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19th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A Matthew 14:22-33



"After he had fed the people, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. After doing so, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When it was evening he was there alone. Meanwhile the boat, already a few miles offshore, was being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was against it. During the fourth watch of the night, he came toward them walking on the sea. When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified. "It is a ghost," they said, and they cried out in fear. At once Jesus spoke to them, "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" After they got into the boat, the wind died down. Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying, "Truly, you are the Son of God."

Excerpt of 'Peter Walking Upon the Water'

By John Newton

A Word from Jesus calms the sea,
The stormy wind controls;
And gives repose and liberty
To tempest-tossed souls.
To Peter on the waves he came,
And gave him instant peace;
Thus he to me revealed his name,
And bid my sorrows cease.
Then filled with wonder, joy and love,
Peter's request was mine;
Lord, call me down, I long to prove
That I am wholly thine.
Unmoved at all I have to meet
On life's tempestuous sea;
Hard, shall be easy; bitter, sweet,
So I may follow thee.

Eucharistic Renewal Minute Meditation

"The Eucharist is the secret of my day. It gives me strength and gives meaning to all my activities of service to the Church and to the whole world."

— Pope Saint John Paul

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 August 13

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-1a/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33

Monday Dt 10:12-22/Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday Rv 11:19 12:1-1/1Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Wednesday Dt 34:1-12/Mt 18:15-20

Thursday Jos 3:7-10, 11-17/Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday Jos 24:1-13/Mt 19:3-12

Saturday Jos 24:14-29/Mt 19:13-15

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

Saturday 6:00 pm

Sunday- 8:00 am

† Daily Mass

Wednesday-9:00 am

Friday-9:00 am

Eucharist Adoration-First Friday 9:00 am

First Saturday of Month Mass 8:00 am

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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,

19th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A

Matthew 14:22-33

"Everybody needs a little time away!" Remember that classic old song from the band Chicago! This is Jesus' message to His apostles in the gospel today. He puts the apostles into a boat for a little 'downtime' for themselves as they float upon the sea overnight. Jesus gives them this time so they can re-synchronize their inner clocks, assisted by the rhythmic wash of waves or the stillness of the sea. And Jesus, Himself, also takes time out, going up the mountain to be alone and pray (to commune with the Father & Holy Spirit). Jesus is setting this example for His disciples. He demonstrates the spiritual importance of keeping time every day to pray and check in with the Father. We see Jesus take such regular spiritual time-outs, all throughout the gospels! He steps away from the busy-ness of ministry work or the chaos of the city crowds to recharge His inner strength and reset His inner peace. Jesus is modeling an example of the role prayer serves in daily refreshing our souls.

Of the four gospels, Luke seems to be the one most concerned to show Jesus regularly taking time out to be alone for personal prayer. Some of those occasions, that we all know Jesus spent time alone in prayer were like the times right before he chose His apostles, or just prior to when He miraculously multiplied the loaves and fishes, or in his final night in the Garden of Gethsemane. But Luke has several additional episodes describing Jesus' faithful practice of quiet time & praying alone. In Luke 3:21, we hear that "Jesus had been baptized and was praying, when heaven opened..." Or, Luke 9:18 tells us that "Once when Jesus was praying in solitude, and the disciples were with him, he asked them, "Who do the crowds say that I am?" At the Transfiguration, in Luke 9:28 we hear that Jesus took a small group alone to pray together, when "Jesus took Peter, John, and James, going up the mountain to pray." Luke 5:16 states that it was a typical pattern for Jesus to seek out solitary time, when it says, "Jesus would withdraw to deserted places to pray". Luke 6:12 adds, "In those days he departed to the mountain to pray, and he spent the night in prayer to God." His disciples take note of this routine practice, and in Luke 11:1, it tells us that "Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said to him. 'Lord, teach us to pray....'" The disciples are watching Jesus' example of prayer! And then, in Luke 22:41, it says (In garden of Gethsemane) "After withdrawing about a stone's throw from them and kneeling, he prayed." I'd say too, that when Jesus hung upon the cross alone, there was no more solitary a place. There alone on the cross, Luke 23:34 tells us that "Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do" and again in Luke 23:46 "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit", & when he had said this he breathed his last." Clearly, Jesus models solitary prayer for us!

Here's a good question: Why couldn't Peter finish the task that Jesus gave him to do (come to Him on the water)? This faltering of Peter may be comparable to the time when the apostles failed to cast a demon out, and they had to go to Jesus because they couldn't get it done? Mark 9:28-29 tells us that, "When Jesus entered the house, his disciples asked him in private, **"Why could we not drive it out?"** Jesus said to them, **"This kind can only come out through prayer"** Prayer makes the difference!

