

ORDINARY TIME

11 September 2016

TODAY

- Blood Pressure Readings (McDuffee) after all Masses
- Coffee & Donuts (DH) after the Sunday Masses
- Nursery (Room #102) during the 10:30 Mass
- HS Kick-Off Planning Meeting (Youth Room) 11:45am
- Middle School Edge (DH) 5:30pm

MONDAY | Sept. 12

1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Lk 7:1-10

- Men's Bible Study (Room #101) 7am
- Prayer Shawl Ministry (McDuffee) 5:30pm
- Novel Readers Book Club (McDuffee) 7pm

TUESDAY | Sept. 13 | St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31/Lk 7:11-17

- **Mass in Chapel** (+Karen Feirick) 8:30am
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Chapel) 9am-7pm
- 50+ Potluck & Movie (DH) 5:30pm
- Mom's Support Group (McDuffee) 7pm

WEDNESDAY | Sept. 14 | The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Nm 21:4-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

- **Mass in Chapel** (+Charles Winter) 6:30pm
- Cantor Practice 6:30pm
- Choir Practice 7pm
- Catholic Inquiry (McDuffee) 7pm
- Finance Council Meeting (PC LL #1) 7:15pm

THURSDAY | Sept. 15 | Our Lady of Sorrows

1 Cor 15:1-11/Jn 19:25-27

- Ladies Bible Study (DH) 9:30am
- Pastoral Council Meeting (McDuffee) 7pm

FRIDAY | Sept. 16 | Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

1 Cor 15:12-20/Lk 8:1-3

- **Mass in Chapel** (+Robert Hermann) 8:30am

SATURDAY | Sept. 17

1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Lk 8:4-15

- That Man is You! (DH) 6am
- Reconciliation/Confessions (Church) 4-4:45pm
- Contemporary Choir Practice (Church) 4:30pm

LORD'S DAY LITURGIES | September 18, 2016**25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Am 8:4-7 / 1 Tm 2:1-8 / Lk 16:1-13

5:30pm Saturday

Parish Family

8:30am Sunday

+Pat Kosiara +Bette Dekkinga

10:30am Sunday

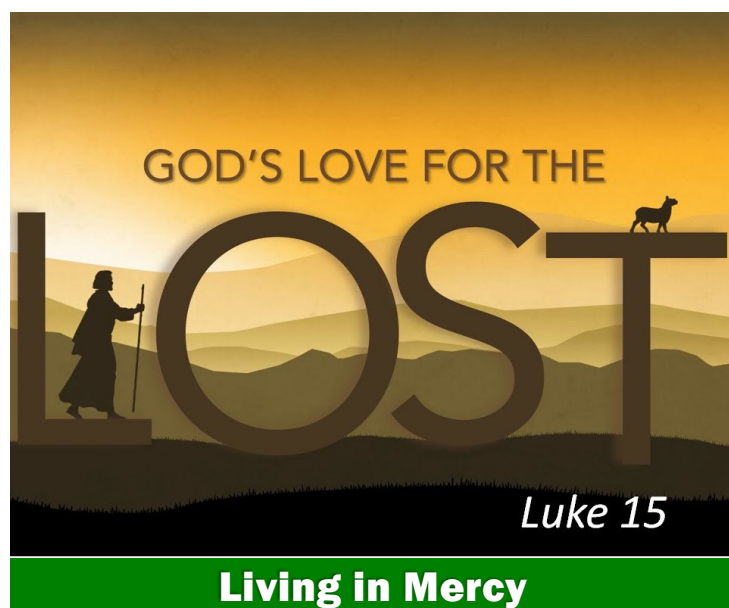
+George Bieber +Diane Hall

Other Events on Sept. 18

- **Elementary Formation Classes Begin at 9am**
- **Middle School Edge at 5:30pm**
- **High School Ministry Kick-Off at 7pm**

**REAL PEOPLE + REAL PRESENCE**

... a welcoming Roman Catholic family of God
empowered by the Holy Spirit
to grow our relationship with Jesus Christ
and with one another
as we worship, pray, learn and serve.



Lost sheep. Lost coin. Lost child. Losing a possession is one thing. Losing one's way is something else. (1) The people of Exodus so lost their way to God, they turned to a molten calf of their own design. Worshiping something that is not God is idolatry, is deep down infidelity, is mistrust of God. Moses pleads for these stiff-necked people. And God relents: God does not punish. (2) The prodigal son thought owning things and going far off was the way to live. He comes to his senses and returns home and finds his father—filled with compassion—running to embrace him. The point: it is God's very nature to relent, to exude compassion, to run to us, to love.

