

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.

March 18, 2018

Fifth 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.

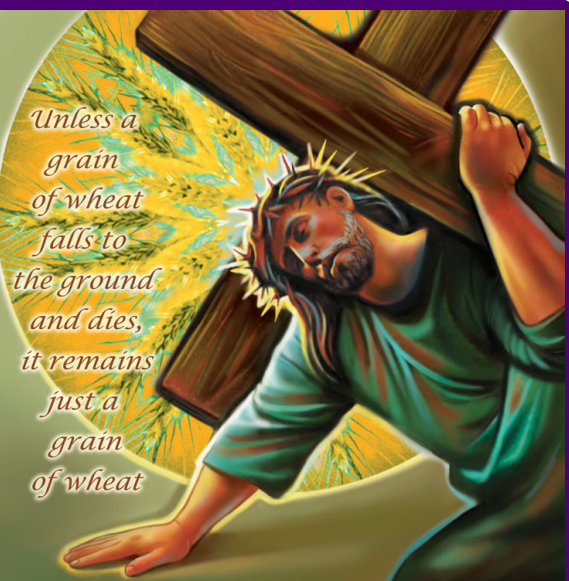
Sacrament for the Sick/Homebound:

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

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**NEW
 COVENANT**



*Unless a
 grain
 of wheat
 falls to
 the ground
 and dies,
 it remains
 just a
 grain
 of wheat*

Mass Intentions

Weekly Calendar

Saturday ~ March 17th
5:00pm † **Dr. Lucia Rivera** By Carmen Peralta
Health & healing of Gilbert & Sarah Lucero By Monica

Sunday ~ March 18th
8:00am † **John A. & Irene A. Vigil** By Children & Grandchildren
 † **Paul, Eric, Phillip Figueroa & Joseph Misiaszek** By Robert and Kathy Figueroa

Sunday ~ March 18th
10:30am † **Frances Romero** By Richard & Rose Martinez
Our Lady of Lourdes ~ Sunday ~ March 18th
8:30am Health & healing of Priscilla Smith

<i>Mon</i>	3/19	1:00pm	Living Waters
		5:30pm	Baptism Preparatory
<i>Tues</i>	3/20	11:00am	Legion of Mary
<i>Wed</i>	3/21	11:30am	Altar Society
		5:30pm	Youth Group
		6:00pm	Divine Mercy
<i>Thurs</i>	3/22	Open Date	
<i>Fri</i>	3/23	5-5:30pm	Confessions
		5:45pm	Stations of The Cross
		6:00pm	OLoL Stations of The Cross
<i>Sat</i>	3/24	4:15pm	Confessions
		5:00pm	Mass
<i>Sun</i>	3/25	8:00am	Mass
		8-8:30am	OLoL Beulah Confessions
		8:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Mass
		10:30am	Mass

Monday~3/19 No Scheduled Intention
Tuesday~3/20 No Scheduled Intention
Wednesday~3/21 No Scheduled Intention
Thursday~3/22 No Scheduled Intention
Friday~3/23 No Scheduled Intention
Saturday~3/24 No Scheduled Intention

Saturday ~ March 24th
5:00pm Health & healing of Pat Muniz

Sunday ~ March 25th
8:00am † **Bertha Yengich** By Anne & Robert Beard
 † **Anna Armijo** By Family

Sunday ~ March 25th
10:30am † **Cipriana Mandy Zapata** By Family
 † **Margaret Teckenbrock** By Michael & Judith McGuinn
 † **Jesse Collins Jr.** By The Siegrist Family
Our Lady of Lourdes ~ Sunday ~ March 25th
8:30am Health & healing of Priscilla Smith

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;
 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or
 Lk 2:41-51a
 Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30
 Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56;
 Jn 8:31-42
 Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59
 Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
 Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56
 Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; (procession)
 Is 50:4-7; Ps 22: 8-9, 17-20, 23-24;
 Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 -- 15:47 [15:1-39]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent; Third Scrutiny
 Monday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Tuesday: Spring begins
 Friday: Abstinence; St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

Youth Group Meetings

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

Youth Group needs your help!

We are in need of yard cleaning and work supplies. We are accepting donations of trash bags, gently used rakes, shovels and equipment that will aid us in cleaning yards of those in the community that cannot do so.

