



# St. Pius X Catholic School

*"Building Leaders for Christ"*

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Pastor

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Principal

## Mark Your Calendar

12/12 PTC Meeting 12pm All parents are welcome to join us in the SPX Library

8th grade presents the play "Our Lady of Guadalupe" in the SPX Church at **2:15pm**

12/13 [MS Dance 7pm-9:30pm](#)  
[Family Center](#)

12/16 Adoration 2:58pm

[Spirit Night at Raising Canes 5pm](#)

12/18 Advent Concert 6pm  
SPX Church

12/19 Spirit Dress Day, Students are allowed to wear an SPX Spirit shirt and blue jeans. Students who opt to not wear jeans, are to wear their regular uniform bottoms. All students must wear a closed toe shoe (either their regular school uniform shoes or tennis shoes)

**School Mass 8:15am**  
**FRIDAY**

Noon dismissal,  
Ext. Day is available

12/22-No School,  
1/2/26 Christmas Holiday

12/25 Merry Christmas



<https://school.stpiusxa.org/calendar>

## Our Lady of Guadalupe play



Today, the 8th graders presented a play based on the life of St. Juan Diego entirely in Spanish. This is a fun way to learn more about our Catholic faith and Mexican traditions. Congratulations to 8th grade for such a wonderful job and thank you to Mr. Figueroa and the teachers who helped with this project.



## Our Lady of Guadalupe play cont...



If you missed today's performance, join us tonight for Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day Celebration!

Matachines—6:15pm in the SPX Church

Mass—6:30pm

Reenactment by our 8th grade class

Reception in the Family Center



## We celebrate the third Sunday of Advent by sharing JOY



During this third week of Advent, think about the joys in your life during this past year...not the big wins, but the moments that restored your faith, such as a beautiful sunrise during your morning commute, or a child's sweet smile.

Now, your challenge for this week is to find those small moments of JOY and share them with others. Make it a family scavenger hunt that is discussed around the evening dinner table. What JOY did you see today?



**Ages 3+ Welcome!** **December 24**  
**4 PM Mass**



**St. Pius X Annual Children's Christmas Pageant**

Rehearsals are in the church except where notated.

**December 6 9 - 10 AM**  
(Then head down to the St. Nicholas event in the Family Center.)

**December 13 9-10:30 AM (FC Hall)**

**December 20 9 - 10:30 AM**

**December 23 9 - 10:30 AM**  
(dress rehearsal)

Holy Family, Angels,  
Shepherds, and  
Wise men Needed!

Email Christine Uribe if interested:  
ChristineUribe2015@gmail.com or call (210) 313-4142

## SAVE THE DATE:

### The online application for TEFA will open on **February 4, 2026**

This season, we give thanks for faith, family, and the gift of Catholic education. Our schools are communities where children learn with purpose, grow in faith, and serve with joy.

Teachers see their work as a vocation, forming both minds and hearts in Christ. With TEFA on the horizon, Catholic education is now within reach for many families who once thought it impossible.

These programs, together with Hope for the Future, will open doors for more children to experience an education rooted in faith, hope, and excellence.



More information can be found on the Archdiocese website at:  
<https://archsa.org/catholic-schools/esa/>.

Learn more: [Texas Education Freedom Accounts \(TEFA\) also known as ESAs](#)

## Thank you to some of our NJHS students



Thank you to some of our NJHS students who volunteered this past weekend at our St. Nicholas breakfast. We are proud of your leadership.

[National Junior Honor Society | St. Pius X Catholic School | San Antonio, TX](#)

## Hope for the Future applications are OPEN

Hope for the Future provides tuition assistance to families in need, giving their children the opportunity to receive a quality Catholic education.

Their mission is to ensure that financial barriers never prevent a child from receiving a Catholic education. Apply TODAY at <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>

**Early Verification ends  
January 31st**



## Middle School Theater Class Field Trip

Our Middle School Theater Elective went to see the performance of A Charlie Brown Christmas at Magik Theatre and was able to go backstage and talk to the actors. What a great experience



## Help Shine a Spotlight on San Antonio's Best!

It's time to celebrate the businesses that make our city great!

You can vote for **St. Pius X Catholic School** (under Private School in the EDUCATION Category)

and **St. Pius X Child Development Center** (under PreSchool/Daycare in the EDUCATION Category) EVERY DAY!

