



St. Pius Tenth Catholic Church

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.

Palm SUNDAY

*Say to daughter Zion,
“Behold, your king comes to you,
meek and riding on an ass,
and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.”*

—Mt 21:5

Palm Sunday

April 5, 2020

PARISH STAFF:

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00 AM and 11:00 AM
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:00 AM
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
Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9 AM—4 PM
Friday 9 AM—1 PM
Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon

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WORSHIP and PRAYER

Everyday Stewardship: Easter is only a week away. You and I should be reflecting on the meaning of Lent and how we have died and risen with Our Lord, Jesus Christ. Either we have prepared well for this Holy Week observance, or we are left lamenting that maybe next year will be when we get back on track.

The question before us is: "To whom are we accountable?" Did our Lenten observance only have to do with us? Does it matter to anyone if we really took this time seriously or not?

Both faith and community are gifts from God to us. The Church exists so we may live out that faith and respond to God's call, being strengthened by the grace imparted through the sacraments and the community in which we find ourselves. If we are accountable to no one, then the community is simply an option on a Sunday morning, much like golf or household chores. If we are not accountable to God, then our faith is simply something we look to periodically when we are sad or frightened.

However, if we are accountable to each other and to Jesus Christ, then we must answer for our stewardship. The Body of Christ is counting on us. Without a strong sense of accountability, we think our actions only affect us. In the end, we are connected to each other through Christ in such a manner that no one ever stands alone.

Readings for the week of March 22, 2020

Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b [2a]/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11 [8a and 9a]/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 [19a]/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-

St. Vincent DePaul:

Volunteers are available on Tuesday and Thursday mornings 9-11:00 AM.



Weekly Mass Count

Saturday	5 PM
Sunday	8 AM
Sunday	11 AM

Question of the Week Obedience and humility

Reading I Isaiah 50: 4-7 (salvation only through the Lord's servant)

Reading II Philippians 2: 6-11 (imitating Christ's humility)

Gospel Matthew 26: 14-27: 66 (the passion of Jesus)

Key Passage: Jesus emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death — even death on a cross (Philippians 2: 7-8)

Adult: We are called to die to ourselves in love for others. How do you live that in your own life?

Youth: How do you allow Jesus to live in your heart?

Pray for the Sick: Lois Davis, Axel Fleischmann, Larry Harralson, Jeanetta Mayfield. Theresa Murphy, Corky and Elaine Norcia, JR Payne, Robert Shrewsbury, Julie S., Ron Tucker, Carrie Weaver. **Please call the office to add names.**

Carmel Home: Eugene Head, Audline Johnson, Margaret and Randal Richeson

Hillcrest: Kathleen Clark

Owensboro Center: Cecilia Aud, Peggy Livers

Heritage: Ed Howard

Pray for the Homebound: Arch Bamberger, Tamara Burns, Richard Crowe, Wilford Crowe, Betty Greenwell, Donald & Sylvia Hamilton, Gerald Haynes, Sharon Merkley, Janet Rehauer, Nathan Ramage, Margaret VanBussum, John Williams

Please 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: Iraq

LTC. Jason Jones: US Army-Deputy Director NATO Italy

Brian A. McDaniel: Marine Corp

Tony Pace: National Guard

MSgt. Kevin Payne: Dyess, AFB Abilene, Texas

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Masses Intentions for April 6-12, 2020

8 am—Mon.—Megan and Michael Wathen anniv.
8 am—Tues.—Laverne Aud †
6 pm—Wed.—Patricia Kessler †
7 pm—Thurs.—Shirley Wink Zoglmann †
7 pm—Fri.—Communion Service
8 pm—Sat.—Betty Payne†
8 am—Sun.—Bob and Mary Lou Storm anniv.
11am—Sun.—Our Parish Family

Observances for the week of April 5, 2020

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Monday: Lent

Tuesday: Lent

Wednesday: Administrative Professionals' Day

Thursday: Holy Thursday

Friday: Good Friday

Saturday: Holy Saturday

Next Sunday: Easter Sunday

Perform one of the Corporal Works of Mercy

During Lent to give drink to the thirsty. Take home an empty "Hope" water bottle and fill it with loose change or currency and **return it before Holy Week.**

Donations provide filtering systems for clean drinking water where there is none. "I thirst".

