



The Second Sunday in Lent March 16, 2025

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Sacraments	:
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Anointing of the Sick	Fr. Prince
Baptism	Cass Hooker
Confirmation (High School Youth only)	Kat Gangcuangco
First Eucharist	Cass Hooker
First Reconciliation	Cass Hooker
Homebound/Sick requesting Communion	Deacon Le
Marriage	Fr. Prince

Parish Finances

End of Week Ending March 9, 2025

Mail & Parish Office	\$1,099.00
Faith Direct	\$14,574.56
Ash Wednesday	\$2,865.00
Weekend Offertory	\$6,022.25
Total Gifts this week	\$24,561.56

St. Pius X Tax Forms Now Available

The tax letters for the 2024 donations are now available through My Own Church. If you have not already set up your My Own Church account, just log in by visiting https://spxnorfolk.org/my-own-church-faq and create an account. Then, someone in the church office will approve your account, and you'll be able to update all of your family information, including names, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses.

Our Mass Livestreams

Please note, our 8:00 AM Mass are now being livestreamed instead of our 11:00 AM Mass. Livestreams will be available on our YouTube page for **24 hours**. Father's homilies will be available on our Parish SoundCloud page at:

https://soundcloud.com/spxnorfolk

Parish Calendar

Key: CH-Church; PH-Parish Hall; TL- Teacher's Lounge; FF: Adult Faith Formation Room; PL: Parking Lot; PO: Parish Offices; SC: School Classrooms;

Monday, 03/17

9:00 a.m. Cleaning Angels (CH)

Tuesday, 03/18

8:30 a.m. Mass and Rosary - for the deceased knights of KofC Council 367 +

6:30 p.m. Lenten Mission (PH)

Wednesday, 03/19

8:30 a.m.	Mass and Rosary
5:00 p.m.	OLPH Novena (CH)
6:30 p.m.	Women's Bible Study (FF)
6:30 p.m.	Lenten Mission (PH)

Thursday, 03/20

8:30 a.m.	Mass and Rosary
6:30 p.m.	Lenten Mission (PH)

Mass

Friday, 03/21 8:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m.	Holy Hour
5:00 p.m.	Reconciliation (CH)
6:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
6:30 p.m.	Lenten Soup Supper (PH)

Saturday, 03/22

9:00 a.m.	Cleaning Angels (CH)
9:00 a.m.	Legion of Mary Meeting (CH)
2:00 p.m.	High School Youth Group (FF)
3:30 p.m.	First Eucharist Preparation (FF)
3:45 p.m.	Reconciliation (CH)
5:00 p.m.	Mass - Helene Wysoczanski +

Sunday 03/23

8:00 a.m.	IVIASS
9:00 a.m.	Coffee and Donuts (PH)
9:15 a.m.	Men's Club Bible Study (PH)
9:15 a.m.	Religious Education (SC)
10:30 a.m.	Rosary (CH)
11:00 a.m.	Mass - Onofre Castillo +

Prayer Requests

 Daniel Barto 	 Frank Peele 	 Sheril Cunamay
 Eduardo Empaynado 	 Jose Montano 	 Elsa Perez
 Raymond Lomberk 	 Terry Zehl 	 Joan Zehl
 Greg Hoffman 	 Michael Corcoran 	 Chris Falls
 Kevin Bragg 	 Carol Bebout 	 Angel Cook

Prayer requests are for those who are ill. Names will remain on the prayer list for one month. Please contact the parish office to have your name placed on the prayer list.

Memorial Donations

If you would like to donate to the church flowers or candles in memory or honor of someone, please contact the parish office.

St. Pius X Parish

FRIDAYS IN LENT¹

FASTING*

ABSTINENCE*

8:30 AM Mass 9:00 AM Lent A

l Mass

Who: Ages 18-59

Who: Ages 14 and Up When: Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and

9:00 AM Lent Adoration 5:00 PM Reconciliation When: Ash Wednesday & Good Friday When fasting, a person is permitted to eat

Every Friday in Lent
Abstain from eating meat on Fridays in Lent.

6:00 PM Stations of the Cross 6:30 PM Lenten Soup Suppers

one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

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*Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the physically or mentally ill including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excluded are pregnant or nursing women.

¹No Reconciliation on March 21. No Reconciliation, Stations or Soup Supper on April 4, due to Confirmation.

Easter Flower Donations

If you would like to donate money towards Easter flowers in honor or memory of a loved one, please fill out the flower donation form at https://bit.ly/3UD5yDF

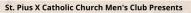
https://bit.ly/3UD5yDF
or scan the QR Code below by
Wednesday

March 26, 2025

Scan to complete the form online



NEW this year: On the weekend of **April 5th and 6th**, we will have a table at the rear of the church to verify and confirm everyone's submission. We kindly ask that you stop by to review and confirm the names to ensure accuracy.



