NOVEMBER 5, 2023 † 31st SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME YEAR A



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"Jesus spoke to the crowds and to his disciples, saying, "The scribes and the Pharisees have taken their seat on the chair of Moses. Therefore, do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you, but do not follow their example. For they preach but they do not practice. They tie up heavy burdens hard to carry and lay them on people's shoulders, but they will not lift a finger to move them. All their works are performed to be seen. They widen their phylacteries and lengthen their tassels. They love places of honor at banquets, seats of honor in synagogues, greetings in marketplaces, and the salutation 'Rabbi.' As for you, do not be called 'Rabbi.' You have but one teacher, and you are all brothers. Call no one on earth your father; you have but one Father in heaven. Do not be called 'Master'; you have but one master, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

Parish Office Hours

Excerpt from 'Pharisees' By Peter Rhebergen

we have shared the same faith you and I, and perhaps still do but after our recent dialogue I wonder about you, about me how my simple statement could both bring out the best and bring out the worst in each of us in that room I weep for those beyond our faith who have seen us say such things both of the best and of the worst who have seen our different sides our lack of willingness to agree who must now be even more doubtful that this salvation we proclaim is even a thing to be desired

Acts 2:42 Group: Note location Change Session #3 is Sunday November 5, at St Anthony Grand Rivers at 1:30 pm & hosted by leaders Ashley & Pam Thurman. Come deepen your experience of Christ's Real Presence!



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 Thurday-8:00 am Friday-8:00 am

Eucharist Adoration Visit our Website www.stpiusx.us

Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday November 5 Mal 1:1-10/1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/Mt 23:1-12 Monday Rom 11:29-36/Lk 14:12-14 Tuesday Rom 12:5-16b/Lk 14:15-24 Wednesday Rom 13:8-10/Lk 14:25-33 Thursday Ez 47:1-12/1 Cor 3:9-17/Jn 2:13-22 Friday Rom 15:14-21/Lk 16:1-8 Saturday Rom 16:3-9, 22-27/Lk 16:9-15

Steps of Lectio Divina

- Read Read through it.
- Reflect Slowly consider it.
- 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

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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 Office: (270) 395-4727/Cell: (270) 668-7675

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Tuesday -- Thursday

9:00 am-2:00 pm

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Pastor's Study Desk Notes



Dear St Anthony & St Pius Families,

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Matthew 23:1-12

Wah, Wah, Wah, Wah! Do you remember how Charlie Brown's teacher sounded in the old cartoons? Charlie seemed to understand her/him, but I never did! When Charles Schultz, the creator of the Charlie Brown series was ask why he never 'drew' adults into the strip, he said that "daily comic format space is only an inch and a half high, and adults wouldn't have room to stand up." Since they weren't visible characters on the printed page, they also were not included as visible actresses/actors in the TV video series. So, we heard only their unintelligible sounds from them offstage, instead of actual understandable speech in the TV series. Everything was experienced from the perspective of the kids' world of Charlie and Friends.

In today's gospel. Jesus is basically saying that because the Pharisees do not practice what they preach, their lips may be moving, but they are not saying anything. From the way they act, you wouldn't know them to be any kind of religious teachers. Their words really aren't saying anything (Charlie Brown's teachers-just making sounds!) Nothing follows from what they say – its only a bunch of words. A lot of talk, but nothing real.

When we church people speak about the importance of *Christian witness*, we are talking about how we may or may not be living our faith. Does my life-work proclaim my faith in Christ to others, as much as my words proclaim it? I like to remember that we follow Jesus, the 'Word made flesh' (John 1:14). I interpret that to mean the 'Word in Action'. Jessus is saying to us, '*Show me* your seriousness about being my follower; *don't just tell me*!' Jesus is challenging us, 'Show Me to others, don't just tell them about Me'. The Pharisees could talk, talk, talk about what they believed, but Jesus wanted the belief of His disciples to be seen and enacted in their lives.

In another place in the gospel, Jesus described the difference between just mouthing about our faith versus actually embodying it with real works. In Matthew 7:24-25, Jesus teaches that "Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and buffeted the house. But it did not collapse; it had been set solidly on rock." If we want our words to be solid, lasting, and to really be heard, then we have to back them up with specific deeds that we perform. Your word is your work. This amounts to actually doing something to enflesh what it is, we are saying.

