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7th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A Matt 5:38-43



“Jesus said to his disciples: "You have heard that it was said, An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. But I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil. When someone strikes you on your right cheek, turn the other one as well. If anyone wants to go to law with you over your tunic, hand over your cloak as well. Should anyone press you into service for one mile, go for two miles. Give to the one who asks of you, and do not turn your back on one who wants to borrow. "You have heard that it was said, You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy. But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father, for he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good, and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what recompense will you have? Do not the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet your brothers only, what is unusual about that? Do not the pagans do the same? So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect."

Love of Enemies

Anonymous

Our enemy's life of sorrows and woes,
came from the wrong paths they chose.
Disarm them with love, and be like Jesus;
God's love can change them, like it did us.

Love your enemies, and offer them peace,
and perchance their hostilities will cease;
when they hear about the source of your love,
as you glorify your Heavenly Father above.

What you have received, now use it to bless
your enemies with your love and forgiveness.
What God did for you, He can do for them.
if they receive Jesus and turn to God again.

Jesus loved his enemies, but did they love him?
Don't be afraid, to be like Jesus, and love them.

Eucharistic Renewal Meditation

“The question I want to pose is how can we become once again capable of symbols? How can we again know how to read them and be able to live them? We know well that the celebration of the sacraments, by the grace of God, is efficacious in itself (ex opere operato), but this does not guarantee the full engagement of people without an adequate way of their placing themselves in relation to the language of the celebration. A symbolic “reading” is not a mental knowledge, not the acquisition of concepts, but rather a living experience. Above all we must reacquire confidence about creation. I mean to say that things — the sacraments “are made” of things — come from God. To Him they are oriented, and by Him they have been assumed, and assumed in a particular way in the Incarnation, so that they can become instruments of salvation, vehicles of the Spirit, channels of grace. (Francis Desiderio # 45-46)

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
Thursday-8:00 am
Friday-8:00 am

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

Visit our Website www.stpiusx.us

Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday February 19
Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48
Monday Sir 1:1-10/Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday Sir 2:1-11/Mk 9:30-37
Wed J1 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-18
Thursday Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25
Friday Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15
Saturday Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32

Steps of Lectio Divina

1. **Read – Read through it.**
2. **Reflect – Slowly consider it.**
3. **Respond – What does it say?**
4. **Rest – Contemplate, Deep Prayer**

St. Anthony of Padua Mass Schedule

† **Weekend Mass**
Sunday- 8:00 am

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

Eucharist Adoration-First Friday 9:00 am
First Saturday of Month Mass 8:00 am

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Weekly Online Mass Sunday -10:00 am We still Live Stream on FB: Facebook at: St. Pius X & St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Churches

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Parish Office Hours Tuesday -- Thursday 9:00 am-2:00 pm



Pastor's Study Desk Notes



Dear St Pius And St Anthony Churches,

7th Sunday Ordinary Year A

Matthew 5:38-43

“Turn the other cheek-walk the extra mile and give the shirt off your back”. We’ve all heard those phrases. They are the response of Jesus to insults, requests or demands. Jesus asks us to respond this way, too, when we face difficult situations like being struck/insulted by someone, forced to do something we don’t like or unreasonably being asked for more than normally expected. These responses call us to go beyond what the world would do. The world would react to these situations by hitting them back, watching them fall or telling them “tough luck”! Jesus wants His followers to act more gracefully and to take the higher road. For example, Jesus asks us to respond to insults by smiling back (turn the cheek to let them see you smile). Also, we should freely and joyfully walk with the ‘demanding’ person, instead of grudgingly being ‘forced to’ carry their burden with them. And if we are asked for our jacket, then we should offer them our custom-fit shirt as well, for they ‘must’ need it more than we do. In the introduction to His Sermon on the Mount, Jesus had said that He expects more from His followers, than anyone else. Back in Mathew 5:20, He said, ***“Your holiness must surpass that of the Pharisees.”*** He is saying that His disciples have been taught better (by Him). He desires that His followers should love and serve others better, because of His grace and example. We can give more than expected because He has taught us (we are His). Further, Jesus is reminding us that if someone is insulting, pushy or demandingly selfish toward us, then apparently they have not been taught any better. So, Jesus says, “Teach them a lesson” (but no, not like that sounded!) Jesus means that we should show them what a gracious and kind person looks like-show them how a loving Christian interacts with other people, even difficult people. If they attack, show them patience. If they ‘make’ you walk with them, show them you are stronger and you’d do it willingly. If they are demanding of your stuff, give it to them, to show that you love them as a person more than your jacket or shirt.