Matthew 14: 29-30 says that "Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was, he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Peter began fine, he just started slipping and going under as the wind took more and more of his attention. Usually, we say that whatever Jesus calls us to, He will see us through, yet when Peter is called in this case, he sinks. Why? Well, Jesus is there with Peter, (standing on the water in the wind with Peter-so Jesus is doing His part. But obviously Peter's distractedness is taking him down. Maybe it was Peter's fear of the waves & wind, or Peter's pride in showboating his water-walking thrill in front of the other apostles, but Peter was not keeping faithful focus on Jesus. I think Peter's sinking is due to Peter not taking full advantage of the prayer-time before his walk. Jesus specifically put them all in the boat to cross to the other side for the purpose of having them 'decompress' and be refreshed. Again, 'Everybody needs a little time' to rejuvenate their spent spirits. We can all run down, and we need time in prayer with God to reset our soul's balance. So, Peter did not use wisely this quiet opportunity Jesus gave him away from the crowds. When Jesus called him to 'walk', Peter wasn't 'centered' enough in Christ to accomplish it. Thomas Keating, a great teacher of the 'Centering Prayer' method, says that if we are faithful to such dedicated prayer times (*he advises at least 2x a day for about 20 minute each*), then, we and others will notice a difference in our disposition and daily work. Fr Keating jokes that people who know us, may even say to us at times if we haven't kept our proper schedule of prayer, *"Hey, I notice that you sure are irritable and uptight, don't you need to do your prayer-thing-Have you missed it today?"* Similar to when somebody skips breakfast and gets grumpy, so also if Christians slip and miss their scheduled prayer routines, then people will notice our lack of focus on Christ, or our lack of peace in our hearts when we face storms. Again, prayer does make a difference! Blessings, Fr Brian

St Pius X Mass Intentions Aug 14 – Aug 20		
Monday <i>Holy Day</i>	6:00 pm	<i>James Wooten</i>
Tuesday	6:00 pm	<i>Jim Whittington</i>
Wednesday	8:00 am	<i>James Hobbs</i>
Thursday	8:00 am	<i>Bob Mattingly</i>
Friday	8:00 am	<i>John & Sue Mudd</i>
Saturday	4:30 pm	<i>Shirley Henderson</i>
Sunday	10:00 am	<i>Bob Darst</i>
WEEKLY DONATIONS		
Parish Hall Donation (8/6/23)	\$	1,083.00
Budget for 2022/2023 Fiscal Year (July 2023-June 2024)	\$	195,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$	3,750.00
Weekly Donation (8/6/23)	\$	3,117.00
Online Giving (8/6/23)	\$	1,994.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 8/6	\$	5,111.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$	27,281.64

NEXT SUNDAY: St Pius X Church Picnic Dinner & Games
Sunday August 20: Plan to come enjoy a great time having a parish dinner together and stay for some games/prizes for the kids! Adults, too! It will be a wonderful social time to catch up and visit awhile outside under the pavilion or the shade of trees! Check out the different sign up sheets for what to bring & share!

Mt St Joseph Quilt Bingo Returns – Sept 10

Sunday, Sept. 10, we will play Quilt Bingo. Players have the chance to win choice of a variety of quilts. 12:30 p.m. Bingo from 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Tickets for Bingo are \$25 per person, to include lunch. Bingo cards are \$1 a game for small quilt prize or \$2 per game for large quilt prize. Seating is limited, email carol.braden-clarke@maplemount.org to rsvp a seat

Thank You John & Marilyn Brooks! Marilyn & John have been representatives of our parish, working with **Hope Clinic** for many years, volunteer-leading pro-life programs. They are retiring from leadership. I want to thank them for their long service! We are looking for someone to step in & keep the parish active partnering with HopeClinic! Is it you?

Birthdays & Anniversaries: Aug 13- Aug 19

Happy Birthday! St. Pius X

August 14	Tracy Thomason
August 16	PJ Thomason
August 16	Nikki Shea
August 17	Frank Schiaretto
August 18	Sherry Ball
August 19	Adam Padgett

Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X

August 13	Bob & Bette Zilligen
August 18	Tom & Annie Mae Kingston
August 18	Lou & Patti Langford
August 19	Larry & Sherry Ball

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, August 19, 2023

Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Volunteer	Paula Schmidt	Suzette Whittington Kurt Schmidt Volunteer	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	

Mass Assignments: Sunday, August 20, 2023

Kason Peterson	Dawn Whitt	Caleb King Patti Langford Jimmy Harbison	Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer	Rich Derry Nancy Singleton
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What is Eucharistic Adoration? How do I spend a Holy Hour in Adoration?

1. Practice patience: When you sit down to pray do you constantly glance at your watch? It's okay! Be patient with yourself. This is your time with the Lord and He's happy to see you! Pop in to say "Hello, Jesus!" Stay one hour or stay ten minutes. We do not have to say or do anything to focus on the One who loves us so much. Just 'be' with Him
2. Open your heart to Jesus; Adore Him: Tell Jesus everything that's on your mind, then listen for His response.
3. Ask forgiveness & Intercede for others: Request a special blessing for those who have hurt you. Ask forgiveness from those you may have neglected or hurt in past. Bring all those who have asked you to pray for them before the Blessed Sacrament.
4. Be thankful: Thank God for all the big things in your life: your family, a great friendship or job interview. Thank Him for the small gifts of the day, too: the sun shining through the trees or even cup of tea. Nothing goes unnoticed by God.
5. Practice silence: We are so driven by distraction that silence can be hard, even uncomfortable, but we become closer to Christ when we are silent. There is no place on earth where God is more present than in the human heart. The heart is truly God's great abode, the temple of silence ... The Father waits for His children there, in the silence of their own hearts.

