

# Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

April 7, 2024



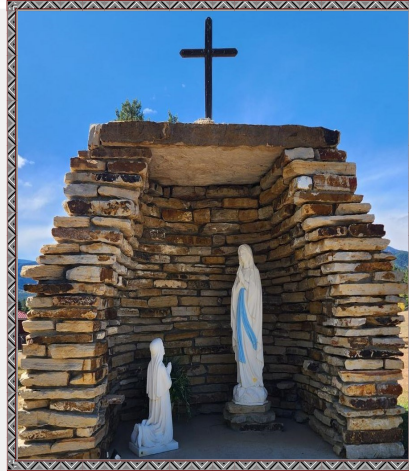
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LOURDES  
MISSION  
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*OUR MISSION AT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER IS TO PROMOTE SPIRITUAL GROWTH, RELIGIOUS FORMATION, FELLOWSHIP AND STEWARDSHIP WITHIN OUR PARISH. WE SHALL GIVE WITNESS TO CHRIST BY MINISTERING AND LIVING THE WORD OF GOD.*

“O my God, almighty and merciful Father, creator of all things of the world: I firmly believe in you, my God and Lord, since you are my entire good. You, Lord, created me and you have given me body and soul and all that I have. And you, my God, have made me in your likeness. Thanks be to God!” - St. Francis Xavier

**“I do not promise to make you happy in this world but in the other.”**

**- Our Lady of Lourdes**

## ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

### Schedules of Masses/Liturgy

Tuesday through Friday	4:30 pm Adoration Confession 5:00 pm Vespers 5:30 pm Mass
Saturday	4:00 pm Adoration Confession 4:30 pm Holy Rosary 5:00 pm Holy Mass
Sunday	10:00 am Holy Rosary 10:30 am Holy Mass

### Office Hours

Monday	9:00 am - Noon
Tuesday - Friday	9:00 am - 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

### Religious Ed Office Hours

Tuesday and Thursday	9:00 am to 11:00 am
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### Pastoral Staff

<i>Rev. Peter John Abogado, SSS</i>	Parish Admin.
<i>Cathy Walkup</i>	Secretary
<i>Juan Casaus and Candy Madrill</i>	Rel. Formation CRE
<i>Ray Armenta</i>	Maintenance
<i>Parish Volunteers</i>	Music Director

In case of an Emergency, call: *Jim Vigil* 719-369-7658

## OUR LADY OF LOURDES

### MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY 8:00 am  
FIRST FRIDAY MASS 8:00 am followed by Adoration

### CONFESSION

SUNDAY 7:30 am - 7:55 am

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, “Peace be with you.” When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. John 20:19-20



**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday April 6th - 5:00 pm**

- +JOHN A. and IRENE A. VIGIL by Michael, Dennis, Tosha, and Tim & Nicole Family
- +EDDIE AND +MARY VIGIL by Nancy, Rena, Jim and Family
- +RICHARD "LIBRADO" LUCERO by Monica Lucero
- +FLORA LAMBERT by Monica Lucero

**Sunday -April 7th**

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES - 8:00 am**

For the People of Our Lady of Lourdes

**ST. FRANCIS XAVIER - 10:30 am**

+Msgr. MARVIN J. KAPUSHION

**Tuesday - April 9th - 5:30 pm**

+Rev. GILBERT O'MALEY, O.S.B.

**Wednesday - April 10th - 5:30 pm**

The People of St. Francis Xavier

**Thursday - April 11th - 5:30 pm**

+Rev. VICTOR L. VIFQUAIN, S.J.

