#### APRIL 2, 2023 † PALM SUNDAY YEAR A



#### ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Palm Sunday Year A Matthew 21:1-11



When Jesus and the disciples drew near Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tethered, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them here to me. And if anyone should say anything to you, reply, 'The master has need of them.' Then he will send them at once." This happened so that what had been spoken through the prophet might be fulfilled: Say to daughter Zion, "Behold, your king comes to you, meek and riding on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden." The disciples went and did as Jesus had ordered them. They brought the ass and the colt and laid their cloaks over them, and he sat upon them. The very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and strewed them on the road. The crowds preceding him and those following kept crying out and saying: "Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest." And when he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, "Who is this?" And the crowds replied, "This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee."

Parish Office Hours

#### The World's Last Night

John Donne

What if this present were the worlds last night? Marke in my heart, O Soule, where thou dost dwell, The picture of Christ crucified, and tell Whether that countenance can thee affright, Teares in his eyes quench the amasing light, Blood fills his frownes, which from his pierc'd head fell. And can that tongue adjudge thee unto hell, Which pray'd forgivenesse for his foes fierce spight? No, no; but as in my idolatrie I said to all my profane mistresses, Beauty, of pitty, foulnesse onely is A signe of rigour: so I say to thee, To wicked spirits are horrid shapes assign'd, This beauteous forme assures a pitious minde.

#### **Eucharistic Renewal Meditation**

"Speaking of this theme we are inclined to think of it only in regards to ordained ministers carrying out the service of presiding. But in fact this is an attitude that all the baptized are called to live. I think of all the gestures and words that belong to the assembly: gathering, careful walking in procession, being seated, standing, kneeling, singing, being in silence, acclamations, looking, listening. There are many ways in which the assembly, as one body, (Ne 8:1) participates in the celebration. Everybody doing together the same gesture, everyone speaking together in one voice — this transmits to each individual the energy of the entire assembly. It is not a question of following a book of liturgical etiquette. It is, rather, a "discipline," — in the way that Guardini referred to — which, if observed authentically forms us. These are gestures and words that place order within our interior world making us live certain feelings, attitudes, behaviours. They are not the explanation of an ideal that we seek to let inspire us, but they are instead an action that engages the body in its entirety, that is to say, in its being a unity of body and soul. (Desiderio #51)

#### St. Pius X Mass Schedule

#### † Easter Masses

Saturday- 8:00 pm (No 4:30 pm) Sunday- 10:00 am

#### † Daily Mass

Tuesday-6:00 pm Wednesday-8:00 am Thurday-7:00 pm Friday-7:00 pm

Eucharist Adoration-First Friday of each month-8:00

Visit our Website www.stpiusx.us

#### **Daily Scripture Readings**

Sunday April 2 /Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14-27:66 Monday Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11 Tuesday Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-38 Wednesday Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25

Thursday Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15 Friday Is 52:13—53:12/Heb 4:14, 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42 Saturday Gn 1:1—2:2......Rom 6:3-11/Mt 28:1-10

#### Steps of Lectio Divina

- Read Read through it.
- Reflect Slowly consider it.
- Respond What does it say?
- Rest Contemplate, Deep Prayer

St. Anthony of Padua **Mass Schedule** 

† Easter Mass

Sunday- 8:00 am

† Daily Mass Wednesday-9:00 am

Friday- 5:30 pm

Eucharist Adoration-First Friday 9:00 am First Saturday of Month Mass 8:00 am Visit our website

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Weekly Online Mass Sunday -10:00 am We still Live Stream on FB: Facebook at: St. Pius X & St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Churches

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Tuesday -- Thursday

9:00 am-2:00 pm

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# Pastor's Study Desk Notes



Dear St Pius And St Anthony Churches,

Palm Sunday Year A

John 20:1-9

Easter, is that you? Are we really to Easter, already? Yes, the Lord is alive and present among us again. Mary Magdalene, ever faithful to Christ, returns the next morning to pray, weep and hold vigil by Christ's tomb. And surprise! No body of Jesus is there - the tomb is opened and empty! Normally, when I approach something that is empty, it is a bad thing (like my truck's gas tank, or the cookie jar). When it is empty, that means pain and trouble to fill it up again. But not with the tomb of Christ! We are glad that it is empty! We celebrate its emptiness, because that means what it was holding from us, is set free: Jesus. He is alive, not dead in a tomb. No, He is back among us working again to bring healing and goodness to birth in us. Jesus' death and resurrection teaches us how to accept and live through this 'valley of tears' that we call 'earth life'. What we face every day over and over, tends to wear us down, put us to sleep or even entomb us (bury us) in thoughtless routines. But Jesus' resurrection seeks to 'awaken' and 'enlighten' us to an experience of life that is brighter and more full. We want that, and so we walk with Mary to that tomb on Easter morning. We get excited with her, because what was a sign of sadness and death, has been emptied of its grip over us. We get set back on the road (the Way-Jesus) to experience anew all of the exuberance that life intends for us. May we rise to new life with Christ!

