

# ST. PIUS X PARISH



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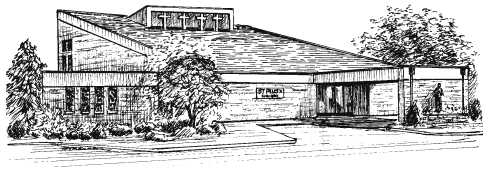
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224 Summit Street



Mt. Pleasant, PA



740 W. Walnut Street

September 8, 2019 - Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



## *St. Pius X & Visitation Family Picnic*

**This Sunday, September 8, 2019**

**1:00pm - 5:00pm**

**Regional Family YMCA of Laurel Highlands**

**Bessemer Rd, Mt. Pleasant**

**Live Entertainment - Children's Games - Bingo**  
**Hamburgers, Hotdogs & Beverages provided!**



### Mass Schedule

**Saturday:** 4:30pm - Visitation Church; 6:00pm - St. Pius X Church

**Sunday:** 9:15am - Visitation Church; 8:00am - St. Pius X Church; 10:30am - St. Pius X Church

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Please call the parish office to begin preparation for this sacrament.

**Weekday Mass** - 7:00am - St. Pius X Church    **Confessions** - Saturday - 3:30pm - Visitation Church

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## Mass Intentions

- Mon. 9/9 **St. Pius X**  
7:00am Danielle Welch - Ange Grego
- Tues. 9/10 **St. Pius X**  
7:00am Catherine (Polanovsky) & James  
Meehan - Patrick, Kathleen,  
Elizabeth & Michael  
Thomas J. Magyor - Sally Stefl
- Wed. 9/11 **St. Pius X**  
7:00am Parish Families
- Thurs. 9/12 **St. Pius X**  
7:00am Bernard, Kathryn & Jerome  
Ponko - Bob & Gin Puskar
- Friday 9/13 **St. Pius X**  
7:00am Mary J. Jaworski - Ed &  
Charlotte Hendricks
- Sat. 9/14 **Visitation**  
4:30pm Joseph Vikartovsky - Dorothy  
Viazanko
- St. Pius X**  
6:00pm Mark Rose - Mom & Dad
- Sun. 9/15 **St. Pius X**  
8:00am Anna & Joseph Magyar - niece,  
Kathy
- Visitation**  
9:15am Sara Hamilton - daughter,  
Cheryl
- St. Pius X**  
10:30am Clara Severi - Kay Sofranko

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Congratulations to  
**St. Raymond**  
of the  
**Mountains**  
1919 - 2019



## Ministry of the Altar

- Sat. 9/14 **Visitation 4:30pm**  
Cantor: Pat Martinoski  
Greeters: Volunteers  
Lector: Brian Hunter  
Ministers: Rose Overly, Barb Golobish, Yvonne  
Hunter, Felicia Seder  
Servers: Cassidy Cole, Alena Seder, Emory Seder
- St. Pius X 6:00pm**  
Cantor: Kathy Demagall  
Greeters: Volunteers  
Lector: Melonie Dropik  
Ministers: Kim Sirianna, Jan Kerrigan, Hank Rose,  
Paul Klaus, Volunteer, Volunteer  
Servers: Tyler Pernelli, Volunteer
- Sun. 9/15 **St. Pius X 8:00am**  
Cantor: Sharon Stewart  
Greeters: Volunteers  
Lector: Colleen Pernelli  
Ministers: Carole Klocek, Sister Anna Maria, Patty  
Gaal, Carol Grubich, Joann Maholtz,  
Volunteer  
Servers: Sophia Coppula, Mia Coppula
- Visitation 9:15am**  
Cantor: Eric Harris  
Greeters: Volunteers  
Lector: John Zemba  
Ministers: Donna Zemba, Marianne Firestone,  
Kathy Janesko, Cathy Topley  
Servers: Luke McConville, Ty Whoric, Anthony  
Cook
- St. Pius X 10:30am**  
Cantor: Peggy Tepper  
Greeters: Knights of Columbus  
Lector: Steve Ohler  
Ministers: Emily Sestak, Sister Juliana, Madonna  
Mullin, Jamey Hause, Volunter, Volunteer  
Servers: Alexis Ohler, Michael Hegyes, Christian  
Ohler

**YOU ARE INVITED** The Visitation  
Christian Mothers

extend a warm and welcoming invitation to  
join their membership. The Christian  
Mothers organization was founded in May  
1850, in Lille, France; to share and strengthen  
their Faith with each other, their families, and  
their children. New members continue to join  
confraternities all over the United States,  
Canada, and the world.

