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3rd Sunday Easter

Year C

John 21:1-19



"At that time, Jesus revealed himself again to his disciples at the Sea of Tiberias. He revealed himself in this way. Together were Simon Peter, Thomas called Didymus, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, Zebedee's sons, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We also will come with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. When it was already dawn, Jesus was standing on the shore; but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?" They answered him, "No." So he said to them, "Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something." So they cast it, and were not able to pull it in because of the number of fish. So the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord." When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he tucked in his garment, for he was lightly clad, and jumped into the sea. The other disciples came in the boat, for they were not far from shore, only about a hundred yards, dragging the net with the fish. When they climbed out on shore, they saw a charcoal fire with fish on it and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you just caught." So Simon Peter went over and dragged the net ashore full of one hundred fifty-three large fish. Even though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come, have breakfast." And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. This was now the third time Jesus was revealed to his disciples after being raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" Simon Peter answered him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." He then said to Simon Peter a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Simon Peter answered him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." Jesus said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was distressed that Jesus had said to him a third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Amen, amen. I say to you, when you were younger, you used to dress yourself and go where you wanted; but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." He said this signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God. And when he had said this, he said to him, "Follow me."

Recognizing You

by Amy Scott Robinson

Jesus in the garden, newly risen from the dead,
who stood by weeping Mary, and who heard the words she said
as if you were the gardener, till at last your shepherd's voice
called her 'Mary' and with one word gave her reason to rejoice,
Jesus in the garden, ever new but still the same,
help me recognise you in the speaking of my name.

Jesus on the journey, fellow traveller on the road,
who met two sad disciples, walking with them as you showed
the meaning of the scriptures that predicted you would rise,
but only when you blessed the meal could they believe their eyes.
Jesus on the journey, meet me where my hopes have fled,
help me recognise you in the breaking of the bread.

Jesus in the locked room, breaking through despair and doubt,
who comforted your friends when they had shut the whole world out,
who came again for Thomas, and revealed your hands and side
so that he could touch and know you as alive, though you had died.
Jesus in the locked room, breaking through our self-built bars,
help me recognise you in the touching of your scars.

Jesus on the shoreline, cooking breakfast for your friends,
who offered guilty Peter one more chance to make amends,
who filled a net with fish for him, and helped him to recall
the first catch that convinced him to respond to your first call.
Jesus on the shoreline, know my best, forgive my worst,
help me recognise you in the way I met you first.



ACTS 2:42 GROUPS
IN MISSION AS A ECCLESIASTIC PEOPLE
YEAR OF MISSION

*"They devoted themselves to the teachings of the apostles,
the communal life, the breaking of the bread & prayer"*
Next Meeting May 11 at 1:30pm @ St Pius

St. Pius X Mass Schedule

+ **Weekend Mass**
Saturday- 4:30 pm
Easter Sunday- 10:00 am
+ **Daily Mass**
Tuesday – 6:00 pm
Wednesday-8:00 am
Thursday-8:00 am
Friday-8:00 am
Eucharist Adoration

Visit our Website www.stpiusx.us

Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday May 4, 2025
Acts 5:27-41/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19
Monday Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday Acts 7:51—8:1a/Jn 6:30-35
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 Masses

+ **Weekend Mass**
Sunday- 8:00 am
+ **Daily Masses**
Wednesday-9:00 am
Friday-9:00 am

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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Parish Office Hours

Tuesday -- Thursday

9:00 am-2:00 pm



Pastor's Study Desk Notes



Dear St Anthony & St Pius Families, 3rd Easter Sunday Year C John 20:19-31

Backsliding? Jesus had taught the apostles, “No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God”(Lk 9:62). Yet, after Jesus’ death, Peter seems to go back to what he knows – fishing! Is he slipping backward from faith in Christ, to his previous self-reliance? Or just trying to get his mind off the tragic events that have just happened? Many people suggest that one coping mechanism to deal with grief is to ‘keep active’ and ‘maintain a routine’. I understand this advice to mean we should not just crawl into a cave to dwell on the overwhelming sadness and loss (memories, etc). Instead, a person can process grief better by keeping engaged in their daily activity around people and keep to their regular schedule of duties and programs (even hobbies/sports). The maintenance of such normal routines will moderate the otherwise overwhelming emotions that tend to sweep away our sense of reality. So, maybe to deal with his loss and Jesus’ absence, Peter decides to return to what he knew best before Jesus: Fishing! Yet, it could also be that deep within Peter, he may have thought that if he returned to where he first met Jesus (Lk 5:3-11), then he’d find confirmation or comfort about what exactly he should do next: that if he returned to the same place where he was first called into discipleship by Jesus (seashore with net in hand), then he might more clearly know what his next vocational steps should be in life ‘post-Jesus’.

