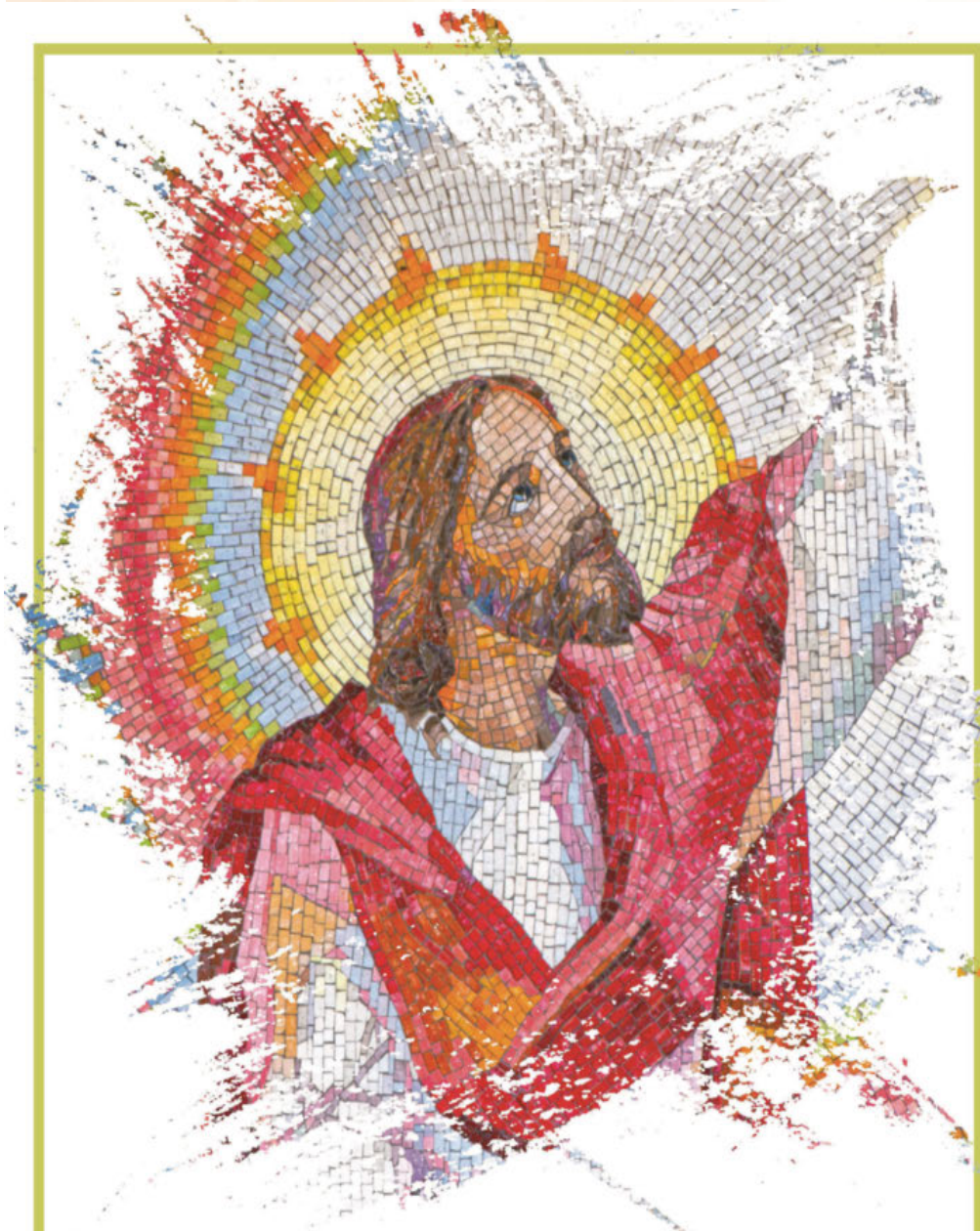


# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | APRIL 14, 2024



"EVERYTHING WRITTEN ABOUT ME IN THE LAW OF MOSES AND IN THE PROPHETS AND PSALMS MUST BE FULFILLED." —LK 24:44

3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 pm  
Sunday 10:00 am

## WEEKDAYS

Monday & Tuesday:  
8:30 am

## HOLY DAY MASSES

Consult the bulletin

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

The Readings for today continue to reflect on the events of the Resurrection. The theme is "knowing" and "believing." To "know" Jesus Christ is more than knowing about Him in an historical sense. As used in these readings for today, to know Him is to experience Him in a profound way as the two disciples did on the road to Emmaus in the story that immediately precedes today's gospel or last week's gospel? However, we do not need to have an apparition to know Jesus in a personal way. All that is necessary is to sincerely want to know Him, and He will take care of the rest. Let's see how this works in today's readings.

