



## **HEHOLY FANLY** "For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples." - Lk 2:30-31

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The Church community of St. Pius Tenth hears the call to a deep, personal relationship with God in Jesus Christ. We commit ourselves to living and sharing our Catholic faith guided by the Holy Spirit and expressed in love.

## Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 PM Sunday: 8:00 AM and 11:00 AM Monday and Friday: 8:00 AM Tuesday and Thursday: 12:00 Noon Wednesday: 6:00 PM Holy Day Vigil: 6:00 PM Holy Day: 8:00 AM and 6:00 PM Confession: Saturdays at 12-1:00 PM Adoration: First Friday of the month 9 AM—8 PM

Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon



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# Worship Prayer

Adoration in January will be on January 8th instead of January 1st (New Years Day). I wish you and your family a 2021 filled with good health, peace, and many blessings.

-Fr. Tom

### **Prayer Chain Requests:**

Joyce Yeiser: joyceyeiser5200@gmail.com 270-929-4914

**<u>Pray for the Sick</u>**: Cecilia Aud, Lois Davis, Axel Fleischmann, Larry Harralson, Dorothy Mattingly, Alex McGehee, Theresa Murphy, Dan Murray, Corky and Elaine Norcia, JR Payne, Agnes Powers, Cindy Reed, Robert Shrewsberry, Ron Tucker, Sharon Warren, Carrie Weaver, James Wimsatt.

<u>Carmel Home:</u> Eugene Head, Audline Johnson, Margaret Richeson, Annette Wimsatt <u>Owensboro Center</u>: Cecilia Aud, Peggy Livers <u>Heritage</u>: Ed Howard <u>Golden Living Center, Tell City, IN</u>: Joe McKay

**Pray for the Homebound:** Arch Bamberger, Tamara Burns, Louise Crowe, Richard Crowe, Wilford Crowe, Betty Greenwell, Donald & Sylvia Hamilton, Sharon Merkley, Nathan Rumage, Margaret VanBussum, John Williams

### Pray for Our Military

Stuart Castlen: Navy, Fort Meade, Maryland LTJG Patrick Clouse: Navy; Norfolk, VA Sgt. Jeffery Cooper: Iraq Kaleb Hedden: Iraq CPT. Ben Hedges: US Army, Ft. Knox, KY Sgt. Brandon Johnson: National Guard Brian A. McDaniel: Marine Corp Wesley Osborne: National Guard Tony Pace: National Guard Joshua Jones: Army National Guard Greenville, KY Nathan Jones: Army National Guard Greenville, KY Cory Vance: US Marines Scott Wallace: National Guard



Sunday: The Holy Family 8:00 am—Dora McCarty + 11:00 am—Our Parish Family Monday: The Holy Innocents, Martyrs 8:00 am—Jane & Gene Strehl, Anniversary Tuesday: St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr 12:00 Noon—Dan Durbin + Wednesday: 6:00 pm—Tom Fogle + Thursday: St. Sylvester I, Pope; New Year's Eve 4:00 pm—Richard Stiff + 6:00 pm— Caleb & Baily Stiff Family Friday: Mary, The Holy Mother of God; New Year's Day: World Day of Peace 8:00 am—Bob Westerfield + 10:00 am—Mary Alice Higdon † Saturday: Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church 5:00 pm—Gerald Haynes + Next Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord; National **Migration Week** 8:00 am—Charles Leo Clark + 11:00 am—Our Parish Family



## Holy Day Mass Times:

Mary, Mother of God December 31: 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm January 1: 8:00 am, 10:00 am\* Epiphany January 2: 5:00pm January 3: 8:00am, 11:00am\*, 6:00 pm

\*Live streamed

# MUSIC MINISTRY

This Christmas has obviously been very different and difficult. Since I was a child, Christmas music has always been my favorite music of the whole Church year; it has been saddening preparing the Christmas masses knowing we wouldn't be able to sing as a congregation. However, there are still ways for the beauty of Christmas music to enrich our lives. This Sunday is the feast of the Holy Family. If we ever had any doubt how important and sacred our family life is; when God in His eternal plan for salvation came into our world in time and space He came into a family. He did not come to the great courts or throne rooms of the world, but to a poor family, in a poor town, in a country under occupation. That means that what happens in our families, even on the most mundane or difficult days, has eternal significance. In this year when so much of our larger community has been taken away maybe God is calling on us to pour into that most essential community, the family. Since we can't sing together at Mass this year, find the time to sing Christmas hymns together as a family. Praise God for the gift of His Son, for what He has done in your life, and what He continues to do. Even in a year like this, we truly have so much to be grateful for. Merry Christmas!



