



EASTER 2021 • LET US SING TO THE LORD; HE HAS COVERED HIMSELF IN GLORY. EX 15

Stained glass (detail), Risen Christ, St. Aloysius Church, NY

ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy

April 11, 2021

We have life in the name of the Lord.

MASSES FOR APRIL 12-18, 2021

Monday

8:30 a.m. (FDY) † Richard Berger
by Sharon McCarthy

Tuesday

8:30 a.m. (FDY) † Fr. Evan Harkins
by Maria Harkins

Wednesday

8:30 a.m. (FDY) † Daniel Cahhill by Mary Girard

Thursday

8:30 a.m. (FDY) † Sharon Stickle
by Deacon Jacob Stinnett

Saturday

4:30 p.m. (FDY) † William Stelzer by Richard Stelzer

Sunday

8:00 a.m. (MPG) Living & Deceased
Members of the Parish

10:00 a.m. (FDY) † Marianna Polizzi
by Fred & Francesca Knopp

VOCATION PRAYER

In every age Lord, You raise up women and men who are strong in their faith and bold in their actions to give witness to the Gospel. Fill St. Pius with Your Spirit and give us a burning desire to make a difference in our world because of our love for You. Bless our Church with holy and courageous priests, deacons, religious sisters and brothers, devoted married couples, dedicated single men and women and enthusiastic youth. We ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be making their *monthly collection* after all Masses today. Please help us to help others and may God bless each of you for your generosity!

You are invited to join St. Pius X parishioners for the Divine Mercy Sunday service, April 11, from 11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Please see the bulletin article.

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

For the Week of April 4, 2021:

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| Budget Requirements: | \$ 22,000.00 |
| Actual Offertory Received: | \$ 13,358.00 |
| Weekly Surplus (Deficit): | \$ (8,642.00) |
| **EFT (Debit) Program: | \$ 890.00 |
| Envelope Offering: | \$ 9,492.00 |
| Cash Offering: | \$ 2,976.00 |
| Total Offering: | \$ 13,358.00 |
| Debit Program Participants: | 41 |
| Envelopes Used: | 154 |

For the Month of April 2021:

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| MTD Budget Requirements: | \$ 22,000.00 |
| MTD Actual Offertory Received: | \$ 13,358.00 |
| MTD Surplus (Deficit): | \$ (8,642.00) |
| YTD Budget Requirements: | \$ 769,000.00 |
| YTD Actual Offertory Received: | \$ 682,346.05 |
| YTD Surplus (Deficit): | \$ (86,653.95) |

IN OUR PARISH

“THE WORD AMONG US” AND “LIVING FAITH” publications are now available in the Rectory office, Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. A suggested donation of \$1.00 per book is appreciated.

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION: There are three ways to register to become a parishioner of St. Pius X. 1) Please go to our website, www.spxreynoldsburg.com, and complete the online form and submit it; 2) Come to the Rectory during office hours Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. to obtain the form to complete, or 3) Call the Rectory and we will send you a form to complete. It is requested that if you are attending St. Pius X that you register as a member of the parish.

WARNING!!! Please note that some parishioners are receiving TEXT messages from Fr. Dave asking them to buy gift cards or asking for a favor. These are fake messages sent by someone else by a phone number that is not Fr. Dave's. Please **DO NOT** answer these messages! Fr. Dave would never text anyone asking for gift cards. We would ask that you call the Rectory to let us know that you received a text message and give us the phone number of the sender. Again, **DO NOT** answer these messages as they are fake.

LENDING LIBRARY: We cannot accept any more books for the lending library during the construction phase as we have no space in which to keep them. If books are dropped off at St. Pius X, they will be donated or thrown away.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PIUS X - APRIL 12-18, 2021

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| Monday | Liturgy of the Hours | Church | 8:00 a.m. |
| | Divine Mercy | Church | 6:00 p.m. |
| | Rosary for the Sick | Church | 6:30 p.m. |
| Tuesday | Liturgy of the Hours | Church | 8:00 a.m. |
| Wednesday | Liturgy of the Hours | Church | 8:00 a.m. |
| | Adoration | Church | 7:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m. |
| | Holy Hour | Church | 12:00-1:00 p.m. |
| Thursday | Liturgy of the Hours | Church | 8:00 a.m. |
| Friday | Liturgy of the Hours | Church | 9:00 a.m. |
| | Rosary | Church | 9:15 a.m. |
| Saturday | Confessions | Church | 3:00-4:00 p.m. |

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY:

Join St. Pius X parishioners for Divine Mercy Sunday on April 11. We will begin Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 11:15 a.m., along with Adoration. Fr. Dave will hear Confessions from 11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. We will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Rosary during this time. Benediction will follow at 12:30 p.m.

