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3rd Sunday Easter Year B Lk 24:35-48



"The two disciples recounted what had taken place on the way, and how Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of bread. While they were still speaking about this, he stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." But they were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. Then he said to them, "Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have." And as he said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While they were still incredulous for joy and were amazed, he asked them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of baked fish; he took it and ate it in front of them. He said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

'Passion Flowers & Easter Lilies'

By Mary Bissell Waterman

In this brief changing life of ours,
Mingling with sweet and fragrant flowers,
The Passion Flowers entwine;
They speak of pain and bitter tears,
Of buried hopes, and fruitless years.
Of sweat of Blood Divine.

But when the purple clusters droop,
Behold the flowers that whisper Hope,
E'en by the stone sealed tomb;
For what in Life can bring despair
If close beside each grief and care
The Easter Lilies bloom?

Spiritual Thought for the Week

"How could it occur to twelve poor men, & unlettered ones at that, who had spent their lives on lakes and rivers, to undertake such a work? They, who had perhaps never set foot in a city or a square, how could they think of facing the whole earth? [...] Rather, shouldn't they have said to themselves: "In his life he failed to conquer a single nation and we, with his name alone, should conquer the whole world?" Wouldn't it be crazy to undertake such a mission, or even to simply think about it? It is therefore evident that if they had not seen him resurrected and had not had irrefutable proof of his power, they would never have exposed themselves to such a risk.

(John Chrysostom, Hom. in 1 Corinthians, 4, 4 --PG 61, 35).

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

Visit our Website www.stpiusx.us

Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday April 14, 2024

Acts 3:13-19/1 Jn 2:1-5a/ Lk 24:35-48
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

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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 Sunday Easter Year B

Luke 24:35-48

"Show me." Our friends or family from Missouri could summarize today's gospel with that phrase found on many of their license plates still, **"Show me"**. We are reading another post-resurrection appearance of Jesus, after He has appeared to Mary Magdalene, then the eleven, and then two disciples on the road to Emmaus. And in today's reading He seems to have circled back to the group of gathered apostles/ disciples in Jerusalem. I am always amazed at their stunned/scared responses to the Resurrected Jesus. Here, Luke 24:37, says they are **'startled and terrified'** at His sudden appearance among them. The verse goes on to suggest that they think what they are seeing is a 'ghost', or a projected mirage of their mind. Not at all to be confused with the **Holy Ghost**, that third person of the Trinity will not make a formal entrance among the Apostles until Pentecost, which is still about four weeks away! The apostles speculate that they may just be 'seeing things' in thin air (mind playing tricks – hypoxia?) SO, to meet them where they are (*Jesus always meets us where we are!*), Jesus offers a double-demonstration of proof: 1) 'Come touch me with your own hands', and 2) 'give me something to eat and I will eat in front of you live!' Firstly, similar to the proving demonstration he offers to Thomas that Thomas physically approach & touch/handle Him, where He said, 'place your finger in my wounded side – feel its depth' (John 20:27), Jesus here also invites His disciples to actually touch, hold and feel his body (it's real!) Luke 24:39 "a ghost does not have **flesh and bones as you can see I have.**" And then secondly, Jesus asks them for food to eat to show that He is not some projected hologram-picture but that He actually has a physical, functioning body. He can bite, chew, swallow, and digest food just like them! Luke 24:42-43 "They gave him a piece of baked fish; he took it and **ate it in front of them**" I suspect that His offer for them to watch Him eat, has a little to do with His three-day fast in the tomb, too, as His skin had probably tightened to His bones over that sedentary period of not eating/drinking (& likely very hungry too – remember that he mentioned being 'thirsty' even before he died -John 19:28). But certainly, Jesus' **'hands on'** demonstration was a sign of proof for them, to meet their 'show me' challenge. Yes, Jesus is real and alive again in their presence!

Following this fish appetizer from them, Jesus blesses the gathered apostles/disciples to a personal scripture study, wherein He **showed them** all the bible passages that referred to Him, interpreting them in the light of His life, death & resurrection. That makes another demonstration! I have always thought of how awesome such an 'in person' scripture study with Jesus Himself, must have been. (*Imagine your favorite author interpreting his/her great works of writing to you personally, by sitting down and pointing out all the meaning and intention behind every word in their writing - What a treasure it would be, to be able to sit down personally with Emily Dickinson and she read/interpret her poems to me one on one!*) Well, Jesus had just shared such a bible study with the two disciples on the Road to Emmaus, as Luke 24:27 describes it, "*Beginning with Moses and all the prophets, He interpreted to them what referred to him in all the scriptures.*" And so now, Jesus offers that class again here to all of the group as Luke 24:44-45 records Jesus saying, "*These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled.*" Then He opened their minds to understand the scriptures." Wow! From the author's own mouth, God interprets for us what God means and has accomplished through His own prophecy, songs and teaching (Moses, prophets & psalms). Yet, for all of us, it is all written down in the scriptures now for us to seek and discover too.

