

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

MAY 24, 2020



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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:** Contact Fr. Brian at (270) 668-7675.
- † **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 Thursdays 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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Maintenance

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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

Finance Council	Harold Dacus, Chair
Art & Decorations	Paula Schmidt
Knights of Columbus	Philip Scheidegger

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Bereavement Committees

Helen Krivan	(270) 559-7586(St. Anthony)
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OFFICE HOURS

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. 6:00 P.M.	9:00 A.M.
Thursday	8:00 A.M.	
Friday	8:00 A.M. *1 st Friday- Adoration 6:00 P.M.*(1 st Friday)	9:00 A.M. *9:00 A.M.(1 st Friday)
Saturday	4:30 P.M.	8:00 A.M. (1 st Saturday) 6:00 P.M.
Sunday	10:00 A.M.	8:00 A.M.

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

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Daily Mass Schedule

Tuesday -6:00 pm(St. Pius X)

Wednesday -8:00am (St. Pius X), 9:00 am(St. Anthony) and 6:00 pm(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, as we still prayer together remembering all of our members home, in church or out in the community: Sunday Morning 10:00 am and Wednesday evening at 6:00 pm

Continue to check out New Daily Website Material

Donate Life! St Pope John Paul II wrote in his major teaching on life issues titled 'Gospel of Life' #86, that "organ, eye, and tissue donation is considered an act of charity and love, and transplants are morally and ethically commendable." Our catholic tradition completely supports the voluntary gift of life through organs donated following natural death. Though National Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Week has already passed, take a moment sometime, to discuss organ and tissue donation with your family. Consider how simple acts may change the lives of others who have great need. Sign your organ donor card today; it is simple enough an act to perform and it may make the difference between life and death for someone in need of an organ. Jesus says in John 10:10 "I came that they may have life and life abundantly". Your gift could be that life to someone, given for love of Christ.

May 1 Consecration of Americas under the Patronage of Our Lady of Guadalupe

In trial or difficulty I have recourse to Mother Mary, whose glance alone is enough to dissipate every fear. -St. Thérèse of Lisieux

O Virgin of Guadalupe,

you always shine on our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, who faithfully pray and intercede for your children,

You know what we need,
and we are sure you will provide
so that, as in Cana of Galilee,
we may return to joy and to feasting
after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who has taken upon himself our sufferings
and carried our sorrows

to lead us, through the cross,
to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God.

Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial,
but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin,
keeping us always close to your healing and saving Son, Jesus
in whose name we pray. Amen


Happy Memorial Day !



**With Honor & Gratitude
We Remember**

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ST. PIUS X

 <p>MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK May 25th-31st</p>		
Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	James Schlack
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Connie Kirschbaum
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	Special Intentions
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Robert Mezera
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Carol York
Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Jimmy Dossett
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	All Parishioners
<p>All Mass Intentions <u>must</u> be turned in to the office 30 days prior to the date you want the Mass celebrated.</p>		

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Parish Hall Donation (05/17/20)	\$ 185.00
Budget for 2019/2020 Fiscal Year (July 2019-June 2020)	\$ 177,160.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 3,406.92
Weekly Donation (05/17/20)	\$ 1,600.00
Online Giving (05/17/20)	\$ 1,130.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 158,964.44



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK: John Bardsley, Bennett Meisenheimer, Peter Bullock, 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 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, 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, Wallace Hunt, Phyllis White, Judy Krouse, Kerry Frazier, Rene Harrington, Joe Cirrito, Lisa Doyle, Phyllis Whit, Lanie Pellegrin, Forrest Michael Teeters, Harry Frizzell, Mike Block, Jerry Isaacs 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 and Luke Jablonski.

To add or remove names from either list, please call the parish office at 395-4727 or email at stpiusx@stpiusx.us

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.

Sympathy: Please pray for the eternal rest and peace of the soul of Bill Bullinger, (brother-in-law to Claudia Malzahn) who passed this week. Pray for his family's comfort in their time of grief.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

 <p>MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK May 25th-31st</p>		
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Charles Myskowski Jr.
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Employment Opportunities For All
Saturday	6:00 p.m.	Ray Kirschbaum
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	All Parishioners
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WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2019/2020 Fiscal Year (July 2019-June 2020)	\$ 72,100.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,386.54
Weekly Donation (05/17/20)	\$ 445.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 60,808.29

Livingston County Helping Hands



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.



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, 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.

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.



May 24, 2020
Ascension of the Lord
Mt 28: 16-20

Dear St. Pius X and St. Anthony Church,

Happy Ascension Sunday! Jesus ascends in glory to be seated at the right hand of the Father, just as He said to Mary Magdalene resurrection morning (John 20:17). He told her, "Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father, but go to my brothers and tell them, 'I am going to my Father...'" Like a second act of divine vindication (2nd of 3), Jesus ascends to the Father in glory and then sends back un return the Holy Spirit upon His disciples at Pentecost (Act 3). We find the ascension of Jesus in a couple of places in the scriptures. Today's first reading of Acts 1:2 & 9-12 tells of Jesus' Ascension, but it can also be found in Luke 24:50-53 and Mark 16:19-20. But as early as in John chapter 6, Jesus had talked about 'ascending to the Father' to accomplish even more of his mission through His disciples (Jn 6:62). And in John 14:12, Jesus mentioned going on to the Father, so that "they (disciples) will do even greater things than these." I find great meaning in this 'necessary ascension' of Jesus, for the sake of His empowering of the disciples to minister in His Name. This is what He means in John 16:7 when He says, "I tell you the truth, it is better for you that I go." He ties together His going on and their coming to stand up in his Name. All of the ascension scenes have Jesus give the disciples work to do: He says in today's gospel from Matthew 28:19 "Go, baptize and teach all nations...." In Mark 16:15, Jesus said "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel". Luke 24:47-48, Jesus tells them 'you are witnesses... that repentance be preached ...to all the nations.' So Jesus assigns work in His name to be accomplished by His going to the Father!