Spring Tea Luncheon

The Altar Society of St. Francis Xavier Church requests your presence. April 22, 2018 @ 1:00pm 1725 Spruce St. Mediterranean Room Anyone interested in membership is encouraged to attend and bring a friend. R.S.V.P by April 19th # 719-320-3452 or 719-561-9052



Help Wanted at St. Francis Xavier Church & Our Lady of Lourdes (Mission Parish in Beulah)

Position: Bookkeeper
Part-time: 12-15 hours/week
Salary: Negotiable
 Applications are available at the parish office or visit the Diocesan website: www.dioceseofpueblo.org
 Resume is optional
 For more information call the office at: 564-1125

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.



Religious Education

March 19—Lenten Penance Service 6:30pm
 March 24/25—Palm Sunday Weekend
 March 27—Seder Meal

Reflections of Fr. Prabhu

Today's Gospel reading is taken from the Gospel of John. We are reading much further into John's Gospel than we have for the past two weeks. Chapter 12 of John's Gospel is a preparation for the beginning of the passion narrative to follow. Jesus has just raised Lazarus from the dead—an important sign in John's Gospel, which inspired many people to believe in Jesus. This event also marks the turning point in Jesus' conflict with the Jewish authorities. John's Gospel tells us that the Sanhedrin met after this event and made plans to kill Jesus. In the 12th chapter of John's Gospel, Jesus is anointed at Bethany and enters Jerusalem in triumph. We again see evidence of the significance of the raising of Lazarus to this event; John reports that the crowds also gathered to see Lazarus. Following his triumphant entry into Jerusalem, Jesus predicted his suffering, death, and Resurrection and prepared his disciples to believe in the salvation that his death would accomplish. Using the metaphor of the grain of wheat, Jesus presented the idea that his dying would be beneficial. He also taught that those who would be his disciples must follow his example of sacrifice. This theme will be repeated in John's account of the Last Supper, when Jesus washed the feet of his disciples as an example of how they must serve one another. The final section of today's Gospel might be read as John's parallel to the agony in the garden. Unlike the Synoptic Gospels, the Gospel of John does not record Jesus' anguished prayer in the garden of Gethsemane before his arrest. Although comparable words are found in today's reading, Jesus gives a confident response to the question he raises when asking God to save him from his impending death. After announcing his conviction that it is for this purpose that he came, a voice from heaven speaks, as if in answer to Jesus' prayer. This voice, like the one heard at Jesus' baptism and at Jesus' Transfiguration—events reported in the Synoptic Gospels but not in John's Gospel—affirms that God welcomes the sacrifice that Jesus will make on behalf of others. In John's Gospel, Jesus teaches that this voice was sent for the sake of those who would believe in him. In today's Gospel, we also hear Jesus speak about the cosmic framework against which we are to understand his passion, death, and Resurrection. Through his death and Resurrection, Jesus conquered Satan, the ruler of this world. In this way the world is judged, but the judgment is not condemnation. Instead, through Jesus' dying and rising, salvation is brought to the world. In the name of the Father and of Son and of the Holy Spirit_ Amen

Ministers— March 24th & 25th

<u>Mass</u>	<u>Commentator</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharist Minister</u>
Saturday 3/24/18 5:00pm	Debbie Monnet	Gabby Greer Eric Martinez	Debbie Monnet Deacon Paul Arlene Vigil Gabby Greer Amber Terrones
Servers: John Delacruz, Terra Salazar			
Sunday 3/25/18	Tony Baca	Linda DelaTorre Karen Aguilera	Karl Aguilera Linda DelaTorre Kathy Figueroa Arlene Raigoza Tony Baca
Servers: Jamie Lopez			
Sunday 3/25/18 10:30am	David Styduhar	Nadine Craciun Nick Wertz	Jessica Dominguez Tom Dominguez Juan Casaus Juliet Dominguez
Servers: Diego, Romeo, Olivia T, Lorenzo A.			Juanita McCulley-Santos

DMF

It is time again to make your pledge to our annual 2018 DMF fund drive. Packets can be picked up at the back of the Church. We pray for those who make new pledges this year, that God will repay each one a hundred fold.

Thank You and remember God loves a cheerful giver.
(2 Cor. 9, 6-7)

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 Penance Service 2018

St. Francis Xavier March 19, 2018 @ 6:30pm
Our Lady of The Meadows March 27, 2018 @ 7:00pm

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
March 23 Knights of Columbus #557 Fish Fry-\$7/person
March 30 Good Friday Service at Noon-no meal served

St Francis Xavier

March 11, 2018

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 1,915.00
Loose coin & Currency	\$ 254.58
Catholic Relief	\$ 340.86

Our Lady of Lourdes

March 11, 2018

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 355.00
Loose coin & Currency	\$ 0.00