

# WELCOME TO PAX CHRISTI WE ARE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR JANUARY 26, 2020

## NEW HERE?

### MASS TIMES:

Saturday ~ 5:00pm  
Sunday ~ 9:00am, 11:00am, 5:00pm  
Mondays ~ 8:30am  
Tuesdays ~ 8:30am  
Wednesdays ~ 6:00pm  
Thursdays ~ 8:30am (Word/Communion Service)  
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 AND PRAYER:

**Baptism** ~ registration and info at [www.paxchristi.com/baptism](http://www.paxchristi.com/baptism)  
**Confirmation** ~ info at [www.paxchristi.com/confirmation](http://www.paxchristi.com/confirmation)  
**First Eucharist** ~ registration and info at [www.paxchristi.com/eucharist](http://www.paxchristi.com/eucharist)  
**First Reconciliation** ~ registration/info at [www.paxchristi.com/reconciliation](http://www.paxchristi.com/reconciliation)  
**Marriage and Wedding Prep** ~ [www.paxchristi.com/marriage](http://www.paxchristi.com/marriage)  
**Rosary** ~ Rosary prayed following weekday morning Masses.

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

### BECOME A REGISTERED MEMBER:

New Member registration takes place on the second Sunday of each month after every Mass or any time by visiting the parish office. Additional information at [www.paxchristi.com/aboutus](http://www.paxchristi.com/aboutus).

## JANUARY JAMBOREE

*The Call of the Shared Minister*

**Saturday, January 25, 5:00–8:00pm**

### HOSPITALITY FOLLOWING ALL MASSES:

We are celebrating you this weekend, our Shared Ministers! Please accept our thanks for the role you play at Pax Christi!

If you are unable to attend the January Jamboree, make sure to join us in the Dorothy Day Social Hall immediately following any of the Sunday Masses for refreshments. Everyone is welcome!

## A NOTE FROM FR MIKE BYRON



There was an interesting article in the paper last week about the results of a recent study of the lives of Roman Catholic bishops in the United States—how they spend their time, what are their primary satisfactions and concerns, and how they view the current state of the world and of the Church. Among other things, the demographics disclosed that the typical U. S. bishop is 66 years old, white, and serving in a place that is geographically removed from his home, family, and old friends. (One could, and in my opinion should ask why that is. It need not be so.) The majority of bishops think of themselves as either "moderate" or "traditional," according to the article. I'd like to know what those adjectives are understood to describe, exactly, although it's not a surprising datum. But most interesting to me was that 95 percent of them believe that contemporary American culture is in conflict with the values of the Catholic Church. That bit of information explains a lot about how the bishops have been behaving recently and why the teachings of the Second Vatican Council labor to be implemented in our country.

Vatican II was a decidedly optimistic council when it came to the evaluation of modern western culture. Some would now say that it was actually naïve in the way it imagined the opportunities for fruitful collaboration between church and the secular realm, as well as between Christianity and the non-Christian religions, and perhaps that's true. As with all teaching documents, the decrees of that council were "period pieces," reflective of the world as it was in the 1960s. It was an era that was dealing with the threat of imminent nuclear war, Marxist communism on a large scale, European decolonization in Africa and South America, and the newly emerging technological/communications revolution. It was also basking in the presidency of the Catholic John F. Kennedy, something once unimaginable in our country.

It's pretty clear that the world has moved on since that moment in time, whether for good or ill, which makes it important that we hear the teachings of Vatican II in context. But those teachings are still binding on us. Actually, Vatican II was the first council in Catholic history that attempted explicitly to acknowledge and engage a cultural world beyond the Church walls, which necessarily makes those teachings more prone to vagueness and reinterpretation as the years unfold.

But that's not to say that the Church was never before affected by the "outside" culture in which it existed. It always was, and always will be, because there's no neat wall between culture and church. The people (including bishops) who are the Church are also subjects of a culture, always and everywhere. Which makes the very question of "Church vs. culture" a bad one, in my opinion, and the attempt to describe one or the other as categorically "good" or "bad" an unhelpful exercise. It's hard to be church without the capacity for embracing ambiguity.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### ARCHDIOCESAN LISTENING SESSION

**Tuesday, January 28, 2020, 6:00-9:00pm, Worship Space**

Join other Archdiocesan Catholics for a Listening Session with Archbishop Bernard Hebda. Participants will gather together to pray, discuss, and give feedback on what is working well in their parish and this archdiocese as well as naming the challenges. All are welcome, and all participants will be encouraged to give written feedback that will be read and considered.