CONNECTIONS, ST. PIUS NEWLETTER...The May 2021 edition of *Connections*, the parish newsletter, is being compiled. Please submit articles to Carol McGlone at carol.a.mcglone@gmail.com or to the rectory Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. The deadline for the next issue is Friday, April 23, 2021.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, April 11: Second Sunday of Easter: In the Gospel today, Jesus stands in the midst of us and says: "Peace be with you!" **During Mass we turn to each other and say "Peace be with you!" As you place your gift into the St. Vincent de Paul collection bucket, you say "Peace be with you!" to those who are poor and hungry.** In the month of March, through your gifts, our ministry was able to bring the mercy of Jesus into the hearts of the poor, by assisting seven families providing \$150.00 in food, and \$1,693.49 for utility and rent bills, etc. Thank you.

**REAL PRESENCE, REAL FUTURE REFLECTIONS:
NEW HORIZONS**

Dcn. Tom Berg, Jr., St. Andrew Parish

Today's Gospel recounts the Apostles experiencing our Lord's glorified presence following His Resurrection and how, through His presence and signs, their faith was reinforced, enabling them to look to and move toward the new horizons of their missionary discipleship. We too, in the Diocese of Columbus, are called to do the same, which is the goal of our *Real Presence, Real Future* planning and evangelization campaign. Today, we also celebrate our Lord's endless Divine Mercy. God's forgiving love empowers us to start again when we make mistakes so we can always move forward as faithful and true missionary disciples.

To read more about how we are growing together in the life of faith and discipleship in the Diocese of Columbus, visit www.RealPresenceRealFuture.org.

ST. PIUS X SCHOOL - A Night in Green, Virtual Gala, June 11, 2021

- The 8th annual A Night in Green will continue its celebration of our faith, our school, and our future, through a virtual gala on Friday, June 11, 2021, 7:00 p.m. This year's event will offer a virtual live and silent auction. We are excited to also feature some auction items from the St. Pius X Preschool. Registration for the virtual event will be FREE and open to friends and family of the SPX community. We will also offer a sneak peek of our auction items in the school gymnasium on Thursday, June 10th. If you are interested in more details on how to donate, become a sponsor, or volunteer for the event, please email us at ANightinGreen@yahoo.com or call Jennifer Harsh at 614-506-1669. We will be releasing additional information. Please follow our Facebook page at St. Pius X Home and School Association - H&S for up-to-date information on this year's event.

ST. PIUS X PRESCHOOL AND SCHOOL are now accepting applications for new enrollment. To learn more or to schedule a tour, visit the school's website www.spxelementary.com or call 614-866-6050. See what St. Pius X School has to offer Preschool to 8th grade students. Be part of a Catholic Tradition of Academic Excellence since 1960!

SURVEY FOR THE "FALLEN AWAY/INACTIVE" CATHOLIC:

The Diocese of Columbus is studying information as part of a strategic planning process to evangelize the future of the Catholic faith. Current and local information from individuals on why they no longer attend Church or no longer consider themselves Catholic would be very helpful in the planning process. There is great value knowing these answers to address the evangelization needs specifically in our Diocese for the future. While many of us may think we know the reasons or assume them, the Diocese really wants to hear from the people themselves. Therefore, please help get the word out to take this survey by those who have fallen away from the Church or who are no longer active in the Church. This may be a loved one, a child who no longer attends, a sibling who moved away, a friend, an acquaintance, etc. Please only ask people to take the survey if they have fallen away from the Church or are no longer active in the Church. Here is the survey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LDH6SDH>.

