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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 5, 2020
Mt 11:25-30

*At that time Jesus exclaimed:
"I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,
for although you have hidden these things
from the wise and the learned
you have revealed them to little ones.
Yes, Father, such has been your gracious will.
All things have been handed over to me by my Father.
No one knows the Son except the Father,
and no one knows the Father except the Son
and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him."*

*"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest.
Take my yoke upon you and learn from me,
for I am meek and humble of heart;
and you will find rest for yourselves.
For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."*

**Observances for the Week of :
July 6-12**

Saturday-Memorial of St. Benedict, Abbot
Sunday -Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekly Mass Readings

Monday Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Mt 10:1-7
Thursday Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9; Mt 10:7-15
Friday Hos 14:2-10; Mt 10:16-23
Saturday Is 6:1-8; Mt 10:24-33
Sunday Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23

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**St. Pius X
Mass Schedule**

† Weekend Mass
Saturday- 4:30 pm
Sunday- 10:00 am

† Daily Mass
Tuesday-6:00 pm
Wednesday-8:00 am & 6:00 pm
Thursday-8:00 am
Friday-8:00 am

*Eucharist Adoration-First Friday of each month-
8:00 am*

† Online Mass

Sunday -10:00 am
Wednesday - 6:00 pm

**We are still Live Streaming Facebook
for anyone at home**

Find us on Facebook at:
*St. Pius X & St. Anthony of Padua
Catholic Churches*

Parish Office Hours

Thursday 9:00 am-2:00 pm

**St. Anthony of Padua
Mass Schedule**

† Weekend Mass
Saturday- 6:00 pm
Sunday- 8:00 am

† Daily Mass
Wednesday-9:00 am
Friday-9:00 am

*Eucharist Adoration-First Friday of each month-
9:00 am*

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FROM THE PASTOR

A Message From Fr. Brian Johnson

July 5, 2020 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mt 11:25-30
Dear St Pius X and St Anthony Church,

One more time, here I go saying that a bible quote is my favorite, but this one of Jesus is so welcome: Matthew 11:28, "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." Who doesn't want to hear that? Jesus Himself inviting us to come and rest with Him. Like a wonderfully comforting invite to getaway at the Lake, to hear the breeze blow, see the water wave and feel the sun massage your skin! I am on the way! Oh wait, Really, I am! Jesus is the Way, Truth and Life (John 14:6). I'm staying with Him! Jesus offers the solution to our burdens and toils. Give them to Him. Share them with Him. Jesus provides the lift and hold to relieve 'way-ty' pressures that feel overwhelming to us. Likely we want to ask Jesus right back, "And how do we do this?" He says, "Open yourself to me. Give me a try, share with me your heavy heart's concerns." Why do we find it so hard to surrender our driven-ness to control everything? By the way (?), how are we succeeding with that? Is everyone else doing things that we think they should? Will they ever? And even if we look only at ourselves, are we doing everything we want and is it turning out as well as we'd like it to?

I remember once sitting in a prayer session among some of us youth ministers as we were praying and processing events after a retreat. An anguished man to my right said, 'It is so hard letting go, so hard to surrender power and trust God to control everything.' Then another friend right across the table said in the gentlest voice I'd ever heard, "I'm sorry, it is not. It is the easiest thing. You are not controlling it anyway; just trust God and let go." Now most of us in the room could feel the huge gap between the two responses of one trying to do everything and the other doing nothing at all, but in that balance was the peace of Christ. It is not a breaking point that we have to come to, but only a *breaking-through point* of doing all that one can and then releasing, to let God settle and bring together all the pieces. I compare it to studying for an exam and then completing the actual paper test. The minute you hand it over to the professor, what else could be done at that point? Release and move on to prepare for the next exam. And don't forget to thank God and enjoy the rest between!

