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A Message from Monsignor

Not everyone every time, but everyone over time!

In the last several weeks I have spoken at Mass about our desire to try to expand our scope of ministry and reach out to as many people as possible with the truth of the Gospel and our efforts of evangelization. Like St. Paul, we may try to



Reverend Monsignor Anthony Marcaccio

be all things to all people in order to save some and ourselves.

It sounds Herculean, even impossible, but I am convinced we can accomplish the task through our pastoral efforts and programming—if not everyone every time, everyone over time. Think of how different our parish and our community would look if each of us embraced our mission and did just one thing that would help

us to Know, to Love, or to Serve the Lord. Not everyone every time, but everyone one at a time, doing something to help build the kingdom, sharing the Love we celebrate, and witnessing the Gospel.

Our 2018 Stewardship Ministry Guides have been sent to each registered family in our parish. You will find many opportunities to become involved in the mission of St. Pius the Tenth. Prayerfully consider how you might answer the call to Know, Love, and Serve the Lord. Thank you for being partners in this great ministry.

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Holy Week and Easter Schedule

Sunday, March 25 - Palm Sunday 7:00*, 9:00, 11:30 a.m. Masses *note time change

Thursday, March 29 - Holy Thursday 7:00 p.m. Feast of the Lord's Supper Mass

> Friday, March 30 - Good Friday 3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service

Saturday, March 31 - Holy Saturday 8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday, April 1 - Easter Sunday 7:00*, 9:00, and 11:30 a.m. Masses *note time change



Easter Egg Hunt & Basket Blessing

Saturday, March 31 9:00 a.m.

St. Pius X Cloister Children ages 10 and under



"Guys Doin' Stuff"

Mark Painley

"Guys Doin' Stuff" (GDS) sounds like something you might be afraid to let a family member get involved with, but don't let the name fool you. Who are these guys and what kind of "stuff" are they getting into? GDS was started about three years ago as a way for the men of SPX to connect socially. A handful of men started asking friends and acquaintances in the parish to get together once a month for fellowship—usually a cold beer and dinner. An email list was established, and invitations now go out each month to inform the Guys of the upcoming month's activities.

It was during the first few months that the vast array of talents held by the "Guys" really came to light, and were utilized within the parish for anyone needed a helping hand. After talking to Monsignor and the staff to get the word out, requests for assistance started rolling in. Here is just a short list of what the Guys have accomplished:

- Moved all the furniture out of the old Kloster Center and back into the new Simmons Center
- Built a wheelchair ramp for a handicapped parishioner
- Painted the downstairs of a house after the parishioner had just lost their spouse
- Performed yard maintenance and landscaping for a parishioner suffering from cancer
- Built a planter box and did home repairs for a parishioner with back problems
- Helped relocate a food pantry
- Rebuilt the porch roof at Caring Services, which serves people suffering from addictions
- Cleared vines and did landscaping tasks around the school
- Many furniture moves and appliance deliveries for home-bound and elderly parishioners
- Many small projects around the church, parish center, and school

It is also important to note that the projects requiring supplies were done at no charge to the parishioners. Not only have the Guys been generous with their time and talents, they have been very generous with their treasure.

We now have over 75 guys on the email list, but this is not an exclusive club. *We welcome anyone that would like to join.* Email Scott Urquhart at spurquhart@gmail.com for information and to be added to the email list. Also, we are always looking for new projects. If you know of a need within the parish or our community, please contact the parish office or Scott directly.



New Ministry Guides Arriving Soon!

The 2018 Stewardship Ministry Guides have been mailed! What better time than during this Lenten season to pray and discern the gifts and talents that the Lord has blessed us with, and how



we will best use those gifts and talents to help build His Kingdom.

Please take some time to read through the information provided in the guide and familiarize yourself with the various ministry opportunities and formational opportunities available through our parish. There are commitment forms included for adults, middle and high school youth, and children. Additional forms are available on the website at www.stpiusxnc.com. Please return the forms, in the envelope provided, to the parish office no later than March 25. You can return them through the mail, drop them off in person during office hours, or place them in the offertory basket during Mass.

Thank you for your continued commitment to stewardship at St. Pius X. As we each grow closer to the Light of Christ, we can help one another nurture and cultivate the faith and work together to fulfill our mission to Know, Love, and Serve the Lord.

Easter Prayer

God of power and might,
by your holy will you raised
Jesus from the dead so
we might share his life eternally.
As we rejoice and give you thanks
for your great goodness and mercy,
help us to reach out to those who do
not yet believe in the truth of the gospel.
Fill us with your compassion so with loving
hearts we may serve the weak
and needy for love of you.
Strengthen the faith of our families
so we may grow together in love.
May your joy grow in us day by day.
Amen.



Stewardship: Taking One Step Forward to Know, Love, and Serve the Lord

Christine Schneider

Sometimes we just need to "take one step forward in our faith" and see where God leads us.

