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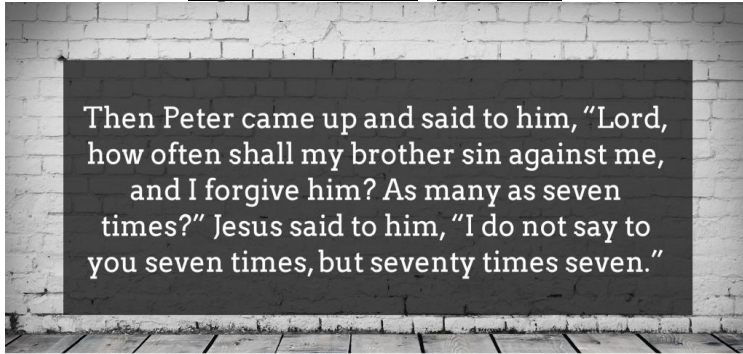
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Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 13, 2020 Mt 18:21-35



Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven."

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times. That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who decided to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the accounting, a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amount. Since he had no way of paying it back, his master ordered him to be sold, along with his wife, his children, and all his property, in payment of the debt. At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full.' Moved with compassion the master of that servant let him go and forgave him the loan. When that servant had left, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a much smaller amount. He seized him and started to choke him, demanding, 'Pay back what you owe.' Falling to his knees, his fellow servant begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.' But he refused. Instead, he had the fellow servant put in prison until he paid back the debt. Now when his fellow servants saw what had happened, they were deeply disturbed, and went to their master and reported the whole affair. His master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?' Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers until he should pay back the whole debt. So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart."

**Observances for the Week of :
September 14-20**

Monday-Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Tuesday-Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows
Wednesday- Memorial of Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian
Sunday- Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Weekly Mass Readings
September 14-20**

Monday Nm 21:4b-9; Jn 3:13-17
Tuesday 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Jn 19:25-27
Wednesday 1 Cor 12:31-13:13; Lk 7:31-35
Thursday 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 7:36-50
Friday 1 Cor 15:12-20; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Lk 8:4-15
Sunday Is 55:6-9; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a;
Mt 20:1-16a

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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-

† **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**
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

September 13, 2020 18:21-35

Dear St. Pius X and St. Anthony Church,

“Forgive? Okay then, Jesus, if you are going to put it that way!” I imagine Peter had that thought after hearing Jesus’ parable about the severe consequence of being tortured that the ‘unforgiving servant’ underwent for withholding forgiveness. Peter had offered what he thought was an overly generous offer to forgive an offending brother, maybe up to seven times. But Jesus says, “How about seventy times that!” and tells that parable as a demonstration. Such a great increase of times by Jesus, basically means forgive an ‘infinite’ number of times. Never stop offering forgiveness. I think Jesus could just as well have said, “Peter, you keep on forgiving and I will let you know when you’ve forgiven enough!” Jesus’ number of seventy-seven is not an actual number to count down or check off each time, which could lead to an eventual cut-off. No, Jesus knows the human heart. He knows how ‘smarting’ human egos can play to get around numbers and rules. Jesus knows that if He gave an actual number, that we humans would stretch our offers and exaggerate attempts to get out of the hard work of actually forgiving a brother or sister. Jesus makes a move here similar to last week’s gospel of Him offering a ‘last step’ that is just really a first step all over again. That fourth step was simply ‘repeat the previous three steps on a higher level’. He suggested as a 4th attempt, to ‘Treat them as a tax collector’. It might seem that he was saying, ‘Forget about it’. But really, Jesus was enlarging and expanding the work of forgiveness, but after failing a couple of times to reconcile a brother. Jesus then says that we have to take it to a higher level and re-approach with more creative and novel ways. Jesus had a way of always challenging His disciples to be better and progress, even though it made for a ‘harder way’. Jesus’ response style that pushed His questioners to ‘dive deeper’ or ‘climb higher’ is seen again when Jesus is asked about the exact day of the end of times in Mark 13:4. He was asked, “Tell us, when will these things will happen..” Jesus doesn’t give an exact date. He knows we will put off and drag our feet about being ready until that last possible moment. So, with today’s question about how many times to forgive a brother or sister, Jesus answers with a response that asks for more from us. If we had an exact number, wouldn’t we pad the account and inflate our ‘supposed’ attempts so that we could play the ‘righteous’ game’, and keep reveling in our grudge? I can imagine us inventing ‘deductions’ to get out of truly ‘forgiving’ by asking, “Jesus, does it count as one that I thought about forgiving him?”, “Does it count that I pray for his mother?” and “Does it count that I didn’t press charges?” On and on! So, Jesus says, ‘Forgive and forgive and forgive’ and I’ll let you know when it is enough! So, there we have it! “Is there a limit to forgiveness?” The answer from Jesus is ‘No’.