- How can I be like God today?
- For whom will I plead today?
- Whom will I run to embrace

Prepare for next week: Read and reflect on the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (beginning on pg. 373) in the "Living Liturgy" missal.



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DEC. 8, 2015 - NOV. 30, 2016



ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC PARISH

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Parish & Formation Office Hours:

9-Noon; 1-5pm Mon-Thurs 9-Noon on Fridays
(Formation Summer Hours: 9:30-4:30pm Monday-Thursdays)

Parish Book of Prayer — This book near the main church entrance is for your prayers of intercession or gratitude. They are part of the intentions at Mass.

Parish Membership — Count yourself in! If you worship with us regularly, kindly register as a parishioner. You'll receive parish mailings, and it will help us provide pastoral care should you need it. Contact 532-9344; or parishoffice@spxcatholic.org.

Infant Baptisms are celebrated at various times throughout the year. If you believe raising your child in our Catholic faith is one of your most important duties as a parent, call the parish office.

Sacrament of Marriage — The lifelong covenant between a man and a woman is a sign of God's covenant with us. At least six months of prayer and preparation are needed before entering this commitment. Please contact Fr. Chris as soon as you are engaged. Couples celebrating an anniversary ending in a "0" or "5" may request a special blessing.

OTHER MARRIAGE RESOURCES: www.foryourmarriage.org/

Pastoral Care of the Sick — If you or a loved one are seriously ill, homebound, or anticipating surgery, please contact Rosemary Beahan or Fr. Chris in the parish office. The hospitals do not contact us.

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The View from 40th & Wilson

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**CHOSEN BY CHRIST
& choosing to...**

"I Will Choose Christ" is one of my favorite contemporary hymns. But if you sing only the refrain of that song, you miss half the story. Long before you chose Christ, he chose you.

Think about that. If you have any affection, predilection or connection with Jesus Christ, it's because God willed it so. If you were baptized as a baby, you can thank your parents for that—but it was because you had been chosen beforehand by Jesus Christ.

"It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to bear fruit that will remain..." Jesus tells us in John 15:16.

I feel that's an important tenant of our faith to consider as we enter the final quarter of 2016. Each one of us has been personally chosen by Christ. But God respects us so much that he does not take away our freedom to ignore or reject his

call.

Probably the biggest challenge we face is making Christ-centered choices with our time, our families, our money and our minds; our Saturday nights and Sunday mornings...

All this leads to our theme for this fall: **Chosen by Christ & choosing to** that blank, O chosen one?

"How many times must he call my name, and show to me that he is God? And as a servant he calls to me, 'You must serve too.'"

[I WILL CHOOSE CHRIST. © 1991 TOM BOOTH. SPIRIT & SONG. A DIVISION OF OCP](#)

One more thought: Honestly, some days I have to begin by simply *choosing to believe* that Jesus Christ is God and that I am chosen. And then I keep *choosing to practice* being a faithful Roman Catholic.

PARISH UPDATE: What you might have missed while away

► **Our Lord's Day Masses have us accompanying Jesus to Jerusalem,** a journey that began way back in June. Each Sunday, we hear passages from the Gospel of Luke, chapters 9-21. These teachings are challenging and perplexing. They are also steeped in God's rich mercy.

Perhaps that's what Pope Francis had in mind when he proclaimed this to be an Extraordinary Year of Mercy. Which is why we are beginning and concluding the Rite of Holy Communion with the ["Hymn for the Holy Year of Mercy."](#) Let's hope everyone will take those Latin words to heart: *"Be merciful as your heavenly Father! Be merciful as your heavenly Father! His mercy is everlasting."*

► **Facility Improvement Plan** — The proposed project is moving forward, albeit slowly. Prospective construction management firms and capital campaign consultants have each been interviewed by representatives from the Pastoral Council, Finance Council and Campus and Facilities Master Planning Committee. The next step is making the final selections and get approval from the Grand Rapids Diocese to hire.

After that, further plan development

and publicity can begin in earnest. A downsized concept calls for a youth and multipurpose center in the courtyard between the Religious Education Center and Parish Center (old church). This addition would flow into an expanded Gathering Area adjacent to the church entrances, putting our youth near all the facilities they use and creating a hub for the various wings of our building.

