

# PARISH & STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY GUIDE



## GENERAL INFORMATION

### ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC CHURCH

#### Parish Address

Church - 2210 North Elm St.  
Simmons Parish Center - 2208 North Elm St.  
Greensboro, NC 27408

#### Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30 am - 4:00 pm  
Wednesday 8:30 am - 12:30 pm  
Phone: (336) 272-4681  
Email: [spxmail@stpiusxnc.com](mailto:spxmail@stpiusxnc.com)  
Website: [www.stpiusxnc.com](http://www.stpiusxnc.com)

### ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC SCHOOL

#### Grades Pre-K through 8

(336) 273-9865  
Website: [www.spxschool.com](http://www.spxschool.com)  
Christopher Kloesz, Principal  
Antonette Aguilera, Vice Principal  
Amy McKee, Admissions

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Weekends

Saturday 5:00 pm Vigil, Sunday 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:30 am

#### Daily Masses

Monday, Thursday, Friday 5:15 pm, Tuesday 8:30 am \*First Saturday 8:30 am

#### Most Holy Days of Obligation

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

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm, or by appointment

*The parish nursery (children age 10 months - 5 years) is available at all weekend Masses except 7:30 am. Hearing devices and signing are available.*

## STAFF AND CLERGY INFORMATION

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## A LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Friends in Christ,

It is my privilege and pleasure as Pastor to invite you to join the mission of Saint Pius the Tenth. Our mission is rooted in the universal call to holiness and strives to develop a deep and abiding friendship with our Lord, Jesus Christ, and our brothers and sisters in the Church.

I like that our mission is straight-forward and that it builds upon itself -- to Know, to Love, and to Serve the Lord. Our service flows from our love, and our love flows from our knowledge. I have found that we may work for someone because we are compassionate: however, the best service and the greatest sacrifices come only with the loyalty of love. But how can we love that which we don't know? True love is not blind, it is relational. Likewise, our commitment to Christ must be more than an emotional response. It must be based on knowledge of the truth of who He is. This knowledge comes through revelation and contemplation, prayer and study, time and experience.

Our mission to Know, to Love, and to Serve not only builds upon itself, but builds community as it helps us all to grow to full stature in Christ. It is my hope that your commitment to our ministries at Saint Pius the Tenth will deepen your knowledge and confirm your belief in the love God has for us all, and you will make a disciple's response of love overflowing into service. I am convinced that God is calling each of us to be stewards of this mission, and I am excited to see how the mission will be manifested in and through our lives in the years ahead.

Be assured of my gratitude and prayers for I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Reverend Monsignor Anthony Marcaccio, V.F.

## ABOUT OUR PARISH

From its inception, our parish of St. Pius X has always maintained its character as a mission parish. In 1954, Monsignor Hugh A. Dolan, then Pastor of St. Benedict's Parish and Bishop Vincent S. Waters of the Raleigh Diocese, purchased 14.2 acres of land at the northeast corner of North Elm Street and East Cornwallis Drive. At the time, this was the edge of the city and Elm Street was unpaved north of Cornwallis. Our Catholic school, named in honor of Pope Pius X who was canonized the year before, was built on the new grounds and opened in 1955. St. Pius X School and its chapel operated as a mission of St. Benedict's Church until July 15, 1960 when we became an independent parish of the Raleigh Diocese.

Monsignor Dolan was an active community leader, communicating the church's message in print and through local media outlets, striving to better the lives of the poor and less fortunate. He helped lead our community as an early proponent of racial equality and ecumenical values.

In 1975, Monsignor Lawrence Newman, a strong advocate of Catholic education, succeeded Monsignor Dolan. He was followed in 1977 by Monsignor William Pharr, who led efforts to build a church so that the community would no longer worship in the school chapel, a space under the current Alumni Auditorium. Father George Kloster assumed leadership of our Parish in 1979, remaining until 1988. The successful parish spiritual renewal program called Jubilee and our international cooperation with a mission in Peru began during his pastorate. While adapted somewhat, these vibrant ministries continue to this day.

Following Father George, Father Frank Cintula was named pastor from 1988 until 1990. He was succeeded by four years of Franciscan pastoral leadership. The Franciscan Center in downtown Greensboro also began at this time. The parish returned to diocesan leadership with Father Frank Connolly's pastorate from 1994 until July 2000. During this time, a parish center and the middle school wing were added to the campus. The athletic center was also constructed and named for Father Frank Connolly.