I love how our celebration of every Mass incorporates Jesus' method of scripture study. The first half of Mass, the Liturgy of the Word has three scripture passages read as an introduction (two readings and a psalm) to then hearing the gospel proclaimed every Sunday. The first reading is always an Old Testament reading (the prophecies expecting a Messiah) followed by a sung psalm response. Then, we hear a New Testament letter from the church (Paul, James, John, Jude, Peter) or Church History (Acts of Apostles & Revelation), before another song-an Alleluia and then finally the gospel is proclaimed/read to us. The Gospel fulfills the Old Testament Prophecy and I suspect this is the great 'insight' that the disciples have when they hear Jesus put it all together for them. Jesus pointed out all the references to Himself throughout all the Old Testament. Jesus showed them how He **embodied** all the prophetic indications found in the words of the Old Covenant. St Augustine taught it this way, that "The new [testament] is in the **old concealed**; the old testament is in the **new revealed.**" (*from St. Augustine, Quaest. in Hept. 2,73: PL 34, 623*). I love how every celebration of Mass also repeats the pattern of unfolding experience shared between Jesus and those two disciples on road to Emmaus (they met along the Way, conversed and discussed scripture, then moved into sharing a holy meal of Christ's own Body/Blood, before taking to the roads again, sharing the message with others (Luke 24). That is something to pray about as we keep moving through the Easter Season ourselves! Peace, Fr Brian

St Pius X Parish Council Meeting Thurs Apr 25 @ 5:30 pm

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

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!

APRIL 14, 2024 + 3RD SUNDAY EASTER YEAR B



Acts 2:42 next Meeting May 5, St Pius@ 1:30 pm

St Pius X Mass Intentions April 15 – April 21		
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Danissa Lewis Mudd
Wednesday	8:00 am	James Hobbs
Thursday	8:00 am	Sally Anne Klohr
Friday	8:00 am	All Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	4:30 pm	Ruby Nell Humphreys
Sunday	10:00 am	First Communicants
WEEKLY DONATIONS		
Parish Hall Donation (4/7/24)	\$	379.00
Budget for 2022/2023 Fiscal Year (July 2023-June 2024)	\$	195,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$	3,750.00
Weekly Donation (4/7/24)	\$	3,356.50
Online Giving (4/7/24)	\$	1,298.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 4/7	\$	4,654.50
Fiscal Year to Date	\$	181,270.83

Pray for our First Communion Class – April 21

Gavin Devine
Dylan Coursey
Miles Doughty
Harrison Shupe

Keep in your prayer our Confirmation Class

to be confirmed by Bishop Medley Apr 27
Max Canon, Pax Canon, Dorothy Schmidt,
Addison Peterson, Kason Peterson

We miss & pray for **John/Marilyn Brooks** who moved away recently. Send a card to them to wish them well.
202 Walton Ferry Rd # 36, Hendersonville, TN 37075

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**

Birthdays & Anniversaries: Apr 14– Apr 20

Happy Birthday! St. Pius X

April 14 Michael Canon
April 15 Tyler Anderson
April 19 Debra Boughton

Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X

No anniversaries this week

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, April 20, 2024

Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Volunteers	Nancy Glover	Suzette Whittington Jeff Riedfort Charlotte Riedfort	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	

Mass Assignments: Sunday, April 21, 2024

Dominic Schiaretti Franky Schiaretti	Pam Hurst	Paula Schmidt Kelli King Jimmy Harbison	Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer	Jan Waniel Jean Waniel
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FFY Schedule of Classes and Events

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)	Hall & Church
SUNDAY	April 21	10:00 AM	First Communion Mass	Church
Wednesday	April 24	6:00 – 7:30	Meal & Class (Confirmation Practice)	Hall & Church
SATURDAY	April 27	10:30 AM	Confirmation Mass With Bishop Medley	Church

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 Longworth, 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

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 Page Announcements

Coffee/ Doughnuts 1st Sunday Every Month

Quilters group at St Anthony Every Tuesday
Contact Georgia Bradshaw for details. Quilters gather and work on their community quilt together.

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 Coning 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 Judt Forsythe 612-245-3636 to RSVP.

Hope Clinic Baby Bottles -Please Return your collection bottles and thank you for participating!

All-Day Adoration on 1st Friday May 3

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 May 4 @ 8:00am. Every first Saturday we offer mass and pray the rosary



St Anthony Birthdays Apr 14 – Apr 20

No birthdays this week

St Anthony 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

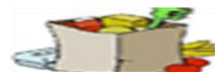
April 15 – April 21

Wednesday	9:00 am	<i>Larry Muzzy</i>
Friday	9:00 am	<i>Dr Sidney Edds</i>
Sunday	8:00 am	<i>Tom & Rita Marshall</i>

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2022/2023 Fiscal Year (July 2023-June 2024)	\$ 73,500.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 4/7/2024	\$ 2,287.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 76,117.13

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



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 – April 21, 2024

Lector	Wayne Bradshaw
Eucharistic Ministers	Jeff Ritorto Steve Wilkes
Ushers/Greeters	Vern & Georgia Hunsley
Server	Juan Gonzalez
Money Counters	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond

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

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

- † **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