

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 22, 2019



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SACRAMENTS AND SERVICES

- † **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.
- † **CONFESSION:** Tuesday from 5:30-6:00 p.m. or Saturday from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at St. Pius X or by appointment.
- † **ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Is offered to anyone physically or emotionally ill, infirmed, or prior to surgery. Contact Fr. Brian at (270) 668-7675 (Medical or Emergency)
- † **St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry:** 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month during office hours (9 am-2 pm). Call the St. Pius X office at (270) 395-4727 for help.
- † **Bulletin information:** Must be submitted to Jamie by 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday. *Email: stpiusx@stpiusx.us*

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For concerns about maintenance of the parish, please contact the parish office at (270) 395-4727.

**Parish Council Members
(St. Pius X)**

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

**Parish Council Members
(St. Anthony of Padua)**

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

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>

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Bereavement Committees

<i>Helen Krivan</i>	<i>(270) 559-7586(St. Anthony)</i>
<i>Pat Gorbett</i>	<i>(270)362-3377(St. Anthony)</i>
<i>Fran Dacus</i>	<i>(618)383-4646 (St. Pius X)</i>

OFFICE HOURS

Wednesday	9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
Thursday	9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.



Days	St. Pius X	St. Anthony
Tuesday	6:00 P.M.	
Wednesday	8:00 A.M.	9:00 A.M.
Thursday	8:00 A.M.	
Friday	8:00 A.M.	9:00 A.M.
1 st Friday- Adoration	6:00 P.M.	*9:00 A.M.
Saturday	4:30 P.M.	8:00 A.M. (1 st Saturday)
Sunday	10:00 A.M.	8:00 A.M.

Please see calendar inside for Holy Day times & other changes.

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St. Pius X Parish News

MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE WEEK

December 23rd-29th

Tuesday	8:00 p.m.	All Parishioners
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	All Parishioners
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	The Derry Family
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Audeline Johnson
Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Michael Malzahn
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Julia Garcia

All Mass Intentions must be turned in to the office 30 days prior to the date you want the Mass celebrated.

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Parish Hall Fund Donation

12/15/19	\$ 489.00
Budget for 2019/2020 fiscal year (July 2019-June 2020)	\$ 177,160.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 3,406.92
Donation 12/15/19	\$ 2,635.00
Online Giving (Dec 2019)	\$ 2,400.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 84,794.44

Over the Christmas holiday, there will be no FFY classes. FFY will resume on Wednesday, January 8th. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

Mass Assignments: Saturday, December 28, 2019

Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Isabella Schiaretta Domini Schiaretta	Mike Bowling	Julie Weekes Suzette Whittington Noreen Patton	Robert Weekes (Usher) Joe Morris (Usher) Vicki Spencer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	

Mass Assignments: Sunday, December 29, 2019

Cole Scheidegger Philip Scheidegger	Case Thomason	Amanda Scheidegger Mary Shupe James Poat	John Brooks (Usher) Kaylee Shupe (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Russell Tomlinson (Greeter)	Volunteers Needed
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Mass Assignments

Christmas Vigil Mass

Tuesday, December 24-8:00 pm

Lector: Mike Bowling
Eucharistic Ministers: Pam Hurst, Jimmy Harbison & Patty Langford
Ushers: Susan Padgett & Robert Weekes
Greeters: Russell Tomlinson & Volunteer
Servers: Philip Scheidegger & Kurt Schmidt

Christmas Day

Wednesday, December 25-10:00 am

Lector: Dawn Whitt
Eucharistic Ministers: Volunteers
Ushers: Jan Waniel & Jean Waniel
Greeters: Volunteers
Servers: Larry Krouse & Clem Hinkebein

Alzheimer's Support Group: Meets 1st

Wednesday of every month.

A small, support & discussion group with an emphasis on sharing feelings, experiences and education, for about one hour. Next meeting is Wednesday, **January 8** at 10 am, at the Marshall County Public Library, located on Poplar Street in Benton Kentucky.