(John 19:28)



Live Streaming Pall Sunday Mass at 11 AM from St. Pius Tenth.

Please join us by going to the Parish website: www.stpiustenthparish.org. Let us pray as a "virtual" community united in faith

Holy Week Live Streams April 5-12, 2020

St. Pius Tenth: Holy Thursday at 7 PM, Good Friday at 7 PM, Easter Vigil at 8 PM, Easter Sunday at 11 AM: Go to our website: <http://www.stpiustenthparish.org> and click on the link under **Upcoming Events.**

Congratulations to **Bob and Mary Lou Storm** who celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary on April 1st and **Tin and Betty Bowen** on their 40th anniversary on April 18th. May God bless you on your special milestone!

THANK YOU to all parish members for your prayers, generosity and turning in your pledge cards! *If you have not turned in a pledge card, please turn them in as soon as possible so we can meet our goal!* If you cannot contribute financially, we ask that you please still return your pledge card and pray for the parish renovation.



Thank you!

The staff and church of St. Pius wants to thank those who are being faithful to our parish and our ministries through your continued donations, extra monies sent to help those who are in need, as well as the donations for the Daycare. The funds combined with your prayers are keeping our church alive to serve during the pandemic.

Please let the office know if you need assistance or know of someone who does. We want to help and be Christ for all in our community.

Bishop Medley has suspended the public celebration of Mass effective immediately and to continue at least through Easter Sunday including the Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday.

Bishop Medley had mandated that Solemn Exposition and Benediction NOT be publicly celebrated at this time as this would invite people to assemble. **The church is open daily (8AM-9 PM)** for private adoration before the tabernacle. The sacrament of Reconciliation is encouraged. St. Pius X: Saturdays 12-1:00 pm or by appointment.

St. Vincent de Paul is in need of food for the Food Pantry for the needy. Food donations can be dropped off in the vestibule. Thank you for your generosity in helping meet the needs of others at this time.

Most of us have family, friends or neighbors who are likely struggling under our current circumstances as we work our way through the coronavirus. Be proactive! Reach out to them. Pick up food, toiletries, and prescriptions and deliver them to them; get them to medical appointments and the like. If they are shut-ins, keep in touch with them, especially if they are in nursing homes. Be positive with each person, especially those who are fearful. In short communicate hope through your actions -- let them know we are in this together and we will persevere through this testing.

If you identify a need you cannot handle, please advise us soonest of the details so we can pursue additional help. Also, if you are available to help others in these or other ways, advise us so we can pass the word to others. Deacon Nick

EASTER EGG HUNT - CANCELLED

ST. PIUS X YOUTH NEWS

Matthew Knight, Youth Minister
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All Parents at SPX

FACEBOOK PARENT NETWORK GROUP –During this time of social distancing, Matt will be placing videos, articles, prayer experiences, etc. to help you to bring faith into your homes on the ST PIUS X PARENT NETWORK page. The Facebook Group also allows other parents to ask questions to help them with different types of issues. This group is open to ANY ST. PIUS X members who have a child newborn to college. You are the first Catechists and the most important person in your child's faith. Please take full advantage of this group.

Middle and High School Youth

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS, Until further notice –

Online Praise and Worship from 6:00pm-7:00pm

We have had a ton of success doing a live stream praise and worship. Francis and I will continue to be doing this during this time of "quarantine". However, due to having mass now live streaming on Sundays, WE WILL BE MOVING THIS TO WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT 6PM. Francis and I want to give you all multiple opportunities through out the week to be in prayer and praise.

ZOOM – During this time we will be meeting twice a week on a downloadable app called "ZOOM". This app has been used many times for ministry meetings. OUR MEETING ROOM CODE IS 979-269-2403! It is completely safe and secure and there will be a recording of all meetings.

Confirmation

QUICK UPDATE: As of right now Confirmation is still ago. I will let everyone know the moment I hear otherwise. **MATT MUST HAVE ALL OF YOU BISHOP LETTERS TURNED IN VIA EMAIL ASAP!!** My email address is mknight@stpiustenthparish.org. When we do have confirmation, guys will need to wear a tie and dress pants and girls modest dress clothes. Rule of thumb: if you have to ask if its ok it probably is not.