Monsignor Anthony Marcaccio began his pastorate here in 2000 and has led the parish during a time of unprecedented growth and activity. Since his arrival, endowments have been established for the parish and the school. St. Pius X was the first parish to achieve one million dollars in endowments in the Diocesan Foundation. The parish purchased the rectory on North Elm Street and the Columbarium and bell tower were constructed in 2006.

In order to accommodate the increased mass attendance, we began the capital campaign "To Make a Place at the Table," resulting in our new church and chapel, which were dedicated on April 17, 2010 by Bishop Peter Jugis. The school building was also renovated at the same time to tie the entire campus together aesthetically.

Having completed the church and the cloister, the parish turned its focus to building a beautiful, large space for activities, ministries and administration. This phase also included a long-awaited addition to the school campus for Pre-k as well as state of the art early education classrooms. The capital campaign, "Making a Place to Gather and Grow," successfully funded the Simmons Parish Center and the DeJoy Early Education Building, playground renovations and the Parr Amphitheater. The parish achieved these goals while simultaneously being a lead parish for the first-ever diocesan capital campaign. Over the years, our parish has received international recognition for our stewardship efforts and capital campaigns. In 2015, the Holy Year of Divine Mercy, our parish was designated as one of the special places of pilgrimage for our diocese.

In 2015, St. Pius X School celebrated its 60th anniversary of faith-based education and the parish school is flourishing today with the highest enrollment for a Catholic elementary school outside the city of Charlotte. In 2023, the Lemnios Pavilion was completed on the campus and plans are currently under way to provide an artificial turf athletic field. Ministries in and of the parish continue to grow, as well as our participation in community efforts which promote our mission of good will among the people of Greensboro.

## **ST. PIUS X. 1835-1914**

Giuseppe Sarto was born in Venetia, Italy. Ordained a priest at the age of twenty-three, he spent seventeen years in parish ministry until named Bishop in 1884. In 1893, he was named Cardinal and Patriarch of Venice. In 1903 he was elected as Pope and chose the name Pius and the papal motto: "To Restore All Things in Christ." Pope Pius X encouraged frequent communion and admitted children from the age of seven to its reception. He promoted the use of Gregorian chant in church music and brought about the reform of Canon Law. In 1954, he was canonized before an enormous crowd at St. Peter's. Although born in abject poverty, he enriched the Church through his treasure of faith.

# SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

## SACRAMENTS

### **Baptism**

Parents must be regularly attending Mass and registered at St. Pius X for at least six months. Preparation sessions are held every other month. Baptisms are scheduled monthly.

### **First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion**

(2nd Grade) Prerequisites include Christian Baptism and the completion of two years of religious education. Family participation and Mass attendance are required.

### **Confirmation**

(8th Grade) Prerequisites include Christian Baptism and the completion of two years of religious education. Family participation and Mass attendance are required.

### **Matrimony**

Couples wishing to prepare for their marriage at St. Pius X should contact the parish office at least six months in advance to schedule a date and begin the preparation process.

### **Annulments**

Typically a 6-month process. Please contact the parish office for more information or to be connected to an Advocate.

### **Anointing of the Sick**

There is no need to wait until a person is at the point of death to receive this Sacrament. A careful judgment about the serious nature of the illness or situation is sufficient.

### **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)**

For adults (and children) who have missed sacraments or wish to become Catholic. Program meets once weekly from September through the Easter season.

## PROGRAM INFORMATION

### CHILDREN

#### **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

During the 9:00 am Mass from September through May.

#### **Elementary Faith Formation – Grades K-5**

Sundays from 10:15-11:15 am from September through May.

### TEENS

#### **Youth Group – Middle School Grades 6-8**

#### **Youth Group – High School Grades 9-12**

Regular gatherings from September through May.

Summer Camps, Stewardship, Prayer and Worship

### YOUNG ADULTS

#### **Young Adults & Young Professionals**

Regular gatherings on Tuesday evenings, year-round.

### ADULTS

#### **Adult Enrichment and Scripture Studies**

Classes and programs vary seasonally. Check the website often!

#### **Coffee Talk**

Sundays from 10:15-11:15 am from September through May.

Discussions about the Catholic faith and topics that have an impact on or affect the lives of Catholics.

#### **Jubilee**

Annual parish weekend retreat experience, held each fall.

#### **St. Pius X Seniors**

Parishioners meet monthly (September - May) for various liturgical, fellowship and health and wellness activities.