SEMINARIAN, JACOB STINNETT'S COLUMN

The image of the Divine Mercy that was revealed by Christ Himself to St. Faustina Kowalska on February 22, 1931 is of the Risen Christ. In John's account of the Crucifixion, when the soldier pierced Jesus' side with a lance, blood and water flowed out (Jn 19:34). These represent the Sacraments of Baptism and the Eucharist. The Risen Christ in the image of the Divine Mercy still has these two streams flowing, but now from His Heart, the center of Jesus' love for humanity. It is through the sacraments that we encounter God's love and mercy. In Baptism, we are born in the spirit to life in Christ. It is the first mercy we receive, because the original sin into which all people are born is wiped away. The sin of Adam and Eve that first separated humanity from God is washed away, and we become sons and daughters of God. In the Eucharist, we receive the Body of Jesus, and are attached to Him and to the perfect sacrifice of the Cross, drawing us closer and closer to His Heart of love, a love which pours itself out for others.

All of us are in need of encountering God's mercy. Mercy is love responding to evil, sin, or a lack of something. None of us is perfect yet, so we are all in need of God's mercy. God's love fills in the gaps in our lives, makes us whole, and sends us out into the world to build the Kingdom of God. The words that are found below the image of the Divine Mercy at the request of Jesus are essential for encountering God's Mercy: "Jesus, I trust in You." Trusting in the Lord is what allows His Love to break through into the world and into our lives.

Thomas learned this in the Gospel for this Sunday. When he returns after the rest of the apostles met the Risen Jesus on the day of the Resurrection, Thomas does not trust. How can Jesus, Who was crucified just a few days earlier now be alive? Thomas has a bad reputation for being the one who doubted. But a week later, Jesus appears again. Jesus' mercy acts even ahead of Thomas' coming to believe in the Resurrection and trust in the Lord. Jesus acquiesces to Thomas' request to put his fingers into the marks on Jesus' hands and feet and into His side. Jesus shows mercy to Thomas, by filling in the gap of doubt and lack of trust, which is holding Thomas back from his calling as an apostle. This time Thomas has a response that is made in perfect trust: "My Lord and my God." We see in the life of Thomas, who became the apostle to India, that God's mercy not only comes from trust in Him, but it also comes before our trust, to help us build up trust in God. Trust in God is our response to mercy that leads to greater mercy working through us.

One of the things that seminarians are often asked to do is share their vocation story. Some have more exciting stories than others, with great conversions or profound moments in which they very distinctly heard the voice of God. Others have more normal stories, of slow and steady growth in their relationship with God and their vocation grows organically from this. One story that is more in the latter category is from a man who just finished his first year of seminary, John Paul from the Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama. He ended, though, with a very simple yet profound sentence about God working in life and drawing John Paul closer to Himself. He said "I have come to know that God loves me and that He can be trusted." I was blown away by the power and beauty behind this statement. Knowing that we are loved by God and that He can be trusted is at the heart of Divine Mercy, and it is what we come to know the more we stand underneath the image of the Heart of Jesus pouring out His Love on the world. We experience that we are loved and that God is perfectly trustworthy in the sacraments. Again and again, He gives us the graces we need to get through another day joyfully.

The end of today's Gospel has the first conclusion of John's Gospel. John writes, "Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name" (Jn 20:30-31). This is referring to the works of mercy that Jesus did after the Resurrection, that we, like Thomas, will be able to say upon encountering Him "My Lord and my God." This is the mercy that God shows to prepare us to trust Him. There is also a second conclusion to John's Gospel, which comes at the end of the next chapter: "There are also many other things that Jesus did, but if these were to be described individually, I do not think the whole world would contain the books that would be written" (Jn 21:25). Jesus was only on the earth in His resurrected body for 40 days. I don't think this second conclusion is referring to this time. I think this is referring to the other side of mercy: the trust that magnifies God's mercy and allows God to continue to break into the world. I think this second conclusion refers to all of Jesus' disciples, who like John Paul, come to know God as Someone Who loves us and Whom we can trust, which allows His mercy to work through us.

A MESSAGE FROM SR. MAXINE:

Greetings to my fellow parishioners! I've been told that not everyone is aware of what we are up to in the RCIA office, so I want to call it to your attention because it involves all of you! Back in August, with the pandemic raging (as it continues to do now) we decided to suspend the regular RCIA program of initiating new members into the Catholic faith because the restrictions are not conducive to the sharing and community building that are essential to the program.

