Congratulations Winners of our Christmas Bazaar Drawing

Gift Basket—Betty Trihey
Floral Runner-Diane Fudge
Hooked White Rug-Angie Silva
Poncho– Janet Ledbetter
Lap Quilt—Lori Slusher
Hawaiian Quilted Pillow-Irene Lee
Purple Quilted Rug-Loretta Apo

Healing Room Ministry

Every 1st and 2nd Saturday from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm noon and on Wednesday at 6:00 pm in the Church. Come and experience the healing love of Jesus, the Christ!

Calling All Families!

Fr. Sebastian would like to reach out to families of our parish. He would like to come and pray with you in your homes and also bless your families and homes. Call our Office at 988-3308 to make an appointment for a visit during Dec. through Jan.

BROWN BAG BINGO-A NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION
Saturday, January 11, 2020

St. Pius X Parish Hall—5:00 p.m.—9:00 pm
Tickets: Adults—$5.00—Keiki (12 yrs. & Below) Free
& Bring A Bingo Prize Wrapped in a Brown Bag

The Immaculate Conception

God choose Mary, the Immaculate Conception, to be our "model of holiness" and to be the perfect Mother for the Savior. At Mary's conception, the Lord was already preparing the world for the Incarnation of his Son within her virginal womb. Mary's purity, moreover, makes her closer to us than anyone else, for sin is what divides, while grace unites and heals. Mary loves us with perfect, maternal selflessness. The Immaculate Conception overcomes the trickery of the serpent, begins God's recreating work of salvation, and renders Mary, in a new way, "the mother of all the living." Immaculate Mary, your praises we sing!

Taken from the Magnificat

Thank you to all that brought beautiful bouquets of flowers and flowers for Our Lady of Grace. A new and beautiful pedestal is been worked on and soon Our Lady of Grace Statue will be placed on it. God bless you!!

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Mission Statement:
Living the Gospel of Our Lord as a Community of Faith.

CHURCH SCHEDULE

OFFICE HOURS
Monday - Friday
8:00 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Closed all State & Federal Holidays

FOOD PANTRY
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASS
Monday to Saturday
7:30 a.m.

Adoration & Benediction
First Friday—8:00 a.m.

Padre Pio Devotion
Every 2nd Saturday after 4:00 p.m. mass

Healing Room Ministry
Every 1st and 2nd Saturday–
9:00 am—12:00 pm
Every Wednesday at 6:00 pm

WEEKEND MASS
Saturday, 4:00 p.m.
Sunday, 8:30 a.m.
Sunday, 11:30 a.m.

CONFESSIONS
Saturday
5:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
or by appointment

Upcoming Events

DEC. 16—DEC. 22, 2019

16th - MONDAY
7:30 AM MASS– Church
8:00 AM Outreach—Hall/Kitchen
9:00 AM Crafty Ladies - Conf Room
10:00 AM Advent Retreat—Church
5:30 PM Hula - Hall

17th - TUESDAY
7:30 AM MASS—Church
9:00 AM Outreach - Hall / Kitchen
10:00 AM Food Pantry - Hall
10:00 AM Advent Retreat—Church
5:00 PM Hula - Hall
5:00 PM Bell Choir - Church

18th - WEDNESDAY
7:30 AM MASS - Church
9:00 AM Outreach - Hall / Kitchen
10:00 AM Food Pantry - Hall
6:00 PM Healing Room Ministry-Church

19th - THURSDAY
7:30 AM MASS - Church
9:00 AM Hawaiian Quilting Club - Hall
9:00 AM Crafty Ladies - Conf Room

20th - FRIDAY
7:30 AM MASS - Church
9:00 AM Crafty Ladies - Conf Room
10:00 AM Food Pantry - Hall
4:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal—Church

21st – SATURDAY
7:10 AM Rosary
7:30 AM MASS - Church
8:00 AM Church Cleaning - Church
1:00 PM Sunday Choir-Church
4:00 PM MASS
5:00 PM Confessions - Church

22nd - SUNDAY
8:30 AM MASS - Church
11:30 AM Charismatic Mass-Church
4:00 PM Christmas Caroling and Children Pageant—Church

Pastor's Corner

Fr. Sebastian Soosai

Rejoice, For the Lord Comes Soon!

