



ECHOS

A MESSAGE FROM MONSIGNOR



**Reverend Monsignor
Anthony Marcaccio**

At the beginning of the school year we read the familiar parable of "The Three Stewards." During their master's absence, he gave each of them charge of a specific amount of coins according to their ability. When the master returned, they reported to him what they had done with that which had been entrusted to them. Two of them make a good return on the investment and so receive the praise and trust of their master and are then entrusted with more. The third steward confesses that he knew his master to be hard and demanding, so out of fear he just buried the amount put in his care. The master expresses his harsh disappointment with him and it does not go well at all for that third steward.

I always found the outcome of the parable rather startling, until I understood it in terms of faith. The parable basically says: "To those who have much, more will be given them. And to those who have little, the little they have will be taken away from them." Each of us has been given the gift of faith and we have been entrusted with an amount that corresponds to our ability. If, during this period when we await the return of our Master, we use that gift and invest that gift in opportunities to grow in knowledge, build community, and serve the mission, we might be astonished at the return on investment.

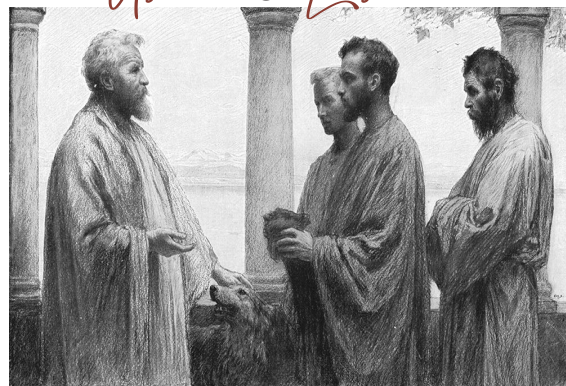
The amazing compounding interest on kindness is something to behold in this world and certainly in the next. But, there is that troubling part of the parable that reminds us that if we are to risk adversity and act out fear, not even seeking safe and secure opportunities, the little we have will could be taken away from us. So I am no longer surprised when someone who is nominally Catholic flounders or fails under the many pressures of a crisis or the various trials of life. The naive faith that was little nurtured after Confirmation will evaporate in the drought of some spiritual desert or firestorm of life that comes our way.

While the parable has a harsh tone, it's one we need to hear as we all settle in to our routine and discipline for the days ahead. I think a modern paraphrase of the parable would be that we, as stewards of the gift of faith, had better "Use it or Lose it!" This is not the time to be risk adverse, operating out of fear of failure or embarrassment. Instead, as a good servant, consider joining our fall community commitment to trust in the Economy of Grace and witness what the Lord can do. Truly, we have been given much, and I believe there is even more in store for God's Faithful Ones.

In this issue of *Echoes*, you'll find just a few of the many opportunities to use your faith and to exercise your faith - that it may not only increase in you, but expand and overflow to others.

I am, Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Use IT OR Lose IT.





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ITALIANA

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

12:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Traditional Italian Food, Kids' Games,
Contests, Sidewalk Art Competition, Bocce
Tournament, Vendors, Entertainment, and
More!