I hear a method in Jesus' invitation, "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves"(Matthew 11:29). How about that 'Take my yoke' part? I hear Jesus saying, 'Take my lead', or 'Bind yourself to me'. I think Jesus lightens our load, much like I remember the times I was on the heavy end of moving a couch or refrigerator. I'm at the tail end going up stairs, and someone else joins the lift, throwing their hands in grabbing a corner of my end, and instantly, 'Wow'! What a release of pressure or burn as the weight on my end of the load halved or better! Or even simply getting to stop and brace the load against the wall would give me momentum to finish as I stretch out fingers or arms, before grabbing again and making it to the top of the stairs. (Of course, on those special days and jobs, it is when you get to the top of the stairs that you have to stand the couch upright to go through the door---but I'll save that story and Jesus' command 'Strive to enter through the narrow door'- Lk 13:24-for another day!). Or, to understand Jesus' yoke, imagine the harnessing hitch that ties oxen or mules together as a team so that you can increase their pulling strength or tilling power. The same I bet goes with Jesus. If I tie myself to him, I receive a portion of His stamina and staying power. Or a similar image that comes to my mind is that of a tandem skydive experience when you are yoked to a jumpmaster. The jumpmaster safely guides you through the entire fall and landing. (I am not sure if the newby- jumper rides the belly of the jumpmaster like a kangaroo joey or on the back like a monkey, but either way, the jumpmaster has it all under control until you land safely.) Maybe the real lesson to parachuting is not doing it at all unless you have to (let's reserve such risks to our military, forest fire workers and other rescue type situations). Why do I need to jump out of plane anyway & overwork a guardian angel like that? Preserve your graces! Peace, Fr Brian

Another Saint in a Time of Plague: St Anthony the Great

He is also called, St Anthony of the Desert (born January 12, 251–died January 17, 356) is known as the Father of monasticism. He is not the first ascetic in the Church's life (John the Baptist?), but he is the earliest ascetical recluse. He sought deeper and deeper solitude over his years to more deeply dedicate his life to prayer, fasting & works of penance. He went into the desert to focus on penitential prayer and lean living. He was always on the lookout for more and more solitary environments to live in such as first living in an actual tomb, then a desert cave and finally in an abandoned Roman fort in the mountains. We know mostly of St Anthony the Great due to a biography that Bishop Athanasius of Alexandria wrote about him in 360 AD.

Anthony was born in Lower Egypt to wealthy landowner parents. When he was about 20 years old, his parents died and left him with the care of his unmarried sister. Shortly thereafter, he decided to follow the gospel exhortation in Matthew 19: 21, "If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasures in heaven." Anthony gave away some of his family's lands to his neighbors, sold the remaining property, and donated the funds to the poor. His sister went to live with a community of nuns and he went to the desert. For the next fifteen years, Anthony remained in the Egyptian desert about 60 miles west of Alexandria living as a disciple under the tutelage of an elder hermit. Some say he also worked as a swineherd during these years. He ate only bread, salt and water and never meat or wine. According to Athanasius, the devil fought Anthony by afflicting him with boredom, laziness, and the visiting phantoms that appeared as demons to run him back to the cities. After that, he moved to an abandoned tomb. Here the battles with demons intensified, at times even causing him physical wounds and bruising. He then sought complete solitude and moved into an old Roman fort. Food would be thrown over the wall to him. Visitors came to seek spiritual counsel or teaching. He refused pilgrims, but other monks began to settle and live in a type of hermit colony before long. He began to teach them and pray with them and became a 'father-abbā' to many seekers. He would disappear in more solitary areas at times, and often sought out the imprisoned around towns to visit and offer them encouragement. It was said that even the Emperor Constantine wrote a letter to Anthony seeking intercession and prayer. Macarius the Great, who later founded the famous community of Scete, was a disciple of Anthony. At his death, he wished to just lay on the ground. According to his instructions, he was interred in a grave next to his hermit cell. His connection to plagues and pandemics is that Anthony was known as a great intercessor, constantly at prayer. Through history, Anthony frequently was invoked and sought after to pray and intercede for relief and cures to various epidemics. Interestingly there is a disease known as St Anthony' fire, which is a burning and deadening of tissue in the extremities of the feet (Covid Toes!) Brothers of the Order of St Anthony studied this disease and diagnosed the source of this local ailment as ergot poisoning and discovered treatments and preventions for it. St Anthony is attributed to the success of their work and prayer to end outbreaks of this painful skin and foot disorder. He is also known as the patron saint of illnesses with disruptive neurological symptoms like restlessness, inattention and involuntary movements in the limbs.

