

St. Pius X Parish

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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, November 8

5 pm Elena Togias

Sunday, November 9

9 am + Sabine Beblo

11 am Parishioners

Tuesday, November 11

8:30 am + Custodio Rodrigues

+ Gervacio Estorba

+ Rena Riley

Wednesday, November 12

8:30 am + Leo Goemaere

Thursday, November 13

8:30 am Thanksgiving to Priests &
Parishioners of St. Pius X Parish

Friday, November 14

8:30 am + Anne Hergarden



Solemnity of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

First Reading: Ezekiel 47.1-2, 8-9, 12

Psalm: Ps 46.1-2, 4-5, 7-8

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 3.9b-11, 16-17

Gospel: John 2.13-22



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 November for the intentions of: Priscilla Santos

GOSPEL REFLECTION

"Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."

We celebrate today the Lateran Basilica in Rome, the mother church of the entire Roman Catholic Church and the most important Church in the world, since it is officially the Cathedral Church of Rome.

God's prototype for the church is the Jerusalem Temple, described in this week's First Reading and Psalm. It is God's "holy dwelling," site of His presence in our midst, source of "living waters"—of all life and blessing. But God intended the Temple to give way to the Body of Christ. In John's Gospel, Jesus' authority is contrasted with the authority of the Temple cult and is a criticism of the cult itself.

The story is composed of two parts, Jesus' action in the Temple and Jesus' predictions about the Temple's destruction. The time of year is the sacred feast of Passover. If the many pilgrims to Jerusalem during Passover were to have animals for the sacrificial rituals of the feast, it was necessary to sell cattle in the Temple and to change the unclean Roman money. By denouncing this, Jesus is cutting to the core of the Temple cult.

The story is really about Jesus' fate, revealing that Jesus, not the Temple, is the locus of God's presence on earth. As they often do in John, the Jews misunderstand Jesus' words. John intentionally integrates a post-Resurrection perspective into the Gospel narrative. Although this is the beginning of his ministry, Jesus is already speaking of his coming death and Resurrection. God has from all time intended the church building to be a symbol of His Church and our bodies.

Jesus loves His Church as His own Body—because that is what it is. As His Body, the members of His Church are called and sent to act as His instruments, members of His saving action. And with this Gospel passage for today's Feast, we are reminded of the zeal that our Lord has for the cleansing of His Church. Jesus desires, with perfect zeal, to drive out every sin from your soul, cleansing the rubbish that keeps you from fulfilling your essential role as a member of His Body. (Excerpts from: *My Catholic Life*; *Scott Hahn Reflections*; *Loyola Press*.)

PARISH NEWS

Weekly Prayer

Look for a weekly prayer in this space beginning in December. Each prayer will be accompanied by an invitation to congratulate and pray for a special group of people. At the same time, we will also initiate a gift card program to be given to parishioners who may be in need. Details to come.

2026 Missals, Offertory Envelopes and Anniversary Calendar

The Living with Christ Sunday Missals will be available for purchase next weekend, November 15-16. This year, we are adding a beautiful St. Pius X 75th Anniversary calendar. The cost for both is \$10. Exact change would be appreciated. At the same time, we will be distributing the 2026 boxes of donation envelopes.



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR – November 15

St. Pius X Catholic Women's League Christmas Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 15 from 10 am to 2 pm in the church Hall. Items for sale: Baked Goods, New Gifts, Christmas Decorations, Knitted Goods and Jewelry. There will also be a Silent Auction and Wine Raffle. Donations of homemade baked goods can be dropped off in the Church Hall on Friday, November 14 between 5 pm and 8 pm or on Saturday, November 15 before the Bazaar opens. Please indicate if your baking contains nuts. All proceeds from the Bazaar will go to various charities. Please come out and support this event! Bring your family and friends, do some early Christmas shopping, and share in the St. Pius X community spirit over a cup of coffee or a bowl of soup or chili.

Red Mass

On November 19, 2025, Red Wednesday will be marked across Canada and around the world. In Toronto, a Mass will be celebrated at 5:30 pm at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica by

Most Reverend John A. Boissonneau, Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto. The day is dedicated to remembering Christians who face violence, discrimination, or death for their faith. The colour red symbolizes the blood of martyrs and reminds us that millions still suffer today. Parishes, schools, and communities can participate by praying, wearing red, hosting events, lighting churches and buildings, sharing online, and fundraising to strengthen support to Aid to the Church in Need for those who suffer. Every action, large or small, sends hope. More information: www.acn-canada.org/rw/

Second Collection

There will be a second collection this weekend, November 8-9, for the Parish Building Fund.

Next weekend, November 15-16, a special collection will be held for **Shepherds' Trust**. The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to help ensure that elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. Your generous gift will help our priests to maintain a modest but active and independent lifestyle in their retirement years. For priests who are ill or otherwise infirm, the Trust ensures they have access to nursing home facilities and medical care. Thank you for your support of this important work. Please pick up a brochure and envelope in the foyer.

ShareLife Update

So far this year, parishioners have donated \$37,734 which is 80% of our annual goal of 47,000. Reaching 100% of our goal would be a first! ShareLife is a reliable and cost-effective way to support local people and groups in need.



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