Families in Faith



Called to be Missionary Disciples
'We walk with Jesus together.'
Families in Faith



PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

Personal: This is the second Palm Sunday in my life's memory that Mass was very unusual for me. Today, I am privileged to serve this Mass for you, our community in a live-streamed version. I MISS you here. The other occasion was in the late '90s and I found myself in D.C., privileged AGAIN. I represented the Sisters to be present with Sr. Dianna Ortiz during a difficult time. Each of these leaves me awed by the ONE community of faith we are!

FIF PARENTS—HEAR YE!

Check your email inbox for a message from your Child/ren's catechist. Each (gr. 1-8) will be sending you a weekly lesson to complete at home. There is no need to send a response.

SACRED TRIDUUM – APRIL 9-11

Watch this bulletin, email, and your mailbox to prepare for more live-streamed services this Holy Week and for the Easter liturgies while remaining at HOME. Sorry, but there is NO Easter Egg hunt this year!

COME HOME FOR EASTER

Thinking about a return to the Catholic Church? Call Fr. Tom, our Pastor, or Sr. Suzanne, Director of Faith Formation at 270-684-4745 or 270-993-2557.

LENTEN ALMS: RICE BOWLS

If you have some time this week, sit with your family and go to www.crs.org. Watch the resources you missed during Lent. For now, continue using the Rice Bowls.



THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW (Year A)

Today we hear the Passion of Jesus from Matthew's Gospel. Spend some down time Reflecting on its special call to you this year.

Unite Ourselves to the Cross of Christ

As we enter more fully into the mystery of the Cross, there are two questions worth pondering.

In our Wednesday Gospel reading last week, Jesus condemns the religious leaders of the Jewish people for refusing to recognize the Messiah, claiming Abraham was their father ...

How could those who spent their lives in religion miss the Christ standing right in front of them? Clearly they thought they had all the answers among themselves and within themselves.

This is a danger we all face -- being so wrapped in ourselves we miss Christ in the people we meet, the beauty of creation, the trials and circumstances of everyday life.

In our Tuesday Gospel reading last week, Jesus proclaimed “when you lift up the Son of Man, you will realize I AM ...” Is Christianity just for a select group of people?

The I AM is the same I AM who promised to draw all men to Him. The Suffering of our Lord was necessary for ALL people.

ALL people are saved by Jesus Christ -- even good people searching for God who have not received the grace to become Christian.

By dying on the Cross, Jesus re-established mankind’s ability to be united to God: Jesus’ death gives all people spiritual life. This is what we mean when we speak of Redemptive Suffering.

St. Paul puts it this way in his Letter to the Colossians: “... in my body I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of His Body, which is the Church.”

We all are called to make up for what is lacking -- we are entrusted with proclaiming the fullness of the Kingdom of God. We make Christ real in the world in how we live our lives -- through our words, our deeds -- and especially uniting our pains and sorrows to the Cross.

In doing so, we make the presence of the Suffering Savior real in our lives -- and by His grace -- allow others to experience our healing through Christ’s Redemptive Presence.

It is only through the Cross that we are healed.

Deacon Nick Nichols

STEWARDSHIP and SERVICE



	Week of	Year 2019/20
<i>(fiscal year begins in July)</i>	3/29/2020	To Date
Regular Collections	6,398.00	520,654.87
Parish Relief	133.00	
Budgeted	13,900.00	542,100.00
Over/(Short) TOTAL	(7,502.00)	(21,445.13)
Renovation Goal	1,500,000.00	
Pledges Received	1,291,496.37	
Money Received	180,498.91	

For online giving or from your electronic device:

Web address is: <http://bit.ly/StpxOboro>

or QR code



Pope Francis has granted the gift of special Indulgences to the faithful in the current pandemic.