Plus ... A Special Classical Pop-Music
Evening Performance by the

Greensboro Big Band

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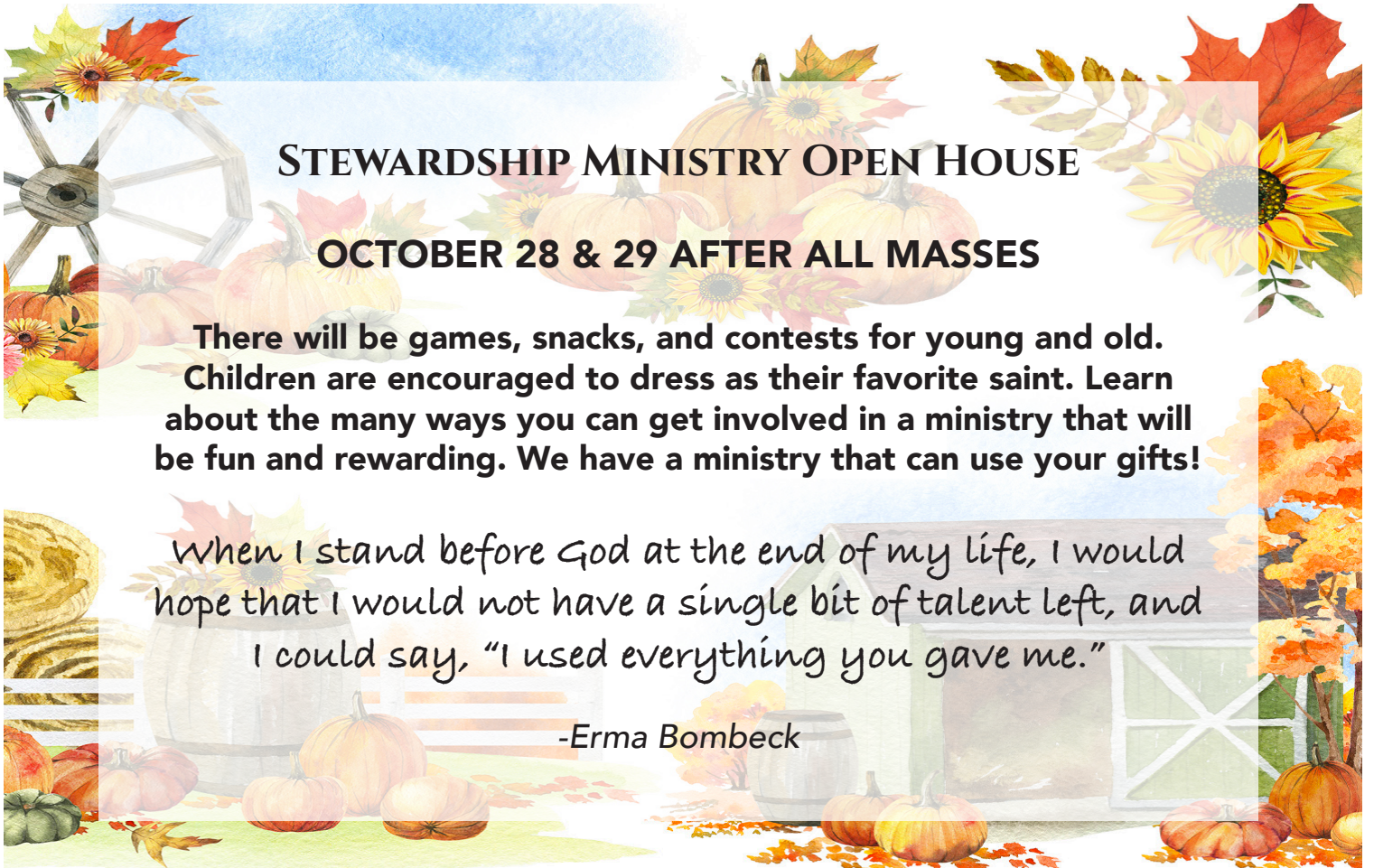
STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY OPEN HOUSE

OCTOBER 28 & 29 AFTER ALL MASSES

There will be games, snacks, and contests for young and old. Children are encouraged to dress as their favorite saint. Learn about the many ways you can get involved in a ministry that will be fun and rewarding. We have a ministry that can use your gifts!

When I stand before God at the end of my life, I would hope that I would not have a single bit of talent left, and I could say, "I used everything you gave me."

-Erma Bombeck





LET'S HAVE SOME FUN AT THE FAIR!

Join Monsignor Marcaccio and fellow parishioners as we enjoy the sights, sounds, and flavors at the NC State Fair.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

Chartered bus will leave from St. Pius X parking lot at 10:00 am and departs the fairgrounds to return home at 4:00 pm.

Reserve your seat through REALM or call the church office, 336-272-4681.

Seniors (65+) \$10 Senior Citizen Day - Free Admission

Under 65 \$20 Includes Bus & Admission

Bus seats are limited! Reserve yours today!

JOIN US AT THE THEATER!

Please join us for the epic story of God's love for the world and the spiritual battle for all humanity. Often described as "Cirque meets the Passion of Jesus," *The Thorn* combines dance, martial arts, aerial acrobatics, and emotionally powerful performances - witnessed live by over 1 million people for 25 years! *The Thorn* will engage audiences in the ultimate story of love, sacrifice and redemption like never before.



