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

WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR AUG 25/SEPT 1, 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.

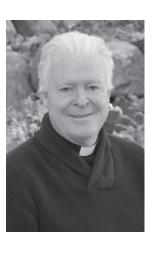
#### **TOT-TIME OPEN GYM AT PAX CHRISTI:**

Tot-Time Open Gym is a great opportunity for parents and children to play alongside others. This as a great activity for those long winter months or when you are looking for some interaction and companionship. Wednesday mornings from September–May opposite of Moms ROCK gatherings as schedule permits. Parents MUST stay with children. For more information, check the website at www.paxchristi.com/opengym.

#### PRAYER BASKET:

Before and after each weekend Mass, you may write a prayer intention and drop it into the Prayer Basket located near the baptismal font. All intentions in the Prayer Basket are collectively included in the Prayers of the Faithful at each weekend Mass.

## A NOTE FROM FR MIKE BYRON



Dear Friends,

Last weekend at Mass we heard in the scriptures the story of the prophet Jeremiah. His was a very difficult life precisely because he was faithful to the ministry that God had asked him to undertake. Specifically, he had been chosen to speak the Word of the Lord to people—his own countrymen and leaders—who didn't want to hear it. Jeremiah begged to quit his job but wasn't allowed to. You may recall another character in that story last week, namely King Zedekiah. Sometimes it can be easy to overlook some of the humor that is embedded even in very serious stories, particularly in the historical books of the Old Testament. The writers go out of their way to make certain people look ridiculous, and Zedekiah is one of them. He was the last king of Judah before the nation fell to the Babylonians, and the authors of this account deliberately make him look weak and foolish.

The story begins with the princes telling the king that "Jeremiah ought to be put to death..." King Zedekiah answered, 'He is in your power,' for the king could do nothing with them." Wait, what? The king can do nothing with the princes? Last I checked, a king outranks a prince. And what kind of king abdicates the responsibility to make a decision? So poor Jeremiah gets thrown into the muddy cistern, until another junior court officer complains to the king that Jeremiah will starve to death down there. Apparently, the king hadn't thought of that, so he orders that Jeremiah be pulled out again. Evidently Zedekiah is the sort of leader who is prone to agreeing with the most recent person to get his attention. Rather than being a wisdom figure, he's a pawn. And for the author of the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah, it is clear that Zedekiah is emblematic of everything that has gone wrong with the unfaithful nation over which he thinks he rules.

Then as now, whenever a story begins with the words "He/She deserves to die," we followers of God ought to be very alert and engaged. Jesus was presented with that scenario more than once and chose to endure His own death before approving the deliberate execution of anybody else.

Recently the Attorney General of the United States uttered these words concerning the death penalty: "We owe it to the victims and their families to carry forward the sentence imposed by our justice system.... (in some cases) as a society we have an obligation to kill them." Please be aware, whatever your disposition regarding capital punishment, it is completely contrary to Catholic doctrine in almost every case.





#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### TOT-TIME OPEN GYM

#### Fifteen Wednesdays, 9:30-11:30am, September 2019-May 2020

Tot-Time Open Gym is a great opportunity for parents or grandparents and children to play alongside others. This as a great activity for those long winter months or when you are looking for some interaction and companionship. Complete details at www.paxchristi.com/opengym.

#### LABOR DAY WEEKEND

#### MASS: Monday, September 2, 9:00am

The parish office will be CLOSED for business in observance of the holiday and the building will close following Mass.

#### FIRST FRIDAY COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

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

#### HOLIDAY TEA INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Tuesday, September 10, 7:00pm, Room 239

#### **BOOMERS AND BEYOND: BRUNCH AND SPEAKER**

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

#### OUR LADY OF GOOD HEALTH/ NATIVITY OF MOTHER MARY

Saturday, September 14, 5:00pm Mass with Dinner to Follow

#### TWELVE BASKETS BOOK DRIVE

Weekends of September 14/15 and 21/22

#### PAX CHRISTI SOCIAL ACTION TEAM MINISTRY LAUNCH

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

#### COMPASSIONATE CARE LISTENING CIRCLE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 3:00-4:30pm RSVP

#### "SHARING OUR STORIES" BREAKFAST RSVP

Saturday, September 21, 8:45am, Dorothy Day Social Hall

#### WOMEN WITH SPIRIT BIBLE STUDY RSVP

Tuesdays, Beginning September 24, 9:30-11:30am

#### PRAYER CORNER

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE LOVED ONES:

Steve, Calvin, Carmen, Martin, Alann, Ana Marie, Curt, Kathryn, Mark, Steve, Gayle, Sandy, Mary Jane, Sidney, Greg, Bob, 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.

#### 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.

#### THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

#### Monday, August 26 8:30am MASS

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

#### Tuespay, August 27 8:30am MASS

6:00pm 50+ Basketball 6:30pm Leadership Meetings

#### Wennesday, August 28

11:00am Tai Chi

#### 6:00pm ANOINTING MASS

7:00pm Our Lady of Good Health Mtg.

#### Thursday, August 29

#### 8:30am MASS

9:00am Quilter's Ministry 6:00pm Pax Christi Basketball

7:00pm Al-Anon

7:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

8:30am MASS

9:30am Our Lady of Good Health Novena

#### Saturday, August 31

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

6:30pm Our Lady of Good Health Novena

#### Sunday, September 1

9:00am MASS - FR. BYRON 11:00am MASS - FR. BYRON 5:00pm MASS - FR. MALEK

6:30pm Our Lady of Good Health Novena

ADDITIONAL DETAILS AND EVENT REGISTRATION AT

WWW.PAXCHRISTI.COM

#### Monday, September 2

8:30am Our Lady of Good Health Novena

9:00am LABOR DAY MASS

BUILDING WILL CLOSE FOLLOWING MASS

#### Tuesday, September 3

8:30am MASS

3:30pm Fare for All 6:00pm 50+ Basketball 6:30pm Men's Group

6:30pm Our Lady of Good Health Novena

7:00pm Baptism Prep Class

#### Wednesday, September 4

11:00am Tai Chi

6:00pm MASS

6:30pm Our Lady of Good Health Novena 7:00pm Confirmation Orientation

7:00pm Our Lady of Good Health Mtg.

#### Thursday, September 5

8:30am MASS

9:00am Quilter's Ministry 6:00pm Pax Christi Basketball

6:30pm Our Lady of Good Health Novena

7:00pm Al-Anon

7:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous

7:30pm Music Ministry

#### Friday, September 6

8:30am MASS

9:00am First Friday Coffee Social 9:30am Our Lady of Good Health Novena

#### Saturday, September 7

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

5:30pm 500 Club

6:30pm Our Lady of Good Health Novena

#### Sunday, September 8

HOSPITALITY FOLLOWING MORNING MASSES

9:00am MASS - FR. McMICHAEL 11:00am MASS - FR. BYRON 5:00pm MASS - FR. BYRON

Interpreter for hearing impaired at 11:00am Mass. Nursery provided during Sunday Mass times.

	This Year Actual	This Year Budget	Variance from Budget	Last Year Actual	Variance from Last Year
Week #5 Contributions	66,440	63,000	3,440	63,903	2,537
Week #6 Contributions	32,517	29,000	3,517	29,439	3,078
YTD through Week #6	296,418	272,000	24,418	302,802	(6,384)
19-20 Contribution Goal - \$2,700,00	00				