

## Announcements

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Chapel & Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 11am-2pm

### For those who are new

We are grateful for you being here. There is an "Order of Holy Eucharist" in each pew to help you participate in the service. And we would love to stay in touch - please fill out a Visitor Card (located on the information table in the foyer/narthex).

### Parish Events and News

"MENTAL HEALTH & SPIRITUALITY" SERIES. This Lent we are blessed to have three guest speakers visit us to discuss "Mental Health & Spirituality". Adults and teenagers are included in the presentation/discussion, and there will be yoga and mindfulness exercises for our K-5th graders. Each session is followed by potluck dinner - so bring something to share. *We are in need of help with set up and clean up for our dinner: please sign up on the white board in the narthex (or call us) if you can help.*

- March 9 - **Boundaries, Forgiveness, and Spirituality** with Deryl Palmer, LCSW, Executive Director of Amistad Family Services, Las Cruces
- March 23, 4-5pm - **Depression, Trauma, and Spirituality**, Jennifer Blount, Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor, Restoration Counseling and Consulting Services

SCRIPTURE READING HANDOUTS. We hope that you enjoy having the Scripture readings in a handout, and are able to read along with the Scripture readings of the day. Please return the handouts at the end of service, as we will reuse them each year. If you want to access the readings at home, please visit our website where there is a link to them.

SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES FOR DURING LENT - Each Sunday at 9am, there will be classes/conversation on the "baptismal covenant". The sessions will be focused on the practical, relevant, and vitally important messages in the covenant for the healing of the world today. All are welcome. These classes are especially appropriate for those considering baptism, confirmation, or church membership - or those who are new to St. Francis.

3 PARISH TRIPS IN 2024 - *If you are interested in attending any of these retreats, please let us know as we need to start coordinating details for them soon. We may ask you to help us in the coordinating.*

**Spring Break** - March 24-27 - **Trip to the Borderland**, where we will help with asylum seeker ministry and learn more about the situation on the border.

**Early August** - TBD - **Trip to The Church in Navajoland** - Come, meet, and learn from our sisters and brothers who are Navajo.

**September 27-29** - Parish Retreat at **Camp Stoney**. Come and hang out in the mountains of Santa Fe, enjoy the cool air and time with fellow parishioners. We will have fun, learn, and worship together.

CLASSES ON THE BEATITUDES WRAPS UP ON MARCH 4 - The Beatitudes stand as the foundation of Jesus teaching, inviting us into greater depths of life with Him, and turning our attention outward to a world in turmoil. Join us for our final session, Monday evening, March 4, 6-7:30pm as Steve Stewart, of Impact Nations and St. Francis parish, unpacks the Beatitudes.

BOOK DISCUSSION TUESDAY MORNINGS - The Centering Prayer Group at St. Francis will host a book discussion on John Dear's new book, "The Gospel of Peace," 10am beginning on February 20, in the Chapel. All who participate are welcome to stay for Centering Prayer at 11am if they would like.

CONFESSION TIMES - MARCH 18, 5:30-6:30pm; MARCH 23, 2:30-3:30pm - IN THE CHAPEL AND SANCTUARY - Confession is a wonderful way to touch God's grace and prepare for Easter. No appointment necessary, just come.

MEAL TRAIN - Can you help provide a meal for a fellow parishioner? We are looking to add to our roster for the parish's meal train. If you are interested contact Sharla Parrish at [sparrish0101@gmail.com](mailto:sparrish0101@gmail.com)

ST JOHN'S BIBLE - Be sure to check out the St. John's Bible, outside the library in the narthex. During Lent, the first five books of the Bible, known as the Pentateuch or Torah, will be displayed. They are appropriate reading for Lent, especially the book of Exodus, as it focuses on redemption, restoration, and liberation.

VIDEO UPDATES FROM OUR BISHOP. Visit <https://dioceserg.org/news-channel>

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