

# Saint Pius X

## Catholic Church and School

**More than 60 years of faith  
"To restore all things in Christ"**

**May 10, 2026**

Dear Beloved Parishioners,

This weekend the readings hint at the upcoming Solemnity of Pentecost, which comes around in just a couple of weeks. We begin to see clearly that the Church wants us to reflect upon the involvement of the Holy Spirit in our lives as Christians. The gospel of John, for instance, refers to the Holy Spirit as an "Advocate" who will be with us always. The love of the Father and the Son is poured into our lives through the gift of the Holy Spirit, who is always prompting us to return that love.

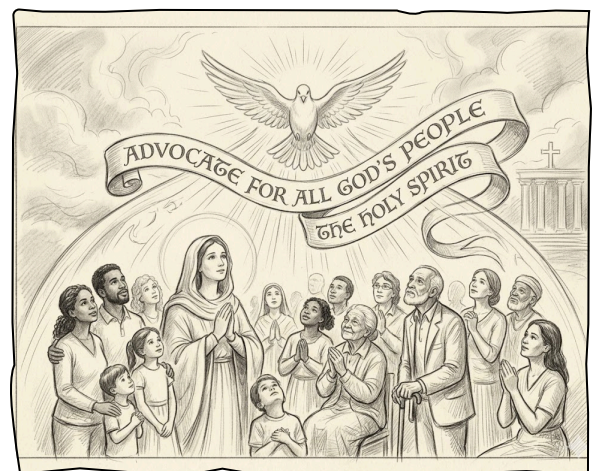
When I think of an advocate, I think of someone who is a protagonist for us. An advocate is someone who acts on our behalf - championing our wellbeing and supporting us in the many situations in our lives. Probably the greatest advocate in our life is our mother. A mother is someone who, in almost all cases, plays the most significant role in our lives. If there is anyone who acts on our behalf and looks after our good, it is our mothers. They do so because of the indomitable love they have for us.

The role of a mother is very special. From the moment she discovers she is pregnant, she begins to do everything possible to assure our safety and well-being. Her habits and priorities begin to change as she must now think of the new life that is developing within her womb. It is not only her own life she thinks about. She must now think about the new life within her that is totally dependent upon what she does. She makes visits to the doctor for checkups, adjusts the food she consumes and the medicines she takes, and even changes her activities to make sure she can bring her child to term. She becomes attentive to any little concerns that may arise and contemplates the mystery of the new life developing within her. All of this is done to advocate for this new life within.

Once the child is born and grows, everything the mother does revolves around the child, from providing for its nourishment to supplying him or her with all the basic needs. Soon, she must consider the child's education, and if she is genuinely caring, will see to it that the child learns the ways of God. She advocates on the child's behalf for the best school (like St. Pius X) and encourages her child in studies. She assures that the child is baptized and goes to church. A mother prays and intercedes for her children as they mature and strike off on their own.

In the end, a mother heroically devotes the vast majority of her life doing all that is within her power to make sure her children mature in character, dignity, and grace so that they thrive. This means that a mother must give direction and has a responsibility to correct us when necessary. When all is said and done, she wants above all that her family will make it to heaven. There are countless reasons why we should appreciate our mothers for the many sacrifices it takes to do all of these things.

If a mother is an advocate, all the more perfectly is the Holy Spirit always acting for our good. The Holy Spirit moves in our lives to lead us to what is best for us over time. With the Holy Spirit advocating on our behalf, challenges are overcome, wounds are healed, bad habits are conquered, and sins diminish. If we tap into the Spirit, we become more fruitful in our endeavors, and our lives enter into the realm of vast



## Who's Who

### Pastor

Very Rev. Paul A. Hesse, V.G.

### Parochial Vicar

Fr. Kurian Joseph

### Permanent Deacons

Deacon Salvador (Sal) Alvarado

Deacon Loni Lugo

Deacon Mark Arnold

### Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper

### Director of Religious Education & Adult Faith Formation

Mary Maldonado

### Director of Youth Ministry

Brandon Lutz

### Music Minister

Michael Mullins

### 5:30pm Mass Band Leader

Mick Boudreau

### School Principal

Beth Hinojosa

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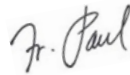
www.spxcc.org

### School Website

www.stpiusxschoolcc.org

possibilities. The Spirit presses us onward to what God wants for us. If we look closely at every event, including the negative ones, we realize that the Holy Spirit works for our eventual good. Like our mother, the Holy Spirit is working for us and not against us as an advocate. Through the Holy Spirit's promptings, we are led to the truth.

