

# ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC CHURCH IGLESIA DE SAN PIO X

A Community with Mission - Una Comunidad con Misión



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## Mission Statement

*As a communion of baptized ministers, we are called to the mission of Jesus Christ to foster the reign of God by proclaiming the Good News, celebrating the saving acts of God in liturgy, and serving the needs of our brothers and sisters, especially the poorest.*

## MASS SCHEDULES / HORARIOS DE MISAS

Weekday Mass 7:00am	Saturday Mass 5:30pm English
Monday-Wednesday English	Sunday Mass 7:00am, 9:00am & 1:00pm English
Thursday Bilingual	11:00am Spanish
Friday Spanish	

## RECONCILIATION / RECONCILIACIÓN

Saturday / Sábados 4:00pm

## HOLY HOUR / HORA SANTA

Thursday / Jueves 6:00pm - 7:00pm

## FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH PRIMER VIERNES DEL MES

First Friday from 6:00pm - 6:00am on Saturday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and end with 6:00am Mass

## OFFICE HOURS / HORARIOS DE OFICINA

Monday - Friday / Lunes - Viernes 8:00am - 5:00pm  
Closed Saturday & Sunday / Cerrado los Sábados y Domingos.

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Saturday March 14 / Sabado 14 de Marzo

5:30pm †Daniel Martinez  
 †Esella Keinkey RIP  
 †Gabriel Gonzalez †Armando R. Ortega Sr.

Sunday March 15/ Domingo 15 de Marzo

1 Sam 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a, Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 or Jn 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

7:00am ProPopulo  
 9:00am †Henry Castro  
 In Thanksgiving to the Divine Mercy  
 †Jose Guadalupe Trevino  
 11:00am †Xavier Guadalupe Hernandez  
 †Arturo Perez  
 †Ricardo Garcia 5to Aniversario  
 †Olga Aceves de Ramos  
 1:00pm Robert Gavaldon Blessed Birthday  
 †Raymundo Macias Heavenly Birthday  
 †Daniel Macias 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary RIP  
 †Armando Carrasco RIP By Wife

Monday March 16/ Lunes 16 de Marzo

Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b; Jn 4:43-54

7:00am Rosalia Huizar & Family  
 Raymundo Villanueva Blessed Birthday

Tuesday March 17/ Martes 17 de Marzo

Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

7:00am Joseph Maldonado Special Blessings

Wednesday March 18/ Miercoles 18 de Marzo

Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

7:00am V. Bueno  
 P. Parada

Thursday Marzo 19/ Jueves 19 de Marzo

Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Sam 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29; Rm 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk

7:00am †Robert Pell  
 †Ricardo Garcia 5to Aniversario

Friday Marzo 20/ Viernes 20 de Marzo

Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

7:00am Rosalia Huizar y Familia  
 Javier Castañeda Valles

8:35 am For in increase of enrollment at Saint Pius X Catholic School

“Offering a Mass for someone, whether living or deceased, is considered the highest form of prayer in the Catholic faith, applying the infinite graces of Christ’s sacrifice for a specific need. It acts as a profound intercession for healing, comfort, special intentions, or the repose of a soul.”



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Second Collection Building Fund: \$1,818.65

Next Week Second Collection is for: Building Fund

*Thank you for your generosity!*



January Parish Monthly Financial Report  
 Reporte Financiero Parroquial del mes de Enero

Income/Ingresos \$33,075.31

(Sunday Collection & Building Fund)  
 (Colecta Dominical, & Fondo de Edificios)

Expenses/Gastos \$50,632.96

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# SUNDAY REFLECTION

Fourth Sunday of Lent

BY: TOM SCHMIDT

Do you remember the Star Wars movies, in which the Dark Side was a symbol of evil? In our second reading Paul tells the Christians in Ephesus that they were once darkness. Paul uses darkness as a symbol of shame. Shame is not just sorrow for sins; it is the fear of being caught in sin, or of telling our weaknesses to another because we think the other will look down on us. Paul was a sinner himself and was blinded when Jesus appeared to him, asking, "Why do you persecute me?" So he knew that the only way to be free of shame is not to hide sins, but to expose them.

