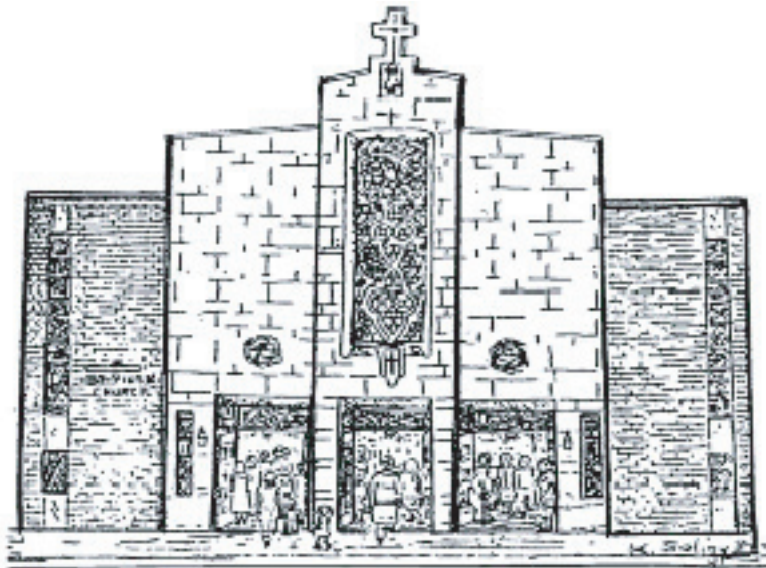


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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday - 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Weekdays

Tuesday to Friday - 8:30 a.m.
Rosary and Divine
Mercy Prayer - 9:00 a.m.

Office Hours:

Tuesday to Friday

9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Pastor: Rev. Brian Shea

Parish Coordinator: Rita Cincinnato

Parish Secretary: Vivian McNeill

Music Sat 5 p.m.: Adrian Autencio

Sun 9 a.m.: Chris Au & Linda Elia

Sun 11 a.m.: Brian Weldon

Reconciliation

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

OR By Appointment

Baptism

Please call the office for an appointment.

Marriage

One year's advance notice is required;
call the office for an appointment.

Couples must attend a marriage preparation
course.

Benediction & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Every first Friday of the Month at 9:00 a.m. following
Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Devotions to our Mother of Perpetual Help

Thursday: 8:30 a.m.

Parish School: St. Pius X Catholic School

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Parish Ministries/ Organizations

Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Liturgical Musicians, St. Vincent de Paul, Catholic Women's League,
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Children's Liturgy (11 a.m. Mass)

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FAITH FORMATION

Want to Get Good at Something?



Most of us want to become accomplished at a skill that interests us. Hockey, gymnastics, dance, piano, guitar, chess and so on. The only way to reach this goal is to **practice... practice...practice!** We would rather be in the playoffs, at a gymnastics competition or a piano recital. But it is in our practice that we

grow in our ability. One day, all of a sudden, we are able to skate backwards or play a piece of music from beginning to end without stopping. You can't predict when that fantastic moment comes – you just have to practice.

It's the same with **spirituality**. If you want to gain spiritual insight, you have to practice...practice...practice! For example, why do we gather to celebrate the Eucharist each Saturday evening or Sunday – because the rites and rituals of our faith speak to the deepest part of our being – they engage us in a conversation about what is most important in life.

There are many elements to our faith practice but the most powerful is our celebration of Eucharist. The Mass we participate in, is a school of formation in which God speaks to our deepest longings. Moments of insight come to us when we least expect them.



ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 14, 2018

Mass and Ashes will be celebrated here at the parish at **9:30am** with our school and parish, and again at **7:30pm** with our parish community.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS BEGIN FEBRUARY 16TH

Friday Evenings in Lent

The Stations of the Cross will be prayed **every Friday in Lent at 7:30pm**. These Fridays will be led by different groups in the parish starting Friday, February 16th.

The Stations of the Cross is a deeper way for us to enter into the witness of Jesus' Passion and death and to reflect on his great love for us.

