

*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.

*April 22, 2018*

*Fourth Sunday of Easter*

**Parish Office:** 1725 Spruce St.

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

**Parish Office Phone:** 564-1125

**Parish Office Fax Number:** 564-1141

**Emergency Phone:** 564-2806

**E-Mail Address:** stfrancisxavierpueblo@yahoo.com

**Web Address:** www.sfxavierpueblo.org

**Staff**

**Administrator:** Rev. X. Selvakumar

**Proctor:** Rev. A. Prabhu

**Deacon:** Paul Villegas

**Bookkeeper:** Mari Boyd

**Music Director:** Alex Craciun

**Religious Formation CRE:** Elizabeth "Bebe" Mestas

**Maintenance:** Bradford Funkhouser

**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.

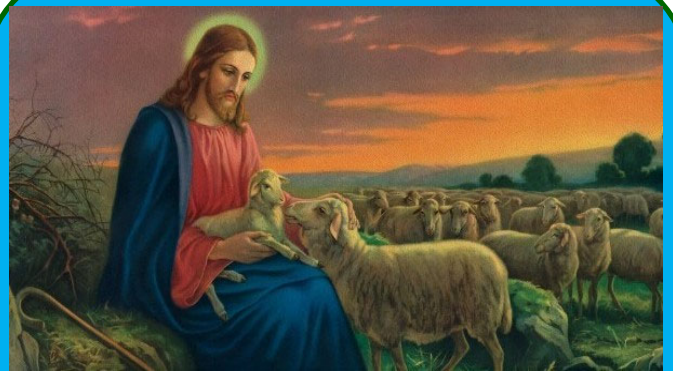
**Sacrament for the Sick/Homebound:**

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

**HAPPY FEAST OF ST. MARK**  
**THE EVANGELIST**



**"I am the good shepherd.  
 The good shepherd gives  
 His life for the sheep."**

**~ JESUS**

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday~ April 21st**

**5:00pm † No Scheduled Intention**

**Sunday ~ April 22nd**

**8:00am † Vivian Sue Beber By Karen & Karl Aguilera**

**George Maldonado By Karen & Karl Aguilera**

**Sunday ~ April 22nd**

**10:30am † No Scheduled Intention**

**Our Lady of Lourdes ~ Sunday ~ April 22nd**

**8:30am Marie Mendicello By Regina Fortune**

**Monday~ 4/23 No Scheduled Intention**

**Tuesday~4/24 No Scheduled Intention**

**Wednesday~4/25 Cipriana Mandy Zapata BY family**

**Thursday~4/26 No Scheduled Intention**

**Friday ~4/27 No Scheduled Intention**

**~Saturday~ April 28th**

**5:00pm † No Scheduled Intention**

**Sunday ~ April 29th**

**8:00am † John A & Irene A. Vigil By Children & Grandchildren**

**Sunday ~ April 29th**

**10:30am † No Scheduled Intention**

**Our Lady of Lourdes ~ Sunday ~ April 29th**

**8:30am No Scheduled Intention**

**SUPPORT FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION**

**Mission:**

To serve in an advisory role to the Catholic Schools Office in its efforts to support Catholic schools in the Diocese as they strive to integrate Gospel values, Catholic beliefs and traditions in an environment where faith and knowledge meet.

**Catholic School in Pueblo  
St. John Neumann Catholic School  
St. Therese Catholic School**

**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.



April 29- First Communion Exams 9:15am  
May 12th First Communion~ Saturday at 12 Noon  
May 13th Mother's Day  
May 20th First Communion at 10:30 Mass

**Weekly Calendar**

Mon	4/23	1:00pm	Living Waters
Tues	4/24	11:00am	Legion of Mary
		6:00pm	Parish Council
Wed	4/25	5:30pm	Youth Group
		6:00pm	Divine Mercy
Thurs	4/26	2:00pm	Denary Meeting
Fri	4/27	Open Date	
Sat	4/28	4:15pm	SFX Confessions
		5:00pm	Mass
		8:00am	Mass
Sun	4/29	8:00am	LOLOL Confession
		8:30a m	Our Lady of Lourdes Mass
		10:30am	Mass

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10  
 Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30  
 Wednesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20  
 Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20  
 Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6  
 Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14  
 Sunday: Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-28, 30-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter; Earth Day; World Day of Prayer for Vocations  
 Monday: St. George; St. Adalbert  
 Tuesday: St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen  
 Wednesday: St. Mark; Administrative Professionals Day  
 Friday: Arbor Day  
 Saturday: St. Peter Chanel;

**The Parish Rosary Program**

As you pray the rosary, for the intentions of the Pope, for world peace, for an end to abortion etc... Please keep track of how many rosaries you prayed during the week and put your total in the collection basket at Mass. [ Hopefully this will encourage more of us to pray the rosary more often!]  
**101 prayed totaling 6,698**

**Parish Census**

We ask you to please help us in updating our Parish records. Return the form you have been given with as much information that you can provide. It will make it so easy for the office to keep a better record of our parishioners.