It is always good to recall that the Holy Spirit is active in our lives. On this day that we celebrate our mothers and show appreciation for them, let us shower them with prayers of blessing and help them to be reminded how they serve as instruments of the Holy Spirit by the good things they do. Happy Mother's Day!



### School Rummage Sale is Coming

Our parish school will once again be hosting an upcoming rummage sale. Proceeds from the sale will go toward replacing the school's original laminate countertops, which have faithfully served our students since 1966.

We will be accepting donations for the sale: Friday, June 12; Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, June 15-17. Please do not send in books or clothing; shoes are welcomed. Your contributions will help make this event a success.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support—we hope to see you there. You may contact Michele Stovall at 361-992-1343.

### The Traveling Crucifix

Thank you to Franny Davis for your prayers for vocations this past week. Kathleen Baish will be praying with the Traveling Crucifix this week. Larry and Denise Hyde will be taking the Traveling Crucifix May 17 - 24, 2026.



### Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm

### Schedule of Services

Masses: First Saturday 8:15am

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm

Sunday 8am, 10am, 12pm, 5:30pm

Vietnamese Mass 7:30pm

Monday - Friday 8:15am

Wednesday & Friday 5:30pm

Holy Days: 6:30am, 8:15am, 12pm, 6pm (Vigil 5:30pm)

Confessions: Saturday 4-5pm & Thursday 7:15-7:50pm

Marriages: By appointment only and 6 months advance notice.

Baptismal Instruction: Pre-register through the office.

Anointing of the Sick: On request

## Bereavement Reception Ministry Volunteers Needed

The St. Pius X Bereavement Reception Ministry is seeking adult men and women volunteers to assist with receptions following funeral services. Duties include serving catered food and beverages and helping with cleanup. No food preparation is required. Volunteer times are flexible, with most receptions held on weekdays from late morning to midday and occasional Saturdays. Service time is usually about four hours per reception. This is a beautiful way to serve our parish and support families during times of loss. Please call the parish office if you are interested or have questions, 361-993-4053.

## Bring Comfort and Christ's Presence to the Homebound

Looking for a meaningful way to serve? Join our Homebound Eucharistic Ministry and bring the joy of the Eucharist to parishioners who are unable to attend Mass due to illness, age, or disability. No special experience needed, just a willing heart.

- Share the gift of the Eucharist with those in need.
- Offer prayer, presence, and connection to our parish community.
- Flexible scheduling based on your availability.
- Training and guidance are provided.
- Safe Environment Certification (SE) is required.

If you feel called to this meaningful outreach or would like more information, please contact Deacon Lugo at [deaconlugo@stpiusxcc.org](mailto:deaconlugo@stpiusxcc.org) or contact the parish office.

## Coffee and Donuts Next Sunday

Mark your calendar! Coffee and donuts will be served next Sunday, May 17th, in the Parish Hall after the 8AM Mass until 11:45AM. Please join us!



## Honor Your Mothers This Mother's Day

This is the last chance to include your mothers, both living and deceased, in our Novena of Masses for Mother's Day. Nine Masses will be offered to remember and bless the special women in our lives. Cards and envelopes are available at the church entrances. You may also use mailed envelopes or submit your intention online at [spx.cc.org](http://spx.cc.org) under the "Giving" tab.

**ST. PIUS X  YOUTH MINISTRY**  
**COME BE PART OF OUR PARISH YOUTH COMMUNITY!**

**Life Teen High School Ministry meets Sundays, 6:30PM-8:30PM**

**Edge Middle School Ministry meets Wednesdays, 6:30PM-8:00PM**

Games, friends, faith and fun. Grow in your relationship with Christ and with each other. Everyone is welcome. Bring a friend!



## Parish Happenings

### Sunday, May 10th – HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

1:30PM – Baptisms – CH

### Tuesday, May 12th

6:00PM – Acts of Charity – CC#1

### Thursday, May 14th

3:00PM – Set Up for School Art Show – Cafe

7:00PM – Confessions/Adoration – CH

### Friday, May 15th

11:00AM – Funeral Reception – PH

6:00PM – STREAM Fair – YC

7:00PM – School Art Show – Cafe

### Sunday, May 17th

8:00AM – Coffee & Donuts served after all morning Masses – PH

1:30PM – Baptism – CH

5:30PM – Graduation Mass – CH



## Join Us in Praying the Rosary

Join us on Sundays in the church as 7:30am prior to the 8am Mass or at 9:25am prior to the 10am Mass.



