



ECHOS

ONLY 15,000 POUNDS TO GO!

We are so close to hitting our goal of collecting 50,000 pounds of food to feed the hungry during this Diocesan Jubilee Year. Don't forget to keep bringing in those non-perishable food items. Boxes are available in the church and the office. No time to shop? Use the QR code at right to donate monetarily and let our expert shoppers stock up for you.



A MESSAGE FROM MONSIGNOR



**Reverend Monsignor
Anthony Marcaccio**

There is this remarkable economy of kindness and dynamic of charity that sometimes surprises me. It happened recently with one of our altar servers. For special occasions, like weddings and funerals, they will receive a small stipend as a sign of the family's appreciation for their ministry. On a day of early dismissal, five of our kids agreed to stay and serve the funeral Mass rather than go home early. That surprised me, because at their age, and on a Friday after a long week, I would have been off campus as soon as possible! What surprised even more than that kindness, was the fact one of the young girls returned her envelope to me after Mass, saying that she didn't need the stipend and I could give it to someone else. I inquired if she was certain about that, and she was quite emphatic. So, we decided that we would put her gift toward helping the hungry.

I'm not sure how many middle school kids think this way, but I sure am glad she did. When I brought her gift back to the office, I decided that I should match her gift and perhaps add some more, so as not to be outdone by her generosity that day. I confidently placed the gift in the endowment for Saint Anthony's Bread, knowing her small gift of kindness would grow there and produce good fruit to feed the poor forever.

The whole thing driving this economy of grace, was the kindness of the family's appreciation to the server. The expression of their gratitude helped the girl realize how blessed she was, and that she didn't need the gift. Rather, she wanted to share the gift with others. And it was that witness of charity which moved me to give. I would not have written a check that day if a child hadn't led me to do so. That's the way it is with kindness sometimes. Kindness begets Kindness.

What's the most generous thing you have witnessed this week? What's the most generous thing that someone has done for you this year? What if I asked someone the same question and your name came up in Thanksgiving? Sometimes, even the small things done in kindness can have a surprising, impactful effect on us as individuals, and as a Church. We don't give of ourselves expecting to be thanked, for truly it is our duty as disciples and our privilege as Christians to serve. But sometimes, it's surprisingly refreshing to behold the domino effect of doing good, and the dynamic of charity that is a hallmark of our parish and the season ahead.

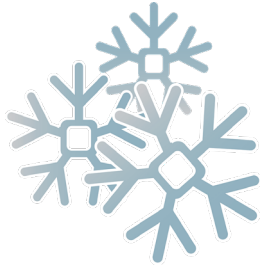
Mon. Marcaccio

Kindness begets kindness.



INCLEMENT WEATHER: INFORMATION REFRESHER

With the winter season quickly approaching, we want to remind you all that our parish will notify the community in the event of any changes, cancellations, or closures due to inclement weather. We will deliver the announcements several different ways:



- Parish-wide Email via REALM
- Announcement on Parish Website
- News Channel 2 WFMY
- Social Media Accounts on Facebook and Instagram

I'M TOO BUSY FOR STEWARDSHIP!

Kathleen Allen, Stewardship Committee

If you're like me, that has been your feeling over the last several weeks as the Stewardship Committee has been providing information and opportunities for volunteering in the parish. Several years ago, Monsignor called and asked me to pray about being a second grade catechist. As I hung up the phone I thought about all I had to do as a fourth grade teacher in Guilford County Schools and I knew I did not have the time to squeeze in one more thing. The next morning, the director of Faith Formation called to welcome me to the team and I couldn't say no. A strange thing happened that year. I somehow found that I could make time to plan and teach my First Communion class. I also met wonderful people who are now some of my closest friends, and I have the privilege of being with families on one of the most important days in their children's lives. The rewards have been far greater than the effort.

The Stewardship Committee would love for everyone in the parish to have the same feeling of truly being part of our family in faith. Please prayerfully consider your talents and what stewardship opportunities are calling to you. The Ministry Guide is available on REALM and you can also sign up through REALM - the instructions are included in the guide for your convenience. Hard copies of the Commitment Forms are available at the church office or you can download one using the QR code, or go to this site www.stpiusxnc.com/ministries. Please take this opportunity to **Renew** your Faith, **Restore** your Spirit and **Return** to our Faith Community here at St. Pius X.