I attended my first St. Pius X Bible study approximately seven years ago. As we studied the *Bible Timeline*, many felt the Holy Spirit moving, making us thirsty and inspiring us to continue. I took more of our Bible Study classes and attended two National Bible Conferences.

Studying the Bible made me want to learn more, but also to *do* more. I looked at our parish



"Studying the Bible made me want to not just learn more, but to do more." Christine Schneider (right) is pictured with staff member, Carolyn Painley, at the 2017 CROP Walk.

Stewardship Guide opportunities to find a good fit. Having had some painful losses in my life, I decided to share my empathy with others who are grieving and joined the Seasons of Hope **Grief Support** Ministry team. I have been a part of this ministry for six years, sharing with other facilitators and hearing participants share

their grief. Those taking the program trust us to lead them through Scripture, allowing the Holy Spirit and Christ to be there to help lift their burden. This has been a blessing to me and has increased my faith.

Despite the feeling that I might be taking on too much, I wanted to learn more about being a Faith Formation catechist. After prayer about it, I was contacted by a new friend I had met just a few weeks earlier at the CROP Hunger Walk. She asked me to teach with her. This was the answer to my prayers. Because I was personally asked, I responded with a YES! This is currently my 5th year of teaching Faith Formation.

Knowing and loving the Lord has led me to service in other aspects of my life. Now, I also volunteer at the Greensboro Science Center and with the Greensboro Youth Chorus. My life changed because I took a "step forward" with Bible study. Don't be afraid to take one step forward in your faith and see where it leads you.

The 2018 Valentine's Day dinner and dance was a huge success! Thank you to our Socials Ministry for a fun-filled and relaxing evening. Many parishioners spent the evening enjoying one another's company and sharing the love! Clockwise from top right: Chris and Carole Mierez, Delores and Stu Ahrens, Bob and Debbie Ashworth, and Sharyl and Tony Villier all enjoyed a quick photo op during the evening.

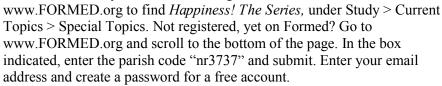




Happiness is ... Coffee Talk!

Happiness! The Series continues through **Sunday, March 18.** We will break for Palm Sunday and the Octave of Easter.

Miss an episode or want to share what you've learned with family or friends? Just log onto



Happiness! The Series features interviews with well-known psychiatrists, celebrities, New Testament scholars, physicists, and priests that uncover the deeper answers to life's most profound questions. Using Fr. Robert J. Spitzer's proven paradigm, "The Four Levels of Happiness," we will examine unhappiness and depression, evidence for our transcendent and eternal life, the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, and we learn how to properly deal with and benefit from suffering.

In support of St. Pius X's mission "to Know, Love and Serve the Lord," Coffee Talk treats parishioners to a wide range of topics relevant to our Catholic faith. All adult parishioners are invited! Child care is available for those whose children are not enrolled in Faith Formation.

Calendar Clips: Clip It, Post It, Do It!

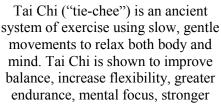
ST. PIUS X SENIORS



Mass, Luncheon, and Program March 20 at 11:00 a.m.

Join us for Mass in the chapel followed by lunch and a performance by the Walsh Kelly School of Irish Dancing RSVP to Gloria Essa by March 16 (336) 299-3926

Seniors Ministry is Sponsoring Tai Chi For Health





immune system, increase bone mass, reduce stress.

Classes begin on Thursday, March 1

Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. through the month of May 45-minute class in the Simmons Praish Center No class on Thursday, March 29 (Holy Thursday) *All fitness levels are welcome!*

Health benefits include: improved balance, increased flexibility, greater endurance, mental focus, stronger immune system, increased bone mass, and reduced stress

The practice of Tai Chi is said to give one "the strength of a lumberjack, the suppleness of an infant, and the wisdom of a sage!"

Eric Reiss, Chief Instructor

Certified by National Tai Chi Ch'uan Association



Lenten Retreat: What Are You Looking For?

All women are invited to participate in a Lenten Retreat led by Spiritual Director, Marge Birge Simmons Parish Center

Saturday, March 17 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Refreshments will be served. Cost: \$10.

Bring items helpful in your spiritual life, such as your Bible, a journal or rosary.

Reserve your spot today!

Please call Darlene at the parish office (336) 272-4681

It's FUN and GAMES the 4th Friday of every month!

Join us for March Game Night!

March 23 from 7:00-9:00 p.m.
in the Simmons Parish Center
Snacks and Beverages provided.
Contact Alice Yorks with questions
Alicef81@aol.com or (336) 280-1223



BISH P MGUINNESS

OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday, March 7 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Meet Teachers and Administrators Guided Tours Available

The only school in the Triad to achieve the College Board AP Honor Roll distinction!

