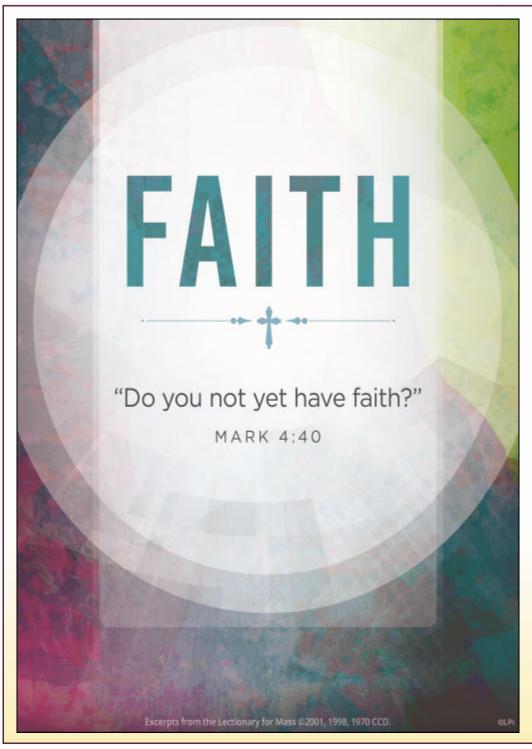
# St. Pius X Parish

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June 27, 2021

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Congratulations to Father John Pankratz who was ordained to the priesthood for our Diocese on June 24, 2021.

His parents are John and Brenda Pankratz of this parish.

Fr. John will begin his priestly ministry at St. Patrick Co-Cathedral.



### Welcome to St. Pius X

If you are from out of town and are joining us for worship or are new to our parish, we hope that you will find warmth and hospitality here!

St. Pius X is a vibrant parish with many ways to be engaged. Thank you for choosing to worship with us today! If you would like more information on registration or activities or ministries that are offered for people of all ages, please contact the parish office at 656-2522. You may also visit our website at www.stpiusxblgs.org or find us on



Facebook at 'St. Pius X.'

Fr. Greg and the staff of St. Pius X wish everyone a safe and enjoyable Independence Day!

The parish office will be closed Friday, July 2nd and Monday, July 5th to observe the holiday.

# 'First Sunday of the Month' Collection to St. Vincent dePaul

Next weekend we will have a collection for St. Vincent dePaul. These items are needed regularly:

- ◆ Laundry soap (any type)
- ♦ Coffee (Regular)
- ♦ Sugar
- Non-dairy creamer
- Napkins
- ♦ 8 oz. coffee cups
- Disposable soup bowls
- Disposable eating utensils
- Disposable plates (small & dinner size).
- NEW: healthy snacks in individual packages such as breakfast bars, nuts, dried fruit, etc.

Please bring your donations
July 3-4 and place them in the bin in
the Gathering Area. Or, if you prefer, make a monetary donation to
"St. Vincent DePaul. The collection
box is located next to the food bin.
Thank you for your generous support of monthly collections!

### **Parish Endowments**

Thank you to all who have so generously supported our parish endowments! Your investment in St. Pius is deeply appreciated. We have recently received the annual endowment interest payouts and we would like to share how your generosity is helping us now and will continue to help us in the future. The funds received this year are as follows:

- St. Pius X Cemetery Endowment...\$22,660.05
- St. Pius X Ministry Endowment...\$15,930.94
- St. Pius X Building and Maintenance Endowment...\$943.98

The interest from the Cemetery Endowment is used solely for the upkeep and maintenance of Calvary Cemetery. Last year's funds were used for the new walkway. This year we have had significant repairs and maintenance on the sprinkler system which is over 20 years old.

The interest from the Ministry Endowment is used for various ministry opportunities such as sending our youth to conferences and staff to workshops. This year we will use it as needed for our involvement in Parish Catalyst. A portion of last year's interest was used as the registration fee for Parish Catalyst.

This is the first year we have received an interest payment from our new Building and Maintenance Endowment. Those funds will be used strictly towards maintaining the buildings on our campus. We were able to pay for half of the cost of replacing our baptismal font heater pump with the funds this year. The baptismal waters will once again be warm when we welcome new people into the Church!

If you would like more information about our endowments, please contact Karyn Haider at the parish office.





