

**SEASON OF LENT**

2 April 2017

**TODAY**

- Coffee & Donuts (DH) after the Sunday Masses
- Nursery (Room #102) during the 10:30 Mass

**MONDAY | April 3**

- Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 / Jn 8:1-11
- Men's Bible Study (Room #101) 7am
- Prayer Shawl Ministry (McDuffee) 5:30pm
- Golf League Meeting (McDuffee) 7pm

**TUESDAY | April 4**

- Nm 21:4-9 / Jn 8:21-30
- **Mass in Chapel** (+Brigitte Kleinselbeck) 8:30am
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Chapel) 9am-7pm
- Light Weigh (PC LL #4) 9:15am
- Worship Commission Meeting (McDuffee) 6:30pm
- Mom's Group (DH) 7pm

**WEDNESDAY | April 5**

- Dn 3:14-20, 91-22, 95 / Jn 8:31-42
- Lenten Spiritual Direction (Library) 5:30pm
- **Mass in Chapel** (+Rose Stewart) 7pm
- Cantor Practice 6:30pm
- Choir Practice 7pm

**THURSDAY | April 6**

- Gn 17:3-9 / Jn 8:51-59
- Light Weigh (PC LL #4) 6:30pm
- Financial Peace University (Room #101) 7pm
- K of C General Membership Meeting (DH) 7pm

**FRIDAY | April 7**  *Day of Abstinence from meat*

- Jer 20:10-13 / Jn 10:31-42
- **Mass in Chapel** (+Mary Ann Pirozzo) 8:30am
- Stations of the Cross (Church) 7pm

**SATURDAY | April 8**

- Ez 37:21-28 / Jn 11:45-56
- That Man Is You! (DH) 6am
- Reconciliation/Confessions (Church) 4:45pm
- Contemporary Choir Practice (Church) 4:30pm

**LORD'S DAY LITURGIES | April 9, 2017****PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD****Mt 21:1-11 / Is 50:4-7 / Phil 2:6-11 / Mt 26:14-27:66**

We enter Holy Week by recalling our Lord's own entry into Jerusalem and his Passion according to Matthew.

The 10:30am Mass begins in Danner Hall with the Blessing of Palms and procession into church.

**5:30pm Saturday**

+Fay Sturm (First Anniversary) +Mary Ann Teerman (First Anniversary)  
+Patrick O'Brien +Frank Langridge

**8:30am Sunday**

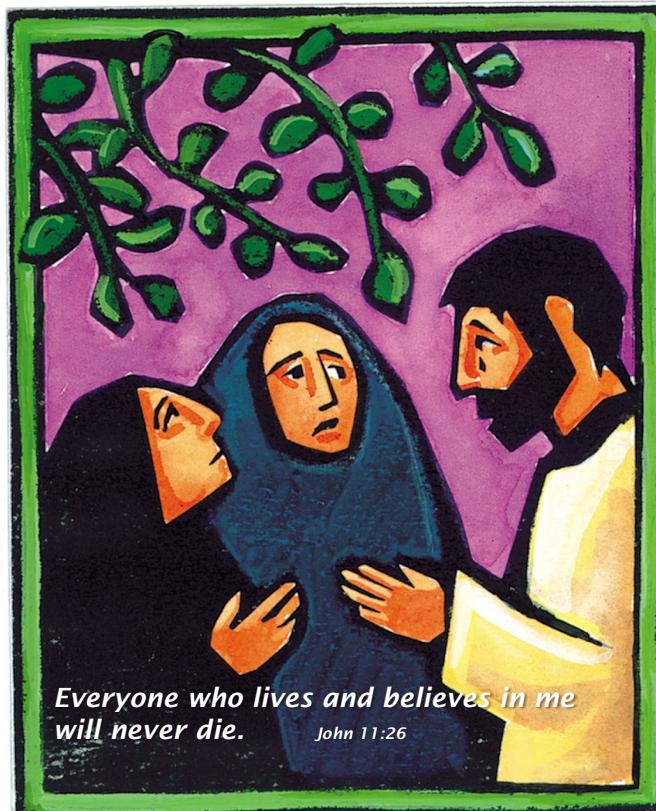
Parish Family

**10:30am Sunday**

+Madeleine Stotenbur

**REAL PEOPLE + REAL PRESENCE**

... a welcoming Roman Catholic family of God  
empowered by the Holy Spirit  
to grow our relationship with Jesus Christ  
and with one another  
as we worship, pray, learn and serve.

