

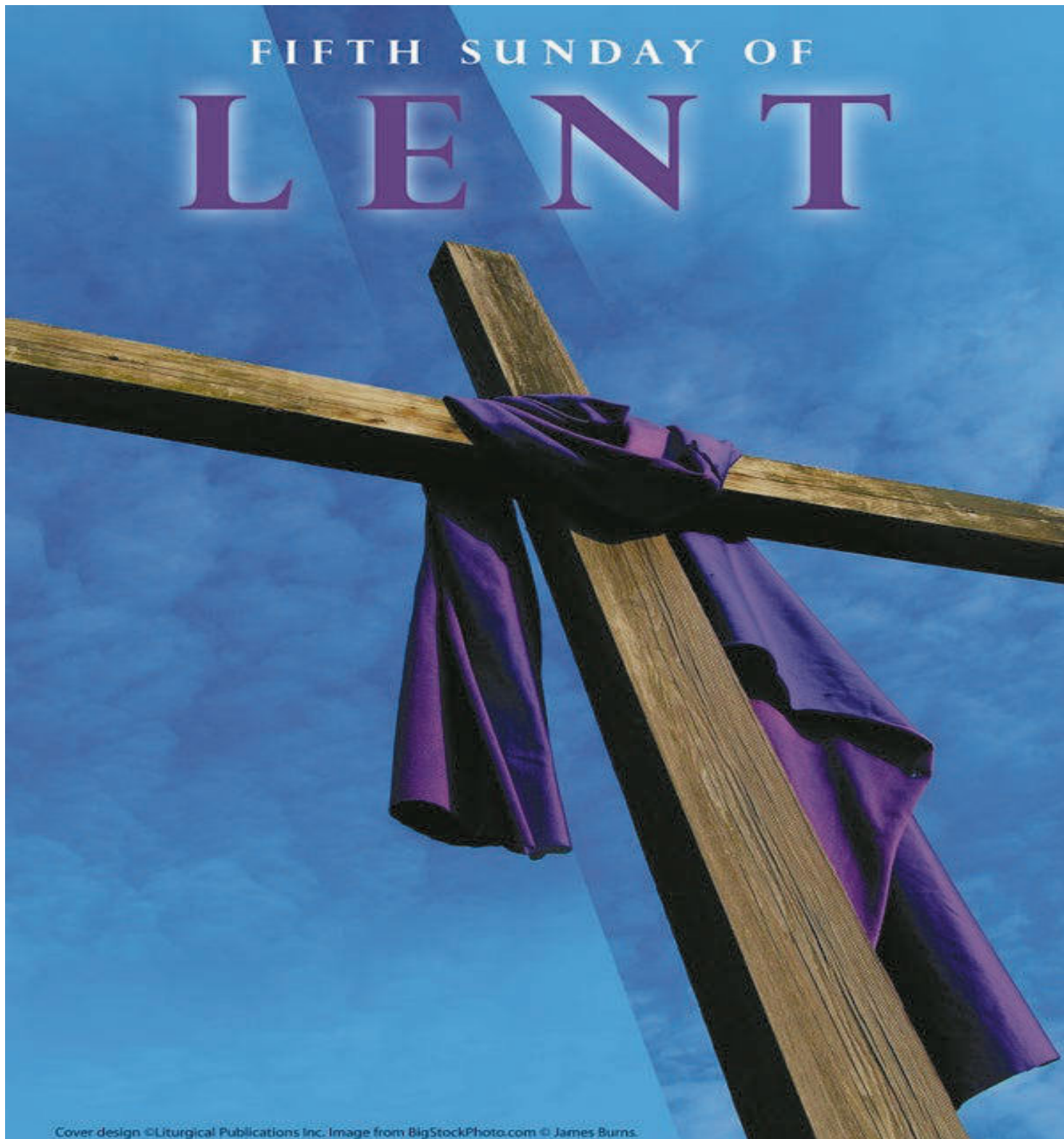
APRIL 2-3, 2022

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT



# Church of St. Pius X

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## Fr. Russ

### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

Again we have a beautiful gospel story of God's immense love for us – Jesus saves the woman brought before him who was caught in the act of adultery by a self-righteous mob who desire her death. In today's climate, this scene is acted out too often as the church and all around her is being politicized. Very dangerous! Where do we see this being acted out today? Well, if someone does not think or believe, or hold the same opinions, etc., the finger pointing ensues and the love of God, which we hear of in today's gospel, becomes non-existent. The result is a cult-like atmosphere devoid of the mercy of Jesus. These beautiful gospel stories during the Lenten season ought to spur us to be more Christ-like with ourselves and others.



As Catholic Christians, it is so easy to habitually go through the motions and do the bare minimum. If we do not keep our gaze upon the love of Jesus and practice that love ourselves, we have nothing! The finger pointing and bashing of sinners among other Catholic sinners is way too much these days. True, we need to confront sin but FIRST within ourselves. Though sin and the darkness that results will always be in and about us, we must always combat this with God's love for us through His Son. I will not hesitate to say that those who are doing the bashing these days – even some priests and bishops – are off the mark. They tend to condemn with so much vitriol. Jesus called this self-righteousness and, according to our savior and Lord, has no room in the Kingdom of God. With what remains of the Lenten season, may we all pay heed to the words we heard on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of this Lenten Season – “This is my beloved Son. Listen to him!!!”

### Thank You

I would like to personally thank Deanna Sheehan for all of her hard work and dedication as our front rectory/office building gardener. Deanna is retiring from that task and we thank her for her many years of beautifying the front of the rectory. A presentable plant is an attractive plant! Deanna's duties with this task included trimming all the spiraea in front of the rectory and at the north entrance of the church, taking care of the perennials in the raised bed around the flag pole.