Steven Tanger Center on Thursday October 26 at 7:00 pm

Ticket Price \$84 – Orchestra Center Seats. Watch the bulletin for more information.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Are you a young adult or a young professional seeking to gather with others from the parish community? Check out some of the upcoming events our Young Adult Ministry has going on and join in on the fun and fellowship. Scan the QR Code to request access

SPX YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

to the GroupMe "chat" and stay in the loop about all the fun. Check the bulletin and GroupMe regularly for new events and gatherings!



Scan the QR code to join the group



SEPTEMBER

SPX YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

TUE 5 ACTS WEEK 9 7:00-8:30 PM

TUE 19 ACTS WEEK 10 7-8:30 PM

SUN 10 BRUNCH AFTER 9 AM MASS

TUE 26 TRIVIA @ ODEN'S 7-9 PM

TUE 12 ROSARY 7-8:30 PM



Music Ministry News

ST. PIUS X - YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSALS WEEKLY WEDNESDAY NIGHTS 5:00 - 6:00 PM

If you missed the workshop but would like to be a part of this wonderful group, come sing to the Lord with us! The Youth Choir will sing at a weekend Mass each week. Contact Francine Britto for more information at fbritto@stpiusxnc.com.

NEW FUNERAL CHOIR

Our newly formed Funeral Choir assists grieving members of the funeral assembly by supporting the sung prayers of the funeral liturgy. This is ministry of service, love and support on behalf of our parish community.

The choir is open to men and women of all ages who are available to sing for funerals generally on weekdays between 10:00 am - 12:00 noon. Rehearsals are held an hour before the funeral liturgy. Members participate as their schedule permits. Please contact Francine at fbritto@stpiusxnc.com for more details.



SOUND TECHS NEEDED

No experience is necessary. Training is provided, and time commitment is based on Mass times. Contact Francine at fbritto@stpiusxnc.com or Brian at botter@rock.k12.nc.us.

SPX PRESENTS



14TH ANNUAL SPX MUSIC MINISTRY COFFEE HOUSE

SAVE THE DATE
Friday, November 10 at 7:00pm

Join members of the Music Ministry and fellow parishioners for an evening of music and fun. Listen to secular songs, enjoy refreshments, and sing along with us!

Look for more information
in the bulletin & weekly emails.

ADVENT TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE

SAVE THE DATE
Saturday, December 9
After the 5:00 pm Evening Vigil Mass

In this very busy world, and especially during the holiday season, it can be difficult to set aside time to be quiet and to be present to the Lord. St. Pius X invites you to spend some time with us at an evening of meditative prayer.

The practice of Taizé Prayer was begun in Taizé, the Burgundy region of France, during World War II. The prayer service is characterized by repetitive, mantra-like songs (such as "Jesus, Remember Me"), prayerful silence, and short scriptural readings. These elements guide the focus of the prayer service that is held in a candle-lit environment.



Report to Parishioners

June 30, 2023

PARISH STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES & CASH FLOWS

	Fiscal YTD <u>Actual</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>
Operating Revenue		
Offertory	1,955,252.05	1,980,096.00
Unrestricted Donations & Other Support	105,406.92	63,300.00
Fundraising Income	250.00	6,000.00
Religious Formation Fees	15,045.00	21,000.00
Cemetery/Columbarium Fees	2,250.00	0.00
Other Fees and Misc Income	224,020.56	173,488.00
Total Operating Revenue	<u>2,302,224.53</u>	<u>2,243,884.00</u>
Operating Expenses		
Ministry & Liturgy	253,058.60	220,361.00
Religious Formation	118,935.99	121,200.00
Charity/Outreach	122,947.80	95,700.00
School Subsidy	203,683.04	199,183.00
Cemetery/Columbarium Expenses	1,174.82	1,250.00
Facilities Expenses	356,994.17	346,043.00
Diocesan Assessments	184,222.00	184,230.00
General & Administrative Expenses	797,706.91	815,317.00
Total Operating Expenses	<u>2,038,723.33</u>	<u>1,983,284.00</u>
Net Operating Activity	<u>263,501.20</u>	<u>260,600.00</u>
Capital Activity		
Receipts	62,262.00	60,000.00
Expenditures	0.00	0.00
Net Capital Activity, excluding debt principal pmts	<u>62,262.00</u>	<u>60,000.00</u>
Endowment Earnings, Net of Income Spent	<u>(68,363.24)</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Restricted Donations (other than capital)		
Received	921,673.00	0.00
Expended	681,428.17	0.00
Net Restricted Activity (other than capital)	<u>240,244.83</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Surplus (Deficit) Before Depreciation	<u>497,644.79</u>	<u>320,600.00</u>
Total Surplus (Deficit) After Depreciation	<u>497,644.79</u>	<u>320,600.00</u>
Other Sources and Uses of Cash:		
(Increase)Decrease - Equipment/Facilities	(299,360.51)	
(Increase)Decrease - Endowment Accounts	(10,366.15)	
Increase(Decrease) - Debt Principal	0.00	

