



# ST. PIUS X PARISH

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## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 5, 2024

SUNDAY MASSES:	SATURDAY	5:00PM
	SUNDAY	9:00AM & 11:00AM
DAILY MASS:	MONDAY	9:00AM
	TUESDAY — FRIDAY	8:00AM
	SATURDAY, HOLIDAYS	9:00AM
CONFESSIONS:	SATURDAY	4:00PM OR BY APPOINTMENT
ADORATION:	EVERY FRIDAY FOLLOWING MORNING MASS AND ENDING WITH BENEDICTION AT 2:30PM	



**ST. PIUS X SPRING FAIR**  
**SATURDAY, MAY 11 — 10AM to 2PM**

**Student Entrepreneurship**  
**Cake Walk**  
**Bouncies**  
**Cotton Candy, Snow Cones,**  
**Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Donuts, Snacks**  
**Refreshments**  
**Famous CWL Bake Sale**  
**Raffle 50/50**

**Bring your family, friends, and neighbours**



### ***To Love as Christ Loves Us***

Once again this week, we hear the same lessons as last Sunday. We are told again to remain in Christ. The reading from the Acts of the Apostles is again insisting that, before God, religious practice does not count unless it is coming from a heart that is truly seeking to obey God. Circumcision was the sign of God's covenant with the Jewish people, but unless people are honestly seeking God, circumcision does not count. Perhaps, even more importantly, when one is seeking God, one does not need to be circumcised. It simply is not important. The chosen people of God also had many other regulations about food and the washing of hands and utensils. Those do not count either. The Scriptures show that there is only one thing that matters – complete trust in Jesus Christ, because all salvation is from him.

For many, there is a sense that our Catholic Church has complicated things because we also have rules and regulations. We have to remember that our salvation in Jesus Christ does not mean that we can do just anything. Rather, when we put God first, we will know how to deal with all the rules and regulations. Jesus says many times that he has not come to abolish the Law and the Prophets, but to fulfill them.

We have been invited to be the friends of Christ. He has chosen us and we are invited to respond. This is really astounding! This is not about feeling good about ourselves. It is about being faithful to our friend Jesus Christ. It is about learning more and more from Jesus Christ by listening to his word and allowing it to form us. It is about learning to trust totally in Jesus Christ and relying on his word to guide our daily lives.

We hear so strongly in today's readings: Love one another as Christ has loved us. We want to learn how to love, and all of life is about learning to love more. There is no point at which we can claim that we have learned Christ's teachings entirely, and thus have no more to learn. We continue to meet new life situations in which we hear in a new way the Lord's word that we have already heard and which has been forming us. It is important to keep our eyes and our ears open, which is to say that our hearts must remain open in every situation so that we may hear and understand how God wants us to love.

Let us pray to God again today that we may know how to love, that we may allow the word of God to be the guide in every aspect of our lives, and that we may give all of our energies to our Lord who gave his life for us.

*Adapted from a reflection from the Benedictine Monastery of Christ in the Desert, Abiquiu, New Mexico*



## CWL SPRING FAIR BAKE SALE

**Saturday, May 11th  
10am-2pm**

**Calling All Bakers**

**Please join us and support our  
Spring Fair Bake Sale**

Cookies, loaves, muffins, bars, pies, and other sweet or savory tarts, including GLUTEN free recipe items, are most welcome. **PLEASE NOTE:** We cannot accept baked goods that need refrigeration. Drop off your wrapped baked goods with a list of ingredients attached on Friday, May 10th between 4-6pm or on Saturday, May 11th between 8:30-10am in the Gym.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

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**CWL Annual Spring Plant Sale:** Order Deadline May 8, Pick Up May 25: Our CWL will be selling beautiful baskets, planters, herbs, plants, veggie plants. Net proceeds support charitable, community, and literacy causes supported by our Council. Order via the website: <https://spxcwl.growingsmilesfundraising.com> or order forms are available at the CWL desk in the vestibule. Payment via cheques payable to St. Pius X CWL, credit card, and e-transfer.

### 52 Reasons to Join the CWL

**#17 Good Works:** Imagine if you knew the great works done by Catholic Women's League members. As social justice activists, we pray and work for family, friends, and all people to change current issues and make this world a better place. We hope you will join us!

### Marriage Anniversary Mass 2024

*"Love isn't easy. No. But the most beautiful thing that a man and a woman can give each other is true love, for a lifetime."* - Pope Francis

On Sunday, May 12, Archbishop Michael Miller, CSB will be honouring couples celebrating milestone marriage anniversaries: five-year increments from 5 to 60 years, and every year beyond 60 years. The Marriage Anniversary Mass will be at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish in Port Coquitlam at 1:30 p.m. Learn more and register at [family.rcav.org/mam](http://family.rcav.org/mam).