We know parishioners have lots of questions and a town hall meeting will be held when all ducks are in a row. A big part of the \$3 million plan is replacing our parking lots and boilers. Our aging infrastructure cost us \$18,750 this spring when the air conditioning unit for Danner Hall had to be replaced.

► **If you haven't done so, please welcome our newest staff members:**

ROSEMARY BEAHAN is our Pastoral Associate for Pastoral Care, Outreach and Christian Initiation. She returns to Grand Rapids after 16 years in south Florida.

ASHLEY ROTTMAN is our new Coordinator of Youth Ministry. Ashley most recently worked as development director for the local Boy Scout Council.

Rosemary and Ashley have both fit in so naturally here that we long timers risk forgetting they are new and need extra support. Your help is appreciated.



Faith Formation | Religious Education

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PARENTS — You still have a little time to register for 2016-2017 Faith Formation year. Register online or pickup a form in the church vestibule or outside the Faith Formation Office. Elementary classes begin Sunday, Sept. 18 & Wednesday, Sept. 21. Sessions are offered at the following times:

- Sundays ~ 9-10:15am
- Wednesdays ~ 4-5:30pm & 6-7:30pm
- Middle School Edge ~ Sundays 5:30-7:30pm
- High School ~ Sundays 7-8:30pm

Catechists and Volunteers are needed!

Email formation@spxcatholic.org with questions or for more information.

CONFIRMATION is a two-year process at St. Pius X Parish. Beginning in 7th grade and running through 8th grade, our Middle School students participate in the program we call *Edge*. During *Edge*, we work with the teens to grow in prayer, knowledge of faith, and service. Don't forget to register your middle school students for *Edge*! **Interviews:** Each middle school student needs to have an interview as part of the Confirmation process. Please sign up for an interview online.

Edge Kickoff is tonight (9/11) ~ 5:30-7:30pm in Danner Hall
Dress to get wet and messy!

MIDDLE SCHOOL PARENT MEETINGS: If you missed the parent meetings for all middle school parents, please contact me in the Formation Office to set up a meeting.

READERS BOOK CLUB meets at 7pm Monday, Sept. 12 in McDuffee to discuss *Loving Frank* by Nancy Horan. Contact Linda Stray (lindastray@yahoo.com or 249-8034) or Mary Boehm (meb2904@aol.com or 538-9635) with inquiries.



LIGHT WEIGH is a new approach to eating that leads to peace with God, peace with yourself and peace with food. Light Weigh members learn to eat real food in moderation. And there are NO weigh-ins. This program is open to all adults (not just women) and open to the community. An orientation meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 20 at 6:30pm in the Parish Center Lower Level Room #4. Email Barb Stoffer at barbaras@bolhouselaw.com or call 450-1978 with questions or for more information.

PARISH MINISTRY & CATECHETICAL CONFERENCE

Devote a day to growing and learning in faith at the 2016 Parish Ministry and Catechetical Conference! (Open to any adult in the Diocese of Grand Rapids)

Date: Saturday, Sept. 24 **Time:** 8:45am-4:30pm

Location: West Catholic High School (1801 Bristol Ave NW, GR)

Keynote Speaker: Amy Florian, "Must We Forgive: Prodigals, Mothers and God"

Registration/Information ~ deadline is Sept. 16:

- Catechists: Register with Elizabeth Post in the Formation Office.
- All Others: cost is \$40 per person ~ Register online www.dioceseofgrandrapids.org

Any questions, please contact Elizabeth Post at 538-2600 or epost@spxcatholic.org.

High School Youth Ministry

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CATHOLIC HEART WORK CAMP REGISTRATION DUE

Deposits and forms are due by Sept. 11. Forms can be found online or outside the Formation Office.



HS KICK-OFF PLANNING MEETING

is today (9/11) at 11:45am-1pm in the Youth Room

2016 High School Ministry Kick-Off



September 18th
7:00-8:30PM

Join us for the Youth Ministry Olympics!

Events to include:
Obstacle Course Relay
Trivia Competition
Capture the Flag

Synchronized (Land) Swimming

Will your team take home the gold???



Pastoral Care, Outreach & Initiation

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Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) ~ is a journey whereby an individual determines whether they are being called to become a full member of the Roman Catholic Church. Those making this journey come from a variety of backgrounds: some are baptized, some are not; some come from other Christian churches or religious beliefs; others may even be practicing Catholics who did not receive their sacraments. Whatever their situation, all are experiencing the call of God and share a common spiritual journey.



