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SEASON of EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

3 April 2016

TODAY

Lord's Day Liturgy8:30am & 10:30am

MONDAY | April 4 | The Annunciation of the Lord Is 7:10-14. 8:10/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Men's Bible Study (Room #101)Prayer Shawl (McDuffee)5:30pm

Catholic Divorce Group (PC LL #4)Golf Meeting (McDuffee)7pm

TUESDAY | April 5

Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3:7-15

Mass in Chapel (+Sara Dreyer)
 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Chapel)
 9am-7pm

WEDNESDAY | April 6 *Acts* 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21

Mass in Church (+Matilda Homrich)
 6:30pm

THURSDAY | April 7 | St. John Baptist de la Salle, Priest *Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36*

Journey Through Grief (Pc LL #1)
 K of C General Membership Meeting (DH)
 7pm

FRIDAY | April 8 Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15

Mass in Church (+Rose Stewart)
 8:30am

SATURDAY | April 9 *Acts* 6:1-7/Jn 6:16-21

Reconciliation/Confessions (Church)
 Contemporary Choir Practice (Church)
 4-4:45pm
 4:30pm

LORD'S DAY LITURGIES | April 10, 2016
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 5:27-32, 40-41 / Rv 5:11-14 / Jn 21:1-19

5:30pm Saturday

+Evelyn Ringenberg +Joe Foy

8:30am Sunday Parish Family

10:30am Sunday

+Eileen Kohmescher

Weekend of April 9 & 10

- ●Blood Pressure Readings ~ after all Masses (McDuffee)
- Parish Breakfast ~ after both Sunday Masses
- •Middle School Edge ~ Sunday 5:30pm





Lent & Easter 2016

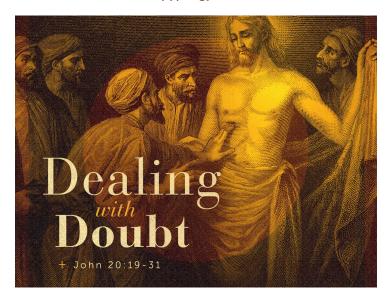
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Living in Mercy

We cannot hide. No out-of-the-way room, no locked door keeps the Risen Christ away from us. He finds the way to us day after day. We recognize him, both in his repeated Easter greeting ("Peace be with you.") and in his badges beyond death (resurrected wounds in hands and side). We recognize him in bread and wine transformed.

We recognize him in those who father with us—those near, those across the room, those in between. Jesus is seen on Sunday. And we are seen by him, with him, in him. Like doubting-to-Believing Thomas, we put our fingers and hands on him. And like the disciples, he breathes on us mercy and forgiveness.

- Who needs mercy and forgiveness this week?
- Who needs my merciful forgiveness?
 Perhaps it is someone I love. Perhaps it is someone I don't.

Prepare for next week: Read and reflect on The Third Sunday of Easter (beginning on pg. 237) in the "Living Liturgy" missal.



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Parish & Formation Office Hours:

9-Noon; I-5pm Mon-Thurs 9-Noon on Fridays

Parish Book of Prayer — This book near the main church entrance is for your prayers of intercession or gratitude. They are part of the intentions at Mass.

Parish Membership — Count yourself in! If you worship with us regularly, kindly register as a parishioner. You'll receive parish mailings, and it will help us provide pastoral care should you need it. Contact 532-9344; or parishoffice@spxcatholic.org.

Infant Baptisms are celebrated at various times throughout the year. If you believe raising your child in our Catholic faith is one of your most important duties as a parent, call the parish office.

Sacrament of Marriage — The lifelong covenant between a man and a woman is a sign of God's covenant with us. At least six months of prayer and preparation are needed before entering this commitment. Please contact Fr. Chris as soon as you are engaged. Couples celebrating an anniversary ending in a "0" or "5" may request a special blessing.

OTHER MARRIAGE RESOURCES: www.foryourmarriage.org/

Pastoral Care of the Sick — If you or a loved one are seriously ill, homebound, or anticipating surgery, please contact Marjorie Flores or Fr. Chris in the parish office. The hospitals do not contact us.

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An Easter View from 40th & Wilson



FR. CHRIS ROUECH frchris@spxcatholic.org

hat are the Works of Mercy?
The Sunday of "Divine Mercy" is as good a time as any to talk about what that Catholic tradition has called the "corporal and spiritual works of mercy."

