

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

October 23, 2019

All Saints Day, when we recognize all those who have reached heaven, is next Friday. We will celebrate this solemn day in the Church calendar by joining the parish community for Mass at 9:30 am. Following Mass, the school will acknowledge our new house members in the annual **Pin Ceremony**. Each house proudly welcomes fifth graders, along with other new Middle School students. Students are “pinned” with a symbol representing one of our four houses: St. Anthony of Padua, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, St. Teresa of Avila, or St. Veronica. The mission of our House System, which is unique to SPXS, is to create a school community where students work together and support each other as they grow in their Catholic faith. Each house helps guide and support the academic, spiritual, social, and personal development of each student during their time in our St. Pius X Middle School.

Thank you to the parents and guardians who attended Parent-Teacher Conferences last week, taking time to meet with teachers as we partner in your child’s education. It was wonderful to see and catch up with, the many people I encountered either Thursday or Friday.

Though it’s October, and we’re in the early stages of the school year, we are already looking to 2020-2021! Our first Open House is scheduled for November 14th from 5:00-6:30pm, and our second Third Thursday Tour of the year is November 21st at 10:00am. Alert Family and Friends to these dates- our families and word-of-mouth are our most effective marketing tools.



October 23, 2019

UNIFORM REMINDER

A reminder that turtlenecks are **not** to be worn as part of the uniform until after Thanksgiving break. Also, sweatpants or windpants must be worn to school over the gym shorts.

HALLOWEEN PARADE

PreK - Grade 2 will participate in a Halloween Parade on Thursday, October 31st at 1:30pm. To assist with an orderly and safe dismissal, any parent who plans to pick up their child must use car pool or car line.

ALL SAINTS' DAY MASS

We will be attending Mass on Friday, November 1st. **All students must wear their full dress uniform to school on this day.**

PHOTO RE-TAKES

Lifetouch will be here on Thursday, November 7th for photo re-takes. If you have any questions, please call the office.

CALENDAR CHANGE - EARLY DISMISSAL

Tuesday, November 26th - Students will be dismissed at 11:30am. The Extended Day Program will **NOT** be available on Tuesday, November 26th. There will be no interruption in bus service. Buses will depart the school at 11:30.

CALENDAR CHANGE - THANKSGIVING RECESS

School will **NOT** be in session on Wednesday, November 27th, Thursday, November 28th, and Friday, November 29th.

SPXS UNIFORM SALE!!!



Thursday, October 24th

in the SPXS Gymnasium at

7:45am and 2:00pm

Gently used uniforms at huge discounts!

Pay with cash or check- all proceeds will benefit our children.

Donations of uniforms are ongoing (no holes, rips or stains please).

THANK YOU!!!



FRIENDS OF SPXS MEETING

Friday, October 25th at 8:00 AM

(SPXS cafeteria)

ALL ARE WELCOME!

- *Calendar Sales!*
- *Enrichment offerings – planning for next session*
- *Upcoming Events*
 - *Parent Social (10/24)*
 - *Clothesline SALE (10/24)*
 - *Grandparent's Day 11/8 (Volunteers needed!)*
 - *Christmas Parties (12/13)*
 - *Catholic Schools Week (1/27-1/31)*
 - *Gala and Auction (5/17)*
- *Box Tops*
- *Ideas, Suggestions, Feedback!*

St. Pius X School

Middle School

(Grades 5-8)

Halloween Party

Friday, October 25th

6:30-8:30pm

Admission: \$12



Snacks and Sweets



Music



Costume contest and prizes

If you would like to provide some refreshments or paper products,
please click on the link below.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10CoD45A4AF2CAAFC1-spxs>

School appropriate costumes

Drop off and pick up at the cafeteria doors



New Pajamas, New Underwear and New Socks Drive

To benefit **Katelynn's Closet**, a non-profit organization which distributes new and gently loved clothing to needy children on Cape Cod.

Your donation of **new pajamas, new underwear or new socks** will ensure that the youngest among us will have a warm winter's night.

