



Church of St. Pius X

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From the first hour
to the last,
Jesus' life is enfolded
in the nearness
of his Mother.

-Romano Guardini

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Fr Russ

I am still in love with the only woman I really ever loved in my life. **My Mother!** Even though she is now with the old man and God in heaven, I still gaze at her photos I have around the apartment and marvel about how much she loved me, sacrificed for me, and brought me up right – even though there were times when I was a teenager, she well understood why some animals eat their young! God bless all mom's today and know of our love for you. The old saying goes: "God couldn't be everywhere, so he created Mother's. Happy Mother's Day.

Catholic Charities Collection Today

And on Mother's Day, we traditionally take up our Collection for Catholic Charities. During this Pandemic year Catholic Charities served thousands of those in need. The truth is what Catholic Charities accomplishes can only be realized through our generosity for the poor. Your support of this year's Catholic Charities Annual Appeal on Mother's Day weekend will make all the difference.

With offices in Worthington, Mankato, Owatonna, Albert Lea, Austin, Rochester, and Winona, every county in the diocese is home to someone who was helped by catholic Charities.. With your help, catholic Charities can continue to build on this important, needed ministry for the less fortunate. You will find a catholic Charities Appeal envelope in your envelope packets and this still remains the most effective way to promote Participation. So if you did not notice that envelope this weekend, please know that your contributions will be accepted past the Mother's Day weekend.

Pope Benedict XVI states in Deus Caritas Est: The church's deepest nature is expressed in her three-fold responsibility of proclaiming God's Word, celebrating the sacraments, and exercising the ministry of Charity. These duties presuppose each other and are inseparable. For the Church, charity is not a kind of welfare activity which could equally well be left to others, but is part of her nature, an indispensable expression of her very being. Thank you and God bless!

Sacramental Life

A Mother's Love

There are times when only a mother's love
Can understand our tears,
Can soothe our disappointments
And calm all of our fears.
There are times when only a mother's love
Can share the joy we feel
When something we've dreamed about
Quite suddenly is real.
There are times when only a mother's faith
Can help us on life's way
And inspire in us the confidence
We need from day to day.
For a mother's heart and a mother's faith
And a mother's steadfast love
Were fashioned by the angels
And sent from God above.

Baptism

*May the waters of baptism call to mind
our baptism into Christ who has
redeemed us by his death and
resurrection. We welcome in baptism:*

Catherine Suzanna Douglas

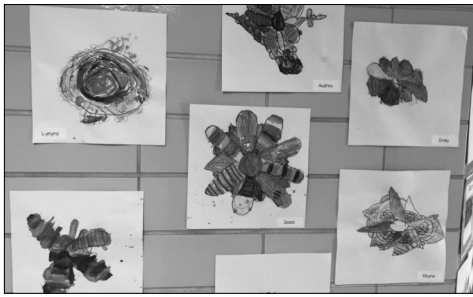
Daughter of: Samuel & Lauren Douglas
Our Congratulations!

*"A baby is God's opinion that the world
should go on."*

RCS

Principal's Message

As the calendar turns to May, the reality of the school year coming to a close is more obvious than the ever-changing Minnesota weather in April. For centuries, May Day has been a celebration of spring in the Northern Hemisphere, where the increasing daylight and warmth lead to the bounty of new growth and renewal. Let us all celebrate the natural beauty and joy that comes from spring, with the knowledge that Christ's resurrection has brought new life to us all. Alleluia!



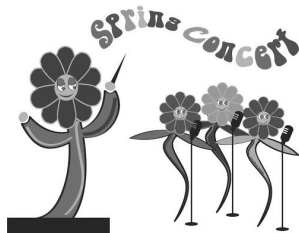
Ms. Heydon's Kindergarten class

May God be with you always,

Dave Jenson
St. Pius X Principal

Spring Concert

The St. Pius X Students have been preparing music for our Spring Concert, To Strengthen, to Encourage, to Bless you - That's What Friends are For. "A sweet friendship refreshes the soul." Proverbs 27:9



The concert was recorded on **Tuesday, May 4**. Watch for the link to be posted on the St. Pius X You Tube channel.

Parish Life

Weekend Mass Registration

Weekend Mass registration for the upcoming weekend is **available Monday mornings**. Links for weekend registration can be found in our email communications, parish website or by calling the parish office. Reminder, you will not reserve specific seats, but will be seated first come-first serve. We continue to ask you to observe distancing of 6 feet between parties and wear masks that cover your nose and mouth. As always, if you are feeling unwell, please stay home and join us for Mass virtually. No registration is needed for weekday Masses.

