

St. Pius X Parish Community



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Sunday Mass

Saturday 5pm
Sunday 9am, 11am

Weekday Mass

Tuesday - Friday 8:30am

Devotions

Rosary: Tuesday - Friday 9am
Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Thursday 9am

Confessions

Saturday 4-4:30pm or by appointment

Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday 9am - 12:30pm

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SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY



FAITH FORMATION



How Big is God?



At 12:33 am New Year's Day, the **New Horizons** space probe passed by a peanut shaped object, the size of Montreal, 7.5 billion kilometers from Earth, known as **Ultima Thule**. New Horizons was launched in 2006. The goal was to take pictures of the dwarf planet Pluto. In order to do that the probe made a 'left turn at Jupiter using the giant planet's gravity for acceleration – which cut the travel time down by 4 years.

The spacecraft flew by Pluto 3.5 years ago, in 2015. It's travelling at a speed of 14 km/s. That would be like going from Toronto to Hamilton in 5 seconds. New Horizons move into region in space beyond the planets that orbit our sun. The region is called the **Kuiper Belt**. It extends, beyond the planet Neptune (30 AU's from the Sun to approximately 50 AU's from the Sun – **1 AU** = distance between Earth and Sun = 150 million km.). The region is made up of millions of small (?) objects.



It is awe inspiring to witness these new discoveries in deep space. It makes me think of God's creation. Is there an end to the universe? Obviously, if God is infinite, a lot of our logical scientific questions lose their relevance. We can see God's handiwork in creation here on earth and in outer space but it requires **faith** to close the gap that billions and billions of kilometers cannot do.

As one saint said, "God is closer to us than we are to ourselves!"

SUPPORT & INFRASTRUCTURE



2019 Offertory Envelopes



Arranged in alphabetical order, 2019 offertory boxes are available at the back of the church. Please check your name and address on the box and inform the office of any changes. If you have not been using envelopes and would like to start in the new year, please collect a blank pack from the back and complete the sign up sheet.

Any unused 2018 envelopes may be thrown away. Please make sure to use these 2019 envelopes now.

Grief - Depression - Family Conflict - Abuse

Do you feel you are not coping as well as you would like to?



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I WANT TO GET MORE INVOLVED IN THE PARISH

Some parishioners have expressed an interest in being more involved in the parish.

Here are some options:

- Liturgical Ministers
- Eucharistic Ministers
- Altar Servers & Ushers
- Children's Liturgical Ministers & Youth Leaders
- Ministers of Hospitality



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SACRAMENTS & WORSHIP

Scripture Readings and Reflection

Solemnity of the Epiphany *Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12*

The mystery of the incarnation - Jesus is a gift to all humanity.

Reflection & Action

Question for Adults:

How this past week did you demonstrate God's love at home and at work?

Question for Youth:

The star guided the Magi to Jesus. What are the people or events who have guided you in your relationship with Jesus?

Question for Children:

In your life, who helps you to see Jesus in other people such as a classmate or a friend?



SUNDAY READINGS NEXT WEEK

Baptism of the Lord *January 13, 2019*

1st Reading: *Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7* God upholds his servant, a light for all nations.

2nd Reading: *Acts 10:34-38* Jesus is the saviour of all nations.

Gospel: *Luke 3:15-16, 21-22* Jesus is baptized.



MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2019

8:30am † Maria, Anna, & Michael Salba, & Frank Brincat

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2019

8:30am † John Kenney

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2019

8:30am † Veronika Jarosevicova

FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 2019

8:30am Thank you & Mary pray forgiveness for my son, myself, & members of my household

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 2019

5:00pm For the People

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 2019

9:00am † Eva, Marta, & Andrej Brazda

11:00am † Alfonsus Fivoriunas

SERVICE DISCIPLESHIP



Grief and Tending to your Heart

Right on the heels of such great happiness and joy, we know the inhabitants of Judea suffered a great loss. Once Herod realizes the Magi left without telling him, he orders the deaths of children around Bethlehem ages two and under. Love and loss oftentimes are mixed together. If you are grieving and mourning, please know there is no time limit. Grief is an inward out expression of the love you felt for your deceased love one. You are not alone. While we live in a grief and mourning phobic society, our faith and experiences brings us the compassion needed to journey with each other. The pain and suffering might make us uncomfortable, but through our love and the work of the Holy Spirit, we can hold space and be present to those among us who need us. If you feel alone, you're not. Please call our office. We are here to support you.

COMING UP IN JANUARY...

January 7th - Back to School

January 10th or 17th - First Reconciliation Gathering at 7pm

January 16th - St. Pius X School and Parish Mass at 9:30am

January 16th - Kindergarten Registration begins

January 19th - First Reconciliation Celebration at 10am

January 23rd - Confirmation Session #3 at 7pm

January 25th - Taizé at 7:30pm

January 27th - Coffee Sunday after 11am mass

February 7th - First Communion Info Meeting at 7:30pm

Mark your Calendar

JUST A THOUGHT...

"Like the Magi, may we also journey and be attentive, untiring and courageous on the path to find the invisible God who was born among us."

- Pope Francis

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