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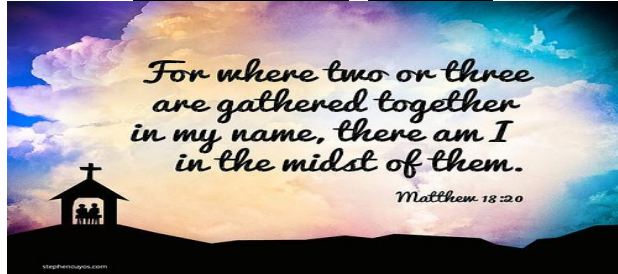
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CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 6, 2020 Mt 18:15-20



Jesus said to his disciples:  
"If your brother sins against you,  
go and tell him his fault between you and him alone.  
If he listens to you, you have won over your brother.  
If he does not listen,  
take one or two others along with you,  
so that 'every fact may be established  
on the testimony of two or three witnesses.'  
If he refuses to listen to them, tell the church.  
If he refuses to listen even to the church,  
then treat him as you would a Gentile or a tax collector.  
Amen, I say to you,  
whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven,  
and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.  
Again, amen, I say to you,  
if two of you agree on earth  
about anything for which they are to pray,  
it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father.  
For where two or three are gathered together in my name,  
there am I in the midst of them."

**Observances for the Week of :  
September 7-13**

**Tuesday-**Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
**Wednesday-**Memorial of St. Peter Claver  
**Sunday-** Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Weekly Mass Readings  
September 7-13**

**Monday** 1 Cor 5:1-8; Lk 6:6-11  
**Tuesday** Mi 5:1-4a; Mt 1:1-16; 18-23  
**Wednesday** 1 Cor 7:25-31; Lk 6:20-26  
**Thursday** 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Lk 6:27-38  
**Friday** 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Lk 6:39-42  
**Saturday** 1 Cor 10:14-22; Lk 6:43-49  
**Sunday** Sir 27-30-28:7; Rom 14:7-9;  
Mt 18:21-35

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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

September 6, 2020 Mt 18:15-20

Dear St. Pius X and St. Anthony Church,

Monks in a monastery and nuns in a convent have a community ritual they refer to as 'Chapter of Faults'. They gather in prayer-time, and as a community each member can both 1) offer ready confession of their own sins against a sister or brother, and/or 2) accept accusations of offenses they may have committed against another sister or brother! That is true maturity: a readiness to admit fault and accept responsibility for one's sins. Also, imagine the deep trust they all share to be able to approach another and point out their faults. Of course, the idea is not simply to 'air out' grudges, but it is to involve the whole community in being proactive to heal misunderstandings and prevent grievances from dividing them. Also, such peace-keeping rituals that build stronger cohesion in the small community of a monastery and convent, may not be as easily performed in a larger group (even though it is more needed there!) In a way, we do a 'chapter of faults' ritual at the beginning of every mass as we confess our sins in the 'Confiteor' Prayer and repeat three times 'Lord, have mercy'. Notice that in the prayer we say first, "I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned..." We are confessing to one another. And also, at the end of the confession we ask for prayer from each other, when we say "therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me." We both 1) confess offenses committed against each other and 2) ask for prayer from each other! Where do such rituals come from? Jesus Himself. He teaches this 'reconciliation' model in the gospel today!

I call this Jesus' method of conflict resolution or 'church mediation' of problems among her members. Of course, as above, it assumes 'trust and maturity', too. Jesus lays out a four step process aimed at healing and reconciling offenses for the good of everyone involved. First step: Have a heart to heart with the offender. If that doesn't work, step two is to involve a couple of mutually trusted confidants and approach the offender again with prayer and conversation. If that appeal doesn't reconcile brothers or sisters, then go to the whole church. Step three involves asking the whole church for prayer and appealing to the greater unity of the whole body of believers for reconciliation (*this larger group intervention is not establishing a jury to vindicate oneself, but a greater call to prayer*). If that too, doesn't bring resolution, then Jesus says step four is to 'treat the offender as a 'Gentile or tax collector''. What does that mean? **Well, this step four, is the hardest step.** It DOES NOT mean to 'write them off' or 'feel justified in hating them'. Not at all. Remember that Jesus said "For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost" (Luke 19:10 after Zacchaeus the Gentile & Tax collector's conversion)! So the fourth step is the hardest because Jesus is basically saying, "Repeat the previous steps". But this time repeat steps 1-3 on a higher level! Approach the offender (maybe not physically) on a more creative and spiritual level seeking reconciliation and peace. We have all faced offenders who obstinately deny their responsibility or even defend their hurtful offenses as justified. Then what? Still, we must forgive. At each step in this forgiveness process, Jesus is invoking prayer among the believer to be the 'stronger one' to work for the peace not only of him or herself but also of the offender. Justice is good for all involved, just as sin harms the soul of both victim and offender. If an offender cannot see the damage their behavior spreads, then count on it, that their own soul is already harmed (the deadness in soul prevents their empathetic ability to see the effect of their conduct). What else are they doing to themselves that we'll never know about? So Jesus is saying that his disciple needs to 'rise up' and be the stronger person to see through the hurt.

