#### **Sacraments**

Registration forms for sacraments and faith formation grades PreK– 12 can be printed from our website <a href="http://www.piusxkf.com/forms.html">http://www.piusxkf.com/forms.html</a> or picked up from our parish office. If you have any questions, please contact Tami Lucht at 541-882-7593 or <a href="mailto:stpiusf@piusxkf.com">stpiusff@piusxkf.com</a>.



Registration forms must be completed for all children and participants in Faith Formation. Including youth group.

<u>Baptism</u> for infants, children and adults are scheduled through the Faith Formation office. See contact information above.

<u>First Confession & Communion</u> Please complete registration forms for children in first and second grade and turn in at the Faith Formation office ASAP.

Formation begins Sunday September 10th at 10:30 AM in the Parish Hall. We provide a 2-year formation program in accord with the Diocese of Baker norms. We aim to create a family room environment. We use diocesan approved curriculum from Our Sunday Visitor, supplemented by materials from Education in Virtue.

<u>Confirmation</u> We will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in spring of 2025 for children grade 5 and above who have not yet received the sacrament. We provide a 2-year formation program in accord with the Diocese of Barker norms.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Please complete registration forms for children and adults ages 9 – adult and turn in at the Faith Formation office ASAP. Formation for children ages 9–18 begins Sunday, September 10th in the Parish Hall. Formation for adults begins Tuesday, September 12th at 6:30 PM in the Parish Hall. Formation classes are an 8 month program. We aim to create a comfortable, conversational environment. Please contact Vic Scaravilli at 541-884-6905 or Tami Lucht 541-882-7593.

<u>Marriage</u> forms may be picked up, completed, and turned in to the Parish Office. Formation is scheduled upon reception of completed forms.



"This is my body, which will be given up for you...This is the chalice of my Blood, the Blood of the new and eternal covenant."

#### Family Faith Forums 2023-24

The focus of our Family Faith Forums this year will be equipping families with the knowledge, resources, and inspiration necessary to keep children and youth actively engaged in parish life into adulthood. After our first forum, all forums will take place the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month at 10:30 AM in the Parish Hall. See schedule below.

September 17th—Word Youth Day experiences and photos.

The remainder of our Faith Forum series will be about the Eucharist and our faith.

October 8th—Eucharistic Revival Introduction with Vic Scaravilli

Faith Forum Dates: Nov 12, Dec 10, Jan 14, Feb 11 and Mar 10—topics TBD



Blessed by the Word Women's Retreat

October 13-14, 2023

You do not want to miss this year's **Women's Retreat** featuring highly acclaimed guest speaker, Sonja Corbitt. She is the host of Evange-

lista Bible Study found on Catholic TV and YouTube. Her love of scripture will help us learn more about being **BLESSED BY THE WORD.** 

Young women join us for a special track extending Saturday afternoon, and evening until Sunday morning. Please see enclosed flier and registration.

## St. Pius X Catholic Church



**Vision Statement** 

"To increase the disciples of Jesus Christ in our parish and our community."

## **Mission Statement**

"St. Pius X Roman Catholic Church, within the Diocese of Baker, is a community of Catholic Christians united by God, formed by the Gospels, strengthened by the sacraments and the liturgy as well as the teachings of the Catholic Church.

We are committed to evangelization and education. We encourage a greater commitment to love and follow Christ, by living out the Catholic faith and to promote peace and justice in our parish, our community, and our world. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we pledge ourselves to pursue this mission through participation in the liturgical, sacramental, educational, and social ministries of the Church."

#### Faith Formation 2023-2024 Faith Formation - The Light of Christ

Jesus said, "Let the children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven". Mt 19:14

How do we come to Jesus? We are all children of God and brothers and sisters in Christ (Fr. Shiju addresses us as such at the beginning of Mass). We are all members of one church family.

Every time we receive Jesus, something inside of us grows—this is what sets us apart, receiving the Eucharist. We are truly a part of Jesus. We are joined with Him every time we participate in Mass and receive Communion. The Eucharistic Prayer is the calling down of the Holy Spirit upon the offerings of bread and wine. This calling down of the Holy Spirit is called the *Epiclesis*, and the priest asks the Father to send the Holy Spirit in order to sanctify these offerings so that they may become the Body and Blood of Jesus. His sacrifice made more than 2000 years ago is a ripple in the pond and every time each of us participates in the Mass and Liturgy of the Eucharist we are continuing the ripples that will be felt throughout time.