**Practicing Faith**

**So dead!** Some people do everything possible, and then some more, to stay alive. Some fear death. If we think ritually, we can be dead because of sin. We should fear that. But grace is stronger than sin. God's life is stronger than death. In fact, Christians cherish death because it is entrance from this life to life anew; it is entrance from this home to our eternal home. This death we should not fear.

- What life do I really need?
- What behaviors must I avoid?
- What mercy work can I do to comfort the dying, to pray for the dead?

**Prepare for Sunday:** Read and reflect on Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion (beginning on pg. 164) in the "Living Liturgy" missal.

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**Parish & Formation Office Hours:**

9-Noon; 1-5pm Mon-Thurs      9-Noon on Fridays  
 (Formation Summer Hours: 9:30-4:30pm Monday-Thursday)

**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](mailto: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/](http://www.foryourmarriage.org/)

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

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**A Lenten View from 40th & Wilson**

**FR. CHRIS ROUECH**  
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**Many families have been planning for Spring Break, and I hope they are finally enjoying the fruits of their efforts.**

For five weeks now, we have been preparing spiritually to celebrate our break from endless sin and death—our Father's gift to us through the death and resurrection of his son.

Holy Week begins next Sunday.

I am tempted to say that like most things in life, you will get out of Holy Week what you put into it. In many ways that is true. But when it comes to liturgy, all you need to do is show up with an open heart and a willingness to participate fully—even if you feel uncomfortable.

**PALM SUNDAY** is our annual celebration of Jesus' triumphant entrance in Jerusalem and a shaming reminder of how fickle we are. Only days after cheering Jesus as Messiah, people are screaming "crucify him." We haven't changed much, have we?

At St. Pius X, all three Masses start with the blessing of palm leaves. The 10:30am Mass begins in Danner Hall with a procession into the church. If you

are physically able, I challenge you to take a big risk: instead of reserving your pews in church beforehand, go directly to Danner Hall. Follow the procession and see where you end up. I've learned over the years that this is very, very difficult for people who like to be in control. (Believe me, I can relate. But practicing surrender will change your life!)

The main liturgy of the week is known as the **TRIDUUM**. [Pronounced "tridge-you-um"]. Triduum is Latin for "three days," counting from sundown on Holy Thursday to sundown on Easter Sunday. Triduum is like a Catholic-Christian Homecoming, our big annual gathering of shared faith and love for Jesus Christ.

But until next Sunday, it's still Lent. Even if you haven't put a bit of effort into Lent, it's not too late to start doing a bit of abstaining, giving and praying. You will get out of it far more than you put into it—but only if your heart is as open to God as Christ's heart is as open to yours.

**CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL** — If you haven't already made your gift or pledge to this important campaign to support the works of the Diocese of Grand Rapids, could you do so soon?

**REMEMBER, JESUS WAS A JEW —**

Parish children in grades 1-6 might know more about the ancient roots of the Catholic Mass than many adults. That's because for about four years now, children in our Religious Education program participate in a modified Seder Meal. This is the meal that Jewish families celebrate at Passover. This is the meal that was transformed by Jesus at the Last Supper when he washed feet and said the bread is his body and the wine is his blood. A special thank you to all our catechists, especially Joell Snidanko, who did much of the organizing, Glenda Trytko, our religious education coordinator, and Elizabeth Post, our faith formation director who brought this tradition to St. Pius X.



**ABOVE: SIXTH GRADERS AT THE APOSTLES' TABLE**

**SEDER MEAL 2017**



## Faith Formation | Religious Education

ELIZABETH POST  
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**FIRST COMMUNION** is almost upon us! If your child has been preparing for First Communion, please contact the Formation Office at 538-2600 to set up a time to celebrate this sacrament.

