

ECHOES



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A Message from Monsignor

A special word of thanks to all who have contributed to the success of our mission to Know, Love, and Serve the Lord in this time of pandemic. In this issue of *Echoes* you will see that we were blessed to celebrate the sacraments of initiation for people who have been formed through the RCIA, our Second Graders' First Holy Communion, and our Eighth Graders' Confirmation. Through the input and generous hours of service provided by our lay ministers, pastoral staff, Deacon Phil, the Knights of Columbus and the "Guys doin' Stuff," we have developed a protocol which has served us well at our Liturgies.



*Reverend Monsignor
Anthony Marcaccio*

Having given those who wish to attend Holy Mass the opportunity to do so through our lottery system, we feel we have a grasp of the number of people our church can seat with pandemic precautions and can now move to better accommodating parishioners' Mass preferences. You'll see in this *Echoes* that our offertory has been augmented by parishioners, like yourself, who have helped us stay close to budget even though attendance at Holy Mass in our state was not possible at the pandemic's beginning and remains restricted today.

I have toured our parish school several times and have been impressed with the preparations and precautions taken to provide the best environment we can for our children. The school looks good and the kids exhibited great enthusiasm about being together.

We appreciate your patience as together we move forward and open more of our ministries and our facilities to activities in the upcoming months. Not just our parish ministries, but worthwhile efforts we support in our community depend on Saint Pius. Saint Pius is one of the largest blood drive locations in Guilford County. They will be coming to our campus with their mobile units set up in our parking lots to restart our tradition of donation; perhaps you will consider being part of their success. Greensboro Urban Ministry relies on our donations of food to help feed the hungry folks of our Community. Our Mother's Day food drive was immensely successful. Maybe you and your pet will stop by for our Saint Francis Food drive/drive-by pet blessing. I think Saint Francis will smile upon us from heaven for helping two of his favorites, the poor and God's creatures great and small.

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Feast of St. Francis Drive-Thru Food Drive and Pet Blessing Saturday, October 3 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon



Join us for a drive-thru food drive in the parking lot of St. Pius X to benefit Greensboro

Urban Ministry. Help us stock their shelves just in time for the holidays. Bring your furry, scaly, fluffy, and winged friends for a special drive-thru blessing from Monsignor! Please look on our website, Facebook, and Realm emails for more information.
Can't make it to the food drive? Look for details on page 2 about our Virtual CROP WALK!

Between the pandemic and recent pandemonium, the last several months have been extremely hard ones for a lot of people. Every now and then something happens or I hear of something that brings me hope in the midst of it all. I was in a bike shop over Labor Day Weekend buying an early Christmas present for a friend when the elderly shop owner told me how many bikes he has sold over the last several months, and how I was fortunate that this shipment just arrived and was assembled before it sold out. I would have thought that since bikes are a higher ticket item, sales would have been slower as people might hold back from major purchases. He said in almost a whisper to me, “that’s been the thing about this pandemic, families are coming in because parents are riding with their kids again. They’re not traveling, but staying close by and going outside...and maybe for the first time in a long time, enjoying each other’s company, just being a family.” His anecdotal witness of hope about families was worth as much as I contributed for the new wheels. I can echo his sentiments from my own experience.

I trust our families are going to be okay, some may be even stronger, because of the Covid crisis. The question remains about mine and yours. How will they fare? What about the family that is Saint Pius? In the midst of this pandemic, we can’t be so cynical as to not celebrate our success or be mindful of when we have responded well, when we have been engaged, and when we have enjoyed being part of a community whether we are riding, weeping, walking, working, serving, laughing, playing or praying together. Please do not let isolation, which is one of the terrible symptoms of this pandemic, infect you. Do something fun and do something outside if you can. What enjoyable activity could pull your family together? Be creative or even create a family from your friends. Sign up for an opportunity of faith formation or personal service to our seniors and shut ins. Join one of our groups that prays Zoom Rosaries or a group that discusses a video series. Connect via Social Media to our young adult and youth ministries. Reach out to someone you have not heard from in a long while with a call or text. Whether it’s pedaling together or praying together, that’s the way I want to remember how we came through this pandemic—we did it together, as a Family of Faith, as a Church, as Brothers and Sisters in the Lord.