Needed Rosary Leaders to help out:

Anyone who may be interested in leading the rosary prayer before mass, as a back-up leader for Saturday evening mass, please let Fr Brian know.

DECORATE
 the Church
 Monday, December 23
 10:00 am
 Many volunteers needed!

Free Community Christmas

Dinner: the local churches are getting together to serve a free community 6:30 pm meal at 1st Baptist Church on Thursday December 26. We need a few (3-4) helper-servers, and to make several side dishes or salads to serve. *Please let Paula or Fr Brian know if you can serve or prepare/drop off a dish as soon as possible.*



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK: John Bardsley, Bennett Meisenheimer, Peter Bullock, Joe Cirrito, 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 Longsworth, Matthew Black, LaRece Hurst, 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, Derwood & Pat Doyle, 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, Stanley Frank Newby, JoAnne Carter, Wallace Hunt, Phyllis White, Judy Krouse, Alice Blazina, Kerry Frazier, Rene Harrington and their family and caregivers.



FOR OUR MILITARY: Daniel Burgess, James Griffith, Cory Erickson, Justin Fatum, Jason Huber, James A. Kinsey, Sarah Martindale, Devin McFadden, Ryan M. Fields, Benjamin Patton, Kousuke Sasaki, Noah Willett, Wally Schmidt, and Luke Jablonski.

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 Parish News

MASS INTENTIONS



FOR THE WEEK

December 23rd-29th

Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	All Parishioners
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Lehky Family
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Ginna Thornsberry

All Mass Intentions **must** be turned in to the office 30 days prior to the date you want the Mass celebrated.

Attention Ministers at Mass: We have started our special prayer time before mass for all ministers (Servers, Ushers, Readers, & Eucharistic Ministers) in the sacristy promptly at 7:50 am. If needed, any absence will be replaced at that time.



Beginning Sunday, December 1, the Angel Tree will be on display. Envelopes for donation will be available. Parishioners may place their donations in the basket during the Mass Collection.

**Mass Assignments
Christmas Vigil Mass
Tuesday, December 24-5:30 pm**

Lector: Shara Parish
Eucharistic Ministers: Steve Wilkes, Pat Gorbett & Helen Krivan
Prayers of the Faithful: Mike Drury
Ushers/Greeters: Kelly Noonan & Volunteer
Server: Juan Gonzalez

Budget 2019/2020 fiscal year (July 2019-June 2020)	\$ 72,100.00
Donation Need Each Week:	\$ 1,386.54
Regular Collection -12/15/19	\$ 882.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 38,962.28

Mass Assignments – December 29, 2019

Lector	Mike Drury
Eucharistic Ministers	Jamie Zaim Shara Parish Helen Krivan
Prayers of the Faithful	Pat Gorbett
Ushers/Greeters	Roy McFadden Juan Gonzalez
Server	Steve Wilkes
Money Counters	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond



**First Saturday Mass
Saturday, January 4, 2020
8:00 a.m.**

Donuts & Coffee



**1st Sunday of Each Month
Sunday, January 5, 2020
9:00 a.m. (after Mass)**

Monthly volunteers to setup and purchase donuts are needed. Please sign up on the sheet in the gathering space of the Church if you would like to volunteer.

Livingston County Helping Hands



Christmas Food Baskets
corn, green beans, chicken broth, tomato sauce, cranberry sauce, canned tomatoes, chili beans, pinto beans, mixed vegetables, evaporated milk, canned sweet potatoes, spaghetti sauce, tuna, hamburger helper, tuna helper, spaghetti noodles, great northern beans, sugar, flour, Kool-Aid, pancake mix, macaroni and cheese, kids cereal, saltine crackers, cake mix, frosting, tea bags, peanut butter, grape jelly, pancake syrup, dishwashing liquid, shampoo, toilet paper, laundry detergent, coffee (regular or instant/or decaf coffee).

