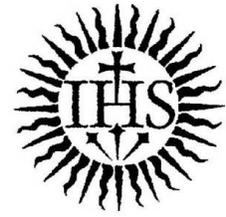




# ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

16 Smithville Crescent, St. John's, Newfoundland & Labrador  
A1B 2V2  
Tel.# 709-754-0170



E-mail: [stpiusx@nl.rogers.com](mailto:stpiusx@nl.rogers.com)  
Webpage: [www.spx.ca](http://www.spx.ca)  
Pastor: [earlsmithsj@gmail.com](mailto:earlsmithsj@gmail.com)  
Archdiocesan Webpage: [rcsj.org](http://rcsj.org)

*Fr. Earl Smith, SJ (Pastor and Superior of St. John's Jesuits)*  
*Fr. Wayne Bolton, S.J. (Associate Pastor)*  
*Fr. William Browne, S.J. (Assistant Priest in Residence)*  
*Fr. Joseph Schuck, S.J. (Ministry at St. Bonaventure's College)*  
*Father Joe Mroz, SJ (Archdiocesan Chaplain at Memorial University)*  
*Br. Joe Frechette, SJ (Ministry at St. Bonaventure's College)*  
*Raj Vijayakumar, SJ (Ministry at St. Bonaventure's College)*  
*Maria R. Kelsey (Pastoral Assistant and Religious Education Coordinator)*

**31<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**November 5, 2017**

## PRAYER FOR AN ELDERLY PERSON

Today, dear Lord, I'm 90 and there's so much I haven't done;  
I hope, dear Lord, you'll let me live until I'm 91.

By then if I've not finished all I want to do,  
Would you be so kind and let me live until I'm 92?

There are things I want to know about, and oh, so much to see!  
Do you think that you could manage, Lord, to make it 93?

The world is changing all too fast and there's so much in store,  
So I'd surely like to be on hand when I am 94.

And if by then my heart is sound and I am still alive,  
I'd like to live and be around when I am 95.

I know, dear Lord, it's so much to ask, and it's mighty nice in heaven,  
But I would like to stick around until I'm 97.

Perhaps by then I may be slow, and I know it's getting late,  
But it would be nice to be your guest when I am 98.

I will not quit at 99,  
So whatever comes after that, will be just fine!

**SOURCE:** Anonymous

**SCRIPTURE READINGS  
FOR NEXT SUNDAY  
November 12, 2017**

*You could read/discuss/pray with your family, with friends or by yourself.*

**First Reading:** Wisdom 6:12-16  
**Second Reading:** 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18  
**Psalm:** 63  
**Gospel:** Matthew 25:1-13

**SAINTS SPEAK**

*"Whence comes this idea that if what we are doing is fun, it can't be God's will? The God who made giraffes, a baby's fingernails, a puppy's tail, a crook necked squash, the bobwhite's call, and a young girl's giggle, has a sense of humour. Make no mistake about that."*

**Catherine Marshall**, 1914-83,  
*Spiritual Portrait*, American writer

*"God has wisely kept us in the dark concerning future events and reserved for himself the knowledge of them, that he may train us up in a dependence upon himself and a continued readiness for every event."*

**Matthew Henry**, 1662-1714,  
English Protestant Minister and writer

**OUR 'PIUS' SMILE(S)**

I used to eat a lot of natural foods until I learned that most people die of natural causes.

Garden Rule: When weeding, the best way to make sure you are removing a weed and not a valuable plant is to pull on it. If it comes out of the ground easily, it is a valuable plant.

The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a replacement.

Never take life seriously. Nobody gets out alive anyway.

Have you noticed since everyone has a camcorder these days no one talks about seeing UFOs like they used to?

In the 60's, people took acid to make the world weird. Now the world is weird and people take Prozac to make it normal.

**FR. EARL DREAMS**

The Archbishop's recent letter reports that the process for implementing the *Archdiocese's Renewal Plan* has begun with *St. John's East Zone - St. Pius X, Mary Queen of Peace, St. Paul's and St. Francis of Assisi Parishes*.

