

St Pius X Catholic Church

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Rev. Higinio Garcia, Pastor

Mass Schedule

First Friday 7:00 pm

First Saturday 9:00 am

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am, 11:00 am,
& 12:30 pm (Spanish)

Weekdays 7:30 am

Tuesday through Friday
(except First Friday)

No Mass on Mondays

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday at 4:00 pm
(or by appointment)

Third Sunday of Advent



Mission Statement

“A Tiny Church with a Big Heart” We, the people of God at St. Pius X Church in Jamul, Seek to live the Christian life by celebrating God’s Word, Living the Eucharist, and reaching out in peace and justice to all of God’s People. We are to build a loving supportive community in Jamul, By listening and sharing with each other. We believe, with God’s grace, the power of Jesus’ example, and the gifts of the Spirit, we will fulfill Christ’s Mission to love one another and establish the Kingdom of God on earth.

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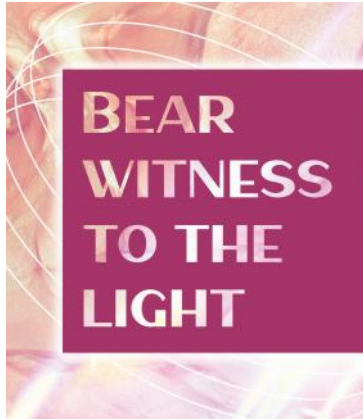
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Gospel Meditation

ENCOURAGE YOURSELF TO A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE



Why do we believe in Jesus and the Catholic Church? Why should we continue to do so? We've never seen him face-to-face (at least not most of us, I assume). Most of us have never had mystical visions of angels or saints. We live in the same world as our atheist and secularists friends. Why do we believe in Christ if we've never seen him? The simple, symbolic answer the Gospel presents to us this week might surprise us: we believe because of John the Baptist. Early in John's Gospel we hear: "There was a man sent from God, his name was John. He came for testimony, to bear witness to the light, that all might believe through him." The Baptist powerfully announces Jesus. This is a historical fact, and it is also now a pattern at work in our lives. John the Baptist stands for the entirety of the old covenant, everything entrusted to the Jewish people. And yet he prophetically

opens the door to something entirely new in Jesus, to the revival and fulfillment of God's promises. In every generation, and in every human life, God continues to do this. He has done it through people named Augustine, Francis, Catherine, Theresa, and countless others. In my life, the Baptist's spirit has come through persons named Eric, Paul, Mary, and Ron. I challenge you to name at least three people through whom God has announced the coming of Jesus in your life. Consciously thank God for their testimony. And let's commit ourselves to listening to the spirit of John the Baptist testify again this week so that we might more strongly believe in the light. — Father John Muir ©LPI

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Testimony

When my grandmother heard the news that my cousin had fallen from a second-story window, she immediately went and washed her hair. Grandma had been sitting alone in her house, listening to the morning radio when the announcer shared a news bulletin stating that the previous night, a little boy with the same name as her grandson, living in the same community and of the same age, had fallen onto the pavement from a window on the second floor of his house. He had been rushed to the hospital but miraculously survived his injuries. She thought she was hallucinating and wanted to look pretty when the "men in white coats" came to take her away. Thus, the hair-washing. As it happens, the whole story was true — it was her grandson, but this was before the age of mobile phones and had happened so late at night that his parents had been unable to notify any family members before the whole thing showed up on the news. It wasn't until my grandmother received a phone call from another relative corroborating the story that she realized it hadn't been a figment of her imagination. What a waste of styled hair, no hospital committal for her that day. There are certain truths that we cannot accept unless they are supported by the testimony of others. We find them to be unbelievable without the reassurance of another person whispering, "It's okay. I see it, too." This is the value of testimony, and the purpose of John the Baptist and every saint who ever died with the name of Jesus Christ on their lips. And this is the sacred duty of all the baptized, to give testimony with our words and our actions. How will you testify today? "He was not the light, but came to testify to the light." — John 1:8 ©LPI

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading: Isaiah rejoices over God's call in his life and the promise of restoration for all nations. As we continue in the season of Advent, what has brought some joy to you or your family?