### Sacramental Life



## In Sympathy

Please remember in your prayers,

**Agnes Haechrel†**

*Mother of Parishioner : Joanne Hall*

*May Agnes and the all the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

### Catholic Appeal

<b>2022 Goal</b>	<b>\$73,800</b>
<b>Pledged &amp; Received</b>	<b>\$42,883</b>
	<i>58% of goal</i>
<b>Participants</b>	<b>138</b>
	<i>16% of St. Pius Registered Families</i>
	<i>Updated 3/25/22</i>



**2022  
Catholic Ministries Appeal**

## Parish Life

### Rochester Adult & Teen Challenge Choir

*St. Pius X Sunday, April 10, 7PM*  
Come hear the inspiring music and heart-warming testimonials from the men and women currently in our Rochester Adult & Teen Challenge program just up the hill from our church. Adult & Teen Challenge is a faith based addiction treatment program. Event is free (love offering will be appreciated). Info – Fran Bradley, 507-358-1688.

**St. Pius X Spaghetti Dinner.** The St. Pius X Knights and Youth Group are co-sponsoring their annual Spaghetti Dinner Saturday evening, April 23. The dinner is catered by Victoria's Restaurant. The menu includes spaghetti, meat ball, salad, roll, beverages and sherbet. Serving begins in Kennedy Hall right after the 4 pm Mass and continues until 6:30 pm. All proceeds go to the St. Pius X Youth Group to fund their summer mission trips. Purchase your tickets in advance to save [adults (\$9), children ages 6 through 11 (\$6) and family (\$25). children 5 and under are free]. Tickets are available in the parish office or by calling Mike Sheehan [288-3767] for "Will Call" pickup that evening. Tickets at the door will be \$10 for all with no family pricing available.



### Knights Flower Sale Pickup

**Reminder:** If you purchased tickets for flowers in this year's Knight's spring flower sale, remember to pick up your bouquet[s] at "Flowers by Jerry" this Thursday, Friday or Saturday [April 7, 8 or 9] or next week on Monday [April 11]. Your tickets must be redeemed on those days. The Knights had a very successful sale again this year and thank everyone who purchased flowers. We hope you enjoy them !



