

# St. Pius X Church

## E-NEWS

February 2026

### Lent at St. Pius

<b>Ash Wednesday Masses</b>	<b>Feb. 18 Noon and 5:30 pm</b>
<b>Stations of the Cross</b>	<b>Fridays of Lent, 5:30 (except for March 6) XIV in the Crowd, Friday, March 6, 7:00 pm</b>
<b>Reconciliation Service</b>	<b>Sunday March 22, 2:00 pm</b>
<b>Individual Reconciliation</b>	<b>Saturdays, 3:30 pm</b>
<b>Reflection Booklets</b>	<b><i>A Time for Grace &amp; Peace</i>, Available in the narthex</b>
<b>Other Lenten Resources</b>	<b>Will be made available at <a href="http://www.stpiusxomaha.org">www.stpiusxomaha.org</a></b>

**Soda Bread sales are taking place now and throughout Lent!** The St. Pius and St. Leo Knights of Columbus are again offering Soda Bread. Please be sure to stop in the narthex after Mass to get your Soda Bread and help support our school. All your favorite flavors will be available. The funds from this go to St. Pius X/St. Leo School Tuition Assistance. Your donations are appreciated.

**Valentine Candy Sales, Feb. 7-8, after Masses** Come satisfy your sweet tooth and maybe pick up something for a loved one or friend. **CALL OUT TO ALL CANDY MAKERS!** So, get your recipes out, and if you are not able to make candy, we'll Also need help packaging, labeling, and selling. If donating candy, we will be in the Fr. O'Brien Parish Center on Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, 1-3pm, Friday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 1-4pm and Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 10am to 1pm. Donations may also be dropped off at the rectory during rectory hours (M-F 8:30am-4pm & Sat 8:30am-Noon). For more information: Mary Harrell, 402-709-9553, [mmbkharrell@cox.net](mailto:mmbkharrell@cox.net) Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**Celebrate Mardi Gras! February 7, 6:00 PM, St. Leo the Great** Join us for an evening of Dinner and Entertainment! Enjoy a catered dinner and music by Ground Zero. Ground Zero is an all veteran, fun and energetic band. The performers are retired Army, Air Force and Marine Corps. They are known for playing classic rock, pop, country and surf rock at local venues and community events. Tickets are \$20 per person. Please RSVP to St. Leo's with payment by February 3rd. This event is open to all adults! Sponsored by St. Pius X/St. Leo Young at Heart

**Love Thy Neighbor: Vaccinations in Community Care, February 8, 11:00 am Featuring Dr. Ali Khan, Dean of UNMC's College of Public Health** Dr. Ali Khan, the dean of UNMC's College of Public Health, is one of the nation's leading experts in tracking and combating the spread of emerging infectious diseases. [More on Dr. Khan here.](#) *"Do not live entirely isolated,..... but gather instead to seek the common good together.* Catechism of the Catholic Church. Hope you can join us. Sponsored by Creighton University Kripke Center for the Study of Religion & Society and hosted by St. Pius X Catholic Social Teaching Ministry

**Heartsaver Certified CPR/AED Adult, Child, Infant course Thursday, Feb. 12, 4-8pm Parish Center** Why learn CPR? Cardiac arrest is a leading cause of death. Each year, more than 350,000 people in the U.S. have an EMS-assessed out-of-hospital cardiac arrest. When a person has a cardiac arrest, survival depends on receiving CPR from someone nearby

right away. CPR, especially if performed right away, can double or triple the chances of survival. Learn CPR today. Our instructor will be Andrew Mohr, Head Athletic Trainer at Iowa Western Community College who has 15 years' experience teaching First Aid and CPR certified classes. Cost: \$25.00 certification card fee for each participant. St. Pius X Health Ministry and underwriting will cover the instructor charge. Class will be available for 10 people with one instructor. If there are more people interested, Andrew can add a second instructor, and the class would accommodate 20. A light dinner will be provided. To register, email Nancy McCarthy at [nancy@raggedwood.com](mailto:nancy@raggedwood.com), Call or text 402-679-7623 **Deadline for registration is February 1, 2026.** Sponsored by St. Pius X Health Ministry

**Family Mass February 15th, 9:30am (4th & 5th grade families)** We hope that families find all our Masses welcoming and a 'family Mass'. At these particular liturgies we extend a special invitation to families to help with some of the liturgical ministries. All youth are encouraged to participate in each liturgy. If an individual in your family or your family as a whole would like to be involved, please reach out to: Shawna Roche at [roche0903@gmail.com](mailto:roche0903@gmail.com) to find ways to be involved in this liturgy.

**Beauty in Brokenness, St. Pius X Women's Retreat & Lunch, Saturday, February 21, 9:00 – 1:00 St. Pius X Parish Center** Join parish women for a morning of reflection on brokenness, healing, and strength in weakness using scripture, prayer, and *kintsugi* – the Japanese art of beautiful repair. Free will offering suggested. Seating is limited! Registration required. [Sign up here](#) or through Colleen Ciciulla at 402-558-1898 or [colleenc@stpiusxomaha.org](mailto:colleenc@stpiusxomaha.org)

**Taize' Prayer service, Monday, Feb. 23, 5:30 pm, Church** Join us for our monthly Taize' (Ty-zay) prayer service. Taize' is a prayer form that consists of meditative music, readings, and periods of silence. In our world filled with conflict and noise, Taize' offers an opportunity to be still and hear the voice of God. Questions? Contact Margaret Hoarty 402-709-4624.