# **Liturgical Life**

## **Minister Schedule for January 2-3**

Sat, 5:00 PM

Fr. Tom Buckman	Eucharistic Minister - Bread 2
Thomas Conrey	Lector - Lector 1
Linda Howard	Greeter - Greeter D-1
CoraAnne Roberts	Greeter - Greeter D-2
Robert Freels	Usher - Captain/Usher 1
Joe Brooks	Usher - Usher 2

## <u>Sun, 8:00 AM</u>

Fr. Tom Buckman	Eucharistic Minister - Bread 2	
Donna Howard	Lector - Lector 1	
Charles Johnson	Greeter - Greeter D-1	
Jane Johnson	Greeter - Greeter D-2	
Thomas Payne	Usher - Captain/Usher 1	
Jerry Wells	Usher - Usher 2	

### <u>Sun, 11:00 AM</u>

Fr. Tom Buckman	Eucharistic Minister - Bread 2
Stephanie Lewis	Lector - Lector 1
Adalyn Gentry	Greeter - Greeter D-1
Cheryl Gerteisen	Greeter - Greeter D-2
Robert Millay	Usher - Captain/Usher 1
Josh Maffia	Usher - Usher 2

# Readings for the week of December 27, 2020

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/ Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1] or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [7a, 8a]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40 Monday: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/ Mt 2:13-18 **Tuesday:** 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/ Lk 2:22-35 Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/ Lk 2:36-40 Thursday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/ Jn 1:1-18 Friday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/ Lk 2:16-21 Saturday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/ Jn 1:19-28 Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

# Faith Formation Go therefore and make disciples of all nations

## **URSULINE SISTERS' SPIRITUAL GIFT**



You and your loved ones will be included in the Eucharistic Liturgies Celebrated in our Motherhouse Chapel on Christmas Eve and once each month In the coming year. Merry Christmas and a Blessed 2021!

#### **FAMILIES IN FAITH**

All in-person family groups and classes that were meeting before Thanksgiving were cancelled during December due to the county status as a red zone. Hopefully, we will be able to begin again next Sunday. Watch your email for a final decision by New Year's Day. If possible we will begin again on January 3, 2021. Happy New Year!

### **NO CHRISTMAS CAROLING?**

That's what we recommend for this Christmas season. You can still sing with members of your household—





belt it out from your front porch into your neighborhood! JOY to the World! 2021: more caroling parties!!

#### **NEW YEAR 2021**

In just a few days remaining of an eventful 2020, what lessons has suffering, inconvenience, hardship taught me? Taught us? How have I/we thanked God for Shepherding us through a year of broad and life-altering change? Am I/are we closer to Jesus than we were this time last year? Spend a few minutes with God and/or your family in prayer in order to respond to the BLESSINGS OF 2020. How can I open my heart more fully for the new year of grace?

#### **GREAT TIME IN INVITE**

Anytime is a good time. Be not afraid. Bring a friend to Christ-mas! He told us to do that.

## **Youth Group**

## <u>Middle & High School</u> **Text Updates**

As things continue to stay crazy please remember to sign up for our text updates. We use the REMIND app to help inform when we meet for youth as well as cancelations. You can join by texting @spxhs11 (High School), @spxms22 (Middle School), or @spxp33 (Parents) to 81010. You can also join by sending me your name in a text to (270)-454-0404.

Due to the flux of the current pandemic and our holiday printing schedule, it's even more important to sign up for these remind updates so you can stay informed on the youth events going on. If you have any questions or concern, please contact me.

> Matthew Knight, Youth Minister mknight@stpiustenthparish.org

## St Thomas Becket, Feast: December 29



A London-born clerk to Archbishop Theobald of Canterbury, Thomas studied canon law abroad and was ordained a deacon. His support of Henry II's claim to England's throne led to his appointment as royal chancellor. He was the king's great friend until 1162, when, as the new archbishop of

Canterbury, he said he changed from being "a patron of play-actors and a follower of hounds, to being a shepherd of souls." He and the king clashed over many issues, notably the jurisdiction of ecclesiastical courts. Thomas fled to France for six years; soon after his return, Henry's wish to be rid of this troublesome prelate led to Thomas' murder by four knights. This medieval martyr starred in two modern plays: Eliot's "Murder in the Cathedral" and Anouilh's "Becket." (catholiccurrent.org)

# In Remembrance

The community of St Pius Tenth would like to offer condolences to...

The family of **Cindy Slaven** *Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, Oh Lord!* 

Will and Pat Storm are planning a bus tour of New England beginning at the start of October 2021. Anyone interested in joining can contact Pat Storm at 270-685-1805

## Safe Environment:

To report suspected abuse, call the Kentucky Child Protection Hot Line: 1-877-597-2331 (Toll Free) or contact your local Commonwealth Attorney to report abuse to the diocese, current or past, by anyone acting in the name of the Church, call Louanne Payne, Pastoral Assistance coordinator (English) at 270-852-8380, or Nuria Elizondo, Pastoral Assistance coordinator (Spanish) at 270-880-8360. You may also visit the Office of Safe Environment (owensborodiocese.org/safe) for more information.

## St. Pius X Daycare

Director: Brook Mattingly (<u>bmattingly@stpiustenthparish.org</u>) Assistant Director: Jen Howard (<u>jhoward@stpiustenthparish.org</u>)

We have a wonderful week ahead of us!
New Year's Themes (celebrating the coming of a new year with crafts)

oThursday: <u>New Year's Eve (Daycare</u> <u>Closed)</u>

oFriday: New Year's Day (Daycare Closed)

 Student of the Week: Preschool A- Tate, Spectacular, Preschool B- Boone, Awesome!