## Follow us on Facebook

Keep up on all the latest on our Facebook page. Go to our link at [facebook.com/stpiusxcc](https://facebook.com/stpiusxcc)

The deadline for submitting bulletin announcements is **Wednesday at noon.**

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## Advertise in the Parish Bulletin

Local businesses and individuals are invited to advertise in our weekly parish bulletin. Advertising here ensures your message reaches a wide and diverse audience. Take advantage of our platform to maximize your visibility and connect with potential customers while contributing to the ongoing mission of our parish. Advertising proceeds directly fund church programs and outreach incentives. If you wish to place an advertisement in the parish's weekly bulletin, please contact the office Monday through Friday between 9AM and 5PM. The cost is \$25.00 per week.

## Deadline for Scholarship Applications is Monday, May 11th

We are accepting applications for the Christopher Janosek and Emil & Marie Habeeb Scholarships. All graduating high school seniors are invited to apply. Applications can be found in the back of the church and on our parish website. The deadline for submitting applications is Monday, May 11th.

## Graduation Mass

All graduating seniors are invited to participate in a special Graduation Mass at the 5:30PM Mass on Sunday, May 17th. Graduates are asked to wear their cap and gown. If you are graduating from high school or college and would like to attend, please call the parish office at 361.993.4053 to register. Be sure to provide your name and the school you are graduating from. The deadline for registration is Wednesday, May 13th at noon. A reception will follow in the Youth Center. When you call to register, please also provide the number of guests who will be attending. We look forward to celebrating this special milestone with you!

## St. Pius X Spirit Night at the Hooks Game

On Tuesday, May 12th at Whataburger Field, come cheer on Fr. Paul as he throws out the first pitch to kick off the excitement. It's a memorable moment you won't want to miss. For discounted tickets use Promo Code **STPIUSX**.

## Support Our Parish Scholarship Funds

Our parish is proud to offer the Christopher Janosek and Emil & Marie Habeeb Scholarships each year to support deserving students as they pursue higher education. Donations may be placed in the collection basket in a clearly marked envelope, mailed to the parish office, or through the parish online giving platform. Please note "Scholarship Fund" in the memo. Thank you for your continued generosity and for supporting the youth of our parish with your prayers and financial gifts.

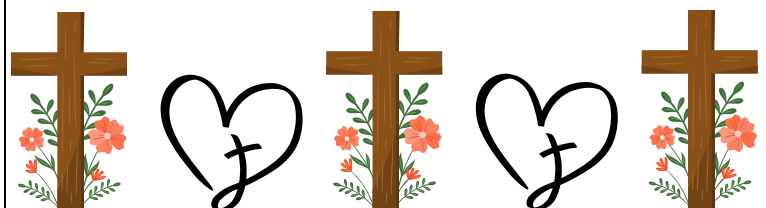
## Acts of Charity

The Acts of Charity ministry is collecting for the Schoenstatt Sisters of Mary in Lamar, Texas who are celebrating their 100th Jubilee this year. The Schoenstatt Retreat Center is in need of toilet paper, paper towels, toilet bowl cleaner, hand soap pumps, napkins, paper plates, plastic cutlery, non dairy creamer, ground coffee, pinesol, fabuloso, HEB or WalMart gift cards. Please place your donations in the designated bin in the back of the church or at the parish office. Please bring gift cards to the office. We value your continued participation and support as we continue to serve our community together.

## Vacation Bible School (VBS)

Get ready for an exciting week at Vacation Bible School, happening June 15-19, 8:00-11:30AM. The cost is \$30.00; 2nd child is \$25.00. Children are invited to come and experience a joyful week filled with faith, fun activities, music, and new friendships. We encourage families to register early. Registration forms are available at the back of the church, the parish office and [spxcc.org](http://spxcc.org).

We are still looking for volunteers to help bring this special week to life. Whether you can give a little time or a lot, your help will make a meaningful difference. Your time and talents are truly appreciated. For additional information please email Mary Maldonado at [mmaldonado@stpiusxcc.org](mailto:mmaldonado@stpiusxcc.org) or call her at 361-993-4053.