Does that mean we have to broadcast our sins on the evening news, or post them all on our social media pages? No; we just need to confess them to God and receive God's forgiveness. We can do this through the sacrament of reconciliation. The priest shows that God loves sinners, no matter what they have done. If you wreck your car, you take it to the repair shop and tell the mechanics what is broken so they can repair it. In reconciliation we bring our sins to the priest so that we can experience forgiveness.

Sometimes other people try to shame us. In the Gospel, Jesus told the Pharisees that they were the sinners, because they had judged the blind man. So when we know that God forgives us and still loves us, we don't have to fear what others might think. Let us instead hold our sins up to the light of forgiveness and be free of our shame.

Recuerdan las películas de Star Wars, donde el Lado Oscuro era un símbolo del mal? En la segunda lectura, Pablo les dice a los cristianos de Efeso que antes andaban en la oscuridad. Pablo usa la oscuridad como símbolo de vergüenza. La vergüenza no es solo el dolor por los pecados; es el temor a ser descubiertos en el pecado o a confesar nuestras debilidades a otros por miedo a que nos juzguen. El mismo Pablo era pecador y estaba cegado cuando Jesús se le apareció y le preguntó: "¿Por qué me persigues?" Por eso sabía que la única manera de liberarse de la vergüenza no es ocultar los pecados, sino exponerlos.

Significa esto que tenemos que divulgar nuestros pecados en las noticias o publicarlos en nuestras redes sociales? No. Solo debemos confesarlos a Dios y recibir su perdón. Podemos hacerlo mediante el sacramento de la reconciliación. El sacerdote demuestra que Dios ama a los pecadores, sin importar lo que hayan hecho. Si chocas el carro, lo llevas al taller y le dices a los mecánicos qué está roto para que lo reparen. En la reconciliación, presentamos nuestros pecados al sacerdote para experimentar el perdón.

A veces, otras personas intentan avergonzarnos. En el Evangelio, Jesús les dijo a los fariseos que ellos eran los pecadores, porque habían juzgado al ciego. Por eso, cuando sabemos que Dios nos perdona y nos sigue amando, no tenemos por qué temer lo que piensen los demás. Expongamos nuestros pecados a la luz del perdón y liberémonos de la vergüenza.

“ I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD, SAYS THE LORD; WHOEVER FOLLOWS ME WILL HAVE THE LIGHT OF LIFE.

John 9:1-41

## PERSONAL REFLECTION

- What part of my heart is still living in darkness because I am afraid to show it to God?
- If God already knows my sins and still loves me, why is it so hard for me to trust in His mercy?
- What real change is God inviting me to make so that I can live more in His light and leave shame behind?
- ¿Qué parte de mi corazón todavía vive en la oscuridad porque tengo miedo de mostrarla a Dios?
- Si Dios ya conoce mis pecados y aun así me ama, ¿por qué me cuesta tanto creer en su misericordia?
- ¿Qué cambio real me está invitando Dios a hacer para vivir más en su luz y dejar atrás la vergüenza?



The Sanctuary Lamp

Will burn this week for:

The Diocese of El Paso



For more information contact the office.

# FOURTH WEEK OF LENT



# Lenten Mission

Mision Cuaresmal

*A time for Renewal*

SATURDAY  
MARCH 21  
8:30-1:00PM

ENGLISH SESSION  
SESION EN ESPANOL  
AND YOUTH SESSION

LUNCH POTLUCK/ COMIDA DE TRAJE

ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC CHURCH

# STATIONS OF THE CROSS VIACRUCIS

EVERY FRIDAY OF LENT 7-8PM  
GUIDED BY MINISTRIES

**MARCH 20** Discipulos de San Jose, Mejor Mujer, Lectors, Altar Servers, Mujeres de Fe, Sign Language, Pre-Baptismal, Marriage Prep

**MARCH 27** ACTS, Finance Committee, Men's Spirituality, TMIY, San Martin de Porres

THE SEASON OF

# Lent

PRAYER • FASTING • ALMSGIVING

## Interesting facts about Lent

### The Significance of Purple in Lenten Practices.



#### Why Purple?

Purple is traditionally associated with royalty and suffering, making it an appropriate choice for Lent. It reminds us of Christ's passion and the sovereignty He claimed through His suffering and resurrection. In the context of Lent, purple also symbolizes penance, repentance, and renewal.