### WHAT IS STEWARDSHIP?

Stewardship is recognizing that everything we are and everything we have are gifts from God. We are called to be grateful and generous with those gifts. God reveals His perfect and infinite love for us most visibly in His Son, Jesus Christ. A steward makes God's love visible by imitating Jesus.

It is important to know that we don't participate as stewards for our own benefit. God needs nothing and is self-sufficient in every way, but He still wants us. Stewardship is a lifestyle that involves submitting ourselves completely to God as an act of heartfelt worship. All of this is a privilege given to us by God to nurture a life integrated in Him. Stewardship then becomes the practice of God's presence in all that we do.

In the US Bishop's Pastoral Letter (1992) we are each called to be Intentional Disciples, living our lives as good stewards of the Faith. This call requires a conscious decision to follow Jesus Christ. By making this commitment, we are transforming ourselves - not just through a series of actions, but by demonstrating a way of life that honors God in all we do.

## MINISTRY GUIDE

### HOW TO JOIN A MINISTRY

St. Pius X parish has four areas of ministry:

#### **Administration & Finance**

Ministries assisting with the internal operations of the church and facilities, as well as those that act in an advisory capacity.

#### **Parish & Community Life**

Ministries serving the entire parish and partner organizations in the surrounding community of Greensboro.

#### **Music & Liturgy**

Ministries involving the Mass, Music, Prayer, and Worship.

#### **Formation & Evangelization**

Ministries helping to lead others to Christ through efforts in education, mentorship, and evangelization.

### MINISTRIES ON REALM

**Access Ministry Groups and our Parish Directory all in one, convenient place!**

On our parish website, you will see a small cloud logo that says "Realm," our church management software. It can be accessed from anywhere via an Internet browser or the Realm app. Within Realm, each ministry has leaders who communicate with members, manage groups, create events, and much more. As a parishioner, you can express interest in joining a ministry, called "groups" on Realm. The ministry leader will be in touch with you to get you started!

## NEXT STEPS

### MINISTRY INTEREST

In order to express your interest in a certain ministry (group), please follow the instructions below.

**Step 1** Make sure you have a Realm account. If you don't, please request one by contacting the parish office. We will need a valid email address in our system in order to process your request.

**Step 2** Log into your Realm account.

**Desktop Version:** On the left side of the computer screen, you will see an option to select "Groups" from the menu. Here you will see groups you are already a part of, as well as the option to "Find Groups," where you can explore different ministries.

**On the App:** There are three dots on the bottom menu and if you click on those you will see an option to select "Groups" from the next screen. If you scroll all the way down, you will be able to select "Find Groups" from this menu and follow the same steps as above.

**Step 3** Join ministry groups as you desire! The leaders will be in contact with you and get you started. **\*Please check and update your privacy settings to receive emails & texts!** If you are unable to access Realm or prefer to join a ministry by submitting your information to the parish office, please see the interest form at the back of this booklet.

**Step 4** If you need additional assistance, please call the parish office at (336) 272-4681. Our staff is ready and willing to answer your questions and help get you connected.

### ADMINISTRATION

#### **Parish Council**

The Council, in conjunction with the Pastor, provides direction to the parish through pastoral planning, visioning, assessing needs and setting goals and objectives in support of the Parish Mission Statement. The Council approves all policy matters. Any participating parish member 18 years or older with a sincere desire to guide parish administration may express an interest. Meet monthly with some work between meetings.

#### **Mailing Distribution**

Prepares our parish newsletter for mailing. Meet on a weekday morning, as needed, for 2-3 hours. All are welcome to join. Come when you can.

#### **General Office Help**

Helps file, shred, copy, insert bulletin flyers, and work on special projects as needed. Detail-oriented adults and teens with organizational skills may volunteer.

#### **Front Desk Help**

Covers the phones during the parish receptionists's absence. Volunteers should be comfortable using a multi-line phone system with voice mail, taking messages, greeting visitors and using general office skills. Training is provided. Phone coverage is needed daily at lunch-time and on an as-needed basis.

### CAMPUS MANAGEMENT

#### **Buildings & Facilities**

Helps maintain the facilities and addresses maintenance issues and needs such as touch-up painting, changing light bulbs, batteries, and replacing ceiling tiles.