St Anthony the Great, pray for us!

Gasper on the Go! Summer Camps:

For information and registration, go to
gasperriverretreatcenter.org

About Weekend and Daily Mass Participation: Just to give an idea about the size of congregations at mass so far. We are limited to 33% capacity, yet we have been coming in safely under the limits. *Of course, the Sunday Obligation is relaxed.* There is no obligation to attend. So Live Stream Mass, Spiritual Communion and Personal At Home Prayer is a first & safest option. The daily mass attendance has spread out and dropped a little: weekdays are averaging between 10-15 persons each mass, and weekend masses are averaging between 40-50 persons each mass. Saturday evenings

Face coverings are required, and we keep safe distance and safe seating and maintain all the sanitizing procedures to stay well!

Daily Mass Schedule are the lightest attendance.

Tuesday -6:00 pm(St. Pius X)

Wednesday -8:00am (St. Pius X), 9:00 am(St. Anthony)

and Wednesday 6:00 pm again (St. Pius X)

Thursday- 8:00 am(St. Pius X)

Friday- 8:00 am (St. Pius X) and 9:00 am (St. Anthony)

Saturday- 4:30 pm (St. Pius X) and 6:00 pm (St. Anthony)

Sunday 8:00 am (St. Anthony) and 10:00 am (St. Pius X)

We are still Live Streaming Facebook for anyone at home. We pray with you and remember our homebound members at each mass. Sunday Morning 10:00 am and Wednesday evening at 6:00 pm.

Confirmation: Retreat is scheduled for Sunday, August 23 at 11:00 am-3:00 pm at St. Pius X. Sponsors and Students should attend. **Confirmation** has been rescheduled to Saturday, August 29 at 10:00 am.

Donate Life! St Pope John Paul II wrote in his major teaching on life issues titled 'Gospel of Life' #86, that "organ, eye, and tissue donation is considered an act of charity and love, and transplants are morally and ethically commendable." Our catholic tradition completely supports the voluntary gift of life through organs donated following natural death. Though National Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Week has already passed, take a moment sometime, to discuss organ and tissue donation with your family. Consider how simple acts may change the lives of others who have great need. Sign your organ donor card today; it is simple enough an act to perform and it may make the difference between life and death for someone in need of an organ. Jesus says in John 10:10 "I came that they may have life and life abundantly". Your gift could be that life to someone, given for love of Christ.

Parish Leadership Webinar: May 20th, nearly 90 parish leaders from across the Diocese of Owensboro gathered over Zoom video conference call for an hour of prayer, support, and guided discussion about ministry in COVID times. In case you missed it, below is the link to a recording of that gathering so you can hear what was discussed:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0zGi806WU20>.

In response to the feedback from that first gathering on May 20th, we expand the invitation to anyone interested in working to better evangelize and keep faith in these times. Here is a follow-up series of four additional webinars in June and July. Each evening we will focus on one of the movements of "Encounter," "Accompany," "Community," and "Send." These webinars will be recorded to be watched later, too. Wednesday evenings of June 17th, June 24th, July 8th, and July 15th at 7pm.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Week of July 6-12