**SPRING BREAK & EASTER SCHEDULE:** There will be no Religious Education classes from March 29-April 16. Classes will resume on April 19.

**"FILL THE BUS" FOR HAITI!** At the end of April we'll hold our 3rd annual pop can drive to fill the entire bus with returnable cans or bottles! This is an effort to raise money to help support Sr. Luvia and the children in Haiti. We will be collecting on **Wednesday, April 26 and before and after weekend Masses on April 29 & 30**. Start saving now!

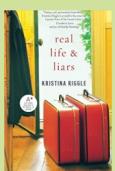


### MIDDLE SCHOOL EDGE ~ Sunday 5:30-7:30pm

- April 9, 23 & 30 ~ EDGE
- There is no EDGE on tonight (4/2) and April 16

**8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION INTERVIEWS:** Now is the time to schedule your Confirmation interview with Elizabeth! Signup with the formation office by April 15.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL SERVICE DAY:** Middle School students will be participating in a day of service on April 22.



**NOVEL READERS BOOK CLUB** meets at 7pm Monday, April 24 in McDuffee to discuss *Real Life and Liars* by Kristina Riggle. Contact Linda Stray (249-8034 or [lindastray@yahoo.com](mailto:lindastray@yahoo.com)) or Mary Boehm (538-9635 or [meb2904@aol.com](mailto:meb2904@aol.com)) with inquiries.

## High School Youth Ministry

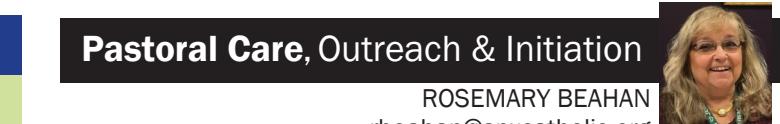
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**ENJOY YOUR SPRING BREAK:** No Sunday Night Live tonight.

**LIVING STATIONS:** On Sunday, April 9 at 7pm, the High School Ministry will be presenting Living Stations of the Cross for the parish. Parents: please encourage your high school youth to take part. We'll need lectors, actors, and musicians. There is a place for everyone. Email me or sign up on the parish website [spxcatholic.org/events](http://spxcatholic.org/events).

**NON-PROM SLEEPOVER ~ April 22 at 8pm to April 23 after the 8:30am Mass:** Not old enough to go to prom? Or maybe prom isn't for you! Either way, all high school teens are welcome at the *Non-Prom Sleepover* for movies, snacks, games, karaoke, and general shenanigans. This is just a fun opportunity to hang out with your St. Pius X family. Permission slips and registration can be found online.



## Pastoral Care, Outreach & Initiation

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**Are you an "unconfirmed" Catholic?** If you are a practicing Catholic but have not received the sacrament of Confirmation, you are not "fully initiated." The Sacrament of Confirmation completes our initiation into the Roman Catholic Church and equips us with the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

So what are you waiting for? We're beginning a three-week series 7-9pm Mondays on May 1, 8 & 15. Confirmation will be celebrated at the Cathedral of St. Andrew at 7pm May 23. **Please contact me via email or 532-9344, ext. 106 if you are interested in becoming a "CONFIRMED CATHOLIC."**

### HAVE YOU BEEN ATTENDING MASS but aren't Catholic?

Do you know anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and possibly becoming Roman Catholic? We are here for you! **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)** is a journey whereby an individual becomes a full member of the Catholic Church. Those making this journey come from a variety of backgrounds: some are baptized, some are not; some come from other Christian churches or religious beliefs. Whatever the situation, all are experiencing the call of Jesus Christ and share a common spiritual journey. Another **Catholic Inquiry series begins in June**. **Please contact me if you are interested.**

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY** will meet Monday, April 3 at 5:30pm in the McDuffee Room. If you knit or crochet, and would like to be part of this worthwhile ministry, come and join us. Beginners and those who wish to learn are welcome!

**JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF:** This is a support group for those who have suffered a loss and will deal with the myths and realities of grief along with providing support. This group is open to the community at large so if you or someone you know is grieving the loss of a loved one, join us for five consecutive Thursdays beginning, **April 20—May 18 from 7-8:30pm**, in the Parish Center Lower Level Room #1. You are welcome to bring a guest. If you are interested, please contact me via email or call 532-9344 x106.

## Parish App Feature-of-the-Week



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## Parish Life

ANDY REBOLLAR

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**THAT MAN IS YOU!** There are only two sessions left in the TMIY season. The last two meetings will be April 8 and 22. It's never too late to join (or come back).

**MOM'S GROUP** will meet on Tuesday, April 4 at 7pm in Danner Hall. We'll be doing a barre or body weight workout. Childcare is available if requested; call Jennifer at 821-4502.

**EASTER RECEPTION HELP NEEDED...** Every year we host a reception in Danner Hall following the Easter Vigil (4/15) for our newest Catholics, their families, sponsors, leaders, and parishioners. We need help in the following areas.

- **Food Prep** will happen for a few hours during the day of April 15.
- **Serving & Clean Up:** A few "night owls" are needed to help during and after the reception. The reception starts at 11pm and we are done with clean up around 2am.
- **Sides, Salads & Finger Foods:** These foods are used to serve at the reception; you don't need to attend to help. We're looking for lighter, easy to eat foods.

Any help would be appreciated...email me or call 532-9344.

**50+ ~ GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC MUSEUM ARCHIVES TOUR**

Mark your calendars to join us on Tuesday, April 25 from 10am-2pm; more details to follow.

**WELCOMING BRUNCH:** Have you joined the parish in the last year and are interested in meeting others or finding out what happens at St. Pius X? Then come to our Welcoming Brunch on **Sunday, April 30**, in Danner Hall following the 10:30 Mass. RSVP by contacting the parish office at 532-9344 or [parishoffice@spxcatholic.org](mailto:parishoffice@spxcatholic.org).

**Mass Assignments for April 8 & 9**

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE TRIDUUM:** Please volunteer to help out at our Triduum liturgies, which begin on April 13. Sign up in the back of church, volunteer through Ministry Scheduler, or call Sandy Grandy at 538-2600.

Mass Cord.	5:30pm Diane Remenak	8:30am Mike & Brenda Grandy	10:30am Volunteer Needed
Greeters	Jim & Georgianne Everhart Rosemary Holzgen Sandy Roys	Sandy Grandy Gail Greco-Bieri Tom & Pegge Krepps	Patricia Anthony Erin Barron Carol Butler Shari Shirley 2 Volunteers Needed
Servers	Anne Slezak <b>2 Volunteers Needed</b>	Emma Dudick Andrew Dukesherer Noah Ziegler	Allison Arnsman Kylene DeVries Sarah Kelly Ryan Minnick
Eucharistic Ministers	Jamie Blanch McKenna Brink Mary Lynch Debra Neff Joe Peiffer Mike Tyler Donna Vaughn <b>2 Volunteers Needed</b>	Betty Cole Ellen Halfmann Nancy Hogerheide Brittany Klein Amanda London Jerry London Michele Stutzky Elaine Szarowicz Barry Waters	Kristen Elder Connor Fischer Noah Kelly Kathleen Kelly Sharon Love Rick Ruemenapp Andrew Sundstrom Nick Sundstrom Mary Tracey Nam Vu Susan Wise <b>2 Volunteers Needed</b>
Lector	<b>Volunteer Needed</b>	Jan Sartorius	Rachel Provost
LCW			N/A
	Ushers: Team C	Ushers: Team W	Ushers: Team J

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**Growing in Christ**

## Weekly Stewardship Report

**STEWARSHIP THOUGHT:** Jesus called to his friend from the dead, "Lazarus, come out!" It is the same call our Lord makes to us unceasingly: "Come out!" Jesus calls us from our tomb of doubt and unbelief, from the darkness of our fear and anxieties; from the depths of our weaknesses and lack of hope. Christian stewards pray for an open heart, so that they may hear the voice of the Lord, heed the continuous call to come away from their former way of living and reprioritize their lives in the light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Do we believe Christ has the power to transform our lives? Do we take time to listen for his call? from the April 2017 ICSC Catholic Stewardship e-Bulletin.