### LABYRINTH WALK

**Tuesday, January 27, 7:00-8:30pm RSVP**

### TOT-TIME OPEN GYM

**Wednesday, January 29, 9:30-11:30am**

### FARE FOR ALL

**Tuesday, February 4, 3:30-5:30pm**

### FIRST FRIDAY COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

**Friday, February 7, beginning with Mass at 8:30am**

### CALLING ALL SCOUTS!

**Sunday, February 9, 9:00am Mass**

### ADULT FAITH FORMATION - MEN'S MINISTRY

**Men's Ministry: Jesus in Christianity and Islam**

**Tuesday, February 11, 6:30-8:00pm, Room 212, No Fee RSVP**

### MOMS ROCK: SPEAKER CHRISTY ENGELHART

**Wednesday, February 12, 9:30-11:30am, Room 212, \$10 RSVP**

### PRESIDENTS' DAY MASS

**Monday, February 17, 9:00am**

### BRIDGING BLANKET DRIVE

**Weekend of February 22/23**

### LENT BEGINS WITH ASH WEDNESDAY

**Wednesday, February 26, Ashes will be distributed at:**

**9:00am, 12:00noon, 5:00pm, and 7:00pm**

### ANNUAL CANA DINNER - EARLY LOVE BIRD RATE

**Saturday, April 25, 6:00-9:30pm RSVP**

### LIVING STATIONS PARTICIPANTS NEEDED

**Attention Pax Christi Youth:** For 25 years, the youth of Pax Christi have presented Living Stations on Good Friday for the Pax Christi community. Be a part of this Pax Christi Good Friday tradition! Youth from sixth through twelfth grade are needed to act out the scenes from the passion of Jesus. No memorization of lines needed! Your ability to hold a pose is all that is required. You must be available for rehearsals in the church on March 29 and April 5 from 1:00-3:00pm and on Good Friday, April 10 at 1:00pm. Presentations of the Living Stations will take place at 3:00pm on April 10. Contact Joan Howe-Pullis, jhowe-pullis@paxchristi.com, if interested in participating.

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### Monday, January 27

**8:30am MASS**

3:00pm Chair Yoga

5:30pm Video Team Mtg.

6:30pm Pack 348 Mtg.

6:30pm Troop 370 Mtg.

6:30pm Book Club

7:00pm Labyrinth Walk

### Thursday, January 30

**8:30am Word/Communion Service**

9:00am Pax Christi Quilter's Ministry

10:00am Winter Book Club

6:00pm Just Matters

6:00pm Pax Christi Basketball

7:00pm Al-Anon

7:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous

7:30pm Music Ministry

### Tuesday, January 28

**8:30am MASS**

9:00am Women w/Spirit Bible Study

3:00pm Chair Yoga

6:00pm 50+ Basketball

6:00pm Synod Listening Session

### Friday, January 31

**8:30am MASS**

### Saturday, February 1

9:00am Women's AA Group

9:00am Overeater's Anonymous

4:00pm Private Reconciliation

**5:00pm MASS - FR. McMICHAEL**

### Wednesday, January 29

9:30am Tot-Time Open Gym

11:00am Tai Chi

1:00pm Just Matters

**6:00pm MASS**

### Sunday, February 2

HOSPITALITY FOLLOWING MORNING MASSES

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### PRAYER AT PAX CHRISTI

*Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. -Romans 12:12*

For all prayer intentions, visit the "PRAYER" image/link on our home page at [www.paxchristi.com](http://www.paxchristi.com).

Please pray for the intentions on the PRAYER WALL or you may enter a prayer request of your own.

Prayer can also be requested by calling 952-405-7229.

## REGULAR CONTRIBUTIONS

*Thank you for your generosity!*

### Week of January 12:

Basket Collection \$10,575

Online Giving 10,377

Other 28,251

**Total Week #28 49,203**

**Budget 42,000**

**Variance 7,203**

**YTD Actual 1,557,394**

**YTD Budget 1,512,000**

**YTD Variance 45,394**

Other contribution methods include grants from donor-advised funds, stock donations, IRA distributions, payroll deductions and other contributions mailed or delivered to the office.

Donate online at [www.paxchristi.com](http://www.paxchristi.com)/ donations or text to give at 952-234-6729.