If interested in joining, please call  
**Jan Brooks, 724-547-5356,**  
by September 16, 2019.



**Celebration of Ministries  
Thank You Celebration  
Wed., September 11th  
at 5:30pm in the backyard of  
the Parishes Rectory, 216 Spruce St.,  
Please RSVP by September 9.**

This is a covered dish dinner - please bring one of your favorite dishes to share with others from the parishes: a dessert, salad (veg. or fruit), or side dish.

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**All You Can Eat Omelet Breakfast  
Sunday, September 22, 2019  
Sponsored by St. Pius X  
Holy Name Society**

8am - 12noon @ St. Pius X social hall  
Adults/\$7.00, children(3 - 12)/\$3.00, under 3/Free  
Tickets will be sold at the door.

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**Being a Welcoming Community**

As a faith community, we would like to be better at welcoming newcomers. As it is, Fr. Rick sends a letter of welcome and staff call or email to create a connection. We believe it would do so much good if the members of our faith community had a way to welcome newcomers as well. It will take minimal commitment on your part. Any person, couple or family that would like to be part of this welcoming efforts, please call the parish office.

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**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents Day  
Monday: St. Peter Claver  
Wednesday: Patriot Day  
Thursday: The Most Holy Name of Mary  
Friday: St. John Chrysostom  
Saturday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

**Children & Youth Faith Formation**

**Tuesday Evening Program**

We are transitioning our Children & Youth Faith Formation Programs this year so we are running a little behind. We will be bringing on a new Coordinator to run our programs with the support of our volunteer instructors and the Ivrea Sisters.

**In order to help expedite the registration process, we are asking parents to pre-register by e-mailing Linda Amdy at the Parish Office at [lamdy@dioceseofgreensburg.org](mailto:lamdy@dioceseofgreensburg.org). Include in the e-mail your child's name and grade.**

**Please pre-register by September 12<sup>th</sup>.**

**Open House for this year's program is scheduled for Tuesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 p.m. at the St. Pius X social hall for children in grades K – 5 and any new student to our program.**

The Open House will include a general meeting for all parents and their children as well as an opportunity for the parents and children to visit classrooms and meet your child's catechist. **Registration forms are available in the back of both churches. Please complete and bring the registration form with you on September 17<sup>th</sup>. The first day of classes for this year's program will be on Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. All students in grades K – 5 will meet at that time for the first class.**

**Parents, please bring your children to the social hall. The classes will be from 6:15 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday evenings throughout the school year.** Tuition again this year is \$20 per family; it may be paid the first day of classes. Please make the check payable to your parish (either St. Pius X Church or Visitation Church).

**Parents of first grade children:** please be aware that your child must be enrolled in religious education for **both first and second grade** to be ready to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist during their second year of school.



## Parish Calendar

September 10 - September 15

- ◆ **Tuesday 9/10**  
10:00am Biodiversity presentation @ Visitation community center
- ◆ **Wednesday 9/11**  
11:30am Rosary for Peace @ St. Pius X Church  
5:30pm Ministries Thank you dinner @ Fr. Rick's
- ◆ **Thursday 9/12**  
6:00pm Cantor rehearsal @ St. Pius X Church  
7:00pm Choir rehearsal @ St. Pius X Church  
7:00pm SVDP mtg. @ St. Pius X mtg. room
- ◆ **Saturday 9/14**  
3:30pm Confessions @ Visitation Church  
4:30pm Mass @ Visitation Church  
6:00pm Mass @ St. Pius X Church
- Sunday 9/15**  
8:00am Mass @ St. Pius X Church  
9:15am Mass @ Visitation Church  
9:45am Knights of Columbus recite Rosary @ St. Pius X Church  
10:30am Mass @ St. Pius X Church