Jesus offers a ‘show & tell’ of this unlimited forgiveness when He forgives us as we walk to the cross (Luke 23:34). But also, He leads the hurt James and John through it once. Angry and feeling slighted by a Samaritan town that rejected them, James and John ask Jesus permission to take vengeance upon them, and call down fire upon them. Jesus shuts them down quickly. (Luke 9:54-56) I am shocked that they even have the ‘means’ to conduct a ‘lightning raid’ on a town! So, Jesus, tells James and John to ‘lick their wounds’ and move on with the pressing work of evangelization. Don’t waste resources over grudges or vengeance. The most important work of growing the kingdom of God is what we need to spend every ounce of spiritual energy on, not exacting vengeance on others. Grudges only feed our pride and ego. They don’t grow the Kingdom of Jesus. Don’t look back. Jesus could have said, “I thought you guys left that town. Move on, and stop obsessing in the past over that town’s rejection”. Pray about their loss, and get over it and get on with this. Jesus delivers pretty much the same emphasis on forgiving the past and keeping a forward focus on mission when he delivers the advice to ‘shake off’ personal rejections. In Matt 10:14 He says to them, “go outside that house or town and shake the dust from your feet.” Don’t take such events so personally. He adds in Luke’s gospel (10:16), “Whoever rejects you rejects me.” If you are rejected in work for Jesus’ kingdom, then let it go. The good you were offering, will simply return to you. Jesus teaches about this happy return, even in rejection, when he says, “let your peace return to you” (Matt 10:13). Rejected? Then that just means you have more to give the next person. Keep sharing it, it will be received by the right person.

Peace, Fr. Brian Johnson

Another Saint in a Time of Plague: St. Hugh of Cluny

Hugh the Great (born 1024-died 4-28-1109) was born the oldest son of Count Dalmatius, within one of the noblest families in Burgundy. His father was devoted to battles, conquests and sport, and he outlined Hugh’s education and career to take up the same pursuits. However, Hugh’s mother had received a vision of her son being dedicated to reform of the church and its clergy and to regain spiritual autonomy of the church from civic power leaders. The Count relented from his ambitions for his son upon seeing Hugh’s devout piety as a child and he sent Hugh to his uncle, who happened to be Bishop of Auxerre. Hugh received schooling and began training for the priesthood from this uncle. At the young age of 14, Hugh he entered the monastic novitiate at Cluny. Being advanced in his prayer discipline and piety, he was allowed to profess vows as a monk the next year. Also unusual, because of his early start and evident wise discretion, he was allowed to be ordained a deacon at 18 and a priest at 20! His inspired skill at leadership and practice of wise conduct gained him the position of prior over the daily maintenance of the monastery within a couple of years and unanimously elected abbot at only the age of 25 in 1049 following the death of Abbot Odilo.