We begin Wednesday, Sept. 14 ~ 7-9pm
Parish Center - Lower Level, Room 1

(Contact me in the Parish Office at 532-9344 or by email)

JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF SERIES: This is a support group for those who have suffered a loss and will deal with the myths and realities of grief along with providing support. This group is open to the community at large so if you or someone you know is grieving the loss of a loved one, join us for five consecutive Thursdays beginning **Thursday, Sept. 22—Oct. 20 from 7-8:30pm, St. Pius X Parish.** You are welcome to bring a guest. Please contact Rosemary Beahan at 532-9344 x106 or email rbeahan@spxcatholic.org to register.



ST. PIUS X DAY OF SERVICE

Saturday, Oct. 15 | More information to follow.



PRE CANA RETREAT: Do you know an engaged couple getting married in the next year or so? Let them know about the Crossroads PreCana Retreat on Oct. 1 & 2 at Holy Redeemer in Jenison. Sign up at bit.ly/octprecana16. Email or call 532-9344 if you have questions.

Parish Life

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THAT MAN IS YOU~ Starts Sept. 17! Can you believe last Fall and Spring we had from 30-50 men show up regularly on Saturday mornings? This ministry is open for all men of the parish. You need not have attended last year to come. There's a simple breakfast, a message, and small groups discussions. We meet 6am Saturdays in Danner Hall. Signups are underway. <http://bit.ly/spxtmiy>

MOMS OF ST. PIUS X: Join us for our first meeting of the year on Tuesday, Sept. 13 at 7pm in the McDuffee Room. Childcare is available if requested by noon on Monday. Questions, contact Jennifer Lawrence at 821-4502 or find us on Facebook at St. Pius X Moms Support Group.

PARENTS & EXPECTANT PARENTS if you seek to raise your child as a follower of Jesus Christ, you are urged to present your child for the Sacrament of Baptism. Our next baptism class is 7pm Thursday, Sept. 22 in the McDuffee Room. Register at 532-9344 or parishoffice@spxcatholic.org.



UPCOMING 50+ EVENTS Sept. 13: Potluck & Movie ~ 5:30pm
Oct 3: ArtPrize ~ transportation provided ~ 10am-3pm
Oct. 21 & Nov. 18: Breakfast at Russ' in Grandville ~ 9:15am
Nov. 29: Meijer Gardens ~ Christmas Around the World ~ 9:30am

PARISH PICNIC ~ Sept. 25 ~ Noon-2:30pm

Bubble soccer, a live band, great people, inflatables, games, bingo, good food and more...how could you miss this? St. Pius X will provide the burgers, dogs, drinks and place settings. All are welcome!

What to Bring: You can just come as you are or you can bring a dish to pass (A-I/Salad; J-S/Side Dish; T-Z/dessert), a white elephant gift for Bingo and/or a box of cereal for the cereal walk.

Picnic Help Needed: It takes a parish to pull off the picnic, and if you have some time to share, we could use your help with welcoming, in the kitchen, or with games. Sign up at spxcatholic.org or in the vestibule.

Mass Assignments for Sept. 17 & 18

Mass Coord.	5:30pm	8:30am	10:30am
	Diane Remenak	Dave & Mary Bristol	Mary Lang
Greeters	Ann Maddox Rita McCarthy Mark & Rene Nelson	Pat VanderVeen Maria Viau Chris & Michelle Visscher	Erin Barron Marsha Doxey Sarah Gawrys Sharon Love
Servers	Isabel Castro Lucas Castro Volunteer Needed	Andrew Dukeshere Lexi Dukeshere Olivia Miars	Grace Elder Kristy Galligan Isabel Genautis
Eucharistic Ministers	Agnes Barker Mary Cook Heather Dabbous Emily Hartwell Matthew Hartwell Angie Lemont Harold Lemont Joe Peiffer Barbara Sawicki	Ellen Halfmann Deb Lampani Steven LeQuia Debra Neff Tara Pankratz Janine Skavnak Elaine Szarowicz Karen Tinning Kendall Wright	Connor Fischer Pat Milanowski Kris Phillips Jacob Ruemenapp Kate Ruemenapp Debbie Shereda Tom Shereda Mike Signore Andrew Sundstrom Jackie Sundstrom Linda VandenBerg Ann Villemure Volunteer Needed
Lector	Jennifer Castro John O'Brien	Brian Courtade Jan Zylstra	Rob Genautis Helena Signore
LWC			Holly Gomez
	Usher Team: C	Usher Team: D	Usher Team: G

