



# St. Pius Tenth Catholic Church

*The Church community of St. Pius Tenth hears the call to a deep, personal relationship with God in Jesus Christ. We commit ourselves to living and sharing our Catholic faith guided by the Holy Spirit and expressed in love.*



**Divine Mercy Sunday**

**April 19, 2020**

**PARISH STAFF:**

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**MASS SCHEDULE:**

**Saturday:**  
**Sunday:** **Live Stream Mass: 11:00 AM**  
**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:** 8:00 AM  
**Wednesday:** 6:00 PM  
**Holy Day Vigil:** 6:00 PM  
**Holy Day:** 8:00 AM and 6:00 PM  
**Confession:** Saturdays at 12-1:00 PM  
**Adoration:** First Friday of the month 9 AM—8 PM  
**Office Hours:** Monday-Thursday 9 AM—4 PM  
Friday 9 AM—1 PM  
**Bulletin Deadline:** Monday at Noon

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## WORSHIP and PRAYER

### Readings for the week of April 12, 2020

**Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

**Monday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Mt 28:8-15

**Tuesday:** Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22 [5b]/Jn 20:11-18

**Wednesday:** Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [3b]/Lk 24:13-35

**Thursday:** Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Lk 24:35-48

**Friday:** Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118: 1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a [22]/Jn 21:1-14

**Saturday:** Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21 [21a]/Mk 16:9-15

**Next Sunday:** Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

### **Everyday Stewardship** *Give Yourself Completely*

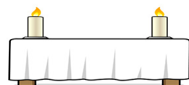
The early days of the first Christian community were not easy by any measurement. Jesus had been executed, and his disciples had to be discreet so as not to meet a similar fate. Jesus was now risen, but the truth of his resurrection was not accepted by all. However, the depiction of that early community in Acts 2:42-47 would lead someone to believe it was the opposite situation. We are told of community life where people lean on each other and share great joy. They were disciples living out their faith, and it was their strong sense of stewardship that made all this possible in the face of threatening Roman and Jewish powers.

Today, we find the Church in a new turmoil. Increasing secularism, abuse scandals, and a lack of true fidelity place us once again in a time that is not easy. We create our burdens by not using our gifts wisely and by turning inward selfishly.

Could we use the story in Acts of the early Church to help us today? If we begin with the decision to give of ourselves completely to God and His people, will we become agents of change? There is only one way to find out.

### **St. Vincent DePaul:**

Volunteers are available on Tuesday and Thursday mornings 9-11:00 AM.



### **Weekly Mass Count**

Saturday 5 PM  
Sunday 8 AM  
Sunday 11 AM

### Question of the Week

#### **First Reading**

According to Luke, the original community of believers in Jerusalem met daily to pray, break bread, and commit themselves to the teaching of the Apostles. When have you experienced a similar level of communal harmony?

#### **Second Reading**

The First Letter of Peter opens with a prayer of thanksgiving for the blessings received from the resurrection of Jesus. In what ways do you show gratitude for Jesus' resurrection from the dead?

#### **Gospel Reading**

John is the only evangelist to record the episode of Thomas' initial doubt in Jesus' resurrection. What role does doubt have in your spiritual journey?

**Pray for the Sick:** Lois Davis, Axel Fleischmann, Larry Harralson, Jeanetta Mayfield, Theresa Murphy, Corky and Elaine Norcia, JR Payne, Robert Shrewsbury, Julie S., Ron Tucker, Sharon Warren, Carrie Weaver.

**Please call the office to add names.**

**Carmel Home:** Eugene Head, Audline Johnson, Margaret and Randal Richeson

**Hillcrest:** Kathleen Clark

**Owensboro Center:** Cecilia Aud, Peggy Livers

**Heritage:** Ed Howard

**Pray for the Homebound:** Arch Bamberger, Tamara Burns, Richard Crowe, Wilford Crowe, Betty Greenwell, Donald & Sylvia Hamilton, Gerald Haynes, Sharon Merkley, Janet Rehrauer, Nathan Rumage, Margaret VanBussum, John Williams