Isn't Mary Magdalene great? I love how she is the one, the first witness (evangelist to the evangelists) to share the Good News that Jesus is 'up' to great things. She tells Peter and the 'other disciple' about her discovery, and they run off (really racing-competing with each other) to see for themselves. But Mary Magdalene is the spark that sets them on fire to go see the tomb themselves. After their 'road race' that is complete with changing leads, they both end up at the tomb. (In tribute to the upcoming KY Derby, I can hear an announcer watching Peter and the other disciple race: 'And in the back stretch, Peter slips behind, as 'the other disciple' opens up a pass. Mud is flying high as they charge into the final corner, and with the tomb in sight, Peter overtakes him by a head' (Jn 20:7 about seeing the 'head cloth'). This competitive jockeying between them of 'getting there first', may be why we hear that final line in today's gospel: "For they did not yet understand the scripture that he had to rise from the dead" (John 20:9). They are still struggling to discover for themselves what it means to be disciples of a Savior who carries a cross. In the race to Jesus' tomb, first Peter led the way, then the 'other disciple' pulls ahead (20:4,8) until finally it turns out that Peter actually enters into the tomb first (John 20:6). So, what is this overly competitive race to the tomb all about? Well, we will hear later about some insecurity Peter feels about his position as chief shepherd among the apostles (or 'Rock' from Matt 16:18). In John 21:21-22, Peter demonstrates some of his 'self-doubt' about being leader of the apostles, when he jealously asks Jesus about the 'place' of the 'Beloved Disciple'. John 21:21-22 says, "Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, what about him (Beloved Disciple-John?)?" Jesus said to Peter, "What if I want him to remain until I come? What concern is it of yours? You follow me." Of course, Jesus calls down any competitive rivalry among His followers by redirecting Peter to simply remain faithful himself (not 'nosy' into others' relationships to Christ). Jesus says, "You, follow me!"

Yet, back to that line from today's gospel about the apostles' misunderstanding the resurrection. *John 20:9 "they did not yet understand the scripture that he had to rise from the dead."* The apostles are aware that something lifechanging is going on around them. But they have not put all of the pieces together yet. They don't realize what the resurrection does for them –forgiveness of sins, victory over death and unimaginable new life given to us! As St Paul will say in 1 Corinthians 15:17-18 "*if Christ has not been raised, then your faith is vain*, you are still in your sins and those who have fallen asleep....have truly perished". But resurrection changes everything! Perhaps though, this deeper understanding doesn't come to them, until the Pentecost event when the Holy Spirit's enlivens them. Jesus had told them at the Last Supper, "when the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all truth" (John 16:13). So, their awareness about what the resurrection means, may not be fully realized until the Spirit enters into their hearts at Pentecost. So, we wait with them, and pray and look forward to our own awakening and enlivening come Pentecost! Peace, Fr Brian

## Faith Formation Calendar for Youth FFY 2022-2023

April 5		SPRING BREAK	No FFY
April 9		EASTER SUNDAY	No FFY
April 12	6:00 - 7:30	FFY: Meal and Class	Parish Hall
April 16	11:00am	First Communion Class/Practice	Hall/Church
April 19	6:00 - 7:30	FFY: Meal and Class	Parish Hall
	April 9 April 12 April 16	April 9 April 12 6:00 - 7:30 April 16 11:00am	April 9 April 12 April 12 April 16 6:00 - 7:30 FFY: Meal and Class April 16 11:00am First Communion Class/Practice

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**Prayer for Vocations:** God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women from the Diocese of Owensboro to serve in your Son's kingdom as priests, deacons, and religious. We pray that you continue to inspire young men and women to respond courageously to your call and give themselves generously to the Church in service of the Gospel. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon them to answer your call. We ask this in Christ our Lord

### First Communion Class April 23

Please keep in your prayers our First Communion Students who are excited about receiving the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist for the first time on Sunday April 23 at the 10:00 am Mass! What a gift!