Now through **January 2, 2026**, you can nominate (vote) for our **St. Pius X Catholic School** and **St. Pius X Child**

**Development Center** once a day, every day. Each nomination brings us closer to crowning the best of the best in San Antonio.

### How to Nominate/Vote

Click the picture or go to [www.MySA.com/Yoursa!](http://www.MySA.com/Yoursa!)



## Thank you for your **GENEROSITY** (our December virtue)!

Our St. Pius X Catholic School families donated 131 pillows for the Sleep in Heavenly Peace Pillow Drive!

Thank you to EVERYONE who donated pillows.

Thank you to Mrs. Christian and our NJHS students for organizing this pillow drive!

Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP) is a volunteer-driven nonprofit dedicated to building and delivering hand-made, fully furnished beds to children in need. SHP's mission is to tackle childhood bedlessness, which is estimated to affect nearly 3% of the population.

- [Home - Sleep in Heavenly Peace](#)



## Building Leaders for Christ Awards

In line with our Virtue program, after each School Mass, we recognize those students and staff members who exemplify our Mission Statement, Building Leaders for Christ.

We are pleased to announce

Elena R.,  
A.J. B.,  
Sebastian H., and  
Mrs. Cantu

as this week's winners.

How will you be "caught" being a  
Leader for Christ?

**Join us for our student-led Mass  
at the 5pm Mass on Sunday,  
December 21, 2025 and stay  
for Las Posadas.**



## News from our SPX Church

*Las Posadas*

- Sunday, December 21  
after the 5 PM Mass  
(meet in the grotto)
- Procession followed by  
fellowship with tamales,  
posole, hot chocolate, and  
buñuelos.

Kids, bring your parents to  
join in the piñata fun!

Don't forget to  
bring a flashlight.

## Teacher gift of Time from the SPX Gala

One of the favorite items in the Silent Auction is the Teacher Gift of Time, what a FUN afternoon these students spent with their teacher! Thank you for supporting SPX!



## Centers in Mrs. Cantu's PreK-4 classroom

Centers give our PreK students the chance to explore, create, and grow at their own pace. Through hands-on play, children build language, social skills, problem-solving, and independence—one center at a time.

Intentional learning centers provide structured play that strengthens early literacy, math, social-emotional skills, and critical thinking—essential foundations for school success



Centers make learning come alive!



# What is Continuous Enrollment?

At **St. Pius X Catholic School**, we are proud to partner with families in the Catholic education of their children. In an effort to simplify the annual enrollment process, we have adopted **Continuous Enrollment**. **This means that once you enroll your child(ren) at St. Pius X, they will be considered enrolled until graduation, or until you notify us otherwise.** This agreement outlines the terms and expectations of Continuous Enrollment at St. Pius X Catholic School.

## Terms of Continuous Enrollment

- 1. Automatic Re-enrollment** Beginning with the 2026-2027 academic year, all current students will be automatically re-enrolled for each subsequent school year unless a parent or guardian submits a written **Intent to Withdraw**.
- 2. Annual Notification of Changes** Families will receive an annual notice of any updates to tuition, fees, or policies on or before Catholic Schools Week (last week in January). These changes will become part of this agreement unless a written intent to withdraw is submitted.
- 3. Parishioner form**  
**A Parishioner form must be submitted to School Office each year in order to receive parishioner discount. This must be turned into the School Office by July of 2026. The SPX bookkeeper will send the School Office a list of all active, contributing SPX parishioners.**
- 4. Withdrawal Policy**  
If a family chooses not to continue enrollment for the next school year, they must notify the school in writing **by March 1st** of the current school year. Notices must be sent to: [admissions@spxsa.org](mailto:admissions@spxsa.org). Failure to notify the school by this date may result in financial penalties, as outlined in the current tuition agreement.
- 5. Tuition and Fees**  
Tuition and fees are set annually and subject to change. By signing this agreement, you agree to comply with the school's tuition schedule and policies. All tuition charges will be posted to FACTS, and then discounts will be applied (such as parishioner, staff, sibling, military, or alumni). **Each student will have the non-parishioner tuition posted to their 2026-2027 FACTS account, and when their family's parishioner status is verified, the appropriate discount will be applied.**
- 6. Behavioral and Academic Standards**  
Continued enrollment is contingent upon adherence to the school's academic, behavioral, and financial expectations. St. Pius X Catholic School reserves the right to refuse continued enrollment at its discretion.
- 7. Communication**  
All official school communications, including updates to policies and deadlines related to Continuous Enrollment, will be sent via email and/or posted on the school website. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to review these communications regularly.

