praised be You, my Lord, through our Sister Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us,
and who produces various fruit with colored flowers and herbs. Praised be You, my Lord, through those who give pardon for Your love,
and bear infirmity and tribulation.
Blessed are those who endure in peace
for by You, Most High, shall they be crowned.
Praised be You, my Lord, through our Sister Bodily Death, from whom no one living can escape.
Woe to those who die in mortal sin.
Blessed are those whom death will find in Your most holy will, for the second death shall do them no harm. Praise and bless my Lord and give Him thanks and serve Him with great humility.

---St Francis of Assisi

Parish Life

Catholic Charities Annual Mother's Day Appeal theme, "*Show COMPASSION ~ Create Lasting CHANGE*" inspires all to sustain one another with creating change! **Next weekend,** our parish families have the blessed opportunity to bring God's love to families in crisis, vulnerable adults and seniors, and children in need. Your compassionate generosity and support of the mission of Catholic Charities efforts embraces a love that sees the face of God in all those who suffer. Your generosity on all levels makes a life-changing difference!

Pray for Vocations

Thanks to all the parishioners who have already agreed to pray the rosary for vocations. We are still in need of more. Can you take on praying for vocations as your personal effort to increase the number of priests in our diocese. The Rochester Serra Club, Serrans, promote vocations by reciting the Rosary and want you to join in this intention by agreeing to say the Rosary for vocations one day a month, the same date, each month of the year. The Serrans , "31 Club", is being expanded to become a "St Pius X 31 Club. No meetings, no dues, just pray. What a powerful intercession it will be if we can fill every day of the month with St Pius parishioners praying for vocations throughout the year. Please consider calling Berny Saletel at 507-282-1722 and signing up for a specific day of the month.

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2021 Goal $73,800
Pledged & Received $63,500
86% of goal
Participants 206
AS OF 4/23/21

2021
Catholic Ministries Appeal
Share the Light of Hope.

Weekend Mass Registration

Weekend Mass registration for the upcoming weekend is available Monday mornings. Links for weekend registration can be found in our email communications, parish website or by calling the parish office. Reminder, you will not reserve specific seats, but will be seated first come-first serve. We continue to ask you to observe distancing of 6 feet between parties and wear masks that cover your nose and mouth. As always, if you are feeling unwell, please stay home and join us for Mass virtually. *No registration is needed for weekday Masses.*

Bulletins

If you have been able to join us again for Mass in person and no longer need to receive the bulletin sent to you in the mail, please contact Julie or Doug in the parish office at 288-8238. Thank You!

Interested in getting involved in music ministry?
Youth Choir (6-12th grade) will begin meeting again on Sundays from 11am-12pm. Please contact Katie for more information at kstinson@piusx.org.

Adults interested in joining choir, playing an instrument or cantoring may contact Matt Maus at mmaus@piusx.org.

Church of St. Pius X Schedule

	Mass		Reconciliation	Indivdual Prayer
Monday 5/3				9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Tuesday 5/4	8:00 AM	Public and Livestreamed	7:30 - 7:55 AM	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Wednesday 5/5	9:15 AM	Livestreamed		10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Thursday 5/6	8:00 AM	Public and Livestreamed	7:30 - 7:55 AM	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Friday 5/7	8:00 AM	Public and Livestreamed	7:30 - 7:55 AM	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Saturday 5/8	4:00 PM	Public	3:00 - 3:55 PM	
Sunday 5/9	8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Public and Livestreamed		

Parish Staff

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Steve Flynn _____ 507-273-0140

Mass Intentions

Monday, May 3, 2021
NO MASS

Tuesday, May 4, 2021
8:00 am Edward Warren+ / Jim Hausman+

Wednesday, May 5, 2021
9:15 am Anna Butlin+

Thursday, May 6, 2021
8:00 am Curtis Kalmes+ / Charlene Larrison+

Friday, May 7, 2021
8:00 am For the Unborn / George Lally+

Saturday, May 8, 2021
4:00 pm Francis+ and Amelia+ Lehnertz

Sunday, May 9, 2021
8:00 am In Reparation of our Sins
Chrissy Loegering+
10:00 am Parishioners / Marian Schneider+

To schedule Mass intentions, please contact the parish office at 288-8238.

MCCL Mother's Day Roses

"In honor of the gift of motherhood, roses will be available in the entry ways after Masses NEXT weekend of May 8-9. For a suggested donation of $2 each. Proceeds benefit the Olmsted County chapter of MCCL."

Help us honor the class of 2021!

Please send us the name of your graduate, a picture, and a little bit about what they are doing next! We will feature our graduates in our May/June bulletins. Please send information to kstinson@piusx.org.

Community

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS

2020 has been an incredibly difficult year on all of us and marriages have suffered! Please let us help you to find enrichment, joy, and hope in your relationship! Register for the May 1-2 or August 21-22 Marriage Encounter. Weekends are held at Mt Olivet Conference and Retreat Center in Farmington. Visit www.marriages.org for additional information or call 651-454-3238. If you have any questions, please call Mary Jackson at 651-454-3238.

ROCHESTER ROSARY RALLIES

Rallies continue to be held near the Rochester Government Center on Sundays at the corner of 4th St. SE and 3rd Ave. SE at 3pm, the Divine Mercy Hour, lasting about 35 minutes. If you are ever unable to join us physically, please consider joining us spiritually by praying a Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet from wherever you are. May our united prayers through Mary find the heart of Jesus. Questions: Contact Mary Amiot at mamiot@hotmail.com or 507-287-6481 or Janela Hubka at daveandjanela@gmail.com or 507-282-6090.