Also, I can't help but see the wisdom of Jesus working through the intervention and efforts of the other disciples brought in to mediate and pray with both parties. Sin affects us all (side effect of original sin is that 'everybody hurts'). So, sin's remedy also helps everyone. For example, by the time the victim works through the first three steps, then those others involved (who as good friends themselves, can see the ongoing torment the victim is putting him or herself through by dwelling on the wrong), will nudge the victim to 'healing and acceptance' through other means. Also, those communitarian steps will raise everyone's awareness of 'intended or unintended' harm that can occur through every person's actions. God's healing and the peace of acceptance comes through that mutual processing of the offense together. Everyone benefits from each person 'letting go' of poisonous grudges or toxic memories of past offenses. Jesus' original acceptance of His own 'peace-giving' cross for our sake is what sets the pattern for all of us disciples to practice individually and as a community this process of 'getting over to getting on' with living'.

Peace and Prayers, Fr. Brian

## Another Saint in a Time of Plague: St Peregrine Laziosi (born 1260-died May 1 1345)

While St. Peregrine is a popular patron saint of all illnesses without known cures yet, he is commonly invoked as help for those suffering cancer. However, since he lived in such a tumultuous political time and among extreme 'divisions' within society, he is also invoked as a patron saint for peace and understanding during times of division and hostility among factions in society (as his biography will clarify below).

St Peregrine is an Italian saint of the Servite Order (Friar Order Servants of Mary). He was born the only son within a politically connected and wealthy family in Forli (Northern Italy). Forli was part of the Papal States (Italian territorial land under jurisdiction of the Pope). St. Peregrine's family supported the anti-papal faction, seeking autonomy from the Vatican's secular rule over them. As a result of the local hostility toward the Pope, the Catholic Churches in Forli were suppressed (closed) by the Pope as a penalty, to bring about reconciliation with Rome. St. Philip Benizi, who was a popular preacher and Prior General of the Friar Servants of Saint Mary, was sent to try to reconcile the divided community and bring them back into union with Roman rule. While addressing the crowds in a public forum, St Philip Benizi was heckled by agitators in the mob. An impulsive 18-year-old Peregrine struck St. Philip. Philip was driven out of the city with further insults and threats. Witnessing the Christian nobility and patience submitting to the crowd's abuse and mistreatment, Peregrine's soul was struck with remorse. He underwent a conversion and sought out St. Philip to apologize and ask forgiveness from him in person. St. Philip meekly received him with kindness, and embraced him. St. Philip's loving reaction made such a deep impression on Peregrine, that he began living a 'consecrated life' for Christ with strong devotion to prayer and charitable works for the poor. Within a few years he applied to become a Servite brother himself and was accepted. He became an ordained priest within the order a few years later in Siena.

A couple years after his ordination, he was sent back to Forli, to found a new Servite house to serve the poor and care for the sick (kitchens to feed the hungry and hospitals to serve the sick). He was a popular preacher well known for his holiness and piety. It was recorded that during a particular grain shortage due to drought, he miraculously multiplied stores of barley/ wheat and wine. Many people came to him for spiritual direction (confession), and was referred to as an "Angel of Good Counsel" for his wise instruction.

He took on many penances himself, some severe, for the salvation of souls. One such penance was to stand all day, or all the time he possibly could unless he was made to sit by a superior. If he had to, he would simply lean against a wall or his choir stall in the church. In 1320 (at age 60), he developed a terrible infection in his right leg that developed into an ulcer that would not respond to any treatment. A doctor decided to amputate his leg. Since St. Peregrine felt that action would limit his service to the sick and poor, he prayed all night before the Crucifix in the chapel. In a vision, he saw Christ descend from the cross to touch his leg. When he awoke the doctor had arrived and upon examination to prepare for surgery, the surgeon could find no ulcer or residue of the malignant tumor. News quickly spread of Peregrine's miraculous cure and he was sought out for prayer and healing from many sick. Many pilgrims came to him, and continue to pray for his intercession for healing. There is a Saint Peregrine Cancer at Christ the King Catholic Church in Mesa, Arizona.

St. Peregrine, patron saint of cancer and illnesses without known cures, pray for us.

**Daily Mass and Weekend Mass Participation:** Capacity is allowed now up to 50%, with face covering/masks required and 6 ft distance between people/non-family units. *Of course, the Sunday Obligation to attend is still relaxed.* So the Live Stream Mass and Personal At Home Prayer is the first & safest option. Again, **Face coverings and distancing are required, and we maintain the regular sanitizing of surfaces**

**Daily Mass Schedule**

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.