DON'T BE AFRAID - JUST ASK!

Lindsay Sartorio, Pastoral Associate - Formation & Evangelization

When I joined St. Pius X in 2007, we had moved from Florida and I knew no one. With three young children at the time, I didn't know how to connect. The first thing I did at was join a MOMS group. There, I met women that I count among some of my best friends today. One of them is even the Godmother to my youngest daughter. It was that very same friend that I approached one day and said, "I want to hand out Communion at Mass but I'm so nervous." She was an EM, I saw her doing it, and she encouraged me to inquire and go to the training. Even though I don't always feel worthy, it brings me great joy to bring Christ to others through this very special ministry. So don't be afraid. Don't be shy. Just ask! **We are in need of EM's (Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion) and Ushers to serve during all Mass times.** If you are interested in serving in one of these important ministries, please contact Wendy Barber at wbarber@stpiusxnc.com or 336-272-4681.



SCAN ME
TO VIEW
THE ONLINE
MINISTRY GUIDE!



restore
renew
return

UPCOMING MASS TIMES:
HOLY DAYS
SPECIAL LITURGIES
CHRISTMAS
NEW YEARS

Tuesday, November 1

All Saints Day

Holy Day of Obligation

8:30 am, 12:00 noon, 7:00 pm

Wednesday, November 2

All Souls Day

5:15 pm

Sunday, November 6

Maronite Mass - Eastern Rite

Fr. Youssef Garah, Celebrant

4:00 pm

Reception to Follow

Tuesday, November 8

Veterans Day Mass

9:00 am

Thursday, December 8

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Holy Day of Obligation

8:30 am, 12:00 noon, 7:00 pm

Saturday & Sunday

December 24-25

Christmas

Holy Day of Obligation

Saturday Masses December 24

5:00 pm, 8:00 pm, 12:00 midnight

Sunday Mass December 25

10:00 am (One Mass Only)

Saturday & Sunday

December 31 & January 1

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Holy Day of Obligation

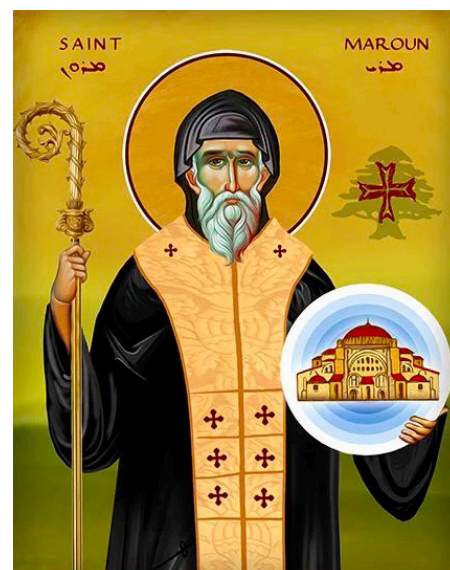
Regular Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm Vigil

Sunday 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:30 am

ST. PIUS X TO HOST MARONITE MASS

The Maronite Church is an Eastern Rite Catholic Community tracing its history back to the ancient Patriarchal Church in Antioch, just as we trace liturgical rites back to Rome. They are called Maronites as they were disciples gathered around the charismatic figure of St. Maron. Muslim invasions compelled the followers to move to the remote mountains of Lebanon, where they further developed their distinct



identity and venerable tradition. Thirteen centuries later, many of the first Catholics in North Carolina were actually Maronite Rite Catholics and these Lebanese families are still known to us today. To provide the opportunity to experience this ancient liturgy, and to celebrate our Lebanese history, you are welcome to join us for a Maronite Mass and reception on **November 6 at 4:00 pm**. The celebrant of this Mass will be Father Youssef Garah, Pastor of St. Sharbel Church in Raleigh. All are welcome at the Mass in the church and at the reception afterward in the Simmons Parish Center. Come and taste some of our favorite Middle Eastern dishes. Volunteers, hosts, and cooks are needed. If you would like to help, please contact Vivian Essa at 336-314-4200.