#### **Holy Week Schedule**

<u>Chrism Mass Tuesday</u> April 4 Owensboro Sportscenter 6:30 pm <u>Holy Wednesday</u> April 5 St Pius 8:00 am St Anthony 9:00 am

<u>Holy Thursday</u> April 6 St Anthony 5:30 pm St Pius 7:00 pm

Good Friday April 7 St Anthony 5:30 pm Friday Stations- St Pius 2:00 pm Evening Service St Pius 7:00 pm

Easter Saturday Vigil April 8 St Pius 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday April 9 St Anthony 8:00 am St Pius 10:00 am

# Birthdays & Anniversaries: Apr 2 – Apr 8 St. Pius X

	St. I lus A
April 3	Jason Anderson
April 3	Frances Dacus
April 4	Joseph Gentry
April 7	Philip Scheidegger
April 7	Danny Shea
April 7	Theresa Wilson
April 8	Liam Anderson
April 8	Catherine Broks
April 8	Marilyn Brooks
April 8	Andrew Riter
April 8	Brooke Riter
April 8	Lisa Tack

St. Anthony of Padua
No birthdays this week

#### Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X

April 6 Jim & Rose Drury

St. Anthony of Padua
No anniversaries this week

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, April 8, 2022				
Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Volunteer	Not filled	Not filled Not filled Not filled	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	
Mass Assignments: Sunday, April 9, 2023				
Volunteer	Not filled	Not filled Not filled Not filled	Philip Scheidegger Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter)	Andy Ferm Sherry Ferm

Protect our Children: Report and Seek Help against Abuse: The safety of our children is the responsibility of every Christian. Anyone aware of the abuse of a person under the age of eighteen is required by law to report this to the proper state authorities local law enforcement or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (toll-free: 1-877-597- 2331). To report abuse to the diocese, current or past, by anyone acting in the name of the Church (paid or volunteer), call Louanne Payne, Pastoral Assistance Coordinator (English) on the confidential phone line: 270-852-8380, or Susan Montalvo-Gesser/Miguel Quintanilla, Pastoral Assistance Coordinators (Spanish): 270-880-8360. The Diocese of Owensboro's sexual abuse policy is available this parish, on the bulletin board, in the parish office, and also on the diocesan website (https://owensborodiocese.org/safe).

#### Remember in Prayer

St. Pius X: Ashley Hayden. David Crass, Beth Strutzel, Jason Long, Helen Nicholson, Larry Kline, Bonita Walker, Joe Hedges, Jerry Wade, Katie Wood, Joanna Grimes, Amanda Bailey, Kathryn Bailey Kaileigh Row, Dolly Bardsley, Pam Laibl, Chevelle Allen, David Kroll, Tad Inman, Henry Feezor, Jerry & Sissy Wommack, Lisa Hammond, Rose Grossius, Bennett Meisenheimer, Jim & Rose Drury, Wes Hayes, Mike Norvell, Maryann Huebschmann, Shirley Mangan, Kenny Matthews, Dora Miller, Miller Meisenheimer, Michelle Freeman, Joann Najgebauer, Johnny Poe, Joel Rivera, Carol Ross, Lonnie Vogler, Brenda Waitke, Gary Walters, Andrew Walton, Dawn Williams, Wilma Lejuene, Lori Butler, Isabella Hamilton, Dr. Danny Butler, Cameron Richmond, Brad Longsworth, Helen Bennett, Catherine Broks, Stacy Newby, Bette Zilligen, Ric Vaughn, Donny Travis, Betty Derry, Scott Hamilton, Connie Burt, Abigail Huebschmann, Lucas Hebner, Ericka Karpstein, Joanna Cooper, Angel Thompson, Kaye Poyner, Bob Tashjian, Rita Cook, Juliette Kaplanes, Jack Bender, Penny Maupin, Don Kemp, Sharon Olejnicak, Tim Wilson, Beverly Dukes, Wallace Hunt, Judy Krouse, Kerry Frazier, Rene Harrington, Forrest Michael Teeters, Cameron Brewer, Stefanie Wilkerson-Barragan, Hugo Santos, Sharon Gibbons, Braydn Barnett, Elizabeth Witowski, Pam Dietz.

**St. Anthony of Padua:** David Reed, Nancy Rodgers, Juan Gonzalez, Elena Carey, Donna & Jon Gresham, Bob Decker, Bill Rodgers, Tom & Margie Sheppard, Bob Tashjian, Mr. Driskill, Margaret Adams, Pat Gorbett, Ed Derringe, Imogene Ramey, Bob Lang and their families and caregivers.

#### **Pray for Our Military**

St. Pius X: Cameron Thomason, Julianne Utley, Daniel Burgess, James Griffith, Cory Erickson, Justin Fatum, James A. Kinsey, Sarah Martindale, Devin McFadden, Benjamin Patton, Kousuke Sasaki, Noah Willett, Amanda Wojahn and Luke Jablonski.