Instead, we saw it as a perfect opportunity to focus on and build on and renew the community we already have together. We called it **Renewing Catholicism for the Intentional Adult** (RCIA for the parish Community). **This is a review or a renewing of our Catholic faith for the entire parish.**

So each week in the bulletin, this section is meant for **your** eyes and **your** enrichment.

You may have noticed (or not!) the poster in the vestibule which features a **"Blessing Tree"** that is sprouting many blessings for you! You are invited to randomly take a blessing when you pass and see what the Spirit has in store for you. God knows that during this very unusual and often difficult time, we need His blessing!

Peace to all,
Sr. Maxine

RENEWING AND REFRESHING CATHOLICISM
We are a SAVED People: called to preach GOOD NEWS

After the death and Resurrection of Jesus and awaiting the promised Spirit of God among/within them, Jesus' followers experienced the call to preach this good news of salvation to all people, Jew and Gentile alike. They knew and recognized God's saving presence in every person and responded to Jesus' call to serve the people of God, most especially, the poor and vulnerable.

Each of us has witnessed that same death and resurrection through the Easter Triduum we just celebrated. Each of us has experienced our Baptismal renewal and declared once again, in joyful ALLELUIAS, our firm faith in Jesus Christ our Savior and Hope for all the world. Each of us has been called, as were those first Apostles, to preach and to live this good news of salvation to all people. **In this last week, how have you preached; how have you lived such good news in the world? How will you preach and live in the coming year?**

In the RCIA program, this time after Baptism is called Mystagogy. It is the time when neophytes explore all the opportunities and channels offered by the parish to do just that ... preach and live the good news of SALVATION... to celebrate and fulfill this new calling to Christian servanthood.

In the text of the Acts of the Apostles, we get a glimpse into the ministry and service that the Apostles undertook after the Resurrection. They could not NOT spread the news of this WONDROUS event!!! They went out to all the world! By observing their response, we gather insights into what we are called to be as servant leaders and compassionate followers of this new way of being that Jesus called us to. During this month of April, we will examine stories and challenges in the Acts of the Apostles and in today's world which invite us to be Christ to the world. As St. Teresa of Avila has told us: "Christ has no body now on earth, but yours. No hands, no feet on earth, but yours. Yours are the eyes through which Christ looks with compassion into the world. Yours are the feet with which Christ walks to do good. Yours are the hands with which Christ blesses the world."

Blessing: May the God of SPRINGTIME be with you, awakening you from the wintertime slumber into the glory of new life in every part of your being. May you gaze at the life around you and see it with new capacity and potential. May you look at the places of diminishment and dying around you and be filled with resurrected hope and the promise of new and unimagined life. May the God of SPRINGTIME, the God of RESURRECTION bless you.



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AROUND TOWN

**Columbus Catholic Young Adult Conference**

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**ST. CHARLES PREPARATORY SCHOOL -
Third Quarter Honor and Merit Roll**

St. Charles Preparatory School recently announced its Third Quarter Honor and Merit Rolls for the 2020-2021 school year. Students listed on the Honor Roll have achieved a grade point average of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 grading scale. Students listed on the Merit Roll have achieved a grade point average between 3.00 and 3.49. Those who received a grade point of 4.0 and above are also noted (4.0+ GPA).

The following young men of our parish have been named to the Honor & Merit Rolls. St. Charles and St. Pius X Parish congratulate them for their outstanding academic achievement.

| Student's Name | Grade | Roll | 4.0+ GPA |
|-------------------|-------|-------|----------|
| John Cassanos | 12 | Honor | 4.0+ |
| Steven Day | 10 | Honor | 4.0+ |
| Luke Delius | 9 | Honor | 4.0+ |
| Yannick Lambe | 11 | Honor | 4.0+ |
| An-Nam Pham | 9 | Honor | 4.0+ |
| Broderick Doenges | 10 | Honor | |
| Nicholas Gebbie | 9 | Honor | |
| Jack Bare | 9 | Merit | |
| Elijah Cassidy | 10 | Merit | |
| Austin Fraley | 10 | Merit | |

JOB OPPORTUNITY AT THE JOSEPHINUM:

The Pontifical College Josephinum is accepting applications for a Director of Advancement. This full-time position, reporting to the Vice President for Advancement, requires a minimum of two years of fundraising experience, including operation of an annual fund (direct mail and special events) and personally asking for gifts. More information, including a job description and skills required, may be found on the seminary's website at www.pcj.edu.