### Please Pray for Our Military

**Stuart Castlen:** Navy, Fort Meade, Maryland

**LTJG Patrick Clouse:** Navy; Norfolk, VA

**Sgt. Jeffery Cooper:** Iraq

**Kaleb Hedden:** Iraq

**CPT. Ben Hedges:** US Army, Ft. Knox, KY

**Sgt. Brandon Johnson:** National Guard: Iraq

**LTC. Jason Jones:** US Army-Deputy Director NATO Italy

**Brian A. McDaniel:** Marine Corp

**Tony Pace:** National Guard

**MSgt. Kevin Payne:** Dyess, AFB Abilene, Texas

**Joshua Jones:** Army National Guard Greenville, KY

**Nathan Jones:** Army National Guard Greenville, KY

**Cory Vance:** US Marines

**Scott Wallace:** National Guard

### Prayer Chain Requests:

**Joyce Yeiser:** joyceyeiser5200@gmail.com

### Masses Intentions for April 20-26, 2020

Mon.—Keith Johnson †  
Tues.—Debby Stallings †  
Wed.—Anna Castlen †  
Thurs.—Amanda Storm's birthday  
Fri. ---Jeremy Wathen's birthday  
Sat. — Emily Storm's birthday  
Sun. — Bill Froelich/Parish Family

### Observances for the week of April 19, 2020

**Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Easter or Divine Mercy Sunday

**Monday:**

**Tuesday:** St. Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

**Wednesday:** Earth Day

**Thursday:** St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr

**Friday:** St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr;  
Arbor Day

**Saturday:** St. Mark, Evangelist

**Next Sunday:** 3rd Sunday of Easter

### Live Streaming Sundays at 11 AM from St. Pius X.

Please join us by going to the Parish website:  
[www.stpiustenthparish.org](http://www.stpiustenthparish.org). Let us pray as a "virtual"  
community united in faith on each Sunday until we can  
gather to worship together in person.

### Palm

In regard to the 'shelter at home' policy, palm will NOT  
be distributed until Mass resumes.

~Diocese of Owensboro

### Thank you!

Our kind and generous community has gathered  
together to share their time, monies, talents and  
resources that they have to help those in need. We  
have had several people calling or stopping by needing  
shelter and food and SPX was there to help them during  
this troubled time. Because of your donations, we are  
truly a light shining from the hilltop. Thank you for your  
outpouring of support and Christian goodness!  
SPX Staff

**THANK YOU** to all parish members for your prayers,  
generosity and turning in your pledge cards! *If you have  
not turned in a pledge card, please turn them in as soon  
as possible so we can meet our goal!* If  
you cannot contribute financially, we  
ask that you please still return your  
pledge card and pray for the parish



The diocese begins "**Easter Lights**" on Holy Saturday  
and ends May 31, Pentecost Sunday. Homeowners are  
invited to use the symbol of light on your property as a  
visible reminder that the light of Christ dispels the  
darkness of sin and death. Wrap Christmas lights  
around a door or window or maybe in a door wreath.  
Put candles in windows. Each night, as you 'turn on the  
lights,' you may also light a candle and say a prayer for  
an end to the Pandemic.

**Confirmation** that was scheduled for April 25nd is  
postponed until a later date to be determined by  
Bishop Medley. Come Holy Spirit! First Communion is  
also postponed for now.

### **Bishop Medley has suspended the public celebration of Mass until further notice.**

Bishop Medley had mandated that Solemn Exposition  
and Benediction NOT be publicly celebrated at this  
times as this would invite people to assemble. **The  
church is open daily (8 AM—8 PM)** for private  
adoration before the tabernacle. The sacrament of  
Reconciliation is encouraged. St. Pius X: Saturdays 12-  
1:00 pm or by appointment.

### St. Vincent de Paul

Thank you for your generosity in helping meet the  
needs of others at this time. We have had several  
generous donations from SPX families that have  
allowed us to help the less fortunate at this time.

### Howdy Buckaroos!

St. Pius X VBS is the week of June 22-26, 2020.

The theme is Avalanche Ranch: **A Wild Ride Through  
God's Word. Yahoo!**

And YOU Can Help Make This Happen!

