GOSPEL SUMMARY: Mark 9:2-10

The story of Jesus' Transfiguration on the mountain is a preview of great things to come. With his amazed disciples looking on, Jesus is suddenly dressed in dazzling white and his face shines like the sun. He is speaking with the long-dead prophets Moses and Elijah. These two Old Testament figures represent the Law and the Prophets. They are interrupted by a majestic voice from a cloud. And the voice says that Jesus is God's beloved Son. The bedazzled disciples are told to "Listen to him." Like us, Peter, James, and John could not understand everything about Jesus overnight. It was only after his death and resurrection that they understood the meaning of his Transfiguration. Only then did they realize what it meant for the Son of Man to rise from the dead.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR THE GOSPEL: How are you responding to God's command to "Listen to him" during Lent? What message from Jesus' words or actions do you most want to share with the world? What good can come out of suffering? Explain. How do you show that you care about others who are suffering? What does the experience of the three disciples tell us about the process of coming to know and believe in Jesus? What has helped your own relationship with Jesus to grow over the past year?

QUESTION OF THE WEEK: How do you listen to God's beloved Son?

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION: Within the tradition of the Christian church, there are differing ways of observing a Lenten fast. For Eastern Catholics and Orthodox, the discipline is close to our understanding of "abstinence." Certain foods are eliminated from the diet entirely. The rules are basically monastic rules, and the customs of a monastery table are embraced in the home. This year, "Meatfare Sunday" is February 26, and it is the last time that meat is admitted to the diet until Easter. The following Sunday, known as "Cheesefare Sunday," takes cheese and all dairy products from the table. It is also known as "forgiveness Sunday" because a true fast is about crowning life with love, holding back harsh words, and cutting off anger.The Eastern churches fast even from celebrating the Eucharist from Monday through Friday. We don't count Sundays as fast days, but Eastern Christians fast through the weekends. People are expected to come as close to the ideal as possible, and the Lenten services keep reminding them not to take pride in their fasting, since the devil himself never eats! What's left on the menu? Grains, vegetables, eggs (maybe), and fish. Imagine the joys of the Easter table after such a fast!

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK;

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

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy." — MATTHEW 5:7

Called to be Merciful Prayer

Loving God, we thank you for calling us together. In you we are one. Help us to remember that united, we are called to be merciful and love one another through the generous sharing of our time, gifts, and resources. Please bless our efforts and help us to grow as a unified and vibrant community of faith. Give us the grace to generously support the Annual Catholic Appeal so that we may faithfully do the work of Your Church. Amen.

Each of Us. The Annual Catholic Appeal is an opportunity for each of us to be good stewards and to put our Catholic faith into action. Thank you to those listed below who have responded so quickly:

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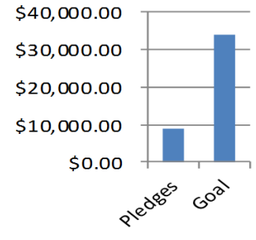

FUNERAL MASS FOR JAMES KURUPAS. A Funeral Mass for the repose of the soul of long time parishioner James Kurupas, will be held here at St. Pius X on Tues **March 3** at 10:00AM with a reception immediately following in Keenan Hall. The Mass will be preceded by the recital of the Holy Rosary at 9:15AM. Commital at Singing Hills Cemetery will take place at 1:30PM.

~ Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. ~

MARCH 1, 2015 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Sat	Feb 28	Sunday Vigil/Second Sunday of Lent	5:00PM	For the Parishioners
Sun	Mar 1	Second Sunday of Lent	8:30AM	+ Mary Grace / (SI) Bedria Ablahad
Sun	Mar 1	Second Sunday of Lent	11:00AM	(SI) Alexander Twiss
Sun	Mar 1	Second Sunday of Lent	12:30PM	+Don Páblo Caro Marizcal
Mon	Mar 2	Lenten Weekday		NO MASS
Tues	Mar 3	Lenten Weekday	7:30AM	For the Parishioners
Wed	Mar 4	Lenten Weekday	7:30AM	For the Parishioners
Thurs	Mar 5	Lenten Weekday	7:30AM	For the Parishioners
Fri	Mar 6	Lenten Weekday/First Friday	7:00PM	For the Parishioners
Sat	Mar 7	Lenten Weekday/First Saturday	9:00AM	(SI) MMLG Int of 2014 Recollection Participants

1. **OFFERING REPORT:** Our weekly offering from **Feb 15,** 2015 was **$3187.15.** Thank you for your love and support.
2. **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** The Knights of Columbus will be meeting this Tuesday, Mar 3 at 7:00PM in Keenan Hall.
3. **LENTEN BIBLE STUDY:** Come study with Deacon John in Keenan Hall on Wednesday evenings at 6:00PM.
4. **STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Our Lenten journey continues with Stations of the Cross every Friday at 5:30PM.
5. **LENTEN FISH DINNER.** The Knights of Columbus are serving their famous fish dinners in Keenan Hall every Friday during lent. Dinner service starts at 6:00PM.
6. **TAX PREPARATION:** By Paul Agpaoa; 45 Years Tax Preparation Experience. Bring all your documents and last year's tax return to Paul in the church office on Sundays between 7:30AM and 12:00PM and have your taxes prepared. Most returns take 15-30 minutes. Fellow parishioner, **Paul Agpaoa, will prepare your taxes and will donate 100% of his fee to St. Pius X Catholic Church of Jamul.** Agpaoa Tax Services, 1442 Highland, National City, CA 91950 619-474-1547.
7. **LOCAL BUSINESSES:** When the need arises, please remember the advertisers on the back of the bulletin. Their continued support makes our bulletin possible.
8. **LOST AND FOUND:** If you have lost an ítem in Church, give the Parish Office a call. Perhaps it is in our lost and found.
9. **HISPANIC BREAKFAST/LUNCH:** Gather in Keenan Hall for food and fellowship as the Hispanic Community serve up a delicious meal after all the Masses on Sun Mar 8.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY 2015. The St Pius X Knights of Columbus will be hosting the 2015 Adults-Only St Pat's Party on Saturday 21 March. The party starts at 6PM with a social hour and dinner at 7PM. The St Pius X Youth Group will furnish babysitting for those that want to attend and have children. Tickets are on sale now after each Mass. **Tickets can be purchased with debit or credit cards after Mass AND can also be purchased online via the parish website, www.stpiusxjamul.com using a credit card.** Tickets are $35 per couple and $20 per single. Get your tickets early to help us plan properly and also to save some $$ - tickets at the door will be $20 each. Dinner will feature corned beef and cabbage, vegetables and roasted chicken. The Knights will be operating a no-host bar. There will be a 50/50 raffle and silent auction. We will have a DJ again with dancing at the completion of dinner and the auction. Please come out and support your parish while having a GREAT TIME!

The speaker at our Mother Mary's Ladies Guild (MMLG) Tea on Saturday, April 25th will be Erica Sanchez, a Catholic Mother of nine children, that range in age from a toddler to a college student. Speaking on the topic of "Our Rose from Heaven", Erica will share her poignant and powerful family saga that profoundly reflects God's loving mercy, His mysterious ways and His 21st century miracles. Come and hear Erica speak as well as enjoy all of the festive features of this Second Annual MMLG Tea!

1ST SATURDAY MARCH 7, 2015
10:30-2:00PM. Meet in the Church parking lot to Carpool to downtown San Diego. Wear comfortable clothing.