## ST. PIUS X PARISH



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# Visitation Parish Festival

Sunday, June 11th

11:00am - 9:00pm - Don't miss it!

American & Ethnic Foods (Featuring the Slovak Platter)
Gift Auction - Cake Stand - Live entertainment - 50/50 & Much More!



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. 6/12 St. Pius X 7:00am Parish Families Tues. 6/13 St. Pius X 7:00am Bernard & Elizabeth Bellish -Baluh grandchildren Joseph Maholtz - daughter, Joann Wed. 6/14 St. Pius X 7:00am Erwin J. Pawlikowski - Bob & Nicole Karfelt Eleanor Cramer - niece, Bonnie Thurs. 6/15 St. Pius X 7:00am Carol Gradler - Dave & Carol Gillott George & Camilla Varholla & John & Mary Brodak - John & Isabel Brodak 6/16 St. Pius X Friday 7:00am James Kocis - Roy & Cathy Mark Rose - Mom & Dad Sat. 6/17 **Visitation** 4:30pm All living & deceased Fathers St. Pius X 6:00pm All living & deceased Fathers Sun. 6/18 St. Pius X 8:00am All living & deceased Fathers **Visitation** 9:15am All living & deceased Fathers St. Pius X 10:30am All living & deceased Fathers



Sock - Hop Oldies Dance 50's & 60's Music D.J. Little Larry Joe

Friday, June 16 at St. Pius X social hall 6pm - 10pm - Admission-\$5.00/person Tickets will be sold at the door. Beer & Snacks included - BYOB Sponsored by the St. Pius X Holy Name Society

#### A gentle reminder, from the Visitation Christian Mothers, regarding popcorn orders.

Orders will be available for pick-up this Saturday, June 17th from 2pm to 4:30pm in the Visitation community center.

#### Ministry of the Altar

Sat. 6/17 Visitation 4:30pm

Greeters: Volunteers Lector: Kate Bannon Minister: Raymond Gamrat

Servers: Colton Golobish, Clara Stewart,

Caleb Stewart

Cantor: Phil Brown

St. Pius X 6:00pm

Greeters: Volunteers Lector: Joe Klocek

Ministers: Paul Klaus, Connie Barnhart Servers: Volunteer, Volunteer, Volunteer

Cantor: Pat Martinoski

Sun. 6/18 St. Pius X 8:00am

Greeters: Volunteers Lector: John DiPasquale

Ministers: Carole Klocek, Kim Sirianna Servers: Addison Grenda, Sophie Grenda,

Volunteer Cantor: Sharon Stewart

Visitation 9:15am

Greeters: Volunteers Lector: Brian Hunter Minister: Yvonne Hunter

Servers: Ty Whoric, Volunteer, Volunteer

Cantor: Peggy Tepper

St. Pius X 10:30am

Greeters: Knights of Columbus

Lector: Acacia Houck

Ministers: Kristen Rega, Ted Czekaj

Servers: Lucas Poole, Jaxon Farino, Camden

Stouffer

Cantor: Chris DeFlitch

#### Reminder for all Ministers of the Altar



Please contact the parish office by June 15th with your availability to minister so that the July schedule can be prepared. Thank You!



## The Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus is Friday,

**June 16.** This feast is a reminder that we all owe our love to our Divine Redeemer. It is an appeal to our gratitude and it should prompt us to offer to

the Divine Heart satisfaction and reparation for the numerous offenses of which we and others have been guilty. Appearing to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, during the Octave of Corpus Christi in the year 1675, Jesus said to her: "This is the heart which has loved men so much and in turn is so little loved by them." Desk of Fr. Dan

I don't believe everything that I From the read on the internet. I also don't believe every result of surveys and studies. That being said, a Pew survey done in 2019 showed that over half of Catholics do not believe

in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Taking their cue from Protestant theology, they believe that the Eucharist is a symbolic reality.

I don't entirely trust the results of that commonly-cited survey. Many self-described Catholics are not active or practicing. Many others may have misunderstood the language being used in the survey because it was a secular study and what we believe is not common knowledge anymore. However, I am not surprised that the Eucharist is misunderstood. If it were understood better. Mass attendance would be more widespread. I believe that many of the difficulties in our Church today stem from this lack of understanding of and lack of devotion to the Eucharist.

