

# St. Pius X Parish

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## Pastoral Staff

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(Fr. Mani), **Pastor**

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Anselm Kerkos-De Souza, **Sacramental Preparation Coordinator**

## 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](http://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](http://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, July 19

5 pm + Connie Estorba

### Sunday, July 20

9 am Parishioners

11 am + Candelario Family & Luz Pulido

### Tuesday, July 22

8:30 am + Dora Abreu

### Wednesday, July 23

8:30 am + Alex Riley

### Thursday, July 24

8:30 am Dalia Gevaert

### Friday, July 25

8:30 am + Antoine Nguyen



## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Genesis 18.1-10a

Psalm: Ps 15.1b-3a, 3b-4a, 4b-5

Second Reading: Colossians 1.24-28

Gospel: Luke 10.38-42



### 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 July for the intentions of:**

Norah De Cuyper

## GOSPEL REFLECTION

***“Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things...”***

Both the first reading and the Gospel for Mass this Sunday are centered on what is sometimes called “the ministry of hospitality,” a spiritual work. They highlight the qualities that help nourish our relationship with God and one another: openness, hospitality and joy. The nomadic culture of the Patriarch Abraham, who lived some three thousand eight hundred years ago, is the setting for the First Reading this Sunday, recounting the famous visit to Abraham and Sarah by the three mysterious guests who announce that a child will be born to the aged couple a year later. Abraham and Sarah are solicitous towards their visitors even before the announcement, offering them all the fine cuisine at their disposal.

Today’s Gospel brings out a different aspect of hospitality. We know that it was because Martha was diligent in taking care of the duties of hospitality that Mary felt the freedom to sit at Jesus’ feet. Perhaps the ideal response from Martha would have been to notice that Mary was being spiritually fed by our Lord and to rejoice in that fact, giving her the continued freedom to sit at Jesus’ feet. If Martha would have realized this, then she would have continued working in the background so that her sister could continue listening to Jesus. But Jesus also reminds Martha of what is more important. Where Abraham in the First Reading is concerned only for the well-being of his guests, Martha speaks only of herself: “Do you not care that my sister has left me by myself? Tell her to help me.” We notice the rising tensions as Martha feels taken for granted. Jesus’ gentle rebuke reminds us that we risk missing the divine in the mundane. The words of Jesus make clear that our work has to be rooted in a quiet and peaceful heart, grounded in the love of God and neighbour. Otherwise, we run the risk of being mechanical and without heart in our service to others.


Looking at our own lives, we reflect on whether we have the right balance between busyness -- keeping on top of many tasks -- and being truly present to the Lord’s invitation to simply love him and allow him to love us. We consider whether we could spend more time sitting at the Lord’s feet, like Mary, listening to him. (Excerpts from: *My Catholic Life*; *Scott Hahn Reflections*; *Monastery of Christ in the Desert*; *St. Bueno’s Outreach*.)

## **PARISH NEWS**

### **Mission Co-op**

This weekend, July 19-20, we welcome Rev. Fr. Pathrose of the Diocese of Marthandam in South India, who is currently serving in the United States. As our representative in the Archdiocesan Mission Co-operative Program, he will speak about its mandate to provide basic needs and education for missionaries, and food, housing and medical aid for newly formed Catholics. For those wishing to donate for these needs, special envelopes will be available in the foyer. Thank you, Fr. Pathrose!

### **World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly**

WDGE 2025 will be celebrated on Sunday, July 27, close to the Feast of Saints Anne and Joachim, grandparents of Jesus (July 26). The theme is “Blessed are those who have not lost hope” (cf. Sirach 14:2). Let us take this opportunity to uplift grandparents and the elderly, cherishing them as blessings in our faith community. For tips and resources to help highlight this special Day, visit  [www.cccb.ca](http://www.cccb.ca). Pope Leo XIV has also published a message reminding us that the Bible abounds with examples of men and women “whom the Lord called late in life to play a part in his saving plan.” See: [MESSAGGIO25-ENG.pdf](http://MESSAGGIO25-ENG.pdf).

### **Annual Mass for Faithful Departed**

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services invites all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Mass for the souls of the deceased buried at our Catholic Cemeteries. The Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, August 13, 2025, at 7:00 pm. Locations of Masses and the celebrants are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer. The bishop of our Region, Most Rev. Robert Kasun, will celebrate the Mass to be held in the Mount Hope Cemetery in Toronto.

### **Jubilee Pilgrimage – Martyrs’ Shrine**

The Archdiocese of Toronto has organized a “Pilgrims of Hope” pilgrimage to Martyrs’

Shrine for Sunday, August 24. Mass will be celebrated by Frank Cardinal Leo at 11:00 am. There will be opportunities for Reconciliation, a Rosary Procession, Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction, as well as fellowship with members of our Catholic community. More information is available on the poster on our bulletin board and at: <https://www.archtoronto.org/en/offices-and-ministries/sub-sites/year-of-prayer/home/pilgrimage-to-martyrs-shrine/>.

### **Cardinal’s Dinner**

Fr. Mani is inviting parishioners to attend the 2025 Cardinal’s Dinner. It will be held on Wednesday, November 5, at the Pearson Convention Centre in Brampton. The cost is \$225 per person, or \$2,250 for a table of ten. Tickets can be purchased online at [www.archtoronto.org/cardinalsinner](http://www.archtoronto.org/cardinalsinner), or see Fr. Mani if you wish to use an order form to donate the cost of one ticket or of a table.

### **Lumen Gentium**

The Lumen Gentium Forum is a Fellowship Program for young Catholic professionals. They are recruiting candidates to join the next group of the fellowship program, a nine-month experience focused on building up Catholic leaders for the Church and for society, offered by CAPP-Canada — the Canadian arm of a Vatican foundation founded by Pope Saint John Paul II, in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Toronto. Running from September 2025 to May 2026, this program is designed to form young Catholic lay people, ages 25-40, for their vocations as leaders who serve the common good, share the light of Christ with others, and bring Gospel values alive in their careers, communities, family, parish, and civic engagement — all through their particular talents and skills. Interested candidates may apply at [www.LumenForum.ca](http://www.LumenForum.ca). Applications will close once a full cohort of 20 Fellows has been recruited. Contact: [brendan@lumenforum.ca](mailto:brendan@lumenforum.ca) or [robin@lumenforum.ca](mailto:robin@lumenforum.ca).



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