

St. Pius X Parish

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Pastoral Staff

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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/Committees/Organizations

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

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

To Join



To Donate



To Volunteer



PLEASE REMEMBER ST. PIUS X PARISH IN YOUR WILL



Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 10

5 pm + Jovita Muller

Sunday, May 11

9 am + Angela Di Domenico

11 am Parishioners

Tuesday, May 13

8:30 am + John & Mary O'Toole
+ Rosa Mallia

Wednesday, May 14

8:30 am Parishioners

Thursday, May 15

8:30 am Parishioners

Friday, May 16

8:30 am Parishioners



Fourth Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 13.14, 43-52

Psalm: Ps 100.1-2, 3, 5

Second Reading: Revelation 7.9, 14b-17

Gospel: John 10.27-30

Sponsoring the Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary lamp 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 Sanctuary Lamp. Please contact the parish office if you wish to donate. Doing so becomes an opportunity for friends and families to pray at the Tabernacle, knowing the Lamp burns for their intentions.



The Sanctuary Lamp burns in May for the intentions of: ---

GOSPEL REFLECTION

"My sheep hear my voice."

Today's Gospel reading is Jesus' answer to the question, "Are you the Messiah?" Jesus responds by saying, in essence, "If you have to ask, then you are not one of my sheep." We may be less familiar with the metaphors of sheep and shepherd than those to whom Jesus spoke. The image of Jesus as Good Shepherd and the community of followers as his sheep has endured over the centuries as a primary image in our faith tradition. Its power to describe the relationship between Jesus and his followers transcends direct experience with sheep. The image speaks to us about the protection, security, and care that shepherds represent for their sheep.

Prior to this passage, some of the Jews were trying to trap Jesus in His speech. They asked Him, "How long are you going to keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." To that, Jesus responded, "I told you and you do not believe." Jesus answered this way because the people questioning Him were not really interested in knowing whether He was the Messiah. Instead, they wanted evidence to accuse Him of blasphemy. But Jesus tells them that He already told them Who He was through His works: "The works I do in my Father's name testify to me."

Do you see the works of God in your life? If you do, then you understand that Jesus' works are one of the primary ways that He speaks to you and leads you as your Shepherd. Among the many works of God in your life is the work of grace by which God enables you to grow in virtue. Therefore, it is important to look for the ways that supernatural virtue grows in your life. The discernment of the will of God enables us to hear His voice and follow Him. And one of the best ways to discern the will of God is to look for the ways that God is touching your life. Where you see virtue increase, the will of God is present and is calling you to grow in that area. Conversely, if there is something in your life that leads you to sin, and, thus, a decrease in virtue, then this is also God's voice telling you to avoid these things.

In the First Reading, the lectionary continues the sequence begun on the Second Sunday of Easter presenting 'snapshots' of the life and mission of the post-Easter church. Here it would be important not to interpret the account of Paul and Barnabas at Antioch in Pisidia in an anti-Jewish way. It is only a minority of Jews who make trouble and cause Paul and Barnabas to turn to the pagans. But in so doing they are fulfilling the destiny of Israel to be 'a light to the nations', according to the prophecy of Isaiah. (Excerpts from: *Loyola Press; My Catholic Life; Fr. Brendan Byrne, SJ.*)

PARISH NEWS

Happy Mother's Day!

Fr. Mani gives his blessing to all the mothers in our parish. May God give them the patience, strength and wisdom they need every day for their families to flourish!

A Prayer for Our Confirmation Candidates

Lord, bless our Confirmands as they prepare for this sacrament and bestow upon them a sincere desire to know your ways, to experience your love, and to walk with the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Be with them on their journey and keep alive their desire to always please you. As the day nears, may they carry an open mind and a willing heart to receive and be sealed with the gifts of the spirit on their day of Confirmation, May 24th.

75th Anniversary of St. Pius X Parish

2026 will mark 75 years since our Parish was founded. We are planning a celebration and are hoping older parishioners can help with their memories of the earlier days. Perhaps you were a member of this parish 20 to 25 years ago or more, celebrated an event or were married here, or have a story or memorabilia that will bring to life our parish history. If so, please speak to Fr. Mani.

CWL Thanks You!

St. Pius X Catholic Women's League would like to say thank you to our Parishioners for supporting its Spring Bake Sale on May 3rd. And despite the weather, it was another successful event. Our CWL events not only raise funds to be distributed to various charitable organizations, but they also bring the St. Pius X Parish community together. Thank you for your continued support.

Second Collection

This weekend, May 10-11, there will be a second collection for the parish Building Fund.

Papal Election Message

At this important time in the history of the Church, you can read the message from His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo on the

Preparation for the Election of the Roman Pontiff:

<https://www.archtoronto.org/en/outreach/new/s/archdiocesan/message-from-his-eminence-frank-cardinal-leo-on-the-preparation-for-the-election-of-the-roman-pontiff/> (Clickable links are available in the website posting of this Bulletin at <https://saintpiusx.ca>).

Martyrs' Shrine Invitation

The National Shrine to the Canadian Martyrs (Midland) is holding a Gala Dinner at the Bellvue in Vaughan, Ontario, on June 11th, with all proceeds going to support upgrades to its infrastructure during its centennial year. With special guest Cardinal Francis Leo, guests will enjoy food at booths hosted by some of the major ethnic pilgrimage groups and a banquet dinner. Tickets are \$200 and available at <https://martyrs-shrine.com/spring-gala>.

Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Rome

The Archdiocese of Toronto Jubilee 2025 Committee is organizing a week-long pilgrimage to Rome with Cardinal Frank Leo from November 10 to 17, 2025. The pilgrimage will include visits to Rome's major basilicas and Holy Door, daily Mass, and a day trip to Assisi. Registration will take place online beginning Thursday, April 24 at 10 am. Space is limited. For full registration details, to view a detailed itinerary, and to learn more about this prayerful journey to Rome, visit: <https://bit.ly/ArchTORome2025>.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience

Are you ready for more growth and happiness in your marriage? Worldwide Marriage Encounter is an approved ministry of the Archdiocese of Toronto. Join WWME on June 27-29 at Queen of Apostles (1617 Blythe Rd., Mississauga) for a weekend to discover the secrets to a lasting, supportive, and transformational marriage. This weekend is for couples, whether newlyweds or married for decades. To register, contact: christian.elizabeth.aroba@wwme.org, or call 416-554-4439 or 416-554-7062. Brochure: <https://www.archtoronto.org/siteassets/media/archdiocese-of-toronto-main-site/files/events/10-2021/wwme-brochure-for-couples.pdf>

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