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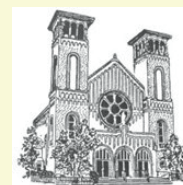
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September 24, 2023 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00p.m. - Visitation; 6:00p.m. - St. Pius X

Sunday: 8:30a.m. - Visitation; 10:30a.m. - St. Pius X

Weekday Mass: 7:00am - St. Pius X

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Mass Intentions

- Mon. 9/25 **St. Pius X**
7:00am Joseph & Pauline Baluh–
John & Terri Baluh
Edward Kendi– Rich & Sandy
Horn
- Tues. 9/26 **St. Pius X**
7:00am Mary C. Ross– FCSLA
Branch 44
Michelle Jurkovic– M/M David S. Brooks
- Wed. 9/27 **St. Pius X**
7:00am Parish Families
- Thurs. 9/28 **St. Pius X**
7:00am Kathy (Dean) DeFlicht– family

Mary Ellen Gerecter– Dennis Kozar
- Friday 9/29 **St. Pius X**
7:00am Van Horn & Simon Families–
Gradisek family
Larry Rega– M/M David S. Brooks
- Sat. 9/30 **Visitation**
4:00pm Steve, Irene, Kenneth & Dee
Foriska– family
- St. Pius X**
6:00pm Violet Kiral– nieces
- Sun. 10/1 **Visitation**
8:30am Tom, June & Joseph Grabiak &
Lou Krumanacker– family

Robert J. McGivern– wife, Louise
- St. Pius X**
10:30am Steve & Phyllis Patrilla–
daughters, Sandy Furlo, Janine
Shutty & Mary Sue Callaghan

Please join us every
Wednesday to pray the
Rosary for peace.
11:30 a.m. at
St. Pius X



Ministry of the Altar

- Sat. 9/30 **Visitation 4:00pm**
Greeters: volunteers
Lector: Raymond Gamrat
Eucharistic Minister: Vincent Mascia
Servers: Clara & Caleb Stewart, volunteer

Cantor: Kristen Felentzer
- St. Pius X 6:00pm**
Greeters: volunteers
Lector: Lisa Sestak
Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Ann Arrigo &
Kim Sirianna
Servers: Sophia & Ava Coppola, volunteer
Cantor: Jaime Golobish
- Sun. 10/1 **Visitation 8:30am**
Greeters: volunteers
Lector: Tereasa Rerko
Eucharistic Minister: Joann Maholtz
Servers: Langdon & Amelia Thomas,
volunteer
Cantor: Sharon Stewart
- St. Pius X 10:30am**
Greeters: Holy Name
Lector: Acacia Houck
Eucharistic Ministers: Sr. Juliana & Madonna
Mullin
Servers: Braxton Pastore, Michael Hegyes,
volunteer
Cantor: Phil Brown



If you wish to be visited by a priest or
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 _____

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Confessions heard at Visitation every
Saturday, beginning at 3:15 p.m.
and the first Saturday of the month at
St. Pius X, beginning at 12:00 p.m.

*From the
Desk of
Fr. Dan*

St. Paul first travelled to Corinth around the year 55 AD—22 years after the resurrection. He spent three months there, establishing a Christian community. After he moved on to other places, Paul would often keep correspondence with the communities that he founded—especially if they were having some trouble. And boy, did the community in Corinth have some trouble.

Corinth was a city in modern-day Greece on the Mediterranean Sea. It was a wealthy, healthy hub of trade in those days. It was a center of philosophy, artistry and intellectuals. It was also a place where many different cultures and ideas converged. So, the community that St. Paul founded was a mixed group. It included Jews and non-Jews, wealthy and poor, intellectuals and simple people. And the community was struggling greatly with remaining unified. There was a lot of in-fighting and cliques were being formed.

St. Paul addresses these issues and others in this letter. He does so not by simply commanding them to stop bickering. Rather, his words eloquently convince the Corinthians to see themselves differently—to see their community as something that has been transformed by the saving message of Christ, and therefore, ought to rise above these petty problems. As a result, this letter gives us some of the most beautiful theology about the Church that we have.