During Lent, the altar, vestments, and other decorations in the church are draped in shades of purple. This color change serves as a visual reminder of the season's solemnity and the call to deeper spiritual reflection. It marks a stark contrast to the festive colors of other seasons, reinforcing the introspective nature of Lent.

The use of purple during Lent extends beyond the visual; it permeates the spirit of the practices and observances throughout the season. It is a reminder of the sacrifices that lie at the heart of the Lenten journey—echoing the suffering of Christ and the transformative power of His resurrection.

As we see the purple around us in our places of worship, we are reminded to turn our hearts towards God and the profound mystery of redemption that Lent prepares us to celebrate.

## THIS WEEK ON THE PARISH

Mark your Calendars



### MONDAY MARCH 16

- 6:00pm EsPeRe / San Juan Diego Room
- 6:00pm Choir of Angels / Santa Lucia Room
- 6:00pm Mujeres de Fe / Guadalupe Room

### TUESDAY MARCH 17

- 10:00am Mejor Mujer / St. Francis Room
- 5:00pm Home Bound / St. Maldonado Room
- 5:00pm Special Needs / Community Center
- 6:00pm EsPeRe / San Juan Diego Room
- 6:00pm Men's Spirituality / Rico Room
- 6:00pm Choir of Angels / Santa Lucia Room
- 6:00pm Mujer Bajo el Manto de Maria/St.Maldonado Room
- 6:00pm ACTS formation / Guadalupe Room

### WEDNESDAY MARCH 18

- 11:00am Taiichi Class / Guadalupe Room
- 6:00pm Women of Faith / Guadalupe Room
- 6:00pm Youth Group / Rico Room
- 6:30pm Jovenes Nazaret / Centro Comunitario
- 6:30pm Evangelizacion / San Juan Diego, St. Kateri & St. Lucia Rooms

### THURSDAY MARCH 19

- 1:00pm Art & Environment / St. Kateri Room

### FRIDAY MARCH 20

- 2:30pm Rico / Rico Room
- 6:30pm Adoracion Nocturna / Rico Room
- 7:00pm Stations of the Cross / Church

### SATURDAY MARCH 21

- 7:00am San Jose / Rico Room
- 7:30am KoC / St. Maldonado Room
- 9:00am Special Needs / Guadalupe Room

### SUNDAY MARCH 22

- 8:00am Coro Nazareth / St. Lucia Room
- 8:30am Special Needs / Gym
- 9:15am Religious Formation Classes in Spanish / School
- 11:15am Religious Formation Classes in English / School



# PRAY *For* THE SICK

in the community



Alice Castillo  
Dolores Campbell  
Joe Cruz  
David Perez  
Joe I Salas  
Samantha Quintana  
Danny Salas  
Mary Meyer  
Altagracia Hernandez  
Patricia B.  
Melba Hampton  
Abel J Blanco  
Mary Lawson  
Alicia Cano  
Rena Lopez  
Enrique Lopez  
Brenda Roman  
Emma Alvarado  
Alva Rodarte  
Rita Prokockuck  
Leo Duran

Dora Monica Gonzalez  
Martin Hernandez  
Socorro Pando  
Frances Duran  
Raymundo Villanueva  
James Kloderdanz  
Hanna Drzycimski  
Wlder Family  
Marissa Payan  
Josefina Armendariz  
Martha Arciniaga  
Sylvia Molina  
Claudia Gutierrez  
Bernarda Carrasco  
Arnold Angel Payan  
Francisco Alonso  
Roberto Toyosima  
Maria Toyosima  
James McGrue  
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- ✓ Stations of the Cross

## Pre-Baptismal CLASSES

Registration for Baptismal Classes are the last week of the month. Please register one month in advance of the Ceremony.