The bishops of the United States seem to agree with me. In 2022, the USCCB announced a nationwide Eucharistic revival. This has prompted our diocese to host several Eucharistic events this calendar year and a Eucharistic Congress last month. Moreover, starting this Sunday, the feast of Corpus Christi, this revival moves to the level of our parishes. Fr. Paul and I are hopeful that during this upcoming year we can foster a greater devotion in our parishes to the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of our Lord, Jesus Christ and inspire those who struggle to believe, those who have left the Church, and those who have fallen away to be drawn back into the loving presence of our Lord.

I ask that you pray for the success of this revival in our parishes, in our diocese, and in our country.

#### Prayer for Eucharistic Revival

Lord Jesus, You are the living bread who satisfies the hunger of the human heart. In the Eucharist, the bread and wine become Your Body and Blood, the gift of Yourself to the Church. Deepen our faith in Your Eucharistic presence and strengthen us as members of the Church, the Body of Christ. As we encounter and revere Your Eucharistic presence, open us to the needs of our brothers and sisters here and everywhere throughout the world. Help us to reveal Your love, Your promise, Your presence to them by our lives and in all we say and do. Amen.





#### 2023 Diocesan Lenten Appeal Update as of June 3, 2023



#### St. Pius X Parish

Diocesan target \$47,269 Parish target \$15,000 Total goal \$62,269 Pledges & gifts to date: \$54,000

114.2% of Diocesan goal

#### **Visitation Parish**

Diocesan target \$35,192 Parish target \$15,000 Total goal \$50,192

Pledges & gifts to date: \$41,026 116.6% of Diocesan goal

#### **Please Note:**

While Lent is far gone, we continue to raise monies for our Diocesan Lenten Appeal. This annual Appeal will continue through June. If you are able to participate, we are asking everyone to make a pledge or cash gift, at this time. If you are unable, you should still return your card. We thank you for considering this important part of our stewardship program. Since we have reached our diocesan goals, all monies collected now stay in our parishes. Thank you once again and may God bless you and your family. Please make your gift this month so that we can begin some of our summer projects. Thank you again. Fr. Paul



## Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ



Today, in the Church, we celebrate the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This feast is also known by its Latin name Corpus Christi. To recall the institution of the Eucharist on Holy Thursday, when sorrow over the Passion, the prime thought during Holy Week, hinders a proper celebration, this feast was established and is celebrated on the Thursday (or Sunday) after Trinity Sunday. It owes its origin to the progressive development of worship and devotion to the Blessed Eucharist during the Middle Ages and to a revelation to St. Juliana of Liege where it was first celebrated as a local feast. In 1264, it was extended to the Universal Church.

Visitation Parish Festival This Sunday, June 11th 11:00am - 9:00pm

> Once again the day has arrived. All our planning, preparation and

set-up has ended and we are ready to enjoy ourselves at our Parish Festival!

Our parish grounds come alive today with the sounds of excitement and the smell of tasty food as we celebrate together our parish family of Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We welcome not only all of our parishioners, but also neighbors, alumni, and visitors to our parish festival. This day we celebrate our diversified Catholic heritage with food and music, and with the hospitality and congeniality that we are known for and has become the heritage of our parish. Together let us enjoy one another's presence and company as we strive to better the family of the Visitation Church in our hearts because a family not only prays together but also relaxes and parties together.

Featuring the Famous "Slovak Platter" (includes Haluski, Halupki & Pirohy), along with all the American favorites, hamburgers, fried dough, hot dogs, kolbassi, pizza, french fries, pizza, soda & more.

> Games of Chance, 50/50, Baskets Galore, Cake Stand. Gift Auction & much more!

**Entertainment:** 11am - 3pm - Frank Powaski's Polkas Noon - 3pm **Live Radio Broadcast - 620 WKHB** 4:30pm - 9:00pm Lil' John's w/Kozmiks Band

Don't forget to get your 50/50 & the (four) \$250 cash drawing tickets, need not be present to win any of the drawings!

