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3rd Sunday Ordinary Time Year C Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21



“Since many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us, just as those who were eyewitnesses from the beginning and ministers of the word have handed them down to us, I too have decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write it down in an orderly sequence for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may realize the certainty of the teachings you have received.

Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news of him spread throughout the whole region. He taught in their synagogues and was praised by all. He came to Nazareth, where he had grown up, and went according to his custom into the synagogue on the sabbath day. He stood up to read and was handed a scroll of the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written: The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord. Rolling up the scroll, he handed it back to the attendant and sat down, and the eyes of all in the synagogue looked intently at him. He said to them, “Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.”

Excerpt from “Jesus returns Home”

By Gracia Grindal

He fought with dragons in the wilderness,

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Jesus, my grown son, now in Nazareth,
In the synagogue, they never believed
I mothered him. Crazy, the family thought.
The crowds parted, announcing his family neared.
Murmuring at the mysteries he taught.
“Who are they? Those who do God’s will are mine,
My mother, my sisters, my brothers, all of you,”
His heritage made words riding the blue.
My son now giving birth without the seed
That I had come through, out of godly need.....

St Pius Parish Council Elections Next Sunday

We will be handing out ballot forms at mass for you to select additional council members. We hand them out/take them up after communion. Please sign your name to show eligibility to vote.



“They devoted themselves to the teachings of the apostles, the communal life, the breaking of the bread & prayer”

Next Meeting February 9 at 1:30pm @ St Pius
To Signup and attend a group session: Please come!
Or contact Ed Georgen edwardgeorgen@gmail.com

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

Visit our Website www.stpiusx.us

Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday January 26, 2025

Neh 8:2-10/1 Cor 12:12-30/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Monday Heb 9:15, 24-28/Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday Heb 10:1-10/Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday Heb 10:11-18/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday Heb 10:19-25/Mk 4:21-25

Friday Heb 10:32-39/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Mk 4:35-41

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 Masses

† **Weekend Mass**

Sunday- 8:00 am

† **Daily Masses**

Wednesday-9:00 am

Friday-9:00 am

Eucharist Adoration-First Friday 9:00 am

First Saturday of Month Mass 8:00 am

Visit our website

www.stanthonygrandrivers.org

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 Anthony & St Pius Families, 3rd Sunday Ordinary Time Year C Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

"I have to write that down". I often say that while talking with someone, to make sure that I keep facts straight. It certainly helps memory, but then people usually tell me, "But you also have to remember where you put your notes!" It is so true, as I have started several different notebooks in life with quotes about particular topics, but trying to retrieve it later, I struggled to recall under which topic I stored it. So, I read/review the whole notebook again. I know what the poet Robert Frost meant when he told Octavio Paz, "I never trust a man who doesn't re-read his favorite books!" This is what St Luke is telling us in the introduction to his gospel today, *"I too have decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write it down in an orderly sequence for you, most excellent Theophilus"* (Luke 1:3) ***Inquiring minds want to know!*** I love Luke's aspiration to 1'investigate' 2'everything' 3'anew'. He is poring over the eyewitness sources of Jesus' life (stories and sayings that the apostles were repeating in their teaching) and organizing them into 'orderly and sequential' account. Luke had a mind for detail, and bible scholars like to say that his gospel is the most 'polished' in both its grammar and chronology. That he takes time to state at the beginning of his gospel account what purpose he was accomplishing by writing, demonstrates his intention to be accurate and true to history. He does this again in the introduction to his second volume 'The Acts of the Apostles' (Acts 1:1)

We are beginning the serial reading of Luke's gospel (Year C) . Everyone has their favorite gospel. I love how each gospel writer is unique. After reading them enough, you can start to sense which particular gospel is being read, just from certain words they use (phrases) or their style of presenting events in Jesus' life. For example, Luke has the most number of parables, and the most unique parables of Jesus (Mark is fast-paced and action-based, Matthew has the most number of OT quotes, and John is on an island of his own-deepest!). So, as we listen this year to Luke's gospel together at Sunday Mass, I encourage you to discover what makes Luke unique!

Jesus comes home to Nazareth. As a faithful Hebrew, he attended synagogue services every sabbath (Lk 4:16-'as was his custom'). While there, He is asked to read and interpret an Old Testament verse/passage. After reading a self-prophetic passage from Isaiah (61:1-2), He surprisingly simply sits down. Instead of a lengthy sermon, he simply announces, ***"Today this scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing"*** (4:21). In this bold, dramatic and performative act He is saying, "everything that Isaiah prophesied about the Messiah, you are looking at it!" Of course, this is overwhelming for His home synagogue to handle at this time, and confusedly they push back on such a message and style, and strongly reject Him. They send Him away.