**Time and Talent****MASS ATTENDANCE**

March 25 &amp; 26: 5:30pm—305 | 8:30am—215 | 10:30am—509

**FATHER CHRIS** thank you so much for your prayers, care, love and concern shown to our family during Tony's passing. The scripture service and visiting with family was very much appreciated. Thank you to all who made the service so beautiful and the luncheon, which nourished our bodies and souls. God bless! Joe & Margaret Grandy

**EASTER FOOD BASKETS** will be put together by the Christian Service Food Pantry. Please remember the pantry when doing your holiday shopping; they are also in need of Easter Candy to put in the baskets. Thank you!

**THE NURSERY IS IN NEED** of an exersaucer that is in good to excellent condition for the babies to enjoy in our nursery. Please call the Formation Office at 538-2600 if you have one you would like to donate.

**KIDS' FOOD BASKET:** If you and your family can help on Tuesday, April 4 in assembling and packing kids' lunches, please contact Deb Shereda at 450-0391 or [tdshereda@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tdshereda@sbcglobal.net). Children must be at least 10 years old to help.

**DONUT HELPERS NEEDED:** We are looking for families and individuals to help with our Donut Sunday hospitality to make sure it continues. It's a great way to get involved and meet new people in the parish. If interested or have questions, contact Sue VanGessel at [suevangessel@gmail.com](mailto:suevangessel@gmail.com).

**Treasure**

**CATHOLIC SERVICE APPEAL:** Our Catholic faith is a gift that unites our parish family with Catholics throughout the Diocese of Grand Rapids—and the world. With generous responses to date, we have reached **28% (\$35,680) of our parish goal of \$126,517 with**

**119 (12%) of our households responding.** Our goal is 100% participation, which means a completed pledge card from every household. If you have not responded, please do so as soon as possible. Thank you!



Catholic Services Appeal 2017

PARISH SUPPORT Fiscal Year 2016-17   Week 39/52	Last week 3/25 & 3/26	Year to Date	Prior Year to Date
Adult Envelopes	\$ 11,273	\$ 499,206	\$ 521,773
Electronic Giving <a href="http://spxcatholic.org">spxcatholic.org</a>	\$ 3,595	\$ 167,139	\$ 164,322
Youth Envelopes	\$ 4	\$ 305	\$ 169
Loose Offerings	\$ 663	\$ 26,179	\$ 27,982
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$ 15,535</b>	<b>\$692,829</b>	<b>\$714,246</b>
Budget Overage/(Shortfall)	\$ (2,917)	\$ (12,892)	\$ -
OTHER GIVING: CRS	\$ 2,367	\$ 2,367	
Master's Mission	\$ 298	\$ 25,529	\$ 25,844

St. Pius X has 968 registered households. Last week, 306 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

We pray for those listed here 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 list), call Jason George at (231) 736-7487.