St. Pius X Catholic School's Annual

Veterans Day Tribute Mass

Tuesday, November 8 at 9:00 am

Followed by a brunch reception for our veterans.



We welcome all of our school families, parish families, and veterans. We would be honored to have you with us! Please RSVP at www.stpiusxnc.com/veterans.



SPX Youth



@spxncyouth
@spxncyoungadult



SPX Young
Professionals

UPCOMING 2022 YOUTH GROUP EVENTS

- Sunday, October 30 - Halloween Party, 7:00-8:30 pm
- Sunday, November 6 - T-Shirt Printing (Middle School), 7:00-8:30 pm
- Sunday, November 13 - T-Shirt Printing (High School), 7:00-8:30 pm
- Sunday, November 20 - Board / Video Game Night (High School), 7:00-8:30 pm
- Sunday, November 27 - No Youth Group Event Planned - Happy Thanksgiving!
- Sunday, December 4 - Board / Video Game Night (Middle School), 7:00-8:30 pm
- Sunday, December 11 - Christmas Party (Middle/High School), 7:00-8:30 pm
- Sunday, January 8 - Youth Group Resumes



2023 EVENTS ...

Winter Games, Art Projects, Bike Rides, and more! If you have a suggestion for a specific event, let Matt know! Suggestions are always welcome. And of course ... bring a friend!



Don't let anyone look down on you because you are YOUNG, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.
Timothy 4:12



**LITTLE TOWN OF
BETHLEHEM: NATIVITY,
MUSIC, FOOD, ANIMALS**

**Friday, December 2
6:00 - 8:00 pm**



Join us on a Friday night to celebrate the Advent Season.

Bring the whole family and experience our very own Town of Bethlehem here in Greensboro at St. Pius X. Music, Live Nativity, Animals, Food & Snacks, Artisan Displays, & More! No RSVP Required. See you there!

Oh come, all ye faithful!

**JOIN US FOR AN
INNKEEPER'S FEAST**

**Saturday, December 3 at 6:00 pm
Simmons Parish Center**

Nursery available with advance RSVP!

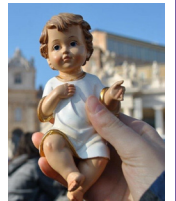


Celebrate the Advent Season with Monsignor Marcaccio and our special guest, Ambassador Michele Bowe, DM. Enjoy an evening full of festivities, joy, and merriment! Food and adult beverages are complementary.

RSVP online:
www.stpiusxnc.com/events

BAMBINELLI BLESSING WEEKEND December 10 & 11 at All Masses

Bring your Baby Jesus figurine for a very special blessing during Mass. Simply place your Baby Jesus on the altar upon your arrival. The Bambinelli Blessing is a special tradition instituted by Pope John Paul II to bless the statues of Baby Jesus before his arrival.



**WREATH SALES FOR SPX YOUTH MINISTRY
WORK CAMP AND OTHER SUMMER TRIPS**

**November 26-27 First Weekend of Advent
Wreath Sales in the Cloister After All Masses**

Our wreaths will come in a variety of sizes from small to very large, and we'll also have Advent Candles and Brass Rings available for purchase. The wreaths are from the family of a parishioner - Wishon Evergreens in Sparta, NC. Please support our Youth Ministry during this annual fundraiser! If your son or daughter plans on attending WorkCamp or a Summer Trip, contact Matt

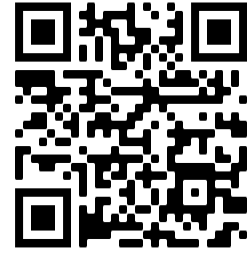
(mlopina@stpiusxnc.com) about volunteering. The more often you help, the more money you will raise to put toward your trips!



OUR THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKET COLLECTION IS UNDERWAY!

St. Pius X will be helping families in need this Holiday Season. In 2021, we provided 154 families in our community with Thanksgiving food baskets to share with their families and loved ones. This year, our food collection will run from October 22 through November 20. The following items are requested. No glass please.

- | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| *Stuffing | *Cranberry Sauce |
| *Canned Sweet Potatoes | *Canned Fruit |
| *Instant Mashed Potatoes | *Boxed Macaroni and Cheese |
| *Packaged Turkey Gravy | *Canned Green Beans, Corn, Peas |



Items may be dropped off at the church. If you would like to donate \$10 towards the purchase of a turkey and food for a family, make your check to "Saint Pius X" with Turkey Meals in the memo line and place in the offertory at Mass or outside the Simmons Center in the drop box. You may also donate by using this QR code. Your generosity is most appreciated. Questions: Ellen & Gary Fennie at ellenfennie@aol.com.

OUR ANNUAL GIVING TREE IS COMING!



Please look for the gift tags after mass starting November 19-20. Each tag represents a specific individual and, in many cases, this may be the only gift they receive for Christmas. Although we will never meet the recipients, know that your generosity and love is felt and truly appreciated. The individuals that we serve are represented by these agencies: YWCA Teen Parent Mentor Program, Ashton Health and Rehabilitation Center, Camden Place Health and Rehabilitation Center, Catholic Charities, Room at the Inn, After Gateway, Backpack Beginnings - Irving Park, Caring Services, Dolan Manor, Delancey Street, Hall Towers, The Servant Center and St. Pius X Special Requests.

Please return your gift, wrapped and with the tag securely attached on the outside by December 4. If your tag is a gift card, please place in an envelope with the tag attached on the outside. Contact Joanne Spillane (336-202-8884; spillanejm@gmail.com) or Lynne Fly (336-324-4100; lynnefly4@gmail.com) if you have any questions. Thank you!

WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED

To kick off Respect Life Month, the St. Pius X Purple Hat Ministry hosted a Walking with Moms 'Celebration of Life' presentation and dinner featuring Marianne Donadio of Room At The Inn on September 26th. Thank you to the many volunteers, guests and parishioners who made this event so special. The Respect Life ministry distributed a Walking with Moms Resource Guide, with crisis pregnancy information to equip parishioners on how to best guide families in need through our Community Life partners. Thank you to parishioner, Jim Furman, and fellow Order of Hibernians for sharing your story about the Room At The Inn food delivery program. Thank you for walking with moms in love one delivery at a time.



YEAR-END GIVING STATEMENTS

In an effort to reduce costs, we plan to send year-end giving statements for 2022 by email to all individuals listed as Head of Household that maintain an email address in their profile and are not listed as unsubscribed. Printing, stuffing, and mailing statements from the parish office is expensive. You can help reduce parish costs by accepting your giving statements by email.

Please be sure your email address in Realm is correct. For instructions on how to set up and access your Realm account, visit www.stpiusxnc.com/realm. Once you log in, there is a new option to "opt-in" or "opt-out" of getting statements via email when you edit your profile.

For those that are listed as unsubscribed, or do not have an email address listed for the Head of Household, your statements will be printed and can be picked up at the parish office during working hours. Any statements that have not been picked up by January 27, 2023 will be mailed. *Thank you for your support in helping us reduce expenses.*

On-Line Giving ACCESS



- > Give tithes and offering online
- > Check your giving history
- > Print statements anytime
- > Participate in private groups
- > Keep personal info up to date
- > Mobile friendly!

Sisters of Hope

If you are a woman in the parish and have lost a spouse, or are alone and want to spend some time in a common atmosphere with others of the St Pius X parish family, please join us for our next gathering on:

Friday, December 9th - Pot Luck
1:30pm - 3:00pm
Simmons Parish Center 2nd Floor

Sharing each other's company in fellowship for a short time once a month may be just what you're looking for. Questions? Contact the parish office or Anne Cooper 215-837-8859.

COPING WITH GRIEF DURING THE HOLIDAYS



How to Navigate the
Upcoming Holidays and how
to best use Advent to cope
with Grief and Loss
"The Lord is my strength and
my song." Exodus 15:2

Guest speaker: Mary Easton
 Licensed Clinical Social Worker and Parishioner

Sunday, November 6th
1:00 to 4:00pm
Simmons Parish Center

Please register through REALM or call the parish
office at 336-272-4681 x104.

