



Echoes

AUGUST 2026

FAITH IN ACTION UPDATE

Thanks to the incredible generosity of our parish family, *Faith in Action* continues to make a meaningful impact at St. Pius X.

Through the support of our *Faith in Action Annual Fund* and inaugural *Faith in Action Annual Ball*, we have been able to provide financial assistance for a number of parish ministries and events, helping ensure that more people can encounter Christ through opportunities for fellowship, formation, and service. Your generosity is already bearing fruit throughout our parish community!

We are also excited to share that we are making significant progress on plans for a new parish rectory. This important project will provide a welcoming and functional home for our clergy for many years to come. We look forward to unveiling the plans and sharing more details with the parishioners and friends of St. Pius X in the very near future.

To each of our *Faith in Action* donors, sponsors, volunteers, and supporters ... thank you. Your faithful stewardship is helping strengthen our parish today while building a foundation for tomorrow.

Event information about our three signature *Faith in Action* events for 2026-2027 will be available soon and published in our weekly emails, bulletin, and on social media. We look forward to continuing this journey together as we strive to Know, Love, and Serve the Lord through the life and mission of St. Pius X Parish.



Father Cook

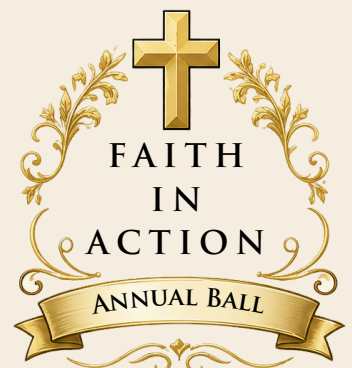
As we look ahead, we invite you to mark your calendars for our upcoming Faith in Action events:



October 24, 2026



February 5, 2027



May 7, 2027

LIVING THE GIFT STEWARDSHIP UPDATES

Throughout our yearlong Living the Gift, we are discovering that every aspect of our lives is a gift from God, entrusted to us to receive with gratitude and share with love. Over the next three months, we'll continue exploring this journey with meaningful stewardship themes:

August – Stewardship of TIME. Discover how the gift of time can be lived with purpose, balance and gratitude.

September – Stewardship of TALENTS AND GIFTS. Celebrate the unique gifts God has given each of us and explore how sharing those gifts strengthens our parish family and builds the Body of Christ.

October – Stewardship as a WAY OF LIFE. Stewardship of more than an occasional act of service or generosity – it is a daily response to God's abundant blessings, lived through prayer, gratitude and Joyful discipleship.

November – Stewardship of GRATITUDE. Preparing to celebrate Thanksgiving, we reflect on the blessings God has entrusted to us, cultivate grateful hearts, and recognize His goodness in every season of life.

Watch for our monthly Email and weekly Monday Moments prayer, scripture, reflection and ways to grow in faith and fellowship. We invite you to join us as we continue Living the Gift and the joy of sharing God's blessings with one another.

Look for updated Stewardship & Ministry Guides and information about our Stewardship Open House. Both coming soon in October!

IN GRATITUDE ...

Thank you to our *Echoes* distribution team - our "Star Stewards" that give their time every issue to make sure your edition of *Echoes* lands safely in your mailbox! Thank you to our coordinator, Sue Rochette, and to all of our folders, stuffers, and stickers: Winnie Acteson, Gullanar Campbell, Jeanne Campbell, Marguerite Gleason, Kathy Harrell, Ray Last, Mary Ellen Liebal, Angela McElhone, Meghan Green, Gerri McGuinness, Joanne Parsons, Ann Pearman, Dennis Pearman, Gloria Philips, Neil Rochette, Mary Ellen St. Clair, Irene Ade, Janice Kirwan, Gloria Monahan, Alice Prosapio, and Bonnie Thomas.



OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULT & FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

The fall will bring new opportunities for Faith Formation and Evangelization for our parish families. Please visit our website, use the QR codes here, or look through our weekly parish emails for links and information on how to register for upcoming programs. Questions? Contact Lindsay Sartorio in the parish office!

Our FIAT program is a newly adopted home-based Faith Formation program for grades PK-5. First Communion (rising 2nd grade) and Confirmation (rising grades 6-8) are separate registrations. Please read on our website about these [new and important program changes](#) for the fall!