In church governance, Hugh was blessed with both gospel persuasion and effective management gifts. He was close friends with St. Gregory VII (who will become Pope in 1073). They both held the needed reform of the church and increased spiritual practice and devotion among the clergy and laity in the church as the highest priority needs of the church. They lived in the period of the Investiture Controversy, which was the corrupt practice of civic powers like princes and kings to name appoint and install bishops, abbots and even the pope in church positions. Of course, this fed greed and ambition among the clergy and turned the church into a profitable industry for the powerful instead of a pastoral caregiver to all people. The Abbey of Cluny had been placed under the direct rule of Rome and the papacy so it enjoyed local independence. This independence allowed its future foundations and daughter houses to also be places of strong reform and more pastoral church order and discipline. Not enough could be said to describe the lovable personality and convincing charm of the young abbot and he was often called to Rome and found a place at Church councils (among them were several Roman Synods and the Council of Tours) to advocate and pass reform measures among the bishops. He also was called to mediate between disputes among Lords and Princes and this won him esteem among worldly powers, too. Support among the daughter houses of Cluny and Hugh’s established record of holiness and evangelical zeal reaffirmed many times over the spiritual autonomy of independent oversight of its own churches, monasteries and dioceses from secular interference. Also, Hugh kept ever faithfully working on reconciling the intransigent King Henry IV with the successive Popes of Rome. He was often recruited to serve as an ambassador or legate to resolve territorial or economic disputes between the King and the church. After many years of pastoral governance, tireless work at church reform and mediating peace between rulers, in the spring of 1109, Hugh felt under the weight of physical illness and weariness, that he was approaching death. He asked his monastic brothers to administer the last sacraments to him and dress him in sackcloth. He gave them a final blessing and asked to be humbly placed on the ground in ashes, before the altar of the Blessed Mother in a side chapel at the great Church of Cluny. He died on Easter Monday evening April 28, 1109. His burial site there became a major pilgrimage destination for many who were suffering sicknesses and many were healed miraculously at the shrine. Pope Gelasius I even made a pilgrimage there in 1119, to die at Cluny in the presence of the Holy Abbot Hugh.

Abbot Hugh is revered as a patron saint of the sick and those suffering plagues, because of his devotion to caring for the sick. Despite its pomp and ceremony, Hugh saw the church’s primary mission as the care of the weak and love of the poor and sick. He gave resources so sacrificially through his life to meeting the needs of the poor and ill. He built hospitals for lepers, and eagerly served there himself even taking up the most lowly duties in the hospital to keep them open and serving the poor. He wanted no one left out or beyond the reach of medical care and compassionate treatment when sick. He was a great listener and great preacher. His favorite study was of the Holy Scriptures and his reading always included the Word of God. His letters and surviving sermons testify to his pastoral zeal and love of Christ reflected in service to others. The sick, especially, flocked to his public celebrations and became the most frequent visitors to his tomb, seeking his prayer and intercession for healing. St. Hugh of Cluny, pray for us!

St. Anthony Parishioners Moving: To wish well and thank a couple of parishioners who are moving out of state in October, please come to farewell reception for **Steve & Helen Krivan** and **Bob Lehky** who will be moving to Texas and Alabama respectively. On September 20, after the 8:00 am mass we will be having a light reception to wish them well, and visit before their moves out of state in October. We pray for their moves and travels to be smooth and safe.

Please pray for the eternal rest and peace of the soul of Jerry Isaacs (brother-in-law of Rich & Betty Derry) who passed away this week. Please keep the family in your prayers. May God rest his soul.



Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University Classes, coordinated by Dr. Chip Bohle: "Tell your money where to go instead of wondering where it went! Join my virtual Financial Peace University class and learn to make a budget you'll actually stick to. We meet online, so you won't even have to leave home. Visit this unique registration link for this local class fpu.com/1124405 and sign up to start your 14-day free trial of Financial Peace! Class starts October 7.

