WELCOME TO PAX CHRISTI

WE ARE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR OCTOBER 14, 2018

NEW HERE?

MASS TIMES:

Saturday ~ 5:00pm

Sunday ~ 9:00am, 11:00am, 5:00pm

Mondays ~ 8:30am

Tuesdays ~ 8:30am with Rosary to follow

Wednesdays ~ 6:00pm

Thursdays ~ 8:30am

Fridays ~ 8:30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Private) ~ Saturdays 4:00-4:30pm

Interpreter for hearing impaired at 11:00am Mass. Nursery provided for infants through age 4 during Sunday Mass times.

SACRAMENTS:

Baptism ~ registration and info at www.paxchristi.com/baptism **Confirmation** ~ registration and info at www.paxchristi.com/ffregistration **First Eucharist** ~ registration and info at www.paxchristi.com/ffregistration **First Reconciliation** ~ registration/info at www.paxchristi.com/ffregistration **Marriage and Wedding Prep** ~ www.paxchristi.com/marriage

Questions? Contact Andrea in the parish office, 952-405-7207

MONTHLY MAGAZINE:

The *PaxChristiNews* is mailed each month to all registered members. If you are visiting this weekend, feel free to pick up a complimentary copy from the front desk receptionist.

THIS IS NEW MEMBER SIGN UP WEEKEND:

If you would like to become a member of Pax Christi, shared ministers are here and ready to assist you in the registration process. You are also welcome to stop by the parish office anytime for a registration packet. Additional information at www.paxchristi.com/joinpax.

BAPTISM AT PAX CHRISTI:

At Pax Christi families choosing to baptize their infant are invited to attend a Baptism Preparation Workshop which offers insight and guidance concerning the Sacrament of Baptism. Sessions are held the first Tuesday of most months—you are welcome to bring the baby. Baptisms are celebrated once a month during the weekend Masses and the other Sundays at 12:15pm. Special arrangements can be made for older children or adults. Additional information at www.paxchristi.com/baptism.

A NOTE FROM FR BILL MURTAUGH

October Reflections...

In 1975 I was going to Louisville, Kentucky for a family wedding. Since the Abbey of Gethsemane is nearby, I left a week early to make my annual retreat at the Abbey.



I followed the monks' daily schedule—rising at 3:15am and retiring at 7:30pm. There was Mass at 4:00am known as the "milker's Mass" because it was usually attended by dairy farmers who are up early. On Sunday the Mass was at 6:00am and well attended. It was full of tough, rural Catholics who lived around the Abbey: men in jeans and boots; healthy looking children with their extended farm families; older women still beautiful despite the wear of years and hard work; older men hunched over in their prayers. Although I don't have a photograph of that Sunday morning Mass, I can still see it because it became an experiential memory. What I saw there that Sunday morning, and have continued to see at every Mass over the years, is the Church in all its beauty. It is in the gathering of people at prayer or witnessing to the Gospel by their simple and ordinary lives that my faith is strengthened.

There is an old Latin saying that is true to this day: "Ubi caritas, ibi ecclesia" translated, "where there is love, there is the church."

The Church needs to change with the times because God has given us a rich garden to plant and grow; God has not given us a museum to preserve. The Church is the *People of God*, the Baptized. Only about one percent of the baptized are ordained to serve as members of the Body of Christ. I may sound like Bernie Sanders here, but it is outrageous that the one percent have all the power to dictate how the 99 percent should live as Catholic Christians, and a small percentage of the one percent have caused the horrible abuse scandal that is shameful.

What I want to say to you, and especially to our young people, concerning your doubts about the Church: Go serve the poor, go to a homeless shelter, go to Loaves and Fishes, go to a hospice, go tutor at an innercity school, go to a medical clinic or a drop-in-center for the poor, go and volunteer, and there you will find the Catholic Church, there you will find Christ and committed Catholics who serve and pray. There are also many young middle-aged, and older Catholics working for the Reign of God in the areas of justice, peace-making, the dignity of everyone. Church is more than what happens on Sunday. But the Sunday assembly is important; it is in the community of believers that we are strengthened, nourished, and challenged by the Gospel. There we find our True Selves and real calling in life.

