

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

PREPARE



During Advent we pray with hope; we live with hope. Hope is the gift from God that empowers us to take steps to bring about the kingdom of God in our world. It is expressed in the simple gift of bringing a meal to a sick or frail, elderly person, offering encouragement, cutting back on what we have in order to give to people in need, and making peace with those around us. Through our giving, others receive hope, and we bring about the kingdom of God.

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RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS December 9, 2007

This weekend, in Catholic churches all across this nation, we are having a **Special Collection** for the Retirement Fund for Religious. This is to help religious congregations care for their aged sisters, brothers and religious order priests. The lives of many of us have been touched by these gracious and holy people, who have literally given their entire lives in the service of God and us, His people. Many of us owe our early education, secular and religious, to them. Now they have aged, many of them are retired and some are quite sick, unable to do much else but pray for us. They now are in need of help, OUR help, a lot of financial help. Their plight is more serious than most of us can imagine. Please help these dedicated servants of the Lord; now in the twilight of their years, conclude this chapter of their lives of service with dignity and a modicum of comfort. Today's Second Collection will be for the **Retirement Fund for Religious**. Please give generously. They have given us their best. They are most deserving of ours.

GARDEN NEWS

Think of that special someone, anniversary birth, death, etc. and consider ordering now so that your brick may have a special place in the Garden. For more information contact

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Life Line Screening

Tests that can help save your life....Life Line Screening is America's leading provider of quality health screenings. These tests quickly detect arterial abnormalities, which can cause disrupted blood flow. Our screenings are fast, accurate, and available at an affordable rate.

Where: St. Pius X Parish Hall

When: Thursday, December 13, 2007

Pre-registration is required. Call 1-800-324-1851

Visit Web Site: www.lifelinescreening.com.

THANKSGIVING DINNER

Thanksgiving Dinner profit \$527.68
Thank you to all those who helped make this possible.

CHRIST CHILD TEA

St. Pius X Woman's Club invites all women of the parish to attend our **Annual Christ Child Tea on Monday, December 10, 2007, from 1:00 to 3:00PM, in the Rectory.** Refreshments will be served and a musical **program by the Broward Woman's Chorus** will be presented at 1:30PM.

As in the past, Providence Place, a home for abused mothers and children, will be the recipients of our "Silver Bowl" collection. Your generous donation at the Tea will ensure our continuing to be "Guardian Angels" to these abused, abandoned and neglected families in the care of the Archdiocese, right here in Ft. Lauderdale.

St. Pius X Woman's Club

CHOIR

Thank you to all who chose to support the Music Ministry by attending the concert on Sunday. It was a truly beautiful performance. What a great way to start off our Concert Series! To those who missed our first event, the next is not far behind! Cardinal Gibbons Music Department will be blessing us with their Christmas Program on December 16 @ 4PM. Please join us to celebrate the talents of these fine young people. Tickets will be \$10 at the doors of the church. We are very sorry for the confusion about the choir Mass schedule for Advent and Christmas is as follows:

Sunday December 9 @12:30PM

Sunday, December 16 @ 11:00AM

Saturday, December 22 @ 4:00PM

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**Christmas Eve & Christmas Day**

**Monday, December 24 @ 11:25PM**

**Tuesday, December 25 @ 10:40AM**

Please take note and come hear our fabulous choir!

Our Music Director, Kristen DiNonno, will be appearing as Mrs. Cratchit in A Christmas Carol. This musical will be taking place at The Broward Center for the Performing Arts in the Amaturio theater on December 6<sup>th</sup> through December 9<sup>th</sup>. To purchase tickets go to [www.browardcenter.org](http://www.browardcenter.org), or call the box office at 954: 462-0222. Get your tickets soon as they will be selling out. Don't miss the chance to see Kristen on stage. This should be a special treat for the whole family!

## **This Week On Our Parish Web Site.....**

Two teams of scientists reported that they had turned human skin cells into what appear to be embryonic stem cells without having to make or destroy an embryo. Read all about it on our web site: <http://www.saintpiusthetenth.org>.