A massive grassroots initiative—The National Eucharistic Revival is a momentous, three-year initiative that will bear fruit for years to come. Why a revival? Our identity at Catholics is the belief in transubstantiation or the changing of the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ. Today more than 2/3 of Catholics DO NOT believe in the transformation of the Body and Blood of Christ. This is something that Jesus gave to us at the last supper, something he sacrificed with his crucifixion and still sacrifices for us today.

Many in our parish are learning about the Eucharist through Bible studies/classes offered and through faith formation for the children. In addition, every parish in our dioceses offers Benediction on the last Sunday of the month which creates a space for people in your parish to come face-to-face with the Living God. Our Faith Forums this year will focus on the Eucharist through church teachings, authority, and the rosary. Fr. Shiju will give brief lessons during Advent like the teachings he gave during Lent about the Mass and the Eucharist. Watch the bulletin for special events including the Lenten 40 hours of Adoration. Please look through this brochure: we hope you find something that will increase your love of the Lord and your neighbor.

Many other resources are available, including Bishop Robert Barron's book *This is my Body* or a short YouTube video called *The Veil Removed*. Listening to Father Mike Schmitz reading and discussing *The Catechism in a Year* is still another way to listen and contemplate the whole mystery of Faith and God's love for us, his children.

St. Pius X number one goal for faith formation this year and every year is to assist families to *love one another as Jesus has loved you*, *Jn* 13:34 - expanding this love into the neighborhoods of our community and county. We want to give you strength to be the Light of Christ for your families in their most important and effective environment—in your home. Who is watching you, who are you teaching with your words and actions - are you eager to grow in your faith and cherish attending Mass?

Parents are the first and most important teachers in a child's life.

Tami Lucht, Coordination of Faith Formation

# **Faith Formation**

#### **FAITH FORMATION FOR 1st GRADE TO ADULTS**

<u>Pre-K to High School</u> Formation for PreK – 12<sup>th</sup> grades begins Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 AM in the Parish Hall. All registration forms must be completed and turned in to the Faith Formation office ASAP.

We are pleased to continue to use for grades PreK – 6 the curriculum for 2023-24 is **Alive in Christ** from Our Sunday Visitor, supplemented with Education in Virtue.

Junior High and High school formation will continue to use the Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church (YOUCAT) with its study guide.

### For Friends – SPX Youth Ministry

The St. Pius Youth meet the first and third Monday evening each week. The junior and senior high youth gather at 6:30 – 8:00 PM in the Parish Hall for a meal, praise & worship, and one of the following:

Content/Service Project Planning Night – An evening of meaningful conversation and prayer about a specific topic or planning and preparing for a Service Project voted on and approved by the group.

Adoration – Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month youth gather for Adoration in the Day Chapel, followed by a meal and small group prayer.

**Game Night** – An evening devoted to just spending time with one another having fun.

In addition, each year the high school youth raise funds to participate in the Steubenville Northwest Conference in July in Spokane, WA. We attended Steubenville Northwest Conference in 2022 and supported several pilgrims to attend World Youth Day in Lisbon Portugal August 2023. We are looking forward to Steubenville 2024 and World Youth Day 2027 in South Korea.

Bring your children to Mass—if they are old enough, sign them up for faith formation. It is a joy to see and hear children and youth participating in Mass with their families. If your child is in class, sit in, listen, pray, maybe help the catechist, we have an open door.

## **Divine Mercy Prayer Group**

Through Divine Mercy the Holy Trinity provides us with all we need corporally and spiritually to become fully human, so that we can live in perfect unity and harmony with Him, one another, and all of creation. In Divine Mercy in My Soul, St. Maria Faustina Kowalska shares her personal experience with Divine Mercy and how it transformed her life. Consider joining us every other Sunday afternoon at 2:00 PM in the Youth Room as we journey through St. Faustina's diary, reflect upon it, pray, and consider how we may incarnate Divine Mercy in our lives for the sake of the whole world. (See bulletin for dates.)

#### **Women's Bible Study**

All women welcome!

Thursday mornings 9:15-10:30 for prayer, faith sharing, and spiritual growth through the study of Scripture. This year we will use a Bible study guide to enrich our appreciation and understanding of the Eucharist.

Please join us and bring a friend. Contact: Mary Lou Kranenburg (541 281 8948)

#### **Catholic Daughters**

Catholic Daughters is open to all Catholic women age 18 years and older. We meet the second Tuesday of the month in the community room at 11 AM. CDA women enjoy each other's company at their monthly meetings and in their shared spiritual and charitable endeavors, working hard for their parishes and communities. Contact Cathy Noble at <a href="mailto:cnoble5000@aol.com">cnoble5000@aol.com</a> or 541-882-3296.