On *October 20, 2017*, *Peter Whittle* (Archdiocesan Coordinator) chaired a meeting with *Fr. Frank Puddister, Fr. Earl Smith, SJ, Fr. Wayne Bolton, SJ and Maria Kelsey*. Unfortunately *Fr. Clem O'Flaherty*, Pastor of *St. Paul's and St. Francis of Assisi Parishes* was ill. We discussed various aspects of the *Renewal Plan*, with special attention to the importance of collaboration and communication.

A representative from the Archdiocese's *Renewal Plan* Committee will make a presentation to our Parish Council on *November 15, 2017*, followed by presentations to Parish Councils of *Mary Queen of Peace, St. Paul's and St. Francis of Assisi Parishes*. Early in the new year, there will be a joint meeting of the Parish Councils in our Zone. The meeting was a positive one as we head into the future.

**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017**

The annual *Christmas Bazaar* will be held *Sunday, November 19, 2017, 2 - 4 pm* in the *Parish Hall*.

**Only two Weeks to Prepare!**

This year we will be having a Silent Auction and one wheel along with all of our great tables. Please consider donating paintings, prints, **NEW** items, gift cards for wine/spirits, for the Silent Auction and wheel. We are also seeking gift cards. You are urged to start making fudge, baked items and Christmas items for the sale. These items can be dropped off to Committee members or Parish Office. Thank you for your continued support.

**"DO MONKEYS GO TO HEAVEN? 2.0"**

This book is the follow-up to *Fr. John McCarthy's* original book. It includes his musings on science, nature and spirituality. This volume contains 60 musings, 5 for each month. This book is available for sale from the table in the Chapel.

## UPDATE ON ARCHDIOCESAN RENEWAL PLAN

On October 30, 2017, Archbishop Currie sent a letter updating us on the *Archdiocesan Renewal Plan*. Highlights include

- **Mr. Peter Whittle** has been hired as full-time **Coordinator**. Special thanks to **Vince Withers** for his leadership and has now stepped aside as the **Chair** of the **Implementation Committee**
- **Fr. Frank Puddister** will **Chair** and **Dr. Rick Singleton** will be **Co-Chair** the **Renewal Plan Implementation Plan** the next step in the process.
- The process has begun with **St. John's East Zone - St. Pius X, Mary Queen of Peace, St. Paul's and St. Francis of Assisi Parishes**.
- Please continue your prayers for all of us as we move forward in this "exciting and challenging process of renewal".

Limited copies of this complete letter are available from the table at the Church and Chapel entrances or on our parish or the Archdiocese's websites.

## ANNUAL MEMORIAL VIGIL SERVICE

The *Annual Memorial Vigil Service* to remember our recently deceased will be held **Sunday, November 26, 2017, 7 pm** in the **Church**. We remember our deceased parishioners who died during the past year (**November, 2016 - November, 2017**). A reception will follow.

## VIDEO GAME CONTEST

Are you between the ages of 12-18 years of age? Do you like playing video games? The **Centre for Life** is looking for your ideas to create a video Game "**What Caring for Human Life Looks Like**". **First Prize** is your choice of either **\$100. Steam or iTunes card**, **second prize** is **\$50. Steam or iTunes**, **third prize** is **\$25. Steam or iTunes card**. Top prize winner claims their name on the opening screen of video game. Contest closes **January, 31, 2018** and winners will be announced on **February 28, 2018**. See contest details on line at [www.centreforlife.ca/lifecontest/](http://www.centreforlife.ca/lifecontest/).

If you have any questions, email [info@centreforlife.ca](mailto:info@centreforlife.ca).

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION

**October 21 and 22:** \$3,344.15

**October 28 and 29:** \$3,974.00

**Thank you for our continued generous support.**

## STORM CANCELLATION POLICY

In November, 2015 Parish Council recommended that St. Pius X Parish adopt the following **Storm Cancellation Policy**. This is to ensure the safety of our parishioners, and to conform with the requirement of our liability insurance.