Listing the 14 works of mercy is easy; appreciating their breadth takes time. Let's begin with the corporal works of mercy: feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, visit the



imprisoned, shelter the homeless, visit the sick, and bury the dead. Where do these come from? Six derive from the Final Judgment

teaching in Matthew 25: "What you do for the least of these, you do for me." The seventh is grounded in traditional Hebrew respect for the body.

The spiritual works of mercy are next: admonish the sinner, instruct the ignorant, counsel the doubtful, comfort the sorrowful, bear wrongs patiently, forgive all injuries, and pray for the living and the dead. These teachings are gathered from the New Testament and 2 Maccabees in Hebrew scripture. This eclectic list was compiled later than the first to balance the temporal (worldly) and spiritual obligations we owe each other. -Alice L. Camille

The Holy Year of Mercy: Reflections ~ Collect all six

Here's a challenge: Complete all six works of mercy listed in Matthew 25. Be creative: You can literally give someone a glass of water, or provide a lonely person with the company for which he or she spiritually thirsts. You might participate in the diocesan prison ministry, or send financial support to an interfaith group like Prisoner Visitation and Support (PVC). You may care for an ill family member or someone who's sick at heart because of a difficult experience. Keep the list posted and see how many ways your family can find to serve the poor.

Building Improvement Feasibility study to begin

After extensive planning, a **Campus and Facilities Master Plan** has been developed and will soon be mailed to each parish household. The plan is exciting and parish leadership are very pleased how it positions our parish to continue providing the benefits and blessings of our mission.

The next step will be a "parish-wide feasibility study" to obtain parishioner feed-back about the facilities plans that support our mission as a Catholic community. The feasibility study includes a combination of mailed surveys as well as some individual personal interviews.

We have hired The Breton Group consulting company to help gather and sort through parishioner feedback. You'll be hearing more about this important feasibility study following Spring Break. Until then, we pray that God's will be done here at St. Pius X Parish.

With a Grateful Heart

MEGHAN SCHAUT music@spxcatholic.org

Blessed and renewed is how I felt having been able to lead the music during Holy Week and Easter. What joy filled our parish! Your singing and full participation is so uplifting, and of all the parishes I know, you are the best singing congregation. During my maternity leave, I have been fortunate to rely on such a dedicated, faithful, and talented group of musicians. Our Choir, Teens, Guitar group and Cantors kept everything going seamlessly in my absence. I couldn't have asked for better subs, both parishioners, Jack Emaus and Erin Wegener, and to Julie Slezak who played at some funerals. I'm also grateful for the help of the St. Pius X staff who gracefully took over anything necessary to keep the music ministry running smoothly, and to Fr. Chris who inspires us not only with beautiful Masses, but his attention to detail. All of you together make St. Pius X so special. I look forward to worshipping with you again on April 16-17 when my maternity leave officially ends. In the meantime, please pray for Luka David to miraculously become a calm, content baby!



Faith Formation | Religious Education

ELIZABETH POST epost@spxcatholic.org

START SAVING YOUR CANS! Our 2nd Annual "Fill the Bus" with returnable cans and bottles is the week of April 30 & May 1. We are raising money for Sr. Luvia's orphanage in Haiti. These are very difficult times for Sr. Luvia's neighborhood, due to political unrest in Haiti as the nation is still without a president. Your prayers and your returnable cans are appreciated.

ELEMENTARY FORMATION: There are no Elementary Faith Formation sessions March 23 to April 10 due to Easter and Spring Break. Classes resume April 13th.

MIDDLE SCHOOL EDGE is next Sunday, April 10, at 5:30pm.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

NOVEL READERS BOOK CLUB meets at 7pm Monday, May 9, in McDuffee to discuss *Boy, Snow, Bird* by Helen Oyeyemi. Contact Linda Stray (lindastray@yahoo.com or 249-8034) or Mary Boehm (meb2904@aol.com or 538-9635) with inquires.



ATTENTION YOUNG ADULTS: The next Veritas retreat is being held April 8-10 at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Grand Rapids. Veritas is an opportunity for young adult men and women, ages 18-35, to discover and express their Catholic faith. The weekend consists of talks, music, and activities focused on recognizing the role God plays in our everyday life. The program is filled with practical information, which you can immediately apply to your daily life. Email Kathy at kannmcf@gmail.com or go to www.catholic-veritas.org/grand-rapids for more information.



High School Youth Ministry



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NO SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE tonight or April 10...however...the youth room will be open on April 10 from 7-8:30pm.