But regardless of what we do, Jesus knows us and knows where to find us! Jesus always meets us where we are, and then walks with us farther down the road toward the Kingdom! We see this same action over in Luke’s gospel when Jesus goes to find and recover the two disciples on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24:). Jesus comes up to them as they walk along the road, meeting them where they are, and leads them to where they need to be! So with today’s gospel of Jesus’ seeking out Peter and the apostles on the seashore to call them again, He meets them where they are and rekindles the fire of their vocations to resume discipleship with Him. Always the Good Shepherd, Jesus seeks us out and brings us home – reconnecting us to Himself and His Flock (John 10:1-10). He walks us to the place where we belong! This reunion scene on the seashore is a great example of Jesus patiently letting us first “go our own way”, unfortunately with us learning the hard way (again, how many times?) that we can do nothing without Him. Jesus respects our freedom, in which we make our own mistakes. Perhaps a haunting but very instructive question from Jesus is “Children, have you caught anything?” (John 21:5) Of course, without God, we do ‘Nothing’. So of course, Peter and his crew catch nothing apart from Jesus -as they doing their own thing again. But back with Jesus, everything good, comes to us again.

This is quite the dramatic scene of redemption. Notice the attention that Jesus gives to the most prominent sinner in the group -Peter. Peter is the one who denied Jesus publicly three times (John). But Jesus being ever the merciful savior, He works with Peter again, allowing Peter to be part of his own redemption. Jesus has Peter three times publicly (in front of the apostles) affirm love and affiliation with Him (John). But more than Jesus helping Peter un-do his sinful harm, making right his wrong, I love how Jesus reveals a remedy for avoiding sin altogether: deny oneself and direct our energy toward others instead. Each affirmation of love that Peter utters to Jesus, Jesus then redirects Peter out of preoccupation with himself to focus upon the need of others, by saying “1) Feed, 2) Tend, 3) Feed my sheep!” Isn’t that so true? When I get out of myself and focus on helping other people, I can find relief from the anguish of my worry (rooted in pride/sin). When I seek to alleviate the suffering of others, my suffering dissipates. Not only do I realize how petty my own problems are, when compared to the greater need of others, I can also constructively contribute to good by helping them receive a little relief. When I reach out to help others, I can get over my own issues (There but for the grace of God, go I!) The 12 step program of AA speaks about promises that come about fulfilled, when we surrender our own wills to serve God’s will, one of them being that “If I do what I can for others, then I’ll discover that God does for me, what I cannot do for myself!” Turning my life over to God, and being directed by His loving will, brings a serenity and peace I could never achieve selfishly. It is God’s work in me, as I rejoin His will and company! Peace and Prayers, Fr brian

Pius X Parish Council Meeting Thurs @ 5:00 pm
Chair Person, Secretary & Finance, Spiritual Life, FFY & Religious Ed
Social Program/Outreach, Building & Ground Comttee
Returning Members: Debbie Anspach, Stacey Newby
Welcome New Members: Amanda Gentry, Allison Devine,
Philip Scheidegger & Karen Williams.

Jesus’ Last Seven Words from Cross Study & Discussion
Every Tuesday Night from 6:30-7:30pm Come study this
classic devotion to Jesus’ preaching from the pulpit of the cross
itself. Scripture study and Lenten focus on deepening prayer.

St Pius X Mass Intentions May 5– May 11		
Tuesday	6:00 pm	<i>Rodney Wheatley</i>
Wednesday	8:00 am	<i>Tony Horn</i>
Thursday	8:00 am	<i>Charles Fischer</i>
Friday	8:00 am	<i>Florence & John Sharkey</i>
Saturday	4:30 pm	<i>Donald Mock</i>
Sunday	10:00am	<i>All Mothers</i>
WEEKLY DONATIONS		
Parish Hall Donation (4/27/25)	\$	510.00
Budget for 2024/2025 Fiscal Year	\$	195,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$	3,750.00
Weekly Donation (4/27/25)	\$	3,293.50
Online Giving (4/27/25)	\$	968.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 4/27	\$	4,261.50
Fiscal Year to Date	\$	208,363.14

Congratulations to the First Communion Class!

*Oliver Anderson Fletcher Bradley
Ravlan Hayden Marlie Schiaretta*

Thank you Quilters! Thank you for your dedicated work quilting to benefit the parishes, fundraising with your raffles. You raised \$930.00 for the St Pius Building fund.
Congratulations to Mandy Gentry on winning the Quilt!

Gasper River Camp Volunteers needed!

Hey Catholics (especially guys), we need your help! Registrations are pouring into our office for summer camp 2025. We need volunteer counselors to come and help out with young people who have signed up for camp. If you care about young people, are trying your best to live a devoted life and want to know Jesus better, then sign up to be a volunteer counselor! Please call 270-781-2466 to apply or go to www.gasperiweretreatcenter.org

Rosary for Vocations: Vocation Director Fr. Daniel Dillard would like every parish to have at least one person commit to pray a rosary for vocations each day for a year. Would you consider praying just one rosary per month for vocations?



