

# St. Pius X Community Garden

Thank you for participating in the St. Pius X Community Garden.

The mission of the garden is to be a response to our call to care for the earth, to allow parishioners to grow fresh food in a low maintenance, sustainable way, and to provide a new and different space to be a community at 69<sup>th</sup> & Blondo.

Gardening skill is not a necessity, experienced gardeners are eager to share ideas. Raised beds measuring 12 foot long by 4 foot wide can be rented for \$35. Beds can be shared and the cost, which covers water usage, and also some toward dirt this year, shared. Flowers or herbs, or just pumpkins or watermelons are fine in your garden bed. When produce is overflowing, extra can be donated to the Pius Pantry on Wednesday, or made available at Masses weekend.

Guidelines based on St. Leo's and Benson Community Gardens.

- 1) I agree to begin planting soon, and to keep plants growing and cared for all summer. Our soil is topsoil – composted dirt. (If I must abandon the bed, I will notify the Pius office. 402-558-8446) or email: [garden@stpiusxomaha.org](mailto:garden@stpiusxomaha.org)
- 2) I will keep weeds down, and use care to contain all litter in my bed and the walkways. Straw grass, newspaper or shredded paper are good choices to minimize weeds.
- 3) I will provide my own crop supports, such as tomato cages and will keep the height of my crops no higher than 4 feet, to ensure I am not shading neighboring beds.
- 4) To keep the garden safe, organic practices are the goal. I will not use insecticides or weed repellents and will follow the “best practices page” provided to deal with any problems.
- 5) I understand this garden is a place of faith, friendship, and fun; and that questions asked and gardening knowledge shared, benefits the common good of the garden.
- 6) Children are welcome in the garden, but must be supervised. No pets are allowed in the garden area.
- 7) I agree to hold harmless all in the gardening group and also the parish, from any personal injury liability and also from damage or loss of crops.
- 8) I agree to participate in the fall cleanup of the garden. We hope to have composting available by then.

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Garden Registration (return to St. Pius X, 6905 Blondo, 68104)

Family Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address and Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_