# The Parish Life Commission invites YOU to support the "St. Pius X Parish" 2021 Relay for Life Team!

# Relay for Life of Yellowstone On The Road Again Street Edition Friday, July 9th at 6pm

"On the Road Again - Relay for Life Street Edition" is coming up fast! It's the same format as last year: inviting people to decorate their cars and cruise 24th St. West, where luminaries line the sidewalk.

The "St. Pius X Parish" Relay for Life team is selling luminaries as a fundraiser for our 2021 team. Forms are available in the Gathering Area of the church, at the Parish Center or online www.stpiusxblgs.org/news/

- If you want to pay online the QR code is available below.
- Luminaries are \$10 each and may be for a Survivor, in honor/in Memory of or for a Caregiver..

Deadline for ordering: Please submit your orders to the parish office by July 7, 2021 4:30pm. If you have questions please call Kathy at the parish center, 656-2522.

Checks made out to: ACS or American Cancer Society

Your support will be appreciated. God bless you!

# **In and Around Our Parish Community**

### Many Thanks from LaVie and Family Promise!

From Mother's Day to Father's Day you donated baby supplies and diapers and participated in LaVie's virtual Baby Bottle Campaign. St. Pius met and exceeded the goal for the Baby Bottle Campaign and many, many babies and toddlers will benefit from the diaper collection. LaVie will use the necessary and adorable baby items for their layette sets. Family Promise of Yellowstone Valley will keep the Mobile Diaper Bank stocked with your donations.

Thank you, St. Pius X, for supporting families in our community! Why did we do this collection? Because disciples of Jesus care about the most vulnerable in our community. Your gestures of care make a difference!



### You are Gifted, You are Called

We, at St. Pius X are seeking parishioners wishing to be proclaimers of the Risen Christ to

newcomers in our faith community. As we move further along into the 2021-2022 RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) liturgical calendar year, we are now accepting your questions about joining our RCIA team. This RCIA church ministry primarily consists of two areas: Team faith formation leaders and team sponsors for our candidates/catechumens. Personal encounters with Jesus and a deepening relationship with Him we know—are elemental to growing in our Christian faith. You are a disciple of Jesus Christ. If you feel a deepening intimacy with God; if you feel the Holy Spirit moving within your being, please let us know. Feel free to contact Matt Low at the parish office, 656-2522. You just might be the guide who shines the transformative "Light of Christ" into another's life. May the Love of Christ continue to work within you.

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Make a donation to our parish via this QR code for Venmo or PayPal. Access is also available on our website. Look for these icons at the top of the homepage at www.stpiusxblgs.org. Thank you for your support!





### Area Events.

### St. Thomas Summer **Camp in 2021**

The Diocese will host the St. Thomas Summer Camp in Monarch, MT this summer. Campers range in age from grade 5 to High School on separate weeks. Find out which week is offered for your child and more information at www.diocesegfb.org.

# **Christian Service Donations Benefit Our** Community

Through your generosity to the Sunday collections during the last fiscal year, St. Pius X was able to tithe to:

- Billings Met Transit for bus passes for Tumbleweed youth
- **Tumbleweed**
- Youth Dynamics
- Billings Senior High Holiday Gift Card Drive
- Friendship House of Christian Service
- Family Tree Center
- CASA of Yellowstone County
- Family Promise of Yellowstone County
- St. Vincent dePaul
- Montana Rescue Mission
- Family Service, Inc.
- Angela's Piazza: Women's Drop In Center
- Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth Missions in Peru

Additionally, we purchased 98 backpacks for the 2021 Pak-A-Kid for School project.

Any questions about our tithing may be directed to Shelly at the parish office or any Christian Service Commission member.

# Stewardship Report: June 20, 2021

**Envelope Donation** \$7,518.00 Loose Checks \$4,895.00 Loose Cash \$465.00 Electronic Fund Transfer \$7.183.00 Venmo & PayPal \$360.00 Total Collection \$20,421.00

Weekly Average Needed Parishioner Envelopes & EFT **Annual Parish Budget** Contributions needed to-date Contributions received to-date Budget Income (Shortfall)

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# This Week's Meetings on the Campus of St. Pius X

### Saturday, June 26 at church

- Reconciliation, 3:30pm, Blessed Sacrament Chapel
- Mass, 5:00pm
- Collecting Brown Bag Lunch supplies, Gathering Area of church