We need an organizer for registration forms. This  
person will be trained to check all registration forms  
for completeness, ensure we have a registration  
form completed for all volunteer helpers, both adult  
and youth, and all participants, and organize the  
registration forms in a manner to be accessed when  
needed. Most registration forms will come in the  
week before and the first morning of VBS. If you are  
interested in helping, and have the gifts and talents  
to complete this, please contact Jeanie Lewis, VBS  
Director, at (270)314-7738 or  
[lewisfamily2008@bellsouth.net](mailto:lewisfamily2008@bellsouth.net).



### ST. PIUS X YOUTH NEWS

Matthew Knight, Youth Minister  
[mknight@stpiustenthparish.org](mailto:mknight@stpiustenthparish.org)

#### MISSION TRIP INFO

**IT'S A GO!!** We are still planning on going to Caruthersville, MO. It will only be canceled if we are still social distancing come middle of June. **THE NEW DEADLINE FOR MONEY IS JUNE 17<sup>TH</sup>**. Due to the current situation we find our selves, we will be ignoring the deadline for the first half of your trip on April 17<sup>th</sup> and just have you turn in the full \$260 on June 17<sup>th</sup>. **GET THOSE LETTERS OUT AND START RAISING MONEY!**

#### Middle and High School Youth

**WEDNESDAY NIGHTS, Until further notice –**

**Online Praise and Worship from 6:00pm-7:00pm**

We have had a ton of success doing a live stream praise and worship with you all. Francis and I will continue to be doing this while we continue to implement social distancing. However, due to having Mass now lived stream on Sundays; **WE WILL BE MOVING THIS TO WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT 6PM**. Francis and I want to give you all multiple opportunities through out the week to be in prayer and praise.

**SUNDAY NIGHTS, Youth Ministry via Zoom – 7pm-8:15pm**

I want you all to be aware of a new experience we are trying out for the next couple of weeks that a company called ProjectYM is doing. They are currently getting big speakers to join their live stream and have made it free to all of us. We will be attending via zoom for our group, but you will also need to have your webpage open to [live.projectym.com](http://live.projectym.com) as we will watch it together and then discuss as a group.

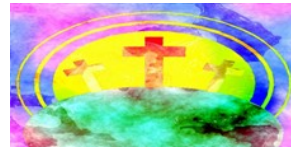
#### Confirmation

**QUICK UPDATE:** Confirmation has been canceled on April 25<sup>th</sup>. We will share more information as we get it. Sorry for the inconvenience. Please contact Matt if you have any questions.

### Families in Faith



*Called to be Missionary Disciples*  
*'We walk with Jesus together.'*  
**Families in Faith**



#### *Divine Mercy Sunday*

#### ALLELUIA POWER IS YOURS/MINE

The picture above reflects the Power of the Cross and Jesus' Resurrection over evil, sin and, most powerfully, over death itself. Our world is in need of Easter. Fifty (50) days will remind us to call on that same power within the power of the Holy Spirit given us.

#### PARENTS—FORMATION ALWAYS

Check your e-mail inbox for a message from your child/ren's catechist. Each (gr. 1-8) will be sending you a weekly lesson to complete at home. There is no need to send a response.

#### COME HOME FOR EASTER

Thinking about a return to the **Catholic Church**? Call Fr. Tom, our Pastor, or Sr. Suzanne, Director of Faith Formation at 270-684-4745 or 270-993-2557.

#### LENTEN RICE BOWLS GIVE MORE

For now, **continue using the Rice Bowls until we gather again as a Community**. Or, you can send a check for CRS to the Parish by mail. Check out this highly regarded Catholic organization on Facebook or web site.

#### CHARITY -- NOT JUST FOR LENT

[www.waterwithblessings.org](http://www.waterwithblessings.org) is another of our Parish Lenten alms practices. Read about the **"Little Bits"** campaign now assisting 100,000+ families in 48 countries, most also fighting the COVID-19 virus. Help more during these weeks at home using your **HOPE** water bottles. **How much water did you use on your last water bill?**

#### JESUS RISEN APPEARS TO THEM

***"Peace be with you." John 20:20***

## Homily

### Pastor's Homily: Divine Mercy Sunday

"Peace be with you!" Jesus appears to the Eleven in the Upper Room and gives them this greeting. In Hebrew the word for peace is *Shalom*. "Shalom be with you."