Please come early and stay late for a day of fun, good food and good company!

Weekly Offering - June 4, 2023
Visitation Parish
Weekly\$5,002.00
Capital Improvements\$95.00
Growing\$10.00
Ascension\$20.00
Father's Day\$110.00
Lenten Offering\$20.00
Online April 23-May 21\$75.00
Total Envelopes: 197
St. Pius X Parish
Weekly\$11,360.00
Capital Improvements\$345.00
Accent\$15.00
Ascension\$30.00
Mother's Day\$10.00
Communications Media\$15.00
Father's Day\$265.00
Online April 23-May 21\$985.00
Total Envelopes: 281



Dinner for 8 (Cooked by Mama Carr) (Fr. Dan's mother) will be served at the rectory, to be prepared

especially for you and seven others you select (total 8), on Friday, August 24.

Menu: Aperol spritz with snacks, Antipasto and Focaccia, Lasagna, Wine, Chicken Piccata with, Artichokes & Mushrooms, Caprese Salad, **Cheese and Fruit, Special Dessert and Espresso** 

Donation - \$10. Proceeds from this priceless evening will be divided between Visitation and St. Pius X Parishes. The lucky winning ticket will be drawn at the St. Pius X Festival on Sunday, July 23. Tickets will be available in the rear of Visitation Church before and after weekend Masses, at St. Pius X Church at weekend Masses and at the parish office. Buy one or two tickets now and another later to increase your chance to win this very generous gift from Fr. Dan and his mother, Linda Carr.





The Knights of Columbus will pray the Rosary at 9:45am, on Sunday, June 18th at St. Pius X Church. Please join us in prayer!

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

Lisa C., Terry Griffith, Mike Hauser, Pete Rerko, Bart Z., Sharon Golobish, Ronald Burke, Janet, John, Annette Phillips, Flo M., Lisa, Lucius, Stanley P., Steven Kitko, Mary Jane Pawlikowski, Louann Y., Peggy, Sharon & Russ Gonda, Mike, Patty & Dan Gonos, Pat, Bill, Connie Zemba, Ray B., Andrew, Bob Sandzimier, Fetti Kramarski, Joann L., Candi T., Dave Nauman, Faye Hitlan, Knox, Phillip, Evelyn D., Baby Parker, Beverly Rogacki, Greg Pfeifer, Ken Keslar, Jen, Dwayne Thomas, Regis Melego, Mary Rose, David Gillott, Patricia Burke, Carol K., Frank Chain, David, Jimmy Z., Gene, Edward P., Janet Pfeifer, Elizabeth E., Don Seder, Colleen, Jeff, William Pakulski, Kathi Kappel, Danny & Elaine Kurpiel, Brenda, Dorinda O., Patty, Gary French & family, Paul, Mike Ruszkowski, Liz, Andy, Brenda, Paul, Bertie Zaucha, Barry Stanziana, David & Kitty Jensen, Donna Zemba, Ryan Snyder & family, Margie, Sue Ruszkowski, Jeff Kiral, Isaac Donaldson, Amber, Susan Shafley, Ken E., Jennie Ann Hurt, Julia, Beth, Margaret Fox, Corinne M., Laurie Deery, Susie Wiltrout, C. R., Nancy P., Brian McLaughlin, Arnold Donaldson, Mike H., Terri Ferko, Ron D., Eileen S., Bill Vance, Laurie, Jenny Batchko, Fr. Greg Premoshis, Fr. John Moineau, Janey, Linda G., Mary Keto, Susan, Jim G., Pam, Karen, Amanda Dennis, Jadon Michael Kalp, Denise Mastro, Rita, Kim, Mike Kristoff family, Natalie & family, James, Natalie W. & her father, Richard P. & family, Ray, Donald B., George Ozegovich, Lou Zaucha, Mark Sosko, Loretta Stana, Amber Harbak, MaryAnn, Isabel B., Elsie & Ed, Nicholas, Louise A., L.G., Thomas J., Doug P., Dolores Solinski, Faith P., Logan S., Rita, Ruth, CJ, Kim, Rita, Charles C., Richard & Sally B., Elizabeth & Edward Kendi, Remington Bazzar, Alvin Jaworski, Beth, Mark S., Carmelita, Mercedes Isola, Georgia & Adrian, Debbie Poklembo, Leo R. Rudnik, Sr., Gary Dorman, Carmen Tarasky, Louise A., Pat, Diane R., Patricia Skero, Michael Tarasky, Sr., Logan, Anna Marie Petras, Bill Rodgers, Special Intention, Angela Hurt, LeeEtta, Chuck, Christie, Malachi, Frank & Deb Plazza, Rob & family, Mary, Artie, Loretta & Alan Ambrosa.