Bulletins

If you have been able to join us again for Mass in person and no longer need to receive the bulletin sent to you in the mail, please contact Julie or Doug in the parish office at 288-8238. Thank You!



Interested in getting involved in music ministry? **Youth Choir (6-12th grade)** will begin meeting again on Sundays from 11am-12pm. Please contact Katie for more information at kstinson@piusx.org.

Adults interested in joining choir, playing an instrument or cantoring may contact Matt Maus at mmaus@piusx.org.

Church of St. Pius X Schedule

	Mass	Reconciliation	Individual Prayer
Monday 5/10			9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Tuesday 5/11	8:00 AM Public and Livestreamed	7:30 - 7:55 AM	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Wednesday 5/12	9:15 AM Livestreamed		10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Thursday 5/13	8:00 AM Public and Livestreamed	7:30 - 7:55 AM	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Friday 5/14	8:00 AM Public and Livestreamed	7:30 - 7:55 AM	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Saturday 5/15	4:00 PM Public	3:00 - 3:55 PM	
Sunday 5/17	8:00 AM Public and Livestreamed 10:00 AM		

2021 Goal \$73,800

Pledged & Received \$64,600

88% of goal

Participants 209

AS OF 4/30/21



2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal
Share the Light of Hope.

Parish Staff

Parish Office

Monday-Thursday _____ 8:00am - 4:30pm
 Friday _____ 8:00am - 4:00pm
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Steve Flynn _____ 507-273-0140

Mass Intentions

Monday, May 10, 2021

NO MASS

Tuesday, May 11, 2021

8:00 am Jim Ward+ / Larrison Family

Wednesday, May 12, 2021

9:15 am For the Unborn

Thursday, May 13, 2021

8:00 am Darrell Sturgis / Jon Ask+

Friday, May 14, 2021

8:00 am Ron Lehnertz+ / Ed & Tami Renner

Saturday, May 15, 2021

4:00 pm Cleo+, Ed+, and Emily+ Machacek

Sunday, May 16, 2021

8:00 am Joan Regnier+ / Margaret Bruggenthies+

10:00 am Linda Tuttle+ / Bob Vogel+

**To schedule Mass intentions, please
 contact the parish office at 288-8238.**

Mother's Day Roses -In honor of mother's and the gift of life, roses are available, while supplies last, in the entrances after Masses Sunday, May 9th for a suggested donation of \$2 each. The roses were purchased in honor of Sandy Dose, a longtime prolife supporter. Proceeds benefit Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life."

Help us honor the class of 2021!

Please send us the name of your graduate, a picture, and a little bit about what they are doing next!

We will feature our graduates in our May/June bulletins. Please send information to kstinson@piusx.org.



Our second collection this weekend supports the Catholic Charities Annual Mother's Day Appeal. Please prayerfully consider embracing the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal. Show compassion ~ Create Lasting Change. If you are unable to contribute today, please donate on-line at www.ccsomn.org/donate-online. Thank you!

Community

ROCHESTER ROSARY RALLIES

Rallies continue to be held near the Rochester Government Center on Sundays at the corner of 4th St. SE and 3rd Ave. SE at 3pm, the Divine Mercy Hour, lasting about 35 minutes. If you are ever unable to join us physically, please consider joining us spiritually by praying a Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet from wherever you are. May our united prayers through Mary find the heart of Jesus. Questions: Contact Mary Amiot at mamiot@hotmail.com or 507-287-6481 or Janela Hubka at daveandjanela@gmail.com or 507-282-6090.

Sacred Relics of the Saints

On Saturday, May 15, the Church of St. Dominic in Northfield will have an Exposition of many sacred relics that had traveled all the way from the Vatican. The evening begins with Mass at 5:00 PM. The event is free and open to all. Among the treasures will be relics of St. Joseph, St. Maria Goretti, St. Thérèse of Lisieux (the "Little Flower"), St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Dominic, and St. Faustina Kowalska. In addition, there will also be a piece of a veil which belonged to Our Lady, and one of the largest remaining pieces of the True Cross in the world. For more information on the Exposition, please visit www.churchofstdominic.org or call the parish office at 507-645-8816.



Welcome the Stranger - Stories of Hope – We invite you to join us for this virtual event to aide us with our faith perspective on issues of immigration. Guests will be Kathy Klos – Staff attorney for the Immigrant Law Center of MN and John Meyers – Director of Refugee Resettlement for Catholic Charities of Southern MN. We will also be joined by immigrants who will share their personal stories. **Wednesday – May 19th – 7:00 pm** on Zoom at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86307063822> For more information or to have the Zoom link emailed to you contact Lisa Kremer at lkremer@ccsomn.org This event is sponsored by the Social Concerns Roundtable Committee for the Worthington Deanery.