+Msgr. HOWARD L. DELANEY

**Friday - April 12th - 5:30 pm**

No Special Intentions

**The Pope's Monthly Intention for April 2024**

For the Role of Women - We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

**April is dedicated to  
The Holy Eucharist and The Holy Spirit**

*Always remain close to the Catholic Church, because it alone can give you true peace, since it alone possesses Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, the true Prince of Peace. He is truly present in the Eucharist, and we are surrounded by the Holy Spirit.*



**Readings and Feast Days  
for 04/07/24 through 04/13/24**

**7 SUN SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER white (OR SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY) Acts 4:32-35/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31**

**8 Mon THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD white Solemnity Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38**

**9 Tue Easter Weekday white Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3:7b-15**

**10 Wed Easter Weekday white Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21**

**11 Thu Saint Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr red Memorial Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36**

**12 Fri Easter Weekday white Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15**

**13 Sat Easter Weekday white/red [Saint Martin I, Pope and Martyr] Acts 6:1-7/Jn 6:16-21**

**Divine Mercy Sunday  
Prayer**

**Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself. Amen.**



**BURRITO SALE FUNDRAISER  
APRIL 14TH AFTER MASS**

The Burrito Sale will be after Mass in front of the Church on April 14th for the Religious Ed Fund-raiser.

Breakfast Burritos and Bean & Cheese Burritos will be sold for \$4.00 each and the price of the Baked Goods will vary. If you would like to donate baked goods, please see Candy Madrill or call the Parish Office.



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*Our Giving to God - St. Francis Xavier  
March 31, 2024*

Offertory:	\$	1,357.99
Easter		1,932.50
Holy Thursday		333.24
Good Friday		488.25
Stations of the Cross		133.12
Easter Vigil		172.00
Children 's Collection		4.00
Building Fund		1.00
Flower Donation		40.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,462.10</b>
<i>Festival Donation</i>	<i>\$</i>	<i>500.00</i>
Rice Bowl - National Collection	\$	296.00

The Weekly Offertory needed to support our church budget is approximately \$3,250.00. Thank you for giving!

## WEEKLY OFFERING/ DONATION

Make your weekly offering or a donation to the church by scanning the QR Code located on the right of this box.



## ONLINE MOBILE APP

Sign up for the online/mobile app by scanning the QR Code located on the right of this box.



## PARISH INFORMATION

**Legion of Mary** Meets every Thursday at 11:00 am in the classroom  
**Divine Mercy** Meets every Thursday at 1:00 pm in the classroom  
**Finance Committee** Meets every 3rd Wednesday at 6:30 pm  
**Parish Council** Meets every 4th Wednesday at 6:30 pm  
**Hall Rental** Call Richard Falsetto at 719-671-9635  
**Knights of Columbus #557** 1200 Acero Ave 719-564-9620

## THANK YOU TO ALL WHO MADE HOLY WEEK SO SPECIAL!

We would like to thank All of the Volunteers who worked so hard and who helped make Holy Week so Special! We are so Blessed. Also, thanks to all the people who attended Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and Easter Mass. May you continue to join Your Church Family at Mass. It was Beautiful to see all of you. May God continue to Bless You and Your Families!

## ST. FRANCIS XAVIER MINISTERS April 13th and 14th

<u>Commentator</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Minister</u>
<u>SATURDAY - 5:00p.m.</u> Paul Montez	Arlene Ragoza Conrad Valdez	Paul Montez
<u>SUNDAY - 10:30 a.m.</u> Karl Aguilera	Karen Aguilera Juanita McCulley-Santos	Karl Aguilera

*Our Giving to God - Our Lady of Lourdes  
March 31, 2024*

Offertory \$ 623.00

We thank Father Peter for the early Easter Sunrise service and our beautiful Easter Mass. We thank Julie and all of our hard working parishioners for the delicious breakfast on Easter. Because of all of you, we are truly blessed with an amazing parish.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sign Up Sheets for Our Festival is in the back of the church. If you are interested in volunteering to chair or work a Food Booth please stop by. Your help is greatly needed and appreciated.

## DONATIONS FOR FESTIVAL

Monetary donations for Our Festival are being accepted. If you donate, please indicate that it is for this purpose. Thank You!

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ON DEMAND.

WHY DO  
CATHOLICS  
BELIEVE IN "LIFE  
EVERLASTING"?



## Why Catholics believe in "life everlasting"

The Catholic Church cares about every BODY. Think of relics and funerals—reverence for our bodies and the body's of holy people is part of being Catholic. But why? We find the answer at the end of the Creed: "I believe in the resurrection of the body and life everlasting." That's a pretty strong statement and it's founded on Jesus. Because Jesus rose from the dead, we can look forward to our own body's being raised at the end of time. Pretty cool, right?

