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27th Sunday Ordinary Year B Mark 10:2-16



The Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, "Is it lawful for a husband to divorce his wife?" They were testing him. He said to them in reply, "What did Moses command you?" They replied, "Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce and dismiss her." But Jesus told them, "Because of the hardness of your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from beginning of creation, God made them male and female. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. So they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate." In the house the disciples again questioned Jesus about this. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery." And people were bringing children to him that he might touch them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this he became indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Amen, I say to you, whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it." Then he embraced them and blessed them, placing his hands on them.

A Marriage Poem By Margaret Atwood

Marriage is not
a house or even a tent
it is before that, and colder:
the edge of the forest, the edge
of the desert
the unpainted stairs
at the back where we squat
outside, eating popcorn
the edge of the receding glacier
where painfully and with wonder
at having survived even
this far
we are learning to make fire (Grace)

Weekly Mass Readings

October 3 –October 9

Sunday 10/3	Gn 2:18-24/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16
Monday 10/4	Jon 1:1—2:2, 11/Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday 10/5	Jon 3:1-10/Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday 10/6	Jon 4:1-11/Lk 11:1-4
Thursday 10/7	Mal 3:13-20b/Lk 11:5-13
Friday 10/8	Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Lk 11:15-26
Saturday 10/9	Jl 4:12-21/Lk 11:27-28

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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
Thursday-8:00 am
Friday-8:00 am

Eucharist Adoration-First Friday of each month-8:00

† **Weekly Online Mass**

Sunday -10:00 am

**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*

Pastoral Team

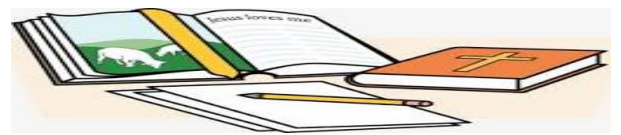
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FROM THE PASTOR



Dear St Pius And St Anthony Churches,

27th Sunday Ordinary Time Year B

Mark 10:2-16

“Please, for the kids!” Jesus is confronting the issue of broken marriage and divorce from the perspective of the ‘helpless ones’-the children. This is the same approach Jesus uses when addressing the health of a society too. The measure of a society’s holiness is determined by how the weakest and most vulnerable members are cared for and treated (like the proverb, *‘the chain is only as strong as its weakest link’*). As Jesus is tested by the Pharisees and pulled into a debate about divorce, Jesus begins His contribution to this controversy by quoting the first book of the Bible (‘God’s original intention’) and ends with a summary symbolic gesture. He lifts up and embraces a child, saying, “The kingdom of God belongs to such as these” (Mark 10:14). Jesus is putting the vulnerable child at the center of the discussion, and basically says, “Marriage’s fruit is children and family life, so we must do all we can to protect marriage and further it to grow.” I think we can all understand the hurtful drama in divorce Jesus is trying to prevent.

Like REM sang back in the 1990’s ‘Everybody Hurts’. But in broken marriages, who hurts the most? The children who are least able to cope and adjust. Are the parents hurt and broken too? Yes, but as adults who have been in this world longer than children, we assume they have more emotional tools/resources to accept hurt and grow from it. Not so with a child. This is why Jesus embraces and places the child’s well-being in the center of this discussion. But unfortunately, we hear about the Pharisees’ motive in even bringing up this issue, and that motive is to ‘test him’ (Mark 10:2) so the Pharisees too, are not thinking at all of hurting children. So sad it is, that the Pharisees are exploiting the pain of divorced persons and broken families to score points and make Jesus look bad by pitting Him against Moses. The Pharisees knew the teaching of Moses (Matt 23:2), and knew that Jesus taught a purer, more sacred bond of marriage between husband and wife (our Catholic teaching calls it the ‘permanence and indissolubility of valid marriage bond’). Jesus quotes as the authority for His position what God the Creator intended from the beginning, which was the lifelong partnership of man/woman in marriage. This ‘two become one’ is the fruit of their relations; it is born in the child (each new child is the **one**). So Jesus was saying, ‘protect the unity and exclusivity of marriage’ for the sake of the vulnerable child’s (its fruit). In a marriage, the child is the most susceptible to hurt from threats/infidelities. This is why Jesus quotes what we call the Book of Genesis, to remind the Pharisees of the Creator’s original intention for marriage: One man and one woman in lifelong partnership. Of course, breakdowns in marriage did not begin only in Moses’ time (who allowed ‘divorce’ by a special decree). We find in the Old Testament earlier instances of abuses of the ‘exclusive and singular’ marriage bond. For example, we can read about ‘polygamy-many wives (1 Kings 11:3) or ‘physical insemination surrogacy’ with Abraham Sarah & Hagar (Genesis 16:1-16) and Jacob Rachel & Bihah (Genesis 30:3) that pulls their marriage and family apart. So, when Jesus quotes the beginning of the Bible and God’s original design of human marriage, He was simply calling for a return to a more sacred and exclusive exercise of marriage as between one husband and one wife (for life-permanent). So, following Jesus means that we also work for such protections and support of holy and fruitful marriage.