Faith Formation
(Grades PK - 5)



First Communion
(Grade 2)



Confirmation
(Grades 6-8)

BIBLE TIMELINE (DAYTIME)

- Tuesdays @ 1:30 pm
- Begins September 8
- 24 weeks



BIBLE TIMELINE (EVENING)

- Thursdays @ 6:30 pm
- Begins September 10
- 24 weeks



LECTIO: SALVATION

- Wednesdays @ 1:00 pm
- Begins September 9
- 8 weeks



LIVING YOUR STRENGTHS

- 3-part Workshop
- September 3, 10, 17
- 6:15 pm



WALKING WITH CHRIST IN PRAYER

- Begins September 3
- Morning 10:30 am
- OR Evening 6:30 pm



YOUTH MINISTRY PROGRAMMING

Are you ready for
something new???

Wednesday 8-26-26

6:00 - 7:30 pm

Simmons Parish Center

- Our first meet and greet with food and drinks
- Find out what's in store for the year and your share ideas
- Find out about trips, bible study, socials



Come together in faith,
friendship, & prayer!

First Meet & Greet is for
Middle School & High School

Future meeting dates
will be separate based
on programming.

More Information:

kmanzella@stpiusxnc.com

Join Youth Ministry at the Carolina Renaissance Festival Saturday, October 3



Open to
youth in
grades 9-12.
Adult drivers
needed.
Reserve
your spot
on Realm!



THE DIOCESE OF CHARLOTTE CELEBRATES THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

25TH AND 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION - If you were married in 1976 or 2001, you are invited to the annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, October 11 at The Cathedral of St. Patrick. Mass begins at 2:00 pm, followed by a reception. Limit of 2 guests per couple. Please scan the QR code to register.



DIOCESAN ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION - If you are celebrating your Silver or Golden Wedding Anniversary this year and wish to attend the celebration, please register by scanning the QR code. Mass will be held on Sunday, October 11 at The Cathedral of St. Patrick. Mass begins at 2:00 pm, followed by a reception. Limit 2 guests per couple.



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Hosted at St. Pius X this fall!
November 21 from 8 am - 3:15 pm
\$64/couple or \$40/individual
Register by October 5
for an Early Bird Discount!



ARE YOU ENGAGED OR PLANNING TO MARRY IN 2027?

Congratulations! We would love to help you celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony in the Catholic Church. Be sure to contact the parish office at least 6 months in advance and before booking a venue!

ANNULMENTS & CONVALIDATIONS

If you were married outside the Catholic Church and would like to **Convalidate** your marriage, please contact us! We would love to help you make your union a Sacramental one! Need an **Annulment** due to a prior marriage? We can help with that, too! Contact us today for information and get connected to an advocate that can explain the process and assist with paperwork.

Contact: Liz Pendergrass or Lindsay Sartorio for more info!



Jesus still calls
ordinary people into
extraordinary purpose.

Cast your net wider.

CHARLOTTE EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS
Friday-Saturday, Sept. 11-12, 2026

EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS ST. PIUS X BUS TRANSPORTATION



SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 12
JOIN US IN
CHARLOTTE!

Volunteer at this year's Eucharistic Congress using the following link:
www.goeucharist.com/get-involved/



JOIN US AFTER THE SATURDAY EVENING MASS ON
AUGUST 22 TO EXTEND A WARM WELCOME AND SAY
HELLO OUR NEW PRIEST

Father Maximilian Frei

Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served.
Space is limited! Please RSVP via Realm or by calling the
parish office at 336-272-4681.

SENIORS' MINISTRY SAVE THE DATES

AUGUST EVENTS

- Tai Chi (20, 27)
- Theology Uncorked (20)

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

- Tai Chi (3, 10, 17, 24)
- Lunch w/Deacon Jack & Rachel (1)
- Meet & Mingle (8)
- Dolan Manor Angels Spiritual Graces Devotion (9)
- Senior Luncheon & Spiritual Reflection (15)
- Dolan Manor Happy Hour (17)

OCTOBER EVENTS

- Tai Chi (1, 8, 15, 22, 29)
- Lunch w/Deacon Jack & Rachel (6)
- Meet & Mingle (13)
- Dolan Manor Angels Spiritual Graces Devotion (14)
- Dolan Manor Happy Hour (15)
- Senior Luncheon & Spiritual Reflection (20)
- Halloween Party (TBD!)

Questions? Contact Seniors
Ministry Lead Toni Rieger at
trieger@stpiusxnc.com.