#### **Grounds & Gardens**

Helps maintain the St. Pius X grounds and gardens. Adults, families, or teens may volunteer especially if you enjoy gardening, planting, pruning, and getting your hands dirty. Watering of indoor plants in the church is also needed. Time commitment is seasonal.

## COMMUNICATIONS

### **Parish Communications**

Assists with identifying effective methods for publicizing and marketing parish events and programs using a variety of print and digital mediums including social media campaigns.

## PARISH & COMMUNITY LIFE

### PARISH LIFE

#### **Stewardship Committee**

Enthusiastic and creative people are needed to share ideas and raise awareness of stewardship through planned events and workshops. Our main event is an annual Stewardship Ministry Open House. Time commitment is 1.5 hours every 4-6 weeks.

#### **Martha's Helpers**

Bake, cook, or help serve for receptions after Mass or for other celebrations. This ministry is open to men and women of all ages and requires only one or two hours occasionally.

#### **Newcomers Ministry**

Welcomes new members to the parish. Welcoming activities include personally meeting new members after certain Masses to provide information on parish life, and helping to identify liturgical, service, and social activities of interest. The ministry team hosts two New Member Dinners per year. Anyone is welcome to join the team. Time commitment varies according to your schedule.

#### **Socials Ministry**

Helps enhance our sense of community. Volunteers are needed to help organize parish-wide activities such as the Valentine's Day Dinner and Dance, monthly game nights, and various trips throughout the year. No previous experience is necessary, just a desire to organize events, socialize, and work with others.

#### **Event Supervisors**

Volunteers are needed to oversee the kitchen during catered events, receptions, and when others use the kitchen. Responsibilities include training on kitchen equipment, inventory and control of supplies, and periodically organizing and cleaning the refrigerator, freezer, and pantry.

## **Early Years Ministry**

This ministry is for parents or expecting parents. We host regular events such as morning get-togethers and monthly excursions to local venues and attractions for family days out. All activities revolve around the idea of Christ-centered parenting to help nurture our members through the joys and challenges of Christian parenting.

## **COMMUNITY LIFE**

### **Mobile Meals Delivery**

Teams of drivers and navigators deliver meals to homebound and/or elderly individuals on the 1st Monday of each month.

### **Hot Dish and Hope**

Hot Dish and Hope serves a prepared dinner to over 150 individuals every Tuesday & Thursday evening from 4:00-6:00 pm. This is a great chance for families to participate together.

### **Potter's House Community Kitchen Evening Meal**

Teams purchase, prepare, and serve the evening meal to shelter residents at Weaver House at Greensboro Urban Ministry. Our parish participates the 3rd and 5th Friday of every month. Dinner preparation starts at 5:00 pm.

### **We Care Committee**

As a tithing parish, we share our resources. This committee, appointed by the Parish Council, determines how our resources will be shared with organizations and groups who serve those in need. Any adult may express interest in being appointed. The time commitment is 1-2 hours per quarter.

### **Friends of Peru Ministry**

Work with other members of the parish, the pastoral staff, and members of the Peruvian community to organize service and needs for our mission parish in Peru.

### **Sunshine Club**

Our parish provides social and recreational activities at the parish for adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities on the 1st Friday of the month. Activities include karaoke, bingo, pot lucks, and dances. This is a great volunteer activity for families. Donations of dinner food are also needed.

### **CROP Walk**

An annual fall event that raises awareness and money for local, national, and international services for the poor and hungry. St. Pius X is one of the top money-raisers in Greensboro with many participants. Planning starts in late summer, walk in the fall.

### **Holiday Food Baskets: Planning and Logistics**

Our parish collects and delivers food baskets during Thanksgiving and other holidays. Help plan the logistics of food donation. If you have project planning experience and a passion to help others, your talents will be appreciated.

### **Christmas Giving Tree: Planning and Logistics**

An annual Advent project providing Christmas gifts to approved community agencies. Volunteers address gift tags, set up the gift trees in our church, shop for, and sort gifts.

### **Guys Doin' Stuff**

All guys, all ages. A group with one goal - to help our fellow parishioners and those in need. "Have tools, will travel!" Jobs, times and schedules vary according to needs and availability. No meetings and no requirements – just guys doin' stuff!

### **Purple Hat Ministry**

Meets monthly to knit and crochet purple hats given to new parents as part of an educational program for the prevention of Shaken Baby Syndrome. Hats are delivered to the hospital or crisis pregnancy centers. Learn how to knit and crochet at the group or knit and crochet on your own.