Happy Birthday! May 4 – May 10 St. Pius

May 5 Cole Blazina
May 5 Nancy Forsythe
May 6 Miles Doughty
May 8 Kason Grief
May 10 Susan Padgett

Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X

May 5 Jan & Jean Waniel
May 5 Wes & Victoria Duzmal

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, May 10, 2025				
Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Volunteer	Liz Medley	Jeff Riedfort Charlotte Riedfort Amy Crass	George Humphreys (Greeter) Paula Humphreys (Greeter)	
Mass Assignments: Sunday, May 11, 2025				
Volunteer	Amanda Scheidegger	Diane Witowski Caleb King Jimmy Harbison	Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer	Jan Waniel Jean Waniel

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>).



**PRAY FOR
UKRAINE**

Remember in Prayer

St. Pius X: Erin Hamilton, Kathy Sanderson, Greg Williams, Judy Ayers, Pat Hobbs, Keisha Bradley Janet Norvell, Iris Joelle Maynard, Megan Mudd, Theresa Owens, Sara Repovich, Kaye Hinkebein, Amanda Scheidegger, Olga Edwards, Diane Fischer Russell Tomlinson, Paula Willett, Kent & Kim Henry, Leah Vincek, Rick Wilson, Ashley Hayden, Donna Barrix, David Crass, Helen Nicholson, Bonita Walker, Joe Hedges, Jerry Wade, Katie Wood, Joanna Grimes, Amanda Bailey, Kaileigh Row, Pam Laibl, David Kroll, Henry Feezor, Lisa Hammond, Bennett Meisenheimer, Wes Hayes, Mike Norvell, Maryann Huebschmann, 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, Betty Derry, Scott Hamilton, Connie Burt, Abigail Huebschmann, 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. Anthony Pellegrin.

Pray for Our Military

St. Pius X: Cameron Thomason, 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 1st Sunday Every Month

Bazaar Workshop at St Anthony Every Tuesday at 9:00 am – Every Tuesday & all parishioners invited to come participate in helping craft gifts for the annual bazaar fundraiser. See the list of items and materials that anyone can donate. Also, volunteer help is always needed too! Come have fun crafting!



Next Lunch Bunch gathering in May 15

Come and bring a side or dessert to Lunch Bunch 11:30

Hope Clinic Baby Bottle Collection: Please bring back your bottles to turn in to Hope Clinic!

Mt St Joseph Quilt of Month Club: Tickets are still available! Only 2500 sold.. There are still 11 chances to win a new handmade quilt -- for just \$25 . A lucky winner's name is drawn on the first Friday of each month from April 2025 through March 2026. Watch the drawings live on the Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph Facebook page at noon Central Time: www.facebook.com/ursulinesmsj. Quilts made Ursuline Sisters Associates Call 270-229-2008.

All-Day Adoration on Friday June 6

St Anthony Church 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.

First Saturdays Honor the Blessed Mother:

First Saturday Mass on June 7 @ 8:00am. Every first Saturday we offer mass and pray the rosary



St Anthony Birthdays May 4– May 10

May 3 Steve Wilkes

May 8 Cathy Ritorto

St Anthony Anniversaries:

No anniversaries this week

St Anthony Wednesday Bible Study

Come join us every Wednesday at 10:00-11:00 for a study of John's Gospel. We are using Dr Brant Pitre materials to guide our study and discussion. Bring your Bible & come learn about the 4th gospel



St. Anthony of Padua

Mass Intentions

May 5 – May 11

Wednesday	9:00 am	Jared Wheatley
Friday	9:00 am	Charles Thurman, Sr
Sunday	8:00 am	All Mothers

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2024-June 2025)	\$ 73,500.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 4/27/2025	\$ 1,573.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 93,966.50



FOOD PANTRY

Food Items Especially Needed: *Saltine Crackers, Hamburger Helper*, 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, wipes, feminine hygiene products. Collection container is in back of the church for your donated items.

St Anthony Mass Assignments – May 11 2025

Lector	Wayne Bradshaw
Eucharistic Ministers	Jeff Ritorto Shara Parrish
Ushers/Greeters	Kevin Diesen Kevin Diamond
Server	Juan Gonzalez
Money Counters	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond

**CONSIDER ATTENDING DAILY MASS
OR WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

St Anthony Prayer List: Theresa Owens, Kathy Johansen, Jeff Ritorto, Cathy Ritorto, Betty Gonzalez, Elena Carey, Donna & Jon Gresham, Bob Decker, Bill Rodgers, Tom & Margie Sheppard, Bob Tashjian, Mr. Driskill, Pat Gorbett, Imogene Ramey.

Pray for our Military

Kevin Rapp, 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

Kevin Diamond	Chair Person
Judy Forsythe	Spiritual Life/ Secretary
Shara Parish	Finance
Kelly Noonan	Building & Ground
David Loxley	Social Concerns/Events
Steve Wilkes	Faith Formation

Next Meeting June 18, Wed @ 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