Please keep in your prayers these active military personnel who continue to give so much to our country:

Jacob Ruben Johnson, Jacob Shafley, Alex Shafley, Jared Yester, Stephen Shallenberger, Drew Sheldon, Jim Dzurica and Jonathan Lang

#### **Cemetery News**

As we have prepared the graves for the holiday of Memorial Day (Decoration Day), we come to the continuing work of maintaining the grass cutting and any work that needs to be done on the chapel, garages, storage buildings and fences as they apply to our cemeteries. I share with you the cost of just cutting the grass at our cemeteries during the summer months. This of course is our most costly expense. For the three Catholic cemeteries in Mt. Pleasant the cost is \$6,680 a month. Please help us maintain and upkeep our cemeteries by being generous in using your cemetery envelopes during the year, especially during the grass cutting season. Thank you. Fr. Paul





We also extend a thank you to hank everyone who, in any way, made time to remember and honor our deceased loved ones, especially our veterans, at our Memorial Day

Mass that was celebrated at Visitation Cemetery. I thank everyone who began Memorial Day with their presence at any memorial service or remembrance. It is a holy and pious thought to pray for the dead.

#### Candles this Week



#### St. Pius X

Sanctuary - In memory of Antonette Grimm - sister Blessed Mother - In memory of Jake Czekaj, II - Ted Czekaj & family

St. Joseph - In memory of Mark Rose - Mom & Dad Our Lady of Czestochowa - In memory of Mary & Nellie Sieniawski - Lee & Dorothy

#### **Visitation**

Sanctuary - In memory of the Charles Junick family -Marjorie Harmening & family

Blessed Mother - In memory of Wally & Annie Cable - Lou & Judy Bell

St. Joseph - In memory of John T. Toczek - children & grandchildren

Madonna & Child - In memory of Robert & Leona Cope son, Bob & family

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## Do you know of someone who is interested in learning about the Catholic Church?

Are you drawn to the Catholic Church and would like to learn what Catholics believe? Are you someone who was baptized Catholic, but not fully initiated? (Did not receive the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.) Each of us is on a journey to deepen our relationship with Jesus Christ. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the setting for individuals to learn what it means to be a Catholic Christian. This is an opportunity for you to discover what Catholics believe and discern if you are called to this journey of faith. Individuals from the parish walk with you, sharing their faith and allowing you to question and explore what it means to live as a Catholic Christian. We gather to pray, to read Scripture, to explore topics of our faith tradition and to support one another in this journey. As a first step, there will be inquiry sessions through the summer months; we usually meet a couple of times a month. It is a time to ask questions or have discussions about introductory information concerning the Catholic faith. Then in early September, we normally meet on a weekly basis. At that time we begin a deeper and more intense exploration of the faith. If you would like to speak with someone about the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), please call the parish office (724-547-1911) to speak with Fr. Dan Carr or Cindy Copeland.

**ATTENTION:** This notice is for all Catholics who are admitted to the hospital. Please tell the admissions person that you are Catholic and the name of your parish. This is for all admissions, especially if you come through the emergency room. If you do not tell them, your name will not appear on the patient list that the Catholic Chaplain receives.

Eucharistic Minister to the Homebound, please complete this form and drop it in the collection basket, return to the parish office or by mail.	
Name	
Address	İ
Phone #	
Best day/time	ı



#### This Saturday, June 17, is the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Our Lady of Fatima is said to have asked for the consecration of the world to Her Immaculate Heart. To it must be added devout prayers, a

true repentance and penance for the sins of men. In 1942, Pope Pius XII consecrated the world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.