This is why our fall Bible study will be on this letter from St. Paul-1 Corinthians. We will walk through this letter together, highlighting certain key passages, answering questions that people have about it, and having discussions about what it means for us today.

The study will begin on Tuesday, October 3, from 6:00-7:30 p.m. and will run every other Tuesday night until December 12, when we will conclude with a special prayer service and Christmas party with the faith formation children. That's six total sessions. And there is no cost. All you need to bring is a Bible.

Prior to the first session, we would encourage you to read 1 Cor 1:1-4:13 (for those unfamiliar with scripture citation, this means first letter to the Corinthians chapters 1, 2, 3 and the first 13 verses of chapter 4). This is not required for attendance but would be helpful to you, especially if you are unfamiliar with the letter.

Even though it was written nearly 2,000 years ago, I believe that this letter can tell us something relevant today. We live in a time when many ideas are converging and when people are struggling with unity. The truths that St. Paul communicates in this letter are just as relevant today as they were when they were written. This letter can speak to you about how to be a better Christian and grow closer to God.

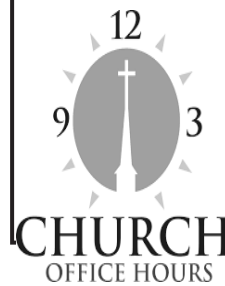
*Notes from our Administrator,
Fr. Paul:*

Mark your calendar!

A public rosary rally is planned for October 14, 2023 at the Blessed Mother grotto at St. Rita's Church in Connellsville, starting at noon. There will be rallies all over the country that day. We must stop the secularist from trying to push God from the public square and pray to God for help. He will hear us if we pray through the Intercession of His Blessed Mother. The rally will be held rain or shine. Please bring a chair.



New Office Hours



The parish office will be closed on Fridays. Normal office hours will be Monday thru Thursday from 9:30am - 3:00pm. Thank you for your attention to this change.

SPECIAL COLLECTION On September 23 & 24, the *Hearts for the Mission Appeal* and the *Seminarian & Clergy Formation Collection* take place. Parishioners are asked to suggest names of those who would make good candidates for the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. Also, parishioners are asked to support the collection, which is used to educate those who are answering the call to priesthood and diaconate, as well as to support the continued education of our clergy. Your participation in the appeal and collection will help the diocese to address its need for a well-formed clergy. Our awareness of God's call and invitation can be a catalyst that prompts a person to respond. Your support of this appeal is greatly appreciated. Please continue to pray for religious vocations, and thank you!



Faith Formation

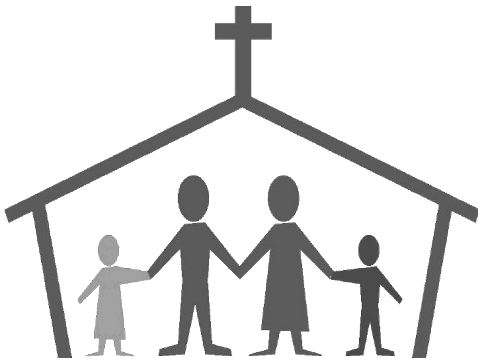
Faith Formation for 2023-2024 will take place at least twice a month, unless otherwise noted.

This year we are pleased to introduce faith formation opportunities for every age group.

- ◆ Program for God’s youngest (PK)
- ◆ Elementary faith formation (K-5)
- ◆ Middle youth formation (6-8)
- ◆ High school youth group (9-12)
- ◆ Adult Bible study - All are welcome.

Annual Program Cost

\$20 for first child
 \$15 for second child
 \$10 for third child



First Reconciliation & Communion Meeting

There will be a meeting for all students preparing for First Communion and their parents, Sunday, September 24 at 9:45am at Visitation Community Center.

A gentle reminder to the
Visitation Christian Mothers:

We will be sitting together at the 8:30 Mass on September 24, in honor of our living and deceased members. Please try to attend.

Weekly Offering - September 17, 2023

Visitation Parish

Weekly.....\$3,911
 Capital Improvements.....\$20
 Growing.....\$38
 Catholic Univ./School.....\$10
 Total Envelopes: 142

St. Pius X Parish

Weekly.....\$5,450
 Capital Improvements.....\$20
 Catholic Univ./School.....\$10
 Total Envelopes: 163

Thank you for your generosity!