But, this work that Jesus assigns us to do is not done in His absence (not like me giving a job at home to be done while I run off to the grocery). No, this is work to be done by Him, but through us. He is in the work, in us doing the work. That is the Holy Spirit. As when St Paul says in Philippians 2:3 "For it is God who works in you to will and to act on behalf of His good pleasure" and later "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me (Phil 4:13). This is why He is insistent on saying, "I am with you always until the end of time" (Matthew 28:20). Jesus remains with us, around us and in us. Yet, we may wonder, "If He goes, how does He remain?" Well that is exactly the Holy Spirit! Here is a way of thinking of why the Ascension is necessary for Jesus to remain with and faithfully present to all of his disciples everywhere. An Old Testament version of what God is accomplishing in Jesus' ascension can be seen in how God first revealed Himself to Moses and the Israelites, and how God's 'form of presence' adapts and shifts with the necessary movement of His People. First, God appears in the fixed and stationary form of the burning Bush (Exodus 3:14). But that eternally burning bush of God's presence remains always fixated at that specific GPS location. Yet, when God wants to move His People (toward the Promised Land), He goes ahead of them (but still with them) and guides them by His Presence appearing in day as a moving cloud and by night as a pillar of fire (Exodus 13:21). God was with His People, yet was mobile with them in the differing manifestations as either cloud or fire. In a similar way, we hear Jesus tell us "I am with you always", but the 'You' He mentions is plural and constitutes many people in many places. So, we have to have a mechanism for simultaneous omnipresence (to be here, there and everywhere in real time, always). And it is the Holy Spirit that accomplishes this faithful and abiding presence of Jesus to all His People. The idea is that it is through the Holy Spirit, that we will know, feel and experience Jesus forever. The gift and descent of the Holy Spirit upon us, is who convicts-us of God's faithful presence within. Following Pentecost and the commissioning of the disciples to minister in Jesus' Name, the continued spreading of Christ's presence into the world happens through Baptism. Baptism becomes our assurance from Jesus, His Shepherd's pledge and promise to remain always with us, by our entering Him (water of rebirth) and He entering us. Baptism (which He sends the apostles out to do...) accomplishes what Jesus meant when He said in John 14:20 "You are in me and I in you" and John 15:4 "Remain in me, as I remain in you." That is ascension! His rising and by our following, our eventual rising too!

Peace,
Fr. Brian

Weekly Mass Readings

Monday	Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday	Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday	Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday	Acts:22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26
Friday	Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday	Acts 28:16-20; Jn 21:20-25
Sunday	Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23



Another Saint for a Time of Plague: Edmund the Martyr King

St. Edmund (born 842- died 869) is first mentioned in the Anglo-Saxon Chronicle annal (history) for 870, which was compiled twenty years after his death. By tradition, Edmund is thought to have been born in 841 and to have acceded to the East Anglian throne following his father at the age of only 14. Very little is known of his life, except that he ruled as a wise Christian monarch, with an eye always on the poor, sick and heavily burdened within his kingdom. As if he ruled by the principle that the true measure of a kingdom's strength is the well-being of its weakest members, Edmund took special care of those needing protection and subsistence. He was loved and revered by his people, and the popular cult and pilgrimage status of his later tombs, churches and abbey testify to his dear reception by the people. The kingdom of East Anglia that he served was invaded and devastated by the Vikings, who destroyed any contemporary evidence of his reign (*What do they say, 'History is often written by the victors, and erased by them, too!-like the habit of invading armies to burn down courthouses!'*) Later writers, remembering or collecting oral tradition about King Edmund assert that he was born in 841, the son of Æthelweard. Later versions of Edmund's life relate that he was crowned on 25 December 855 at Burna (probably Bures St Mary in Suffolk), which at that time functioned as the royal capital, and that he became a just and righteous king. In 869, the invading Danes advanced on East Anglia and killed Edmund. He may have been slain by the Danes in battle, but tradition tells of his being faced with the sword and the demand that he recant Christianity. He didn't and so first he faced a death squad of archers and then was decapitated. As a humiliation, his head was thrown into the woods, yet faithful servants sought him out and by the guidance of a gentle wolf were led to his head. The wolf remained by their side and escorted them back to town for due preparation for his funeral. Wolves are carved into his tomb markers. He was given a proper Christian burial. Later as his body was moved to a permanent shrine mausoleum, a miracle was discovered that all his wounds had closed and healed and his head & body appeared organically made whole again (all as a testament to his holiness).

He is known as the patron saint of the sick and of pandemics (often likened to St Sebastian, too). Many felt a kinship toward Edmund because despite his power and wealth, he faithfully remembered and cared for the poor and suffering under his rule. His intercession was sought by many plague-ridden peasants and the village poor all across England. Many English churches are named after him, and he remains tremendously popular even today. St Edmund Martyr and King, pray for us!

Prayer of St. Edmund, King and Martyr

Show us your mercy, O Lord; and grant us your salvation. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
Let your people sing with joy. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world; for only in you can we live in safety.
Lord, keep this nation under your care; and guide us in the way of justice and truth. Let your way be known upon earth; your saving health among all nations. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten; nor the hope of the poor be taken away. Create in us clean hearts, O God of ineffable mercy, and sustain us with your Holy Spirit. You gave grace and fortitude to blessed Edmund the king to triumph over the enemy of his people by nobly dying for your Name: Bestow on us your servants the shield of faith with which we can withstand the assaults of our ancient enemy; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Mark your Calendars:

The Anniversary of Fr. Brian's Ordination is May 31st.