But we might say after being insulted or put upon, “I can’t do that – they burn me up”. Well, in that case, we need to stick around Jesus a little longer to absorb more of His grace to be stronger than our attackers or insulters. Sometimes after hearing these sacrificial responses Jesus calls us to demonstrate, people reject it saying, “Well that ‘turn you cheek’ stuff is for weak people” But I suggest we try doing it before thinking it is weak. It takes a strong sense of character to love someone who is rude or demanding. We must have a deep self-esteem to be able to love someone respectfully, even when we are attacked. Does someone think it is easy to ‘smile when being insulted’ or to give willingly to someone for whom ‘nothing is ever enough’? Or to accept patiently the burden of spending a little more time walking farther with a grouch or complainer? Just try it, if you think only wimps can do it. It takes great inner strength to keep a peaceful composure when being insulted or being imposed on unjustly.

One way of approaching such ‘Extreme Love’ Christianity as this, is to consider that you are helping that other person to overcome their own weakness. For example, just grant it for a moment and assume that they are a ‘bad’ person. Okay. Now, how do we suppose they are ever going to become good, if they aren’t shown it by someone being ‘better’? How can they ever be good if they do not receive such loving interaction from someone else, or have it shown to them by a good person’s example? They can’t practice until they are shown it. It can be instructive to us and make us better too, if we give back to others much better treatment than they gave to us. We don’t want to let them teach us to be like them (negative and pushy), but rather we should patiently teach and practice more loving responses to give to them.

But we still may say, “I don’t know how to love in such ways.” That makes me remember when I was a kid and mom would say, “Brian make your bed”. I didn’t want to, so I tried the excuse, “I don’t know how.” That excuse only works one time! She would step in, show me how to tuck in the sheets, fold back the covers, pack the pillows and place the quilt on top of it all. Then she said, “Now you know- I know you know how because I just showed you.” Jesus can do the same with us, when we say “I don’t know how to love back a difficult person.” Well, Jesus’ whole life shows us: every interaction he had in the gospels is what we should model our lives on following.

Peace, Fr Brian

Faith Formation Calendar for Youth FFY 2022-2023

Wednesday	Feb. 22	6:00pm	ASH WEDNESDAY MASS	Church
Wednesday	March 1	6:00 - 7:30	FFY: Meal, Stations & Class	Parish Hall
Sunday	March 5	11:00am	First Communion Class	Parish Hall
Wednesday	March 8	6:00 - 7:30	FFY: Meal, Stations & Class	Parish Hall
Wednesday	March 15	6:00 - 7:30	FFY: Meal, Stations & Class	Parish Hall



Prayer for Vocations: *God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women from the Diocese of Owensboro to serve in your Son's kingdom as priests, deacons, and religious. We pray that you continue to inspire young men and women to respond courageously to your call and give themselves generously to the Church in service of the Gospel. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon them to answer your call. We ask this in Christ our Lord*



Every Friday thru Lent

4:00-7:00pm at St. Pius Hall

Call in Order 395-5747 Pick up/Carry Out

Price is \$13 a person and includes Your choice of either:

- Fish, Shrimp, or Chicken
- Baked Potato or French Fries
- White Beans & Cole Slaw
- Hot or Mild Hush Puppies & Drink