Of course, again, Jesus is the <u>Word of God</u>, but He is the <u>'living and active'</u> Word (Hebrews 4:12). This Word gets things done! And in case we forget that He is the 'Word Enfleshed', we also should remember that Jesus called Himself the 'Way, Truth and Life' (John 14:6). Don't we learn so much easier, when someone '*shows'* us the Way? That is Jesus! He is 'Performative Truth' - everything Jesus says, He also does. Have you ever been in a committee meeting that is dragging on, and someone says, "Let's stop talking about it and just do it!" Jesus' meetings always produce results! Or how about a quarterback in football that says, "Let's get out of this huddle and get down the field!" That is Jesus' teaching. His Way goes somewhere! It gets into Life!

Before specifically calling out the hypocrisy of the Pharisees in this reading (Matthew chapter 23), Jesus had taught His disciples the difference between authentic ministry in God's Name, and just mere showy displays of religion. In Matthew 7:20, Jesus taught that His true followers would be seen by their response to Him. "By their fruits, you will know them." How much like Christ, do we actually look? While we may say all the right things, can a person 'read' from our actions that we have accepted Jesus and live according to His Way and Life? If not, then we need to 'work that word' of ours? A simple and practical 'tell-tale' sign of Christ is His devoted willingness to be humble and readily put another person ahead of Himself. The Pharisees were not good at this, as we can see from Jesus' condemnation of their desire for 'titles of recognition' and 'prestigious places of honor' (Matt 23:5-8). So again, what memo did the Pharisees miss? In a word, Service! He says, "The *greatest among you must be your servant*" (Matt 23:11). Humble service is the antidote to Pharisaic hypocrisy. Genuine discipleship actually builds up others. Christ's actions benefit others (not serve self). We show our love for others by caring and *doing* for them. Jesus calls us, His disciples to lovingly 'do' for others, not just to 'talk at them'. Most simply, just 'serve'.

Peace and Prayers, Fr Brian

St Pius X Parish Council Meeting Thurs Nov 9 @ 5:30 pm

Gary Traylor (3) Nora Canon (3)

(3) Chair Person
(3) Secretary & Finance

Paula Humphreys Stacey Newby Debbie Anspach (3) Spiritual Life (3) FFY & Religious Ed

Debbie Anspach (3) Social Program/Outreach Michael Bowling (3) Building & Ground

Early Church Fathers Study & Discussion

Every Tuesday Night from 6:30-7:30pm Come study some of these foundational documents written by the students of apostles. After Scripture, these are our earliest sources of Faith!

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St Pius X Mass Intentions				
	November	<u>6 – Nov</u>	em	iber 12
Tuesday	8:00 am		(Cindy Hughes
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Wednesday	8:00 am		1	Bob Mattingly
Thursday	8:00 am			Mary Stroud
Friday	8:00 am			David Mudd
Saturday	4:30 pm		M	ilitary Veterans
Sunday	10:00 am	Mark Fredrick		
WEEKLY DONATIONS				
Parish Hall Donation (10/29/23)			\$	270.00
Budget for 2022/2023 Fiscal Year			\$	195,000.00
(July 2023-June 2024)				,
Donation Need Each Week			\$	3,750.00
Weekly Donation (10/29/23)			\$	3,432.10
Online Giving (10/29/23)			\$	1,013.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 10/29			\$	4,445.10
Fiscal Year to Date			\$	78,482.90

Marcella's Kitchen Thanksgiving Food Drive:

Please pick up a paper bag to take home and fill with groceries to help make Thanksgiving baskets for give-away from Marcella's Kitchen in November. Fill the bags with any canned goods, cereal, crackers & non-perishables.

Daughters of Isabella (Paducah) Monthly Meetings
 November 7th Regular Gathering at Cheddar's Restaurant at 6:00 pm for dinner/meeting. Each person covers own dinner. You don't have to have dinner. 6:30 pm Elect Officers
 Nov 18th Bunco Party at KC Hall Jefferson Street All ladies 18 years & older, \$10 a person, Bring an appetizer to share.



Diocese of Owensboro Safe Haven Sunday

Please see helpful resources for healing & deliverance of those wounded/struggling by pornography's prevalence in our society. See the Clean Heart Initiative & Equipped Books for pickup on tables.

<u>Remember</u> to pray for all the faithful departed all through the month of November! God rest their souls!