& MORE BREAKFAST

Sunday, March 30, 2025 9AM - 1 PM | Parish Hall Donations Welcome!

BUTTERMILK PANCAKES SCRAMBLED EGG DENVER OMLETE SCRAMBLE HOME FRIES SAGE SAUSAGE LINKS APPLEWOOD SMOKED BACON SOUTHERN CHEESE GRITS BISCUITS & SAUSAGE GRAVY HAWAHAN BREAD PUDDING BAKED OATMEAL W/APPLES, RAISINS, & WALNUTS MIXED FRUIT W/CITRUS DRESSING TOAST & BAGELS ASSORTED MUFFINS

SPX Men's Club Flea Market RETURNS THIS APRIL!

Saturday, April 12 | 7 AM - 1:30PM | SPX Parish Parking Lot

*Vendor Set up at 6:00 am;

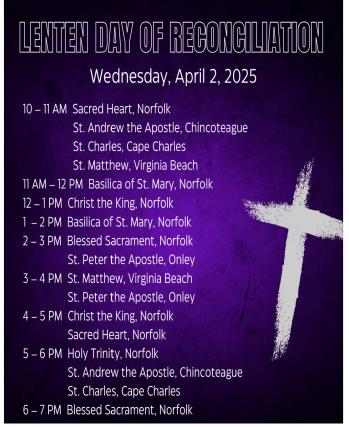
18x18' space rental available for \$20; must provide own setup and equipment

Need to make room for new treasures? Looking for something unique to buy? Empty your closets, clear out your garage and come join us.

Fill your pickup, car, or trailer with all the things that you're meaning to get rid of. Load'er up

To reserve a spot or for additional information, please contact Tom Spratt (757) 777-5349 or tjs3149@aol.com





Please Note: St. Pius is not participating in the deanery event this year as we had aleady planned to add 5 PM Fridays during Lent for Reconciliation.



2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal

You have likely received a letter and brochure from Bishop Knestout regarding the 2025 Appeal. Please take a moment to reflect on all the ministries the Appeal supports and prayerfully consider a new gift or an increase in your gift if you have contributed previously. While you are praying on your gift, please also consider giving online.

You can donate online at richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal/ or scan the QR code.

For questions about your gift, please call GiveCentral at (833) 716-2612

Faith Formation

St. Pius X Lenten Mission

Join us on for our Parish Lenten Mission March 18, 19, 20 at 6:30 PM. Our mission will be focused on elements of our Easter Vigil.

- On **Tuesday March 18**, our very own **Rob McBride** will discuss Scripture elements of the Easter Vigil. There are at least 3 Old Testament readings and two New Testament readings at the Easter Vigil. The Liturgy of the Word also includes Psalm responses to the readings chosen. Come and be part of the discussion of Salvation History through the Scriptures.
- On **Wednesday, March 19, Deacon Chris Morash** will be drawing us into the music of the Vigil and in particular, the Exsultet. During the Exsultet, the Church is invited to Exult, Be Glad and Rejoice!.
- On **Thursday, March 20**, we will discuss initiation into the Life of Christ and what we, the Baptized, are sent to proclaim.

So lets enter fully into the Easter Vigil with an enhanced understanding of this beautiful feast in our Church.

Children's Explorers Ministry

We are thrilled to see so many families participating in our Children's Liturgy (Explorers Program)! Children ages **3.5 to 7** are invited to join us during the **11 a.m. Sunday Mass** for a special, age-appropriate worship experience. No registration is required - just come and join the fun!

We are also looking for **adult leaders** to help guide our little ones in faith. If you're interested in volunteering or have any questions, please contact Cass in the parish office.

We can't wait to welcome your children!

Short Stories By Jesus - A Bible Study



SPX MEN'S CLUB BIBLE STUDY SUNDAYS AT 9:15 AM

ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC CHURCH SCHOOL LIBRARY

https://spxnorfolk.org/small-groups

Jesus was a perceptive teacher and a skilled storyteller who often used parables to convey His Message and teachings in a way that resonated with the people of His time. Because life in first-century Israel was so different from life as we know it today, it is important to understand the context in which Jesus and His disciples lived and worked. In Amy-Jill Levine's book, Short Stories by Jesus, this context is explored through parables like The Good Samaritan, The Mustard Seed, The Rich Man and Lazarus, and many more.