# **Our Community**

Seminarians **Christopher Grief** and **Martin Ling** received the Rite of Candidacy from Bishop Medley in December. The Rite is a stepping stone on their journey to Holy Orders. Please keep them in prayer as they move forward in their formation at St. Meinrad.

The Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University's next class will start on Sunday, January 17, 2021 at St. Pius X Catholic Church. Registration will take place after the weekend Masses of January 9th and 10<sup>th</sup> of 2021 at St. Pius X. Due to COVID-19 guidelines, **free childcare will not be available**. State COVID-19 protocols will be followed for this class. For more information, contact Gary Estes at 270-314-4419.

St Pius welcomes new member, **David Htoo**, infant son of **Sar Kol Htoo** and **Rosemary Paw**, baptized on December 13th, 2020.

Let us rejoice!

## "Crossing the Threshold of Faith into the New Year"

Join us for a day of soulful and creative reflection to enter the New Year. Participants can reflect on what needs to be left behind from 2020, what needs to be celebrated, and what dreams and desires need to be born in 2021. "Crossing the Threshold of Faith into the New Year" will take place as an online Zoom retreat on **Friday, Jan. 8, 2021, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.** The presenter will be Maryann Joyce, a spiritual director who serves as director of the Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center, Maple Mount, Ky. The fee is \$25. To register, call **270-229-0206** or email retreatcenter@maplemount.org or register online at ursulinesmsj.org/conference-retreat-center/ registration-sponsored programs

Due to the circumstances surrounding Covid-19 dates and times of events are subject to change. Please contact the parish office/the event coordinator to confirm dates if unsure.

# Stewardship Service

WEEKLY GIVING				
	Week of	2020/21		
(fiscal year begins in July)	12/13/2020	To Date		
<b>Regular Collections</b>	13,285.30	290,594.00		
Children's Collection				
Budget Goal		326,400.00		
Over/ <mark>(Short) TOTAL</mark>	(-314.70)	(-35,806.00)		
<b>Renovation Goal</b>		1,500,000.00		
Pledges Received		1,354,073.34		
Money Received		650,442.80		

Due to the Holiday Printing Schedule, numbers for the weekend of December 19-20 are unavailable. Please see next weekend's bulletin.

> For online giving: http://bit.ly/StpxOboro or scan our QR code:





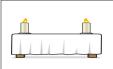
January Altar Linens: Colleen Bachmeier Fr's Vestments: Connie Fleischmann

## God's Housekeepers: December 28—Jan 2

Gary & Beverly Estes Becky Pedley Robin & Randy Roby Eric & Jenny Hicks



<u>St. Vincent DePaul:</u> Volunteers are available on Tuesday and Thursday mornings 9-11:00 AM.



Weekly Mass Count 5:00 pm—95 8:00 am—96 11:00 am— 92 + 50 Livestream

## Thank You!

Thank you to all parish members for your prayers, generosity and for turning in your renovation pledge cards!

Are you in need of a pledge card? Please contact the church office to receive one to turn in.

If you cannot contribute financially, please still return your pledge card and pray for the successful completion of our project.

St Pius X, Pray for Us!

## **Christmas & New Year Office Hours**

The church office will be Closed December 24, 2020 thru January 1, 2021.

We will return to regular office hours beginning January 4, 2021

## Parish Staff

Pastor—Fr. Tom Buckman Dir. of Faith Formation—Sr. Suzanne Sims O.S.U. Business Manager—Jeanie Lewis Office Associate—Sara Lewis Facilities Manager—Nick Spinks Building and Grounds—Ed Mattingly Director of Music—Francis Zelinka Youth/Young Adult Ministry—Matt Knight Daycare Director—Brook Mattingly Daycare Asst. Dir.—Jennifer Howard

To ensure you receive emails from the staff in the parish office, please add their emails to your email contact list. You can find the emails on the parish website under the 'More Ministries' tab. www.stpiustenthparish.org

## ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER(S), OR EMAIL CHANGES

Please contact us at the parish office if you have any changes or incorrect information in our records. We appreciate being able to contact you to let you know about events/updates.

# Renovation UPDATES



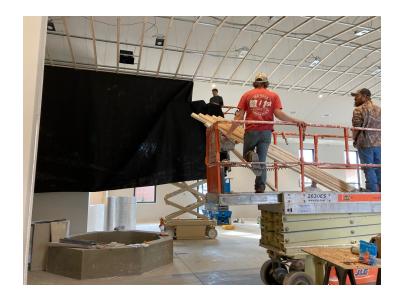


## Prayerful † Simple † Beautiful

## Week of December 13-19:

The landscaping is finished and looks beautiful. The memorial walking path, ten commandments, and SPX plaque have been placed in the new garden areas. Inside the church progress is being made. Although the changes aren't as dramatic as before, the lighting is nearing completion and felt is being installed on the drop ceiling grid to prepare for the installation of the oak paneling. Be sure to follow our Facebook page for more updates!

facebook.com/SPXCathChurch



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