

Advent Worship Aid

Preparing the way for an Encounter with the Christ Child

Church of St. Pius X



St. Pius X parish welcomes you to our community for Mass today!

Whether you are a 'regular,' an occasional visitor, returning to your parish home, or have been away from the Church for some time, we hope that you will find this a place where you can experience the healing love of Jesus. If you have questions about the parish, we invite you to call us at 651-429-5337 or email us at questions@churchofstpiusx.org. If you would like to join the parish, you can request a New Member Packet by contacting the parish office at 651-429-5337, select option 4, and we will be happy to assist you. Or, via our website, you can learn more about the great family, youth and senior programs we have to assist you as you grow as a disciple.

Introductory Rites

As the Priest (and Deacon) process in, you are invited to stand.

Make the sign of the cross as the priest says

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen

Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

All: And with your spirit.

Penitential Rite

Priest: Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins,
and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

Priest (or Deacon):

Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life. Lord have mercy.

All: Lord have mercy.

Priest (or Deacon):

You forgive us our sins. Christ have mercy.

All: Christ have mercy.

Priest (or Deacon):

You feed us with your body and blood. Lord have mercy.

All: Lord have mercy.

All: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters,

that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words,

in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

(And, striking their breast, they say):

through my fault, through my fault,

through my most grievous fault;

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,

all the Angels and Saints,

and you, my brothers and

sisters,

to pray for me to the Lord our

God.

Priest: Lord have mercy (Kyrie, eleison)

All: Lord have mercy (Kyrie, eleison)

Priest: Christ have mercy (Christe, eleison)

All: Christ have mercy (Christe, eleison)

Priest: Lord have mercy (Kyrie, eleison)

All: Lord have mercy (Kyrie, eleison)

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen

Priest: Let us pray...

The priest then prays the Collect prayer, at the end of which the people acclaim Amen. The Collect is a prayer to God which gather us together and expresses the theme of the Mass.

All: Amen

Liturgy of the Word

The congregation sits so that it may comfortably and effectively listen to and absorb the Word of God proclaimed by the Minister of the Word.

First Reading: *The first reading is most often taken from one of the books of the Old Testament (the Hebrew Scriptures). Look for a connection between the first reading and the Gospel reading!*

Minister of the Word will read from Scriptures, after which is said

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm: *The choir, cantor or Minister of the Word sings or says the Psalm.*

Second Reading: *The Second Reading is taken from one of the New Testament (NT) Letters. The NT letter will be read sequentially each Sunday Mass. So stop back next week to hear more!*

Minister of the Word will read from Scriptures, after which is said

The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel:

The congregation stands at the time of the proclamation of the Gospel. For whereas in the first two readings the Word of God is communicated in the words of the prophets and apostles of the Old and New Testaments, in the Gospel it is the Word of God Himself, our Lord Jesus Christ, who speaks to the assembly.

Please join in the Gospel Acclamation

All: Alleluia, Alleluia

Priest (or Deacon): A reading from the holy Gospel according to [the name of the Gospel]

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

You may see the congregation use their right thumb to make a small sign of the cross on their forehead, lips and chest. You are invited to do the same praying silently “may the Word of the Lord be in my mind, on my lips and in my heart.”

The priest or deacon reads from the Gospel, after which is said

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily *Please sit for the Homily*

During the homily the priest or deacon will explain the Scriptures so as to give the congregation greater understanding both in the meaning and how they are relevant in our daily lives as Christian disciples.

Profession of Faith

The congregation stands to profess its faith.

All: I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven, (*please bow until the words 'became man'*)
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the Faithful

The Liturgy of the Word concludes with the Prayers of the Faithful. It is during this time that we pray for the Universal Church, our leaders and the needs of our local community.

Please respond **Lord, hear our prayer** to each of the petitions.

Please sit as the altar is prepared for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Altar and the Gifts

The gifts that are brought forward consist of the bread and wine that will become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. At this time, you may wish to donate electronically by clicking on the 'Donate' button on the Live Stream page of the website (www.churchofstpiousx.org/spxlive). Your generosity at the collection helps support they many programs that assist individuals and families at St. Pius X and our local community. We thank you for your gift. If you are attending a public celebration, your envelope can be left in the basket by the doors as you exit the Church.

Please stand

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters,
that my sacrifice and yours
may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.

**All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good
and the good of all his holy Church.**

The priest says the Prayer over the Offerings which concludes with "Through Christ Our Lord"

All: Amen

The Eucharist Prayer

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right and just.

The priest then continues with a short prayer of thanksgiving that concludes with "as with one voice we acclaim" and everyone joins in saying:

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Please kneel

The Eucharistic Prayer continues and after the Consecration the priest says the following:

Priest: The mystery of Faith

All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

or

All: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

or

All: Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

The Eucharistic Prayer culminates and concludes with the following:

Priest: Through him, and with him and in him,
O God, almighty Father,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours,
forever and ever.

All say or Sing

All: Amen

Please stand

Priest: At the Savior's command
and formed by divine teaching,
we dare to say:

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done**

**on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ,
who said to your Apostles;
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you;
look not on our sins,
but on the faith of your Church,
and graciously grant her peace and unity
in accordance with your will.
Who live and reign for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And with your spirit.

Please join us in saying

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.**

Communion

Please kneel

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God,
Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**All: Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.**

For those Catholics who are properly disposed to receive Communion (free from any mortal sin and not under any Canonical penalty), please come forward to receive Communion as you are directed by the usher.

Please leave your face covering on until after you have responded Amen to the minister of Communion.

Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of other Christian traditions and those Catholics who are not properly disposed are not able to receive Communion. You may remain in your seat or you are invited to come forward and receive a blessing. If you wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.

Those unable to receive communion or who are participating at home are invited to pray an Act of Spiritual Communion.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already t
here and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

After you have received communion, we invite you to continue to kneel and pray silently in your pew until the Blessed Sacrament (the Consecrated Hosts) has been reposed in the tabernacle.

Concluding Rites

Please stand

Prayer after Communion

Priest: Let us pray....

All: Amen

Announcements

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Priest: May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Dismissal

Priest (or Deacon): Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life

All: Thanks be to God

Sending Hymn

Those attending a public celebration of the Mass should wait in their pews until an host/usher dismisses their pew. Please follow their directions and exit the Church after you have been dismissed. See the last page of this worship aid for the Communion protocols.

The custom at St. Pius X is to kneel at the conclusion of the final hymn and pray an Our Father, a Hail Mary and a Glory Be for the next person from St. Pius X who will pass away and the next person entering our doors seeking a spiritual home.

Our Father,

Who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name;
Thy kingdom come;
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Hail Mary, full of grace. The

Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou amongst women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy
womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death.
Amen.

Glory be to the Father,

and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

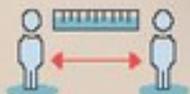
Safely returning to **Communion**

Please follow these guidelines for all to safely receive the Sacrament



Sanitize

Apply hand sanitizer before entering the worship space



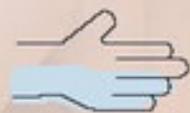
Maintain Social Distance

Please wait in pew to be dismissed by an Usher



Keep your mask on

- *Approach the minister wearing your mask*
- *Keep your mask on and reply "Amen" when the minister says, "Body of Christ"*
- *Remove your mask*



Receive host in the palms of your hands

- *Extend both hands, palms up, far in front of you*
- *Remain still as the minister places the Host in your hand*
- *Consume the Host, and replace the mask*



Please remember to maintain a social distance



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