Remember in Prayer

St. Pius X: James Poat, Rick Wilson, Wade Barnes, Elizabeth Curtner, Ashley Hayden, Donna Barrix, David Crass, Beth Strutzel, Jason Long, Helen Nicholson, Larry Kline, Bonita Walker, Joe Hedges, Jerry Wade, Katie Wood, Joanna Grimes, Amanda Bailey, Kathryn Bailey Kaileigh Row, Dolly Bardsley, Pam Laibl, Chevelle Allen, David Kroll, Henry Feezor, Jerry & Sissy Wommack, Lisa Hammond, Rose Grossius, Bennett Meisenheimer, Jim & Rose Drury, 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 Brooks, Stacy Newby, Bette Zilligen, Ric Vaughn, Donny Travis, Betty Derry, Scott Hamilton, Connie Burt, Abigail Huebschmann, Lucas Hebnar, Ericka Karpstein, Joanna Cooper, Angel Thompson, Kaye Poyner, Bob Tashjian, Rita Cook, Juliette Kaplanes, Jack Bender, Penny Maupin, Don Kemp, Sharon Olejnicak, Tim Wilson, Beverly Dukes, Wallace Hunt, Judy Krouse, Kerry Frazier, Rene Harrington, Forrest Michael Teeters, Cameron Brewer, Stefanie Wilkerson-Barragan, Hugo Santos, Sharon Gibbons, Braydn Barnett, Elizabeth Witowski, Pam Dietz.

Pray for Our Military

St. Pius X: Cameron Thomason, Julianne Utley, James Griffith, Cory Erickson, Justin Fatum, James A. Kinsey, Sarah Martindale, Devin McFadden, Benjamin Patton, Kousuke Sasaki,

St. Anthony Page Announcements

Quilters group

at St Anthony Every Tuesday:
Contact Georgia Bradshaw for details. Quilters gather and work on their community quilt together. Come and join in their labor of love for their church family

Needed: Help: A Parishioner is in need of a driver to some doctor appointments in Paducah. Please call/let Fr Brian know if you would be available to help or could volunteer to assist with some transportation.

Coffee & Doughnuts: Just a reminder, that every first Sunday of the month we host coffee/doughnuts social time after the 8:00 am mass! Plan to come!

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). If a child is in danger call 911! The Diocese of Owensboro's sexual abuse policy is available, on the bulletin board, in the parish office, and also on the diocesan website (<https://owensborodiocese.org/safe>).

Acts 2:42 Eucharistic Renewal in our Church!

I want to thank Rich Derry for serving as our parishes' coordinator of the Acts 2:42 Eucharistic Renewal Groups. In September, we will begin small group meetings to deepen our understanding of Eucharist and share faith with one another. Meetings will include a monthly video for Bishop Medley, catechesis, prayer and discussion on the Holy Eucharist.

Watch for sign-ups and come learn!



St Anthony Birthdays Aug 13 -Aug 19

No birthdays this week

Anniversaries:

August 16 Rick & Margaret Wilson

Lectio Divina Weekly Sessions

Every Wednesday @ St. Anthony of Padua, we gather for weekly "Lectio Divina" sessions. Come and open God's Word in your heart & mind. We have workbooks available



St. Anthony of Padua

Mass Intentions

Aug 14 – Aug 20

Tuesday Holy Day	9:00 am	<i>Dr Jorge Alegre</i>
Wednesday	9:00 am	<i>Dr Sidney Edds</i>
Friday	9:00 am	<i>Joan Hunt</i>
Saturday	6:00 pm	<i>Robert Hannegan Sr Family</i>
Sunday	8:00 am	<i>Mary Virginia Krebs</i>

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2022/2023 Fiscal Year (July 2023-June 2024)	\$ 73,500.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 8/6/2023)	\$ 1,355.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 14,912.16

Thank you so much for your faithful generosity!

Livingston County Helping Hands



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

St Anthony Mass Assignments – August 20, 2023

Lector	Darin Adrian
Eucharistic Ministers	Shara Parish Mike Drury
Ushers/Greeters	Kelly Noonan David Loxley
Server	Juan Gonzalez
Money Counters	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond

St Anthony Prayer List: Betty Gonzalez, Elena Carey, Donna & Jon Gresham, Bob Decker, Bill Rodgers, Tom & Margie Sheppard, Bob Tashjian, Mr. Driskill, Margaret Adams, Pat Gorbett, Ed Derringer, Imogene Ramey, Bob Lang and their families/caregivers.

Pray for our Military

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

Mike Drury	Chair Person
Debbie Owens	Secretary/Family Life
Shara Parish	Finance
Kelly Noonan	Building & Ground
David Loxley	Social Concerns/Events
Steve Wilkes	Spirituality/Faith Formation

Next Meeting 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