Birthdays & Anniversaries: Feb 19– Feb 25

Happy Birthday! St. Pius X

- February 19 Nick Zaim
- February 20 Magnolia Doughty
- February 24 Madelynn Rae Devine
- February 24 Anna Robertson
- February 25 Vicki Spencer

St. Anthony of Padua

- February 22 Annie Marie Tutor
- February 25 Sommer Johnson

Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X

- February 23 Charlie & Barbara Doughty
- February 25 Brent & Pam Hurst

LENT SPECIAL PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

At St Pius

--Every Tuesday Night 6:30—*Early Church Fathers/ St Clement*

--Every Wednesday 6:30 pm – *Stations of Cross w/FFY*

--Every Saturday 10:00 am--**Thomas Merton** *New Seeds Contemplation*

At St Anthony

--Every Friday 9:30 Stations of Cross

--Every Wednesday 10:00 Lectio Divina

ATTN: SCRIPTURE READERS & LISTENERS

Lectio Divina Weekly Sessions

Every Wednesday @ St. Anthony of Padua, we gather for weekly "Lectio Divina" sessions. Come and open God's Word in your heart & mind. We have workbooks available to help.

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, February 25, 2022

Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Volunteer	Nancy Glover	Charlotte Riedfort Kurt Schmidt Jeff Riedfort	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	

Mass Assignments: Sunday, February 26, 2023

Anthony Schiaretti Franky Schiaretti	Pam Hurst	Patty Langford Jimmy Harbison Marcus Newman	Philip Schiedegger Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter)	Mary Ann Huebschmann Kathy Smith
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Have the Ursuline Sisters of Mt St Joseph touched your life?

Are you interested in the role the Ursuline Sisters played in operating many schools in the Diocese of Owensboro, including Brescia University? The new book "Hope and Firm Faith: The Story of the Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph" is for you! It would make a wonderful gift for Christmas as well. To order your copy, call 270-220-2007 or the Ursuline Sisters website –www.ursulinesmsj.org/hope-and-firm-faith-book -- or contact the author, Dan Heckel, dan.heckel@maplemount.org

Remember in Prayer

St. Pius X: David Crass, Beth Strutzel, Larry Kline, Bonita Walker, Joe Hedges, Jerry Wade, Katie Wood, Joanna Grimes, Amanda Bailey, Kathryn Bailey Kaileigh Row, Dolly Bardsley, Pam Laibl, Chevelle Allen, David Kroll, Tad Inman, Henry Feezor, Jerry & Sissy Wommack, Lisa Hammond, Rose Grossius, Bennett Meisenheimer, Jim & Rose Drury, Wes Hayes, Mike Norvell, Maryann Huebschmann, Shirley Mangan, Kenny Matthews, Dora Miller, Miller Meisenheimer, Michelle Freeman, Joann Najgebauer, Johnny Poe, Joel Rivera, Carol Ross, Lonnie Vogler, Brenda Waitke, Gary Walters, Andrew Walton, Dawn Williams, Wilma Lejuene, Lori Butler, Isabella Hamilton, Dr. Danny Butler, Cameron Richmond, Brad Longsworth, Helen Bennett, Catherine Broks, Stacy Newby, Bette Zilligen, Ric Vaughn, , Donny Travis, Betty Derry, Scott Hamilton, Connie Burt and family, Abigail Huebschmann, Lucas Hebner, Ericka Karpstein, Joanna Cooper, Angel Thompson, Kaye Poyner, Bob Tashjian, Rita Cook, Juliette Kaplanes, Jack Bender, Penny Maupin, Don Kemp, Sharon Olejnicak, Tim Wilson, Beverly Dukes, Wallace Hunt, Judy Krouse, Kerry Frazier, Rene Harrington, Forrest Michael Teeters, Cameron Brewer, Stefanie Wilkerson-Barragan, Hugo Santos, Sharon Gibbons, Braydn Barnett, Elizabeth Witowski, Pam Dietz and their families

St. Anthony of Padua: David Reed, Juan Gonzalez, Elena Carey, Donna & Jon Gresham, Bob Decker, Bill Rodgers, Tom & Margie Sheppard, Bob Tashjian, Mr. Driskill, Margaret Adams, Pat Gorbett, Ed Derringe, Imogene Ramey, Bob Lang and their families and caregivers.

