MARCH 31, 2024 + EASTER SUNDAY YEAR B



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John 20:1-9



"On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead."

Parish Office Hours

'Good Friday. 1613 Riding Westward

By John Donne

"Let mans Soule be a Spheare, and then, in this, The intelligence that moves, devotion is, And as the other Spheares, by being growne Subject to forraigne motion, lose their owne, And being by others hurried every day, Scarce in a yeare their naturall forme obey: Pleasure or businesse, so, our Soules admit For their first mover, and are whirld by it. Hence is't, that I am carryed towards the West This day, when my Soules forme bends toward the East. There I should see a Sunne, by rising set, And by that setting endlesse day beget; But that Christ on this Crosse, did rise and fall, Sinne had eternally benighted all. Yet dare I'almost be glad, I do not see That spectacle of too much weight for mee. Who sees Gods face, that is selfe life, must dye; What a death were it then to see God dye? It made his owne Lieutenant Nature shrinke, It made his footstoole crack, and the Sunne winke.

Spiritual Thought for Easter

It's all I have to bring today This, and my heart beside This, and my heart, and all the fields And all the meadows wide Be sure you count -should I forget
Some one the sum could tell This, and my heart, and all the Bees
Which in the Clover dwell.
Emily Dickinson

St. Pius X Mass Schedule

† Weekend Mass

Saturday- 4:30 pm Sunday- 10:00 am

† Daily Mass

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

Eucharist Adoration
Visit our Website www.stpiusx.us

Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday March 31,2024
Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4/Jn 20:1-9
Monday Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48
Friday Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14
Saturday Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15

Steps of Lectio Divina

- 1. Read Read through it.
- 2. Reflect Slowly consider it.
- 3. Respond What does it say?
- 4. Rest Contemplate. Deep Praver

St. Anthony of Padua Masses

† Weekend Mass

Sunday-8:00 am

† Daily Masses

Wednesday-9:00 am Friday-9:00 am

Eucharist Adoration-First Friday 9:00 am
<u>First Saturday of Month Mass</u> 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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Dear St Anthony & St Pius Families,

Pastor's Study **Desk Notes**

Easter Sunday Year B



Jesus is alive and risen among us again! What else needs saying? How can you top that deed? But after such a miraculous work, how can you not talk about it? In this column, I always address the actual gospel reading of the day, and discuss the words and deeds of Jesus. But today I want to focus on the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles! Remarkably, we'll see that I am still talking about the words and deeds of Jesus, just that now I am referring to how Jesus manifests Himself through their lives! That is the point of the Resurrection, Ascension and Return Descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost – It is all Jesus' words and deeds continuing their presence and spread to all the world! We have the whole Easter season (50 days) to prepare ourselves and be trained to become 'witnesses' like those first followers of Jesus. So, maybe we can grow to live-teach-testify to Christ like they did in the early church. Our first reading today is a wonderful example of Jesus shining through His Apostles & His Church. The apostles and their successors in the Early Church offered some earth-shaking and fiery preaching (of course, Holy Spirit-Fire preaching!). This first reading today contains Peter's enthusiastic and evangelizing speech to Cornelius and the crowd (Acts 10:34-43). Some people have referred to the book, Acts of the Apostles, as a collection of early church preaching and practices. Some others have called it a collection of 'speeches'. I'd say that if by 'speeches' they mean 'testimonies'. Then that is exactly what I find in the book! Peter has three big 'testimonies' (Acts 2:14-40, 3: 12-26 & 10: 34-43). Stephen gives a so strong and stirring a testimony that it leads to his martyrdom (Acts 7:2-53). At least seven other speeches come from St Paul (Acts 13:16-41, 17:22-31, 20:18-35, 22:1-21, 24:10-2, 26:2-23, 28:25-28). However, even though there is persuasive preaching in Acts of the Apostles, there is also a powerful practice of the faith demonstrated in their actions and behavior. In both word and deed, I find Jesus living in His People of the Church. It should not be a surprise because we have an actual recorded community prayer of the early church in Acts 4:29-30, "And now, Lord, take note of their threats, and enable your servants to speak your word with all boldness, as you stretch forth [your] hand to heal, and signs and wonders are done through the name of your holy servant Jesus." Words and wonders! We know Jesus' risen presence, through both what is said and what is done. What we will hear about the early church is exactly what we heard about Jesus. Matthew 13:54, records that the crowds were "astonished and said, "Where did this man get such wisdom and mighty deeds?" As we continue reading the Acts of the Apostles all through the Easter Season, we will hear how powerful a witness the early church gave to Jesus Christ. So powerful in fact, that their joyful and attractive 'resurrection witness' drew so many people to accept Christ - the Church grew from that first Eleven to thousands and thousands within weeks!

