# St. Pius X Parish

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#### **Pastoral Staff**

Fr. Massillamani Zacharias (Fr. Mani), **Pastor** Michelle Somers, **Parish Secretary** 

#### **Office Hours**

Tuesday to Friday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

#### **Weekend Masses**

Saturday 5 pm Sunday 9 am and 11 am

#### **Weekday Masses**

Tuesday - Friday 8:30 am

#### **Rosary and Divine Mercy Prayer**

9 am following Mass at 8:30 am Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday

# Devotions to our Mother of Perpetual Help

9 am following Mass at 8:30 am Thursday

# Benediction & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Every first Friday of the month at 9 am following 8:30 am Mass

# Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 4 pm to 4:30 pm or by appointment

## Sacrament of Baptism

Register online at www.saintpiusx.ca/baptism, or call or email the office for more information

## **Sacrament of Marriage**

1 year advance notice is required Call or email the office for an appointment

## Parish Ministries/Organizations

- Altar Servers
- Lectors
- Eucharistic Ministers
- Ushers/Greeters
- Musicians
- Sacramental Preparation for First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation
- Finance Council
- Catholic Women's League
- Building Committee

# **Catholic School**

St. Pius X Catholic School 71 Jane Street Tel: 416-393-5237

#### Holy Communion for SHUT-INS and SICK

If you know of anyone who is sick and would like to have communion brought to them or would like the Sacrament of the Sick, or simply would like to be included in the Prayers of the Faithful, contact us

#### New Parishioners: Welcome!

We invite you to join our Parish family by registering with the parish office at www.saintpiusx.ca or by contacting the Office

PLEASE REMEMBER ST. PIUS X PARISH IN YOUR WILL



# Saturday, June 22

5pm + Catherine Morris

Sunday, June 23

9am Parishioners 11am + Paul Portelli

Tuesday, June 25

8:30am + Guillermo Udasco

Wednesday, June 26

8:30am + Parishioners

Thursday, June 27

8:30am + Gregorio & Teresa Yrastorza

Friday, June 28

8:30am + Gerardo & Maria Barbiero

# 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Job 38.1-4, 8-11++
Psalm: Ps 107.23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31
Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5.14-17
Gospel: Mark 4.35-41

# **Sponsoring the Vigil Candle**

The Sanctuary candle signifies the Real Presence of Our Lord Jesus Christ. It burns for the greater glory of God. Parishioners are invited to become monthly sponsors of the Vigil Candle. Please contact the parish office if you wish to donate. Doing so opens the opportunity for friends and families to pray at the tabernacle knowing the candle burns for their intentions.

# The Vigil Candle burns for the intentions of:

June 19-25 Estorba & Udasco Family June 26-29 Josie Radic

#### **GOSPEL REFLECTION**

#### Have you still no faith?

Do you desire to hear God speak to you? The most common way this happens is through prayerful meditation on the Gospels. Over the centuries, the saints have prayerfully pondered the Gospels and have offered various insights on the stories and our Lord's actions. Their insights are not primarily an intellectual exercise. Rather, they are first an exercise of prayer and meditation, revealing that the Scriptures have various layers of depth and meaning.

As is typical in Mark's Gospel, Jesus' disciples are frightened by the sudden storm; they do little to inspire confidence in the reader. The disciples' words to Jesus are telling. They are familiar enough with Jesus to dare to wake him. Their words to him are words of reproach, questioning his care for them. A careful reader might wonder what the disciples expected Jesus to do. Are they more troubled by the storm or by Jesus' inattentiveness to their needs?

Today's Gospel offers evidence of Jesus' power and authority as he calms the storm. In his day, power over nature was believed to be a sign of divinity—only God calms storms. Jesus' rebuke of the storm also echoes the rebuke he uses when he talks to and expels demons. In each situation, Jesus' power and authority is a sign of his divinity. Indeed, the disciples are left wondering about Jesus' identity at the conclusion of today's Gospel. They see before them a human being who acts with the authority and power of God. The disciples' uncertainty about Jesus' identity is a recurring theme in Mark's Gospel.

This Gospel is a metaphor for our lives. We are in the boat, the storms of life are raging around us, and like the disciples, we may believe that Jesus is unconcerned, or "sleeping." We hope that we will be as familiar with Jesus as his disciples. If we feel that Jesus is sleeping, are we comfortable enough to wake Jesus and present him with our needs? Jesus does not chide his disciples for waking him. Instead, he chides them for their lack of faith, for their lack of perspective. When we bring our worries to God in prayer, we might just begin to learn to see things from God's perspective.

#### **PARISH NEWS**

### Message from Fr. Mani

Fr. Mani, on his return from his holiday, would like to thank the volunteers and parishioners for helping Fr. Anthony, and for taking good care of the Parish during his absence.

#### **Altar Cloths and Scarves**

The Parish is short of altar cloths and needs to purchase some additional ones. If parishioners wish to sponsor any of the needed items in memory of their deceased loved ones, their names will be printed on an item of their choice. Families can share in the cost of one item if they like. Please see the notice on the Bulletin Board in the foyer for more details.

# Devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

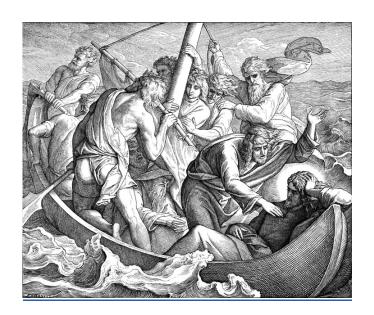
The month of June is devoted to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Archbishop Francis Leo has published a special message about this devotion. You can read his message here: <a href="https://www.archtoronto.org/pt/outreach/news/archdiocesan/message-of-archbishop-leo-on-devotion-to-the-most-sacred-heart-of-jesus/">https://www.archtoronto.org/pt/outreach/news/archdiocesan/message-of-archbishop-leo-on-devotion-to-the-most-sacred-heart-of-jesus/</a>.

#### **Vocations**

Jesus brought peace to the wind and the sea. "Peace! Be still!" Many are searching for this peace and need your help to find Jesus. Would you be willing to proclaim the truth of God's love and presence in your life as a priest, religious, or permanent deacon? If you think God is calling you, call **Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations,** Archdiocese of Toronto, at 416-968-0997 or email: <a href="mailto:vocations@archtoronto.crg">vocations@archtoronto.crg</a>. For more information <a href="mailto:www.vocationstoronto.ca">www.vocationstoronto.ca</a>.

# Christian Meditation: An Introductory Session

Learn and experience the 'Prayer of Heart' as a spiritual practice in the tradition of John Main. This simple form of prayer is deeply rooted in Sacred Scripture (1 Thess. 5:16-17) and has helped many Christians regain peace and live in the presence of the Lord for discipleship in the world. This session takes place on July 10<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm at the Holy Rosary Catholic Church (354 St. Clair Ave. W). Dedicated mediators will share their journey of prayer in this introductory session that is part of a year-long series of monthly events commemorating the 60th anniversary of the Vatican Decree on Ecumenism, giving thanks to God for the "The Beauty of Holiness" that is ours in Christ. Pre-registration is required for this free event. To register, please email: ecumenical@archtoronto.org. A poster is available at: https://bit.ly/4bpUSqS.



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