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3rd Sunday Easter Year A Lk 24:13-35



"That very day, the first day of the week, two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village seven miles from Jerusalem called Emmaus, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing as you walk along?" They stopped, looking downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, said to him in reply, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know of the things that have taken place there in these days?" And he replied to them, "What sort of things?" They said to him, "The things that happened to Jesus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, how our chief priests and rulers both handed him over to a sentence of death and crucified him. But we were hoping that he would be the one to redeem Israel; and besides all this, it is now the third day since this took place. Some women from our group, however, have astounded us: they were at the tomb early in the morning and did not find his body; they came back and reported that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who announced that he was alive. Then some of those with us went to the tomb and found things just as the women had described, but him they did not see." And he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them what referred to him in all the Scriptures. As they approached the village to which they were going, he gave the impression that he was going on farther. But they urged him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?" So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of bread."

The Road to Emmaus

by J. Michael Sparough, S.J.

. Our eyes falling down to the ground,
Our hearts dry as the dust we trample.
A stranger joins our journey to despair.
Teasing out the details of what our hope had been,
He listens on and on until our grief can say no more,
Only then can his words water our withered spirits.
Gently chiding, strongly guiding, weaving a story
Of glory hidden within fabled prophecies of faith.
Later will we recall how @ercely our hearts did burn.
But now it is our turn, the time to beg him to linger,
A request he can never refuse, for his very presence
Is sacred space, every home he visits his sanctuary.
For those who have eyes to see, his bread blessed,
Broken and shared - so much more than merely a meal.
His visitation no longer confined to history.
This road we walked with him still beckons -
To journey back from where we once despaired,
Our eyes now open in hopeful recognition.

Eucharistic Renewal Meditation

"If it is true that the ars celebrandi is required of the entire assembly that celebrates, it is likewise true that ordained ministers must have a very particular concern for it. In visiting Christian communities, I have noticed that their way of living the liturgical celebration is conditioned — for better or, unfortunately, for worse — by the way in which their pastor presides in the assembly. We could say that there are different "models" of presiding. Here is a possible list of approaches, which even though opposed to each other, characterize a way of presiding that is certainly inadequate: rigid austerity or an exasperating creativity, a spiritualizing mysticism or a practical functionalism, a rushed briskness or an overemphasized slowness, a sloppy carelessness or an excessive finickiness, a superabundant friendliness or priestly impassibility. Granted the wide range of these examples, I think that the inadequacy of these models of presiding have a common root: a heightened personalism of the celebrating style....(Desiderio #54)

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

Thursday-8:00 am

Friday-8:00 am

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

Visit our Website www.stpiusx.us

Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday April 23

Acts 2:14, 22-33/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

Monday Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20

Wednesday Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40

Thursday Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51

Friday Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59

Saturday Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69

Steps of Lectio Divina

1. Read – Read through it.
2. Reflect – Slowly consider it.
3. Respond – What does it say?
4. Rest – Contemplate, Deep Prayer

St. Anthony of Padua

Mass Schedule

† **Weekend Mass**

Sunday- 8:00 am

† **Daily Mass**

Wednesday-9:00 am

Friday-9:00 am

Eucharist Adoration-First Friday 9:00 am

First Saturday of Month Mass 8:00 am

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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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Parish Office Hours

Tuesday -- Thursday

9:00 am-2:00 pm



Pastor's Study Desk Notes



Dear St Pius And St Anthony Churches,

3rd Sunday Easter Year A

Lk 24:13-35

All roads lead to home! Okay, the ancient Latin proverb translated as ‘a thousand roads lead forever to Rome’ (‘mille viae ducunt per saecula Romam’). This proverb is said to have originated on a foundation monument built in the center of the Roman Forum. This block was the universal milestone for measuring distances out to all the colonies scattered across the empire. It was the benchmark stake or universal standard, like surveyors use GPS coordinates today when plotting properties. This benchmark in the middle of Rome served as the center point (axis mundi) of the empire. It was the starting point and the return point in the Roman measurement of the road system (the origin and end). But, for us Christians, and as we see in today’s gospel, **all roads lead to Jesus!** With Him as our Shepherd, even when away, He will come up to us along our path, and lead us to where we should be. What a gift encounter for these two disciples to meet Jesus along the road, and their lives afterward be forever changed!

