

# WELCOME TO PAX CHRISTI

## WE ARE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR MAY 26, 2019

## 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

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).



**NOW OFFERING TEXT GIVING**

Send a text message with the dollar amount of your contribution to **952-234-6729**. Fill out a short form with your billing information and then giving is as easy as sending a text message. Credit card and echeck giving is also available at [www.paxchristi.com](http://www.paxchristi.com).

## A NOTE FROM FR BILL MURTAUGH



Before I forget...

A few months ago someone asked me to visit a lady who told her doctor she had no reason to go on living. As someone once said, "Be tender with the young, with the aged, sympathetic with the striving, and tolerant of the weak and wrong, because at some time in our lives we've been or we will have been all of these." That's a lesson we should learn and re-learn many times.

When I entered her room, she was resting wide awake. She seemed relieved to see me and eager to share her thoughts. I pulled up a chair and she told me of her marriage of sixty-plus years. Her husband had died a few months earlier.

"My life is over and for the life of me I don't know why God still has me here." Over the years I've wised up, a little, to realize that people sometimes make statements that are really questions in disguise. She wasn't quite ready to give up. As we say, the well was deep and dark but she was still hoping for a rope. It would be a difficult climb. As I left her room I had the feeling she might be ready to start, at least in her own way and time.

This life is a running commentary on those who search for hope and struggle to survive their adversities, with varying degrees of success. Our fourteenth president was one such example. Franklin Pierce, a one-term president (1853-1857) who battled alcoholism for much of his life, hardly evoked confidence as a leader. He was handily elected, but from that point on, his life took a downward spiral. As he began his presidency, Pierce's speech was grim and forgettable. His wife was a no-show. Two months earlier, his 11-year-old son died tragically in a train accident. Worse yet, they had already buried their first two sons. With his troubled marriage and policy blunders, he turned to alcohol. A second term was out of the question. He eventually died, essentially from alcoholism, in 1869. Everyone needs to know there's a better way and that we're not alone.

Next weekend the Church celebrates the feast of Christ's Ascension to the Father. He said, "I will not leave you orphans" (John 14:18). He promised to never "ration the gift of the Spirit" (John 3:34). For God is no glory hound, as Jesus' life shows us from beginning to end. He even promised to "prepare a place for us" (John 14: 2) and that He and the Father would make their home in each of us (John 14:23). His appearances would end even as His power would be unleashed.

We read two accounts of the Ascension, both by Luke. Both accounts emphasize another promise made by Christ, namely, that we would be His empowered witnesses. And how do we do that? By being there for others in the hard climb of life. We can't do the heavy lifting for them but our love in Christ can show them the way out.

Father Bill



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### FR MIKE'S 30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Following morning Masses Sunday, May 26

### MEMORIAL DAY MASS

Monday, May 27, 9:00am in the Chapel

### FIRST FRIDAY COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Friday, June 7, beginning with Mass at 8:30am

### PAX CHRISTI COMMUNITY ENDOWMENT FUND CELEBRATION

Weekend of June 8/9

### FARE FOR ALL

Tuesday, June 11, 3:30-5:30pm

### SOULCOLLAGE® – OPEN SOUL COLLAGE

Tuesday, June 11, 6:00-8:00pm, Room 212 RSVP

### PET MINISTRY SOCIAL

Wednesday, June 12, 6:30pm, Lower Level Parking Lot

### SENIOR HIGH SUMMER SHINDIG RSVP

Saturdays, June 15, July 13, August 10; 6:15-9:00pm at the Fire Pit

### WALL OF GENEROSITY

Weekends: June 15/16 and June 22/23 in the Narthex

### JUST ENGAGEMENT: THE POWER TO CHANGE

Sundays, June 16-August 4, 12:30-2:30pm, Room 212, \$28

### COMPASSIONATE CARE LISTENING CIRCLE

Thursday, June 20, 3:00-4:30pm RSVP

### VACATION BIBLE CAMP RSVP

3 years through 5th grade; July 29-August 2, 9:00am-12:00pm, \$75

### MIDDLE SCHOOL SERVICE CAMP RSVP

6th through 8th grade youth; July 29-August 2, 8:30am - 4:00pm, \$175

## PRAYER CORNER

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE LOVED ONES:

Curt, Kathryn, Mark, Steve, Gayle, Sandy, Mary Jane, Amy, Sidney, Greg, Bob, Jerry, Bill, Judy, Roni, David, Sherry, Rob, Nick, Connie, Joyce, the R Family, Joe, Bill, and Trisha.

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 Care and Support, 952-941-3150.



## PAX CHRISTI COMMUNITY ENDOWMENT FUND CELEBRATION

Join us on Pentecost weekend, June 8 and 9, for the Pax Christi Community Endowment Fund celebration. You will have the opportunity to meet with several of the recipients of the Justice grants following the weekend liturgies. This is an opportunity to understand the impact that your generosity has made in the work of the grant recipients.

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### Memorial Day Monday, May 27

9:00am MASS  
BUILDING CLOSED FOLLOWING MASS

### Tuesday, May 28

8:30am MASS  
3:00pm Chair Yoga  
6:00pm 50+ Basketball

### Wednesday, May 29

11:00am Tai Chi  
6:00pm MASS

### Thursday, May 30

8:30am MASS  
9:00am Pax Christi Quilter's Ministry  
6:00pm Pax Christi Basketball  
7:00pm Al-Anon  
7:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous  
7:30pm Music Ministry Rehearsal

### Friday, May 31

8:30am MASS

### Saturday, June 1

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

### Sunday, June 2

HOSPITALITY FOLLOWING MORNING MASSES  
9:00am MASS - FR. BYRON  
11:00am MASS - FR. BYRON  
5:00pm MASS - FR. MURTAUGH

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ADDITIONAL DETAILS AND EVENT  
REGISTRATION AT [WWW.PAXCHRISTI.COM](http://WWW.PAXCHRISTI.COM)

	This Year Actual	This Year Budget	Variance from Budget	Last Year Actual	Variance from Last Year
<b>Week #46 Contributions</b>	36,236	32,000	4,236	22,620	13,616
<b>YTD through Week #46</b>	2,417,592	2,523,000	(105,408)	2,670,441	(252,849)
18-19 Contributions Goal - \$2,835,000					

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