#### Homeschool Co-Op

Holy Family Homeschool Co-Op meet Tuesdays and Wednesdays for instruction in history, geography, science, religion and Latin and includes study hall times for math and language arts. Co-op begins at 8:30 AM with Mass at Sacred Heart and concludes at 3:00 PM. Students K-8th are welcome to attend. For more information please contact Sarah Westbrook 503-437-1115.



If you have lost a loved one and need help on your grief journey, this 5 week video based program may be for you.

This session is offered Tuesday evenings from 5:30—8:00 PM. This is a faith based program which offers a prayerful, practical and personal approach for anyone who is mourning the loss of a loved one. Please see registration form enclosed.

Facilitated by David and Judy Wellbeloved.

#### **Thursday Mini Series**

A series of short-term classes are offered throughout the year on various topics. These Bible-based classes will examine what Catholics believe, but more importantly, why we believe them. This would be an opportunity for those who may not be able to commit long periods of time to learn more about the Catholic faith. Class begins on September 14, and is from 6:30 to 8:00 PM on Thursdays in the Parish Hall. Descriptions of topics are announced in the bulletin. Instructor—Vic Scaravilli.

#### That Man Is You! ATTENTION MEN OF ST. PIUS X!

Are you looking to deepen your relationship with God?
Be a better husband? Become a more loving father?
Build friendships with other like-minded men? And seek to be the best man you can be? Then Come Join... That Man is You! We meet Saturday mornings (Begins w/breakfast 6:00 AM) starting on September 16th, in Parish Hall. Contact Ipo Ross for more information: 541-331-1416 or <a href="mailto:iposmarys@ccountry.com">iposmarys@ccountry.com</a>. "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." – Proverbs 27:17

#### **Circle of Sisters Book Club**

The Circle of Sisters Book Club is a group of women who enjoy reading faith-related/inspirational books. We choose a book that has been recommended by a member 5-6 times a year and then meet to discuss the book. We alternate between fiction and non-fiction books. We meet on a Wednesday evening (6:30 p.m.), share our thoughts on the book, and enjoy each other's company. Check out the St. Pius X website (Faith Formation Tab) or bulletin for our most recent pick and date for discussing. Contact Deb Scaravilli 541-884-6905; vicdebscaravilli@gmail.com for more information

#### **Catholic Lending Library**

The St. Pius X Catholic Lending Library is sponsored by the Circle of Sisters Book Club. We have over 1300 Catholic-related books, CDs and DVDs ready for check-out thanks to the generous donations by parishioners. The library is organized in 17 categories (Angels, Apologetics, Biography, Children, Church History, Doctrine, Family, Fiction, Heaven/Purgatory/Hell, Marian, Morality/Social Issues, Music, Parish Life, Prayer/Devotionals, Scripture, Spirituality and Teen) and is located just off of the vestibule near the Spiritual Store. A notebook is available in the library with all the materials listed if you are looking for a particular author. The library is open whenever the church is open and is operated on the honor system. Please place book donations in the basket inside the library. For further information contact Deb Scaravilli (541-884-6905) or Terri Lloyd (541-882-4876).

Keep reading and learning!!!

#### Faith Formation families:

All members of St. Pius X Faith Formation team strive to provide a welcoming environment where children, adults, and families can open their hearts to Christ. We continue to work on the three R's Reverence, Respect, and Responsibility.

Reverence, Respect, and Responsibility toward self, others and things in and around the church property are expected.

Children attending Faith Formation classes on Sunday morning or Youth Group for our teens need to complete a registration form with contact information and liability and photo forms signed.

All children and youth may go to their classroom at 10:30 AM. Please do not enter the classroom unless the door is open and a catechist is present in the classroom.

Catechists will dismiss the children and youth at 11:45 AM. Grades PreK thru 4th grade need to be picked up in their classroom by a parent or older sibling.

Catechists are encouraged to use our beautiful outdoor space, weather permitting, to allow lessons in the fresh air and sunshine. Please watch for weekly emails and instructions for class location.

Please be punctual. Class begins at 10:30AM and students are excused at 11:45 AM. Park your vehicle and pick up your child at their classroom.

Two years of Faith Formation attendance is required to receive Sacraments per diocesan guidelines.

Please feel free to contact Tami at <a href="mailto:stpiusff@piusxkf.com">stpiusff@piusxkf.com</a> or call 541-882-7593.



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