JOIN IN THE FUN! SENIORS' MINISTRY LUNCHEONS RESUME IN SEPTEMBER

We are excited to announce that our Senior Luncheons are back in season with new and fun activities that offer opportunities for fellowship and spiritual growth while welcoming our senior community at St. Pius X and beyond. Join us for music, trivia, social activities, and meaningful presentations and demonstrations by our staff and local organizations.

If you are a senior looking to connect with fellow parishioners, deepen your faith, and enjoy meaningful activities, we invite you to join us. Watch the bulletin and parish communications for upcoming details about our first gathering and how you can become involved. We look forward to sharing this exciting new ministry with you!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #11101 RECEIVES TOP AWARD

Greensboro's St. Pius X Knights of Columbus Council has received the distinction of Star Council, the international organization's top award for local councils. The Star Council Award recognizes overall excellence in the areas of membership, promotion of fraternal insurance benefits, sponsorship of faith formation programs, and service-oriented activities.



Join our council in Charity, Unity, and Fraternity! For information on joining the Knights of Columbus, contact local membership director, Marty Sosnicki at msos01@optonline.net or 336-335-3882.

A YEAR TO CELEBRATE: ST. PIUS X COLUMBIETTES

What a year it has been for the St. Pius X Columbiettes! As one of our parish's newer organizations, the Columbiettes have quickly become a vibrant presence at St. Pius X, bringing together women committed to faith, friendship, service, and strengthening our parish community.



Over the past year, the Auxiliary welcomed eight new members and continued to expand its outreach throughout the parish and greater Greensboro community. The Second Annual Sweet & Savory Bake Sale was a tremendous success, raising \$4,100 for After Gateway, which serves adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Members also raised funds for the Auxiliary and its designated charities through their popular Baked Ziti Dinner and continued a wonderful tradition of hosting themed dinners, bingo, and prizes for the 55 residents of Dolan Manor.

Another highlight of the year was the Made for More fundraiser, which brought our community together in a special way - with dueling pianos and a lot of joyful singing and dancing - to honor the lives and legacies of Isaac Kohl and Katelyn Mitchell. Through the generosity and support of so many, the event raised more than \$35,000 for the endowments established in their memory, helping ensure that their impact will continue to be felt for years to come.

In just a short time, the St. Pius X Columbiettes have built something truly special. We celebrate all they accomplished this past year and look forward to seeing this sisterhood of faith, friendship, and service continue to grow! If you are interested in learning more about the Columbiettes or becoming a member, please contact Auxiliary President, Denese Brito, at dbrito@stpiousxnc.com.

JUNIOR COLUMBIETTES

Are you a young woman between the ages of 13–17?

We're excited to launch the first-ever Junior Columbiettes at St. Pius X, and you have the chance to be one of our founding members!

Junior Columbiettes is a service and leadership organization for young women, supported by and modeled after the Columbiettes. It's a great way to make new friends, serve your parish and community, grow as a leader, and earn high school service hours along the way.

Most importantly, you'll get to help shape this brand-new group from the very beginning, make it your own, and help create something incredible for the young women who come after you.

Do you want to be part of the beginning? Contact Grace Kohl at graceikohl@gmail.com to learn more and get involved.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Join us every First Friday for Adoration following the 8:30 am daily Mass. Exposition will be at 9:00 am, with Benediction at 12:00 noon. Upcoming dates: September 4, October 2, November 6, December 4.

"Good friends find pleasure in one another's company. Let us know pleasure in the company of our best friend, a friend who can do everything for us, a friend who loves us beyond measure. Here in the Blessed Sacrament, we can talk to Him straight from the heart."

--St. Alphonsus de Liguori



WEBSITE & EMAIL UPDATES

As of Thursday, August 13, our newly updated parish website is live! Please visit us at www.stpiusxnc.com and check us out. Be sure to also follow us on our social media platforms to stay up to date, find out about events, and learn about some of our featured stewards, ministries, and groups in the coming months.

- Website: www.stpiusxnc.com
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/stpiusxnc
- Instagram: www.instagram.com/stpiusxnc
- LinkedIn: www.linkedin.com/company/stpiusxnc
- Subscribe to Weekly Emails:
<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sl/Y0aCdXT>

Do you have an idea for an upcoming feature or article? Do you have photos to share on our social media from a ministry or group event at St. Pius X? Contact Lindsay Sartorio at lsartorio@stpiusxnc.com to share!



