

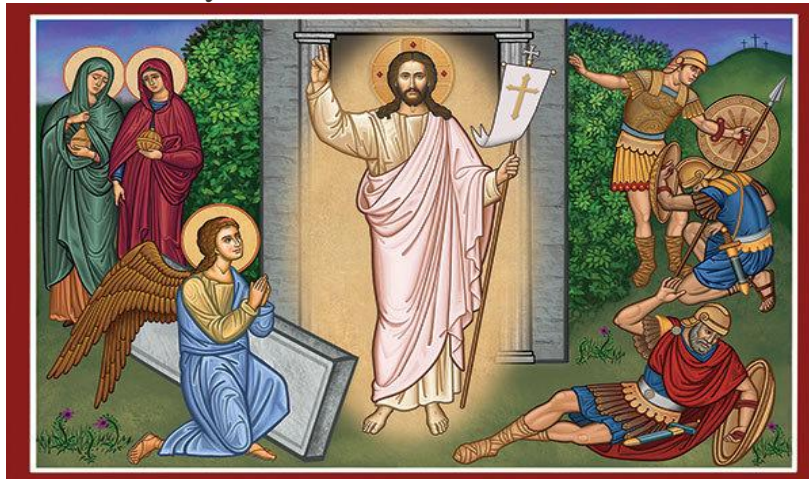


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Easter Sunday Year A John 20:1-9



“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.”

**Easter**

*Edmund Spenser*

Most glorious Lord of Lyfe! that, on this day,  
Didst make Thy triumph over death and sin;  
And, having harrowd hell, didst bring away  
Captivity thence captive, us to win:  
This joyous day, deare Lord, with joy begin;  
And grant that we, for whom thou diddest dye,  
Being with Thy deare blood clene washt from sin,  
May live for ever in felicity!  
And that Thy love we weighing worthily,  
May likewise love Thee for the same againe;  
And for Thy sake, that all lyke deare didst buy,  
With love may one another entertayne!  
So let us love, deare Love, lyke as we ought,  
Love is the lesson which the Lord us taught.

**Eucharistic Renewal Meditation**

“Among the ritual acts that belong to the whole assembly, silence occupies a place of absolute importance. Many times it is expressly prescribed in the rubrics. The entire Eucharistic celebration is immersed in the silence which precedes its beginning and which marks every moment of its ritual unfolding. In fact, it is present in the penitential act, after the invitation “Let us pray,” in the Liturgy of the Word (before the readings, between the readings and after the homily), in the Eucharistic prayer, after communion. ....It disposes us to adore the Body and Blood of Christ. It suggests to each one, in the intimacy of communion, what the Spirit would effect in our lives to conform us to the Bread broken. For all these reasons we are called to enact with extreme care the symbolic gesture of silence. Through it the Spirit gives us shape. gives us form.” (Desiderio #52)

**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*

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**Daily Scripture Readings**

*Sunday April 9*

*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 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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**[www.stanthonygrandrivers.org](http://www.stanthonygrandrivers.org)**

**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,

Easter 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 about 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 life-changing is going on around them. But they have not put all of the pieces together yet, to realize what the resurrection does for them - sin forgiveness, victory over death and so much more than this world 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 perished". But resurrection changes everything. Perhaps though, this awareness doesn't come to them, until the Pentecost event and the Holy Spirit's enlivening of them. Jesus had told them at the Last Supper, "when He comes, the Spirit of truth, He will guide you into all truth" (John 16:13). So, their comprehension 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

Sunday	April 9	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>		<b>No FFY</b>
Wednesday	April 12	6:00 - 7:30	FFY: Meal and Class	Parish Hall
Sunday	April 16	11:00am	First Communion Class/Practice	Hall/Church
Wednesday	April 19	6:00 - 7:30	FFY: Meal and Class	Parish Hall



**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*

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**EVENING PRAYER**  
FOR PROTECTION AND HEALING

A SERVICE REMEMBERING ALL WHO HAVE SUFFERED ABUSE OF ANY KIND

**WEDNESDAY,  
APRIL 12 AT 6 PM**



Prayer for Survivors of Abuse: April 12, 6:00 pm Cathedral Bishop Medley will lead prayer for healing and protection.