Pray for Our Military

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

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

St. Pius X

Mass Intentions February 20 – February 26		
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Frances Storm
Wednesday	8:00 am	Taylor Johansen
Thursday	8:00 am	Bernie & Pat Fendler
Friday	8:00 am	Dr Sidney Edds
Saturday	4:30 pm	Betty Derry
Sunday	10:00 am	Shirley Henderson

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Parish Hall Donation (2/12/23)	\$ 233.00
Budget for 2022/2023 Fiscal Year (July 2022-June 2023)	\$ 190,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 3,653.58
Weekly Donation (2/12/23)	\$ 4,930.00
Online Giving (2/12/23)	\$ 1,386.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 2/12	\$ 6,316.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 148,711.27



Early Church Fathers:

Every Tuesday Night from 6:30-7:30pm Come study these foundational documents written by the students of apostles. *After Scripture, these are our earliest sources of Faith!* Very Interesting History & Acts!

JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

If you are interested in serving the community through our Faith in Action Program, or obtaining exclusive access to top-rated insurance protection for your family, then the Knights of Columbus may be the organization for you! Visit www.KofC.org/JOINUS and complete the application form online, or talk to Fr or Grand Knight Michael Canon



Parish Council

Gary Traylor (3)	Chair Person
Nora Canon (3)	Secretary & Finance
Paula Humphreys (3)	Spiritual Life
Stacy Newby (3)	FFY & Religious Ed
Debbie Anspauch(3)	Social Program/Outreach
Michael Bowling (3)	Building & Ground

(Yrs left in term)

Next Meeting @ 4:30 pm

Bereavement Committee

Fran Dacus

St. Anthony of Padua

Mass Intentions February 20 – February 26		
Wednesday	9:00 am	All Souls Purgatory
Friday	9:00 am	John & Sue Mudd Family
Sunday	8:00 am	Deanna Hayward

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2022/2023 Fiscal Year (July 2022-June 2023)	\$ 73,500.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 2/12/2023)	\$ 1,402.53
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 49,886.58

Thank you so much for your faithful generosity! The Parishes and the Church's Mission depends on you!

Livingston County Helping Hands



Food Items Especially Needed: Hamburger Helper, mac and cheese, sugar, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, tuna, salmon, canned fruits, canned vegetables. Other items needed: paper towels, toilet paper, laundry & dish detergent, shampoo (adult & baby), bath soap, diapers, baby wipes, feminine hygiene products. Collection container is in back of the church for your donated items.

St Anthony Mass Assignments – February 26, 2022

Lector	Wayne Bradshaw
Eucharistic Ministers	Steve Wilkes Mike Drury
Ushers/Greeters	David Loxley Kippling Spencer
Server	Dan O'Brien
Money Counters	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond

CONSIDER ATTENDING DAILY MASS FOR LENT

Centering Prayer Group: Thursdays at 10:00 am

Interested in *Centering Prayer*? Thursdays at 10:00 am in St Pius Library, we will have an Advent series of teachings and practice, on Centering Prayer. We will have a short 20 min video & 10 min discussion before each experience of prayer (15 min). Discussion follows

Parish Council

Mike Drury	Chair Person
Debbie Owens	Secretary/Family Life
Shara Parish	Finance
Kelly Noonan	Building & Ground
David Loxley	Social Concerns/Events
Steve Wilkes	Spirituality/Faith Formation

Next Meeting March 8 @ 6:00 pm

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 the office by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday. Email: stpiusx@stpiusx.us