Here is a little glimpse of how those first disciples were recognized by the society around them. Acts 2:47 describes the Church as "enjoying favor with all the people." Acts 4:33 tells us that, "With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all." Acts 5:13-14 says that, "the people esteemed them, and more than ever, believers in the Lord, great numbers of men and women, were added to them."

A good reflection for all of us at Easter to pray over, is for us to think about how we 'witness Easter joy and new life' to other people and convincingly witness to Jesus' resurrection by everything we say and everything we do. Often, we hear the song, "They'll know we are Christians by our love" (1 John 3:18, "not in word or speech alone, but in deed and truth") This is how Jesus' resurrection is known and shown (proven).

Easter Peace. Fr Brian

St Pius X Parish Council Meeting Thurs @ 5:30 pm Gary Traylor Chair Person Nora Canon (3) Secretary & Finance

Spiritual Life

Building & Ground

(3) FFY & Religious Ed Stacey Newby (3) Debbie Anspach (3) Social Program/Outreach

Paula Humphreys

Michael Bowling

Early Church Fathers Study & Discussion

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

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St Pius X Mass Intentions					
	April 1 – April 7				
Tuesday	6:00 pm		E	Bob Mattingly	
Wednesday	8:00 am			Iames Hobbs	
Thursday	8:00 am			Bob Zilligen	
Friday	8:00 am	1	Lari	ry & Mary Knox	
Saturday	4:30 pm		I	Robert Glover	
Sunday	10:00 am		7	Tom Geistfeld	
WEEKLY DONATIONS					
Parish Hall Donation (3/24/24)			\$	140.00	
Budget for 2022/2023 Fiscal Year			\$	195,000.00	
(July 202	(July 2023-June 2024)				
Donation Need Each Week			\$	3,750.00	
Weekly Donation (3/24/24)			\$	2,323.00	
Online Giving (3/24/24)			\$	1,001.00	
Total Week's Gift Offering 3/24			\$	3,324.00	
Fiscal Year to Date			\$	168,860.11	

St. Francis Catholic Church Annual Quilt Show Luncheon

Thursday, April 25th and Friday, April 26th 10:30 am – 1:30 pm Come enjoy a delicious meal, browse our Quilt display, and take a chance to win a beautiful hand-made quilt! Meals and display at St Francis, 116 South 6th Street Paducah KY.

Coffee & Doughnuts after Mass at St Pius

After the 10 am Mass April 14

Acts 2:42 Group: Session #6 is Sunday April 7, at St Pius at 1:30 pm Leaders Kippling

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ACTS 2:42 GROUPS

Calvert City Lions Club Pancake Breakfast

April 13 7:00 am -11:00 at Calvert City School Elementary Cafeteria Fundraiser \$7 a person All proceeds benefit Calvert/Sharpe Family Resource Centr

Convalescent Center Annual Golf Scramble May 3 See the details and registration info on the bulletin boards in church; or call 270-395-4124 for info

Please turn in any remaining Rice Bowls! Thanks!

Birthdays & Anniversaries: Mar 31– April 6 Happy Birthday! St. Pius X

March 31 Joseph Hurst
March 31 Tammie Georgen
April 3 Jason Anderson
April 3 Francis Dacus
April 4 Joseph Gentry

Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X

April 6 Jim & Rose Drury

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, April 6, 2024				
Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
	Paula Schmidt	Suzette Whittington Jeff Riedfort Volunteer	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	
Mass Assignments: Sunday, April 7, 2024				
Dominic Schiaretti Franky Schiaretti	Phil Scheiber	Caleb King Marcus Newman Teresa Newman	Philip Scheidegger Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer	Rich Derry Nancy Singleton

FFY Schedule of Classes and Events

Wednesday	April 3	Spring Break	Spring Break – No classes	Spring Break Off
Sunday	April 7	11:00-12:00	First Communion Class	Parish Hall
Wednesday	April 10	6:00 - 7:30	Meal & Class (Confirmation Practice)	Hall & Church
Sunday	April 14	11:00-12:00	First Communion Class & Practice	Hall & Church
Wednesday	April 17	6:00 - 7:30	Meal & Class (First Communion Practice)	Church & Hall