Many Good Things Are Coming Your Way!

Our staff and clergy at St. Pius X are working diligently to provide you with more virtual and remote content for the fall semester. Please be on the lookout in the coming weeks for the following exciting and engaging things ...

- New and Improved! **Mass Sign-Ups** for October - December
- **Messages** from Monsignor Marcaccio
- **Liturgy of the Word** Videos from the Faith Formation Dept.
- **Music Features** from Sallie Kelton and Isabel Streed
- **St. Pius Has Talent** - Featuring our very own parishioners!
- **Cooking and Craft Videos** from our Staff and Young Adults
- Virtual Opportunities for Adult Enrichment Courses
- Continuation of Children, Teen, and Young Adult Programs



Room At The Inn’s 21st Annual Banquet - Thursday, October 15 “Embrace, Don’t Erase”

Walk with moms in need this Respect Life Month by attending Room At The Inn’s 21st Annual benefit banquet Thursday, October 15 at 6:00 p.m. Keynote speaker, Kurt Kondrich, shares the amazing journey of raising his daughter Chloe, who has Down Syndrome. Kurt, his wife, Margie and Chloe are internationally known advocates for families with Down Syndrome. To become a sponsor or host a table in person or virtually, please contact Marianne at 336-391-6299 or mardonadio@roominn.org or visit roominn.org/events. Come learn more about this life-affirming place providing hope, healing, housing and life to so many single moms in need.

St. Pius X Purple Hat Ministry Prayer for Life

Lord God,

*You are the giver of all life - human
and divine.*

*We ask your blessing of protection for
infants and children, and those most
vulnerable in our community.*

*Bless parents with the gifts of
gentleness and patience, kindness and
love, that they need in their Vocation
as Mothers and Fathers.*

*Help us all to find calm in the midst
of a crisis, compassion for those in
need of our help, and always and
everywhere the courage to defend that
sacred gift from you, which is life.*

*We make this prayer through the
power of the Holy Spirit and in the
name of Jesus Christ, our Lord.*

Amen.

SPX Purple Hat Ministry 2020

Thank you to our St. Pius X Purple Hat knitters for delivering almost 500 hats so far this year to Cone Health Women's and Children's Center and Room At The Inn maternity home in Greensboro. These tiny purple hats serve as a reminder to parents of the dangers of Shaken Baby Syndrome. Our purple hats are given to new parents along with information about The Period of PURPLE Crying during their hospital stay. If you'd like to knit/crochet with us, contact Lupina Doyle at 336-202-0211. If you have finished hats, please contact Georgianna Penn at 757-243-4955.



Lily Allen holds up one of the many purple hats knitted in this ministry.

CROP Hunger Walk ~ Let's STOMP OUT HUNGER ~ 2020 Virtual Walk

At St. Pius X, we STEP IT UP at CROP Hunger Walk time! Here are the details:

- Register to walk online at www.spxcropwalk.com. The link is also on our website.
- Let your friends and family know you are walking virtually to help raise awareness and to help feed hungry people in Greensboro and around the world.
- Help spread the word ~ Use email and social media to ask others to walk virtually. If they cannot, ask for a donation to you or to the general St. Pius X Team, again at www.spxcropwalk.com.
- Our very own designed KNOW, LOVE & SERVE T-Shirts. FREE this year if you raise \$100 or more!

The CROP Hunger Walk this year is a virtual walk. This year will be the 40th Anniversary and the money raised helps feed people in our community, and helps others around the globe raise sustainable

food crops. For more information, please email Carolyn Painley at cpainley@stpiusxnc.com. Thank you for walking, donating and praying to help end hunger, one step at a time!