The Pastor, on the advice of the Parish support staff, will decide on whether to close the parish facilities - **Church, Parish Hall and Rectory/Parish Office** for the **entire day**. Weather forecast, driving conditions and the snow clearing of the Church parking lot are also taken into consideration when deciding to close all the parish facilities.

In the event of a storm, or impending storm, the following procedures will be followed:

### Highlights:

#### **Morning, Evening and Weekend Masses**

- If schools in the St. John's area are closed due to a storm, then St. Pius X facilities - **Church, Parish Hall and Rectory/Parish Office** - will also be closed for that **entire day**.
- Where possible, information about closures will be emailed to parishioners, posted on the parish website, Parish Office voice mail, and on the radio at least ninety minutes prior to the start of a Mass or other event.
- When the Church is closed due to a storm, all parish activities are cancelled for that day, including those taking place in the Parish Hall and Rectory/Parish Office.
- In the case of the closure of the Church, doors **will not be open** to admit parishioners.
- This policy should help to avoid potentially hazardous situations for drivers and pedestrians.

Copies of the entire **Storm Cancellation Policy** are available from the table at the Church and Chapel entrances and on the parish website.

## STEAM CLEANING

Thanks to **Karl and Allan**, our maintenance staff, who have completed the steam cleaning of the pew seats in both the Church and Chapel. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this process.

## Calendar of Services, Mass Intentions and Activities

Sun.	Nov. 5	8:30 am 11:00 am <b>7:00 pm</b>	Mass Mass <b>MUN Roman Catholic Chaplaincy Mass - St. John's College Chapel</b>	31 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 31 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon.	Nov. 6	9:30 am <b>1:00 pm</b> 7:30 pm	Mass <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Chapel</b> Mass	Hanton and Walsh Families George Tobin
Tues.	Nov. 7	9:30 am 7:30 pm	Mass Mass	Brendan Gallagher Nugent and Fleming Families
Wed.	Nov. 8	9:30 am	Mass	Marion Basha Scanlon
Thurs.	Nov. 9	9:30 am <b>7:30 pm</b>	Mass <b>Choir Practice - Church</b>	Jean O'Brien
Fri.	Nov. 10	9:30 am	Mass	Edward and Elizabeth Molloy
Sat.	Nov. 11	9:30 am 4:45 pm	Mass Mass	Holy Souls 32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun.	Nov. 12	8:30 am 11:00 am <b>7:00 pm</b>	Mass Mass <b>MUN Roman Catholic Chaplaincy Mass - St. John's College Chapel</b>	32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**WEBSITES:** Three to recommend are: [www.jesuits.ca](http://www.jesuits.ca) [www.ignatianspirituality.com](http://www.ignatianspirituality.com)  
[www.jesuitresources.org](http://www.jesuitresources.org)

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Saturday: 3:30 - 4:20 pm and Tuesday: 6:40 - 7:20 pm

**TIMES OF MASSES:** Monday and Tuesday: 9:30 am and 7:30 pm  
Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 9:30 am  
Saturday: 9:30 am and 4:45 pm; Sunday: 8:30 and 11 am

**BAPTISMS:** *Second Sunday* of the month. **Time:** 1 pm in the Church  
Please call the Parish Office (754-0170) **ONE MONTH** in advance  
*A copy of the child's birth certificate must be provided before the baptism*  
**PRE-BAPTISMAL COURSE:** *Call the Parish Office for more details*

**MARRIAGES:** By appointment **SIX MONTHS** in advance. *Marriage Preparation Course required*

**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday - Friday, 9 am - 12 noon and 12:30 - 4:30 pm;  
**TELEPHONE:** 754-0170 **E-MAIL:** [stpiusx@nl.rogers.com](mailto:stpiusx@nl.rogers.com)

**CHAIRPERSON OF PARISH COUNCIL:** 739-5780  
**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:** 233-0302 or 753-6997