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Annual Visitation Christian Mothers Rummage Sale

Plans are underway for this event, and please remember, we will not accept appliances, computers or furniture.

Drop-off times for gently used items are:

Saturday, Oct. 7 from 1-4 p.m.
 Monday, Oct. 9 from 12-3 p.m.
 Tuesday, Oct. 10 from 12-7 p.m.
 Wednesday, Oct. 11 from 12-3 p.m.

Actual sale times are:

Thursday, Oct. 12 from 4-8 p.m.
 (food truck available)
 Friday, Oct. 13 from 9 a.m.-8 p.m.
 Saturday, Oct. 14 from 9-11 a.m.

The members are always in awe of the many supportive donations from our fellow parishioners. So, I offer a “Thanks” in advance. ~Jan



Please pray for the wholeness & healing of

Arthur & Joann Kiliany, Liam R., Luca I., Tom O'Brocto, Sr., Irene, Stephen H., Blue, Bryce, 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., Knox, Phillip, Baby Parker, Greg Pfeifer, Ken Keslar, Jen, Dwayne Thomas, Regis Melego, Mary Rose, David Gillott, Patricia Burke, Carol K., Frank Chain, David, 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 Ruskowski, Liz, Andy, Brenda, Paul, Bertie Zaucha, Barry Stanziana, David & Kitty Jensen, Donna Zemba, Ryan Snyder & family, Margie, Sue Ruskowski, 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., Mercedes Isola, Georgia, 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 Piazza, Rob & family, Mary, Artie, Loretta & Alan Ambrosa.

Candles this Week



St. Pius X

Sanctuary– Frank Marne –family

Blessed Mother– Mary K. Prickett– Karen

St. Joseph– M/M Raymond Grosser– family

Our Lady of Czestochowa– Anna Marie Kiliany–
Ron Rinaldi

Visitation

Sanctuary– Baluh & Bellish families– Dennis & Connie
Baluh

Blessed Mother– Joe Baluh, Sr.– Joe & Theresa Baluh

St. Joseph– George Askin– family

Madonna & Child– living & deceased members of the
Visitation Christian Mothers

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Visitation Christian Mothers



October 8, 6 p.m.: Gathering with Rosary Altar Society to pray an outdoor Rosary behind the parish office (will move indoors if weather isn't cooperative)

October 16: Morning Mass intention for our beloved Mary Toczek

Please pray for the souls of the recently deceased:

Helen Miller, Bernice Tylka, Jacqueline Christner, Sarah Minick and Terrence Laick.



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.

St. Pius X Christian Mothers will be hosting
WOMEN OF THE BIBLE.

The Christian Mothers/Women's Guild from Immaculate Conception Church in Irwin will portray 12 significant women from the Bible, and all are welcome to attend the event at St. Pius X on Sept. 30 at 11:00 a.m. Light refreshments will be provided after the presentation. Please mark your calendars!

The Visitation Christian Mothers invite any/all ladies, young and/or older, of the parish to join their membership on Thursday, September 28th at 6pm; a rosary will begin at 5:30pm in the church. (Note: This date has been changed from the 21st to the 28th due to Glass Festival schedule conflicts.) Christian

Mother Organizations began in Lille, France in 1850. The cultural challenges at that time, prompted ladies to gather to pray with and for one another and their children, to discuss their problems, and to advise one another under the patronage of Our Lady of Sorrows. Presently, there are six Archconfraternity of Christian Mothers in the world. They are located in Paris, Rome, Regensburg (Ratisbon), Cracow, Einsiedeln, and Pittsburgh. The society founded its way to America on January 16, 1881 at St. Augustine's Church, now known as Our Lady of the Angels Parish, 220-37th St., Pittsburgh, PA. Our local parish membership meets the 3rd Thursday of the month in April, May, September-December. We share prayer, fellowship and support to our parish. If interested in becoming a member, please call Jan Brooks at 724-547-5356 by Monday, September 25th. **To our Current Members:** This September meeting is our Annual Covered Dish. (I'm always amazed at the variety of foods displayed! It is a beautiful sight!) Please remember to add your name to your dish, so we can share recipes. **Following the 5:30pm rosary, we will induct any new members, and then proceed to the community center.** Thanks in advance, Jan.