**Capital Campaign Build Update****Block has been assembled on the Footers for the build for the new rooms**

Thank you to everyone who has participated (or plans to participate) in our Capital Campaign through pledges, prayers, or both. Our goal, throughout this project, has been to build-up our community, to strengthen the personal connections that unite us together as a parish family, and to provide new ways to grow closer to Christ Jesus. Please join me in praying for God's continued blessings on our parish.

- Fr. Dave

Financials for Our Capital Campaign: We had reached our pledge goal of \$4,558,356.00. We have removed \$45,349.00 in defaulted pledges which gives us \$4,553,491.00 in pledges to our goal of \$4,558,356.00 and have received \$3,790,926.00 in cash. We currently have \$62,040.00 in pledges not confirmed from letters mailed on March 23. For those parishioners I would appreciate a confirmation if you are able to complete your pledge or not. We have had a few parishioners, who have not been able to complete their pledges due to financial hardship, have moved away or have died. Fortunately, several of you have talked to me wanting to increase your pledges to cover some of these defaults which is just great. Thank you so very much.

If you can make a new pledge or an additional pledge increase, please remember to call 614-866-2859 or email John Beyer jbeyer@spxreynoldsburg.com to let me know so I can add these to our numbers. If you do so through Faith Direct, please let me know this also.

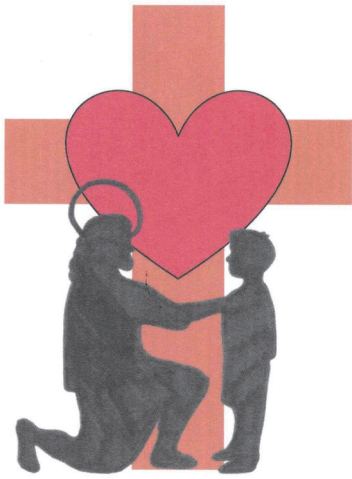
The entire Phase II project is focused on building up our parish: as a community of friendship with Christ, and as a communion of faith in Christ, with every person valued, and every family involved.

We are extremely proud and thankful for all of you that have made a pledge and continue to honor this commitment to St. Pius X Church & School by continuing to pay on your pledge until it is completed.

From all the Staff here at St. Pius X, Father Dave, and I, thank you and God Bless!

John Beyer, Campaign Chair

April 2021



St. Pius X: Kids Encounter Christ

Celebrating the Easter Season

Happy Easter! That's right, Easter is more than just that Sunday when the Easter bunny comes! In the Church, Easter is a 50-day season, which gives us weeks to celebrate the Resurrection of Christ!

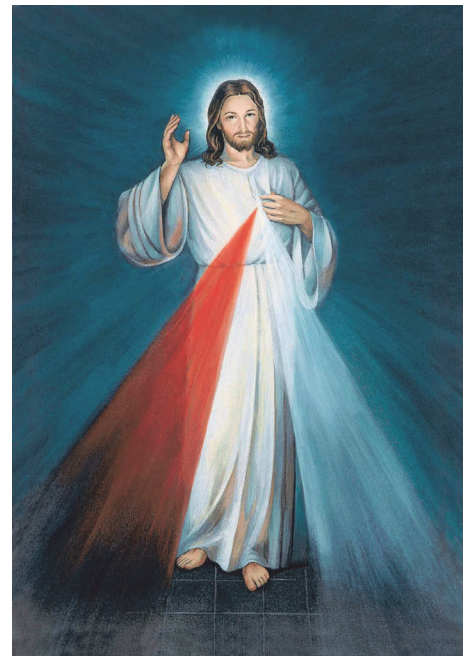
Easter is the most important feast in the Church, and it is the basis for all we believe in. If Jesus had not laid down His life on that cross, we would not have the hope of eternal life with the Father in Heaven. Jesus' Resurrection brought ultimate victory over all sin and death. Jesus' Resurrection brought us freedom! Jesus' Resurrection shows us the incredible power of the Father's love, and reminds us that, day after day, the Lord wants to draw near to us and fill our hearts with His joy. This Easter season, spend time talking with Jesus and letting Him in. All He wants is your love!