**The First Reading is from the Acts of the Apostles (3:13-19).** In this passage, Peter is telling the crowd on the first Pentecost that it was their sin and ignorance that crucified Jesus. These were probably some of the same people that shouted "Crucify Him" a few weeks earlier, but he goes on to say even now, God will forgive them if they "repent and be converted." We cannot claim ignorance of such an important point of our faith and salvation. This is the central event of our faith. We must do what we can to better understand its meaning and purpose.

**The Responsorial Psalm (4:2-9)** is a prayer that might be said by the souls in Purgatory or by someone who is reflecting on his own life near its end. We might do well to see what this wise penitent has to say, for he speaks as one who has known the Lord.

**The Second Reading is from the First letter of John (1 John 2:1-5a).** Here, John the Evangelist is advising us to avoid sin; but because of our human weakness, if we do sin, we have Jesus Christ who is waiting to return us to the Father. However, we must "know" Him in order to partake of the benefits He offers through His death and resurrection. John tells us how we might do that. So, listen up! We all need this advice.

**The Gospel Reading is from John (24:35-48).** Place yourself in this scene. It is a few nights after the Resurrection and Jesus appears in the upper room where the apostles celebrated the Passover meal, and are now huddled there out of fear. Two of their members come rushing in from the country with a wild story about Jesus walking with them and stopping for the night with them and how they came to know it was Jesus in "the breaking of the bread." Jesus then admonishes them for not understanding or believing; but He is patient and opens their minds to understand.

We have the advantage of 2000 years of history and countless interpretations of the scriptures to tell us what all this means; but still there are many who do not understand how the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ affects them. So, during this holy season, we might ask ourselves "what can I do to better understand the sacrifice and suffering that Christ endured on my behalf?" We could begin by re-reading the four gospel accounts in private while asking the Holy Spirit to enlighten our heart and mind to their meaning. **Something to think about during your prayer time this week!**

~Rev. Edward J. Smith

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APRIL 14, 2024

## SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

### CONFESION

Saturday 3:00 pm or by appt.

### BAPTISM

At least one parent must be a parishioner & actively attend Mass prior to calling the Office.

*Baptisms will be held on the 3rd Sunday of the month.*

### MARRIAGE

At least one member of the couple must be a parishioner & actively attend Mass prior to calling

*Couples need to make arrangements at least 6 months in advance*

No date may be reserved until discussion with the pastor of the parish.

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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Sacristans - Mike Darby

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## SUNDAY READINGS

**FIRST READING:** The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses. (Acts 3:15)

**PSALM:** Lord, let your face shine on us. (Ps 4)

**SECOND READING:** He is expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world. (1 Jn 2:2)

**GOSPEL:** "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day." (Lk 24:46)

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### Sunday - Apr. 14th - 3rd Sunday of Easter

10:00 am - †Mary Miller

*Requested by: Jim & Martha McBennett*

### Monday - Apr. 15th - Easter Weekday Mass

8:30 am - †For the Living & Deceased of the Parish

### Tuesday - Apr. 16th - Easter Weekday Mass

8:30 am - †For the Living & Deceased Members of Marian Guild

*Requested by: The Marian Guild*

### Saturday - Apr. 20th - 4th Sunday of Easter Vigil Mass

4:00 pm - †Mary Ploszaj

*Requested by: Steve & Edward Nemeth*

### Sunday - Apr. 21st - 4th Sunday of Easter

10:00 am - For Our Confirmandi



## READINGS FOR THE WEEK APRIL 14, 2024

**Sunday:** Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

**Monday:** Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29

**Tuesday:** Acts 7:51-8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab/Jn 6:30-35

**Wednesday:** Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40

**Thursday:** Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51

**Friday:** Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59

**Saturday:** Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69

**Next Sunday:** Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18



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.

You are witnesses of these things." — Lk 24:44, 48

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## Liturgical Ministers

### Saturday, April 20th at 4:00 pm

*Lectors: Laura V.*

*Eucharistic Ministers: Carol B., Karen B., Joanne C.*

### Sunday, April 21st at 10:00 am

*Lectors: Celia F.*

*Eucharistic Ministers: Anna S., Anna A.*

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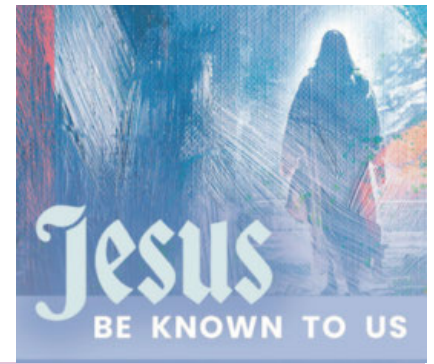
## 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

# OFFERTORY REPORT

AMOUNT BUDGETED WEEKLY..... \$6,240.00  
 SUNDAY COLLECTION (3/24/2024) ..... \$4,419.00  
 7/1/2023 TO DATE +/-) BUDGET..... -(\$11,545.67)

**MY GIFT TO GOD REFLECTS HIS GENEROSITY TO ME**

*If you are unable to contribute, please submit your envelopes all the same as it is our most clear indication of active participation for Mass.*



## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

*"LAUDATO SI', mi' Signore" - "Praise be to you, My Lord"*

In the words of this beautiful canticle, Saint Francis of Assisi reminds us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us.