The Mt. Pleasant Glass Festival is here, September 22-24!

St. Pius X's famous pierogie, kielbasa, and halushki are ready to be served, thanks to a magnificent team from the Kitchen Crew. Thank you to the many willing volunteers who signed up to help in our booth. As always, we appreciate your thoughtfulness and patronage! See you there at the St. Pius X booth and thanks again!



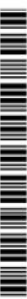
Visitation Parish - Glass Festival News

The Glass Festival is on Friday September 22nd thru Sunday, September 24th. Once again we will have a booth featuring cavatelli with or without a meatball; halupki (cabbage roll); meatball slider; pizza and pankusky (filled donuts). Thanks for helping at our booth! Say "Hello" to our neighbors and many visitors that attend this 3-day event. Your continued support is a treasured blessing!



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. Individuals may inquire about RCIA by calling the parish office (724-547-1911) to speak with Fr. Dan Carr or Cindy Copeland.



This Wednesday, September 27, is the Feast of St. Vincent de Paul.



The parents of Vincent de Paul were peasant farmers in the village of Pouy, in France. They worked very hard to keep their six children fed. Because they knew Vincent was bright, they made sacrifices so that he could be educated.

Vincent was determined to use his intelligence and charm to earn a good living for himself. He became court Chaplain to Queen Margaret of Valois and used his connections to make other important friends. But then Vincent found a spiritual director who opened his heart to a concern for others. He began to develop a spirit of compassion. At that time, ordinary people lived in misery, disease and violence. Rich people were completely unaware of the suffering that surrounded them. Vincent began to work in a small country church where he organized members of the parish to provide food and clothing for the poor. It was the first of many such organizations, which today are called St. Vincent de Paul Societies.

We wish a "Happy Name's Day" to all of our St. Vincent de Paul Society members and helpers. May God bless you for all the time and resources you volunteer to helping others in the name of Christ.

Fr. Paul

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.



September Faithful Challenge: Pray for Vocations



The clergy shortage in the Diocese of Greensburg is widely known. In fact, in the next eight years, we will have fewer than 15 native-born priests to serve the Diocese of Greensburg. Without priests, there is no Eucharist. Without the Eucharist, there can be no Eucharistic Revival. This month, Bishop Kulick's Faithful Challenge is to pray for vocations. He encourages you to join him in prayer to spur the renewal of the Church.

This year, Bishop Kulick accepted three more men into the priestly formation program for the Diocese of Greensburg: Matteo Arcara, Thomas Oldenburg, and Ryan Scavnicky. They are now in what is termed the Propaedeutic Stage, a new stage just recently added to the priestly formation program. During the Propaedeutic Stage, Arcara, Oldenburg and Scavnicky will live in community with other seminarians. While introductory in nature, the Propaedeutic Stage is time for the three to grow in their relationship with Christ, trust in God and knowledge of the Catholic Church and Her teachings. This time helps seminarians to lay a foundation for a new way of life centered in Christ and in communion with his Bishop, presbyterate, and his local Church.

Our seminarians have a heart for the mission of our Church! Supporting the Seminarian Collection on September 23 and 24 helps to spur the renewal of our Church. To learn more about the formation of our future priests or donate visit DioceseofGreensburg.org/seminarian-clergy-formation-collection



PRAYER FOR RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS

Heavenly Father, your loving providence accompanies us on our life's journey. Thank you for the many gifts you have given us. We ask that you continue to call sons and daughters from our families and parishes to serve as priests, deacons, and consecrated men and women in the Diocese of Greensburg. Send your Spirit upon us so that many will respond with great love to your call to service and leadership in your Church. Give to those you have chosen the faith of the apostle, the vision of the prophet, and the courage of the martyr. Through the intercession of our Diocesan patroness, Our Lady of the Assumption, help us to be faithful disciples of your Son by following the example of Mary. Make us generous in sharing ourselves and our talents for the sake of your Kingdom on earth. We ask this through Christ the Risen Lord.

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