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Growing in Christ

Weekly Stewardship Report

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT: Among the primary themes in today's gospel when we hear Jesus' well-known parable of the Prodigal Son is forgiveness and the need to repent. But from a stewardship point of view what is also interesting is one of the secondary themes; the failure to use responsibly the gifts that have been so generously bestowed. The youngest son who demanded his inheritance and left home, broke no laws or religious commandments. His wrongdoing was that he wasted his inherited wealth, the abundant gifts given to him. His sin was in his extravagant living; squandering his gifts in pursuit of selfish pleasure. Good stewards acknowledge that everything they have comes from God, and they are required to cultivate these gifts responsibly. What are our God-given gifts? Do we use them responsibly? Do we exercise good stewardship over them? Sept. 2016 ICSC Catholic Stewardship e-bulletin

Time and Talent

MASS ATTENDANCE

Sept. 3 & 4: 5:30pm— 255 | 8:30am—228 | 10:30am—382

A PARISHIONER would like to sell four lots at Resurrection Cemetery and share the proceeds with our parish. If interested, please call the parish office; we will put you in touch with the individual.

AN ELDERLY PARISHIONER NEEDS A RIDE to the 5:30pm Saturday Mass once a month. Call Rosemary Beahan at 532-9344.

HELP US END HUNGER IN OUR COMMUNITY

CAMPAIGN at the Grandville Family Fare. This is the last weekend to make donations to the St. Pius X Food Pantry. Please be generous while shopping at the Grandville Family Fare.

GOD'S CALLING ~ ANSWER! Reasons why you may want to be a catechist:

- You are Catholic
- You love your faith
- You enjoy being with children, youth and adults
- You love meeting new people
- You would like to contribute to the parish
- You want to share your faith with others
- You want to learn more about your faith
- You feel unqualified...so were the prophets, apostles and saints



If you think God might be calling you to this ministry or have questions, please contact Elizabeth Post at epost@spxcatholic.org for more details.

THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD needs leaders for the 10:30am Mass on Sunday. The leader will be dismissed with the children when the readings are proclaimed and return after the homily. If you are interested, please contact us at formation@spxcatholic.org.

Treasure

PARISH SUPPORT	Last week 9/3 & 9/4	Year to Date	Prior Year to Date
Fiscal Year 2016-17 Week 10/52			
Adult Envelopes	\$ 13,112	\$116,712	\$111,311
Electronic Giving spxcatholic.org	\$ 8,527	\$ 45,606	\$ 44,731
Youth Envelopes	\$ -	\$ 5	\$ 5
Loose Offerings	\$ 467	\$ 6,116	\$ 6,122
Total Contributions	\$ 22,106	\$168,439	\$162,169
Budget Overage/(Shortfall)	\$ 4,069	\$ (14,135)	\$ -
OTHER GIVING: Louisiana Flooding	\$ 2,494	\$ 4,826	
Master's Mission	\$ 713	\$ 4,926	\$ 4,729

St. Pius X has 953 registered households. Last week, 331 contributed either by using an offertory envelope or electronically. Every gift is gratefully received as a sacrifice united with Christ's own self-offering in the Eucharist to share God's love.

Our prayer list for healing

Please continue to pray for the following and all the sick in our Parish, their families and friends, those hospitalized and home-bound, and those in care facilities. To be included on the Prayer Chain (separate from this bulletin list), call Jason George at (231) 736-7487.