So opens Pope Francis' letter to the whole world on the importance of protecting and healing our natural world. As we approach this day, let us each commit to doing one thing to celebrate creation.

*Let us pray... Good and gracious God of all created things, seen and unseen. You created all things in this world for our use, and charge us with protecting that creation. Help us to see in all things the reflection of a parent's love for a child. When we see your goodness in the face of the moon, we see our sister. When we feel the warmth of the sun on our face, we feel the love of a brother. We ask for your strength to give us wisdom and courage to protect our earthly environment from destruction and overuse. Help us to share the goodness and generosity of the earth with every living person. We ask all this in the name of Jesus Christ, our brother and savior. Amen.*



## PRAYER REQUESTS

**PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

|                  |                   |                  |                   |                          |                       |
|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Gloria Badillo   | Janet Baxter      | Joanne Bilancini | Maryann Boylan    | Tim "Swampy" Burton      | Lynn Coscho           |
| Pat Costello II  | Ann DiFrancesco   | Jerry Donovan    | Denise Ellis      | Deacon Jose Flores       | Norma Jean Flores     |
| Scott Friges     | Bea Giacobbe      | Virginia Glass   | Barbara Glick     | Brian Grace              | Dan George            |
| Renee Golowenski | D'Arie Gonzalez   | Delores Gonzalez | Jose Gonzalez     | Jose Gonzalez Jr.        | Juan Gonzalez         |
| Vicky Herrmann   | Clara Hodorowski  | Kevin Holley     | Phyllis Holomuzki | Jennifer Humphrey        | Baby Jackson          |
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*Call the Parish Office if you would like to add someone to this list. Please notify us when to remove the name.*

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Call the "Prayer Line" for immediate prayer requests,

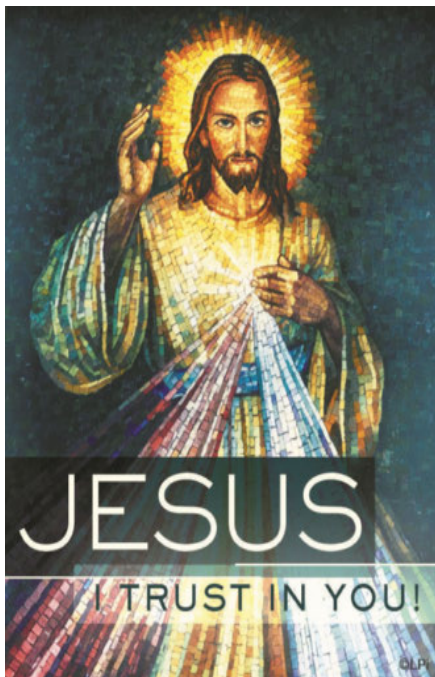
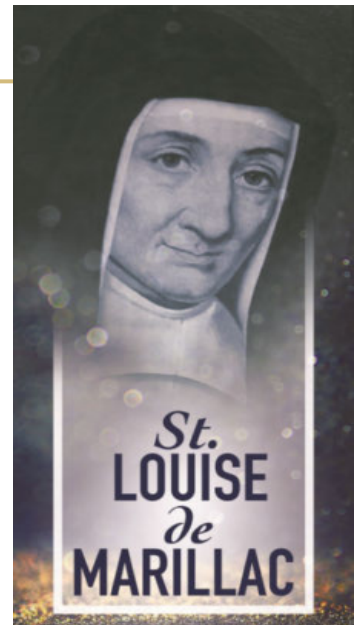
Linda: 440-667-9050 from 9 am - 3 pm or Terri, 440-320-3272 from 3 - 9 pm



# ADORATION CHAPEL

*God calls us in every stage of life.*

When she was a young girl, St. Louise de Marillac (1591-1660) was orphaned and wanted to become a nun. The order she applied to turned her down and she was advised to marry. She was obedient and had a son. Still, part of her worried that she wasn't faithful in following God's call to be a religious sister. St. Louise saw a vision in which she saw that she would serve the poor and live in a community in the future. A few years later, she was widowed and spent her days praying, attending Mass and caring for her son. She became a directee of St. Vincent de Paul who asked her to help organize the charitable groups he had begun. Fueled by her union with Jesus in the Holy Eucharist, St. Louise invited other women into her home to form them in caring for the poor, and the Daughters of Charity Religious Community was born. The Sisters of Charity now serve worldwide. St. Louise asks us to pray to love Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and to be open to His plan for our lives. When your life takes an unexpected turn, consider where God might be calling you!