### Weekly Offering - September 1, 2019

#### Visitation Parish

Weekly.....	\$4644.00
Capital Improvements.....	\$ 222.00
Growing.....	\$ 35.00
Accent.....	\$ 29.00
Mission Co-Op.....	\$ 10.00
Catholic Univ./Schools....	\$ 5.00
Total Envelopes: 240	

#### St. Pius X Parish

Weekly.....	\$5,884.00
Capital Improvements.....	\$ 110.00
Accent.....	\$ 10.00
Assumption.....	\$ 20.00
All Saints.....	\$ 5.00
All Souls.....	\$ 10.00
Total Envelopes: 268	

### ***HOT off the Press Cookbooks Available!***



Due to overwhelming interest, additional Visitation BVM Parish 125th Anniversary Cookbooks were obtained from the publisher and are available in the parish office. Get yours now! Filled with 500 recipes including ethnic favorites and that special dish Grandma and Mom used to make. There is something delicious for everyone. Find your new recipe. Enjoy learning about our history and traditions in this keepsake featuring color photos of our beautiful stained-glass windows. It makes a great gift. Donation is \$20 per cookbook. Anyone interested can contact the parish office at 724-547-1911.

### ***Help Needed!***

**St. Pius X Booth @ the Glass Festival  
September 27, 28 & 29**

**Your help is needed and  
greatly appreciated.  
Sign up sheets are in the  
entrance of the church!**



### **Visitation Christian Mothers are reminded of the following upcoming events:**

- ◆ Their "Covered Dish", September meeting, is scheduled for September 19, 2019. Members are asked to meet in the church at 5:30pm for a brief induction of New Members and Blessing of Medals. Their prepared dishes may be dropped off in the community center prior to meeting in the church.
- ◆ The Mass for Living and Deceased members is scheduled for Saturday, September 21, 2019. Members are asked to sit together for this Mass celebration.



**Knights of Columbus  
Membership Drive  
October 12-13 &  
October 19-20  
All weekend Masses**



**St. Pius X Christian Mothers  
is sponsoring their annual  
Bingo Sunday, October 27th  
at St. Pius X social hall.  
More details soon!**

## Recent Deaths

Please pray for Earl Zemba, son of John & Donna Zemba, Walter Balko, Dorothy Voke, Mary Lou Peden and Florence DeSimone who have been laid to rest recently. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest forever in the peace of the Lord.

## *Please pray for the wholeness & healing of*

Dorothy Linardi, Lou, Dena, Angelo Curci, Ann Marie, Mary McFeely, Georgia & Adrian, Haggard Burns, Tom Ciminelli, Debbie Poklembo, Leo Rudnik, Sr., Margaret "Peggy" Sikora, Bill & Ruth C., Gary Dorman, Ken K., Jason, Lisa Stouffer, Carmen Tarasky, Louise A., Dale Callaghan, David Burnworth, Jr., Kathy Prinkey, June Turik, Connie Paglio, Connie P., Mac, Teresita P., Pat, Diane R., Colton, Kubica family, Mike Stanley, Evelyn, Brian Timm, Lisa, James, Patricia Skero, Rita and John, Ruth, Calvin Shawley, Emily, Debbie M., Rose, Gerry, May, Caroline Palanko, Patty S., Neal, Steve, Nancy Ulery, Steve, Michael Tarasky, Sr., Patty S., Daniel Kurpiel, Sandy N., Virginia Belzer, Sharon, Jordan S., Jason Fox, Joel A., Chase Kemp, Cheryl, Logan, Sidney K., Dottie W., Mary Beth M., Mike, Sharon L., Anna Marie Petras, Kim, Bill Rodgers, Terry H., Erick, Jesse (Bucky), Isacc Donaldson, Bill, Patricia, Special Intention, Angela Hurt, LeeEtta, Patty Chlebowski, Charles Atz, Tammy, Julie, Cheryl, Midge Borza, Chris, Diane, Kelly, Joseph Deflorio, Joe, Amanda, Jadon, Denise, Jessie Reed, Gary, Alvin Jaworski, Aaron, Nick, Chuck, Christie, Malachi, Frank & Deb Piazza, Rob & family, Jim & Chuck, Mary, Mary Ann Lesko, Jim, Helen Rush, Tom Henderson, Scott, Robert, Mike, Mark, Tammy, Loretta, Artie, Mike, Shirley, Michael, Pam, Andrew, Loretta & Alan Ambrosa, Dennis, Diane, Tom, Ashlee Preisach, Denise, Cole, Brady, Dominic, and all of those who are in need of physical, spiritual and mental healing.