This week is Gaudete Sunday. On this third Sunday of Advent, the Holy Mother Church invites us to a moment of joy and refreshment. The Church says to us today: "Gaudete in Domino semper" (Rejoice in the Lord always, Phil 4, 4). The term Gaudete simply means, rejoice! The liturgical color for this Sunday is rose/pink. This is a symbol of a joyful mood.

Therefore, Gaudete Sunday is a time in our Journey this Advent when we must brighten up our mood with a smile of joy. Yes, this Sunday we are called to rejoice, because we are getting close to the fulfilment of God's promise! Gaudete Sunday is a moment of spiritual refreshment in our journey this Advent.

In the gospel of today, Jesus' work and actions were so amazing that it elicited a joyful response from the people. He fulfilled the prophecy of Isaiah to the extent that even John the Baptist heard of him from his prison. If we sincerely receive Christ into our lives when he comes, he shall fulfill our expectations by making us see again, walk again in righteousness, hear, and pay attention to his words. Therefore, this calls for joy.

So, this Sunday the church gives us the opportunity to have a glimpse of what that joy looks like. Let us therefore rejoice, and be refreshed while being mindful of the rest of the journey ahead of us. The church says to us today, as Nehemiah once said to his people: "Go and enjoy choice food sweet drink…this day is sacred to our Lord. Do not grieve for the joy of the Lord is your strength" (Neh 8, 10). Let us keep on rejoicing and look for Jesus coming into our hearts and life. God bless you all.

Wish you all a joy filled week!

Fr. Sebastian

Advent Retreat

by Fr. Sebastian Soosai and Fr. Joseph Pasala, SSCC
At St. Pius X Church
Dec. 16 —starts at 10:00 am
Dec. 17– starts at 10:00 am followed by Reconciliation

SUNDAY COLLECTION
December 7 & 8, 2019

Total Collection…….	**$**	**3,789.13**
Building Fund	$	190.00
Baptism	$	100.00
Candles.....	$	42.00
Immaculate Conception	$	95.00
Retirement.....	$	360.00
Total Weekly Deposit……..…	**$**	**4,576.13**
Total Bazaar Deposit ……..…	**$**	**15,000.00**

Thank You for your Support!!

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

8:30 am—Sun., Dec. 15
Mary Ann Schutte+

7:30 am—Tue., Dec. 17
Matias Tse+

4:00 pm-Sat. Dec. 21
George Arakaki +

Christmas Caroling at St. Pius X to be held here in our church on December 22 at 4:00 p.m. Our choirs will lead us in song and a special Children's Christmas Pageant is being Planned. Refreshments to follow in the Parish Hall.

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve, Tues., Dec. 24 at 4:00 p.m.
(Wesley will start with Christmas songs at 4:00 p.m.)

Christmas Day, Wed., Dec. 25 8:30 a.m. & 11:30 am
(Prelude 8:15)

Readings for the Week

Sunday, December 15
Third Sunday of Advent
Traditionally known as Gaudete (Rejoice) Sunday
Rose Color
Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10
James 5:7-10
Matthew 11:2-11

Monday, December 16
Numbers 24:2-7, 15-17a
Matthew 21:23-27

Tuesday, December 17
Genesis 49:2, 8-10
Matthew 1:1-17

Wednesday, December 18
Jeremiah 23:5-8
Matthew 1:18-25

Thursday, December 19
Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a
Luke 1:5-25

Friday, December 20
Isaiah 7:10-14
Luke 1:26-38

Saturday, December 21
Songs of Songs 2:8-14
Luke 1:39-45

Sunday, December 22
Fourth Sunday of Advent
Isaiah 7:10-14
Romans 1:1-7
Matthew 1:18-24

St. Pius X—On line banking and other website issues

While trying to find our St. Pius X Manoa website, often the user got linked to another website www.mp-acct. After, getting valuable help we were able to find the Administrator of www.mp-acct and was told about the problem. The Administrator is working on shutting down the www.mp-acct website and the banking online linked to mp-acct. **HOWEVER,** our webmaster has **relinked** the banking online of St. Pius, to our St. Pius X website: **www.stpiusxmanoa.com— Please, see on the navigation bar—On line giving.** St. Pius X was notified on Friday, Dec. 9 that mp-acct website will be shutting down very soon. The mp.acct was created when the two parishes Sacred Heart and St. Pius X were clustered. Please call the office for any questions. Thank you and God bless you!