Increase/Decrease - Current Assets and Liabilities	26,546.47
Increase(Decrease) - Custodial Obligations & Unearned Income	(7,840.31)
(Increase)Decrease - Savings/Reserve Balances	(363,244.54)
Total increase(decrease) in Checking Accounts	(156,620.25)

PARISH STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	End of Period	Beginning of Fiscal Year
Assets		
Checking Account Balances - Operating	388,671.27	545,291.52
Savings Accounts - Operating Reserves	482,119.31	118,901.53
Savings Accounts - Restricted	813.41	786.65
Endowment Accounts	1,785,014.73	1,774,648.58
Receivables and other Current Assets	39,582.92	72,585.78
Property, Plant and Equipment	25,217,498.75	24,918,138.24
Total Assets	27,913,700.39	27,430,352.30
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	5,481.66	10,480.73
Custodial Obligations	26,032.14	27,322.45
Other Liabilities	222,110.29	230,117.61
Total Liabilities	253,624.09	267,920.79
Net Assets	27,660,076.30	27,162,431.51
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	27,913,700.39	27,430,352.30

SUMMARY OF SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

	Fiscal YTD Actual	Annual Budget
School Tuition, Fees & Other Income	4,566,283.84	3,979,515.00
School (Expenses), Other than Depreciation	(4,469,230.62)	(3,979,515.00)
School Restricted, net	407,286.67	0.00
School Surplus (Deficit)	504,339.89	0.00

FINANCIAL REPORT TO PARISHIONERS

Dear St. Pius X Parishioners:

I'm happy to provide for your review a consolidated statement of activities for the period beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023.

For the period, offertory income was \$1,955,252 - which was slightly below budget. Total operating revenue of \$2,302,224 exceeded total operating expenses of \$2,038,723, resulting in net operating activity for the period of \$263,501. A favorable result.

Through the generosity of our parishioners we were able to accomplish a great deal over the past fiscal year. In addition to our vibrant ministries we were able embrace the following projects for our campus.

- Our parking lot repaving project was completed July 2022 enhancing the functionality and beauty of our St. Pius X facility.
- We were able to install Bollards at the entrance of the DeJoy Primary Education *(continued on next page ...)*

- Center improving the safety of our property.
- Construction started on the pavilion located on the school grounds. The pavilion will be a magnificent addition to St. Pius X offering a place to gather for events and a place supporting student education.
- Our playground received an incredible addition of new equipment providing our school children a wonderful opportunity to enjoy playing together.
- New attractive containment dumpster walls replaced old containment walls that were in disrepair.

We look forward to the 2023-2024 fiscal year projects that will continue to provide an opportunity to Know, Love and Serve our Lord, and each other. The financial health of St. Pius X is strong. As good stewards we continue to manage expenses closely and we carefully consider the initiatives we pursue.

None of this could be accomplished without your past, and continued, financial support – Thank You! I also want to thank in a special way our Parish Finance Council for their leadership in support of our mission. Please feel free to contact the parish office if you have any questions or comments regarding the information in this report.

Al Abram
Pastoral Associate –Finance and Administration



REGISTER NOW AND GET INVOLVED! THE FUTURE OF THE CHURCH IS ...

You!