Yes, the reality we face today is that everyone is affected by the pain and division of divorce. If not our own selves, then maybe a parent, sibling or close friend (or many) are suffering from a fallen-apart marriage and the ongoing struggles with custody and family settlement issues. We all have to pray for and support the healing and restoration of marriage bonds (reconciliation if possible, and healing/recovery for everyone if not). As people of hope, we turn to our compassionate Savior Jesus who ‘is our peace, He who made both, one, and broke down the dividing wall of enmity...’ (Ephesians 2:14). I take comfort in seeing that Jesus conducted a ‘broken marriage ministry’ Himself when He embraced and offered forgiveness to the woman dragged before Him for stoning in John 8:11. He called her to personal fidelity to support the marriage bond, and He also confronted the chauvinist and exploitative ‘elder or elders’ who had used her (regularly!) and wanted Jesus to cover up (with rocks!) their abuse of her (John 8:7, 9). Another wonderful example of Jesus’ realistic, yet compassionate concern for the protection of the marriage bond came when he confronted the Woman at the Well’s casual approach to marriage. Jesus wished to heal her heart and converting her understanding of marriage from ‘comfortable convenience’ to ‘committed covenant’ (John 4:16-18). So, we all have a contribution of supportive prayer and cultivating respect for the most sacred marriage and family bond, as a sign of our society’s protection of children and a signal of our level of social trust among us. As always, it comes down to following Jesus! Peace, Fr Brian

Pro-Life Fundraiser Bluegrass on the (Lake) Beshear: Saturday Oct 9, 2021 from 1-6 pm Music Festival of Bluegrass, Gospel & Country music. It is a Pro-Life Fundraiser Day! Free Admission & the grounds open at noon. Take a chance on over \$3,000 in raffle prizes. Many vendor booths and food, or bring your own. All funds support Hope Clinic at Eddyville & Benton, Alpha Pregnancy support in Hopkinsville, and Doors of Hope Ctr Madisonville, KY. The Music Festival location is 307 Island Cove Lane, Dawson Springs, KY (It’s the West Fork of Lake Beshear off Route 672, 4 mi SW of Dawson Springs. Come enjoy the day & support life!

Wednesday	Oct. 13	6:30-8:00	Youth Ministry Group	Parish Hall
Sunday	Oct. 17	2:00-3:30	Confirmation Class	Parish Hall
Wednesday	Oct. 20	6:30-7:30p	Confirmation Class - Zoom	online

Save Aluminum Can Pull Tabs: To help families staying at the Ronald McDonald House through their children's surgeries in the neighboring hospitals in Louisville or Nashville. We have a basket by church doors to drop them in and we will give them to families.

Congratulations to Quilt Winner Lisa Hoffman!

Winner of the beautiful handmade quilt made by our dedicated Quilters Group! They raised over \$750.00! How special of the quilter's group to contribute their sewing gifts to Church again!

Prayers & Sympathy: Please pray for the eternal rest of *James Elroy Ray* (brother of Merlin Ray) who passed away last week. Please keep the families in your prayers that God may comfort them through this time of grief and loss.

Birthdays & Anniversaries: Oct 3 – Oct 9

Happy Birthday!

St. Pius X

- October 3 Jimmy Hogancamp
- October 6 Wesley Duzmal
- October 9 Carol Roberts
- October 9 Kim Lampert
- October 9 Don Milne

St. Anthony of Padua

- October 8 Colton Adrian

Happy Anniversary!

St. Pius X

- October 4 Chance & Allison Lucas
- October 5 Scott & Karen Coleman
- October 7 Stacey & Catherine Newby
- October 8 Maddie & Silas Traylor

St. Anthony of Padua

- September 26 Ron & Karen Matthis

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, October 9, 2021

Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Schiaretti Family	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	

Mass Assignments: Sunday, October 10, 2021

Volunteer	Dawn Whitt	Jimmy Harbison	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter)	Nancy Singleton Richard Derry
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Protect our Children: Report and Seek Help against Abuse: The safety of our children is the responsibility of every Christian. Anyone aware of the abuse of a person under the age of eighteen is required by law to report this to the proper state authorities local law enforcement or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (toll-free: 1-877-597- 2331). To report abuse to the diocese, current or past, by anyone acting in the name of the Church (paid or volunteer), call Louanne Payne, Pastoral Assistance Coordinator (English) on the confidential phone line: 270-852-8380, or Susan Montalvo-Gesser/Miguel Quintanilla, Pastoral Assistance Coordinators (Spanish): 270-880-8360. The Diocese of Owensboro's sexual abuse policy is available this parish, on the bulletin board, in the parish office, and also on the diocesan website (<https://owensborodiocese.org/safe>).