Praesis Ut Prosis. Excel That You Might Better Serve (336) 564-1010 . www.bmhs.us



AN EVENING OF SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY & DERBY EXCITEMENT SATURDAY, MAY 5 at 6:00 pm Simmons Parish Center

Mark your calendars for St. Pius X Catholic School's Grandstand Gala! On the evening of the Kentucky Derby, join fellow St. Pius X school and parish families for an evening of food, drinks, dancing, and games to support our school. Grandstand Gala proceeds will go directly to offset the impending replacement of St. Pius X School's original 1950s HVAC system. Help ensure the comfort of our students and #KeepSPXCool!





FISH FRY

Friday, March 9 5:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Dine in or Take Out \$8.00 adult, \$5.00 kids Kids under 5 Free Simmons Parish Center

Golden Fried Fish, Baked Potato/French Fries, Hush Puppies, Cole Slaw, and a Beverage (Grilled Cheese and Baked Fish are also available)

SPX Chapel Rosary with the Knights of Columbus

"When?" You Ask ... Second Sunday of each month **March 11** at 10:15 a.m.

With the Rosary, Christian people sit at the school of Mary and are led to contemplate the beauty on the face of Christ and experience the depths of his love.

2018 Dining For Friends

Plan to join in the fun!
This is the 23rd Annual *Dining For Friends*Held at St. Pius X in the Simmons Parish Center and hosted by the Community Life Committee

Saturday, April 28th 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Simmons Parish Center

Plan to enjoy a wonderful Italian feast, fellowship, and music at this annual fundraiser benefitting Triad Health Project and those in our community affected by HIV/AIDS. There is no cost to attend, however a collection for Triad Health Project will be taken at the door.

RSVP online at https://saintpiusx.weshareonline.org/dff



Great Lenten Service Opportunity For Families! Out of the Garden Project Fresh Mobile Market Distribution

Join us on **Saturday, March 3** from **1:30 to 3:30 p.m.** as we assist Out of the Garden with their Fresh Mobile Meals distribution at Union Hill Elementary in High Point. This is a great service project for families. Lifting is involved, but can be avoided if you aren't able. We volunteer outdoors, rain or shine, so please dress for the weather! Closed toed shoes are required.

If this first Saturday in March is not convenient, we offer this opportunity every month! To register, go to our SPX website under the SERVE tab, go to Outreach Ministries and scroll down to Out of the Garden sign-up. Questions? Email Kathleen McGirty kmcgirty@gmail.com.



SUNSHINE CLUB

Thank you parishioners for your monthly donations of food and stewardship for our Sunshine Club, a monthly social and recreational gathering for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities



MARCH Sunshine Club ~ Friday evening, March 2 Need meatless pasta dishes and salads.

APRIL Sunshine Club ~ Friday evening, **April 6**Need sandwich trays and potato salad.

If you can provide this food or want more information, please visit our website at www.stpiusxnc.com/sunshine,

And the king will say to them in reply, "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." -Matthew 25:40











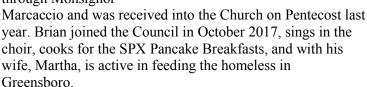


Knights Corner

Mark Garland

KofC Knight of the Month

The February Knight of the Month is Brian Harvey. Brian discovered Catholicism through Monsignor



KofC Family of the Month

The February Council Family of the Month is Neil and Sue Rochette. Neil and Sue have been involved in Pius X parish life for many years, from volunteering at SPX School, to Parish Community Life committees, bible studies, youth ministry, and many other activities. Sue has coordinated the *Echoes* newsletter distribution for a long time. Neil and Sue are a Catholic family that sets an example of leadership and service through their charity, unity, and fraternity.

Read more about these outstanding Knights at www.stpiusxnc.com, under SERVE, click the KofC icon on the middle of the page.

Good stewards at the "Night to Shine" helped our guests feel the love! Thank you to our parish youth and adults who served by donating their time, talents, or professional services for this event. All photos can be found online at www.stpiusxnc.com under the "What's Happening" section on the home page. Photo Credits: Kelly Bartlett, Georgianna Penn, and MaryAnn Luedtke.

Use our App to stay close to your St. Pius X Family

The parish is now using an app to help you receive notifications of parish news, communications, contact info, bulletins, daily readings and a direct link to our Facebook page, even if you do not have a Facebook account. You can find the app in the Google Play Store or the Apple Store. An easy way is to send a text to the number 555888 and in the body of the text type SPXCC1 if you have an Apple device or SPXCC2 if you have an Android device. You will then receive a text to click on to download the app to your device. Allow the app to send notifications. You can also read the notifications by clicking the Message button on the app! Members of our staff and Parish Council will be available after Mass on weekends of **March 11** and **March 25** to help answer questions and show you how to download the app.





March 2018



Easter Sunday Masses Sunday, April Ist 7am, 9am & 11:30am

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Joseph Overman

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