Saint Pius X Parish 740 West Walnut Street Mt. Pleasant, PA 15666

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**Our Blessing** 

#### **Dear Parishioners,**

I am happy to present you with this year's Parish Annual Report titled *thanks*GIVING for Our Blessings. I am so thankful for the blessings that the Lord has bestowed upon our faith community.

Among our many blessings, let me begin with the youth of our parish, the next generation of Christ's disciples, the future of our Church. Currently, we are working on a new and innovative curriculum for faith formation to transmit the faith through unforgettable experiences that move our children toward the Holy Spirit.

Our blessings include numerous impactful ministries in our parish that engage many volunteers who reach out to the sick, the poor and the elderly. Please read through our ministry listing and consider becoming part of this transformative work. We can always use more help!

Let me also mention our parish festivals and parish fish dinners, which serve to support the parish and to foster a sense of joyous community spirit while always supporting our mission to grow in faith and service.

You, yourself, are a blessing to our parish. Thank you for attending Mass, praying with us and supporting the parish through your generous donations. The next time you visit, I hope you notice the work underway. We have finished the installation of two air conditioning units in our church and replaced the air conditioning unit in the social hall. This year we will be recoating the church roof, repairing the roof on the school and replacing the roof on the rectory.

Now I am asking you, with prayerful consideration to your current financial situation, to make a year-end gift to our parish to show your gratitude to God for the good work being done here. Or, if you are able, perhaps you will increase your weekly or monthly offertory as a show of thanks for the blessings God has bestowed upon you.

For your convenience, we've included a GIVING QR Code. By scanning it, you can easily enroll in online giving, increase your weekly offertory or make a year-end gift. Of course, traditional check or cash donations are always deeply appreciated as well.





GIVING QR Cod

Saint Pius X Parish <u>Annual Report 2024</u> Yours in Christ, Father Paul Lisik

## **Become an Intentional Disciple**

Enter into a deeper relationship with your fellow parishioners by attending one of these upcoming events:

- October 20 Christian Mothers Bingo
- October 24 Prayer and Perfect Pairings, Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. A five-course meal and wine pairings with recipes from Bishop Larry J. Kulick, Father Christopher J. Pujol, Father Andrew J. Hamilton, Father John Torres and Father Daniel E. Carr; proceeds benefit Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg (tickets: DioceseofGreensburg.org/PrayerandPerfectPairings).
- November 10 Holy Name Omelet Breakfasts
- November 22 Holy Name Oldies Dance
- December 7 Breakfast with Saint Nicholas, 9:30 AM, Saint Agnes Parish, North Huntingdon. Free event with brunch, photos with Saint Nicholas, an art project and a show about cultural versions of Saint Nicholas (details available in November: DioceseofGreensburg.org).
- December 14 Christmas Night Market, 2-9 PM, Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. Food and craft vendors, cards, gift and décor booths, 4 PM Mass with Bishop Larry J. Kulick and the Diocesan Youth Choir, artist Pipka Ulvilden with her Blessed Mother and Nativity creations, Christmas cookies, and wine tastings (details: ChristmasNightMarket.org).



Parish Financials	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22
Offertory	\$ 368,642	\$ 373,597	\$ 354,157
<b>Other Ordinary Income</b> (monthly collections, votive candles)	51,616	44,852	18,790
Extraordinary Income* (bequests, donations, fundraising, interest, rental income)	167,418	108,311	39,084
Diocesan Lenten Appeal Refund	7,731	6,847	3,652
<b>Other Non-Assessable Income</b> (The Catholic Accent, sale of property, insurance reimbursements and PPP Loan)	21,784	6,795	59,688
Special Collections	13,218	12,133	21,519
Total Income	\$ 630,409	\$ 552,535	\$ 496,890
Expenses			
Administration	\$ 93,918	\$ 100,435	\$ 124,943
Church	40,275	41,468	58,059
Rectory	3,292	3,184	2,390
Education and Ministry	88,375	61,199	76,440
General Expenses	208,190	200,332	223,028
Special Collections	13,218	12,148	22,070
Extraordinary Expenses*	201,773	29,929	7,15
Total Expenditures	649,041	448,695	514,09
Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (18,632)	\$ 103,840	\$ (17,201

\*Includes \$105,500 added to the Reserve Fund and \$61,675 for the A/C & Parking Lot repair projects in fy24.

## **Our Parish** by the **Numbers:**



2023: 745 2022: 745 **Registered Households** 

Current Single Member Households 262







**Households that Give** 448

**Households that Don't Give** 

# **New to Our Parish**

We welcomed over the past year four new Parochial Vicars: Father Peter Guardiano, Father Edwin Rubido, Father Craig Alexander and Father John Torres. Father Peter and Father Edwin come to us from the Philippines through the International Priests' Program. Father Craig and Father John are two of the newly ordained priests in our Diocese. Both attended Saint Vincent Seminary, graduating last spring. Father Craig is from Highspire, near Harrisburg, and Father John is a native of Sao Palo, Brazil. Now they both call the Diocese of Greensburg home.

Theresa Turner and Mary Allison joined our staff last November. Theresa is our Office Assistant overseeing the clearance records. Mary is our Regional Faith Formation Director responsible for all aspects of Faith Formation in our eight regional parishes. Our newest staff member is Melissa Swift, who takes over as organist/music director. Melissa comes to us with a great deal of experience in Catholic music ministry. We also offer congratulations and thanks to our longtime music director, Sheryl Nagy, who retired on June 30 after 20 years in our churches.

### **Giving With Gratitude**



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appreciated as well. You can visit our website, stop by in person, or mail your gift.







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**IN PERSON:** Monday - Thursdayy 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM



**ONLINE:** 

mpcatholicchurches.org (choose Saint Pius X) then click the "online giving" button

# **Our Ministries:**

- Altar Server
- Faith Formation Leaders
- Youth Ministry
- Choir
- Cantor
- Extraordinary Ministers
- of Holy Communion
- Funeral Altar Servers
- Homebound Ministry
- Ushers
- Lectors
- Greeters

- Money Counters
- Kitchen Crew
- Baptism Prep
- Marriage Prep
- Sacramental Prep
- RCIA Team

#### **Organizations:**

- Christian Mothers
- Knights of Columbus
- Holy Name Society
- St. Vincent de Paul Society
- Lay Apostles

We really do need volunteers to support our parish, specifically servers, lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, ushers, greeters and catechists. Please call the parish office today at 724-547-1911 so we can walk you through the process of becoming a volunteer.