The real story of our Church are stories of people who have continued to say "yes" to Christ Jesus and his way of living life. Our sacred scriptures are the stories of saying "yes" or "no" to God. Get to know the stories of people who based their lives on the radical commandment of Jesus to love our fellow human beings, and to love God.

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Father Bill



UPCOMING EVENTS

HIGH SCHOOL ESCAPE ROOM ADVENTURE

Thursday, October 18, 5:00-9:00pm, 9-12th graders **RSVP**

SOCIAL JUSTICE SPEAKERS SERIES: ON FOOD INSECURITY Sunday, October 21, 12:30-2:00pm

PAX CHRISTI BOOK CLUB

Mondays, 6:30-8:00pm OR Thursdays, 10:00-11:30am

October 22-December 10, cost \$10

TWELVE BASKETS HAT AND MITTEN DRIVE

Weekend of October 27/28

PAX CHRISTI ANNUAL HALLOWEEN SOCIAL

Saturday, October 27 Following 5:00pm Mass

PAXCONNEX HALLOWEEN PARTY

Sunday, October 28, 3:30-6:30pm

CAST INTO THE DEEP: ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Second Monday of each month: November 12, 6:00pm **RSVP**

MEMORIAL MASS

Saturday, November 3, 5:00pm Mass



Sign-up at www.paxchristi.com/boomers

to receive info on upcoming events.

Upcoming events include:

Feed My Starving Children: October 18, 9:30am Lunch and Theater Outing: November 7, 11:30am

Event information available at paxchristi.com!

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Monday, October 15 MASS 8:30am 6:30pm Pack 348 Mtg 6:30pm **Exploring Migration** 7:00pm Venture Crew 370

Tuesday, October 16

8:30am MASS Rosary Group 9:00am Women with Spirit Bible Study Sunday, October 21 9:00am

Leadership Mtgs.

3:00pm Chair Yoga 6:00pm 50+ Basketball

Wednesday, October 17

11:00am Tai Chi 6:00pm MASS

6:30pm

RSVP

7:00pm Art Committee Mtg.

Thursday, October 18

8:30am MASS

9:00am **Quilters Ministry**

3:00pm Compassionate Care Circle 5:00pm High School Event

Pax Christi Basketball 6:00pm

7:00pm Alanon

Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00pm 7:30pm Music Rehearsal

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19 8:30am MASS

Saturday, October 20

9:00am Women's AA Group 9:00am Overeater's Anonymous 4:00pm Private Reconciliation 5:00pm MASS - FR. MURTAUGH

HOSPITALITY FOLLOWING MORNING MASSES

MASS - FR. BYRON 9:00am 10:00am GIFT Bible Study 11:00am MASS - FR. BYRON

12:30pm Social Justice Speaker Series

3:30pm Teen Choir

MASS - FR. MURTAUGH 5:00pm

THREE DAYS LEFT FOR OUTDOOR PHOTO SESSIONS

Photo sessions for our upcoming pictorial directory will continue through November 10, however, there are only three opportunities left for outdoor photos: October 17, 20, and 23. Viewing and purchase opportunity will promptly follow your portrait session. If you purchase photos, they will arrive at Pax Christi 2-3 weeks after your photo session. If you purchased digital images, they will be delivered to Pax Christi on a thumb drive for you to keep. This is a great opportunity to have photos taken for Christmas cards.

> The link to sign up: www.paxchristi.com/saycheese

PRAYER CORNER

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE LOVED ONES:

Bill, Trisha, Katie, Barb, Ken, Bob, Eric, Jackie, Gail, Rod, Brent, Tammie, Michelle, Carol, Diane, Katherine, Jim, Pam, and Ryan.

Pax Christi offers, as a community, the gift of prayer. If you would like to have your name listed in this Prayer Corner during a time of need, contact Pastoral Care, 952-941-3150.

	This Year Actual	This Year Budget	Variance from Budget	Last Year Actual	Variance from Last Year
Week #14 Contributions	17,179	24.000	(6,821)	63.023	(45,844)
YTD through Week #14	592,835	613.000	(20,165)	674.737	(81,902)
18–19 Contributions Goal – \$2,835,000	eCheck and credit card giving available at www.paxchristi.com.				