

# St. Pius X Catholic School

"Building Leaders for Christ"

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https://spxsa.school

Fr. Pat O'Brien **Pastor**  Genese G. Bell, Ed.D

Principal

#### Mark Your Calendar

8/29 Noon Dismissal. Ext. Day will be available for students not picked up by 12:20pm

9/1 No School, Labor Day

9/3 School Mass 8:15am Parents and families are welcome to join us during School Masses Open House for

PreK-3 to 3rd grade 6pm School

School Mass, 8:15am 9/10 Blessing of the Grand parents during Mass, followed by a short reception afterwards.

> Open House for 4th—8th grades 6pm

9/12 PTC Meeting 12:30pm SPX Library All parents/guardians

are welcome 8th grade retreatants leaving at 1:30pm

9/14 8th grade retreatants returning for the noon Mass at SPX

9/16 Adoration 2:58pm SPX Church

> Spirit Night at EZ's Brick Oven & Grill in Sunset Ridge from 5pm -9pm

19/17 School Mass followed by NJHS induction

https://school.stpiusxsa.org/ calendar

## **Congratulations!**

Our St. Pius X community loves cheering on our REBELS! Athletics provides a healthy way for children to compete and expend energy by working together toward a common goal. As our community gathers to cheer on our MIGHTY REBELS; we are able to see leadership, commitment and love of the game. Athletics | St. Pius X Catholic School

#### SOCCER



Ioshua A. Lucas C.

Cole D. Andres G.

Santiago H.

Sebastian H.

Brayden H.

Liam M.

Camilo M.

Joshua N.

George O.

Pierce C.

Carson R.

Joaquin R. Iames R.

Brennan T.

Bennett V.

Levi W.

Aaron Z.

## **CROSS-COUNTRY**



Boys A Daniel K.

Girls A

Mary B.

Audrey B. Siena D.

Erika G.

#### Boys B

Levi W.

Wesley M. Nadim A

Alex W.

Carson R.

Girls B Makayla W.

#### **VOLLEYBALL**



#### "A" TEAM

Adelisa B.

Kairi C.

Siena D. Fiona G.

Kataleya L.

Haves M

Natalie R.

AnaBelen R.

Alavna T.

Belen R.

Kayden W.

#### "B" TEAM

Mary B. Mattie F.

Grace F.

Hannah H.

Adelina K.

Aria O.

Maria P.

Madison R.

Lily R.

Therese R.

Gemma R.

Iulia S.

Ellie S.

Ashtyn W.

Santiago H.

Sebastian H. Carson R.

Ryder G.

James R. Andres G.



#### **FOOTBALL**

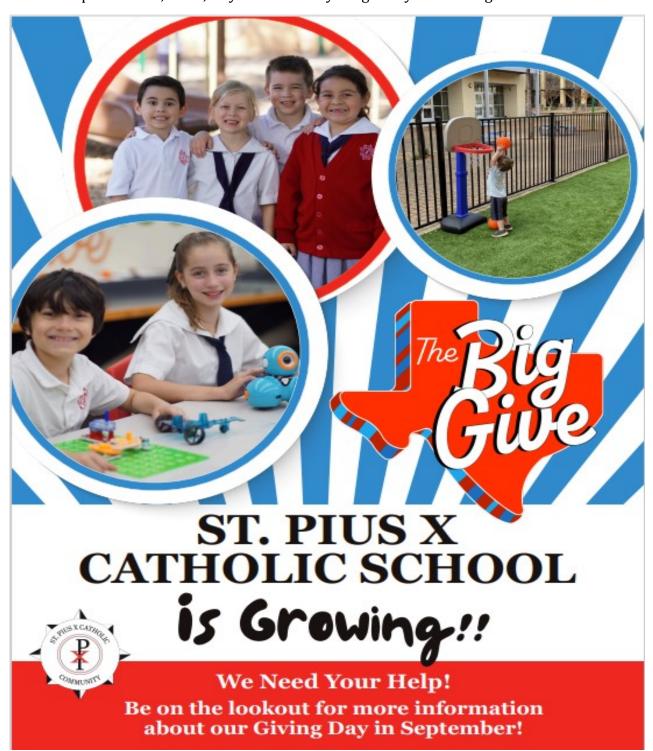
Francisco S. Lawton T. Ruben R.