Second Reading: Paul encourages the Thessalonians to be people of prayer and joy, open to the work of the Holy Spirit in their lives. Is there anything recently that has brought you joy?

Gospel: John presents the religious leaders of Jerusalem as puzzled and uncertain as to who John the Baptist was. How do you approach friends or family in your life who are confused or questioning the faith? ©LPI



Bertha Acevedo de Rodriguez
Joe Solaas
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Bill Gray
Elman & Socorro Martinez

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Esperanza Villa
Michael Fowler
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Sara Allenbach
Loya Family
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Guadalupe Carrillo

THE YEAR OF GRACE

HEALING MASS
Next Healing Mass
Tuesday, February 20, 2024
At 7:00 pm

YOUTH MINISTRY

ST. PIUS X JAMUL
Meets every Tuesday at 6:30pm
(Fun, Religion and Snacks)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Every Saturday at 4:00 pm
or by Appointment

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm
Contact Olga McInvale at 619.468.9269

CHILDREN'S CRY ROOM
ST PIUS X JAMUL
This room is designated for infants and toddlers accompanied by their parents or guardians. Thank you for reserving this room for their exclusive use.

Coffee and donuts
All are invited to join us for Coffee, Donuts and Fellowship every Sunday!

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Every Thursday
8:30am
5:00pm

Photo taken from an open door at St. Pius X Jamul vestibule

Altar flowers are compliments of Bill Hendrickson in memory of his wife Caroline's many years of service to our parish.

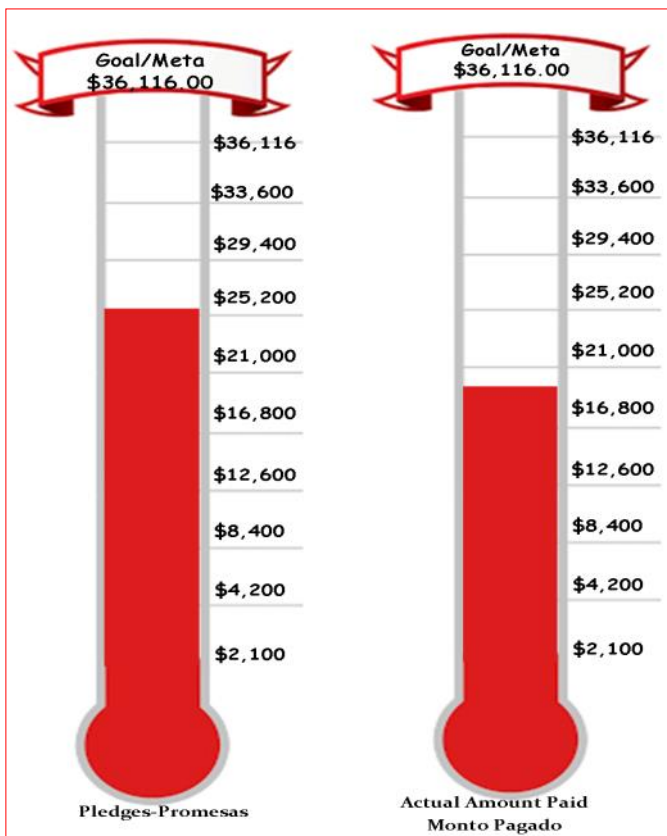
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Faith FORMATION

MOTHER MARY'S LADIES GUILD
Meets 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:00pm
Contact Ana Knudsen: ana.knudsen@cox.net

BIBLE STUDY
Meets every Monday at 7:00pm (except on Holiday's)
Contact David Block: p620d124@gmail.com

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GATHERING
Come and join the men of the parish to make new friends and get to know your brothers in Christ.
Meets First Saturday of the month at 7:30am

Knights of Columbus
Meets 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm
Grand Knight—Joe Coppola
Deputy Grand Knight—Jose Franco



Our Goal is: \$36,116.00

Amount Pledged: \$24,630.00

Amount Paid: \$17,166.00

Owed: \$7,464.00

Thank you for your Pledge! Please help our Parish reach our ACA goal by turning your pledge.