SENIORS MINISTRY

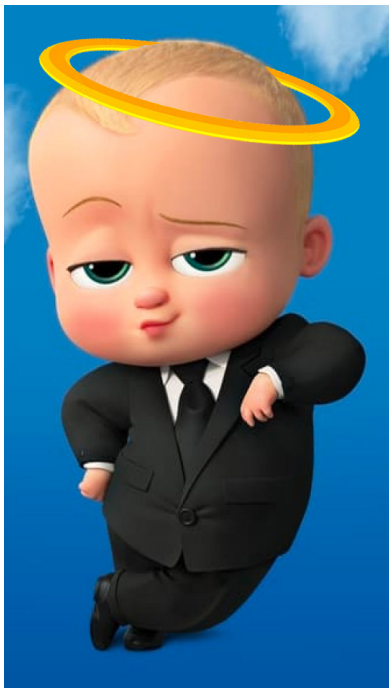
TAI CHI

November 3, 10, 17; December 1, 15, 22, 29; January 5, 12, 19, 26
 Meet at 9:30 am in the Simmons Center

SENIORS MASS & LUNCHEON

November 15, December 13, January 17
 11:00 am Mass followed by Luncheon - RSVP Required

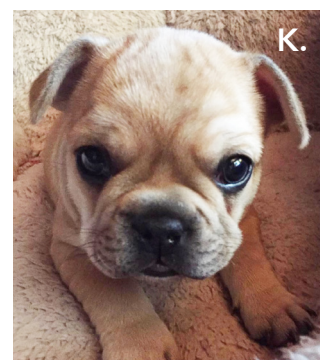
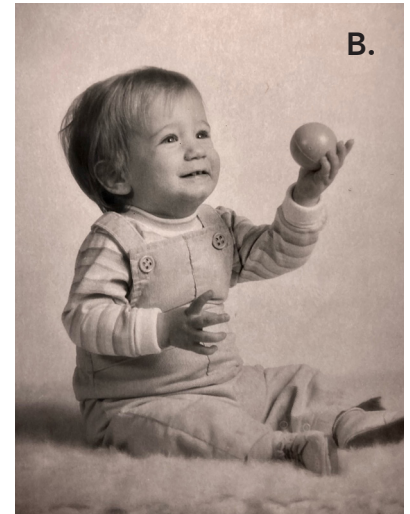
1. J
 2. G
 3. C
 4. A
 5. B
 6. H
 7. K
 8. L
 9. E
 10. D
 11. F
 12. I
 Answers to
 Staff Puzzle
 on Page 8:



WHO'S WHO ON THE PARISH STAFF?

Match the staff member with their baby photo! How many can you guess?
Answers on the bottom of page 7.

1. Al Abram
2. Wendy Barber
3. Therese Chase
4. Shelley Kreber
5. Matt Lopina
6. Monsignor Marcaccio
7. "Tater" Marcaccio
8. Deacon Bob Morris
9. Liz Pendergrass
10. Andrew O'Connor
11. Toni Rieger
12. Lindsay Sartorio



Making our *work*
 into *worship*
 gives it *worth*.

Monthly Rosary

Knights of Columbus Rosary on the first Sunday of every month after the 9:00 am Mass. Please join us in the Chapel.

All are welcome.

Sundays: November 6, December 4, January 8



First Friday Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on the First Friday of every month from 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm. Please join us and spend some time with Jesus! The *Chaplet of the Divine Mercy* will be sung at 4:00 pm with worship music leading up to benediction.

Fridays: November 4, December 2, January 6



WHAT'S THE SOCIALS MINISTRY ALL ABOUT?

Mission Statement: To cultivate a sense of community and friendships by providing social events in a creative and fun environment for St. Pius X Catholic Church parishioners.

CHECK IT OUT! Please watch the bulletin for more information on how to register for these socials!



Cookie Decorating Workshop
Sunday, November 13

Coastal Christmas Getaway
Saturday - Tuesday, December 10-13



Cookie & Ornament Exchange
Thursday, December 15

Game Night: Santa Re-Gift!
Friday, January 27

Valentine's Dinner & Dance
Saturday, February 11



If you're still unsure of ways you can get more involved at St. Pius X and are looking to make friends, meet other like-minded folks, or just want something to do with your free time ... the Socials Ministry is a great way to do all of those things. We have many events planned throughout the entire year - for families and for adults - and there's a little something for everyone. If you're interested in this ministry, please contact Alice Yorks at alicef81@aol.com.