Martha VanDyke	Gerry Dekkinga	Bob Brock	Joe Capriglione
Kenneth Schumacher	Mary LaSarge	Judy DeVoe	Erika Yonker
Kelsey Gibson	Andre Miles	Ron Geldersma	Marie Nevins
Robert Kasperlik	Catherine Cesare	Diane & Mary Prindle	Andy Wierzbicki
Joe Lemont	Henry Visscher	Betty DiTrapani	Mike Saritorius
Beverwyk Family	Joe & Margaret Grandy	Rose Reilly	Clara Raaymakers
Anthony McAndrew	M. Forrester	Laurie Bialik	Gina Catania
Jennifer Hassell	Marty Schumacker	Margaret Harman	Pat Chichester
Mick Vaughn	John Stoddard	Carol Guffy	Bob & Holly Ann Ott
Ben Baird	Derek Bull	Shannon Olman	Diane Austin
Rich Hubbard	Stephen Meurer	Dorothy Rennager	James Raap
Kathy Maslowski	Charles & Mag Frodl	Patrick Bartz	Ilene Topolinski
Deb Russo	Tom & Becky Hoffmann	Ellen O'Toole	Sarah Johnson
Catherine Owens	Mike Connell	Peggy Galt	Justin Vriezema
Jeff Zylstra	Mary Jebb	Markell Barnhart	Lindsey Read
Marlene Strong	Mary Beth Jensen	Pat Rummer	Robert Ryzanca
Cindy Cole	Megan Reynolds	Chris VanderSlice	Mary Benson-Slosser
Jill Moyer	Jim & Mary Ann Norcutt	Leo Raap	Deb Finnigan
Nell Wouters	Allen Mulligan	Jim & Madeleine Stotenbur	Marion & Marie Rytewski
Brianne Bassett	Matt Rich	Bob Bagin	Ken Jenkins
Tom Wojtas	Joe & Winnie Kulaga	Jonathan Kolenda	Sandy Ressel
Kerry Deboer	Donna Waters	Cindy Thrall	John Blanchard
Sr. Jean Marie Wojtas	Pat DeJong	Norm Pokora	Linda Wood
Terri Bernott	Clara Jo Braybrook	Barbara Barney	Zachary Matzke
Ann Berg	Jane Voss	Karen Bourassa	Pam Willemstein
Virginia Bieber	Tom Villemure	Judy Perrin	Alberta & Vito Licari
Cleo Ruppel	J.D. Sypniewski	Rylie Rau	Pat Grzybowski
Johan Balkon			

ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA

Born: Aug. 26, 1910
Founded her Order: Oct. 7, 1950
Died: Sept. 5, 1997
Beatified: Oct. 19, 2003
Canonized: Sept. 4, 2016



*O Living God
 who uses the weak to lead the strong,
 who casts down the mighty
 and lifts up the lowly,
 the Church rejoices at the canonization of
 Holy Mother Teresa of Calcutta.*

*By her humble service
 to the Poorest of the Poor,
 and staunch defense
 of unborn human life,
 she became a bastion
 for the culture of life.*

*We ask, O Lord,
 that her heavenly intercession
 and earthly example continue
 to bless the world, now and forever. Amen.*



A PRAYER FOR THE ANNIVERSARY OF 9/11

O God, our hope and refuge,
 In our distress we come quickly to you.
 Shock and horror of that tragic day have subsided,
 Replaced now with an emptiness,
 A longing for an innocence lost.

We come remembering those who lost their lives
 In New York, Washington D.C., and Pennsylvania.

We are mindful of the sacrifice of public servants
 Who demonstrated the greatest love of all
 By laying down their lives for friends.
 We commit their souls to your eternal care
 And celebrate their gifts to a fallen humanity.

We come remembering
 And we come in hope,
 Not in ourselves, but in you.

As foundations we once thought secure have been shaken,
 we are reminded of the illusion of security.

In commemorating this tragedy,
 We give you thanks for your presence
 In our time of need
 And we seek to worship you in Spirit and in truth. Amen

By Rev. Jeremy Pridgeon

LAST DAY FOR PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS.

Candidates are to be practicing Roman Catholics who are registered members of the parish, in good standing, and care deeply about their faith and the direction of our parish.

You can submit names by filling out a card in the vestibule area or online.



*We offer the sympathy, love, and prayers
 of our parish to the family of:*

WANDA LYONS

Upcoming Events

VARIOUS DATES	St. Pius X Faith Formation Sessions Middle School Edge ~ Sept. 11 High School ~ Sept. 18 Elementary Religious Education ~ Sept. 18 & 21	
THURS. SEPT. 15	Women's Bible Study 9:30am in Danner Hall (weekly)	
WED. SEPT. 14	Rite of Christian Initiation 7pm in PC LL #1	
SAT. SEPT. 17	That Man is You! begins 6am in Danner Hall (12-week series)	
THURS. SEPT. 22	Journey Through Grief 7pm in PC LL #1 (5-week series)	
SUNDAY SEPT. 25	Parish Picnic after the 10:30am Mass until 3pm	