St. Pius X

July 6-Lindsey Allen

July 6-Joe Blazina

July 8-Mike Bowling

July 12-John Bardsley

St. Anthony of Padua

July 7-Lisa Adrian

July 8-Tolbert Sheppard

July 9-Dan Dailey

July 12-Wallace Wilkinson



St. Pius X

July 8-Jimmy & Elaine Hogancamp

St. Anthony of Padua

July 9-Shannon & Annemarie Tutor

Remember in Prayer

St. Pius X: John Bardsley, Kaileigh Row, Bennett Meisenheimer, Peter Bullock, Jim & Rose Drury, Wes Hayes, Maryann Huebschmann, Shirley Mangan, Kenny Matthews, Dora Miller, Miller Meisenheimer, Joann Najgebauer, Elizabeth Nelson, Johnny Poe, Joel Rivera, Sister Rosemary, Carol Ross, Marty Tyskling, Lonnie Vogler, Brenda Waitke, Gary Walters, Andrew Walton, Larry Wenzel, Anna Williams, Dawn Williams, Wilma Lejuene, Lori Butler, Isabella Hamilton, Dr. Danny Butler, Jeanette Hayes, Cameron Richmond, Brad Longworth, Matthew Black, Helen Bennett, Nannette Frizzell, Catherine Broks, Stacey Newby, Bette Zilligen, Dorothy Henry, Ric Vaughn, Susan Sloan, Donny Travis, Betty Derry, Scott Hamilton, Connie Burt and family, Abigail Huebschmann, Lucas Hebner, Juanita Perkins, Ericka Karpstein, Joanna Cooper, Carolyn Outland, Angel Thompson, Kaye Poyner, Jerry Huebschmann, Dorothy Henry, Bob & Lois Tashjian, Kim Bruce, Rita Cook, Hannah Padgett, Juliette Kaplanes, Jim Henthorn, Jack Bender, Penny Maupin, Don Kemp, Tom and Sharon Olejnicak, Tim Wilson, Beverly Dukes, Bill Norvell, Kacie Schmidt, Wallace Hunt, Phyllis White, Judy Krouse, Kerry Frazier, Rene Harrington, Joe Cirrito, Lisa Doyle, Phyllis Whit, Lanie Pellegrin, Forrest Michael Teeters, Mike Block, Jerry Isaacs, David Kroll and their families and caregivers

St. Anthony of Padua: Elena Carey, Donna & Jon Gresham, Bill Rodgers, Sister Rosemary, Tom & Margie Sheppard, Bob & Lois Tashjian, Deanna Hayward, Mr. Driskill, Margaret Adams, Pat Gorbett, Ed Derringer, Charles Paulius, Helen Krivan and their families and caregivers.

Pray for Our Military

St. Pius X: Julianne Utley, Daniel Burgess, James Griffith, Cory Erickson, Justin Fatum, James A. Kinsey, Sarah Martindale, Devin McFadden, Benjamin Patton, Kousuke Sasaki, Noah Willett and Luke Jablonski.

St. Anthony of Padua: Joel Dumbacher, Matt Elder, Kathleen Erickson, Scott Erickson, Cory Erickson, Jason Huber, James A. Kinsey, Jay Lockhart, Sarah Martindale, Devin McFadden, Ryan M. Fields, LeAnne Neal, and Kousuke Sasaki.

St. Pius X

**Mass Intentions
July 6-12**

Tuesday	6:00 pm	<i>Earl & Shirley Henderson</i>
Wednesday	8:00 am	<i>Dent & Evelyn Mudd</i>
Wednesday	6:00 pm	<i>Beatrice Forsythe</i>
Thursday	8:00 am	<i>Earl O'Reilly</i>
Friday	8:00 am	<i>Jared Wheatley</i>
Saturday	4:30 pm	<i>George Powell</i>
Sunday	10:00 am	<i>Ryan Arnold</i>

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Parish Hall Donation (06/28/20)	\$ 238.00
Budget for 2019/2020 Fiscal Year (July 2019-June 2020)	\$ 177,160.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 3,406.92
Weekly Donation (06/28/20)	\$ 1,437.78
Online Giving (06/28/20)	\$ 980.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 179,117.27

Online Giving: To sign up, visit our website at www.stpiusx.us and click on the link for "online giving" to set up your account. If you need assistance, please call the parish office.