### Sunday, June 27 at church

- Masses, 8:30am & 11:00am (Live-streamed)
- Collecting Brown Bag Lunch supplies, Gathering Area of church
- Brown Bag Lunch "Bag Building", 9:40 to 10:20am, Fellowship Hall

### Monday, June 28

- NO Mass
- Bulletin Advertising Sales Representative in office

### Tuesday, June 29

- Mass, 8:30am, (Live-streamed)
- Bulletin Advertising Sales Representative in office

### Wednesday, June 30

- Mass, 8:30am, (Live-streamed)
- Bulletin Advertising Sales Representative in office

### Thursday, July 1

- Funeral Mass, 11:00am for Henry Stevens
- Bulletin Advertising Sales Representative in office

### Friday, July 2

- NO daily Mass
- Parish Office closed July 2-July 5

### Saturday, July 3 at church

- Reconciliation, 3:30pm, Blessed Sacrament Chapel
- Mass, 5:00pm
- Food Collection for St. Vincent dePaul
- Collecting Brown Bag Lunch supplies, Gathering Area of church

### Sunday, July 4 at church

- Masses, 8:30am & 11:00am (11:00am is Live-streamed)
  - Food Collection for St. Vincent dePaul
- Collecting Brown Bag Lunch supplies, Gathering Area of church

# **Scripture Reflection:**

Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24 Psalm 30:2, 4-6, 11-13 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15 Mark 5:21-43

The author of The Cloud of Unknowing prays, "That which I am and the way that I am, with all my gifts of nature and grace, you have given to me, O Lord, and you are all this. I offer it all to you, principally to praise you and to help my fellow Christians and myself." Knowing that God sustains us in being is the key to faith. All that we need to do is to love God as God is and the rest will begin to fall into place. God made us in His image and desires that we have life. God also desires that we be healed of all of our wounds, especially those caused by sin, and know his loving touch. Being weighed down by negativity, imperfections, the cares of the world, and weakness is not something that God desires.

Faith can profoundly change how we see God, ourselves, and one another. It gives a clearer lens through which to see life and connects us with the powerful virtues of love and hope. Three friends journeying with us through all that we encounter, faith, hope, and love, help us experience God's embrace and heal us. All we have to do is let God be who God is and not foolishly try to make Him into what we need or want Him to be. Without God we cease to be. It's that simple. The very blood that flows through my veins and the life that I have comes directly from Divine origin. With this knowledge of who God is and who I am, I can open my ears and hear the powerful words Jesus speaks, "Do not be afraid, just have faith." Trust begins.

When we are struggling, we naturally reach out for God because we know that a divine remedy is the only remedy. But, in doing so we wrestle with letting God take charge. We want something more miraculous and visible than the obvious and have difficulty in finding consolation simply resting in God's presence. Our naked being, stripped of any pretense or self-serving agenda, is being called to rest in and love the Presence of God. Reach out in love to God. Ask God to heal you from all that separates you from Him. Put aside any ideas of God that create barriers between you and God's tender and endearing presence. The Cloud of Unknowing leaves us with wisdom, "think of yourself and of him in the same way, that is, with the simple awareness that he is as he is and that you are as you are." This is a meeting of two friends who desire nothing more than to share life together. ©LPi

### Help for a Hurting Marriage

Visit <u>www.helpourmarriage.org</u> to find out about the next virtual, online marriage help program. Or contact (406) 761- 4830 for details. Find help in the comfort of your own home.

FOURTH OF JULY

# **Mass Intentions & Readings**

Monday, June 28, St. Irenaeus Genesis 18:16-33, Ps. 103:1-4, 8-11, Matthew 8:18-22 NO Mass

**Tuesday, June 29**, Sts. Peter and Paul Acts 12:1-11, Psalm 34:2-9, 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18, Matthew 16:13-19

8:30am Mass: † TJ Miller

Wednesday, June 30, The First Martyrs of the Holy

Roman Church

Genesis 21:5, 8-20, Ps. 34:7-8, 10-13, Mt. 8:28-34

8:30am Mass: † Alvina Herauf

Thursday, July 1, St. Junípero Serra Genesis 22:1-19, Psalm 115:1-6, 8-9, Matthew 9:1-8 11:00am Funeral Mass for Henry Stevens