### The K of C Ladies Auxiliary

The K of C Ladies Auxiliary's April meeting will be via Zoom on Wednesday, April 6. We will begin at 7 PM with the Rosary. Any ladies in the Parish who would be interested in joining in on the meeting, please call Nina Saletel ( 282-1722) for information.



### Sunday, April 10

*St. Pius X Church Sat. 4 pm Sun. 8 and 10 am*  
Donut Sunday following Sunday Masses.

### Palm Sunday Mass

### Communal Reconciliation

*Co-Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist 3:30 pm*

### Monday, April 11

*Pax Christi Church*

### Mass of Chrism

*4 pm*

### Wednesday, April 13

*Pax Christi Church*

### Tenebrae Service

*7 pm*

This service includes powerful music by choir, orchestra and soloists with dramatic readings which presents a great opportunity to prepare for the Sacred Triduum.

### Thursday, April 14

*St. Pius X Church*

### Holy Thursday Mass

*7 pm (livestreamed)*

### Friday, April 15

*Main Entrance to the Government Center 4:00 pm*

### Way of the Cross

A walk with Christ on the Way of the Cross through downtown Rochester, with scripture, poetry, song, and silence. Please arrive by 3:50 pm.

### Good Friday Service

*St. Pius X Church 12:15 pm (livestreamed) and 7 pm*

### Saturday, April 16

*St. Pius X Church*

### Easter Vigil

*8 pm (livestreamed)*

### Sunday, April 17

*St. Pius X Church*

### Easter Sunday

*8 am (livestreamed) and 10 am*

### St. Pius Spring Clean Up

Join fellow parishioners Saturday, April 30, 8:30 - noon, to spruce up the St. Pius campus. We will plan to gather in the alley behind the rectory following 8 AM Mass. If you are interested, please email church@piusx.org or call 288-8238.

## Community

**Tenebrae Service Pax Christi Church will present “Song of the Shadows”,** a Tenebrae service featuring music by Joseph Martin on Wednesday, April 13 at 7:00 PM. This dramatic work reflects on the life of Christ from His entrance into Jerusalem to His Passion on the cross. This service includes powerful music by choir, orchestra and soloists with dramatic readings which presents a great opportunity to prepare for the Sacred Triduum.

### Schedule Change for April ROCHESTER ROSARY RALLIES

NO Rosary Rally at the Government Center on Easter Sunday, April 17 and Divine Mercy Sunday, April 24. Weekly Rosary Rallies for our country, conversion, and peace continue through Palm Sunday, April 10, and after the 2-week break will once again resume on Sunday, May 1 at 3pm near the Rochester Government Center at the corner of 4th St. SE and 3rd Ave. SE. They last 35 minutes and include the Patriotic Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet. Families are welcome. Please join us. Questions: Contact Janela Hubka at [daveandjanela@gmail.com](mailto:daveandjanela@gmail.com) or 507-282-6090.

### Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday at Church of the Resurrection

Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>  
12:45 pm in Zenk Hall Video about St. Faustina  
2:00 - 4:00 pm in Church, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction,  
Rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Quiet Prayer time and Sacrament of Reconciliation.

### The Divinity of Christ with Sir Raymond De Souza

Come to St James Coffee on Wednesday, April 13th at 6:00 pm, and hear Raymond de Souza, international speaker on Catholic Apologetics and Pro-Life issues, ex-director of the office for evangelization of the Winona diocese. Raymond has returned to live in Rochester and in his presentations he puts Logic at the Service of the Faith. Come early to enjoy St. James's excellent coffee!