Linda Padula	Gerry Dekkinga	Bob Brock	Joe Capriglione
Kenneth Schumacher	Mary LaSarge	Judy DeVoe	Erika Yonker
Kelsey Gibson	Andre Miles	Ron Geldersma	Marie Nevins
Debbie Finnegan	Catherine Cesare	Diane & Mary Prindle	Andy Wierzbicki
David Doxey	Henry Visscher	Betty DiTrapani	Mike Sartorius
Beverwyk Family	Joe & Margaret Grandy	Jack Belbot	Kim Wheat
Anthony McAndrew	M. Forrester	Laurie Bialik	Gina Catania
Jennifer Hassell	Marty Schumacker	Bill Paumier	Christopher Thrall
Ann Ferguson	John Stoddard	Carol Guffy	Bob & Holly Ann Ott
Ben Baird	Derek Bull	Shannon Olman	Diane Austin
Rich Hubbard	Stephen Meurer	Dorothy Rennager	James Raap
Kathy Maslowski	Codey Vandenberg	Patrick Bartz	Ilene Topolinski
Deb Russo	Tom & Becky Hoffmann	Ellen O'Toole	Sarah Johnson
Catherine Owens	Mike Connell	Scott Kowalczyk	Justin Vriezema
Ruth Lafever	Mary Jebb	Markell Barnhart	Lenore Nufrio
Marlene Strong	Mary Beth Jensen	Pat Rummel	Robert Ryzanca
Cindy Cole	Megan Reynolds	Chris VanderSlice	Mary Benson-Slosser
Jill Moyer	Jim & Mary Ann Norcutt	Leo Raap	Karen Balascas
Nell Wouters	Allen Mulligan	Connie Alighire	Marion & Marie Rythewski
Brianne Bassett	Matt Rich	Bob Bagin	Ken Jenkins
Tom Wojtas	Joe & Winnie Kulaga	Jonathan Kolenda	Sandy Ressell
Kerry Deboer	Donna Waters	Cindy Thrall	John Blanchard
Sr. Jean Marie Wojtas	Pat DeJong	Norm Pokora	Linda Wood
Terri Bernott	Clara Jo Braybrook	Barbara Barney	Marge Hager
Ann Berg	Jane Voss	Karen Bourassa	Pam Willemstein
Arline Dzwonkowski	Arlene VanBeek	Judy Perrin	Alberta & Vito Licari
Cleo Ruppel	J.D. Sypniewski	Janice Rabadeau	Pat Grzybowski
Christopher Alighire	Jerry Piela	Larry Kietzman	



We offer the sympathy, love, and prayers of our parish to the families of:

### JEFFREY ZYLSTRA

husband of Jan Zylstra and father of Jonathan Zylstra  
son of Roger and Angie Zylstra  
brother of Mary (Dave) Bristol

### JOANN REENS

aunt of Nancy Benson

ROSEJEAN REILLY

JEANNE ANGERS

## Knights of Columbus

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Membership Meeting ~ 4/6 ~ 7pm in Danner Hall

Annual MI Drive ~ 4/7-4/9 ~ Wal-Mart on Kenowa

Participation by non-members is welcomed and would be greatly appreciated. Shift lengths are two hours—sign up sheets are in the church vestibule. All of the funds collected are donated to local schools and organizations for the benefit of the mentally impaired. For more information regarding the fundraiser or to sign up, contact Jason Bargenquast at 616-257-0693 or Gary Stutzky at 616-260-1779. **April 30** ~ Fifth Sunday Rosary ~ Chapel ~ 9:45am



Congratulations to Sarah Kelly for being chosen as the Altar Server of the Year at the annual appreciation party. The Knights would like to thank all the servers and their parents for giving of their time to this necessary ministry at St. Pius X.

## THE THIRD SCRUTINY ~ What is it?

This weekend at the 5:30pm Mass, we celebrate the **Third Scrutiny** for the Elect to be baptized, and offer special prayers for the Candidates already baptized and preparing for full initiation into the Catholic Faith at the Easter Vigil. During the Scrutinies, we are called to soul searching, repentance, and healing. The Scrutinies affect all of us present at this Liturgy. The series of three Scrutinies are not for finger-pointing, but to uncover what is weak, defective, sinful; and to bring out and strengthen what is upright, strong and good. This weekend, we hear the Gospel story of Lazarus, which reminds us of our own dying and rising with Christ, through the waters of Baptism. We celebrate this Third Scrutiny to help bring out a sense of purification and enlightenment in Christ, who offers us new life.



**Lent**

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS | Fridays at 7pm, April 7

Stations will be led by our Stewardship Committee

**LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS | 7pm Sunday, April 9** High School students invite parishioners to join them as they pray the stations of the cross as they enact them in word and body.

**Lent prepares us for a more devout celebration of Easter.**

## PALM SUNDAY ~ April 9



### SACRED TRIDUUM

#### Evening Mass of Lord's Supper

♦ 7 pm, Holy Thursday ~ April 13

#### Passion of the Lord

♦ 1:30pm, Good Friday ~ April 14

#### Easter Vigil

♦ 8:30pm, Holy Saturday ~ April 15

#### Easter Sunday Masses

♦ 8:30am & 10:30am ~ April 16

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