

Saint Francis Xavier Church
 611 Logan Avenue † Pueblo, CO 81004
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
 Beulah, CO 81023



Our Mission at the Catholic Church of St. Francis is, to promote spiritual growth, religious formation, fellowship and stewardship within our parish. We shall give witness to Christ by ministering and living the word of God.

February 25, 2018

Second Sunday of Lent

Parish Office: 1725 Spruce St.

Hours: Monday thru Friday 9am-12noon to 1pm-3pm

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Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday through Saturday ~ 8:00 AM Masses - In Chapel

Monday through Saturday ~ Eucharistic Adoration 8:30 AM

Saturday ~ 5:00 PM Mass

Sunday ~ 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM Masses

Our Lady of Lourdes

Sunday ~ 8:30 AM Mass

Rosary Sunday ~ 8 AM

Religious Formation Class Times

Preschool - 12th grade & Confirmation Classes

Sunday 9:00 AM to 10:15 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance):

Saturdays from 4:00PM to 4:45PM or by appointment.

Sacramental Preparation:

A two-year preparation process is required for the reception of the Sacraments of First Communion and First Penance (third grade) and Confirmation (junior year).

Sacrament of Baptism:

We welcome new members into our parish through Baptism. Preparation classes; are held four times a year. All parents must attend; Godparents are strongly urged to attend. Call the Parish Office for particular dates. for classes.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Registered members are asked to contact the pastor six months to one year prior to the wedding. Participation in a Marriage Preparation Program is required.

Sacrament for the Sick/Homebound:

Please notify the Parish Office for household members who are elderly, disabled, ill or scheduled for surgery so that they may receive the Sacrament.

Hall Rental:

Parishioners- \$50.00 per hour. **Non-Parishioners** -\$75.00 per hour **Damage Deposit-**\$150.00 cash. Refundable damage, deposit



Fr. William Gleeson, Eddie F. Vigil, Rebecca Lujan, Alice Fierro, Benerito Archuleta, Juan Esteban Rivera, Herbert C. Even, Anna M. Hegler, Carl J. Martinez, Angelina Alvarado, Elsie Plute, Dr. Lucia Rivera, Brenda Amman, Charles McCulley and all the families and friends touched by their life and death.

From the cloud came a voice:



"This is my beloved Son. Listen to him"

Mass Intentions

Saturday ~ February 24th
5:00pm No Scheduled Intention
Sunday ~ February 25th
8:00am No Scheduled Intention
Sunday ~ February 25th
10:30am † Alice Fierro By Patty DeLaCruz
Our Lady of Lourdes ~ Sunday ~ February 25th
8:30am Health & healing of Priscilla Smith
† Helen Monnet By Debbie Monnet

Monday~2/26 No Scheduled Intention
Tuesday~2/27 No Scheduled Intention
Wednesday~2/28 No Scheduled Intention
Thursday~3/1 No Scheduled Intention
Friday~3/2 No Scheduled Intention
Saturday~3/3 No Scheduled Intention

Saturday ~ March 3rd
5:00pm Deceased and Present Members of the Altar Society
† Mary G. Rivas By Children & Grandchildren
Sunday ~ March 4th
8:00am † John A. & Irene A. Vigil By Children & Grandchildren
Sunday ~ March 4th
10:30am † Margaret Teckenbrock By Michael & Judith McGuinn
Our Lady of Lourdes ~ Sunday ~ March 4th
8:30am Health & healing of Priscilla Smith

We Have Your Tax Letters!

Tax letters are now available in the parish office. Please come and collect your letter. If you are unable to pick yours up call the office to have it mailed to you. 719-564-1125

Women's Retreat: Msgr. Ken Leone and Fr. John Lager invite all women to the 18th annual Women's Journey retreat to be held at the YMCA of the Rockies-Estes Park the weekend of March 9-11, 2018. Register online at www.coloradocatholicretreats.com by March 4th. For information and questions, contact Patti Hayes at 720-608-1607 or phaves@spiritofchrist.org. Carpooling is also available upon request (to ksmoothie56@gmail.com) by March 4th.



The **Divine Mercy food pantry** is in need of some items. Items like rice, beans, ramen, or can foods. Please bring what you are able to share with the hungry in our community and place it in the basket at the back of the church or bring to the Parish office.

Prayer Chain



Are you in need of prayers? Do you know someone who does? The prayer chain request book is located at the main entrance or you may call 719-561-9052 or 719-994-2131. *To become a part of this praying ministry please call one of the above numbers.

Weekly Calendar

Mon	2/26	1:00pm	Living Waters
Tues	2/27	11:00am	Legion of Mary
		6:00pm	Parish Council
Wed	2/28	5:30pm	Youth Group
		6:00pm	Divine Mercy
Thurs	3/1	Open Date	
Fri	3/2	5-5:30pm	Confessions
		5:45pm	Stations of The Cross
		6:00pm	OLoL Stations of The Cross
Sat	3/3	4:15pm	Confessions
		5:00pm	Mass
Sun	3/4	8:00am	Mass
		8-8:30am	OLoL Beulah Confessions
		8:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Mass

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
 Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12
 Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
 Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
 Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]; Ps 19:8-11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Lent;
 Penitential Rite for Candidates for Full Communion
 Wednesday: Purim (Jewish observance) begins at sunset
 Friday: Abstinence; First Friday;
 World Day of Prayer
 Saturday: St. Katharine Drexel; First Saturday

Youth Group Meetings

Come join the fun every Wednesday night from 5:30-7:30pm with other youth of the community playing fun games, cooking and enjoying fellowship. For more information contact RaeAnn DeLaCruz 719-671-0292 or Larry Alfonso 719-406-8089



A huge thank you to all who volunteered and supported the Lucy Garcia Soup and Chile fundraiser!

