

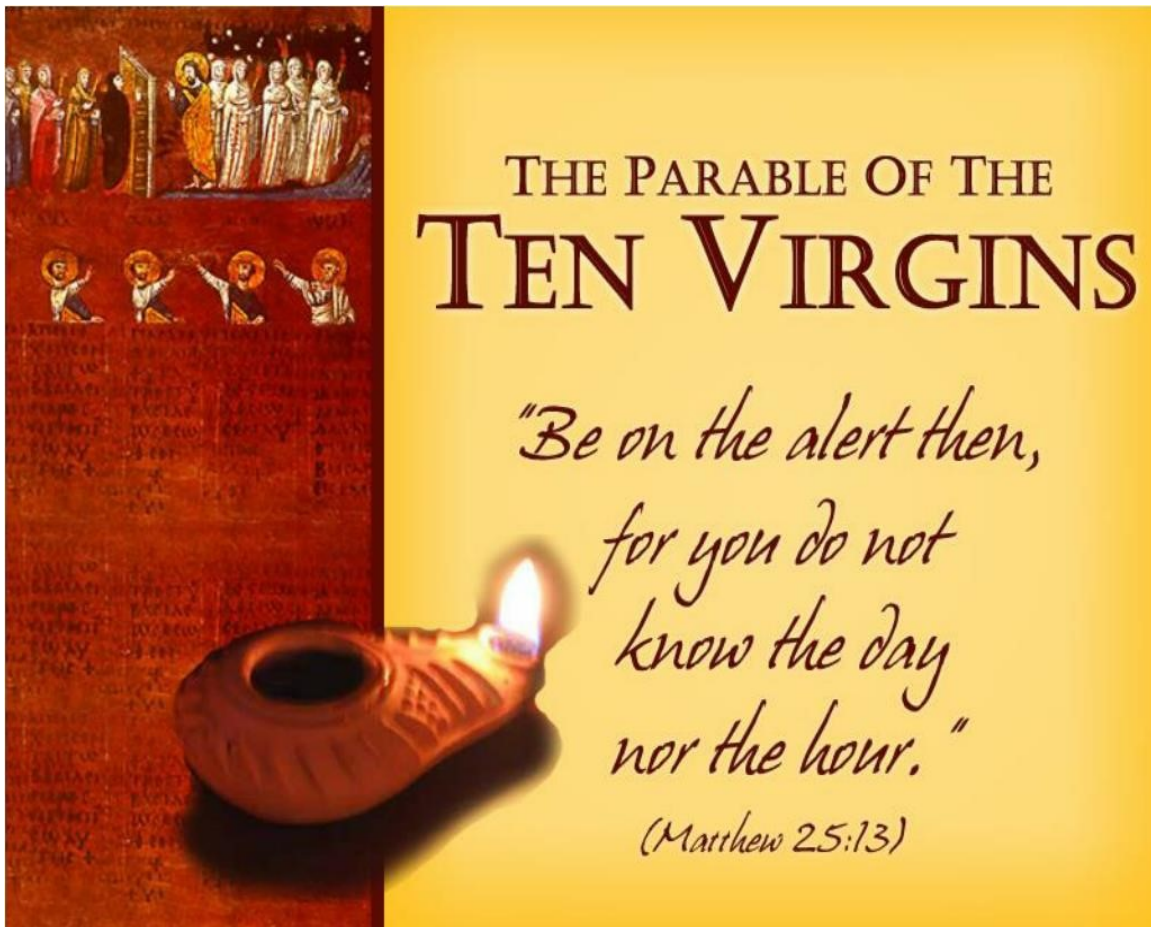


**Rev. Cal R. Christiansen**

**Deacon Derrel Craig**

**November 8, 2020**

**XXXII Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**Weekend Masses and Reconciliation**

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Parish Office: (425) 775-7545

St. Pius X School: (425) 778-9861

Hours: The parish office is open from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday except holidays, and closed daily from 12:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. for lunch.

Voicemail at the school is being monitored. Please leave a message.

**Fr. Cal Christiansen**



## ***Dear Parishioners,***

I have some exciting news to share with you regarding Mercy House! As we know, 'Virtual' Mercy House has been largely operating out of the Fireside Room since last April. During this time, through grants provided by Catholic Community Services, St. Vincent de Paul and Regional Prepares Services, we've assisted hundreds of families by providing tens of thousands of dollars of rental and utility assistance, emergency food, diapers, baby wipes, baby clothing, formula and so much more. All of this has been happening right here on our campus during this epidemic and I'm so very proud of our Mercy House Team!