Pancake Breakfasts



Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus
Save the Dates!
Sundays: November 13, December 11, January 8

SAVE THE DATE!

March 3-5
Karlo Broussard



Karlo is a native of Louisiana and left a promising musical career to devote himself

to the work of Catholic Apologetics. He travels the country giving dynamic talks on apologetics, biblical studies, theology, and philosophy.

Karlo will be giving several talks while he is with us at St. Pius X including:

- "Sexual Sanity: A Voice of Reason in a Sex-Crazed Culture"
- "Religion: Why Should I Care?"
- "Apologetics for an Age of Unbelief"
- "The Eucharist: Mere Symbol or Substantial Presence?"

Watch for more information in the bulletin in January and in the next Echoes.

NEWCOMERS . BAPTISMS . WEDDINGS . FUNERALS

NEWCOMERS - WELCOME!

Warren AUSTIN & Marie LIQUETE 27409
 Aaron & Cydney BENNETT
 children Anders, Isaac, and Clara 27410
 Nancy BERNIER 27205
 Brian & Donna BRIDGEFORD
 child Lauren 27410
 James & Maria BUCKNER
 children Elle, Valerie 27455
 Alan & Indiana CARY
 children Julian, Siena 27455
 John & Jennifer CAVEY
 children Emmett, Eleanor 27310
 Nancy DONAHUE 27410
 Richard FLORENCE 27214
 Jose & Norma FONTALVO
 children Chelsea, Madeline 27455
 John FRYBERGER & Annalise PATTAVINA 27455
 Rosemary FLORENCE 27214
 Brandy GABUTTI & Richard RUNSTEDLER
 child Gabriella 27455
 Adam & Ashley GAGNON
 child Shep 27408
 Emmett & Marguerite GLEESON 27405

Jacson & Gina GONZALEZ
 children Marcello, Valenzia 27401
 Zack & Josipa HIGGINS
 child Ben 27409
 Artur & Joanna KLIMA
 children Jessica, Elizabeth 27405
 Rob & Elizabeth KNOX
 children Isabel, Amsterdam 27455
 Nahum & Rebecca MADRID
 children Sophia, Emilia 27410
 Bruce & Carmen McGUIRK 27408
 Stuart MOFFITT & Meagan EDWARDS 27455
 Patrick MORIN
 children Liam, Ledger 27360
 Adam & Sarah PERSIA
 children Josey, Gianna 27235
 Randy QUARLES
 children Hamilton, Henry 27410
 Anna QUARLES
 children Hamilton, Henry 27284
 Tammy SGROI 27360
 John & Anne SMITH 27410
 Andy & Tracey STALTER
 children Finn, Paige 27313
 Brandon TORNQUIST 27401
 Paul TOTH, III 27215

Matt & Alexa ZACHARIAS 27455

BAPTISMS - CONGRATULATIONS!

Ella Turman Mila Taylor
 Isabella Tyler Ava Munoz
 Anastasia McIntosh Henry Noel
 Vincent Errichiello Charlie Kleinman
 Francesco Errichiello

DEATHS - OUR SYMPATHY

Jon-Erick "Jeb" Burghart Margaret Sorge
 Donald Ries Jane Henning
 Hannah Hammer Rev. Jim Scherer

WEDDING - BLESSINGS!

Valerie King & Jack Emerick
 Viviane Lea & Christopher Gentry

ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC CHURCH
 WWW.STPIUSXNC.COM

Echoes Parish Newsletter

Deadline for LENT FEB/MAR Issue:

Friday, January 20 at 4:00 pm

Email: echoes@stpiusxnc.com

Echoes Editor/Layout: Lindsay Sartorio

Distribution Coordinator: Sue Rochette

Weekly Bulletin

Deadline: Fridays, One Week Prior

Email: bulletin@stpiusxnc.com

Non-Profit Organ.
 U.S. Postage
 PAID
 Greensboro, NC
 Permit No. 337

St. Pius X Catholic Church
 P.O. Box 13588
 Greensboro, NC 27415-3588