WE'RE BACK! 2020-2021 Faith Formation Registration & Confirmation Registration High School Youth Group

Our programs will begin the year as digital / remote programs and small group meetings, and hopefully shift to an in-person format after the Christmas break. Please click on the links below for more information

Grades K - 6 Faith Formation

www.stpiusxnc.com/faith-formation
Questions? Email lkohl@stpiusxnc.com

Grades 7-8 Confirmation

www.stpiusxnc.com/confirmation
Questions? Email istreed@stpiusxnc.com

High School Youth Group

<https://onrealm.org/stpiusxnc/PublicRegistrations/Event?linkString=ZTcxYzd-kOWMtNzkwZC00YzRiLWE5OWUtY-WMxMzAxNWFKYTkw>

A Letter from the Finance Council

August 27, 2020

Dear St. Pius X Parishioners:

Attached for your review is a consolidated statement of activities for the period beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020.

Before I explain the details of the fiscal year, I want to say a very heartfelt thank you for your support of St. Pius X during the last twelve months. Despite the canceling of masses, programs, and services, your donations to the Offertory remained steady. This allowed us to pay our staff and monthly expenses without furloughing anyone or using our emergency savings account. Again, thank you very much.

For the period, Offertory income was \$1,875,555. This was \$10,770 less than our budget and \$2,680 less than the actual for fiscal year 2019.

Expenses, excluding the interest payments on our debt, were \$1,682,049. This was \$73,412 less than our budget and \$25,551 less than last fiscal year. This reduction in expenses is a direct result of actions taken by Monsignor, Pat Spivey and all the staff in March when we saw what was happening as a result of Covid 19.

Following are the details of some of the larger variances that we saw during the year:

- Income - CVS Rent: This is just timing of the deposits and month end closings.
- Income - Charity, Outreach and Ministries: The finance council does not budget for “General Donations” which accounted for \$10,000 of the \$12,000 overage.
- Income - DSA Rebate: We expected to meet this assessment but late contributions put us over the required target and so \$18,000 was returned to the parish.
- Income - Religious Formation : Many programs had to be canceled.
- Expense - Facilities: Reduced usage of all buildings due to Covid 19.
- Expense - Diocesan Assessments. Donations to the Priest’s Retirement exceeded what we had budgeted as an expense.
- Expense - General and Admin: Many small reductions as a result of closing the office due to Covid 19 made up the \$15,000 difference.

As of June 30, 2020, the remaining long-term debt on the Parish Center and the Primary Education Building was \$1,516,667, down from \$2,076,546 on June 30, 2019. There are 3.5 years left at the current interest rate of 4% before the Diocese will make an adjustment based on the rates at that time. It should be our goal to have the total debt retired before that.

Also accompanying this letter is a copy of the consolidated budget for fiscal year 2020 - 2021 with a comparison to the fiscal year that just ended. Please see the included notes for more specific details on budget changes.

On behalf of the Finance Council, I am pleased to report that we finished the last fiscal year in a very solid financial position. Should you ever have questions or comments regarding any aspect of the finances at St. Pius X, please do not hesitate to contact me, or any member of the Finance Council through the parish office.

Faithfully in Christ,
Mark P. Painley
Finance Council Chairman

**As of this printing, the debt total is \$1,308,044.58*

St. Pius X Catholic Church

Report to Parishioners

July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

PARISH STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES & CASH FLOWS

	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year
	Actual	Budget
Operating Revenue		
Offertory	\$1,875,555	\$1,886,325
CVS Rent	80,223	86,909
Charity, Outreach, & Ministry	72,998	61,070
DSA Rebate	18,659	-0-
Religious Formation Fees	48,193	66,000
Bulletin Rebate	12,425	10,000
Columbarium	2,250	-0-
Interest & Miscellaneous	19,333	11,000
Total Operating Revenue	\$2,129,636	\$2,121,304
Operating Expenses		
Ministry & Liturgy	\$202,211	\$210,514
Religious Formation	122,262	131,650
Charity/Outreach	73,716	89,188
School Subsidy	212,490	199,940
Columbarium Expenses	450	2,200
Facilities Expenses	313,191	339,271
Diocesan Assessments	213,942	223,278
General & Administrative Expenses	543,787	559,420
Total Operating Expenses	\$1,682,049	\$1,755,461
Operating Surplus (Income minus Expense)	\$447,587	\$365,843
Capital Activity		
Receipts from Forward in Faith, Hope, and Love Campaign	\$200,001	\$200,000
Restricted Contributions for the Building Fund	83,904	150,000
Receipts from School Debt Payments	45,600	45,600
Interest Expense on Debt	(72,942)	(95,751)
Net Capital Activity	\$256,563	\$299,849