Baptism are Celebrated the Third Saturday of the month at 10am in English.

Pre-Baptismal Classes:  
2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month from 9am-12pm at Cesar Chavez Room. Please call the office to register.

Clases Pre-Bautismales:  
El 2do Sabado del mes de 9am-12pm en el salon San Juan Diego. Favor de llamar a la oficina para registrarse.

Los Bautizon se Celebran el tercer sabado del mes a las 12pm en Español.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

### SEMINARIO DE VIDA EN EL ESPÍRITU

Y TODA LENGUA PROCLAME QUE CRISTO JESÚS ES EL SEÑOR  
FILIPENSES 2:11



- Viernes 27 de Marzo, 2026  
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
- Sabado 28 de Marzo, 2026  
8:00 AM - 8:00 PM
- Domingo 29 de Marzo, 2026  
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
Salón Comunitario San Pio X



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### Holy Thursday CANDLES

You can order your candles \$4.50  
For more information call the office.

Ordena tus velas del Santisimo en la oficina. \$4.50



**HOLY HOUR EVERY THURSDAY 6-7PM**

# MARCHA Y VIGILIA

POR LA VIDA HUMANA Y EL FIN DE LAS DEPORTACIONES MASIVAS

CON EL OBISPO EVELIO MENJIVAR (AUXILIAR DE WASHINGTON D.C.) Y EL OBISPO MARK SEITZ (EL PASO) JUNTO A LÍDERES LOCALES Y NACIONALES

6:00 PM  
MARTES 24 DE MARZO DE 2026  
SAN JACINTO PLAZA, EL PASO (TX)

### Evangelizacion

El ministerio de Evangelizacion esta vendiendo boletos para una rifa para ayudar con los gastos de su proximo retiro, ayudémoslos en esta actividad!

The Evangelization Ministry is selling raffle tickets to help with the expenses of their upcoming retreat. Let's help them in this activity!

## COMMUNITY FISH FRY

Hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 15017

**MARCH 20 2026**  
5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**ONLY \$12 A PLATE**

**MEAL INCLUDES:**  
Golden-Fried Fish, Crispy Fries, Buttered Cobetts & Creamy Cole Slaw



# Easter LILIES

Easter Lilies are a lovely way to remember a loved one at the altar during the season of Easter. Please consider making a \$15 dollar donation toward the purchase of Easter Lilies for Easter.

You can take your donation to the office with the name of the person that you are remembering so that they may be listed correctly in the Easter Sunday bulletin.

Los lirios de Pascua son una hermosa manera de recordar a un ser querido en el altar durante la Pascua. Considere hacer una donación de \$15 para la compra de lirios de Pascua.

Puede llevar su donación a la oficina con el nombre de la persona a la que recuerda para que aparezca correctamente en el boletín del Domingo de Pascua.

*In Loving Memory*

Dedicate an Easter Lili this Season in loving memory of a loved one



## Church improvements

We would like to inform you that we are working on some improvements for our church so that we can continue to have a welcoming and suitable place for everyone. To carry out these projects, we need your support and generosity.

Les queremos informar que estamos trabajando en algunas mejoras para nuestra iglesia con el fin de seguir teniendo un lugar digno y agradable para todos. Para poder llevar a cabo estos proyectos, necesitamos de su apoyo y generosidad.

If it is in your heart to help us with a special offering, it will be a great blessing to continue these improvements. Thank you very much for your support and prayers!

Si está en su corazón ayudarnos con una ofrenda especial, será de gran bendición para continuar con estas mejoras. ¡Muchas gracias por su apoyo y sus oraciones!

## The Sanctuary Lamp



Pagar por una vela o veladora del Santísimo Sacramento es un acto de devoción católica, a menudo llamado "vela votiva", que simboliza una intención especial, oración o agradecimiento ante la presencia real de Cristo.