George O. Christian C. Luke M.

## SPX is participating in The Big Give!

The Big Give is a 24-hour online giving event taking place from **6 PM on September 17 to 6 PM on September 18**,

supporting nonprofits across South Central Texas. This year, we're excited to participate and invite our school families, alumni, and friends to show their support for our mission of faith-based education. Every gift—large or small—helps us continue to nurture the minds and hearts of our students in a Christ-centered environment. Early giving opens on September 10, 2025, so you can make your gift anytime during that week!



## Just a few reminders about our school:

- What is Mass Uniform? (see p. 32 of the <u>Handbook</u>)
- Can my child wear rings and bracelets to school? (see accessories on p.34 of the <u>Handbook</u>)
- Can I send cough drops with my child? (see the medication policy on p. 20 of the <u>Handbook</u>)
- Can my child walk home from school? (see p. 27 of the <u>Handbook</u>)
- How do I pick up my child for an appointment? (see p. 27 of the <u>Handbook</u>)
- What is FACTS SIS (formerly RenWeb)? (see p. 38 on the <u>Handbook</u>)
- Can my child wear an Apple Watch/smartwatch to school? (see pp. 34, 41 of the Handbook)
- Can my child dye/color their hair? (see p. 34 of the <u>Handbook</u>)
- What are the dismissal procedures? (see p. 28 of the <u>Handbook</u>)
- Can the Middle School girls wear the navy skirt? (YES, p. 33 of the <u>Handbook</u>)



## **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

Jackson S.. Arthur U., Brooklyn M., and Dr. Rios

as this week's award winners

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

## **Smart Families Events**

Did you know that we are a Smart Family school? Kick off the new school year with Smart Families by focusing on the most important tool your child has—their brain! Join Pediatric Occupational Therapist Sophie Kriss as she shines a light on the vestibular system, the "hidden sense" that does far more than maintain physical balance. This powerful system fuels learning, focus, emotional regulation, and every-day success. We'll explore how too much screen time and not enough movement can hold it back—and share simple, practical ways you can help your child's brain and body thrive this year.

Parents can register for Beyond Balance: The Hidden Sense Behind Learning at <a href="https://www.smartfamilies.org/events">www.smartfamilies.org/events</a>. Sessions are available at 9 a.m., 12 p.m., and 7 p.m.

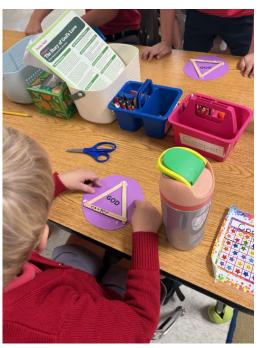
## **Kindergarten Religion Class**



The Holy Trinity means that God is three distinct Persons in one divine being. Each Person of the Trinity has a unique role.

Even though they are three distinct Persons, they are united in their essence, being fully God.

Together, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit reveal the beautiful mystery of God's love and presence in our lives.



# Do you know about our exciting plans for growth?

#### See our website to learn more

Capital Campaign 2025 | St. Pius X Catholic School | San Antonio, TX









# Statement of Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller, MSpS, regarding Minnesota Catholic school shooting

I ask all in the Archdiocese of San Antonio to pray for the victims and the families of those killed and wounded at the horrific shooting at Annunciation Catholic Church and School in Minneapolis earlier today. Our hearts are breaking, and we ask God to comfort and console those trying to cope with such an unimaginable tragedy.

There are no words to articulate or describe the senselessness and cruelty of targeting young students with violence during Mass. I offer my heartfelt prayers as well to Archbishop Bernard Hebda of the Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis.

