

# St. Pius X Catholic Church

3130 Morris Avenue  
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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 5, 2012



**W**hen it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him.

— Mk 1:32-34

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*Loving and gracious God,  
You gave us your Son, Jesus  
Christ.*

*He gave of Himself, not only on  
the cross, but in every moment of  
His life.*

*He saw the hungry; He fed them.  
He saw the lame; He cured them.  
He saw the dying; He gave them  
new life.*

*He gave.*

*In this way, He taught us to give.*

*Loving and gracious God, open  
our hearts to the mission and  
ministries of the Diocesan  
Ministry Fund.*

*Strengthen our resolve  
to be like your Son, Jesus,  
to give of ourselves  
in every moment of our lives.*



## FROM THE PASTOR

As we draw closer to Lent, our reflective time of the year, I thought it might be a good idea to begin thinking about Bishop Isern's upcoming Visitation to our parish. It will be scheduled sometime between July and December. Bishop Isern is visiting all of the parishes in the Diocese over an 18-month period. The purpose of these Visitations is to help him assess the health of each parish, to better understand its condition.

When the Bishop comes (2 days if it's on a weekend, 3 days if it's during the week), he will schedule 4 meetings: with the parish at large (a "Town Hall" type of meeting), with the Pastoral Council, with the Finance Council, and with the Parish Staff. It's my understanding that the Pastor is not present at these meetings so people can talk freely. The Visitation will give the Bishop a "snapshot" of our parish for the future.

At each of these meetings, the same 4 questions will be asked. I ask you to start thinking about them now so you can be better prepared:

- What are the strengths of our parish?
- What are the weaknesses of our parish?
- What opportunities present themselves to our parish?
- What are the challenges facing our parish?

This discernment process intends to shape us more perfectly into the Body of Christ, to become an even better living community of faith. Church is not just a place to go to Mass or receive the Sacraments. Church is where we realize that in spite of all our imperfections, we are the family of God, children of God, who look out for help, and draw strength from each other. It's where we become a community where we want to belong, where we use our talents and gifts and support each other, because we care about each other. St. Pius X Parish is our Other family – both a gift and a responsibility. It is my hope and prayer that each year we will experience more and more the love of Christ that binds us together. *Shalom!*

**Next Saturday, February 11th, is National Vocations Day.** Please pray for vocations to religious life and our ordained ministries. Especially pray that parents will support vocations in their families.



**Blessing of Married Couples.** This is usually given on the last weekend of each month to honor those with anniversaries. But because we have the Marriage Celebration Dinner on Saturday, Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>, it will be given that weekend instead. Besides, it's World Marriage Day weekend!

**The Widows and Widowers Social** will be held on Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. All who have lost their loved one are invited.

*Saints who really live, who are greater than life, who no longer look at themselves, guide us to God, who is at the core of our life, who is the only real experience that reveals humans to humans.*

—Maurice Zundel (1897-1975)

### St. Pius X Lenten Bible Studies "Spirituality of the Gospels"

As Catholics we have a tradition of doing something special during Lent. This year our parish is offering a six week Bible Study on the "Spirituality of the Gospels". Why not make this study the special thing you will do this Lent.

The leaders are Sr. Laetitia and John & Ellen Cummings. Sessions will be held on Wednesdays (12 noon—1:45 pm or 6:30—7:45 pm), on February 29, March 7, 14, 21, 28 and April 4, at St. Pius X hall. Cost-\$15.00 for a commentary (contains reading on the specific spirituality of each Gospel and a synopsis of saints and others who have lived out the spirituality in their daily lives), study guide and postage. Come together with others to learn how the Gospels can give us an appreciation for the spiritual dimension of our lives. Soup will be served at the noontime session.



<u>Mon. Feb. 6</u>	<u>Tues. Feb. 7</u>	<u>Wed. Feb. 8</u>	<u>Thur. Feb. 9</u>	<u>Fri. Feb. 10</u>	<u>Sat. Feb. 11</u>	<u>Sun. Feb. 12</u>
7:30 a.m. Word Communion Service 2:00 pm-Tai-Chi	7:20 a.m. Morning Prayer 7:30 a.m. Mass 3:45 pm-Staff 5:00p-Confession 6:00 pm-Cantors 6:30 p-1st Communion Mtg. 7:00 pm- Adult Choir	7:20 a.m. Morning Prayer 7:30 a.m. Mass 2:00 pm-Tai-Chi	7:20 a.m. Morning Prayer 7:30 a.m. Mass	7:20 a.m. Morning Prayer 7:30 a.m. Mass	4:00 p.m. –Mass Marriage Celebration with Blessing-Married Couples	8:20 am-Rosary 9:00 a.m. Mass & CLOW Blessing-Married Couples 2:00 pm-Widows Social



**Lifelong Catechesis**  
**ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW**  
**SOMEONE WHO.....**

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?
- Are Catholic and want to learn more about the Catholic faith?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information please contact Bobbie Jo at 542-4264.

**Faith 4 Life:** February 5<sup>th</sup> - Children Mass at 9:00 following by class in the hall. Theme is Marriage & Holy Orders. We will conclude the class with lunch.