Remember in Prayer

St. Pius X: Theresa Owens, Sara Repovich, Kaye Hinkebein, Amanda Scheidegger, Olga Edwards, Diane Fischer Russell Tomlinson, Joanne Schmidt Paula Willett, Kent & Kim Henry, Linda Womer, Leah Vincek, Rick Wilson, Richard Warmowski, Wade Barnes, Ashley Hayden, Donna Barrix, David Crass, Beth Strutzel, Jason Long, Helen Nicholson, Larry Kline, Bonita Walker, Joe Hedges, Jerry Wade, Katie Wood, Joanna Grimes, Amanda Bailey, Kaileigh Row, Dolly Bardsley, Pam Laibl, David Kroll, Henry Feezor, Lisa Hammond, 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, Jack Bender, Don Kemp, Sharon Olejnicak, Tim Wilson, Beverly Dukes, Judy Krouse, Kerry Frazier, Rene Harrington, Forrest Michael Teeters, Cameron Brewer, Hugo Santos, Sharon Gibbons, Braydn Barnett, Elizabeth Witowski, Pam Dietz.

Pray for Our Military

<u>St. Pius X:</u> 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 Page Announcements

Coffee/Doughnuts First Sunday Every Month Prayers & Sympathy: Please pray for the eternal rest of Margaret Adams, sister of Joyce Wilkinson, who passed away last week. May Joyce and all the family be comforted during this difficult time.

Needed Donations: SEW ON Velcro (any size) for Diaper Project for Orphaned Children in the Philippines. Only SEW-ON Velcro can be used—Please NO adhesive velcro. Contact Georgia Hunsley (St Anthony Church) at 402-920-0108 for more info. Baskets by church doors to collect the velcro.

Wedding at Cana Coming Again Friday May 24

Watch for more details, and mark your calendars for a wonderful evening of mass, dinner and dancing. A sign up form is found on the kitchen serving window. Or call Judy Forsythe 612-245-3636 to RSVP.

Livingston County Helping Hands

All-Day Adoration on 1st Friday April 5

St Anthony Parish has an all day Eucharistic
Adoration every 1st Friday from 9:00am – 9:00pm
All are welcome to spend time in prayer in the
presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Confession
available at 9:30am. Prayer Partners are requested for
each hour during Adoration. Please register your time
on the schedule or call Judy Forsythe - 612-245-3636

First Saturdays Honor the Blessed Mother:

First Saturday Mass on April 6 @ 8:00am. Every first Saturday we offer mass and pray the rosary



St Anthony Birthdays Mar 31 – Apr 6

No birthdays this week

Anniversaries:

No anniversaries this week

Lectio Divina Weekly Sessions

Every Wednesday @ St. Anthony of Padua, we gather for weekly "Lectio Divina" sessions. Come and open God's Word in your heart & mind. We have workbooks available



St. Anthony of Padua

Mass Intentions April 1 – April 7			
Wednesday	9:00 am	Dr Sidney Edds	
Friday	9:00 am	Dan & Cindy O'Brien Family	
1st Saturday	8:00 am	Taylor Johansen	
Sunday	8:00 am	John & Sue Mudd	

WEEKLY DONATIONS	7
Budget 2022/2023 Fiscal Year	\$ 73,500.00
(July 2023-June 2024)	
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 3/24/2024	\$ 1,754.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 71,874.63

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

Wonderful Response of Generosity: New Piano

What a tremendous blessing & overwhelming response to our New Piano Fund! A special thanks to Ashley & Pam Thurman who invited special donations & went to pick up new piano for Easter! We are so thankful to have been able to pay for it entirely with generous donations, especially the anonymous final donors that got us over the finish line!

St Anthony Mass Assignments – April 7, 2024		
Lector	Mike Drury	
Eucharistic Ministers	Steve Wilkes Joyce Wilkinson	
Ushers/Greeters	Kelly Noonan David Loxley	
Server	Juan Gonzalez	
Money Counters	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond	

CONSIDER ATTENDING DAILY MASS

St Anthony Prayer List: Theresa Owens, Jeff Ritorto, Cathy Ritorto, Betty 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.

Pray for our Military

Joel Dumbacher, Matt Elder, Kathleen Erickson, Scott Erickson, Cory Erickson, James A. Kinsey, Jay Lockhart, Sarah Martindale, Devin McFadden, LeAnne Neal, and Kousuke Sasaki.

Parish Council

Mike Drury Chair Person
Debbie Owens Secretary/Family Life

Shara Parish Finance

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

Next Meeting April 17 Wed @ 6:00 pm

The Holy Sacraments: Preparation for and Reception of the Sacraments

- † <u>MARRIAGE:</u> 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.
- † HOSPITAL: 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> 2nd & 4th 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