- March 3—Adult Sacrament Class # 6 9am-12Noon
- March 5—Baptism Preparatory Class 5:30 pm
- March 6-8—Lenten Mission w/ Fr. Paul Eke 6:00pm
- March 10—Marriage Preparatory 10:00am

Reflections of Fr. Prabhu

On the second Sunday of Lent in each Lectionary cycle, the Gospel reading proclaims the story of Jesus' Transfiguration. This event is reported in each of the Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. This year, in Lectionary Cycle B, we hear Mark's report of this event. The context for Mark's Transfiguration story is similar to that found in both Matthew's and Luke's Gospel. The Transfiguration occurs after Peter's confession that Jesus is the Messiah and Jesus' prediction about his passion. After this, in each of these Gospels, there is also a discussion of the cost of discipleship. In each case, Jesus takes three of his disciples—Peter, James, and John—to a high mountain. While they are there, Elijah and Moses appear with Jesus. In Matthew's and Mark's Gospel, there is reference to a conversation among Jesus, Elijah, and Moses, but only Luke's Gospel includes the detail that this conversation is about what Jesus will accomplish in Jerusalem. Elijah and Moses are significant figures in the history of Israel. Moses led the Israelites from slavery in Egypt and received from Yahweh the Ten Commandments. In appearing with Jesus at his Transfiguration, Moses represents the Law that guides the lives of the Jewish people. Elijah is remembered as one of the most important prophets of Israel who helped the Israelites stay faithful to Yahweh. Some Jews believed that Elijah's return would signal the coming of the Messiah for the Jewish people. This belief is evidenced in the question posed by Jesus' disciples after they have witnessed the Transfiguration. The appearance of these two important figures from Israel's history with Jesus signifies Jesus' continuity with the Law and with the prophets and that Jesus is the fulfillment of all that was promised to the people of Israel. On seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses and having witnessed his Transfiguration, Peter offers to construct three tents for them. Mark reports that the disciples are terrified by what they have witnessed and that Peter's offer is made out of confusion. We also notice that Peter has reverted from his earlier confession that Jesus is the Messiah, calling Jesus rabbi instead. As if in reply to Peter's confusion, a voice from heaven speaks, affirming Jesus as God's Son and commanding the disciples to obey him. This voice from heaven recalls the voice that was heard at Jesus' baptism. In his Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, Jesus instructs the disciples to keep secret what they have seen until after the Son of Man has risen from the dead. The disciples' confusion continues as they wonder what Jesus means by rising from the dead. The disciples cannot possibly understand Jesus' Transfiguration until they also witness his passion and death. We hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration early in Lent, but we have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we anticipate Jesus' Resurrection, even as we prepare to remember Jesus' passion and death. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit _ Amen

Ministers— March 3rd & 4th

<u>Mass</u>	<u>Commentator</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharist Minister</u>
Saturday 3/3/18 5:00pm	Debbie Monnet	Deneane Sisneros Patty Delacruz	Debbie Monnet Rosalie Farias Mari Boyd Gabby Greer Arlene Vigil
Servers: Terra Salazar			
Sunday 3/4/18	Kathy Figueroa	Linda DelaTorre Maribela Lopez	Kathy Figueroa Agnes Mascarenas Rodney Westhoff Linda DelaTorre Tony Baca
Servers: Chloe & Timothy Sisneros			
Sunday 3/4/18 10:30am	Youth Commentator	Youth Reader Youth Reader	Margaret Siegrist Deacon Paul MariBeth Romero Paul Montez
Servers: Lorenzo & Natalie Alfonso, Sefe & Toby Coultrip			Carla Osorio

Lenten Schedule

St Francis Xavier **Daily Masses** Monday-Saturday 8:00 am in the Queen of Peace Chapel on Spruce.
Stations of the Cross every Friday at 5:45pm followed by Lenten Fellowship in the Parish Hall
Confessions: Every Friday before Stations of The Cross and Saturdays at 4:15pm or by appointment
Lenten Mission: Tuesday, March 6, 2018 through Thursday, March 8, 2018. Mass at 6:00pm each day. Fr. Paul Eke

Lenten Penance Service 2018

- Sacred Heart Cathedral** March 7, 2018 @ 12:30pm
- Christ the King** March 7, 2018 @ 6:30pm
- St. Leander** March 30, 2018 @ 6:00pm
- Shrine of St. Therese** March 15, 2018 @ 6:00pm
- St. Mary Help of Christians** March 17, 2018 @ 8:45am
- St. Francis Xavier** March 19, 2018 @ 6:30pm
- Our Lady of The Meadows** March 27, 2018 @ 7:00pm
- St. Paul the Apostle** March 1, 2018 @ 6:30pm

Lenten Dinner Schedule for Friday evenings

Fellowship/dinner is for all parishioners at no charge (except March 23-K of C fish fry dinner \$7)
 Parishioners may bring a dish if they choose to do so
 Each group is asked to: bring a meatless dish, bread, or soup *Help set-up & clean-up

On the scheduled date listed below

5:00 p.m. set-up 6:15 dinner served

- Feb. 23 Religious Education Teachers/Committee
- March 2 Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors/Commentators
- March 9 Parish Council & Finance Committee Legion of Mary
- March 16 Altar Society & Divine Mercy Prayer Group
- March 23 Knights of Columbus #557 Fish Fry-\$7/person
- March 30 Good Friday Service at Noon-no meal served

St Francis Xavier

February 18, 2018 Collection

Offeratory Envelopes	\$ 1,483.00
Loose coin & Currency	\$ 270.37
African & Indian Missions	\$ 315.00

Our Lady of Lourdes

Offeratory Envelopes	\$ 710.00
Loose coin & Currency	\$ 37.00