In this archdiocese, the safety and well-being of all Catholic school students, staff members and families is my top priority. We are constantly addressing security matters and taking measures and appropriate actions to prevent tragic incidents from occurring, and our institutions work closely and collaboratively with their local law enforcement agencies. I encourage parents and guardians to talk to their children about the importance of speaking up if they see or hear anything that makes them feel unsafe. The welfare of our children is of paramount importance. We are keeping our schools safe and secure learning environments through the cooperation and support of everyone.

As Pope Leo recently said, "Through Mary, we believe that the Lord continues to come to the aid of his children, remembering His mercy. Only in His mercy can we find the path to peace."

Please make sure to read Dr. Bell's email regarding school safety, along with the Parent Alert that was sent out with our new gate code.

If you are not receiving school emails or Parent Alerts, please verify that we have your correct information.



**JOIN US!** 

Our Annual
Gala will be
held on
November 1,
2025

Gala tickets went <u>on sale</u> on August 1st

Attending our
Annual Gala
counts towards
your
fundraising
requirement
for 2025-2026.

## **Altar Server Training**

We are so excited for Altar Server Training on Monday, September 8, from 12:00 p.m.–1:45 p.m. in the SPX Church. If you turned in your application, this is your special time to learn how to serve at Mass. We are proud of you for choosing to be part of this important ministry and for answering God's call to serve!



#### **News from our SPX Parish**





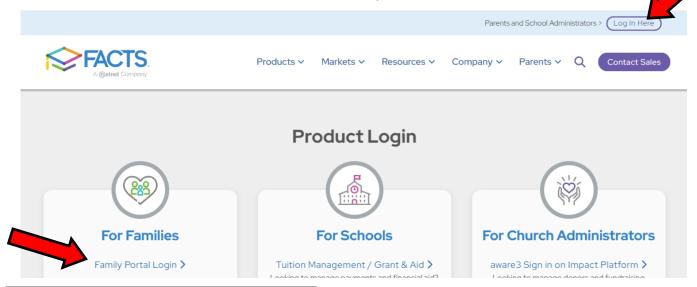
# Student-led Masses on the weekends, mark your calendars:

8/23/25 at 4:30 PM 9/21/25 at 8 AM 10/19/25 at 10:15 AM 11/16/25 at 12:00 PM 12/21/25 at 5:00 PM 1/25/26 at 10:15 AM 2/15/26 at 8:00 AM 3/15/26 at 10:15 AM 4/19/26 at 12:00 PM 5/17/ 26 at 1:30 PM (Spanish Mass)

# Do you know about FACTS SIS (formerly RenWeb)?

FACTS Family Portal is a private and secure parents' portal that allows you to view academic information specific to your children, while protecting their information from others. You may view your child's grades, attendance, homework, and conduct, as well as other useful school information.

To set up your Parent Portal Account, please go to <a href="https://example.com">https://example.com</a> and select Parent Log In, then select FACTS Family Portal



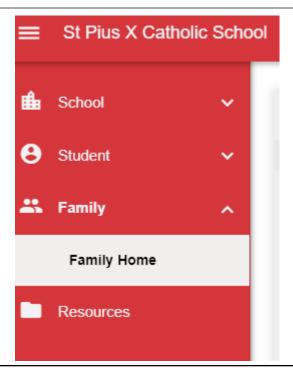
If you are a returning FACTS SIS user, enter the District Code, along with your User Name and Password; this will be the same username and password that you have used in the past for grades or enrollment.



#### Family Portal Login

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Password?
Staff

Once you have logged into your account, please take a moment to look at the Family Home tab and verify that all parent contact information is correct. Thank you.







### **PreK-4 Scientists!**

Mrs. Waisner's PreK-4 students are actively learning in their classroom.

There's still time to join us! We have room in certain grade levels.



## Where is the Student-Parent Handbook?

It's a searchable document on our school website (new policy changes from the Archdiocese are in red) under the "Parents" tab:

Student-Parent Handbook | St. Pius X Catholic School | San Antonio, TX (spxsa.school)

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