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



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK: Elena Carey, Donna & Jon Gresham, Bill Rodgers, Sister Rosemary, Tom & Margie Sheppard, Bob & Lois Tashjian, Deanna Hayward, Mr. Driskill, Margeret Adams, Pat Gorbett, Ed Derringe, Charles Paulius, Kathy Lehky, Helen Krivan, Betty Gonzalez, Frances Scott, Alice Blazina and their families and caregivers.



FOR OUR MILITARY: 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.

**To add or remove names from either list, please call
St. Pius Office at 395-4727 or email
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FROM THE PASTOR

December 22, 2019
Fourth Sunday of Advent
Mt 1:18-24

Dear St Pius X and St Anthony Church,

The Annunciation! Normally, with that word, we immediately think of the angel Gabriel's visit to Mary announcing the work of the Holy Spirit within her to conceive the Savior Child. The Holy Spirit plants the Word of God within her. Found in Luke 1:31, Gabriel proclaims, "Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus." That was spoken to Mary, but what about Joseph? Did Joseph experience an Annunciation? Yes. And we hear about it in today's gospel of Matthew 1:20-21, where an angel in a dream announces to him "take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." It is all in the name. The divine origin of this child is revealed in the Name given! Jesus means 'God Saves'. God Saves- the plan is God's. It is God who directs our salvation if we cooperate. When we assent to God's will, great things happen! God saves us by joining us, bringing us into His plan. God saves us by involving us. We say 'Yes' and move along with God trusting His program. And God's good happens. However, we humans do not always cooperate with God. Adam and Eve took over the plan from God when they reached beyond God's design, grasping out at the fruit of the tree of knowledge. And what did that get them? Their 'way' brought them alienation: from life, from God and from themselves (the sin-fruits of death, loneliness and rivalry). So, human plans without God are doomed to fail, frustrate and fall on their face every time. We see this even in Joseph's great idea to 'save himself' in today's gospel. As a (self?) 'righteous man' (Mat 1:13), maybe it is pride that leads him to turn against Mary and the problem surprise of her sudden pregnancy without his contribution. He decides to 'dismiss her quietly' which was a compassionate gesture, but it was still a refusal of God's plan. He wanted to save himself from the humiliation of marrying a woman carrying someone else's child, and to save her the public shame and possible penalty of death that such offenses carried. **But, God saves through God's own plan!** As kind or well-intentioned as Joseph's idea was, it was not God's idea! Joseph was selling God short. In Isaiah 55:9 God says, "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, my thoughts higher than your thoughts." Joseph may be on to something, but it will not bear the most fruit because it is not the Plan of God. Again, the child's name is "Jesus"-God Saves (not Joseph Saves). So Joseph humbly realizes this and discovers that true 'righteousness' amounts to total trust in God's providence.