**Needed: Mass Intentions-** An Ancient and Commendable practice in our Catholic Tradition is to request special prayer from the Church for a family member, living & deceased, or personal need. Since each Mass unites our prayers to the prayer of Jesus to the Father, as He taught us at the Last Supper (First Mass), it is a wonderful way of extending our prayers beyond or own personal prayer time. It is a wonderful way to invite others (the whole church) to join in your prayer intention, too. Requesting mass intentions can also be a thoughtful reminder or memorial of deceased family members or friends. We entrust their eternal peace to the care of Almighty God and all the saints. Currently, our scheduled calendar of requested masses is running low, so any mass requested will be offered very timely now. Please pick up an envelope requesting masses, or drop a note or call to the office and Paula or Fr. Brian will be sure to schedule your mass intentions.

**Faith Formation Information**

We are currently looking into online options for our Faith Formation for the Youth. Also, we are learning of more opportunities for Family Faith Formation. Families will be contacted soon about FFY changes and start dates. Thank you for your patience through this current situation. Please continue to pray for our youth and parents!!

**Mt. St. Joseph Ursulines Fall Raffle 2020:** You can now buy your tickets for the 2020 Mount Saint Joseph Raffle! The proceeds support the Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph. The next Mount Raffle is Sept. 13, 2020! Tickets are just \$5 a piece, with the top prize \$10,000! The second place winner receives \$3,500. The rest of the prizes are a handmade quilt worth \$1,000, and cash prizes of \$1,000, \$500, \$250 and \$100. Tickets can be purchased online <https://ursulinesmsj.org/mountraffle> or through mail by making your check to the Ursuline Sisters, and send to "Mount Raffle 8001 Cummings Rd Maple Mount, KY 42356."

**Birthdays & Anniversaries  
September 7-13**



**St. Pius X**

September 7-Kelsi Harbison  
September 10-Barbara Doughty  
September 11-Kamie Pellegrin  
September 11-Kason Peterson  
September 11-Kaylee Shupe  
September 11-Larry Whit  
September 12-Amanda Glover

**St. Anthony of Padua**  
No Birthdays this week



**St. Pius X**

No Anniversaries this week

**St. Anthony of Padua**  
September 12-Wallace & Joyce Wilkinson

**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, Jerry Isaacs, 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 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, 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 7-13**

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<i>Shirley Henderson</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<i>Barbara Roehm</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<i>Jo Wilkerson</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<i>Edwina &amp; Frank Neel</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<i>Emergency Responders</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>4:30 pm</b>	<i>Mary Cundiff</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<i>Jared Wheatley</i>

**WEEKLY DONATIONS**

<b>Parish Hall Donation (08/30/20)</b>	<b>\$ 367.00</b>
<b>Budget for 2020/2021 Fiscal Year (July 2020-June 2021)</b>	<b>\$ 165, 000.00</b>
<b>Donation Need Each Week</b>	<b>\$ 3, 173.08</b>
<b>Weekly Donation (08/30/20)</b>	<b>\$ 3, 959.00</b>
<b>Online Giving (08/30/20)</b>	<b>\$ 1, 100.00</b>
<b>Fiscal Year to Date</b>	<b>\$ 34, 071.00</b>

**Online Giving:** To sign up, visit our website at [www.stpiusx.us](http://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.

**Parish Council**

<b>Pam Hurst</b>	<b>Chair Person</b>
<b>Jeff Outland</b>	<b>Building &amp; Ground</b>
<b>Larry Krouse</b>	<b>Secretary</b>
<b>Robert Weekes</b>	<b>Finance</b>
<b>Dawn Whitt</b>	<b>Spiritual Life</b>
<b>Catherine Broks</b>	<b>FFY</b>

**Bereavement Committee**

*Fran Dacus (618)383-4646*

**Other Groups**

<i>Finance Council</i>	<i>Harold Dacus, Chair</i>
<i>Art &amp; 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  
September 7-13**

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<i>Steve &amp; Helen Krivan</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<i>Emergency Responders</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<i>Rodney &amp; Loretta Wheatley Family</i>

**WEEKLY DONATIONS**

<b>Budget 2020/2021 Fiscal Year (July 2020-June 2021)</b>	<b>\$ 60, 000.00</b>
<b>Donation Need Each Week</b>	<b>\$ 1,153.85</b>
<b>Weekly Donation (08/30/20)</b>	<b>\$ 1, 637.00</b>
<b>Fiscal Year to Date</b>	<b>\$ 10, 205.00</b>

**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**

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

**Bereavement Committee**

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

**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:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:stpiusx@stpiusx.us)