It's **scary** how easy it is to help! Just bring one pair of pajamas, underwear or socks to St. Pius X School by Thursday, October 31st!

Thank you for your generosity!



Happy Halloween!





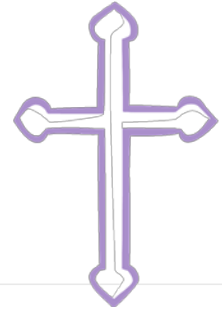
**ST. ELIZABETH
SETON
HOUSE**



**ST. ANTHONY
HOUSE**



**ST. TERESA
HOUSE**



**ST. VERONICA
HOUSE**

**ST. PIUS X MIDDLE SCHOOL
HOUSE SYSTEM PIN
CEREMONY**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2019

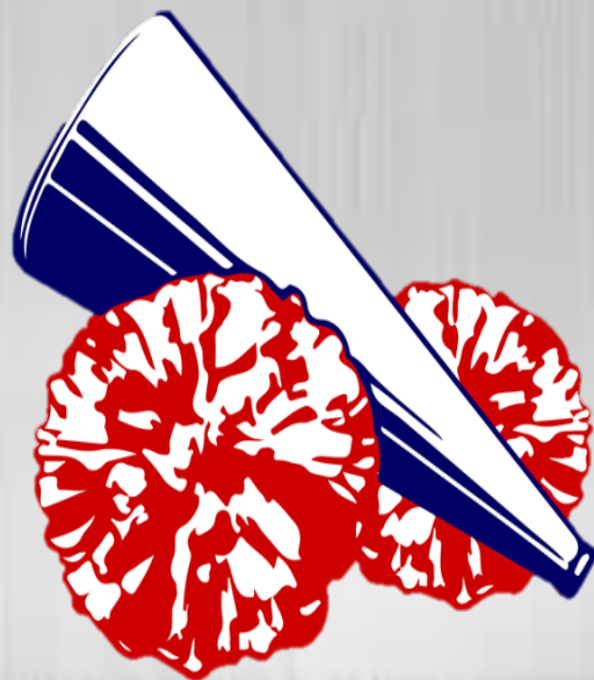
Immediately following the
All Saints Day 9:30AM Mass

St. Pius X Church

Please join us and share this special day
for the students of the
St. Pius X Middle School

CHEER CAMP!!

Come work with a coach from Xtreme Athletics and learn the basics of cheerleading while preparing for the upcoming season!!



3rd – 8th grade

Where: St. Pius Gym

\$15 per person

Registration deadline is Oct 25th

Tuesday 11/5

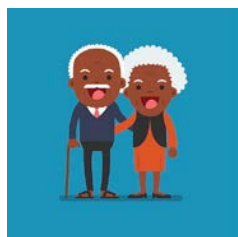
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Thursday 11/7

3:30 – 5:00



Please make all checks out to St. Pius X School



We are pleased to announce
the St. Pius X School

Grandparent's and Grandfriend's Day

will be held on

Friday, November 8, 2019

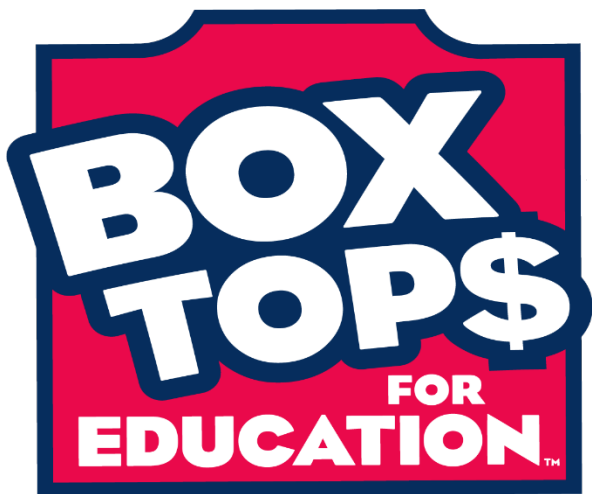
12:00pm

at the St. Pius X Parish Life Center

Please RSVP for Grandparents and Grandfriends by October 25th
with this link:

<https://spxschool.ejoinme.org/GrandparentsDay>

This is a very special day reserved for Grandparents and Grandfriends. Any parents interested in volunteering can contact Melissa Jansen (jansen.melissa@gmail.com). We need many parent volunteers to help make this day run smoothly for all!