Amy-Jill Levine is a Professor of New Testament and Jewish Studies at Hartford International University, Professor of Jewish Studies Emerita at Vanderbilt University, and the first Jewish person to teach on the New Testament at Rome's Pontifical Biblical Institute. Her understanding of Scripture and Jewish culture enlivens the Scriptures and brings the themes and nuances of Jesus' teachings into the present day.

No registration is required, and all are welcome to attend our weekly meetings beginning on Sunday, March 16th in the School Library from 9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

St. Pius X Vacation Bible School



Get ready for an exciting week of faith, fun, and fellowship! This year's Vacation Bible School (VBS) will take place from July 14–18, 2025, from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM in the school and Parish Hall.

We invite children **ages 5–10** to join us for this unforgettable experience! Registration opens this spring, so stay tuned—spaces are limited.

We're also seeking enthusiastic middle and high school helpers and have only a limited number of spots. We would love for parents to assist in making this event special as well.

So, mark your calendars now, and let's make this summer one to remember!

SPX Youth Group Winter Schedule

SPX YOUTH GROUP Winter Events MS: MIDDLE SCHOOL HS: HIGH SCHOOL MS & HS YOUTH GROUP ATTEND EVENING ASH WEDNESDAY MASS 7:00 PM @ CHURCH

MS 1:30 PM - 3:00PM @ HALL A
HS 2:30 PM - 4:00PM @ HALL A

Opportunities to Serve

For these and other ways to serve our parish community, please visit our parish ministry directory at: https://spxnorfolk.org/ministry-directory or by scanning the QR code provided.



Food Pantry

We are in immediate need of:

Cereal Shelf-stable milk Macaroni & Cheese **Spaghetti Sauce**

Please place all donated items in the baskets at the rear of the church.

PICK UP EASTER FOOD BASKET BAGS AND LIST THIS WEEKEND

Pick up your brown paper bag and Easter Basket donation list this weekend in the rear of the church. We ask that all donations are returned by April 6, 2025

ITEMS NEEDED:

- PANCAKE SYRUP INSTANT MASHED POTATOES

- DERED DRINK MIX .
- PANCAKE MIX CORNBREAD MIX CANNED PINEAPPLE EASTER MARSHMALLOW

Photography Ministry

Enjoyed last year's photos from Holy Week and Easter? Have a camera sitting in the corner gathering dust? Then come and join the photography ministry! We are always looking for additional volunteer parish photographers. All you need is a camera and some passion! If interested in joining the photography team, please reach out to Vy Barto at stewardship@spxnorfolk.org for more information.

Funeral Reception Committee

Planning a funeral reception can be overwhelming for the immediate family members. Our funeral reception ministry provides a light meal and a gathering place in the parish hall for families and friends to share memories and comfort each other after the funeral. In addition to providing a dish to share, our team assists with serving, setting up, and cleaning up during the reception. We are looking for a few more volunteers to serve in this ministry. Contact Deacon Le at 757-**381-7126** for more information.

Cleaning Angels

The Cleaning Angels, are a team of parishioners who help keep our church clean meets on Saturdays and Mondays with flexible hours between 8:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. If you're interested in joining our cleaning angels, please contact Leilani Remias at LeilaniRemias@cox.net.

Explorer's Ministry - Sundays at the 11 AM Mass

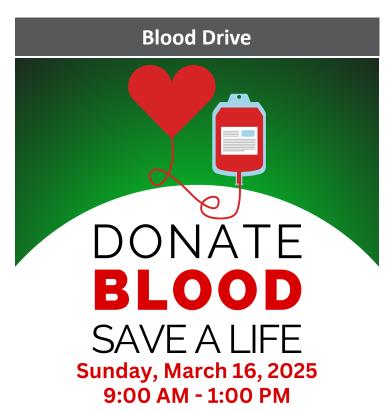
We are looking for new leaders for our Explorer ministry which meets during the readings and homily at 11am Mass. If your child usually attends Explorers you may like to consider leading the group occasionally. Training and materials are provided. All leaders will need to comply with Diocesan policy regarding working with children. Contact Cass in the parish office.

Garden Ministry - Meets on the First and Third Saturday 9AM - Noon, weather permitting

Our gardening ministry, is gearing back up for warmer weather! Our ministry is looking for new members who enjoy spending time with nature and are interested in beautifying the parish grounds. Time commitment would be only a couple of hours a month for weeding, planting, and pruning. Additionally, we are looking to purchase some flowering shrubs to help beautify our landscape and to provide cut greenery for our Art and Environment Ministry for the arrangements in our church. If you would like to donate your time or financial assistance to this ministry, please contact Vy Barto in the Parish Office.