Yet, what about that other name mentioned in the prophecy of Isaiah 7:14, that the Savior would be born of a Virgin, and be called 'Emmanuel', meaning 'God is with us' (Matt 1:23)? Someone may ask, "Wait, that's two names: the name 'Jesus' AND the name 'Emmanuel'". Yes, but Emmanuel means 'God *with us*', so 1) *God saves us by* 2) *being with us*. The 'Emmanuel' part just adds the method of God's salvation (the how of it!). I'd say, "It's about God joining us. Put the two together. Jesus + Emmanuel, means God saves us *by* entering into our lives, right alongside us in our histories. The first name is the personal name, and the second name lays out HOW God goes about saving us. God saves us by coming alongside us and walking with us. He doesn't shout down commands from the sky. No, He comes down, finding us where we are and embraces our 'walk', speaking with us and leading us onward with Him. God intended such intimate familiarity between Himself and humans from the beginning, as Genesis 3:8 mentions a daily custom of God walking 'with Adam & Eve' until their selfish grasping at divine fruit led them to pull away from Him (ultimately even sending them out of Eden's garden). Over the years since Adam's expulsion from the garden there were other 'sanctified ones' who maintained a faithful walk with the Divine, keeping to God's plan, such as Enoch, who is mentioned in Genesis 5:24 as 'walking with God'. Yet, ultimately it took God 'coming down' to us and 'walking beside us' to lead us back to full communion with Him. God had to enter into 'our walk' to show us the way back to the garden. We hear this exactly in Luke 24:15, when after Jesus' resurrection He joined His followers on the road, "while they were conversing and debating, **Jesus himself drew near and walked with them**". It took God coming to us, in order for us to be led back to 'communion' with Him. We have to cooperate, and add our 'yes' to His plan, but God will lead and bring us to salvation. Jesus, as our Good Shepherd in John 10:4, He leads and walks with us, but we have to 'recognize His voice' and respond by accepting His direction. And Joseph comes to this acceptance by the help of the angel and dream of God's direction in today's gospel reading. We should too, because the Lord has come to us, walking with us and inviting us to carry His 'presence' in our lives. It's how Peace is 'borne'!

Fr Brian

Weekly Mass Readings

Monday	Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66
Tuesday	2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Lk 1:67-79
Wednesday	Is 62:1-5; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25
Thursday	Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22
Friday	1 Jn 1:1-4; Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Saturday	1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Mt 2:13-18
Sunday	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23



December 23	Devotional Service-11:30 am (Oakview Nursing Home) Decorate the Church-10:00 am (St. Pius X)
December 24	Carols-5:00 p.m. Mass-5:30 pm (St. Anthony) Carols-7:30 p.m. Mass-8:00 pm (St. Pius X)
December 25	Christmas Mass-10:00 am (St. Pius X) NO FFY
December 26	Mass-8:00 am (St. Pius X) Christmas Retreat-6:30 pm at St. Pius X
December 27	Mass-8:00 am (St. Pius X) Mass -9:00 am (St. Anthony)
December 28	Reconciliation: 3:30-4:30 pm (St. Pius X) Mass-4:30 pm (St. Pius X)
December 29	Rosary- 7:30 am; Mass-8:00 am (St. Anthony); Rosary- 9:30 am; Mass -10:00 am (St. Pius X); Donuts & Coffee-11:00 am (St. Pius X)

Christmas Scripture Retreats:

Thursdays December 26 & Jan 2
Come study some Advent-Christmas Scripture readings and explore the prayer form known as 'Visio Divina'. The session runs from 6:30-7:30

Knight of Columbus Holy Hour- First Friday January 3 at 6:00 pm

at St Pius: Come celebrate Mass and bring in the New Year with special prayer as we have mass, followed by a period of silent prayer and adoration, before closing with Benediction.

Holy Family Consecration

Sunday! The Sunday following Christmas (Dec 29) is known as 'Holy Family Sunday'. The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a special prayer/consecration blessing at the weekend masses. We ask the Holy family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph to bless all families with domestic graces of peace, unity and solidarity in our homes. Pick up one of the prayer cards as we dedicate this year our families to be more Christ-like and Holy in living together our Faith!

The parish office will be closed December 25-January 1 in observance of the Christmas & New Year Holidays. The office will reopen on January 2nd. Merry Christmas!!



Christmas Mass Schedule:

Christmas Eve

St Anthony

5:00 pm Carols

5:30 pm Mass

Christmas Eve

St Pius X

7:30 pm Carols

8:00 pm Mass

Christmas Day

St Pius X

10:00 am Mass



Exercise for Mind, Body & Soul
At St. Pius X

Tuesday, January 7-7:30 am

Monday, January 13-6:30 pm

Tuesday, January 21-7:30 am

Monday, January 27-6:30 pm

Please bring a floor mat or blanket.

Lunch Bunch

The Lunch Bunch will not meet in January. The next Lunch Bunch will meet on Tuesday, February 11, 2020.