<u>Birthdays & Anniversaries:</u> Nov 5 – Nov 11 <u>Happy Birthday!</u> St. Pius X

November 08 Oliver Anderson November 09 Marlie Schiaretti

Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X

November 09 Dylan & Kamie Pellegrin

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, Nov 11, 2023					
Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters	
Edward Georgen	Nancy Glover	Paula Schmidt Jeff Riedfort Charlotte Riedfort	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)		
Mass Assignments: Sunday, Nov 12, 2023					
Kason Peterson Brayden Willett	Mike Bowling	Caleb King Amanda Scheidegger Jimmy Harbison	Philip Scheidegger Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer	Andy Ferm Sherry Ferm	

Sunday	Nov 5	11:00-1:30pm	Confirmation Retreat w/ sponsors & parents	Parish Hall
Wednesday	Nov 8	6:00 - 7:30	FFY Meal and Class	Parish Hall
Sunday	Nov 12	11:00-12:00	First Reconciliation Class	Parish Hall
Wednesday	Nov 15	6:00-7:30	FFY Meal and Class	Parish Hall
Sunday	Dec. 3	2:00pm	First Reconciliation Service	Church
Wednesday	Dec. 6	6:00 - 7:30	Meal, Reconciliation Service Students	Hall & Church

Remember in Prayer

St. Pius X: Diane Fischer Mark Gamble, Paula Willett, Kent & Kim Henry, Linda Womer, Charlotte Riedfort, Leah Vincek, Rick Wilson, James Poat, Richard Warmowski, 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, David Kroll, Henry Feezor, 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 Longsworth, Helen Bennett, Catherine Broks, Stacy Newby, Bette Zilligen, Ric Vaughn, Donny Travis, Betty Derry, Scott Hamilton, Connie Burt, Abigail Huebschmann, Lucas Hebner, Ericka Karpstein, Joanna Cooper, Angel Thompson, Kaye Poyner, Bob Tashjian, Rita Cook, Jack Bender, Penny Maupin, Don Kemp, Sharon Olejnicak, Tim Wilson, Beverly Dukes, 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

<u>St. Pius X:</u> Cameron Thomason, 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.

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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

St. Gianna Crisis Pregnancy Home, with the blessing of Bishop Medley, plans to open its doors in Bowling Green, Kentucky in 2024, a residential program for expecting mothers in crisis. Please visit our website to learn more: www.stgiannacph.org

Needed Donations: Sew on Velcro (any size) needed for a Diaper Project for Children in an orphanage in the Philippines. Contact Georgia Hunsley (St Anthony Church) at 402-920-0108 for more info. Baskets by church doors to collect the velcro.

Eucharistic Adoration on Sundays at Mt St Joseph

Ursuline Sisters added Sundays to their Eucharistic Adoration schedule. They invite the public to join them for Eucharistic Adoration Sundays from 1 p.m.-5 p.m. at the Motherhouse Chapel, 8001 Cummings Road, Maple Mount, Ky. (12 miles west of Oboro on Hwy. 56). To see Adoration and Mass times for the Ursuline Sisters, visit https://ursulinesmsj.org/mass-prayer-times/

First Friday Sacred Heart Devotion: After Friday 9:00 am mass, we hold a Holy Hour of Adoration, with confession available, followed by Benediction.

First Saturdays Honor the Blessed Mother: Be sure to come to First Saturday Mass on December 2 @ 8:00am. Every first Saturday we offer mass and pray the rosary



St Anthony Birthdays Nov 5 - Nov 11

No birthdays this week

Anniversaries:

November 7 Mike & Linda Drury

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			
November 6 – November 12			
Wednesday	9:00 am	Joan Harrison	
Friday	9:00 am	Dr Sidney Edds	
Sunday	8:00 am	James Wooten	

WEEKLY DONATIONS	
Budget 2022/2023 Fiscal Year	\$ 73,500.00
(July 2023-June 2024)	
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 10/29/2023)	\$ 2,559.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 38,138.65

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

Livingston County Helping Hands

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, baby wipes, feminine hygiene products. Collection

container is in back of the church for your donated items.

St Anthony Mass Assignments - November 12, 2023		
Lector	Shara Parish	
Eucharistic Ministers	Mike Drury Cindy O'Brien	
Ushers/Greeters	Kevin Diamond Kelly Noonan	
Server	Mike Drury	
Money Counters	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond	

CONSIDER ATTENDINGV DAILY MASS

St Anthony Prayer List: Linda Drury, Cathy Ritorto, Betty Gonzalez, Lupita Holifield, Elena Carey, Donna & Jon Gresham, Bob Decker, Bill Rodgers, Tom & Margie Sheppard, Bob Tashjian, Mr. Driskill, Margaret Adams, Pat Gorbett, Ed Derringe, Imogene Ramey.

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 January 17 @ 6:00 pm

The Holy Sacraments: Preparation for and Reception of the Sacraments

- † <u>MARRIAGE:</u> Preparation is needed prior to the wedding. Contact the office or Fr. Brian 6 months prior to date.
- <u>BAPTISM:</u> Preparation is needed prior to the Sacrament. Contact the office or Fr. Brian 3 months prior to birth.
- † <u>HOSPITAL</u>: 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)
- † <u>CONFESSION</u>: 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 † <u>St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry:</u> 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