Our parish has a FORMED subscription.  
Visit [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup) and select our parish.  
Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.



An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and gracitas press

## OUR LADY OF LOURDES MINISTERS April 14th

<u>Commentator</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>
Kathy Serena	Marilyn Wren Sharon Neumayr	Tara Stosek Julie Lord
	<u>Altar Server</u> Dylan Ortiz	

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## **Saint Francis Xavier Stewardship** **ADVANCING MISSIONARY DISCIPLESHIP (AMD)**

Last July of 2023 we began the new fiscal year and the next fiscal year July of 2024 is approaching. In our monthly Financial Reports, which are published in our church Bulletin, our existing balance in the bank for General Operating expenses is very low. This fund pays salaries, utilities, insurance, maintenance, supplies, and our share of the diocese expenses through (AMD) or Advancing Missionary Discipleship. This fund has a low balance in terms of paying our monthly expenses, secondly, most of our weekend collections are deficit to cover our monthly average expenses.

Instead of a fundraising campaign for DMF, as we had in the past with goals for each parish, the diocese is saving expenses by having each parish pay a share based on their average general collection for the prior year. As a poor church, our percentage share may be less than that of any parish. When this program began, parishioners who gave separately to DMF were asked to send the same amount as additional contributions to the parish and we would have more than enough to cover this expense. That is getting forgotten and, like everyone else, the parish expenses are going up.

As a matter of stewardship, if every one of our more or less 120 (?) active families and individuals would give a minimum of \$50 per month (or one time \$600 per year) regularly, excluding your Sunday's masses giving, hopefully we can meet our expenses.

There is some misunderstanding about the AMD as part of our budget. The AMD gives the Diocese of Pueblo the ability to secure its financial base and opens up energy and resources to refocus all its efforts around Missionary Discipleship. Remember we are part of the Diocese.

There are many services at the diocese level that individual parishes cannot do on their own. The bishop is paid the same as any parish priest but does not have a parish to pay this. The Diocese operates the marriage tribunal, funds the diaconate formation program, helps with the expenses of Pueblo Catholic Charities, does training for our religious education instructors, has diocese-wide youth activities, sends publications to all registered Catholics in the diocese, supports our seminarians, pays for diocese functions at the Cathedral, participates in the Colorado Catholic Conference, and more.

The Diocese also brings missionary priests from other countries to serve here in the diocese. It is expensive to bring in foreign missionaries and they are only given a few years to stay by the government. If the Diocese wants to keep these priests for more years (especially if the parishioners are satisfied with them), the Diocese will have to apply and pay for their visa extension. If the missionaries go back to their countries of origin, the Diocese needs to bring in other missionaries.

There are two possible suggestions or options for us to help. First, an increase in monthly or annual giving as outlined above will work. Second, you can also donate specifically to AMD in addition to your normal contribution to the parish. This goes into a special fund and is used to pay our share of AMD. As a result, the amount the parish pays from the general fund is decreased by what is donated to AMD and those donations do not count as part of the general income for determining our contribution to AMD next fiscal year.

My dear parishioners, please remember and help your church SFX. We will keep you posted each month concerning the parish finances and also regular reports on the number of donors, the amount collected, and the amount forwarded to the diocese.

The parish is also inviting those parishioners not yet registered to please register in our church as a fully registered parishioner of SFX church. As well as those registered parishioners please re-update your registration form. It's been a decade ago the last time we updated our parish registration. Rest assured that your prayers and intentions are always remembered in our daily adoration and prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

You can call the office to register if you want to pay separately for AMD or use our QR code apps for online donations. If you have any concerns or special intentions, let me know or Cathy, our Parish Secretary. Fr. Peter is willing to offer his private mass on Monday mornings for the intentions of the donors.

Thank you for being Sons and Daughters of St. Francis Xavier  
May God bless you!

**Saint Francis Corner:**  
**Fr. Peter John Abogado, SSS**