VISIT AQUINAS COLLEGE on Friday, April 15...this is for all high school junior and seniors interested in Aquinas College. The Admissions Office invites you to come and discover what life at AQ is really all about. Get the inside scoop on academics, athletics, scholarships, service learning, study abroad, and more. Visit www.aquinas.edu/undergraduate.

Starting this fall, Aquinas will offer the only Bachelor of Science in Translation and Interpretation in the state of Michigan.

THE MYSTERY BUS TOUR ~ Departure from Holy Redeemer Saturday, April 16 ~ 11am-5:45pm

Join fellow teens (8th-12th grades) from Holy Name of Jesus, Holy Redeemer, and St. Sebastian as we do outreach programs in the Grand Rapids area. All locations are a mystery. **You must wear** jeans/khaki pants and tennis shoes. Lunch and dinner will be provided. Contact me to reserve a

dinner will be provided. Contact me to reserve a spot...permission slips are due today (4/3).

50+ Annual Event ~ Save the Date...Saturday, May 14

The high school teens are inviting all 50 Plussers to this annual event...more details to follow.



HIGH SCHOOL SPRING RETREAT was an awesome time of reflection, relationship building, overcoming fears (except the girl's fear of snakes in their sleeping quarters), sharing, letting go of baggage and fun. All eight chaperones felt truly blessed to have spent the weekend with 37 incredible teens!

HELP FOR TROUBLED MARRIAGES

Feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Constantly fighting? Frustrated with one another? If you aren't sure what to do, but want to try to save your marriage, there is help available! A Retrouvaille weekend is **April 8-10** in Grand Rapids. Contact the Retrouvaille community at 616-752-7004 or retrouvaille.org.

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WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: Increase the love and romance in your marriage by attending a Worldwide

Marriage Encounter. It will help you renew and enrich your marriage—and your faith too. An upcoming get-away weekend is April 15-17 at St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt. Details: www.wwme.org or contact Harry & Karen Porter at 888-628-7433.



THAT MAN IS YOU! Will be on break for a few weeks for Easter and Spring Break. It will start up again Saturday, April 16. It's not too late to join! It's a great group of guys looking to grow in their faith, be better husbands, fathers, and Catholics. Come see what its about!

PARISH BREAKFAST is April 10...plan on joining us after the Sunday Masses; we'll have pancakes, eggs, donut holes, sausage and more.

Men of the Parish, we are looking for your help at the breakfast. We need help setting up, serving, and cleaning. Shifts start at 8am and go until 2pm...you can help part of the time or the full time. Contact the parish office to help!

50+ BREAKFAST AT RUSS' on Chicago Drive in Grandville for breakfast on Friday, April 15 after the 8:30am Mass. Contact the parish office to RSVP. All are welcome! **Next Event:** May 25—Meijer Japanese Garden Tour; more details to follow.

TRIVIA NIGHT: The Marriage Ministry would like you to attend our next couple's night on Saturday, April 16 at 6:30pm. We are having a trivia night with a



catered dinner. The cost is only \$20 per couple. Sign up online at https://marriedtrivia16 (case sensitive) or call the Parish Office; deadline to register is April 11. Childcare will be provided, but you must sign up your children ahead of time. Questions, contact me via email or call the Parish Office.

WELCOMING BRUNCH: Have you joined the parish in the past year? Have questions or would like to meet more parishioners? Join us for our brunch on Sunday, April 17 after the 10:30 Mass. We'll have some great food and good people Contact the parish office to RSVP or online at bit.ly/springbrunch16 (case sensitive).

ST. PIUS X MINISTRY FAIR ~ Disciples Respond: Are you looking to get involved or wondering what the parish may have to offer? Plan on attending our Ministry Fair in Danner Hall after the Masses on April 23-24. We'll have treats and parishioners will be on hand to answer questions and share what they are a part of. No need to RSVP, just show up!

Mass Assignments for April 9 & 10

LITURGICAL MINISTERS TRAINING ON AED: We are blessed to have two AED's at St. Pius X. Learn how to use these lifesaving devices on April 21 at 7pm in the McDuffee Room. Call the parish office by April 18 to reserve your spot; class size is limited to 25.