St. Anthony of Padua: Joel Dumbacher, Matt Elder, Kathleen Erickson, Scott Erickson, Cory Erickson, James A. Kinsey, Jay Lockhart, Sarah Martindale,

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St. Pius X				
Mass Intentions				
April 3 – April 9				
Tuesday	Diocese	Chr	ism	Mass – O'boro
Wednesday	8:00 am	7	aylo	or Johansen
Thursday	7:00 pm	Ja	ohn	& Sue Mudd
Friday	7:00 pm	Ge	ood I	Friday Service
Saturday	8:00 pm	A	All F	Parishioners
Sunday	10:00 am	All Parishioners		Parishioners
WEEKLY DONATIONS				
Parish Hall Donation (3/26/23)			\$	245.00
<b>Budget for 2022/2023 Fiscal</b>			\$	190,000.00
<b>Year</b> (July 2022-June 2023)				·
<b>Donation Need Each Week</b>			\$	3,653.58
Weekly Donation (3/26/23)			<b>\$</b> 3	3,521.00
Online Giving (3/26/23)			<b>\$</b> 1	,216.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 3/26			\$	4,737.00
Fiscal Year to Date			\$	173,636.27



#### Early Church Fathers:

Every Tuesday Night from 6:30-7:30pm Come study these foundational documents written by the students of apostles. After Scripture, these are our earliest sources of Faith! Very Interesting History & Acts!

St. Francis de Sales, Paducah, Quilt Display Luncheon Thursday, April 27 and Friday, April 28 from 10:30 am – 1:30 pm. Come enjoy a delicious meal, browse our Quilt display. Take a chance to win a beautiful quilt!

**Chrism Mass** is celebrated on Tuesday April 4, 2023, at Owensboro Sportscenter. Mass is at 6:30 PM. Chrism Mass is celebrated once a year during Holy Week. At this mass Bishop Medley blesses all the Holy Oils used in all the parishes.

#### **Parish Council**

**Gary Traylor (3) Chair Person Secretary & Finance** Nora Canon Paula Humphreys (3) **Spiritual Life Stacy Newby** FFY & Religious Ed Debbie Anspauch(3) Social Program/Outreach Michael Bowling (3) **Building & Ground** 

(Yrs left in term)

Next Meeting Tues May 16 @ 4:30 pm Bereavement Committee

#### St. Anthony of Padua

Mass Intentions April 3 – April 9			
Wednesday	9:00 am	Special Intention	
Thursday	5:30 pm	Bob Mattingly	
Friday	5:30 pm	Good Friday Service	
Sunday	8:00 am	George & Rosemary Powell	

WEEKLY DONATIONS	
Budget 2022/2023 Fiscal Year (July 2022-June 2023)	\$ 73,500.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 3/26/2023)	\$ 1,429.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 59,486.59

Thank you so much for your faithful generosity! The Parishes and the Church's Mission depends on you! Livingston County Helping Hands



Food Items EspeciallyNeeded: Hamburger Helper, mac and cheese, sugar, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, tuna, salmon, canned fruits, canned vegetables. Other items needed: paper towels, toilet paper, laundry & dish detergent, shampoo (adult & baby), bath soap, diapers, baby wipes, feminine hygiene products. Collection container is in back of the church for your donated items.

St Anthony Mass Assignments – April 9, 2022		
Lector	Darin Adrian	
Eucharistic Ministers	Shara Parish Mike Drury	
Ushers/Greeters	David Loxley Kippling Spenser	
Server	Juan Gonzalez	
Money Counters	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond	

Centering Prayer Group: Thursdays at 10:00 am Interested in *Centering Prayer*? Thursdays at 10:00 am in St Pius Library, we will have an Advent series of teachings and practice, on **Centering Prayer**. We will have a short 20 min video & 10 min discussion before each experience of prayer (15 min). Discussion follows

**Parish Council** 

Mike Drury Chair Person Secretary/Family Life Debbie Owens

Shara Parish Finance

Kelly Noonan **Building & Ground** David Loxley Social Concerns/Events Steve Wilkes Spirituality/Faith Formation

Next Meeting May 10 @ 6:00 pm

#### The Holy Sacraments: Preparation for and Reception of the Sacraments

- MARRIAGE: Preparation is needed prior to the wedding. Contact the office or Fr. Brian 6 months prior to date.
- BAPTISM: Preparation is needed prior to the Sacrament. Contact the office or Fr. Brian 3 months prior to birth.
- <u>HOSPITAL</u>: Please notify the office or Fr. Brian if you or someone whom you know is in the hospital.
- ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Is offered to anyone ill, infirmed, or prior to surgery. Contact Fr. Brian at (270) 668-7675 (Emergency)
- <u>CONFESSION</u>: Saturday at 3:30 St Pius; or please ask Fr Brian before any mass, or to set an appt, please call him at 270-395-4727 <u>St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry:</u> 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month during office hours (9 am-2 pm). Call the office at (270) 395-4727
- Bulletin information: Must be submitted to the office by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday. Email: stpiusx@stpiusx.us