The exciting news is that we've decided on some important and concrete next steps for this project. Our original plan of constructing a new building on church grounds will not be possible and this is due to the City of Mountlake Terrace's frontage improvement requirement for any new structures costing above \$75,000. This means that we would have to increase the width of the sidewalks bordering our property both on 56th and 58th Avenues. Estimated costs of such an undertaking would be well over \$1,000,000, placing the entire project out of reach. Because of this, we have turned to Option B which proposes to completely remodel the old rectory/office building on 56th Avenue and retrofit it for the ministries that will meet within it as Mercy House. This will be a complete makeover inside and out and we hope to begin this process soon. In order to help keep our costs down as much as possible, we are asking individuals from our parish community who work in the construction field to donate time and talent to this project. If you would like to get involved, please contact the parish office as soon as possible at (425) 775-7545 so that we can begin coordinating our Volunteers with our General Contractor. Please keep this exciting and important parish outreach ministry in your prayers that the Lord will bring it to a successful completion.

## ***Queridos Parroquianos,***

Tengo noticias gozosas que compartir con ustedes sobre nuestro proyecto parroquial, Mercy House (Casa de Misericordia). Recordemos que en April pasado, el liderazgo de la Casa de Misericordia decidió responder a la crisis del Covid. Hoy en día hemos decidido que no es posible esperar un año más para iniciar los servicios de la Casa de Misericordia (Prepares, San Vicente de Paul y Servicios Católicos Comunitarios), el Espíritu de Dios nos inspiró iniciar rápido y en el presente y fue así que iniciamos Mercy House 'virtual'. Entonces, desde ese momento, hemos servido a cientos de familias y hemos gastado miles de dólares (proporcionados por Servicios Católicos) para apoyar familias en necesidades con la renta, la electricidad, comida, pañales, formula, y bastante más. Bendito sea Dios por la generosidad de los voluntarios que están trabajando en el campus de nuestra parroquia: en Prepares y San Vicente de Paul ayudado a tantas familias por Mercy House virtual.

Las noticias gozosas que quiero compartir con ustedes sobre la Casa de Misericordia es lo siguiente: ya tenemos planes concretos para seguir adelante con el proyecto, pero con un gran cambio. Antes, estábamos planeando construir un edificio nuevo. Pero, después de algunas reuniones con la ciudad de Mountlake Terrace, descubrimos que la ciudad tiene una norma, cuando se trata de proyectos nuevos con el costo de más de setenta y cinco mil dólares, el dueño tiene que mejorar la banqueta que rodea su campus. En nuestro caso, tendríamos que mejorar toda de la banqueta que corre en las avenidas 56 y 58 con un costo de mas de un millón de dólares. Por eso, esta opción ya no lo es para nosotros debido al costo. Entones, hemos elegido otra opción, que es remodelar el edificio que eran la antigua oficina y rectoría que está ubicado en la avenida 56. Sería una remodelación completa al exterior y al interior. Es por esto, que necesitamos muchos voluntarios que trabajen en el área de construcción para ayudarnos a bajar el costo.

Si usted trabaja en el área de construcción residencial o comercial, y desea donar su tiempo y talento en este proyecto tan importante para nuestra parroquia llamenos a la oficina. Vamos a pedir al Señor que el bendiga nuestro trabajo y labor en la construcción de la Casa de Misericordia.

***In Christ/En Cristo,  
Fr. Cal***

## Financial Stewardship Year to Date Report

Total collection for weekend of 11/2	\$ 13,259.34
Budgeted:	\$ 15,000.00
Actual YTD Giving:	\$ 214,267.82
YTD Budget	\$ 270,000.00
Over/Under budgeted YTD Goal:	(\$ 55,732.18)

*If you have any questions, please call the parish office, (425) 775-7545. Thank you.*

### Adoration Chapel Openings

**Please consider spending one hour with Our Lord**

**The following days and times are available for you to be a dedicated Adorer for one hour every week:**

**Sundays from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and from 9:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.**

**Mondays from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and from Noon to 1:00 p.m.**

**Tuesdays from 2:00 a.m. to 3:00 a.m. and from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and from 11:00 a.m. to Noon and from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

**Wednesdays from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

**Thursdays from 3:00 a.m. to 4:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. to Noon and 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

**Fridays from 11:00 a.m. to Noon and from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

**Saturdays from 3:00 a.m. to 4:00 a.m. and from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

***“Can you spend just one hour with Me?”***

**I'm so Glad You Asked!**

**Deacon  
Derrel Craig**



Marie and I have just returned from a most needed and welcomed two-week vacation and do so rejuvenated to continue to power through this very awkward year. It is important that we all take time away from the regular routines of our lives to both relax and appreciate the beauty of God's creation. It is also a time to reflect on our lives and our relationship with our gracious Lord. How, we might ask, can we take time away in a world locked down from the plague? To that question, I'd have to answer, how could you not?