**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.



*Reflections of Fr. Prabh*

The Fourth week of Easter

The fourth Sunday of Easter is also called Good Shepherd Sunday. In each of the three lectionary cycles, our Gospel is taken from the 10th chapter of the Gospel of John. In Cycle B, we hear the middle verses of this chapter. Unless we consider this chapter in the greater context of John's Gospel, we will miss the radical nature of the statement Jesus makes when he declares himself to be the Good Shepherd.

This chapter of John's Gospel follows Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the rejection of this miracle by the Jewish leaders who question Jesus' authority to heal. Jesus responds to this challenge by calling himself the Good Shepherd. He is criticizing the leadership of the Pharisees and the other Jewish leaders. The Pharisees and other Jewish leaders are so angry that they attempt to stone and arrest Jesus (see John 10:31,39). This controversy with the religious leaders continues until Jesus' death.

In the portion of the chapter that we hear proclaimed today, Jesus describes his relationship with his followers as similar to the relationship between a good shepherd and his sheep. As a good shepherd will risk and lay down his life in order to protect his sheep, Jesus willingly sacrifices himself for the sake of his sheep. Jesus contrasts the actions of the good shepherd with the actions of the hired shepherd who abandons the sheep in the face of danger. In the verses following Jesus' teaching, we learn that the Pharisees and the other religious leaders understand that Jesus is referring to them when he describes the hired shepherds.

The concern of a good shepherd for his sheep is part of the shepherd's job. Jesus says, however, that the actions of the good shepherd are based upon the relationship that develops between the shepherd and the sheep. This is at the heart of the difference between the good shepherd and the hired shepherd. The good shepherd knows the sheep and therefore acts out of love. For the Good Shepherd, this is never simply part of a job; this love-in-action is integral to his identity.

As with so much of John's Gospel, one hears in this passage John's particular focus on Christology. As the sheep are known by the Good Shepherd, the Father knows Jesus and Jesus knows the Father. There is an essential unity between the Father and the Son. The freedom with which Jesus acts when he lays down his life is rooted in the unity that he shares with his Father.

In this context, Jesus also refers to others with whom he shares a relationship. By this reference, John probably understands the eventual inclusion of the Gentiles in the Christian community. Our modern ears hear this as a reference to Christian unity. The work of ecumenism is to restore unity among all Christians so that we form one flock under one shepherd, as God desires.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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

**Position: Bookkeeper & Secretary**

**Part-time**

**Salary: Negotiable**

Applications are available at the parish office or visit the Diocesan website:

[www.dioceseofpueblo.org](http://www.dioceseofpueblo.org) **Resume is optional**

**For more information call the office at: 564-1125**

*Ministers— May 5th & 6th*

<b>Mass</b>	<b>Commentator</b>	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Eucharist Minister</b>
<b>Saturday</b> 5/05/18 <b>5:00pm</b>	Eric Martinez	Conrad Valdez Patty Delacruz	<b>Eric Martinez</b> Mari Boyd Deneane Sisneros Rosalie Farias Mona Martinez
<b>Servers: Chloe &amp; Timothy Sisneros</b>			
<b>Sunday</b> 5/06/18 <b>8:00am</b>	Kathy Figueroa	Linda DelaTorre Maribela Lopez	<b>Kathy Figueroa</b> Linda DelaTorre Tony Baca Agnes Mascarenas Rodney Westhoff
<b>Servers: Jamie Lopez</b>			
<b>Sunday</b> 5/06/18 <b>10:30am</b>	Youth	Youth Reader Youth Reader	<b>Margaret Siegrist</b> Deacon Paul Carla Osorio Marcy Mravich Mary Beth
<b>Servers: Lorenzo Alfonso Toby &amp; Seferina Coultrip, Kimberley Siegrist</b>			

**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)

<b>2018</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>Goal</b>
<b>Total Pledged</b>	<b># of Pledges</b>	
<b>\$6,185.00</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>31,290.00</b>

**SILENCE**

Silence is a gift of God, to let us speak more intimately with God.

—St. Vincent Pallotti

**MONTH OF THE ROSARY**

It is that time, when we are reminded of the importance of uniting our prayers with the Mother of God and conforming ourselves to Christ as revealed in the mysteries of His life. We grow in our appreciation of Christ through meditating on these mysteries. Join us on Sunday Morning at 10am as the RE children lead us in prayer during the Month of Rosary, beginning on May 6th.

**Bulletin deadline!**

Any information that you would like in the bulletin must be submitted by Monday of the week before. We thank you for your help with this

**St Francis Xavier**

*April 15th, 2018*

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 1,389.00
Loose coin & Currency	\$ 493.38

**Our Lady of Lourdes**

Offertory Envelopes	\$ 415.00
Loose Coin & Currency	\$ 60.00