When it comes to following Jesus, **we are all ‘roadies’ or ‘followers of the Way’**. Jesus called Himself, “**I am the Way**, the Truth and the Life.” (John 14:6) Before Christians were called ‘Christians’, they were identified as ‘**followers of the Way**’ (Acts 11:26). In Acts 9:2 we hear about Saul persecuting the disciples of Jesus – “*Saul asked the high priest for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, that, if he should find any men or women who belonged to the Way, he might bring them back to Jerusalem in chains*”. Of course, Saul himself later becomes a believer, and in Acts 24:14, he will confess His own discipleship to Christ, saying, “I do admit to you, that **according to the Way**, which others call a sect, **I worship the God of our ancestors**....” Not surprisingly and best of all, where did Saul encounter Jesus and convert (where did he ‘see the Light’)? Acts 9:3 tells us that “**On his journey**, as Saul was nearing Damascus, a light from the sky suddenly flashed around him...” So, Saul converted ‘**On the Road!**’ So those first Christians were well acquainted with life on the road. In fact, they were at home even on the road – for The Way-that is Jesus’ was with them! We find those first Christians engaged all the time with ministry journeys and missionary trips! Jesus had commanded in Matthew 28:19 to, “Go, therefore, and make disciples of **all nations**...” Christians were to go everywhere! And Jesus went on to tell them that, “Behold, I am with you always” (Matthew 28:20). He is with them, wherever they go! So again, not surprisingly, Jesus comes up to and walks with, these two disciples on their ‘Way to Emmaus’ (Luke 24:15,32,35).

Luke’s two volume work (Gospel of Luke & Acts of the Apostles) mirrors the popular classical literature of his time, such as Homer’s **Odyssey**-which records Odysseus’ postwar **journey** home to Ithaca, or Virgil’s **Aeneid**—which records Aeneas’ **journey** fleeing Troy to settle in Rome. Homer and Virgil wrote ‘journey travel stories’. Interestingly, with those two classical writers in the cultural background (& *keep in mind also that the greatest Hebrew Story is about the traveling Israelites journeying out of Egypt to Freedom in Canaan*), Luke then appears in history and writes about the rapid spread, like wildfire, of Christianity’s growth (of course, Holy Spirit led-fire!) Luke writes with the style of a similar classical ‘travelogue’ format to outline the Post-Pentecost development and spread of Christianity to all nations. A major section of the gospel of Luke is referred to as the ‘Travel Narrative’ (Luke 9:51-19:47) which describes about the last six months of Jesus’ ministry as He makes His way up (really, **His Way** and really, **UP** because in Jerusalem He is raised up-Glorified on Cross) to Jerusalem. Luke says in 9:51, “When the days for his being taken up were fulfilled, he resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem” (*further references to this ‘journey-way’ in Lk 9:53; 13:22, 33; 17:11; 18:31; 19:11, 28*). In Luke’s second volume-Acts of the Apostles, after St Paul is introduced, the rest of Acts is pretty much the travel diary of Paul’s three missionary journeys! So we Christians as followers of the Way, are called to always be ‘on the road’ or on the ‘Way’! As long as we are with Jesus (here, there or anywhere), we can be assured that we are, where we are supposed to be! And if there is any question about our directions, we know where to go. Any recalibration of our GPS (Godly Positioning System) is as easy as participating in the next Mass, because that is always where contact to Jesus is guaranteed. As Luke says in 24:35, “the two recounted what had taken place on the way and **how Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.**”

Peace, Fr Brian

Faith Formation Calendar for Youth FFY 2022-2023

Sunday	April 23	10:00am	FIRST COMMUNION SUNDAY	
Wednesday	April 26	6:00 - 7:30	FFY Year-end Family Activity	Parish Hall
Sunday	May 7	10:00am	MAY CROWNING	Church
Sunday	May 21	10:00am	HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE MASS	



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*

Congratulations to our First Communion Class who received their First Holy Eucharist Today!

Ryan Pearson -- Joseph Gentry -- Jacob Gentry -- Kasen Grief -- Aiden Blazina

Remember Our Sick and Homebound 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, 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 Longworth, Helen Bennett, Catherine Broks, Stacy Newby, Bette Zilligen, Ric Vaughn, Donny Travis, Betty Derry, Scott Hamilton, Connie Burt, 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, Hugo Santos, Sharon Gibbons, Braydn Barnett, Elizabeth Witowski, Pam Dietz.

St. Anthony of Padua: David Reed, 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.

Birthdays & Anniversaries: Apr 23– Apr 29

Happy Birthday!

St. Pius X

April 24 Kurt Schmidt
 April 25 Loise Bowling
 April 25 Lou Langford
 April 26 Stacey Newby
 April 29 Jerretta Cash
 April 30 Megan Duzmal

St. Anthony of Padua

No birthdays this week

Happy Anniversary!