Come enter into this prayerful devotion here at St. Pius!

FAITH SHARING



Question of the Week

We are called to reflect more deeply on the meaning of the Sunday readings.

Let us reflect on God's Word and prepare our minds and hearts, deepen our spiritual lives, and further explore how we are called to action through the Word.

Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Jesus wants to make us whole.

Gospel : Mark 1:40-45

Reflection & Action

Question for Adults:

Name a time when you experienced Jesus' healing touch.

Question for Youth:

How has Jesus touched your life? How are you changed because of that touch?

Question for Children:

What do you want to ask Jesus to do for you?

NEXT WEEK

First Sunday of Lent

February 18, 2018

1st Reading: *Genesis 9:8-15*

I am setting my covenant with you forever.

2nd Reading: *1 Peter 3:18-22*

You are saved by your baptisms!

Gospel:

Mark 1:12-15

Jesus was sent by the Spirit into the desert.



MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

8:30am Fr. Martin Pereira

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

9:30am ASH WEDNESDAY

7:30pm no intentions

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

8:30am † Romualdo Marcelino,
Carmen Candelario,
Rhodora Yurick, Luz Pulido

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

8:30am † Gloria Podkowa

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

5:00pm † Guillermo Udasco

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

9:00am For the People

11:00am † Ryan Sammut &
Carlos Subercaseaux

Pope Francis @Pontifex

As we grow in our spiritual lives, we realize how Grace comes to us and to others, and must be shared with everyone.

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On the Lighter Side...

And the Lord said unto John, "Come forth and you will receive eternal life." But John came fifth, and won a toaster.



Mardi Gras Coffee Sunday

We invite you to join us for our monthly Coffee Sunday **this weekend** after every Mass. We hope to see you there!



2018 Offertory Envelopes Available!!!

Being a registered member of our parish is to have a sense of belonging to a Community of Faith. Offertory envelope boxes for 2018 are still available for anyone that has not picked them up. Parishioners are invited to pick up a box of envelopes and are kindly asked to fill in the front of the first few weeks of donations.



When are we most willing to let God into our lives? Often it is when we are most broken, when we finally admit our inadequacy to 'stand on our own.' God can take that kind of dependency and run with it! Lent is an ideal time to remember that we, in the deepest way, must learn to depend on God. During Lent, we invite you to spend some time listening to Gospel challenges that will help awaken heart and mind. Then we will truly be prepared to celebrate Holy Week and Easter.

Question: Why do we get ashes on our foreheads on Ash Wednesday?

Answer: The ancient Jews, wearing sackcloth and covering themselves or sitting in ashes, showed repentance and humility. The early Church adopted the practice of wearing ashes at the start of Lent to show repentance too. As the priest places the ashes on our foreheads, he says, "Remember you are dust and unto dust you will return" to remind us that our time on earth will pass away, but our life in Heaven will last forever.



Fasting and Abstinence are practices of self-denial that help a person to focus on the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of others. They also clear the mind and body for deeper contemplation in prayer.

Days of fasting: Ash Wednesday, February 14, & Good Friday, March 30

Fasting requirements: One full or two light meatless meals; no eating between meals, but liquids are permitted.

Age of fasting: All persons between **18** and **59**.

Days of abstinence: Ash Wednesday and All Fridays during Lent

Abstinence requirements: No Meat.

Age of abstinence: All persons **over the age of 14**.

No Catholic should fail to keep these days of required penance unless he or she has a serious reason for not observing them.

BE PART OF OUR SPECIAL EVENTS TEAM AT ST. PIUS X

Do you like to organize social events, bake, entertain, or welcome others? Consider joining our Parish Special Events Team that is being formed at St. Pius X.

A Special Events Ministry is at the heart of hospitality, and is an opportunity to come together in service to grow in faith. Come share your time and talents!


For more information or to be part of this ministry, please contact Rita Cincinnato at ext. 217 or rita@saintpiusx.ca, or fill out the online form.



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