FAITH FORMATION & SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Sundays from 10:15 - 11:15 am in the School Classrooms

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sundays during the 9:00 am Mass
 Children age 4-8 are welcome to attend for an age-appropriate Gospel lesson and activity.



COFFEE TALK

Sundays from 10:15 - 11:15 am in the Parish Center - Nicodemus Room
 Join us each week for Coffee, Donuts, and Casual, Catholic Conversation! We follow the Faith Formation schedule and the nursery is available.

ADULT ENRICHMENT COURSES

Dates and Times Vary. This fall we are offering Fulfilled, Lectio Mary, and the Gospel of Matthew. Find our full selection and registration links on www.stpiusxnc.com/adult-enrichment.

MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Events are published in our weekly e-newsletter, as well as on our parish website at www.stpiusxnc.com/middle-school and www.stpiusxnc.com/high-school.

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, November 5 from 1:00 - 4:00 pm
Simmons Parish Center

"Coping with Grief Through the Holidays"
Guest Speaker Mary Easton
Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Parishioner

**Navigating 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

Register through REALM or call Anne Cooper at 215-837-8859.



SENIORS MINISTRY

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Thursdays at 9:30
September 7, 14, 21, 28
October 5, 12, 19, 26
9:30 am in the Parish Center

SENIORS MASS & LUNCHEON

Tuesday, September 19
11:00 am Mass, followed by
lunch in the parish center.

Featuring a Line Dancing
Performance by
"SPX Dazzling Divas"



Reservations are required
Please RSVP by Sept 14 to
Gloria Essa at 336-299-3926
\$10 Per Person

FALL SOCIALS ARE COMING YOUR WAY!

Join in on the FUN and FELLOWSHIP. Please
watch upcoming bulletins for more information.

GAME NIGHTS

Join us on the 4th Friday of every month.
Monthly RSVP located on Realm.

NAILED IT! WORKSHOP

Build and paint your own wood home décor to
take home with you! RSVP is coming soon!

WALK & TALK IN THE PARK

Let's meet in the park and walk and talk on
Wednesdays starting September 6.
RSVP on Realm or call the Parish Office.



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

First Friday of the Month
12:00 noon - 5:00 p.m.

www.stpiusxnc.com/adoration



Monthly Rosary

First Sunday of the Month
10:00 am in the Chapel



The Knights of Columbus will
lead parishioners in praying the
Most Holy Rosary after the 9 am
Mass on the first Sunday of each
month in the chapel. Please join
us with your prayer intentions.
God Bless and Vivat Jesus!

K&W CAFETERIA LUNCH GET-TOGETHER

Tuesday, September 5
K&W Cafeteria in Friendly Center
Meet at 11:30 am
No Reservations Necessary.
*Just grab a bite to eat and join
everyone at the reserved tables.
We hope to see you there!!*

Interested in volunteering with the Seniors Ministry?

Contact Alice Yorks at
ayorks@stpiusxnc.com.
We welcome help with monthly
luncheons, home visits, phone
calls, and much more.

WELCOME BACK SUNSHINE CLUB!

Join us as we welcome back the SPX Sunshine Club on Friday September 1 at 7:00pm! The SPX Sunshine Club celebrates individuals with intellectual disabilities providing a fun night out for "Sunshiners" and friends. The SPX Sunshine Club meets the 1st Friday of every month for food, fun, fellowship, Bingo, dancing and more.



Prayerfully consider volunteering with this life affirming ministry. The Sunshine Club has been meeting for almost three decades at St. Pius X serving our special needs population in Greensboro. The Sunshine Club will warm your heart!

Volunteers, food donations, and yard games are needed for our kick-off cookout on Friday September 1! Visit REALM to sign up or contact ministry leader, Krisan Walker, at 336-580-0023 or jwalker38@triad.rr.com.

RESPECT LIFE EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE

"Walking with Moms" Respect Life Dinner
Coming to SPX in October 2023

Join the Purple Hat Ministry as we celebrate "Walking with Moms in Need,"

Walking with
Moms in Need



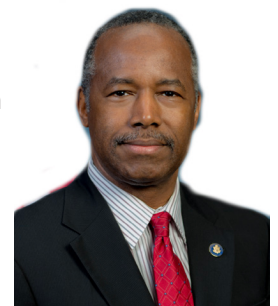
featuring a presentation for life by Marianne Donadio, Director of Development & Marketing for Room At The Inn maternity home in Greensboro. More details and a date to come! Celebrate the gift of life with us.