### **Respect Life Ministry**

St. Pius X respects life at all ages, stages and abilities through our Community Life partners, Greensboro Urban Ministry, the Purple Hat Ministry, Dolan Manor, Sunshine Club, Caring Services and more. Consider spending time in prayer or joining us in one of our meaningful and profoundly effective endeavors.

## **Healthcare Ministry**

Promotes the physical, spiritual, and emotional well-being of the parish community by helping people understand the relationship between faith and good health. This ministry provides educational resources in mental health, CPR, babysitting, health screenings, etc. through the Cone Congregational Nurse Program. People with a medical background are encouraged to participate.

## **GRIEF SUPPORT**

### **Sisters of Hope**

Join us for a time of friendship and sharing. If you have lost a husband or are alone and want to spend some time in community with others, we meet on the 2nd Friday of each month. Sharing each other's company for a short time once a month may be just what you're looking for. We share our news, resources, fellowship, and have fun!

### **Grief Support Ministry**

Minister to those who have experienced the death of a loved one. Facilitators provide a six-week session in the spring during Lent, and a one-day event in the fall. Training is provided. Time commitment varies according to needs.

## **SENIORS MINISTRIES**

### **Ministry to the Sick**

Homebound parishioners or those suffering long-term illnesses can receive the Eucharist on a regular basis. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who wish to be trained as Ministers to the Sick will find this a rewarding ministry. Time commitment varies according to the need. Those interested must be trained and have pastoral approval.

### **Seniors Ministry Volunteers**

Help out once a month at our luncheons by decorating, preparing food, serving food, or cleaning up. Help is also needed to plan and coordinate quarterly events, such as Theology Uncorked.



## FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS

### **Knights of Columbus**

A Catholic, Fraternal organization for men age 18 and older based on the principles of charity, brotherhood, faith, and patriotism. The Knights sponsor the Right to Life Yard Sale, fish fries during Lent, pancake breakfasts, blood drives, the Tootsie Roll drive to aid people with disabilities, and other activities.

### **Ancient Order of Hibernians**

A Catholic, Irish-American, Fraternal Organization that supports the Church and her mission through fundraising, and also supports the St. Vincent de Paul Society, Greensboro Urban Ministry, Catholic education, Room at the Inn, and more.

### **Boy Scouts of America (BSA) & Cub Scouts**

Pack 244 and Troop 244 open to boys in grades 1-12. Meetings are facilitated by trained adult leadership. This is a fun, adventurous, challenging, and educational group that helps to develop character and values for a lifetime.

## MUSIC & LITURGY

### MUSIC & SOUND

#### **Adult Mass Choir**

The choir is open to all musicians who are in high school and beyond. The choir sings at all weekend and special liturgies. Reading music is helpful, though not necessary. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm.

#### **Youth Choir**

Youth choir is open to students in 3rd - 8th grades. The choir sings a wide repertoire of liturgical music at weekend liturgies and other liturgies throughout the year. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 5:00 - 6:00 pm.

#### **Hand Bell Choir**

The handbell choir is open to any parishioner from middle school and beyond. A good sense of timing is required. Music reading is helpful, though not necessary. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 6:00 - 7:00 pm.

## **Sound Technicians**

Sound Techs are responsible for running the sound board at each liturgy. Experience is helpful, but not required. Open to high school students and adults.

## **LITURGY & PRAYER**

### **Altar Servers**

Fourth grade or above may serve. Initial training is required. There is no term limit on this ministry.

### **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

Parishioners approved by the Pastor are trained in distributing the Eucharist. Confirmed high school students and adults may serve. All are welcome to inquire. Pastoral approval is required. Must be in good standing with the Catholic Church.

### **Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers)**

Our Ushers assist the clergy and parishioners at Mass. Confirmed high school students and adults may inquire about joining this ministry. Initial training is required.

### **Ministers of the Word (Lectors)**

Confirmed high school students and adult ministers proclaim the Word at Mass. Auditions are required with initial training. Pastoral approval is required. Must be in good standing with the Catholic Church.

### **Sacristans**

Sacristans prepare the altar and church for the liturgy and assist the pastor before and after selected Masses. Responsibilities include laundering linens and vestments, organizing and preparing items which are used in the liturgy, and the general upkeep of the church.