Counted Cross Stitch Ministry

Our Counted Cross Stitch Ministry is underway! This ministry honors our deceased loved ones, whose funerals we have celebrated at St. Pius X as we stitch their names into our parish funeral pall. If you enjoy cross stitching, and are interested in joining this meaningful ministry, please reach out to **Vy Barto** at: stewardship@spxnorfolk.org.



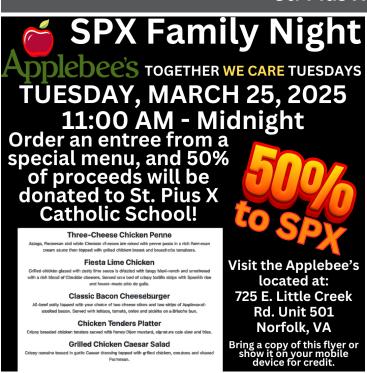
at St. Pius X Catholic School Gym

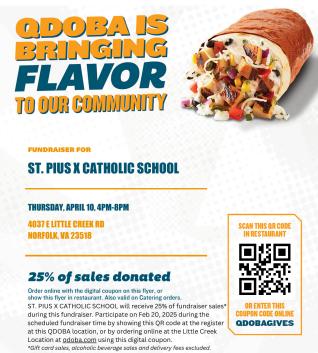
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The Virginia Education Improvement Scholarship Tax Credit (EISTC) program provides low and middle-income families the opportunity to send their children to a school of their choice using private scholarships from scholarship foundations. Donors who participate in this program receive tax credits of 65% or more on their Virginia state tax. Businesses have no limit! For more information on EISTC, please reach out to Vy Barto in the parish office or visit https://spxschoolnorfolk.org/support.



Join the Norfolk Tides on **April 12th** at Harbor Park as they take on the Gwinnett Stripes!

This is our annual **April Military Kids Appreciation Month Community Event**, so all families and friends are invited to attend. Wear Purple and in support of our military kids. Purchase your tickets online, select your seats, and join us in our own section! Stay after the game for fireworks. Tickets are only \$16!

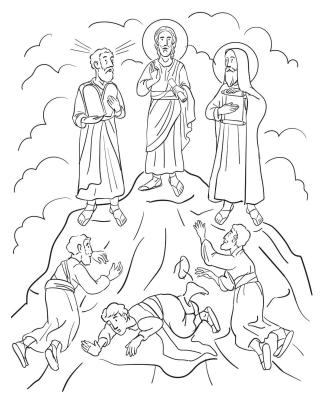


This summer, join us for one to three weeks of summer half-day programming for your children in PreK 3 to 2nd grade! You may sign up for all three weeks or certain weeks. All camps are from 9 AM - 12 PM, Monday - Friday. Enrollment is capped at 20 students. Registration is \$155/week; some classes have additional supplies fees. All campers will need to bring a snack and water daily. Visit https://spxschoolnorfolk.org/summer for more information and the descriptions of the camps!

SPX Kids Korner

Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him."

Luke 9:35



Looking at Jesus

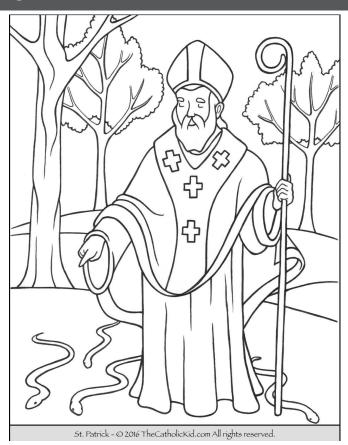
In today's Gospel reading Jesus took three of His apostles up a mountain where they saw Him shining like the sun and talking with Moses and
Elijah. They were talking
about how Jesus was going to go to Jerusalem and be killed.
The apostles were amazed and confused.

Jesus let the apostles see Him in glory to help them to understand

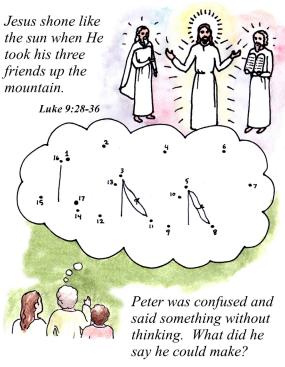
why He had to suffer and die. We won't see Jesus in His glory until we see Him in Heaven, but it is good for us to think about the things that He and Moses and Elijah were talking about.

Look at a crucifix or picture of Jesus on the cross every day. Think about how much He loves you, and think about how you act toward Him. What can you do to love Him better? Lent is a good time to try to find ways to love Jesus more.





Second Sunday of Lent March 16th, 2025



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