## Mass Intentions

### Monday, April 4, 2022

NO DAILY MASS

### Tuesday, April 5, 2022

8:00 am Jamiet and Kenneth† Bawek  
Teresa Bickford

### Wednesday April 6, 2022

8:45 am Curtis Kalmest† / Jodi Gredent

### Thursday, April 7, 2022

8:00 am For the Deceased Members of the Shovelin Family

### Friday, April 8, 2022

8:00 am Linda Godsill/Joann Engelbert†

### Saturday, April 9, 2022

8:00 am Shirley Keehnt†  
4:00 pm Ambrose† and Marget King / Daryl Faulkner†  
Arthur Mueller†

### Sunday, April 10, 2022 (Palm Sunday)

8:00 am Raymond† and Luella† Menke  
Salt† and Anita† Freiermuth  
10:00 am WS Putnam Family  
All Priests and Religious and Consecrated

**MERCYINMOTION CAMPAIGN.** Inspired by this “little way,” Catholic Charities is inviting you to join us in our 2nd Annual #MercyInMotion Campaign. To learn more, visit [www.ccsomn.org/mercyinmotion](http://www.ccsomn.org/mercyinmotion)

### Catholic Charities' Lenten Campaign

**Bury the Dead:** “Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come. Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour of night when the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and not let his house be broken into. So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come” (Mt. 24:42-44). This week, answer Christ's call to Bury the Dead by 1) Praying for the Holy Souls in Purgatory; 2) Fasting from gossip, swearing, and cruel words; 3) Attending the funeral of someone who might not have many friends or family. For more ideas on how to put Christ's Mercy in Motion this Lent, visit [www.ccsomn.org/mercyinmotion](http://www.ccsomn.org/mercyinmotion).

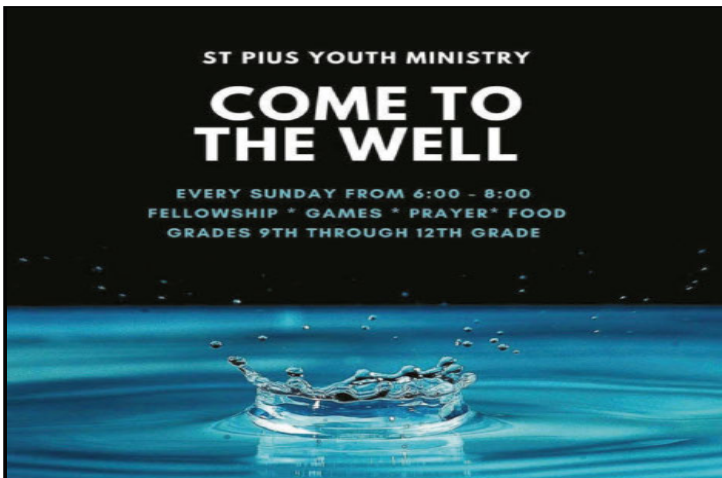


## Faith Formation

**St. Pius X Faith Formation needs some prayer warriors!** Faith Formation is gearing up to launch registration for 2022-2023 school year. We are going to have some BIG (but good!) changes along with moving past Covid in building our programs. I would like to start a novena starting Easter Monday to the Holy Spirit asking to open hearts for mentors and drawing our families back into church. If you would like to join me, please email Jennifer Carlin at: [jcarlin@piusx.org](mailto:jcarlin@piusx.org).

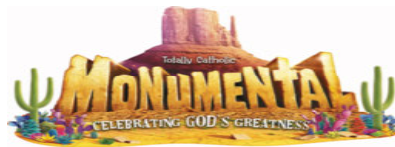


The Hunt is On - Sunday, May 1, 2022  
 St Pius X Faith and Youth Ministry is excited to host an Easter Egg Hunt for children ages 10 and under. Bring your Easter basket to the 10 am Mass. Following Mass, hop on over to the green space by the playground. We will have light refreshments and yard games available for fellowship following the Egg hunt.  
 \*In the event of inclement weather the event will be moved to Kennedy Hall\*  
 Any questions - please contact [jcarlin@piusx.org](mailto:jcarlin@piusx.org)



We are in need of VIRTUS trained adult volunteers to keep the Well ministry going!  
 If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please email [jcarlin@piusx.org](mailto:jcarlin@piusx.org).

Please note, the last Well event will be May 22.  
 Look for summer events to roll out soon!