St. Pius X

April 27 Charlie & Mary Jane Haley

St. Anthony of Padua

No anniversaries this week

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, April 29, 2022

Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Volunteer	Paula Schmidt	Volunteer Jeff Riedfort Suzette Whittington	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	
Mass Assignments: Sunday, April 30, 2023				
Kason Peterson Brayden Willett	Ric Witowski	Jimmy Harbison Patty Langford Marcus Newman	Philip Scheidegger Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter)	Rich Derry Nancy Singleton



**PRAY FOR
UKRAINE**

Parish Committee on Refreshing the Church Vestibule & Sanctuary

The Parish Council has been discussing a 'freshening up' or brightening our interior vestibule and sanctuary of the church building for some time. They established a committee to address what could be done without too steep an investment and without drawing it out over too long a time. They are discussing painting, reflooring the space and updating the bathroom. So, the parish committee was formed to renew the interior of the church. We wanted to bring a more cohesive look, which emphasizes focus on the Mass celebration itself, creating a spirit of tranquility in our space and highlighting our faith in worship. We have included on this team people who have design backgrounds and experience with coordinating such work in stages. Rest assured that material choices and costs are always in the forefront of our minds. In that effort, a parish committee is working to create an integrated and coordinated "refresh" and we want to keep the parish updated, so we offer this brief announcement today.

Firstly, we plan to improve the lighting in the church and then replace damaged ceiling tiles, painting them and their track channels. With new white LED lights and new covers, the lighting will be uniform to assist in the best selection of color schemes and materials for the flooring, walls, windows and trim. After painting the interior walls, to likely include the sanctuary walls, then the selection of flooring (carpet, laminate or wood) will be done with other adjustments to the church (such as replacing the post covers). It has been 40 years since there have been any changes to the colors or aesthetics inside our church. We are excited to work on this journey for all of us. This will take time. Please join us in support with prayers and any other way you can, as we work to bring a new freshness to our church. The result will bring a renewed beautiful, peaceful and calming focus to our place of our worship.

Committee Members: Mike Bowling, Paula Humphreys, Dawn Whitt, Mary Ann Huebschmann, Marty Darst, Paula Schmidt, Kim Lampert & Fran Dacus

St. Pius X

**Mass Intentions
April 24 – April 30**

Tuesday	6:00 pm	John & Sue Mudd
Wednesday	8:00 am	Elizabeth Solis
Thursday	8:00 am	James Hobbs
Friday	8:00 am	John Bardsley
Saturday	4:30 pm	Joann Thomas
Sunday	10:00 am	Mary Kate Spillane

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Parish Hall Donation (4/16/23)	\$ 416.00
Budget for 2022/2023 Fiscal Year (July 2022-June 2023)	\$ 190,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 3,653.58
Weekly Donation (4/16/23)	\$ 3,107.00
Online Giving (4/16/23)	\$ 1,128.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 4/16	\$ 4,235.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 188,105.27



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!

Rhapsody in Red Quilt Winner! Drawing was held April 15 after mass and *lucky winner is Joey Blazina* of St Pius Parish. The quilt netted \$590 for the Parish Hall Building Fund. Quilters thank you for your support!

Holy Land Presentation: Wendy Elrod (daughter of Wayne & Georgia Bradshaw) recently visited the Holy Land on a pilgrimage tour, and is willing to share an interesting night, recounting her trip and giving a informative presentation of its holy sites and her time. Watch for the upcoming date and come out to hear her.

Parish Council

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

(Yrs left in term)

Next Meeting Tues 16 @ 4:30 pm
Bereavement Committee

St. Anthony of Padua

Mass Intentions

April 24 – April 30

Wednesday	9:00 am	PJ/Martha Rose O'Donoghue
Friday	9:00 am	Sr Michael Marie Friedman
Sunday	8:00 am	Margaret Lee

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2022/2023 Fiscal Year (July 2022-June 2023)	\$ 73,500.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 4/16/2023)	\$ 1,138.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 62,859.34

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

Livingston County Helping Hands



Food Items Especially Needed: 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 30, 2022

Lector	Mike Drury
Eucharistic Ministers	Pat Gorbett Mike Drury
Ushers/Greeters	David Loxley Kipling Spencer
Server	Juan Gonzalez
Money Counters	Sara Parish Kevin Diamond

CONSIDER ATTENDING DAILY MASS!

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

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| Mike Drury | Chair Person |
| Debbie Owens | Secretary/Family Life |
| Sara 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.
- † **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)
- † **CONFESSiON:** 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
- † **St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry:** 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