Remember in Prayer

St. Pius X: Joey Elder, Jeffrey Frizzell, Kaileigh Row, Henry Feezor, John Campbell, Lisa Hammond, Rose Grossius, Bennett Meisenheimer, Neil Trammell, 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, 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, Ericka Karpstein, Joanna Cooper, Carolyn Outland, Angel Thompson, Kaye Poyner, Jerry Huebschmann, Dorothy Henry, Bob & Lois Tashjian, Rita Cook, Hannah Padgett, Juliette Kaplanes, Jack Bender, Penny Maupin, Don Kemp, Sharon Olejnicak, Tim Wilson, Beverly Dukes, Bill Norvell, Wallace Hunt, Phyllis White, Judy Krouse, Kerry Frazier, Rene Harrington, Joe Cirrito, Lisa Doyle, Forrest Michael Teeters, David Kroll, Cameron Brewer, Stefanie Wilkerson-Barragan, Hugo Santos, Sharon Gibbons, Wayne Viniard, Braydn Barnett, and their families and caregivers

St. Anthony of Padua: Juan Gonzalez, Elena Carey, Donna & Jon Gresham, Bob Decker, Bill Rodgers, Tom & Margie Sheppard, Bob & Lois Tashjian, Mr. Driskill, Margaret Adams, Pat Gorbett, Ed Derringe, Charles Paulius, Helen Krivan, Imogene Ramey, Bob Lang 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, Rvan M. Fields, LeAnne Neal, and Kousuke Sasaki.

St. Pius X

Mass Intentions October 4- October 10		
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Oren & Margie Francois
Wednesday	8:00 am	Louis Haas
Thursday	8:00 am	Chris & Amanda Buffington
Friday	8:00 am	Michael Alexander
Saturday	4:30 pm	Lucila Rendon
Sunday	10:00 am	Michael Malzahn

WEEKLY DONATIONS	
Parish Hall Donation (9/26/21)	\$ 238.00
Budget for 2021/2022 Fiscal Year (July 2021-June 2022)	\$ 180,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 3,461.54
In Church Donation (9/26/21)	\$ 2,850.00
Online Giving (9/26/21)	\$ 1,463.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 9-26	\$ 4,313.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 42,952.00

Happy Birthday Sr Michael Marie Friedman!

We still miss you and pray for you! Thank you for blessing us! May God continue blessing you!
To send her card: Mail it to Mount St Joseph
8001 Cummings Rd, Maple Mount, KY 42356

Knights of Columbus 2021 Rosary Rally

will be held on Saturday October 16 at 12:00 noon at the Dolly McNutt Plaza (the fountain area across the street from the Paducah/ McCracken Co. library).
October is a month of many pro-life prayers so come join others as we invoke Our Lady Fatima's prayers too for healing and peace in our land. Please come to join us for this beautiful opportunity for public prayer.

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

Other Groups

Finance Council	Harold Dacus, Chair
Art & Decorations	Paula Schmidt
Knights of Columbus	Michael Canon

St. Anthony of Padua

Mass Intentions October 4 – October 10		
Wednesday	9:00 am	Sally Anne Klohr
Friday	9:00 am	Laura Logsdon
Sunday	8:00 am	Monroe Adrian

WEEKLY DONATIONS	
Budget 2021/2022 Fiscal Year (July 2021-June 2022)	\$ 72,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,386.54
Weekly Donation (9/26/2021)	\$ 1,385.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 21,893.00

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

Livingston County Helping Hands



Non perishable items needed: paper towels, toilet paper, laundry detergent, shampoo (adult & baby), bath soap, diapers, baby wipes, feminine hygiene products, dish soap, coffee, tea, mac and cheese, sugar, flour, cereal, peanut butter, canned meats & vegetables. There is a collection container at the back of the church.

Thank you for your generosity!

St Anthony Mass Assignments – October 10, 2021

Lector	Mike Drury
Eucharistic Ministers	Shara Parish
Prayers of the Faithful	
Ushers/Greeters	Kelly Noonan Kevin Diamond
Server	Shara Parish
Money Counters	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond

KC (St Pius) Mass for the Unborn: 2nd Friday Oct 8

Friday October 8, at 6:00pm, the Knights Columbus will be having a special mass, praying for protection of the preborn and their mothers. We'll be offering special prayers for an end to abortion & for the proper care of all the unborn (children in the womb) & their mothers.

Parish Council

Roy McFadden	Chair Person
Mike Drury	Vice Chair/Building & Ground
Debbie Owens	Secretary/Family Life
Shara Parish	Finance/ Building & Ground
Nick Zaim	Social/Spiritual Concern

Bereavement Committee

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