The Apostles are gathered in this sanctuary of peace where the gift of peace rested upon them on Holy Thursday from the source of all peace, Jesus Prince of Peace.

John tells us why the doors were locked. Fear and anxiety fill the hearts of the Apostles. They are faced with their own suffering and death that may result if they "step into the light" and are identified as followers of Jesus.

Peace is more than the absence of conflict or the kind negotiated by peace treaties and terms. No, this kind of peace goes much deeper. This kind of peace can only come from Christ. As much peace as "shelter in place" behavior and creative homemade masks can provide, they fall short of the peace we all seek from Christ, the Divine Physician and deliverer from COV-ID 19.

The fear of suffering and death created by the Virus has reached fever pitch around the world and draws closer and closer to home each passing day. The worst part is the great unknown as to what is going to happen and to whom.

No one can deny the reality of death associated with the pandemic. It is impossible to silence it. It seems we are unable to dispel the fears associated with it. We cling on to our faith in troubled times. We are guided above all by the light and hope that shines forth from Christ who was victorious over sin and death.

"Do not be afraid!" That was the central message of the Risen Jesus. When Christ says "Peace be with you", he is in effect calming the fears of the Apostles. What he means is that perfect love casts out fear. (1 John 1:4:18) His Resurrection is the definitive proof that goodness how shown itself stronger than evil.

Therefore Christ can say, "Do not be afraid!" "Peace be with you!" He repeats these words to every person, family and nation burdened physically, by grief and mourning, mentally, and spiritually by the Coronavirus.

On this Divine Mercy Sunday we implore God's mercy upon a troubled world. We know God did not create the Virus. We know the Lord is good. We believe his mercy endures forever. Shalom, Peace be with you!



	Week of	Year 2019/20
<i>(fiscal year begins in July)</i>	<b>4/112/2020</b>	<b>To Date</b>
Regular Collections	13,473.54	551,679.96
Easter	285.00	
Budgeted	13,900.00	569,900.00
Over/(Short) <b>TOTAL</b>	<b>(426.16)</b>	<b>(18,220.04)</b>
<b>Renovation Goal</b>	1,500,000.00	
Pledges Received	1,291,496.37	
Money Received	489,543.37	

**For online giving or from your electronic device:**

Web address is: <http://bit.ly/StpxOboro>

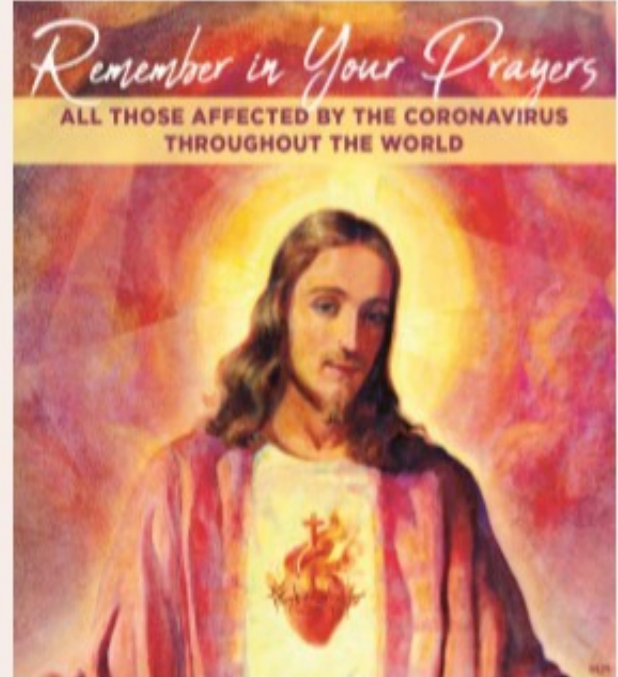
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## **Pope Francis has granted the gift of special Indulgences to the faithful in the current pandemic.**