## DIVINE MERCY MEDITATION - HASTENING THE FEAST OF MERCY

**For the sake of your ardent desires, I am hastening the Feast of Mercy.**

My spirit burst into such a powerful flame of love  
that it seemed to me that I was totally dissolved in God  
(*Diary*, 1082).

*\*The words of Jesus appear in boldface type*

### **My Prayer Response:**

Praised be the Lord Jesus Christ!

The promise of Jesus in hastening the Feast of Mercy  
was fulfilled by Pope John Paul II on the day of the canonization of  
St. Faustina, which was on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 30, 2000.

Lord Jesus, bless Pope John Paul II, who that day declared  
the Second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday!

***“Jesus I Trust in You!”***

## PRO-LIFE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK FROM PROLIFECORNER.COM

Many of the people who are opposed to abortion have been led to believe they should not “impose” their morality on others.

Think about this:

*“Today the spirit of violence in our society is so great that our children are literally killing one another. What else should we expect in a nation where mothers have been granted the spurious ‘right’ to kill their offspring at will... As long as our courts sanction murder in the womb we will be faced with the consequences of violence in our streets, schools, workplace, and homes.”*

~Alan Keyes

*Lord, let us not be cowards; give us the courage & wisdom necessary to stand up & fight the evil of abortion & euthanasia today. Amen!*



## DONATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE

to St. Anthony Church in memory of **Joan Gluvna** by *Mary Ann Homola*,  
to St. Anthony School in memory of **Anna Mae Ebinger** by *John & Diane Koehler*, and  
to St. Vincent de Paul in memory of **Ellie Shulsky** by *Joan Arroyo*.



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## SENIOR SOCIABLES MEETING - 4/18

St. Anthony Senior Sociables will meet on **Thursday, April 18th at 12:30 pm**  
at **Sorrento's in Sheffield Village**. The restaurant's address is 5223 Detroit Road.  
Call Karen Less at 440-949-2934 with your reservation.  
Annual dues of \$5.00 will be collected at this meeting.

## DONUT SUNDAY - 4/21

The Marian Guild will sponsor **Donut Sunday on April 21st**  
after the **10 o'clock Mass** in the main vestibule of the church.  
*Please stop and have a tasty treat and visit with your fellow parishioners!*



## CATHOLIC CEMETERIES GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP - 4/21

The Catholic Cemeteries Association provides free, monthly grief support groups both  
In-Person at 3 pm & Virtually at 5 pm via Zoom on the same day.  
Meetings are open discussion, surrounding a monthly topic or whatever is in your heart.  
The **April Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, April 21st** with the closest location  
at **St. Joseph Cemetery in Avon at 32789 Detroit Rd.**

The Topic will be *"Mother's Day and Grief"*.

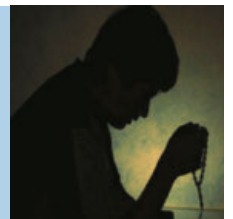
Your RSVP is appreciated but not required to attend.

Please contact Rhonda at 216-930-4866 for more information  
or sign up for the virtual group at <https://bit.ly/ccavirtualgriefsupportgroup>.

Visit [www.clecem.org](http://www.clecem.org) for the most updated schedule of events with the CCA.

## MONTHLY HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE AT ST. TERESA - 4/30

All are invited to come pray before our Eucharistic Lord on **Tuesday, April 30th at 7 pm**  
at **St. Teresa of Avila Church**. The Holy Hour will include Scripture Reading,  
Litanies & the Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
*Questions? Call the church office at 440-934-4227*



## MARIAN GUILD ANNUAL MAY LUNCHEON - 5/19

On **Sunday, May 19th** the Marian Guild will have their annual  
**May luncheon at 11:30 am** at the Lorain Senior Center on Garfield Boulevard.

*All ladies of the parish are invited to attend!*

We will have the crowning of the Blessed Mother,  
officers will be installed and new members will be honored.

In addition to a very tasty lunch, we will be entertained with several games of Bingo!

All winners will receive a little prize.

Very nice door prizes will also be given to a lucky few!

Please join us as we close out another prayerful and inspiring season.

For reservations, please call Terri George, 440-320-3270, or mail your reservation  
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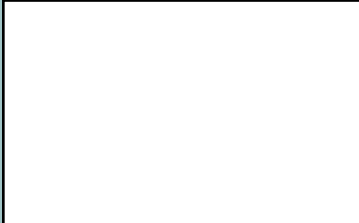
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