Often people wonder why His own hometown rejected Him. Was it a theological disagreement? Were they alarmed at His boldness and confidence? Were they stuck in previous judgements they had of 'little Jesus' who grew up among us? Did they have their own self-serving plans to use His popularity to promote their village/synagogue? Something about the encounter certainly set them off, to the point of them even driving Him out of town, as if they might even 'push Him over a cliff' (Lk 4:29) Looking closer at the whole synagogue showdown, it was more than Jesus' disappointing 'sit-down' that enraged them. In His response to their gossipy murmuring, He pre-empts their manipulative schemes, exposing their thoughts. He tells of two Old Testament examples of outsiders being blessed ahead of the homefolks by Elijah and Elisha. They got the point that Jesus was not going to be manipulated. He wasn't returning to enrich the local economy, or run a campaign to be village mayor. His universalist compassion and anti-provincial message was not what they wanted to hear. So, violently, they ran Him off!

Jesus sums the whole experience up as 'no prophet is accepted in his/her own hometown'. I hear Jesus warning all of us not to overlook or be quick to reject what is 'too familiar'. Sometimes we sit atop treasure (*Like the Coventry Direct TV Commercial*) or unutilized gifts and don't realize it. Sometimes we search the world over, looking for something that we have held all the time (*like the greener grass on the other side of the fence*). I confess that I have been known to order a great new book (or new to me) and then discovered it on my bookshelf (*is it any excuse to claim that have books shelved in both the rectory and the office areas!*) So, Jesus calls us to be aware of what we already possess or what God has already placed right in front of us. God's grace is spread out before us, and it is we, who are missing it!

Peace. Fr brian

St Pius X Parish Council Meeting Thurs @ 5:00 pm

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

Parish Council Elections February 2

Pick up a nomination form and submit some candidates to serve on the parish council. Please ask them to serve first.

Early Church Fathers Study & Discussion Tuesdays 6:30 pm

St Pius X Mass Intentions Jan 27 – Feb 2		
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Patricia McNamara
Wednesday	8:00 am	Linda Paluso
Thursday	8:00 am	Richard & Virginia Klohr
Friday	8:00 am	Sally Anne Klohr
Saturday	4:30 pm	Dolly Bardsley
Sunday	10:00am	Mary Catherine Bickett
WEEKLY DONATIONS		
Parish Hall Donation (1/19/25)	\$	300.00
Budget for 2024/2025 Fiscal Year	\$	195,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$	3,750.00
Weekly Donation (1/19/25)	\$	1,798.00
Online Giving (1/19/25)	\$	1,878.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 1/19	\$	3,676.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$	136,977.64


First Communion Classes Schedule

Sun Feb. 2 11:00am 1st Communion Session in Parish Hall
 Sun Feb. 23 11:00am 1st Communion Session in Parish Hall
 Sun March 9 11:00am 1st Communion Session in Parish Hall

Upcoming Events: Mark your calendars
Feb 8 Valentine's Dinner – Italian Spaghetti Dinner

Women's Retreat: Joy, Laughter, and Holiness:
 Feb 8, 2025, St. Ann Parish Hall, Morganfield, from 8:00am-2:30 pm. Come listen to our keynote speaker Jackie Angel Register for the event here <https://owensborodiocese.org/womensretreat/>

End of Year Contribution Reports Mailed
 Watch for your end year report of donations. We mailed them this week. For any questions, or in case an adjustment is needed, please let Father or the office know to make any corrections. Thank You!
Catholic Men's Conference of Western Kentucky:
 Living the Mission of Jesus Sat , February 8th, Riverpark Ctr, Owensboro,KY. Speaker David Anders 8:30-4:00 with closing Mass with Bishop Medley www.KyCatholic.com



Happy Birthday! Jan 26 – Feb 1 St. Pius

January 22	Cole Scheidegger
January 26	Nora Canon
January 27	Amy Crass
January 28	Rich Derry
January 29	Steven Glover
January 29	Samuel Traylor
January 30	Kinley Peterson

Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X
 No Anniversaries this week

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, February 1, 2025				
Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Franky Schiaretti	Liz Medley	Charlotte Riedfort Jeff Riedfort Suzette Whittington	George Humphreys (Greeter) Paula Humphreys (Greeter)	
Mass Assignments: Sunday, February 2, 2025				
Kinley Peterson Volunteer	Pam Hurst	Jimmy Harbison Allison Devine Patti Langford	Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer	Nancy Singleton Kathy Smith

FFY
 Calendar
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 Activities
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DATE	SUNDAY GOSPEL READING	SUBJECT
January 29, 2025 Wed 6:00-7:30 pm	Feast Presentation of Lord Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40	Commandments St. Ann Seton Gospel Matching PG p. 125, AB p. 97 using Bible
February 5, 2025 Wed 6:00-7:30 pm	5 th Sunday Ordinary Time Luke 5:1-11	Words of Life Activity, PG 157-159, AB p.119 Path Life Activity, PG p.176-77, AB p.124-5
February 12, 2025 Wed 6:00-7:30 pm	6 th Sunday Ordinary Time Luke 6:17,20-26	St. Valentine's Heart craft with Ten Commandments & St. Val Party