This includes those suffering from the coronavirus illness, those quarantined, health care workers, family members and others caring for those with coronavirus (exposing themselves to the risk of contagion). Do at least one: Mass through social media, Rosary, Way of the Cross (or other forms of devotion and ALL of the following as soon as possible (Confession, Eucharistic Communion and prayer for the Pope's intentions. The faithful not suffering from the coronavirus can also receive the Indulgence by following the conditions mentioned above and do at least one of the following: Visit the Blessed Sacrament, read Holy Scripture for at least half an hour, Rosary, Way of the Cross, Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

**Grace marriage @ Home** lesson per week for the next month or so. Couples watch an 8-10 minute teaching video and use a downloadable worksheet to apply the principles to their relationship. It takes about 30-45 minutes a week of undistracted time as a couple to go through each lesson.



*Compassionate and Loving Father,  
In the face of confusion and concern  
impart to us the calm of Your presence.  
In You allow us to find hope and healing.  
Be with those who serve the sick and  
give them Your caring hands.  
Be with those who lead and give them  
Your spirit of wisdom.  
Be with those who have fallen ill and  
give them Your comforting heart.  
Wrap Your arms around our world  
and hold us in Your love.  
Allow us at this time of trial to then  
serve as instruments of that love  
to all we meet.  
We ask this in Your Name.  
Amen*

## SACRAMENTS AND EVENTS

### YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Unfortunately Young Adult Ministry will be placed on hold until further notice due to the COVID-19 outbreak. We will be having live streams of Mass every Sunday at 11am as well as a praise and worship on Instagram Live (@matt\_knightt) every Wednesday Night at 6pm. We pray everyone stays safe and healthy. We will resume as soon as social distancing and Mass suspension is lifted.

### Vocations: Save the following date:

- May 23, 2020 – Priestly Ordination of Deacon Stephen Van Lal Than

### Session One "Grace Based Marriage"

You might be familiar with the grace-based vs. performance-based marriage teaching but we want to reach couples who may not have heard this. The reality is, we can never revisit grace enough. The grace of God through Christ is the foundation of the Christian experience, but what does grace look like in marriage? How can our marriages reflect the Gospel? That's exactly what we'll walk through in this session of GraceMarriage@home.

<https://www.gracemarriage.com/grace-marriage-at-home-the-grace-based-marriage/>

### Matthew 9 Mission

A response to Christ's call to pray for vocations. Please sign up in the vestibule on the monthly calendar. More than one person may pray on a particular day and you may choose more than one day a month to pray. This would be a wonderful Lenten prayer time. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office or the vocations office.

### Safe Environment:

To report suspected abuse, call the Kentucky Child Protection Hot Line: 1-877-597-2331 (Toll Free) or contact your local Commonwealth Attorney to report abuse to the diocese, current or past, by anyone acting in the name of the Church, call Louanne Payne, Pastoral Assistance coordinator (English) at 270-852-8380, or Nuria Elizondo, Pastoral Assistance coordinator (Spanish) at 270-880-8360. You may also visit the Office of Safe Environment ([owensborodiocese.org/safe](https://owensborodiocese.org/safe)) for more information.

### **WELCOME AND SACRAMENTS:**

#### **Membership In Parish**

We extend a hearty welcome to all new families or persons in our parish. We want everyone to be part of our faith community and an active member of our vibrant parish life. Please register in the Parish Office.

#### **Marriage**

Call the Parish Office at least six months before the proposed date.

#### **Communion to Shut-Ins**

Any home-bound parishioner wishing to receive Communion is asked to call the Parish Office.

#### **Baptismal Preparation**

The Baptism Formation "Belonging" will be held on the first Tuesday of each month from 6:00-8:00 pm. Parents and Grandparents may attend this 2 hour session before or after the birth of the child. Please call the Office to schedule your session.

#### **RCIA and RCIC**

Those aged 7+ or interested in learning more about the Catholic faith please call the Parish Office. Classes are Thursday evening at 6-7:30.

#### **Anointing of the Sick**

Anointing of the sick is celebrated twice a year and on First Fridays. Anyone wishing to receive the Sacrament at another time is asked to call the Parish Office.

### **PARISH COUNCIL:**

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