This includes those suffering from the coronavirus illness, those quarantined, health care workers, family members and others caring for those with coronavirus (exposing themselves to the risk of contagion). Do at least one: Mass through social media, Rosary, Way of the Cross (or other forms of devotion and ALL of the following as soon as possible (Confession, Eucharistic Communion and prayer for the Pope's intentions. The faithful not suffering from the coronavirus can also receive the Indulgence by following the conditions mentioned above and do at least one of the following: Visit the Blessed Sacrament, read Holy Scripture for at least half an hour, Rosary, Way of the Cross, Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

Cooking Team Cooks, including the Easter Ham and Boston Butt sales are cancelled for now. New dates will be sent out later.

Free taxes filings for 2020 has been discontinued for now. This ministry may be restarted at a later time. So far 251 families have been helped.

ALTERNATIVE FAMILIES IN FAITH

There are other ways to help your child/ren to grow in faith during this unique time at home. We wanted to share lots of resources for the ages of your child.

FAMILIES TOGETHER IN STUDY & PRAYER **Epecially for our families whose children are registered in FAMILIES IN FAITH**

1. Your child's catechist is receiving some key information about the *Alive in Christ* (AIC) series they use during Sunday classes, grades 1-8. They will soon be sharing the next weekly lessons with you through email.
2. If you do not have an email address, please call the office to let us know. This bulletin column each week will also have some options for you.
3. If you/your child was given some Lenten materials to use at home, please try to locate these and enjoy them together: puzzles, mazes, Lenten vocabulary crosswords, etc. Other materials are still in the vestibule for you to pick-up.
4. At home or at the Church, be sure and help your children pray the *Stations of the Cross* together, kneel in prayer in front of the tabernacle, take a bottle of holy water home and bless each other with it each night at bedtime.
5. Download a free app to expand your resources: ***Laudate, Universalis, the web site of the Diocese (rcdok.org) for live-streamed Mass on Sunday, listen or sign up to receive Bishop Medley's weekly "Around the Diocese message."***
6. Prepare your Facebook live to watch Sunday liturgy as a family in the weeks ahead. Many options, local & national, are available. See www.rcdok.org
7. Stay tuned: more to come next week!



SACRAMENTS AND EVENTS

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Unfortunately Young Adult Ministry will be placed on hold until further notice due to the COVID-19 outbreak. We will be having live streams of Mass every Sunday at 11am as well as a praise and worship on Instagram Live (@matt_knightt) every Wednesday Night at 6pm. We pray everyone stays safe and healthy. We will resume as soon as social distancing and Mass suspension is lifted.

Vocations: Save the following date:

- May 23, 2020 – Priestly Ordination of Deacon Stephen Van Lal Than

Follow these tips from the World Health Organization to keep yourself safe and help contain the spread of the virus.

1. Wash your hands with soap and water for 20 seconds.
2. Avoid touching your face, eyes, mouth, and nose.
3. Avoid contact with people who are vulnerable; and if you can't, wear a mask.
4. Cover your cough with the bend of your elbow.
5. Disinfect surfaces you regularly use.
6. If you feel unwell, stay at home and call your healthcare provider.
7. Only share information from trusted sources.

Matthew 9 Mission

A response to Christ's call to pray for vocations. Please sign up in the vestibule on the monthly calendar. More than one person may pray on a particular day and you may choose more than one day a month to pray. This would be a wonderful Lenten prayer time. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office or the vocations office.

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.

WELCOME AND SACRAMENTS:

Membership In Parish

We extend a hearty welcome to all new families or persons in our parish. We want everyone to be part of our faith community and an active member of our vibrant parish life. Please register in the Parish Office.

Marriage

Call the Parish Office at least six months before the proposed date.

Communion to Shut-Ins

Any home-bound parishioner wishing to receive Communion is asked to call the Parish Office.

Baptismal Preparation

The Baptism Formation "Belonging" will be held on the first Tuesday of each month from 6:00-8:00 pm. Parents and Grandparents may attend this 2 hour session before or after the birth of the child. Please call the Office to schedule your session.

RCIA and RCIC

Those aged 7+ or interested in learning more about the Catholic faith please call the Parish Office. Classes are Thursday evening at 6-7:30.

Anointing of the Sick

Anointing of the sick is celebrated twice a year and on First Fridays. Anyone wishing to receive the Sacrament at another time is asked to call the Parish Office.

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