H.O.P.E. Clinic baby bottles *Change For Life* may be returned to church or the Clinic in Benton. Call 270-527-4111 when you park outside the clinic and someone will come to your car to pick up the bottle.

Parish Council

Pam Hurst	Chair Person
Jeff Outland	Building & Ground
Larry Krouse	Secretary
Robert Weekes	Finance
Dawn Whitt	Spiritual Life
Catherine Broks	FFY

Bereavement Committee

Fran Dacus (618)383-4646

Other Groups

<i>Finance Council</i>	<i>Harold Dacus, Chair</i>
<i>Art & Decorations</i>	<i>Paula Schmidt</i>
<i>Knights of Columbus</i>	<i>Philip Scheidegger</i>

St. Pius X Mission Statement: *We, the parishioners of St. Pius Tenth Church, gather in the name of the Lord to praise God and His Son, Jesus Christ, through the Holy Spirit, thanking them for the many blessings that they have given to us. We gain strength from the Word of God in order to share and celebrate God's love through the sacraments*

St. Anthony of Padua

**Mass Intentions
July 6-12**

Wednesday	9:00 am	<i>Alfred Judd</i>
Friday	9:00 am	<i>Mount St. Joseph Ursuline Jubilarians</i>
Saturday	6:00 pm	<i>Carol Vogt</i>
Sunday	8:00 am	<i>Kathy Lehky</i>

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2019/2020 Fiscal Year (July 2019-June 2020)	\$ 72,100.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,386.54
Weekly Donation (06/28/20)	\$ 1,294.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 69,204.29

*Livingston County Helping Hands
Food Pantry Needs:*

paper towels, toilet paper, laundry detergent, shampoo, bath soap, diapers, feminine hygiene products, dish washing liquid, coffee, tea, macaroni and cheese, sugar, flour, cereal (all kinds), peanut butter, jelly, tuna, salmon, other canned meats, canned fruits, and canned vegetables

There is a donation basket at the back of the Church for your non-perishable items.

Parish Council

Roy McFadden	Chair Person
Mike Drury	Vice Chair/Building & Ground
Debbie Owens	Secretary/Family Life
Shara Parish	Finance
Bob Lehky	Building & Ground –Indoor
Nick Zaim	Social/Spiritual Concern
Sr. Michael Friedman	Spiritual/Faith Formation

Bereavement Committee

<i>Helen Krivan</i>	<i>(270) 559-7586</i>
<i>Pat Gorbett</i>	<i>(270)362-3377</i>

St. Anthony of Padua Mission Statement: *We, the Catholics of St. Anthony of Padua Parish of Grand Rivers, are united as a faith-filled community to give honor and glory to God, to aid each other, and others, on the journey of salvation and to share the Good News of the Gospel.*

The Holy Sacraments: Preparation for and Reception of the Sacraments

- † **MARRIAGE:** Preparation is needed prior to the wedding. Contact the office or Fr. Brian 6 months prior to date.
- † **BAPTISM:** Preparation is needed prior to the Sacrament. Contact the office or Fr. Brian 3 months prior to birth.
- † **HOSPITAL:** Please notify the office or Fr. Brian if you or someone whom you know is in the hospital.
- † **ANointing OF THE SICK:** Is offered to anyone ill, infirmed, or prior to surgery. Contact Fr. Brian at (270) 668-7675 (Emergency)
- † **CONFESSiON:** Saturday at 3:30 St Pius; or please ask Fr Brian before any mass, or to set an appt, please call him at 270-395-4727
- † **St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry:** 2nd & 4th Thursdays of each month during office hours (9 am-2 pm). Call the office at (270) 395-4727
- † **Bulletin information:** Must be submitted to Jamie by 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday. Email: stpiusx@stpiusx.us