Mass	5:30pm	8:30am	10:30am
Cord.	Marilyn Hartwell	Mike & Brenda Grandy	Frank Cegelis
Greeters	Dorothy Lemmon	Jim & Georgianne Everhart	Dolores Jesnek
	Donna Vaughn	Sandy Grandy	Molly Jesnek
	Chris & Michelle Visscher	Emmy Ziegler	John & Chantal Porterfield
Servers	Emily Hartwell	Gabrielle Alvesteffer	Brendon McKinley
	Matthew Hartwell	Luke Alvesteffer	Ryan Minnick
	Volunteer Needed	Walter Alvesteffer	Zack Valko
Eucharistic Ministers	Mo Belliel Mattie Conlon Mary Cook Nick Dabbous Nancy Hoekstra Angie Lemont Harold Lemont Paula Seguna Andrew Smith	Dave Bristol Mary Bristol Judy Clinger Brenda Grandy Mike Grandy Tony Grandy Ellen Halfmann Nancy Hogerheide Barry Waters	Monique Bassett Dolores Jesnek Kathleen Kelly Meg Lyons Pat Milanowski Mike Miller Jacob Ruemenapp Kate Ruemenapp Andrew Sundstrom Nick Sundstrom Mike Tyler Nam Vu Susan Wise
Lector	Jerry Hoogterp	Justin Noordhoek	Brenda Bargenquast
	Maria denBoer	Jan Sartorius	Dana Fillmore
LWC			Bill McGinnis
	Usher Team: H	Usher Team: W	Usher Team: J

Growing in Christ
Weekly Stewardship Report

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT — What if the disciples stayed locked in the upper room afraid? There's a good chance we wouldn't have our Catholic faith. When I think about my life, there are times I "lock up" what God may be calling me to share. It could be my thoughts, feelings, money, or even my gifts and talents. Like the disciples shortly after Jesus' death, fear usually plays a part in not wanting to be a steward of them. I may be afraid of getting hurt, rejected, or at times failing. When I do this though, it limits what God can do through me and the things I am called to offer. God wants you and me to play an active role in building up the Kingdom. We do this by being stewards, overcoming fear or doubt, and offering up what little we may have. In doing so, God can transform the world in great and small ways. How can you be a better steward this Easter Season? Andy Rebollar, Pastoral Associate for Parish Life.

Time and Talent

MASS ATTENDANCE

Mar. 26 & 27: 8:30pm—284 | 8:30am—668 | 10:30am—787

CHRISTIAN SERVICE FOOD PANTRY would like to say "thank you" to the parishioners at St. Pius X. Because of your generosity 14 families from St. Pius X and St. Joseph the Worker received food and Easter Baskets. All the families were so appreciative and felt very blessed.

THANK YOU to all those who gave a dish for the Easter Reception last Saturday; they were greatly appreciated. A special thank you to Joan Baker, Agnes Barker, Andi Grandy, Tony & Sandy Grandy, Jerry & Amanda London, and Michele Stutzky who helped prep food; and to Andi Grandy, Lauren Jagger, Andy Kovac, Pegge Krepps and Pat VanderVeen for helping during the reception. Finally, thanks to all who stayed around to help with the clean-up; it was a wonderful team effort.

CLEARINGHOUSE CALL CENTER VOLUNTEERS: Last year, Love INC received over 4,000 calls for assistance from individuals in our community. Be part of the ministry team who stands at the front lines showing the love of Christ by answering these calls and forming relationships with people experiencing brokenness. Training available 9am-1:30pm any weekday. Volunteer@loveinthenameofchrist.org or call 662-3300 x127.

DONUT HELPERS NEEDED: We are looking for a few more people to help with donuts. It's a few hours every other month for the 8:30 or 10:30 Sunday Masses. It's an easy way to get involved as an individual, couple, or as a family. If you are interested or have questions, contact Sue VanGessel at suevangessel@gmail.com.

Treasure

Last week	Year to	Prior Year
3/20 & 3/2/	Date	to Date
\$ 17,578	\$521,773	\$ 532,851
\$ 3,655	\$164,322	\$ 146,096
\$ 20	\$ 169	\$ 447
\$ 2,023	\$ 27,982	\$ 24,494
\$ 23,276	\$714,246	\$703,888
\$ 4,624	\$ 8,840	
\$ 1,225	\$ 2,888	
\$ 98	\$ 25,844	\$ 26,907
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St. Pius X has 938 registered households. Last week, 414 contributed either by using an offertory envelope or electronically. Every gift is gratefully received as a sacrifice united with Christ's own self-offering in the Eucharist to share God's love.