*Please keep in your prayers these active military personnel who continue to give*

*so much to our country:*

**Jacob Ruben Johnson**  
**Malachi Klocek**



**Rosary for Peace** - Pray the Rosary with a group every Wednesday @ 11:30am in St. Pius X Church.

## Mary, Our Mother

Who is the Blessed Virgin Mary? Can we explain her role in God's plan for the world? Do you fully understand the vital role she has in your life?

While Catholics know Mary is important, many never fully grasp how essential she really is. The DVD program "The Bible and the Virgin Mary" unveils the mystery of Our Lady that is woven into the fabric of Sacred Scripture. This DVD series and discussion will take place on Tuesdays 6:20pm-7:30pm at St. Pius X Meeting Room, beginning on September 24. The DVD series will be reshown on Thursdays following the 7:00am daily Mass; this showing will be held in the St. Pius X Meeting Room, beginning September 26. No need to register. Come and bring a friend!

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — You sent your holy spirit from on high and thus were the paths of those on earth made straight (Wisdom 9:13-18b).

**Psalms** — In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge (Psalm 90).

**Second Reading** — Paul asks Philemon to accept back his slave Onesimus as a brother (Philemon 9-10, 12-17).

**Gospel** — Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? (Luke 14:25-33).

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## Candles this Week



### St. Pius X

**Sanctuary** - In memory of Jane Schroll - Bo & Bev

**Blessed Mother** - In memory of Mary Prickett - Karen

**St. Joseph** - In memory of M/M Charles Rush - Helen & Rosemary

**Our Lady of Czestochowa** - In memory of Dolores Gorton - niece, Diane Miller

### Visitation

**Sanctuary** - In memory of Walter "Mert" Balcerek - Loretta Gelet

**Blessed Mother** - In memory of Wally & Ann Cable - daughter, Judy Bell

**St. Joseph** - In memory of Margaret (Rudnik) Knizner - Joan Rudnik

**Madonna & Child** - In memory of Mary Jane Rogacki - Patsy Sofranko

**Help Needed at Visitation Booths!**  
**The Glass Festival is fast approaching**  
**(September 27, 28 & 29)**

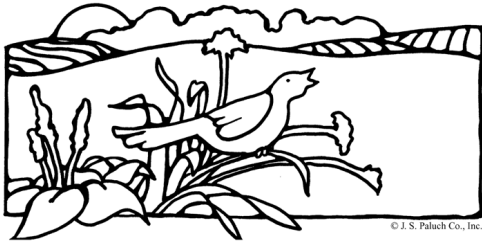
Monetary donations are needed and appreciated to help defray cost for this event. Sign up sheets are now available for workers. See a Finance Council member in the rear of Church before or after Mass. Your continued cooperation and generosity are so appreciated and needed for the success of any event. Thanks for your consideration!



**Visitation Parish**  
**September Cash Ticket**

Please return ticket stubs and money to the office.

The December ticket will be going on sale. Buyers and sellers are needed.



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**Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**September 8, 2019**

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness,  
 that we may shout for joy and gladness  
 all our days.— *Psalm 90:14*

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**Feast of St. Francis of Assisi**

Blessing of animals will take place on  
 Sunday, October 6 at 12:00noon at  
 Visitation Church parking lot.

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**Reminder for all Ministers of the Altar**

Please contact the parish office **by September 15th** with your availability to minister so that the October schedule can be prepared.

**Season of Creation**

Did you know that the number of land animals has fallen by 40% in the past 50 years? That the animal populations in freshwater ecosystems have plummeted by 75% in the past 50 years? Did you know that it is estimated that humans have impacted 83% of Earth's land surface, which has affected many ecosystems as well as the range in which species of wildlife used to exist? Did you know that the biggest declines we are seeing now in plant and animal populations are happening in low-income, developing nations, mirroring declines in wildlife that occurred in wealthier nations long ago? Did you know that developed countries now exploit the resources of the developing world to continue their growth? Did you know that what we are experiencing today is strikingly similar to the dinosaur-killing events of 65 million years ago, much of it from the negative impact humans? God is a God of life. Let's foster life – all life – and in so doing give honor and glory to the Creator.