Community

HOMELESSNESS IN ROCHESTER - HOW CAN OUR FAITH COMMUNITIES HELP?

One myth surrounding those experiencing homelessness is that they must have made a bad decision. The truth is an unforeseen event could put every one of us in their shoes. Join us on Thursday, May 20 from 7 PM-8:30 PM as a panel of experts will discuss all aspects of homelessness, but most importantly, they will share information on simple and practical ways every one of us can help. Viewers will be able to submit questions through chat and there will be time for Q & A at the end. All Q & A will be sent at all who registered. Register at: <https://stlukesepiscopal.org/serve/> and click on the Homeless Forum button. The Zoom link will be sent the day before the event. If you have any questions, please contact, Diane O'Mara at 507-261-3773 or dianeomara@charter.net.



Pat Egan's Milwaukee Road—Saturday, May 15 from 4:00-6:00 PM. Pat is a local artist and has played many different venues in Rochester and surrounding communities. Join us for some live music on a late Saturday afternoon. Seating is limited, so please call SJC to reserve your seat or sign up when you are visiting the coffee shop.

Visit us at St. James Coffee

Mon-Fri 7:30-6

Saturday 7:30-4

Closed Sundays

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Eucharistic Adoration available upon request



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WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 9, 2021

SUN 5/09	Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17
MON 5/10	Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 15:26—16:4a
TUE 5/11	Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [7c]/Jn 16:5-11
WED 5/12	Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15
THR 5/13	Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/Jn 16:16-20 Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20
FRI 5/14	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8]/Jn 15:9-17
SAT 5/15	Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-10, 10 [8a]/Jn 16:23b-28
SUN 5/16	<i>Ascension:</i> Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20 <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter:</i> Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 [19a]/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 9, 2021

Sunday:	6th Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day
Monday:	St. Damien de Veuster, Priest
Wednesday:	Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr
Thursday:	The Ascension of the Lord [holy day in some U.S. dioceses]; Our Lady of Fatima
Friday:	St. Matthias, Apostle
Saturday:	St. Isidore; Armed Forces Day
Next Sunday:	The Ascension of the Lord; 7th Sunday of Easter; World Communications Day

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

God is love. These three simple words deserve a great deal of attention. They have the power to transform our relationship with God from something that is static and distant to one that is personal and real. We all know the power of love and how important it is to completing all of the human and divine circuits of our lives. But we do not often consider the awesome fact that it is given to us as a gift and is not simply part and parcel of the human package. God is the author of love and love itself. When we truly love another human being, it is really God being God in and through us. The love to which we are called and the love of which the Gospel speaks is a selfless love that seeks the wellbeing of not only our significant others but of all of our brothers and sisters. This love, which is of God, is a love that will endure all things and bring immeasurable joy when experienced. It is the most sincere form of friendship.



Love
one
another

— JOHN 15:17 —

Faith Formation



Congratulations to our 2021 First Communicants!

Gabriella Briseno, Henry Lewis, Liliana Nelson, Aubrey Dvorak, Byrson Schoen, Molly Carlin, Logan Forliti, Owen Deutsch, Sebastian Veglahn, Margaret Stinson, Nora Gove, Nicholas Hernandez, Gabrion Eppolite, Isaiah Tripp, Jacob Timmerman,

Summer Camps

Registration is now open for our summer youth camps. Amazing adult leaders are always needed. Registration information and camp details can be found at <http://piusx.org/youth-ministry.html> If you have questions, please contact Katie Stinson at kstinson@piusx.org.

Current 5th - 7th grade (+high school leaders):

Camp Summit Catholic Adventure

Join us for a day of high-adventure activities, engaging talks, dynamic prayer, and learning about God's plan for your life with the theme "More Than Conquerors."

When: Tuesday, August 3rd

Where: Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Center, Lanesboro, MN

Cost: \$75, assistance available



Pre-K through 4th grade:

Vacation Bible School

Hop on the Rocky Railway with friends from St. Pius X and the Co-Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. This week will be full of games, music, adventure, scripture, saints, and more as we learn how Jesus always pulls us through!

When: July 26-30, 9:15am-11am

Where: St. Pius X Church and School

Cost: 1 child ~ \$20 2 children ~ \$35

3 or more children ~ \$40

Volunteers receive a 50% discount. There is no fee for station leaders' children.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are seeking both adult and youth volunteers. Volunteers are needed to help plan/prepare materials leading up to VBS and they are also needed during VBS to help with leading small groups of children, leading different stations, helping with opening and closing sessions and more - there is a place for everyone!! Please contact Katie Stinson at kstinson@piusx.org.