#### St. Vincent de Paul

The local St. Pius X St. Vincent de Paul Society exists to assist those experiencing financial hardship due to illness, job loss or other unforeseen circumstances. Assistance is provided based on need, with no regard to religious affiliation. Confidentiality is strictly maintained. If you or someone you know needs a helping hand, please call 724-547-0413.





It's Vacation Time: For some, it's fishing...for others golf, tennis, or just a motor trip, any one of which changes the daily and weekly job routine. Have a good time! Keep yourself and your family safe and

healthy. Before you go, why not use your offering envelopes for those weeks so that you'll know you're helping your church meet bills that must be paid each week. You can be a conscientious parishioner by knowing you have contributed. God bless you!



If you are attending one of our parishes and are not a registered parishioner, we would like to invite you to do so. Simply call the parish office and we can get

this done. You may also register if you are no longer a student and living with your parents or on your own. Do not assume that because your parents are registered that you are automatically registered as an adult. This is a necessity for being a godparent or confirmation sponsor. You are not permitted to be either if you are not an active, registered and practicing Catholic.



#### **Ordinary Time...**

There are about 32 weeks outside the five church seasons. These weeks are called "Ordinary Time," from the word "ordinal," meaning "counted." Each week is given a number to help us divide the scriptures into readings and to place these in an orderly book called the

lectionary. We do the same thing with the Church's prayers at Mass, ordered day by day in a book called the Roman Missal. Ordinary Time is a name for the weeks that come between the church seasons. The period of Ordinary Time that lasts from Easter time until Advent spans over half the year. In the Northern Hemisphere, most of summer and autumn fall during these weeks. This is harvest time. In the gospels, Jesus often talked about the harvest as a symbol of what heaven might be like. Slowly but surely, as God's creatures grow ripe and then die, they will be harvested into heaven.





Rosary for Peace
Everyone is invited to St. Pius X
Church every Wednesday @
11:30am to pray the Rosary.





Please remember:
Know Him:
The Last Supper,
this Wednesday
and Thursday,
June 14 and 15
from

#### 6:30pm-8:30pm at the St. Rita Social Hall, Second St. Connellsville.

We will present a program on the source of our faith in Jesus and the gift of the Eucharist. There will be sampling of ethnic breads and sharing a meal at table, viewing a video presentation about the Italian Renaissance artist Leonardo daVinci's mural of the Last Supper and a presentation of the Washing of Feet.

There is no charge and no need to make reservations. Come together for an evening of prayer and a building of our community of Christian faith.



This Tuesday, June 13, is the Feast Day of St. Anthony of Padua, presbyter, religious, doctor of the church.

Anthony made such an impression on Padua in Italy that he is still admired there 700

years later. He is a much loved saint throughout the church.

Anthony was actually from Portugal, not Italy. His parents were nobles, and he could have chosen to live in luxury. But Anthony decided to devote his life to prayer and study. He became an Augustinian priest. He was a brilliant student who came to know the Bible inside and out. Ten years later Anthony learned about a new order, the Franciscans, who did missionary work. He wanted with all his heart to join them, and soon he was able to arrange it. Francis of Assisi, who had founded the Franciscans, was still alive. His spirit of poverty and love fired Anthony's heart.

Anthony traveled to Morocco to preach the Gospel. But severe illness sent him sailing for home. His ship blew off course and he landed in Italy instead. By chance, Francis had called the friars together there at this very time, so Anthony attended their meeting. Soon afterward the other friars heard Anthony preach. They realized he had a great gift. The wayward ship had steered him to what would become his life's work - preaching throughout Italy and France.

When Anthony preached, no Church could hold the crowds that came to hear him. He spoke in the marketplaces and town square. Because of what he said, parents and children made peace with each other. People gave back things they had stolen. People who had told lies admitted them publicly and corrected them. Maybe that is why Anthony is know as the patron saint of lost items. He worked to find lost people. His words were especially powerful because everyone knew that Anthony practiced what he preached. He was a humble person who chose to live in poverty. So many people experienced the love of God through his work that he became known as a "wonder worker."

Anthony spent the last three years of his life in Padua. He died when he was only 36 years old.



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