Our prayer list for healing

Please continue to pray for the following and all the sick in our Parish, their families and friends, those hospitalized and home-bound, and those in care facilities. To be included on the Prayer Chain (separate from this bulletin list), call Jason George at (231) 736-7487.

Jenny Walsh Gerry Dekkinga Kenneth Schumacher Mary LaSarge Kelsey Gibson Leslie Kelsey Catherine Cesare Pat Deuling Joe Lemont Henry Visscher Beverwyk Family Joe & Margaret Grandy Anthony McAndrew M. Forrester Jennifer Hassell Marty Schumacker John Stoddard Terry Freybler Ben Baird Derek Bull Rich Hubbard Stephen Meurer Kathy Maslowski Charles & Mag Frodl Tom & Becky Hoffmann Ellen O'Toole Deb Russo Catherine Owens Mike Connell Jeff Zylstra Mary Jebb Marlene Strong Mary Beth Jensen Cindy Cole Megan Reynolds Jill Moyer Jim & Mary Norcutt Nell Wouters Allen Mulligan Brianne Bassett Robert Schab Tom Wojtas Winnie Kulaga Kerry Deboer Donna Waters Sr. Jean Marie Wojtas Pat DeJong Terri Bernott Clara Jo Braybrook Ann Berg Jane Voss George & Virginia Bieber Gisela Foote Matt Rich Diane Rudnik

Bob Brock Jennifer Cook Lenore Nufrio Diane & Mary Prindle Betty DiTrapani Rose Reilly Laurie Bialik Margaret Harman Carol Guffy Shannon Olman Dorothy Rennager Patrick Bartz Edward Kaminsk Markell Barnhart Pat Rummer Chris VanderSlice Leo Raap Jim & Madeleine Roberta Hagen Jonathan Kolenda Marlene Stroung Norm Pokora Barbara Barney

Karen Bourassa

Judy Perrin

John Wheat

Joe Capriglione Erika Yonker Marie Nevins Andy Wierzbicki Judy Bonzheim Judy Wojtas Sally Thome Pat Chichester Bob & Holly Ann Ott Diane Austin Linda Meagher Ilene Topolinski Sarah Johnson Justin Vriezema Josina Galaszewski Robert Ryzanca Mary Benson-Slosser Deb Finnigan Martha VanDyke Ken Jenkins Sandy Ressell John Blanchard Linda Wood Zachary Matzke Pam Willemstein Bob Bagin



Congratulations to our newest Roman Catholics who were fully initiated into the Church at Easter!

Front row: Diana Niewiek, Katie Galer-Sampson, Kaylie Vadeboncoeur Middle Row: Chris Freiburger, Marsha Doxey, Darcy Porter

Back Row: Fr. Chris Rouech and Marjorie Flores

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PRAYER POST: Imaginative Prayer

Following Jesus is the business of our lives. To follow him we must know him, and we get to know him through our imagination. Imaginative Ignatian prayer teaches us things about Jesus that we

would not learn through scripture study or theological reflection. It allows the person of Christ to penetrate into places that the intellect does not touch. It brings Jesus into our hearts. It engages our feelings. It enflames us with ideals of generous service (David Fleming S.J. ignatianspirituality.com). Pray with this Sunday's



OUR PRAYER LIST FOR SAFETY

Please pray for the following and all those of our parish family whose employment puts them in harm's way:

Daniel Wheeler, USMC Dale Wheeler, US Navy David Zalokar, USMC Matthew Rogalski, US Army Justin Wheeler, US Army Andrew Bezenah, US Army, Iraq J Matthew Fantucchio, US Army Iraq Andrew Morse, US Navy Matthew Palazzolo, US Navy Justin Wheeler, US Army Ryan VanderBeen, USAF Jonathan Albart, US Navy Tim & Terri Lewis. US Embassy Amman Jordan

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Cassie Wysocki, USAF Dustin Lambries USAF Anthony Hagen, Corrections Officer Chris Chirco, Kent County Deputy Emily Kalman, Kent County Deputy Caleb Staeven, GR Police John Keelean, National Guard Luke Nagtzaam, GR Police Joe Steffes, Wyoming PD Steve Rellinger, Wyoming PD Adam Bartone, Wyoming PD Edward Capriglione, Richmond PD Stacey Streeter Johnson, Grandville PD Brian Johnson, Cutlerville FD



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Thursday, May 12 | 7-9pm

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To register please contact your CROSSROADS Parish—all others may call 669-9220 or register on-line at www.holyredeemerparish.org or email formation@spxcatholic.org