PARISH STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	End of Fiscal Year	Beginning of Fiscal Year
Assets		
Checking Account Balances - Operating	\$329,686	\$210,662
Checking Account Balances – Building	-0-	-0-
Savings Accounts - Operating Reserves	113,581	111,214
Savings Accounts - Restricted	35,876	1,565
Endowment Accounts	1,245,898	1,406,544
Receivables and other Current Assets	19,594	35,394
Property, Plant and Equipment	24,889,738	24,875,738
Total Assets	\$26,634,373	\$26,641,116
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	\$6,353	\$1,160
Custodial Obligations	20,551	18,310
Notes Payable - Church	-0-	-0-
Notes Payable – Parish Center & School	1,516,667	2,076,546
Construction Line of Credit	-0-	-0-
Other Liabilities	238,150	240,400
Total Liabilities	\$1,781,721	\$2,336,415
Net Assets	\$24,852,652	\$24,304,701
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$26,634,373	\$26,641,116

SUMMARY OF SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

	Fiscal YTD Actual	Annual Budget
School Tuition, Fees & Other Income	\$3,616,916	\$3,808,067
School (Expenses), Other than Depreciation	(3,603,827)	(3,808,067)
School Restricted, net	-0-	-0-
Operating Surplus/ (Deficit)	\$13,088	\$-0-

Thank you all for your generous financial support of our parish during these difficult times.

For more information about online giving, please visit our website home page at www.stpiusxnc.com/ and click on the button at the top. Your one-time or scheduled donation can make a huge difference for our parish.

Also, remember to join our Realm church community to stay up-to-date with parish emails and communication.



St. Pius X - Budget Comparison

Budget Period: [July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021](#)

Income	Budget F/Y 2019-2020 (\$)	Actual F/Y 2019-2020 (\$)	Budget F/Y 2020-2021 (\$)
Offertory	1,886,325	1,875,555	1,750,000
CVS Rent	80,223	80,223	80,223
Outreach and Ministries	61,070	72,998	67,350
Religious Formation Fees	66,000	37,103	57,500
Bulletin Rebate	10,000	12,425	10,000
DSA Rebate	0	18,659	0
Unrestricted Donations	0	5,280	0
Columbarium	0	2,250	0
Interest & Miscellaneous	11,000	14,053	10,000
Payments from FFHL	200,000	200,001	60,000
Payments from School for Debt	45,600	45,600	198,346
Gifts and Memorials	150,000	83,904	0
Total Income	\$2,510,218	\$2,448,051	\$2,233,419

Expense	Budget F/Y 2019-2020 (\$)	Actual F/Y 2019-2020 (\$)	Budget F/Y 2020-2021 (\$)
Ministry & Liturgy	210,514	201,874	191,994
Religious Formation	131,650	97,499	75,800
Charity & Outreach	89,188	73,716	72,700
School Subsidy	199,940	212,490	398,286
Columbarium	2,200	450	500
Facilities	339,271	313,191	306,505
Diocesan Assessments	223,278	213,942	225,098
General & Administrative	559,420	543,787	557,779
Principal & Interest - Parish Center/School	404,757	404,760	404,757
Total Expenses	\$2,160,218	\$2,061,709	\$2,233,419
Additional Paid Principal on Debt	\$350,000	\$329,505	\$0
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	\$0	\$56,837	\$0