God Bless

- Patricia Konja
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- Aide Arredondo
- David & Paula Block
- Ernest & Eileen Briese
- Terry & Carmen Carroll
- Len & Cyndie Dasho
- Jose & Alma Olivares
- Paul & Linda Wargo
- Cesar & Adriana Garcia

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THE YEAR OF GRACE

LIVE THE LITURGY

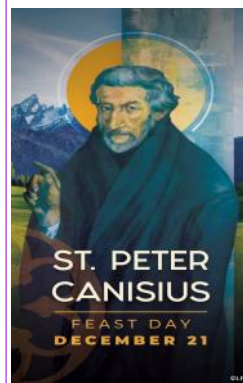
God sends a John the Baptist into every person's life — someone who prepares His way, who calls out His truth. Look for the John the Baptist in your life. Pray you can be this person for someone else. ©LPI

WHY DO WE DO THAT?

The Sign of Peace

Question: Why do Catholics give the sign of peace to one another at Mass?

Answer: The sign of peace is a part of the Mass that takes place immediately after we offer the Lord's Prayer. Inspired by the Jesus' words to his first followers, we stand together in a spirit of communion to pray as Jesus taught us: "Our Father who art in heaven..." In this prayer, we call for the coming of God's kingdom in all its fullness and ask that God provides for our needs — "Give us, this day, our daily bread" — to forgive our sins and to bring us to the joy of heaven. It is almost natural, then, that the rite of peace would follow. As the celebrant prays that Christ's peace will fill our hearts, our communities, the Church, and the whole world, we extend to those around us a sign of peace (usually a hug or a handshake) as a symbol of the communion that we experience now and will experience forever in the fullness of the reign of God. We are also reminded of Jesus' teachings that if we are at prayer and remember that a brother or sister is holding something against us, then we are to go and seek reconciliation with them before we continue our prayer (see Matthew 5:23). And so, the sign of peace also reminds us of the need to truly be in communion — united in love and peace — with God and one another before we approach the altar to receive the Eucharist. So, the next time you're at Mass and the time comes for the sign of peace, remember that this is a moment to celebrate the gift of Christ's peace that each of us has received from God and to pass that peace along to those around us. We need this moment to practice, because this is also the same peace of Christ that we are instructed to carry out into the world at the end of Mass when the priest or deacon says to us, "Go, in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life." ©LPI



St. Peter Canisius | Feast Day December 21

Born in Holland, St. Peter Canisius (May 8, 1521 – December 21, 1597) was a preacher, teacher, and writer throughout his whole life. At the age of 19, he received a master's degree from the university at Cologne. Soon afterwards, St. Peter met Peter Faber, the first disciple of Ignatius of Loyola, who influenced him so much that he eventually joined the Society of Jesus. St. Peter Canisius founded colleges and seminaries, served as a missionary, cared for the sick or imprisoned, and wrote close to eight volumes of letters — many about St. Cyril of Alexandria and St. Leo the Great. A man blessed with many talents, St. Peter Canisius is a wonderful example of a man who developed his talents to further God's work on earth. ©LPI

LOCAL ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

St. John of the Cross, Lemon Grove	4-Dec-23	7:00 PM
Santa Sophia, Spring Valley	5-Dec-23	7:00 PM
St. Pius X, Jamul	7-Dec-23	7:00 PM
Guardian Angels, Santee	11-Dec-23	7:00 PM
St. Martin of Tours, La Mesa	11-Dec-23	7:00 PM
St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Lakeside/Barona	12-Dec-23	7:00 PM
St. Therese, San Diego	13-Dec-23	7:00 PM
St. Luke, El Cajon	14-Dec-23	7:00 PM
Holy Trinity, El Cajon	15-Dec-23	7:00 PM
Queen of Angels, Alpine	15-Dec-23	7:00 PM
Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Lakeside	18-Dec-23	10:00 AM
Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Lakeside	18-Dec-23	7:00 PM
Our Lady of Grace, El Cajon	19-Dec-23	7:00 PM



St Pius X Jamul Youth Ministry Calendar December 2023

Subject to Change

- 17 Sun. 7:30-10:00 AM Youth Serving Breakfast in Keenan Hall
- 19 Tues 6:30 PM Youth Gathering in Youth Room (Fun, Religion and Snacks) Youth Christmas Party/Game Night details to follow
- 26 Tues No Youth Gathering Merry Christmas!!!