NEW BOX TOPS APP IS HERE!
DOWNLOAD THE APP



Download the ALL-NEW Box Tops app, shop as you normally would, then simply scan your store receipts to find participating products. The app will automatically credit your school's Box Tops earnings online.



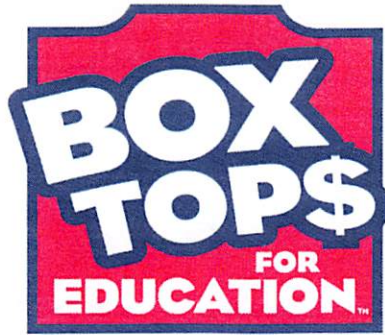
St. Pius X Box Tops Contest!

Dates: Oct. 7th – Oct. 28th

1. Download Box Tops App.
2. Login in into your Box Tops account. If, new create account . (SPXS School ID 959392)
3. Scan your receipt (WITHIN 14 DAYS OF PURCHASE)
4. Use Credit button - Enter student name, grade or house.
5. The Class and House that has most families down load the new Box Tops app & uploads a receipt will win a prize.

Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store as packages transition to the new Box Tops labels. You can still clip these and send them to school. Please make sure each clip has a valid expiration date. The Class or House with the most Box Tops clips will also win!





A NEW WAY TO TRACK BOX TOPS PARTICIPATION!

Now when families use the Box Tops app to scan their store receipt, they can "Give Credit" to an individual, classroom or grade level. To "Give Credit" make sure you have the latest version of the Box Tops app, scan your receipt then tap the star icon to enter your "Give credit" memo. Box Tops Coordinators: You can download the earnings report on the Box Tops website. Simply log in as a Coordinator, click "School Earnings" and you'll see it below school activity.



St Pius X 3rd Annual Trunk or Treat

Thursday October 31st

Instead of going house to house trick-or-treating,
kids will go from car to car (trunk to trunk!)

Adults will pass out treats from the trunk or tailgate of their vehicle.

All “trunks” need to be set up and ready to “treat” by 5:30 pm.

If you would like to participate by providing your “trunk” please call
the Religious Education office 508-394-0709 or email
stpiusxreled@comcast.net

When: Thursday October 31st

from 5:30-7:00 pm

Where: SPX Parking lot and

Games in the Religious Education
Building

Who: Kids!



We need:

KIDS to come and
“trunk”-or-treat

Adults to bring their cars
and treats to pass out

Volunteer to Host a Trunk!



CAPE COD HEALTHCARE

Nicholas G. Xiarhos Blood Donor Center

WHAT'S DONATED HERE, STAYS HERE.

BLOOD DRIVE

Sponsored by the St. Pius X Parish

Tuesday, October 29th

12 noon – 6 pm

St. Pius X Parish Life Center

25 Barbara St,

South Yarmouth

Cumberland Farms gift card for all donors!!!

www.capecodhealth.org/give-blood

508-86BLOOD (508-862-5663)

Like us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/capecodbloodcenter

Every pint of blood donated to us stays on Cape Cod to serve your community and save the lives of your family, friends and neighbors.

St. John Paul II High School Department of Performing Arts
proudly presents

A Christmas Carol



adapted from the book by Charles Dickens
by Christopher Schario

Everyone is invited.

November 7, 8, & 9 2019 at 7:00 PM

\$10 Adults, \$5 Student/ Seniors

Please bring a donation of non-perishable food for those in need
Please support Catholic Education on Cape Cod