St. Pius X

Notes on F/Y 2021 Budget

1. Due to Covid-19, the total Offertory collection budget is being reduced this year by 7.2%.
2. Income in these accounts comes primarily from fees collected for parish-sponsored trips and for thanksgiving turkeys. We felt that a 7.5% reduction in contributions was reasonable given the pandemic.
3. We are anticipating fewer programs for the youth and adults this fiscal year due to the pandemic and decreased the fees that would be collected.
4. The FFHL campaign is over and only a small number of pledges remain.
5. The parish subsidy to the school is not changing for the new fiscal year. The way it is being reported in the budget and financial reports has changed.
6. The Finance Council did not budget for gifts and memorials this year due to the restrictions on funerals and gatherings.
7. Expenses like Religious Supplies, Travel and Meals and Professional Development will be less due to Covid 19.
8. No Work Camp, and reduced High School and Middle School trips will reduce greatly the Youth Ministry expenses. Fewer adult programs will also lower expenses in Faith Formation.
9. Normal inflation as well as cost of living increases for employees will be offset by the reduction in hours worked and reduced expenses due to the pandemic.
10. With the end of the FFHL pledges, we do not anticipate generating excess cash that we would normally use to reduce the outstanding principal on our loan..
11. As we do every year, the Finance Council submits a balanced budget.



Congratulations to all of our First Communicants, Confirmandi, Catechumens, and Candidates who celebrated their Sacraments of Initiation during the month of August! We are so blessed to have been able to celebrate with you. Photos courtesy of parishioner, MaryAnn Luedtke.

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PARISH NEWS AND NEWCOMERS

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Monday, October 12 at 3:00 p.m.

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Newcomers ~ Welcome!

Christopher and Kerri BECKERT 27455

Oscar and Julie BLACUTT
child Max 27410

Sally BRICENO 27405

Miguel and Denese BRITO 27455

Joseph and Kathleen CARROLLO 27358

Ian CASTRO
child Carolina 27410

Joe and Ruth CETRONE 27410

Michael COFFER 27405

Michael and Gail DeNOFA 27455

James DIESO 27455

Bill and Evie DOOLEY 27405

Michael and Anne ELWELL 27455

Benjamin and Michelle ESPADA 27408

Joaquin RAMIREZ and Georgette FERNANDEZ
child Juan Pablo Fernandez 27455

James and Karen FISCHER
children Jamey, Cada, Luke 27455

Robert and Linsey GUYETTE
child Audrey 27377

Heather HAZUKA 27455

Roberta HOEGEMEYER 27410

Cara and Brian HUBERS
children Aleena, Elissa, Mia 27358

Ashley JARRELL
children Avery, Mason 27358

Donald and Ann JAY 27455

George and Junell KOBERLEIN
children Amalae, Dietrich 27358

Robert LAMOTHE 27405

Edward and Jill LITTLETON
children Dalton, Sloan 27455

Luis and Leesdy LLEONART
child Lucas 27455

Julian and Dianne McClAMROCH 27408

Sylvia MISIAK
child Natalie 27282

Donald and Debra MORGAN 27377

Traci MORRIS
children Amanda, Matthew 27215

Sergio MURILLO and Ana ARROYAVE
children Felipe, Maria 27310

Brian O'KEEFE 24112

Carol OWENS 27410
JOE and Teresa POSCH 27358

Dawn and Jim RUNDE
child Caleb 27455

Annie and Chris SNEEDED
children Benjamin, Elizabeth 27408

Jamie TRACY
child Connor Murdock 27405

Maria GOMEZ VARGAS 27409

Judy WOELFEL
child Aveanna 27410

Baptisms ~ Congratulations!

Nadia Cruz Paula Carter Cook
Lynley Cook Lucciano Botero
Nora Shilling

Deaths ~ Our Sympathy

Michael Day Robert Durnwald
Betty Corgan Rita Searce
Warren Corgan Amelia D'Eletto
George Wells Katelyn Mitchell
Dale Burns

Wedding ~ Blessings!

Ann Marie Regeis & Brad Wishon

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