Please let Steve Browne or Al Peterson know ahead of time if you will need a ride to any event.

All offsite events require a Permission Slip

REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE

Reporting allegations of sexual misconduct: The Diocese of San Diego treats all allegations of sexual misconduct by clergy or Church personnel seriously and deals with them in a prompt, confidential and thorough manner. To report sexual misconduct by clergy or Church personnel, including abuse, please call Mary Acosta, Victim Assistance Coordinator, (858) 490-8353, email misconduct@sdccatholic.org, or visit www.safemourdiocese.org. Situations of recent or ongoing sexual abuse should be reported to local law enforcement.





Readings for the Week of December 17, 2023

Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54 (Is 61:10b)/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28
 Monday: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/ Mt 1:18-25
 Tuesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/ Lk 1:5-25
 Wednesday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38
 Thursday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21/Lk 1:39-45
 Friday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/ Lk 1:46-56
 Saturday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Lk 1:57-66

Observances for the week of December 17 2023

Thursday: St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church
 Saturday: St. John of Kanty, Priest ©LPI

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP December 10, 2023

Envelope Giving	\$1,525.00
Plate Giving	\$2,820.35
Immaculate Conception	\$340.00
Our Lady of Guadalupe	\$300.00
Online Giving	\$853.24
Total	\$5,838.59
Weekly funds needed for church operations	\$5,000.00
Overage/Deficit	\$838.59



Daily Prayer for Vocations

Jesus, Lord of the harvest, Look with love on this portion of your vineyard. Bless the Diocese of San Diego with more priests to shepherd your people, Priests with hearts like your own.
Amen.

Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

Sunday: Rev. Timothy Deutsch
 Monday: Rev. Michael Diaz
 Tuesday: Rev. Ignatius Dibeashi
 Wednesday: Rev. Msgr. Daniel Dillabough
 Thursday: Rev. William Dillard
 Friday: Rev. Minh Do
 Saturday: Rev. Michael Doherty, OFM



MASS INTENTIONS

December 17 Sunday	8:30am	+ Anna DiPanfilo
December 17 Sunday	11:00am	For the Parishioners
December 17 Sunday	12:30pm	+ Guadalupe Valdovinos
December 18 Monday	N O M A S S	
December 19 Tuesday	7:30am	+ Sandi Altomare
December 20 Wednesday	7:30am	+ Sandra Chavez
December 20 Wednesday	7:00pm	Spanish Healing Mass
December 21 Thursday	7:30am	+ Caroline Hendrickson
December 22 Friday	7:30am	+ Sandra Chavez
December 23 Saturday	5:00pm	For the Parishioners

The Giving Tree!

Please take a red card and the attached ornament.
 Please return the red card and a gift card to the parish office.
 Please keep the ornament as a small token of our appreciation.

God Bless You!

¡El Arbolito de la Caridad!

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 Por favor regrese la tarjetita roja y una tarjeta de regalo a la oficina parroquial.
 Por favor quédese con la decoración como una pequeña muestra de nuestro agradecimiento.

¡Que Dios les bendiga!



We need volunteers for Adoration on Thursdays
1 Hour Shifts
11:00 AM—3:00 PM
If interested, please contact the parish office or Laura Dray

IF YOU HAVE ADULT DIAPERS AND INCONTINENCE PRODUCTS THAT YOU NO LONGER NEED AND WISH TO DONATE, WE WILL GLADLY ACCEPT THEM. FATHER GARCIA WILL TAKE THEM TO MEXICO TO PEOPLE IN NEED.

THANK YOU!!!



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 Don't forget to take yours!

Epiphany
 From the east came the Magi to Bethlehem to adore the Lord; and opening their treasures they offered precious gifts: gold for the great King, incense for the true God, and myrrh in symbol of His burial.
 Bendición del hogar en la Epifanía

Epifanía
 Del oriente vinieron los Reyes Magos a Belén para adorar al Señor; y abriendo sus tesoros ofrecieron regalos preciosos: oro para el gran Rey, incienso para el Dios verdadero, y mirra en símbolo de su sepultura.
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