Friday, July 2

Genesis 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67, Psalm 106:1-5, Matthew 9:9-13

**NO Daily Mass** 

Saturday, July 3, St. Thomas

Ephesians 2:19-22, Psalm 117:1-2, John 20:24-29 5:00pm Mass: Int. of St. Pius X Parishioners

**Sunday, July 4 14th Sunday of Ordinary Time** Ezekiel 2:2-5, Psalm 123:1-4, 2 Corinthians 12:7-10,

Mark 6:1-6

8:30am Mass: † Carol Falbo 11:00am Mass: † Jack O'Reilly

### Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life

The Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life (SEEL) is a nine month retreat experience from September to May that invites you to develop a commitment to daily prayer-an hour is ideal. You will meet with a spiritual director weekly for an hour and come together with other retreatants once a month for a presentation on the material being covered. Do you have an openness to spiritual growth and personal transformation? Ask for an application from Deb LeVeaux at

<u>leveaux@bresnan.net</u> or call at 652-4143. The deadline for completing the application is August 25.



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# Ministry Schedule: July 3-4, 2021

Saturday, 5:00 PM

Greeter: Joyce Stoppel, Nancy Wandler

Usher: Jim Kaiser, Richard King, Dan Miller, Keith

Schott

Lector: Mark Sevier-1, Michelle Bertelson-2

**Sacristan:** Bonnie Wutzke **Altar Minister:** Clare Dooley

**Eucharistic Minister:** Kathy Boileau, Vicki Langlinais, Helene Ranweiler-Waage, Paul Rausch

Cross: 1 Volunteer Needed
Altar Server: 1 Volunteer Needed

Sunday, 8:30 AM

Greeter: Tony & Jennie Typanski

Usher: Don Judice, Steve Komar, Greg Luck, Phil

Zeeck

Lector: Carol Schaff-1, Shannon Behounek-2

Sacristan: Gail Mack

Altar Minister: Kathleen Bernhardt

Eucharistic Minister: Jan Kirk, Deacon Tom Landry,

Dan & Tanja Sloan

Cross Bearer: 1 Volunteer Needed Altar Server: 1 Volunteer Needed

Sunday, 11:00 AM (Live-streamed) Greeter: Lynn DeMeyer, Mary Rah

**Usher:** Roland Barnes, Joe Larimer, Bob Riesinger,

1 Volunteer Needed

Lector: Vicki Marguis-1, 1 Volunteer Needed

Sacristan: David Mork

Altar Minister: Magdalen Wojtowicz

Eucharistic Minister: Janice Krueger, Deacon Tom

Landry, Germaine Riesinger, Mary Taylor

Cross Bearer: Casey Rah Altar Server: Matthew Rah

### **Youth Ministry**

You're invited! All youth 6th—12th grade...join our summer events! High School Folf, a Junior High or High School rafting trip and Mustang baseball games are coming up and require RSVP's. Contact Amanda with any questions at

amichael@stpiusxblgs.org or text 318-5603.

### Care and Share Annual Appeal

Thank you to all who have responded so generously to the annual Care and Share Campaign. The success of this campaign depends on the faithful, steadfast and devoted members of our faith family both here in our parish and throughout the Diocese. Your support is greatly appreciated, for it is through your sacrifice and deep convictions that we may grow as a faith community and will continue Christ's work in the Diocese of Great Falls-Billings. If you have not donated, please consider doing so by picking up a donation envelope in the Gathering Area of church.

# **Parish Staff**

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Bulletin notices are due by 4:30pm on Monday. Please email **bulletin@stpiusxblgs.org** or fax to 656-2584.

### Mass Schedules

### Weekend

Saturday at 5:00 PM Sunday at 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

### Weekdays

Tuesday—Friday
Mass at 8:30 AM—Sanctuary Rosary - 8:00 AM, before daily Mass

### **LIVE Stream**

Sunday, 11:00 AM and Daily Masses at 8:30 AM on our website at www.stpiusxblgs.org. Click Live-Stream on the homepage.

### **Sacraments**

Reconciliation: Sat. 3:30-4:30 PM Baptism: Call us for details Marriage: Six-month preparation

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you become as little children you shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven;" grant us, we beseech Thee, so to walk in the footsteps of thy blessed Virgin Theresa with a humble

and single heart, that we may attain to everlasting rewards: who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.









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