# WELCOME TO PAX CHRISTI

# WE ARE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR AUGUST 11 & 18, 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. Rosary prayed following weekday morning Masses.

#### **SACRAMENTS AND PRAYER:**

**Baptism** ~ registration and info at www.paxchristi.com/baptism **Confirmation** ~ info at www.paxchristi.com/confirmation

**First Eucharist** ~ registration and info at www.paxchristi.com/eucharist **First Reconciliation** ~ registration/info at www.paxchristi.com/reconciliation

**Marriage and Wedding Prep** ~ 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.



# **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.

# A NOTE FROM FR. MIKE BYRON



Dear Friends,

There's an instinct in being an animal that makes them behave at their worst when they are afraid of something. Dogs bite. Skunks emit a putrid odor. Mama bears maul. Bison gore. Moose kick. Snakes spew venom. And human beings shoot guns. Which is not to say that every act of shooting is an act of fear, but it is to say that every vicious shooting of other human beings is indeed motivated by some sort of perceived primal danger. There's been a lot of talk this month about gun violence in our country, and rightly so. There doesn't seem to be a clear consensus about what to do about it or why it happens, but perhaps we can agree that the perception of danger—real or imagined—is behind all the horrible eruptions of violence recently.

But this world is dangerous only to the degree that we humans make it so by our poor judgment, failure to trust, or disengagement from healthy community. All of these are reasons to attach ourselves to families of faith. Personally, I cannot understand how an ever-increasing arsenal of guns is going to fix what's wrong with this problem, because it seems that access to weapons and their horrifying abuse is a symptom, but not the root of our dysfunction. When people feel safe and respected, they do not set out to kill other innocent lives.

But you cannot command or legislate your way into a culture of security. That must be lived in, day by day. Trust must be earned, beginning with the belief that there is a God among us who can deliver us from our darkest animal impulses, and who wishes to do exactly that. Is there anything that Jesus said more frequently to His disciples than the command, "Do not be afraid?" Fear is what kills us—literally. So, it is good for all of us to be reflective about what it is we believe to be most threatened by. Death? Foreigners? Loss of money or employment? Shame? Exclusion or loneliness? As a Church we are a community that exists to remind ourselves and others, week by week, that none of these alleged threats is stronger than the abiding love of God. It's only when we start to forget that, that we are doomed to our most destructive primal instincts.

It is not only good for us to be a welcoming, encouraging, forgiving community here at Pax Christi, it is absolutely necessary to be all that.





#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### TWELVE BASKETS BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE Weekend of August 10/11

#### 100-MILE POTLUCK DINNER RSVP

Tuesday, August 13, 6:00-8:00pm, Butterfly Garden Patio

### ASSUMPTION OF MARY — HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Thursday, August 15, 6:00pm in the Sanctuary

#### SENIOR HIGH DINNER AND A MOVIE **RSVP**

FRIDAY, August 23, 5:00-10:00pm

#### SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK RSVP.

Wennesday, August 28, 6:00pm Mass

#### LABOR DAY WEEKEND

MASS: Monday, September 2, 9:00am

#### FIRST FRIDAY COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Friday, September 6, Beginning with Mass at 8:30am

#### BOOMERS AND BEYOND: BRUNCH AND SPEAKER

Wednesday, September 11, 9:30am, \$10 RSVP

#### PAX CHRISTI SOCIAL ACTION TEAM MINISTRY LAUNCH

Sunday, September 15, 12:30-2:00pm, Room 212

## PICTORIAL DIRECTORY PHOTO SESSIONS ARE BACK!

Fotohaus is back to take photos for our new online pictorial directory. We are currently scheduling for September photos in our outdoor shrine area. Don't miss this opportunity for a summer outdoor photo! In the event of bad weather, photo session will move in-doors to the Hall of Martyrs. Regardless of location, PLEASE CHECK IN AT HOSTESS TABLE INSIDE DOOR #1 at the west end of the building. Volunteers are needed to help during photo sessions. Complete details at www.paxchristi.com/saycheese.

#### PRAYER CORNER

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE LOVED ONES:

Carmen, Martin, Alann, Ana Marie, Curt, Kathryn, Mark, Steve, Gayle, Sandy, Mary Jane, Sidney, Greg, Bob, Roni, Joyce, the R Family, and Joe.

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.

# ARTISTS NEEDED FOR HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

Application deadline is August 14. The 14th annual boutique is December 7. This juried show features a variety of handcrafted items—over 50 artists' booths, a bake sale fundraiser to benefit our youth, and a luncheon. Interested artists are encouraged to submit an application. Information and registration forms are available online at www.paxchristi.com/holidayboutique.

#### THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

#### Monday, August 12

8:30am MASS

6:00pm Justice Grants Board Mtg. 6:30pm Pack 348 Mtg. 6:30pm Troop 370 Mtg.

#### Tuesday, August 13

8:30am MASS

6:00pm 50+ Basketball 6:00pm 100-Mile Potluck Dinner

6:30pm Men's Spirituality Group

#### Wednesday, August 14

11:00am Tai Chi 6:00pm MASS

6:00pm FIT Mtg

6:30pm Bee Squad Presentation 6:30pm Care and Support Enrichment

#### Thursday, August 15

9:00am Quilter's Ministry 3:00pm Compassionate Care Circle

6:00pm FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION MASS Friday, August 23

6:00pm Pax Christi Basketball

7:00pm Al-Anon

7:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 16

8:30am MASS

#### Saturday, August 17

9:00am Women's AA Group 9:00am Overeater's Anonymous 4:00pm Private Reconciliation

5:00pm MASS - FR. BYRON

#### Sunday, August 18

HOSPITALITY FOLLOWING MORNING MASSES

9:00am MASS - FR. BYRON 11:00am MASS - FR. BYRON

5:00pm MASS - FR. MALEK

# Monday, August 19

8:30am MASS

6:30pm Pack 348 Mtg. 6:30pm Troop 370 Mtg.

#### Tuesday, August 20

8:30am MASS

9:00am Environmental Challenge Mtg. 6:00pm Communications Council Mtg.

6:00pm 50+ Basketball

#### Wennesday, August 21

11:00am Tai Chi

1:00pm Boomer's Planning Mtg.

6:00pm MASS

#### Thursday, August 22

8:30am MASS

6:00pm Pax Christi Basketball

7:00pm Al-Anon

7:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous

8:30am MASS

5:00pm Sr. High Dinner and Movie

#### Saturday, August 24

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

#### Sunday, August 25

HOSPITALITY FOLLOWING MORNING MASSES

9:00am MASS - FR. SOABIL 11:00am MASS - FR. SOABIL 5:00pm MASS - FR. SOABIL

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#### ADDITIONAL DETAILS AND EVENT REGISTRATION AT WWW.PAXCHRISTI.COM

	This Year Actual	This Year Budget	Variance from Budget	Last Year Actual	Variance from Last Year
Week #3 Contributions	73,675	65,000	8,675	68,632	5,043
Week #4 Contributions	22,507	25,000	(2,493)	35,275	(12,768)
YTD through Week #4	197,461	180,000	17,461	209,460	(11,999)
19-20 Contribution Goal - \$2,700,00	0				