# School News



Dear Blue Jay Families,

This week, we were blessed to celebrate First Holy Communion with our second-grade class. It was a joy to witness twenty-one of our students receive this beautiful sacrament together. I am especially proud of Jackson Lutz and Seeley Cervantes, who read the readings at Sunday's Mass, as well as Joelle Parmar and June Wanek, who read at our Wednesday Mass.

I want to thank Mrs. Thomas and our Atrium teachers, Mrs. Harrel and Mrs. May, for their dedication in preparing our students throughout the year. Thanks also to our Student Council, whose ice cream sales helped fund a beautiful reception, as well as Bibles and candles for our communicants.

On Wednesday, we honored Our Lady with our annual May Crowning. Our students and staff prayed the rosary together, and we were grateful to have Brandon Lutz lead us in singing "Immaculate Mary." As always, we deeply appreciate Mr. Lutz's musical gifts.

Earlier this year, our staff attended a retreat where we learned about St. Philomena and began praying for her intercession to increase our enrollment. I am happy to share that we have already enrolled fifteen new students for the upcoming school year, and we have given 29 tours since January alone, with more families expected to join in the coming weeks. This is exciting news and a true blessing for our beloved school.

We have also received an update on TEFA: twelve current families (fourteen students) and nine additional students who are either new to Pre-K or transferring from public schools have received TEFA funding. We anticipate these numbers will continue to grow over the next several weeks.

These blessings bring to mind today's Gospel: "If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want, and it will be done for you." (John 15)

This week also marked Teacher Appreciation Week, and our PTO spoiled us with snacks, breakfast tacos, coffee, lunch, and even massages! Last Friday was Principal Appreciation Day, and I want to thank each of you for the thoughtful cards, gifts, and sweet hugs. I truly felt the warmth of our Blue Jay community.

Upcoming Events:

- HOOKS Spirit Night - Tuesday, where our Superintendent, Dr. Hammel, will speak, Father Paul will throw the first pitch, our students will sing the national anthem, and our cheer team will perform. Please see below to purchase tickets.
- Global Living Rosary - Wednesday, May 13th, at 6:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Corpus Christi. Father James Kelleher will lead S.O.L.T., and our students will participate in reciting the rosary.

All families and parishioners are warmly invited to both events. Thank you for your continued partnership and prayers. It is a privilege to serve this community.

God bless, *Mrs. Beth Hinojosa*

Servant & Principal

**A Partnership that Works**

Scan the QR code below to learn more about partnering with our school as a Give Back Community Partner!

ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
**SPIRIT NIGHT**  
AT THE BALLPARK  
TUESDAY 12 MAY 2026  
GATES OPEN AT 5:35 PM

<b>CHEER TEAM</b> ARRIVE BY: 5:45- 6:00 PM PERFORMANCE: 6:15 PM	<b>NATIONAL ANTHEM SINGERS</b> ARRIVE BY: 6:00- 6:15 PM ANTHEM BEGINS: 6:30 PM
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SCAN TO PURCHASE TICKETS