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**Mass with the Anointing of the Sick**  
**Sunday, October 6, 2019**

**at 3:00 p.m. at St. Pius X Church**

At 2:15 p.m. there will be priests available for confessions for those who are homebound. **This time for confessions is scheduled only for those who are homebound.** All other parishioners are to attend the weekly confessions on Saturday at 3:30 p.m. at Visitation Church. **Please be aware there will not be a reception following the Mass on October 6th.**

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**Our Lady of the Rosary**



We will gather outside at 6pm on  
**Monday, October 7th at the Grotto**  
**on the grounds of the former**

**Transfiguration Parish to recite the Rosary.** If weather does not permit an outside gathering, we will meet at Visitation Church instead.

**All are invited to attend.**

## Little Rock Scripture Study

Little Rock Scripture Studies will be held this fall according to the schedule below. Being part of one of these groups is a great way to make this a spirit-enriching time for you. If you are interested in joining one of these groups, please contact Sister Edie at the parish office at least two weeks before the group first meets. This will ensure that materials are available for you. If you would like to facilitate a new group, please contact Sister Edie as soon as possible.

Day/Time	Start Date	Location	Title	Description
Mon. 7:00pm	To be announced	St. Pius X Meeting Rm. Cindy Copeland	<i>Parables of the Kingdom II</i>	Some of the most memorable teachings of Jesus were delivered as parables. This study focuses on the parables unique to Matthew, and those developed by Luke. Many of these parables have the power to change or alter one's image of God and how God relates to people, others deal with how God expects us to relate to each other. The study explores different ways the parables can be interpreted while allowing participants to use their own judgment. The parables offer a glimpse into the kingdom of God and invite us to think in new and fresh ways.
Tues. 1:00pm  Thurs. 10:00am	October 1, 8, 15, 29  October 3, 10, 17, 24	St. Pius X Meeting Rm.  Visitation Community Ctr. Sr. Edie Strong	<i>Panorama of the Old Testament</i>	The Old Testament can seem like foreign territory. This overview of the Old Testament gives participants a look at the different books as belonging to the Torah, the historic books, the wisdom or the prophetic literature, as well as giving a sense of what the each book is about.
Wed. 7:00pm	October 30, November 6, 13	Home of Dave & Carol Gillott	<i>The Eucharist in Scripture</i>	Meals are important in faithful fellowship as part of our covenant relationship with God. Old Testament meals and promises provide the foundation for gospel meals with Jesus, culminating in the Last Supper.



**Visitation Bowling League has an opening for a bowler on Tuesday evenings from 6:30pm - 9:00pm starting early September thru early April.**

Come have fun bowling at Pleasant Bowling Center. Interested call Mike Blasko @ 724-875-3499, Amos Soforic @ 724-887-9649 or Joe Fornal @ 724-547-9809.



### Visitation Christian Mothers Rummage Sale

**October 10th - 6:00pm - 8:00pm  
October 11th - 9:00am - 8:00pm  
October 12th - 9:00am - 11:00am  
(Large furniture items, televisions, computers and appliances will not be accepted.)**

**Drop off dates & times are as follows:**

Sat.	Oct. 5	1:00pm - 4:00pm
Mon.	Oct 7	12:00noon - 3:00pm
Tues.	Oct. 8	12:00noon - 7:00pm
Wed.	Oct. 9	12:00noon - 3:00pm

**The Bereavement Support Group at Saint Vincent Basilica Parish in Latrobe will meet in the Parish Center Conference Room at 7:00pm on Monday, September 16.** Anyone dealing with the loss of a loved one is invited to attend. The Bereavement Support Group meets on the 3rd Monday of each month and there is no charge to attend. For more info or to register, please contact Teri Pomerleau at 724-539-8629, ext. 15 or [teri.pomerleau@stvincent.edu](mailto:teri.pomerleau@stvincent.edu)

### Senior Prom

Senior Prom will be held for area older adults on September 26th from 6:00pm - 9:00pm at the YMCA of Laurel Highlands. Casual dress, music entertainment, and hors d'oeuvres. Tickets \$10, for more info please call 724-547-YMCA.