Divine Mercy Sunday

This weekend, the second week of Easter, is a special Sunday, known as "Divine Mercy Sunday," as directed by our Lord to St. Faustina. Christ's Divine Mercy reminds us the love of God is greater than any and all sin, that nothing we do could separate us from Christ's deep desire for relationship with us, that He is always pulling us closer into His loving embrace. This special day calls us to reflect more deeply on the gift of Mercy that Christ is always pouring upon us.

Just as Jesus shows such great mercy toward us, we too are called to be merciful to others, forgiving them for their wrongdoings against us and showering them with the love we receive from Christ.

Let us always confidently pray, "Jesus, I trust in You!"



April Saints

There's lots of super neat saints with feast days this month, so you get to learn about multiple! All five of these holy people are beautiful examples of the joy Christ brings and of the miracles God works when you give your life to Him and let Him love you!

Name: Gemma

Feast Day: April 11

Patron of: students, back pain, loss of parents

Her Story: Gemma loved to pray and help the poor. Unfortunately, she was often sick, but she was always smiling. Gemma was given some unusual blessings like visions of the future, visits from her guardian angel, and the stigmata (marks on her hands, feet, and heart like the wounds of Jesus).

Name: Bernadette

Feast Day: April 16

Patron of: the poor, shepherds, those ridiculed for the faith

Her Story: Bernadette was born into a poor family in Lourdes, France. One day, she went to a cave to get firewood, and the Blessed Mother appeared! Bernadette re-visited that spot over a dozen times to see and speak with Mary. To this day, thousands of people visit and pray at Lourdes.

Name: Mark

Feast Day: April 25

Patron of: lawyers, secretaries, lions

His Story: Mark is best known as one of the four Gospel writers. His Gospel, the shortest and written first, focuses on Jesus' humanity, all he did for others while on this earth, and what characteristics set him apart from other humans.

Name: Zita

Feast Day: April 27

Patron of: maids/housekeepers, lost keys

Her Story: Zita was a maid who lived out her faith through performing every household duty as perfectly as possible, going to Mass and praying every day, and giving generously to the poor, despite the fact that she herself didn't have much.

Name: Catherine of Siena

Feast Day: April 29

Patron of: fire, illness, Italy

Her Story: As a child, she spent her time in silent prayer. Her humble holiness attracted many and she soon became known worldwide, even convincing the Pope to move back to Rome. She is one of four female Doctors of the Church – saints recognized for their writings and defenses of the faith.

We would love to feature some of you in next month's edition! If you want to share how you have encountered Christ recently, or if you have any questions or requests, email us at spxkidsencounterchrist@gmail.com!

SAINT OF THE DAY FOR APRIL 14



Blessed Peter Gonzalez (1190-April 15, 1246)

Blessed Peter Gonzalez's Story:

Saint Paul had a conversion experience on the road to Damascus. Many years later, the same proved true for Peter Gonzalez, who triumphantly rode his horse into the Spanish city of Astorga in the 13th century to take up an important post at the cathedral. The animal stumbled and fell, leaving Peter in the mud and onlookers amused.

Humbled, Peter reevaluated his motivations—his bishop-uncle had secured the cathedral post for him—and started down a new path. He became a Dominican priest and proved to be a most effective preacher. He spent much of his time as court chaplain, and attempted to exert positive influence on the behavior of members of the court. After King Ferdinand III and his troops defeated the Moors at Cordoba, Peter was successful in restraining the soldiers from pillaging, and persuaded the king to treat the defeated Moors with compassion.

After retiring from the court, Peter devoted the remainder of his life to preaching in northwest Spain. Having developed a special mission to Spanish and Portuguese seamen, he is considered their patron.

Peter Gonzalez died in 1246 and was beatified in 1741.

How often we have heard stories about some misfortune or disaster only to hear later on that it was now seen as a good thing. Not every "disaster" is truly bad in its consequences for the Lord can bring good out of what appears to be a misfortune. Such was the case for Blessed Peter. His being dumped in the mud by a falling horse turned out to be a good thing in his life.

Blessed Peter Gonzalez is the Patron of: Spanish and Portuguese sailors

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— Joe and Patti Schermer


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