SCHOOL IS BACK IN SESSION ... AND SO IS THE CARPOOL LINE!

On Monday, August 17, school resumes on campus at SPX. Be sure to keep in mind our carpool times when parking at/near the parish office and church during the week.
Morning Carpool: 7:50 - 8:10 am & **Afternoon Carpool:** 3:00 - 3:20 pm. Also, **School Masses** resume for the on Tuesdays, beginning August 18.

SAVE THE DATE FOR SPX CATHOLIC SCHOOL'S BIENNIAL GALA!



SAVE
the
DATE

March 13, 2027



A NIGHT
TO
BUILD & PLAY

OTHER MINISTRIES ON GROUPME & SOCIAL MEDIA: YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Click the
QR Code
to join the
chat!



EARLY YEARS MINISTRY

Stay up to
date with
info and
events!



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Get ready for a night of music,
faith, food, and fun with country
artist and Catholic speaker,
Bradley Banning!

**DINNER AND PROFESSIONAL LINE
DANCING LESSONS INCLUDED!**



**FRIDAY NIGHT, SEPTEMBER 18
FROM 6-8pm
OPEN TO ALL YOUTH, YOUNG
ADULTS, & FAMILIES!
\$5 PER PERSON**



Boots
Optional
& Friends
Welcome



Baptisms

Sophia Gonzalez
John Parisey
Eliana Cogley
Lily Fly
Everett Fly

Weddings

St. Pius X celebrated no
weddings during June or July.

Many blessings to our couples
celebrating anniversaries this
summer!

Funerals

Meredith "Tudie" Wallace
Susan Manchester
John "Jack" Ryan
Conrad "Bill" Walters
Marc Beattie

St. Pius X Catholic Church

Very Rev. W. Christian Cook, VF, Pastor
Rev. Maximilian Frei, Parochial Vicar
Website: www.stpiusxnc.com

Quarterly Echoes Deadline:

Monday, November 2 @ 4:00 pm
Submit to: echoes@stpiusxnc.com

Weekly Bulletin Deadline:

Fridays, one week prior
Submit to: bulletin@stpiusxnc.com

Newcomers

27403 - Greensboro

Frank Fratoni & Olga Gomez-Fratoni
(Duncan)
Kat Lang
Jim & Karen McCullough

27405 - Greensboro

Kate Daun (Ella & Erin Henson)
Vito & Santina DeSalvo (Enzo, Vito, Gio,
Rocco, & Valentina)
Jacqueline Fox
Bud & Donna McGee

27406 - Greensboro

Rich & Laura Morales

27407 - Greensboro

Jose Garcia-Toledo & Marta Cortes-
Arredondo (Ruby, Jose, Hailey, & Fabian)

27408 - Greensboro

Paul & Nancy Plascyk (Shannon)
Nick & Emily Wilkinson (Noah & Charlotte)

27409 - Greensboro

Gabriel Chacon, Jr.
Manuel & Diana Roman (Andres)

27410 - Greensboro

Dennis & Kate Duquette
Wilson & Mildrid Esua (Wildred, Wilella,
Wilster)
Charles & Linda Ray
Gianna Skolaris

27455 - Greensboro

Michelle Black (Toni)
Kathleen Brady
Phil & Clare Edgecomb
Paul & Debbie Gilsdorf
Marina Rocha

Juliano Goncalves
Rodrigo & Mariana Lamas (Rafael, Raul)
Laurie McGovern
Bill & Barbara Moran
James & Molly Mulligan (Danny)
Catalina Roman
Christopher & Carly Rosic (Luka)
Evan & Crystal Thomes
Juan & Darbiel Torres (Leilani Williams,
Xavier Lacy, Willow Torres)

27027 - Mayodan

Tripp & Brandi Banks (Rowan & Emory)

27263 - Archdale

Nick & Tara Brown (Jaxen, Logan, & Brody)

27265 - High Point

Will & Hayley Fisher

27282 - Jamestown

Bob & Suzanne Ladka

27284 - Kernersville

Jim & Barbar Schultz

27357 - Stokesdale

Tony Campione
Adam & Julie Hill (Kellan, Ainsley, &
Lochlan)

27358 - Summerfield

Pat & Cathy Daly
Brendan & Eugenia Monaghan (Owen,
Blake)

24054 - Axton, VA

Tom & Mary White

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