Remember in Prayer

St. Pius X: Greg Williams, Judy Ayers, Pat Hobbs, Keisha Bradley Janet Norvell, Iris Joelle Maynard, Megan Mudd, Theresa Owens, Sara Repovich, Kaye Hinkebein, Amanda Scheidegger, Olga Edwards, Diane Fischer Russell Tomlinson, Joanne Schmidt Paula Willett, Kent & Kim Henry, Leah Vincek, Rick Wilson, Richard Warmowski, Ashley Hayden, Donna Barrix, David Crass, Helen Nicholson, Bonita Walker, Joe Hedges, Jerry Wade, Katie Wood, Joanna Grimes, Amanda Bailey, Kaileigh Row, Pam Laibl, David Kroll, Henry Feezor, Lisa Hammond, Bennett Meisenheimer, 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 Longworth, Helen Bennett, Catherine Broks, Stacy Newby, Bette Zilligen, Ric Vaughn, Betty Derry, Scott Hamilton, Connie Burt, Abigail Huebschmann, Ericka Karpstein, Joanna Cooper, Angel Thompson, Kaye Poyner, Bob Tashjian, Rita Cook, Jack Bender, Don Kemp, Sharon Olejnicak, Tim Wilson, Beverly Dukes, Judy Krouse, Kerry Frazier, Rene Harrington, Forrest Michael Teeters, Cameron Brewer, Hugo Santos, Sharon Gibbons, Braydn Barnett, Elizabeth Witowski, Pam Dietz. Anthony Pellegriin.

Pray for Our Military

St. Pius X: Cameron Thomason, 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 Page Announcements

Coffee/ Doughnuts 1st Sunday Every Month Bazaar Workshop at St Anthony Every Tuesday Starting Jan 7 at 9:00 am – Every Tuesday & all parishioners invited to come participate in helping craft gifts for the annual bazaar fundraiser. See the list of item materials anyone can donate.

Orphaned Children Diaper Project Finished!:

Thanks to everyone for their donations. The diaper project is completed now. A total of 2220 were made and we thank you for bringing in Velcro to help!

Special Wedding at Cana Celebration coming again!

Watch for the date and planning ahead to celebrate again this year all marriages in our parishes with a special mass and banquet program. Plan to come!



Next Lunch Bunch gathering in February 20

Acts 2:42 Group: 2nd Sunday every month: Feb 9

Signup contact Ed Georgen edwardgeorgen@gmail.com
Come share faith with others. enjoy a time of prayer

All-Day Adoration on Friday February 7

St Anthony Church has an all day Eucharistic Adoration every 1st Friday from 9:00am – 9:00pm. All are welcome to spend time in prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Confession available at 9:30am. Prayer Partners are requested for each hour Adoration.

First Saturdays Honor the Blessed Mother:

First Saturday Mass on February 1 @ 8:00am. Every first Saturday we offer mass and pray the rosary



St Anthony Birthdays Jan 26– Feb 1

January 31 Juan Gonzalez

St Anthony Anniversaries:

No anniversaries this week

Study ‘The Chosen’ Weekly Sessions

Every Wednesday @ St. Anthony of Padua, we gather for weekly study session at 10:00 am. Currently we are viewing the series “The Chosen” and discussing its portrayal of Christ and His Disciples. We use guide-discussion questions and compare experiences of the different models of service to Christ. Come enjoy an insightful discussion about Jesus; followers. and how we can identify or not with their approach

St. Anthony of Padua

**Mass Intentions
Jan 27 – Feb 2**

Wednesday	9:00 am	<i>Sally Anne Klohr</i>
Friday	9:00 am	<i>Linda Paluso</i>
1st Saturday	8:00 am	<i>Taylor Johansen</i>
Sunday	8:00 am	<i>Larry Muzzy</i>

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2024-June 2025)	\$ 73,500.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 1/19/2024	\$ 1,761.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 62,919.39

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



Food Items Especially Needed: *Saltine Crackers, Hamburger Helper*, 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, wipes, feminine hygiene products. Collection container is in back of the church for your donated items.

St Anthony Mass Assignments – February 2, 2025

Lector	Wayne Bradshaw
Eucharistic Ministers	Shara Parrish Jeff Ritorto
Ushers/Greeters	Vern Hunsley Georgia Hunsley
Server	Juan Gonzalez
Money Counters	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond

CONSIDER ATTENDING DAILY MASS

St Anthony Prayer List: Theresa Owens, Kathy Johansen, Jeff Ritorto, Cathy Ritorto, Betty Gonzalez, Elena Carey, Donna & Jon Gresham, Bob Decker, Bill Rodgers, Tom & Margie Sheppard, Bob Tashjian, Mr. Driskill, Pat Gorbett, Imogene Ramey.

Pray for our Military

Kevin Rapp, Joel Dumbacher, Matt Elder, Kathleen Erickson, Scott Erickson, Cory Erickson, James A. Kinsey, Jay Lockhart, Sarah Martindale, Devin McFadden, LeAnne Neal, and Kousuke Sasaki.

Parish Council

Kevin Diamond	Chair Person
Judy Forsythe	Spiritual Life/ Secretary
Shara Parish	Finance
Kelly Noonan	Building & Ground
David Loxley	Social Concerns/Events
Steve Wilkes	Faith Formation

Next Meeting March 19 Wed @ 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