**Prayers & Sympathy:** Please pray the eternal rest of Rudy Gutierrez (husband of Sue Gutierrez), Claudia Sickles (friend of Deb Anspauch) and Wally Stearns (family of Deb Anspauch) who passed away last week. May God give them eternal peace, and may their families be comforted through this difficult time.

**First Holy 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!

**Birthdays & Anniversaries: Apr 9 – Apr 15**

- April 13 Mary Ann Ruhl
- April 13 Alex Le
- April 14 Michael Canon
- April 14 Maddie Traylor
- April 15 Tyler Anderson

**St. Anthony of Padua**

- April 13 Keely Lucas

**Happy Anniversary!**

**St. Pius X**

- April 12 Bradley & Lisa Tack

**St Anthony**

No anniversaries this week

**St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, April 15, 2022**

Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Volunteer	Dawn Whitt	Jeff Riedfort Paula Schmidt Volunteer	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	

**Mass Assignments: Sunday, April 16, 2023**

Kason Peterson Brayden Willett	Philip Scheiber	Marcus Newman Teresa Newman Jimmy Harbison	Philip Scheidegger Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter)	Mary Ann Huebschmann Kathy Smith
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**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, 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 Brooks, 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, 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, Devin McFadden, LeAnne Neal, and Kousuke Sasaki.

**St. Pius X**

**Mass Intentions  
April 10 – April 16**

Tuesday	6:00 pm	Fr Brian Johnson
Wednesday	8:00 am	Hagan Family
Thursday	8:00 am	Daniel/Nancy Mudd Family
Friday	8:00 am	Dr Sidney Edds
Saturday	4:30 pm	Betty Derry
Sunday	10:00 am	Bob Mattingly

**WEEKLY DONATIONS**

Parish Hall Donation (4/2/23)	\$ 222.00
Budget for 2022/2023 Fiscal Year (July 2022-June 2023)	\$ 190,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 3,653.58
Weekly Donation (4/2/23)	\$ 3,794.00
Online Giving (4/2/23)	\$ 1,664.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 4/2	\$ 5,458.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 179,094.27



**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!

**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 an informative presentation of its holy sites and her time. Watch for the upcoming date and come out to hear of it

**Gaspar River Youth Summer Camp:** All camps are still open for the summer 2023 but spaces are filling up fast! [www.gasperriverretreatcenter.org](http://www.gasperriverretreatcenter.org) to sign up. Summer Positions for volunteers and camp counselors are available too, so visit the website for more info.

**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 Anspauch(3)  | Social Program/Outreach |
| Michael Bowling (3) | Building & Ground       |

(Yrs left in term)

Next Meeting 16 @ 4:30 pm

**St. Anthony of Padua**

**Mass Intentions**

April 10 – April 16

Wednesday	9:00 am	Dick Gorbett
Friday	9:00 am	John & Sue Mudd
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 4/2/2023)	\$ 1,572.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 61,058.59

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

**Livingston County Helping Hands**



Food Items 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 16, 2022**

Lector	Wayne Bradshaw
Eucharistic Ministers	Steve Wilkes Mike Drury
Ushers/Greeters	David Loxley Kipling Spenser
Server	Dan O'Brien
Money Counters	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond

**CONSIDER ATTENDING DAILY MASS FOR LENT**

**St Anthony Cleaning Crew – Thank You!**

Many thanks to the Saturday workers who did a deep clean on church before Easter! Thanks to Shara Parish, Mike Drury, Kelly & Joyce Noonan, Jeff & Cathy Ritorto, Georgia & Vern Hensley, Cindy & Dan O'Brien, Pat Gorbett, Joyce Wilkinson, Wayne & Georgia Bradshaw. Great Cleaning Crew! Thanks!

**Parish Council**

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| 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 |

*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:** 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
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