**CORPUS CHRISTI HOOKS**

DISCOUNTED TICKETS  
USE PROMO CODE: **STPIUSX**

# Mass Intentions



## Saturday, May 9th

5:30PM For the People of St. Pius X

## Sunday, May 10th

8:00AM † Eulogio Costante by Family

10:00AM Mother's Day Novena

12:00PM Mary Louise Mandujano by Johnny & Yolanda

5:30PM † Josephine M. Russell & Olivia Cardona by De Havel

## Monday, May 11th

8:15AM Mother's Day Novena

## Tuesday, May 12th

8:15AM Mother's Day Novena

## Wednesday, May 13th

8:15AM † Christopher Janosek by John, Debra & Brian

† Owen Harris by Julia Harris

† Bill Hennings by Joan Hennings

† John, Mary & James P. Kelly by KKH

† Maury Jarrell by Waynette Jarrell

† Julian Galloway by Family

† Dora Almendarez by Lucy Boyd

† Jose Zuniga by Family

For Our Nation & State Government Executives by Rick McCabe

† Raymond Sykora by St. Pius X School

† Jovita & Ananias Rosales, Sr. by Hazel Flordeliz

James W. Kelly III by James Kelly

John Kelly by James Kelly

Liliane Van Hoof by James Kelly

† Anna Van Dijck by James Kelly

† Karel Soudan by James Kelly

† Mary Pat & Albert T. Slavik by James & John Kelly

† Sharon & Tally Smart by James Kelly

† James W. Sr., & Helen B. Kelly by James & John Kelly

† Felix Van Hoof by James Kelly

5:30PM Mother's Day Novena

## Thursday, May 14th

8:15AM Mother's Day Novena

## Friday, May 15th

8:15AM Mother's Day Novena

5:30PM † Maudine Prunty by Reumuth Family

## Saturday, May 16th

5:30PM Mother's Day Novena

## Sunday, May 17th

8:00AM Mother's Day Novena

10:00AM † Susanne O'Connor by Bob & Judy Buchanan

12:00PM For the People of St. Pius X

5:30PM † Thomas & Joseph Bily by Mary Margaret & Daughters

## Financial Report for 5/3/2026

<b>Sunday Collection</b>	\$	<b>14,051.38</b>
<b>Sunday Online</b>	\$	<b>6,816.00</b>
GOF (Other)	\$	40.00
Other Donations	\$	124.85
<b>Total Operating Revenue</b>	\$	<b>21,032.23</b>

### Other Contributions:

AOC	\$	740.00
Catholic Home Mission	\$	20.00
Christopher Janosek Schol. Fund	\$	480.00
Emil & Marie Habeeb Schol. Fund	\$	300.00
Filipino Santo Nino Mass	\$	711.00
Retired Diocesan Priests	\$	385.00
<b>Other Contributions</b>	\$	<b>2,636.00</b>
<b>Total Contributions</b>	\$	<b>23,668.23</b>

### Please Pray for our Sick & Shut-Ins:

Becky Aikens, John Albertini, Ernie Albornoz, Bob, Kathy, & Tony Almendarez, Luis Alvarado, Danilyn Arevalo, Sugar Arras, Abby Arredondo, Missy O'Rourke Atkinson, Tamra Bacon, Manuel C. Balbin, Ann Marie Bazan, Georgie Benton, Bernice Berry, Lucy Boyd, Frances Branning, Kanon Brown, Bob Buchanan, Jimmy & Carolyn Buehrig, Michael Campos, Lisa Caperton, Belle Carson, Benita Marie Casey, Timoteo Casanova, III, Rose Marie Cortinas, Carole Cotter, Natalie & Elaine Elwood, Frances Leal Emry, Dale Flannagan, Guadalupe Flores, Bobby Floyd, Debbie Fuqua, Berta Garcia, Dakota Garcia, Juanita Gaytan, Deborah Giese, Joe Gomez, George Gongora, Hilario Gonzales, Sr., Beatriz Gonzalez, Martin Gonzalez, Linda Goulet, Ana Guzman, Monte Hall, Janice Hass, Roger Heitzmann, Jr., Shain Hennig, Shelley Hinojosa, Graham Hughes, Mark Hyde, Carl Jacobi, Joseph Jude, Desiree Kund, Jeanne Kunkel, James Lawrence, Annette Ledesma, Arlene Leep, Sharon Lewis, Gladys Lippincott, Kenny Lopez, Pearl Lopez, Larry Ludka, Bill Lyman, Tom Malone, Mary Louise Mandujano, Christopher & Linda Manka, Norma Marshall, Samuel Marsillo, Abel Anthony Martinez, Ruben Martinez, David & Rick McCabe, Jack McCord, Andra Megivern, John Miller, Oralia Mir, Fred & Vickie Mitchell, John Morgan, Sam Morris, Sterling Murphy, JG Musser, Sandra Nicolas, Jason Olog, Scott Olson, Ozzie Osborne, Linda Park, Joyce Pouncy, Joe Prejean, Derrel Puckett, Irma Ramirez, Tino Ramos, John Rank, Michelle Richter, Alexis M. Rodriguez, Petra Rodriguez, JoAnn Rosales, Jean & Hedy Rosenast, David Russell, Button Ruzicka, Dolores Saenz, Dora Salazar, Kimberly Salch, Sandra Salinas, Janie San Miguel, Rick Sanders, Arnold Santos, Adam Saylor, David G. Scherzer, Jack Schuett, Steve Schuster, Liz Sefcik, Anita Shirley, Alma Silva, Peter Siracusa, Rodney Sirius, Denise Sosa-Villagran, Mary Ann Starkey, Della Swoboda, Randy Sykora, Brandee Torres, Jaime Torres, Ernie Trevino, Sarah Urbanovsky, Jessica Underbrink, Mary Vasquez, Joan Vedder, Helen Witzsche, Wilson Woolley, Mary Bell Yankee, Carole Zanetti, Joe Zepeda, Belinda Garza Zuniga and all those who asked for and need our prayers.

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