**THIS AGREEMENT WILL BE SENT TO ALL FAMILIES, AND MUST BE SIGNED & RETURNED BY JANUARY 9, 2026. COPIES WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE, STOP BY AND SIGN ASAP. THANK YOU!**



# JOIN OUR FUNDRAISER



**December 16, 2025      05:00 PM - 10:00 PM**  
**1418 Austin Hwy, San Antonio, TX**

Mention the fundraiser at the Restaurant or apply code **RCFUND96** to online or app orders at checkout and Cane's will donate **15% of Net Sales\*** to:

**St. Pius X Spirit Night**



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Minimum donation amount will be 15% of the Net Sales\* donated directly to your organization. Not valid on kiosk orders. \*Net Sales\* means the purchase price of food and beverages sold during the event to customers who (i) mention your organization when ordering in person or (ii) use the code RCFUND96 when ordering online or in the Raising Cane's app. The purchase price excludes special or limited time offers, discounts, returns, and taxes. \*Net Sales\* does not include gift cards and retail merchandise purchases.

**Miss Anastasia visited our St. Pius X Library and read to our youngest students**



**What an amazing evening of Christmas music at our winter piano recital!**

Thank you to Mrs. Rowland and her piano students for all their hard work and dedication.



# Catholic Life Raffle Tickets—an EASY way to complete your fundraising requirement & possibly win a \$20,000 Visa card!

\$100 worth of Catholic Life Raffle tickets went home with each student. **Thank you to those who have already sold their tickets and are asking for more tickets!!!**

You can sell them now through Friday, January 23rd! This is a very easy way to complete your fundraising requirement. **As per our handbook**, each school family commits themselves to bringing in a **minimum of \$300.00 per family in fundraising dollars** for St. Pius X Catholic School through any combination of Catholic Life Raffle tickets and Annual Gala tickets.

Students are also allowed to sell these raffle tickets outside any of the SPX weekend Masses.

*“For nearly two decades, Catholic Life Insurance has helped Catholic schools across Texas raise vital funding through its **Catholic Schools Charitable Raffles**. Since launching in 2008, this faith-driven fundraising program has contributed **nearly \$16 million** to participating schools — with **100% of ticket sales going directly to those schools.**”* [Catholic Life Insurance’s Charitable Raffles Program](#)

**The grand prize is \$20,000 worth of PREPAID VISA GIFT CARDS**

All information must be completed for entry to be valid. Please print clearly.

Name\* \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to receive info about Catholic Life Insurance

\*Purchaser must be at least 18 years of age.  
Make Checks Payable to:  
St. Pius X Catholic School - San Antonio

SPX-SA No. 1-05101

St. Pius X Catholic School - San Antonio  
7734 Robin Rest Drive  
San Antonio, TX 78209  
and  
Catholic Life Insurance Branch 101  
1635 NE Loop 410, San Antonio, Texas 78209

**CHARITABLE RAFFLES**  
All proceeds from the sale of this ticket benefit  
St. Pius X Catholic School - San Antonio

Charitable Raffles Grand Prize  
**\$20,000 worth of PREPAID VISA GIFT CARDS**  
*Drawn from tickets sold by all schools participating in the raffle*

St. Pius X Catholic School - San Antonio  
**\$1,000 PREPAID VISA CARD**  
*Drawn from tickets sold by their school*

CATHOLIC LIFE INSURANCE  
**ENTER TO WIN!**  
19th ANNUAL  
**\$5 each**  
School must turn in tickets by  
Friday, January 23, 2026.  
All prizes to be awarded on  
Friday, February 13, 2026

SPX-SA No. 1-05101

**Additionally, one of the tickets sold by SPX is guaranteed to win a \$1,000 Prepaid VISA Card!!**

Tickets are \$5.00 each and ALL monies from the sale of any ticket go immediately to St. Pius X Catholic School. The winning tickets will be drawn on February 13, 2026.

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