Paying for a votive candle before the Blessed Sacrament is an act of Catholic devotion, often called a "votive candle," that symbolizes a special intention, prayer, or expression of gratitude before the Real Presence of Christ.

Representa dejar el corazón unido a Dios, ofreciendo luz, fe y esperanza por una necesidad particular.

It represents uniting one's heart to God, offering light, faith, and hope for a particular need.

La vela encendida ante el Santísimo representa la luz de Cristo y es un signo visible de la oración de los fieles que permanece ante Él, incluso cuando la persona se retira. Se encienden para pedir favores, en agradecimiento por oraciones contestadas, o como señal de solidaridad y amor hacia alguien.

The candle lit before the Blessed Sacrament represents the light of Christ and is a visible sign of the prayer of the faithful that remains before Him, even after the person leaves. They are lit to ask for favors, in gratitude for answered prayers, or as a sign of solidarity and love for someone.

Más allá del costo material, es una ofrenda espiritual que simboliza la fe, la esperanza y el deseo de quemar el egoísmo o dificultades personales.

Beyond the material cost, it is a spiritual offering that symbolizes faith, hope, and the desire to burn away selfishness or personal difficulties.

Es una forma de extender la oración y mantener la presencia espiritual en momentos de dificultad o gratitud.

It is a way to extend prayer and maintain spiritual presence in times of difficulty or gratitude.

Si quieres ofrecer la Vela del Santísimo por una intención especial por favor comunícale a la oficina.

If you would like to offer the Sanctuary Lamp for a Special occasion please contact the office.




# ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC CHURCH

RELIGIOUS FORMATION PROGRAM




### MARCH CLASS SCHEDULE

- 1 Regular Class Day
- 8 Spring Break / No Classes
- 15 Spring Break / No Classes
- 22 Regular Class Day
- 29 Regular Class Day





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### UP COMING EVENTS

- >  **OCIA** March 8, 15 & 22 OCIA Scrutinys at 11am & 1pm Masses. Please pray for the Catechumns!
- >  **March 28, Parent & Child First Communion Retreat. 9am-1pm at SPX**



## SUNDAY MASS: "WHY DO WE HAVE TO GO?"

We're all familiar with the question that children ask when we are taking them somewhere they are excited about: "Are we there yet?!" Unfortunately, when it comes to taking our children to church on Sunday, the question often turns into, "Why do we have to go?"

*"Children learn to value what their parents and extended family value, and they learn not so much by what we say as what we do."*

It can be challenging for parents who want their children to develop an appreciation for the centrality of Sunday Eucharist, when they receive "push-back" instead of enthusiasm. Try as we might, the kids compare the experience of going to Mass with other experiences in their lives and conclude that "it's boring." Our goal is not to convince them that the Mass is fun and exciting but rather, to help them develop a deeper understanding of what it means to worship and why it is so critical to our spiritual health. The first thing that I tell parents who encounter the question,

"Why do we have to go to Mass?" is to respond (and I'm being only half-facetious) by saying, "Because Mommy and Daddy are broken. And so are you, sweetie. Get in the car." The point is that we don't go to Mass because it's fun or exciting but because we are in need of being "fixed." Ultimately, we believe that we need help from beyond ourselves when it comes to avoiding sin. We need a Savior. We go to Mass to be saved, because we are incapable of saving ourselves.

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# CORNER RAMS



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## NEWS SCHOOL

- ✓ **March 15th**  
-School Fair @ St. Francis of Assisi Church
- ✓ **March 16th**  
-FACTS Grant & Aid Submission
- ✓ **March 17th**  
-Spring Picture Day!  
-7AM Dad's & Donuts  
-TEFA Application Deadline
- ✓ **March 19th**  
-\$2 Jean Day  
-Early Dismissal  
-Walk-A-Thon Day
- ✓ **March 20th**  
-Mass 8:35AM Ram Standard  
-NJHS Induction 1PM  
-Knights of Columbus Fish Fry  
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