**BACK BY DEMAND**

**FAMOUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 2**



The parish is excited to provide a pancake and sausage breakfast to everyone after the 9am and 11am Masses on June 2nd. The cost will be \$5 per person or \$15 per family. Everyone is invited to attend. Any men of the parish who would be interested in volunteering, or for more information, should contact Alex Volpatti at: [avolpatti57@gmail.com](mailto:avolpatti57@gmail.com).

**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter Stewardship Reflection:** *"This is my commandment: Love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."* John 15:12-13

Do we love Jesus? Do we consider him our friend? Jesus says that, if we love him, we would be willing to offer whatever we have to him, not because we want praise and glory, but simply because we love him. Does our giving seem mechanical out of obligation or do we share freely out of love?

### Administrative Assistant, Holy Trinity Parish:

The Administrative Assistant is responsible for a wide variety of administrative duties, including typical secretarial and receptionist duties in addition to more complex functions. Reporting to the Pastor, the role assists and coordinates functions to ensure the smooth operation of the parish office.

### Part-Time Bookkeeper, Holy Trinity Parish:

The Bookkeeper performs a variety of routine and non-routine accounting and administrative functions for Holy Trinity Parish, in accordance with Accounting Standards for Not-for-Profit Organizations. Learn more at: [rcav.org/jobs](http://rcav.org/jobs).

### SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND:

For the Parish Building Fund. Thank you for your generosity.

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*"In all the events of life, we must recognize the divine will. Adore and bless it, especially in the things which are the hardest for us."*

*St. Padre Pio*



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OUR SCHOOL IS A VIBRANT FAITH AND LEARNING COMMUNITY DEDICATED TO DEVELOPING THE FULL POTENTIAL OF EACH CHILD USING CHRIST AS OUR CENTRE. WE ARE BLESSED WITH CARING AND DEDICATED EDUCATORS COMMITTED TO INSPIRING LIFE LONG LEARNERS IN ALL AREAS. WE WELCOME THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE THE MANY ENRICHING LEARNING EXPERIENCES WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**  
 MONDAY-FRIDAY  
 10AM-1:30PM  
 604-929-1404  
 PARISH.SPX @RCAV.ORG

**REGISTRATIONS AND DONATION ENVELOPES:**  
 REGISTRATION TO THE PARISH AND REQUEST FOR DONATION ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE VESTIBULE OR YOU MAY CALL THE PARISH OFFICE.

**REQUESTS FOR MASSES:**  
 FOR THE LIVING AND DECEASED. PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE. SUGGESTED MASS STIPEND IS \$10. MASS CARDS MAY ALSO BE PURCHASED FROM THE PARISH OFFICE. FOR A COST OF \$3.00

**MARRIAGES:**  
 TO BEGIN THE SPIRITUAL AND PRACTICAL PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE, PLEASE CONTACT FR. JEFF AT LEAST 9 MONTHS IN ADVANCE.

**BAPTISM:**  
 PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO ARRANGE AN INTERVIEW AT LEAST ONE MONTH PRIOR.

**VISITATION OF THE SICK:**  
 Please call the parish office when a parishioner or family member is hospitalized or housebound to arrange visitation, Holy Communion and Anointing.

**BERKLEY CARE CENTRE:**  
 Every 1st Wednesday at 1:30pm. Mass or Prayers with Communion.

**ST PIUS X PARISH**

**PARISH GROUPS AND CONTACT INFORMATION & TO VOLUNTEER:**

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

BARBARA JOHNSTON  
 236-999-1286

**LECTORS**

CECILIA MCLAREN  
 604-729-4543

**BUILDING MAINTENANCE**

DAVID BOYER 604-929-6430  
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**GREETERS**

**WE ARE IN NEED OF MORE USHERS/GREETERS**

**AT ALL THE MASSES**

PLEASE CALL PARISH OFFICE

**TO VOLUNTEER**

604-929-1404

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To volunteer for Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament please contact Lisa Miiller adoration.spx@gmail.com

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**Come and pray the Rosary every Saturday morning before Mass at 8:30am**

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**ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

FOLLOW US – See what's happening! Check out our Bulletin Board in the Church vestibule.

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**DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES**

Our Lady of Good Counsel: 604-640-7543

**BIRTHRIGHT:**

MONDAY—FRIDAY,

110-207 West Hastings St. 604-687-7223

**RACHEL'S VINEYARD:** 604-525-0999