## TOY DRIVE



All members of the St. Pius X parish and visitors are invited to participate in our annual **Toy Drive**.

Our objective this year is to provide toys and gifts to Divine Mercy Catholic Haitian Mission here in Fort Lauderdale. This Mission currently is comprised of over 1500 families with over 200 children in 8 CCD classes, many more, ages 3 to school age, and 70 children, ages 12-19, in their Confirmation Class. They are also requesting sweaters for the small children.

As their church is small, seating for Sunday Masses extends to their social room, with speakers outside the building so they can hear Mass. The Mission has another lot on which to build, but – income is low and they are in the midst of a building drive. They have 37 group activities including a children's choir and an Outreach program caring for their elderly.

If you would like to participate, please place a **new unwrapped** toy or clothing, especially sweaters for up to age 10, in the food baskets at the church entrances. Please, no battery-driven toys.

If shopping is difficult for you but you would like to participate in this project, cash or a check made payable to "St. Pius X Woman's Club" in an envelope addressed to the "Toy Project" and placed in the food baskets or the collection baskets will be most welcome and will find its way to us. The need is great. May God reward you for your interest and your help.

**Charities Committee, St. Pius X Woman' Club**

*The Sanctuary Lamp* signals the Eucharistic presence of the Lord Jesus in the tabernacle and burns continuously for 7 days. You may have the sanctuary lamp memorialized for either a sick person, a deceased loved one, or a special intention, for a weekly donation of \$10.00. Please call the parish office to reserve a specific date.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in the Church, in memory of **Janet Terry**; in the Chapel, in memory of **Chris McDonald**.

### *Prayer Request for the sick....*

Frieda Hughes, Chlora Slevin, Bernie Slean, Jim Demaio, John Sica, Marie & Joe Lappin, Charles Brinkman, Tom Kelly, Christine Kent, Carol McDonough, Kenny Suppa, Tara Dean, Betty Rebmann, Bess Malvarosa, Frank Bates, Anthony L'Abbate, Gene Woods, Eizabeth Strok, Jossie Suppa and Miriam Gilligan.

### *Prayer Requests for the deceased....*

Daniel Giasi and Simone Degaite.

## BINGO

**Every Thursday.... Doors open at 5:30PM**  
with food and refreshments being served.

**Progressive Game**

**Early Bird starts at 6:30PM**

**Regular Bingo at 7:00PM.**

Snack Bar serves coffee, tea, hot chocolate, hot dogs and a weekly supper special. Sweets are also available.

Proceeds go directly to the beautification program for parish improvements.

## CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS



For the celebration of the Birth of Our Lord, the floral display in our sanctuary will be in memory of our departed loved ones and friends. Envelopes for this offering can be found at the Church entrances.



### **SATURDAY – DECEMBER 8th**

4:00PM **McDermott & Culkin Families**

5:30PM **Gertrude LeCause**

### **SUNDAY – DECEMBER 9th**

8:00AM **Joseph & Margaret Foran**

9:30AM **Anthony DiMagio**

11:00AM **Roy Woods**

12:30PM **Romania Brinkman**

### **MONDAY – DECEMBER 10th**

8:00AM **Rose Brennan**

9:00AM **Herta & Max Saurel**

### **TUESDAY – DECEMBER 11th**

8:00AM **Barbara Wortley**

9:00AM **Marguerite (Peg) Saaf**

### **WEDNESDAY – DECEMBER 12th**

8:00AM **Carl Meister**

9:00AM **Mary DiTullio**

### **THURSDAY – DECEMBER 13th**

8:00AM **Mary & Joseph Lostumbo**

9:00AM **Augustus Bonito**

### **FRIDAY – DECEMBER 14th**

8:00AM **Sara Randles**

9:00AM **Michael O'Brien**

### **SATURDAY – DECEMBER 15th**

8:00AM **Mary Gillan**

9:00AM **Kenneth Robertson**



**REMEMBER ST. PIUS X CHURCH IN YOUR WILL**