**June 26 - July 1**  
**9:15 - 11:30 AM**

St. Pius X and the Co-Cathedral St. John's invite 3 year old through current 3rd graders to join us for Vacation Bible School this summer. Registration is now open, scan the QR code listed to access registration. Online payment is available and can be found near the end of the online registration. Please direct questions to Jen Carlin at [jcarlin@piusx.org](mailto:jcarlin@piusx.org).



## Faith Formation and Events Calendar

	1ST SACRAMENTS	CONFIRMATION	FAMILY CATECHESIS	RCIA
	Grade 2 6:00 - 7:00 pm	Grades 9-10 6:00 - 7:30 pm	Following the 10 AM Mass	6:00 - 7:30 pm
Sunday, 4/3			Rescheduled to April 10	
Monday, 4/4	Come to the Well 9th-12th Grade 6:00 - 8:00 PM St. Pius X Gym			
Wednesday, 4/6	The Chosen (Season 2) Founders Hall 6:30 - 8:00 PM			
Friday, 4/8	Bride's Room	Founders Hall		RCIA
	Stations of the Cross 8:45 AM (School - All are welcome) 6:30 PM			
Sunday, 4/10			Founders Hall	
	Final Donut Sunday of the Spring Kennedy Hall			
	Come to the Well 9th-12th Grade 6:00 - 8:00 PM St. Pius X Gym			
	MN Adult & Teen Challenge Concert 7:00 PM Church			
Wednesday, 4/13	LENTEN PROJECT MEAL PACKING Kennedy Hall 6:00 PM All are welcome!			
Sunday, 4/17	EASTER SUNDAY			

# WEEKLY PRAYER

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 3, 2022

- Sunday:** Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11
- Monday:** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5-6/Jn 8:12-20
- Tuesday:** Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30
- Wednesday:** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42
- Thursday:** Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59
- Friday:** Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42
- Saturday:** Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56
- Next Sunday:** Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49

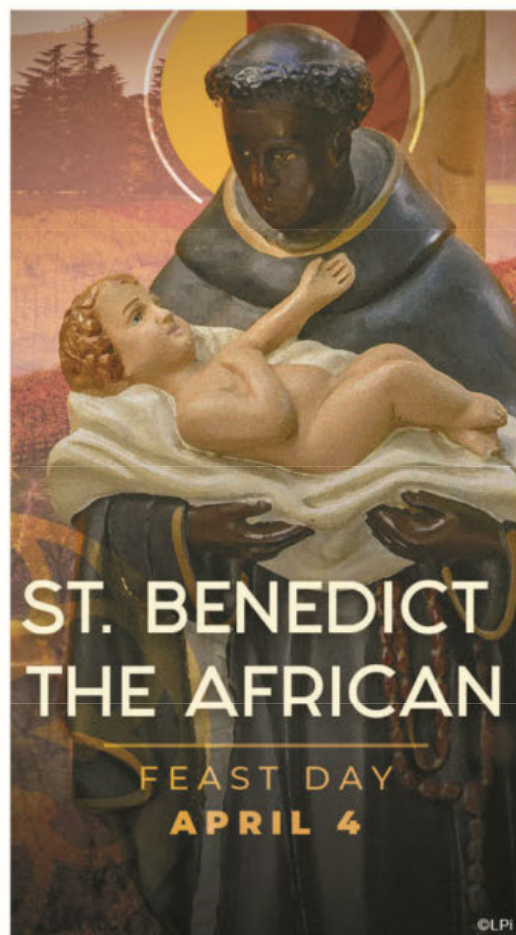
## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 3, 2022

- Sunday:** 5th Sunday of Lent
- Monday:** St. Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Tuesday:** St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest
- Next Sunday:** Holy Week begins; Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

## LIVE THE LITURGY

### Inspiration for the week

Mercy makes us attentive to the voice of truth. We do not know what ever happened to the woman caught in adultery, after her encounter with Jesus. It is hoped that she found what she needed to feel true sorrow. What we do know is that through his gentle and wise persuasiveness, Jesus puts the Pharisees in their place and opens the door to grace for this child of God. Being exploited and used to test and discredit Jesus, she who is publicly known to be a sinner is now the victim. Jesus never tolerates people being used and immediately rushes to her defense. As the author of mercy, Jesus became her advocate and opened the door for her to God's love. Jesus also stands between us and the harsh, judgmental, and often hurtful stance of our world. He invites us to grace, to leave the sin that binds us, and for which we are often criticized, and pursue a life of virtue and freedom.



## SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Benedict the African (1524-1589), was born in San Fratello, Sicily to Cristoforo and Diana Manasseri, Africans who had been taken as slaves. Some accounts claim that because of his parents' loyal service that Benedict was given his freedom at birth, other sources say that his freedom was granted when he turned 18. At 21 Benedict joined a society of hermits living under the rule of St. Francis of Assisi. Eventually he succeeded his friend, Jerome Lanze, as their leader. When the Pope disbanded the independent hermit society, Benedict joined the Order of Friars Minor and he was sent to Palermo, to the Franciscan Friary of St. Mary of Jesus. There Benedict worked in the kitchens and despite being illiterate and a lay brother (not a priest), he also served as Master of Novices, and as Guardian of the Community. St. Benedict was known throughout his life as a brilliant cook under whose hands food seemed to multiply miraculously, a healer, and a spiritual leader with profound understanding. He is recognized as the patron saint of African Americans.

## Lent 2022

### FORMED

The Diocese of Winona-Rochester is pleased to announce that *all* our parishes are to receive a one-year free subscription to FORMED. A parish FORMED subscription, created and powered by the Augustine Institute, includes 24/7 access to FORMED digital content for *all* people within your parish and the diocese. This is **FREE** for all of us here at St. Pius X! To sign up: visit the parish homepage -[piusx.org](http://piusx.org) and click on the "Formed Registration" link. There is a lot for you to choose from for your Lenten enrichment.



### The Chosen

Join St. Pius X Monday evenings during Lent for the showing of The Chosen (Season 2). We will meet 6:30 - 8:00 pm in Founders Hall. Our last showing will be April 4.



### Stations of the Cross

St. Pius X will be offering Stations of the Cross each Friday during Lent at 6:30 pm in the church. Additionally, the St. Pius X School will offer Stations led by St. Pius students: Friday, April 8th at 8:45 am, following daily Mass. *All are welcome to attend.*

### Communal Reconciliation

Please join us Sunday, April 10th at 3:30 pm for a Communal Penance Service at Co-Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. There will be a brief time of prayer followed by the opportunity for individual confessions.

**Easter Flowers** - All Easter flower memorial offerings need to be in the parish office by Monday, April 11th at noon.



## Lenten Project 2022 MEAL ON US

For our 2022 Lenten Project, St. Pius X has chosen to support the **John Marshall High School Resource Room**. The Resource Room strives to connect students with basic items such as clothing, hygiene, and food so they can be successful students. Funds collected will be used to assemble "MEAL ON US" meals to be distributed to students struggling to have enough food at home. These meals will consist of a \$10 Hy-vee card, pasta and pasta sauce.



Donations will be accepted in weekly collection, at the parish office or online at:

<https://piusx.weshareonline.org/2022LentenProject>.

Please note "2022 Lenten Project"

Donations will be accepted until Sunday, April 10th.

Please join us in Kennedy Hall on Wednesday, April 13, at 6:00 to assemble "Meal on Us" meals to be distributed to students.

### Weekly Fish Fry's Every Friday During Lent

#### Christ the King in Byron

Fish Frys continue through April 8  
Drive up & Dine in options!

Meal includes: Choice of baked or fried fish, coleslaw, green beans, potatoes, bread/ butter, tartar sauce and dessert.

Cost: \$16/meal



#### Church St. Michael in Pine Island

Serving from 4:30-7:00 PM in the Community Room. Baked & fried fish will be available. Prices: adults \$12.00, children 5-12 \$6.00, and family maximum \$40.00. Take out is available.

### CHRISM MASS

The Chrism Mass, the blessing of the oils by the bishop, will take place on Monday, April 11 at Pax Christi Church here in Rochester. All are invited to attend this Mass at 4PM.

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