### **Consolation Ministry**

Team leaders, approved by the pastor, assist the family of the deceased in preparing the funeral liturgy and offer family support as needed. Team members are called to assist with church set-up for the funeral liturgy and may serve as ushers, lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, sound techs, or just helping hands. Individuals sensitive to family needs are encouraged to inquire. Training is provided and additional training in Hospice or bereavement counseling is helpful.

## **Artisans and Environment**

Help with liturgical environment and church furnishings. An ability to sew, paint, work with wood, or another other artistic talent is helpful. Time commitment varies depending on the parish needs.

## **First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

On the First Friday of every month, St. Pius X offers Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel from 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm. All are welcome to come and spend time in prayer and contemplation in the real presence of Christ.

## **St. Joseph Prayer Group**

This long-standing prayer group, open to the Gifts of the Spirit, meets Mondays at 6:30 pm for prayer and praise for individual and parish needs. All are welcome.

## **NURSERY**

### **Parish Nursery**

The Parish Nursery is available during weekend Masses and other special events. We provide care for children ages 10 months to 4 years. A childcare professional organizes a volunteer co-op for these efforts. Adult and teen volunteers are essential to help the nursery run smoothly. Volunteers must be at least 13 years old.

## **FORMATION & EVANGELIZATION**

*Please Note: Protecting God's Children, an Online VIRTUS certification course, is required for all volunteers age 18 or older who volunteer with or alongside children and youth.*

## **TEENS & YOUNG ADULTS**

### **Youth Council**

Provides direction for the youth ministry programs at the parish through planning, assessing needs, and setting goals and objectives. Any parish member age 14 or older, with a desire to guide parish youth ministry may express an interest. Typically, this is a youth-representative position on our regular Parish Council with once-monthly meetings.

## **Young Adults & Young Professionals**

Are you looking to dive into your faith, but are not sure where to start? If you are a college student or young professional, join us for Young Adult Ministry. This is an invitation and an opportunity to grow and deepen your faith through prayer, small groups, dinner and outings as you create new friendships. Open to adults age 18-39.

## **ADULTS**

### **Evangelization Committee**

This ministry seeks to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ to our parishioners and the community. Help brainstorm, implement, and support parish programs and other efforts. Plan and support various Evangelization and outreach events and parish missions.

### **RCIA Team**

Confirmed members of the Catholic Church who are well-educated in the Faith are welcome to join the RCIA team as presenters or small group leaders. RCIA meets weekly throughout the school year.

### **Adult Formation Team**

Assists the Director to create and implement plans for adult Evangelization and catechesis. Those with a desire to serve on a leadership team, or through the facilitation of adult formation programs, are encouraged to inquire.

### **Baptismal Prep Team**

Facilitates baptismal preparation for our parents planning to have children baptized in the Catholic Faith. Training and materials provided.

### **Children's Formation Team**

St. Pius X relies on good stewards to serve as teachers of the faith. Two catechists are assigned for every elementary school class. Catechists support parents as they pass on the Catholic faith to their children. The time commitment is one hour of class time per week in addition to any planning time. Training and materials are provided.

### **Confirmation Team**

Preparing the young men and young women of our parish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation is a very rewarding ministry opportunity. Team members will work in small groups with our teens and help to plan retreats and other service opportunities. Time commitment is 2-3 hours per month.

### **Youth Ministry Team**

Adult stewards are welcome to join the Youth Ministry team as small group leaders, chaperones, volunteer drivers, prayer leaders, and catechists. Help is always needed at both the middle and high school levels. No experience is necessary - just a genuine desire to help form the future of the Church! Time commitment varies depending on activities and your availability.

### **Vocations Team**

Join this ministry to pray and implement uplifting and encouraging activities that create a fertile environment so God can plant the seed and the Holy Spirit can water that seed in the hearts of individuals.

### **Jubilee Team**

Assists the pastor and staff with the planning, preparing, and facilitating our annual Jubilee Retreat, held in the fall at the St. Francis Springs Parish Center.

### **Pre-Cana Mentors & FOCCUS Facilitators**

Our marriage preparation process thrives because of husbands and wives who serve in this ministry, providing great witness to our engaged couples about the joys of Christ-centered married life. Couples who have been married for at least five years, and who are willing to share their experiences, are encouraged to serve in this ministry. Time commitment is 2-3 hours every quarter.

### **St. Pius X Catholic School**

St. Pius X Catholic School is a ministry of the parish to evangelize and educate the youth of our community. The mission statement and opportunities for service may be found on their website at [www.spxschool.com](http://www.spxschool.com).