Sacred Relics of the Saints

On Saturday, May 15, the Church of St. Dominic in Northfield will have an Exposition of many sacred relics that had traveled all the way from the Vatican. The evening begins with Mass at 5:00 PM. The event is free and open to all. Among the treasures will be relics of St. Joseph, St. Maria Goretti, St. Thérése of Lisieux (the "Little Flower"), St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Dominic, and St. Faustina Kowalska. In addition, there will also be a piece of a veil which belonged to Our Lady, and one of the largest remaining pieces of the True Cross in the world. For more information on the Exposition, please visit www.churchofstdominic.org or call the parish office at 507-645-8816.

Community

Cor Jesu - First Friday of May!

The Cathedral invites you to Cor Jesu on Friday, May 7th from 7:00-8:30pm. Cor Jesu is an evening of Eucharistic Adoration, Confessions, and music in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This will be the final Cor Jesu until Fall 2021, so we hope you can join us in prayer! For more details, search for Winona Cor Jesu on Facebook, go to cascwinona.org/prayer-opportunities and click on "Cor Jesu" in the drop-down list, or call Olivia Gadient at (507) 951-7063.

HOMELESSNESS IN ROCHESTER - HOW CAN OUR FAITH COMMUNITIES HELP?

One myth surrounding those experiencing homelessness is that they must have made a bad decision. The truth is an unforeseen event could put every one of us in their shoes. Join us on Thursday, May 20 from 7 PM-8:30 PM as a panel of experts will discuss all aspects of homelessness, but most importantly, they will share information on simple and practical ways every one of us can help. Viewers will be able to submit questions through chat and there will be time for Q & A at the end. All Q & A will be sent at all who registered. Register at: https://stlukesepiscopal.org/ serve/and click on the Homeless Forum button. The Zoom link will be sent the day before the event. If you have any questions, please contact, Diane O'Mara at 507-261-3773 or dianeomara@charter.net.

BECKLEY'S "SHRED" EVENT TO SUPPORT LOCAL NONPROFITS

Beckley's Office Products is holding a special "SHREDDING" Event on WEDNESDAY, May 26 and THURSDAY, May 27 from 9 AM to 4 PM. Bring your boxes of documents and Beckley's will shred them for $10/box - and $5 per box will be donated to our parish. There is a limit of 10 boxes per vehicle. Cash and check only! Beckley's Office Products is located at 125 Woodlake Drive SE, Rochester, MN. Call 507-282-8659 with questions.

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 2, 2021

SUN 5/02	Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 [26a]/1 Jn 3:18-24/ Jn 15:1-8
MON 5/03	1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Jn 14:6-14
TUE 5/04	Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 [cf. 12]/Jn 14:27-31a
WED 5/05	Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [cf. 1]/Jn 15:1-8
THR 5/06	Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10 [3]/Jn 15:9-11
FRI 5/07	Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12 [10a]/Jn 15:12-17
SAT 5/08	Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
SUN 5/09	Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/ 1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 2, 2021

Sunday:	5th Sunday of Easter
Monday:	Sts. Phillip and James, Apostles
Wednesday:	Cinco de Mayo
Thursday:	National Day of Prayer
Next Sunday:	6th Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Anyone familiar with gardening knows that proper and timely pruning is essential. The health of the plant depends upon it. An unpruned tree can quickly produce suckers that zap many of the essential nutrients from its body. Pruning requires patience and vision. Studies reveal that plants often respond defensively to being pruned, displaying reactions that are similar to hurt or discomfort. Pruning is not easy but necessary. A hard lesson for us to learn is that we also need to be pruned. We become far healthier when we allow God to stretch, refine, and form us into the best version of ourselves. The fruit that then comes from our vines will be more abundant, nutritious, and robust. Left to our own devices we can easily find ourselves running amuck and spiraling out of control. Without a proper vision and trust in the Master Pruner, we will never find the contentment we desperately desire. Nor will the work of the Gospel stand a chance of succeeding.

Prayer is the bridge between panic and peace.

Faith Formation

Congratulations to the young men and women of St. Pius X and St. Francis of Assisi parishes who were confirmed this past Saturday by Bishop John Quinn. We are so blessed by your commitment to the faith and your willingness to share that faith with the world.

Summer Camps

Registration is now open for our summer youth camps. Amazing adult leaders are always needed. Registration information and camp details can be found at http://piusx.org/youth-ministry.html
If you have questions, please contact Katie Stinson at kstinson@piusx.org.

Pre-K through 4th grade:

Vacation Bible School

Hop on the Rocky Railway with friends from St. Pius X and the Co-Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. This week will be full of games, music, adventure, scripture, saints, and more as we learn how Jesus always pulls us through!

When: July 26-30, 9:15am-11am
Where: St. Pius X Church and School
Cost: 1 child ~ $20
2 children ~ $35
3 or more children ~ $40
Volunteers receive a 50% discount. There is no fee for station leaders' children.

Current 5th - 7th grade (+high school leaders):

Camp Summit Catholic Adventure

Join us for a day of high-adventure activities, engaging talks, dynamic prayer, and learning about God's plan for your life with the theme "More Than Conquerors."

When: Tuesday, August 3rd
Where: Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Center, Lanesboro, MN
Cost: $75, assistance available

Current 8th -12th graders:

High School Mission Trip

What makes something "Worth It"? When you make a difference in the life of someone else? When you grow and change for the better? When you form new friendships? When you learn new skills? When can you see God's incredible grace at work in your life? Join St. Pius X, St. Francis of Assisi, and other teens from across the U.S. for a week of home-repair service and retreat.

When: June 20-26th
Where: Mission, SD
Cost: Deposit of $150 due at registration. Total cost is $550.