ROOM AT THE INN BANQUET

Keynote Speaker Dr. Ben Carson
Thursday, September 21 at 6:00 pm
www.roomattheinnbanquet.org



Room At The Inn



"Your hands made me and formed me." Psalm 119:73



JOIN US FOR A BLOOD DRIVE
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
9:30 am - 6:30 pm
Simmons Parish Center

Please make an advance appointment on the Red Cross website to secure your spot. Need to save time? Complete the "Rapid Pass" online before you come!

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS?

Visit our local chapter website at www.stpiusxcouncil11101.org and contact us for more information today!

"Empowering Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work and in their community."

Knights of Columbus
PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Breakfasts Resume on **September 10** between the 9:00 and 11:30 am Masses. Please check the bulletin and weekly emails for future dates!

NEWCOMERS . BAPTISMS . WEDDINGS . FUNERALS

NEWCOMERS - WELCOME!

Joe & Debra MANZELLA; children Liam, Emma (27455)
Christopher COE & Vanessa CABRAL DE ALMEIDA (27405)
Antonio PATTERSON & Berenice AYBAR; child Arenice (27455)
Joseph & Cassidy McEACHON (27358)
Geno & Peggy BARDELLI (27358)
Anna BURDI (27358)
Scott BROOKINS (27405)
Gabriella GARMER (27265)
Kristie WEISS; child Grayson (27408)
Johan & Alma ESPINOZA; children Christopher, Abby, Edward (27410)
Cathy & Nathan STRADER; children Sam, Hailey, Sarah (27265)
Michael & Lorraine MACCIA (27410)
Oscar & Vivette LANZAS; child Victoria (27357)
Tyler COLCORD & Liliana TREJO; children Isabella, Sebastian (27455)
Victor & Ivette DALY; children Emma, Victor (27215)

Elicia & Brent LIMER; children Zachery, Catherine, Will (27249)
John & Vicky GRUENER (27265)
Chris GRUENER (27265)
Edervan ROCHA & Carolina WENER-ENGELHARDT; children Clara, Livia, Maya (27284)
Robert ZAPATA-TORRES & Karolina ZAMBRANO-CARDOZO; children Jesus, Matthew (27410)
Marc & Ashton FIORAVANTI; child Cash (27410)
Ricardo & Megan VARGAS (27403)
Bernie & Kristi TAVENNER; children Warren, Rose, Ginny (27313)
Mary KENJARSKI (27455)
Christopher & Barb ROBINSON; child Finley (27403)
Ricky & Angela OHLENDORF (27301)
Lindsay LENON-COMSA; child Skylar (27455)
Eric & Stacy LUNA; children Sophia, Elijah (27405)
David & Bonnie RENFRO (27205)
Mike & Melissa MACCIA; children Charlotte, Savannah (27455)

Jeremy & Sheena HILL; child Luke (27455)
Heather & Aziz MAHFOUD; children Olivia, Joseph, Oliver (27358)
Greg & Patti POFF (27455)
Angela BAALMANN (27410)
Nicholas & Amanda McCLELLAND; children Adaline, Jackson (27284)
Tim & Tracy EATON; child Dean (27455)
Jeremy & Morghan SCHMITZ; child Nolan, Harrison, JJ (27310)

BAPTISMS - BLESSINGS!

Conor Hogan Declan Avampato
Evangeline Shilling Grayson Weiss
Emma Johnson Celeste Ruberti
Khloe Johnson Isabella Myers
Abigail Bowes Hunter Hilty
Ariella Bowes Brady Stringer
Everly Cromer Jameson Sanders
Brynn Cromer

WEDDINGS - CONGRATULATIONS!

Katie Yakel & Cameron Leonard
Annalise Pattavina & John Patrick Fryberger

DEATHS - OUR SYMPATHY

Louis Saffioti Susan Brusnahan
Thomas Geise Leonardo Pedraza
Virginia Robbins Alice Schmidt
Bessie Fiscina Clara Head
Margaret Attayek

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