There are many opportunities for outdoor activities and places to visit without subjecting ourselves to the stress of seeing the mask-clad masses everywhere which serve to remind us of the seemingly never-ending disease. Taking hikes in the mountains, bike rides in the parks, kayaking on the bountiful bodies of water that surround us are but a few examples; but there are so many more.

When we make the time to get away, even if it is only for a day or two, that time away in meditation and prayer can open our eyes to new possibilities in our lives. That time can also allow God to present us with different perspectives about our lives which we might otherwise have overlooked. Caring for ourselves is just as important as caring for those around us. Failure to attend to the former can result in disaster for the latter.

The rigors of the constant plague and the negative news surrounding both the illness and the nastiness of the political storms smashing against the cliffs of our brains can, at times, seem overwhelming. We must get away from the constant battering of information to see the beauty of the world. Undoubtedly, when we do take vacations, we return to our former routines with a different outlook and, very often, a different path down which to trod. For Marie and I, that has happened. More to come in future articles.

For the moment, I am so very glad you asked.



# St. Pius X Catholic School



**St. Pius X School is a faith-filled school offering**

- +strong academic curriculum**
- +safe & nurturing environment**
- +excellent student to teacher ratio**
- +financial aid**
- +3 & 4 year old PreSchool**
- +4 & 5 year old PreKindergarten**
- +extra-curricular activities such as Robotics, CYO sports, Honors Choir, Band**



Please pray for healing for the following people. If you do, we can be assured that prayers are going to Our Lord on their behalf every hour of every day.

We especially pray for Our Lord's mercy for all those who have been on the prayer list and remain ill; also for their families and their caretakers.

If you have recently become critically ill or injured and would like your name in the prayer list, please call the parish office (425) 775-7545 or have an immediate family member make the call for you.

Gilberto Aguilar, Suvan Atia, Thomas Beals, Benjamin, Tina Bjorndahl, David Blacker, Karen Bovee, Nancy Bowman, Erwin Boyer, Trish Buck, J.D. Butler, Sylvia Butler, Alice Cannon, Diane Carringer, Lee You Chee, Jerry Cline, Ruth Cook, Steve Cook, Lois P. Clinck, Wanda Craig, Virginia David, Mary Deiro, The Delaney Family, Khanh Do, The Dong Family, Harriett Delgado, Marie Demski, Zella Dow, Patricia Earp, Gia Fuda, Bertha Gallagher, Antonio Garcia, Kathi Hagstrom, Rosario Haro, Rex GeRoy, Larry Herres, Tom Houvener, Tim Hutton, Bill Hutton, Payton Haggett, Michael & Margaret Hoffman, Boon Hwa, Jim Johnson, Ray Johnson, Jay Kay, Alice Kier, The Kolve Family, Clark LaBrosse, Anne Lee, Jim Lester, Richard Lester, Fr. O.C. Lim, Vida Logan, Edwin Low, Jean Luke Felipe Maganis, Manisha, Mona G., Luciann MacDonald, The McCord Family, Ralph McDonald, Richard McGee, Joe Melton, Kathy Morris, Nancy Neinc, Frank Nelson, Eliza Ng, Peter Ng, Terence Ng, Vinh Nghiem, Susan O'Bar, Carol Ogden, Aly Osborne, The Pagano Family, Abel Parra, Fr. Peter, Larry & Barbara Peterson, Kristy Pierce, Nocola Pioli, Bret Podnar, Bee Poh, Valentine Powell, John Powers, The Priano Family, Tony Rangel, Kirk and Sylvia Raymond, Joseph Rochon, Cesar Rodriguez, Rosey, Elizabeth Sandoval, Sharon Serrano, Lita Shanahan, Beverly Underland, The Schalk Family, Robert Smith, Lauqueta Spencer, Angelica Valdez, Angelica Divino Valdez, Maria Valdez, Pat Weber, Dolores Chickie Willits, Brekti Woldeysus, Alan Wood, Mark Wood, |and Mary Zgodzinski

### A Special Prayer for the Faithful Souls in Purgatory

*This prayer, dictated by Our Lord to St. Gertrude, releases numerous souls from Purgatory each and every time it is said!*

Without prolonged moments of *adoration*, of prayerful encounter with the word, of sincere conversation with Our Lord, our work easily becomes meaningless; we lose energy as a result of weariness and difficulties, and our fervor dies out.

*Please pray with fervor and zeal!*

“Eternal Father, I offer You the most precious blood of Thy divine son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the faithful souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, for those in my own home and in my family. Amen.”