**Francis House Volunteers Needed!** As you consider your blessings and resolutions this New Years, please consider giving back by participating in the Francis House ministry. The Francis House ministry has been a part of St. Pius X for decades. Some of our Francis House volunteers are now retiring after many years of service, so it is time for the next generation to get involved! The Francis House Ministry is an easy way to help those experiencing homelessness, and it is a great family activity that allows children to learn service to others. The greatest need is for volunteers to be Francis House Cooks starting in January 2026.

#### COOKS' RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Prepare a specific dish according to the recipe provided one day/month.
2. Cool food.
3. Deliver food to the captain's house who is another St. Pius X parishioner.

Please contact [michaelasmith1217@gmail.com](mailto:michaelasmith1217@gmail.com) to volunteer.

**It's Pasta Friday Time Feb. 27, March 6, 13, 20, 5-7:30 p.m. St. Pius X Parish Center** Please join us for your choice of five great meatless sauces over a variety of pastas. Macaroni and cheese or cheese pizza for the kids. Plus, salad, bread, and beverages. Meat wheel will be spinning every week. 2026 Pricing is \$14 Adults, \$10 Seniors, \$8 Teens, \$7 Kids, \$40 Family (Two adults and their children). Everyone is welcome! And everyone is invited to help if you would like. We could use some raffle prizes. Gift cards are always popular. Drop off your raffle prize contribution in the Parish Office anytime. This is a whole parish event, and we would love individual volunteers or groups to join us. [You can sign up here](#). Contact Mike Burns anytime 402-320-2654 or [piumensclub@yahoo.com](mailto:piumensclub@yahoo.com) with questions.

**Heart & Sole: Not by Bread Alone.** The Health Ministry committee is sponsoring a five-week Lenten physical activity/walking program that begins **February 22** and ends March 28. Participants will receive a daily reflection booklet, *Lent: Not by Bread Alone* to assist your spiritual Lenten journey as you participate in your activity/walking program. You can sign up in the Narthex after all Masses: February 7/8, 14/15, and 21/22. Information flyers will be distributed. Reporting weekly activity minutes will be via email to Linda Lazure at [linda.lazureRN@gmail.com](mailto:linda.lazureRN@gmail.com). Arrangements will be made for those who don't use email. Incentive \$5 Target gift cards will be randomly awarded to 3 participants reporting their minutes to Linda Lazure by noon Wednesday after each completed week. Total minutes and miles (converted by Linda) will be reported in the Bulletin the following week. Register to jumpstart your physical and spiritual health!

**Blood Drive, Saturday, Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 am-12:30 pm, Narthex of the Church** For an appointment, please visit <http://www.redcrossblood.org> and enter sponsor code: StPiusX. For any questions, contact Jim Lohr, [fs@kofc.stpiusxomaha.org](mailto:fs@kofc.stpiusxomaha.org) (Sponsored by Knights of Columbus)

**Spring Soccer Registration** now open for all St. Pius X and St. Leo youth. Here is the link. <https://splsoccer.teamsnapsites.com/>

### **Save the date!**

**2026 Parish Festival, Sunday, May 31** How will you use your gifts to support this great community event? Our Parish Festival is a celebration made possible by the talents, time, and generosity of the entire parish—it truly takes all of us to make it a success! [Take a look at last years festival](#) and imagine being part of the fun this year. Whether you enjoy planning, serving, organizing, or simply lending a helping hand, there's a place for you. Interested in volunteering or learning more? Contact Melissa Price at [festival@stpiusxomaha.org](mailto:festival@stpiusxomaha.org)

**Thursday, March 26 at 6 PM & Saturday, March 28 at 9 AM – Safe Environment Training Parish** Sign up at <https://archomaha.org/safe-environment/> Questions? Contact [colleenc@stpiusxomaha.org](mailto:colleenc@stpiusxomaha.org).

**Friday, March 6, 2026 - 7:00 – 8:00 PM in the Church - XIV From the Crowd A prayerful meditation on the Stations of the Cross**

### **SPSL News**

**St. Pius X Class of 1976, 50th reunion, Saturday, May 9, 2026!** Here is the planned schedule: 5pm Mass at St. Pius X 6pm Tour of the school, 7pm Reunion in the school cafeteria. More information to come.

**The SPSL 22nd Annual Golf Classic will take place on Monday, May 18, 2026, at Field Club.** Your registration includes complimentary lunch, 18 holes of golf on a beautiful course, as well as dinner and prizes. [Click here](#) for quick and easy online registration or contact [michaela.smith@spsl.net](mailto:michaela.smith@spsl.net). If you don't golf, but want to help, email [jess.fisher@spsl.net](mailto:jess.fisher@spsl.net) about volunteering!

### **For More Parish Information**

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