Hope Clinic Fundraiser 2020: Hello Everyone! We are sad that we were not able to have our in-person event for HOPE Clinic this year, but we are excited to see what God is going to do through our virtual event available anytime when you visit the following site: <https://poweringiving.com/> Please prayerfully consider giving to HOPE Clinic. You will be able to give by texting "Give" to 1-743-200-4673 or you can click the donate button on this link, <https://poweringiving.com/> or mail in to Hope Clinic 1100 Olive Street Benton, KY. 42025 Your gifts help us to provide pregnancy test, ultrasounds, STD testing, material support, parenting classes and so much more. All our services are free! We cannot do this without your support! Thank you, Lisa Holland, Director

CFSB will host its sixth annual prayer service at each Banking Center on Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 9:00 AM for the area's law enforcement officers. The prayer service is open to the public and all are welcome to attend. Our team members are appreciative of the efforts of those brave individuals who protect and serve their community, as well as their families. We want to take this time to pray for and support our law enforcement. May God protect them as they protect us! Come pray with us! To all Peace Officers, Thank you all for your sacrifices for the greater good of our area!

Birthdays & Anniversaries
September 14-20



St. Pius X

September 14-**Brent Hurst**
September 18-**Joe Cirrito**
September 19-**Cheryl Sexton**
September 19-**Peggy Willet**

St. Anthony of Padua

September 15-**Jamie Zaim**



St. Pius X

September 17-**Jerry & Kathy Sanderson**
September 17-**Klint & Debra Boughton**

St. Anthony of Padua

September 16-**Bob & Dot Lang**

Remember in Prayer

St. Pius X: John Bardsley, Kaileigh Row, Bennett Meisenheimer, James Eden, Peter Bullock, Jim & Rose Drury, Wes Hayes, Mike Norvell, 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, Forrest Michael Teeters, Mike Block, David Kroll, Cameron Brewer, Stefanie Wilkerson-Barragin, Hugo Santos, Sharon Gibbons, Lori Blades, 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 Derringe, 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, Amanda Wojahn 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
September 14-20**

Tuesday	6:00 pm	<i>May Grell</i>
Wednesday	8:00 am	<i>Holman Family</i>
Wednesday	6:00 pm	<i>Shirley Henderson</i>
Thursday	8:00 am	<i>Herbert & Audeline Johnson</i>
Friday	8:00 am	<i>Peggy Maziarka</i>
Saturday	4:30 pm	<i>Frederick Oswald</i>
Sunday	10:00 am	<i>Larry Forsythe</i>

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Parish Hall Donation (09/06/20)	\$ 225.00
Budget for 2020/2021 Fiscal Year (July 2020-June 2021)	\$ 165, 000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 3, 173.08
Weekly Donation (09/06/20)	\$ 2, 203.00
Online Giving (09/06/20)	\$ 1, 010.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 37, 364.00

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.

Support Drive Collection for Calvert City Elementary School:

To help add to their pantry supplies for the students in case of a local safety disaster that requires an in-school Shelter-in-Place, we've been asked to help with donations of emergency foodstuffs to help out. We will be purchasing or collecting simple to serve items such as 1) Slim Jims or other beef jerky sticks that can be stored at room temperature 2) small container applesauce (or GOGO squeeze packages that don't require a spoon) 3) Fruit Cups or Puddings (again room temperature stored) 4) Peanut Butter Snacks 5) Boxed Cheerios Cereal (or variety pack individual servings). We are grateful for our community partners from Calvert City area! Thank You for any help!

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. Anthony of Padua

**Mass Intentions
September 14-20**

Wednesday	9:00 am	<i>Herbert & Audeline Johnson</i>
Friday	9:00 am	<i>John & Betsy Wurth & Family</i>
Sunday	8:00 am	<i>Agnes Wurth</i>

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2020/2021 Fiscal Year (July 2020-June 2021)	\$ 60, 000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,153.85
Weekly Donation (09/06/20)	\$ 1, 035.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 11, 240.00

Post-Labor Day mass change: There will not be Saturday evening mass at St. Anthony until Memorial Day. Sunday Mass is 8:00 am.

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

*Helen Krivan (270) 559-7586
Pat Gorbett (270)362-3377*

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