**1<sup>st</sup> Communion** – Those children who have attended Faith 4 Life classes for two years and in 2<sup>nd</sup> year will enter into the preparation class for Eucharist. Parent and child are to attend class on Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in hall.

**Confirmation:** High School Confirmation candidates will be going on Retreat Feb 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>. Release forms are due now.



**St. Pius X/St. Paul the Apostle Marriage Celebration....**

All married couples are invited to attend a celebration of Marriage held at St. Pius X Church on Saturday, February 11, 2012.

Mass begins at 4:00 p.m. A social hour and dinner will follow along with entertainment and prizes.

Tickets can be purchased after all weekend masses and are also available in our parish office for \$35 per couple. Couples celebrating 25 or 50 years of marriage in 2012 please

**Your Sacrificial Offering**

**St. Pius the Tenth Church**  
**January 28-29, 2012**

Weekly Budget Need: ----- \$6403.00  
 Envelopes (81) & Loose ----- \$2963.24  
 Children's Stewardship ----- \$15.00  
 Renovation last week ----- \$50.00

**Thank You For Your Generosity!**



**2012 Diocesan Ministry Report**

**Goal** .....\$48,812.00  
**# of Pledges** ..... 108  
**Amount Pledged** .....\$29,140.00

*Rightly is my hope strong in Him, who sits at Your right hand and intercedes for us . . . For many and great are my infirmities, many and great; but Your medicine is of more power.*  
 Saint Augustine of Hippo (354–430)

## Mass Intentions for the week

**Saturday—February 4, 2012**

4:00 pm — People of the Parish

**Sunday—February 5, 2012**

8:20 am — Rosary

9:00 am — †Cleo Palmer By Pamela Palmer Baker

— †John Valdez By Rosemary Valdez

**Monday—February 6, 2012**

7:30 am — Word Communion Service

**Tuesday — February 7, 2012**

7:30 am — †Vic Moreschini By Mary Moreschini

**Wednesday —February 8, 2012**

7:30 am — †Elizabeth Betty Sand By Family

**Thursday—February 9 , 2012**

7:30 am — †Cleo Palmer By Jim & Kaylene  
Concialdi

**Friday—February 10, 2012**

7:30 am — †Joe Giannetto By Tony & Barb Fortino

**Saturday—February 11, 2012**

4:00 pm — People of the Parish

**Sunday—February 12, 2012**

8:20 am — Rosary

9:00 am — †Flora Nava By Talo Nava & Family

— †Pam Nava BY Andy Nava & Family

— †Chris Chavez By Heymann & Masias  
Family

**B**irthday blessings to the following parishioners that celebrate their special day from February 7th thru the 12th. Hope your day is just the beginning of a year full of happiness.

Robert Martinez—2/7

Frank Arena—2/11

Greg Whitman—2/7

Kent Couch—2/11

Dannielle Algien—2/8

Joe Martellaro-2/11

John Basch—2/8

Brooke Mecillas-2/11

Martha Ramirez—2/8

Karen Eccher—2/12

Katherine Garcia—2/9

Tammy Johnson-2/12

Emma Hollenstine—2/9

Jackie Medina-2/12

Kyle Farrer—2/10

Savanah Robles—2/10

Shelia Maas—2/10



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**Saturday, February 11, 2012 —4:00 pm**

- **Eucharistic Ministers**~ Machel Mecillas, Mary Simmons, Gordon & Katharine Redmond
- **Proclaimers**~Dorian Karas & Esther Compton
- **Sacristan**~Marylyn Clare
- **AV**~Pat Greer
- **Cantor**~Jim Concialdi & Peggy Wallace
- **Ushers**~Syl Shumbat, John Hruby, Mike Peretto, & Zeke Lujan
- **Altar Servers**~Derek Martinez
- **Greeters**~Doug & Sue Smith

**Sunday, February 12, 2012—9:00 am**

- **Eucharistic Ministers**~Kim Ornelas, Cindy Weatherfield, Randy & Mary Jo Pocius
- **Proclaimers**~MaryJo Pocius & Julianne Griswold
- **Sacristan**~Manny Sandoval
- **AV**~Dennis Kampa
- **Cantors**~Connie Godfrey, Bill Cross & Lupe
- **Ushers**~Robert Vitt, Annette Aragon, John Valdez, Morris Gade
- **Altar Servers**~Melody Ornelas & Julie Griswold
- **Greeters**~Jerry & Susan McDonough

## Pray For The Sick



Vince Martinez, Annette Aragon, Loretta Solorzano, Laura Espinoza, Doug Weatherfield, Virginia Wilson, Ray Warfield, Kristan McCrawl, Denise Godette, Janice Strong, Pillie Lopez, Stella Chavez, Sheri Lynn Chavez, Robert Sisneros, Nick DeSalvo, Sam Keiffer, Eloveida Velasquez, Willie Garcia, Katherine Griswold, Jerry Griswold & Jerry Griswold II., Ray Sarlo, Catherine Thompson, Bette Mantelli, Lori Hebert, Genevive Robl, Pauline Addington, Pearl Woodyard, Betty Lerma, Amadeo Madrid, Maria Rose Solano, Mary Abeyta, Mary Kelleher, Edward & Dorothy Liptak, Nick & Wilma DeSalvo.