MARCH 20, 2022 + 3⁸⁰ SUNDAY LENT YEAR C



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3rd Sunday Lent Year C

Lk 13:1-9



"Some people told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with the blood of their sacrifices. Jesus said to them in reply, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did! Or those eighteen people who were killed when the tower at Siloam fell on them— do you think they were more guilty than everyone else who lived in Jerusalem? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!" And he told them this parable: "There once was a person who had a fig tree planted in his orchard, and when he came in search of fruit on it but found none, he said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. So cut it down. Why should it exhaust the soil?' He said to him in reply, 'Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not, then you can cut it down."

Excerpt from 'Spring Song'

(by Lucille Clifton)

the green of Jesus
is breaking the ground
and the sweet
smell of delicious Jesus
is opening the house and
the dance of Jesus music
has hold of the air and

the world is turning in the body of Jesus and the future is possible

<u>Weekly Mass Readings</u> <u>March 13-March 19</u> Sunday 3/20 Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

Monday 3/21 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Lk 4:24-30 Tuesday 3/22 Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday 3/23 Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19 Thursday 3/24 Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23

Friday 3/25 Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Saturday 3/26 Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14

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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 Thurday-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

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Dear St Pius And St Anthony Churches,

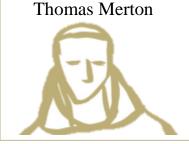
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Why do bad things happen to good people? It is a common enough question, we all ask at one time or another. Something happens and tragedy occurs, and we ask "What did I do to deserve this?" It is natural to ask this question, though it only adds to our suffering. Often, we did absolutely nothing wrong. This world we live in, is full of so many contingent details having so many variables and factors, that sometimes it is simply a matter of time & location that tragedy finds us. The most common reply to some tragedy, is for us to say "Stuff happens-It just does!" or 'This is no one's fault-that is why we call it an accident!"

For example, how many times have water pipes just happened to burst, or computers crash, or the wind blows open the fence gates that release and endanger our animals-pets? Recently back on January 28, 2022, didn't we hear about the bridge in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania that came apart, dropping its road deck with cars and a city bus on it, tossing all the vehicles down into a ground ravine 150 feet below? What a blessing that only four people were injured, and everyone was spared death, but I can imagine those victims questioning, "I was just going to work to provide for my family (good!), taking the city bus to save gas and the environment (good!), SO what did I do wrong to deserve being injured under this debris of a broken down bridge that's putting me out of work for eight weeks (bad!)?" This is similar to the example Jesus gives in today's gospel of the collapsing tower at Siloam (Luke 13:4). Towers (like Miami's Surfside Condominium's collapse last June 24, 2021) and bridges, when we consider their different ages with or without maintenance and that they daily suffer different stresses with varying temperatures (& all of them being made from different quality building materials), they can just collapse over time. It happens. Such natural-seeming disasters are easier to accept, when we acknowledge that every day we live with the uncertainty of possible meteors falling out of space, tree limbs falling on us, or even unseen spiders biting us. We might even stumble on a bump in our own driveway and break a leg. In general, we seem to accept the risks of these natural tragedies better than another type of tragedy which is more directly the result of another's person's behavior choices against us, I am talking now about the tragedy of other people's sins that afflict us with hardship or damage. Jesus uses the example of the tyrant Herod who persecuted Jews and killed some men while they worshipped God in the Temple, profaning their sacrifice to God (Luke 13:1-2). Think of the terrible suffering of victims following school or supermarket shootings, or now Putin's immoral Ukraine Invasion with its bombing of civilian apartment houses, hospitals and the use of anti-human munitions (cluster bombs & vacuum bombs) designed to terrorize and increase the agony of dying citizens. This type suffering is harder to accept because of the human culpability behind it. While this human caused suffering is often just as much out of the victim's ability to prevent, due to the obstinate evil will of the attacker, we can at least respond after the initial attack to prevent any further infliction of harm (by isolating/containing the threat), but at that point the damage is done already. This human-initiated evil visits us in just as surprisingly and devastating a way as any natural disaster does. Yet, Jesus does not want us to obsessively dwell on the 'Why' it happened to these exact people, He just wants us to respond with compassion to the fact that it happened at all, summoning our good in response to the evil. Again, the people did nothing to deserve the pain and death. They are no more guilty of sin than anyone else. For that matter, Jesus reminds us that it could just as well have happened to me (Luke 13:3.5)! I need to repent and remain in grace while I have the chance! I have no control over Herod's evil first actions. Nor can I hold back a tsunami wave or earthquake. But, I have every bit of control over how I respond to such events. And this is what Jesus wants us to do: Respond with Good! I need to allow the best in me to respond to the worst out there. Haven't we seen such in the area around us? Following the immense devastation and loss after the December 10th tornadoes, we saw so many brave and generous hearted neighbors respond sacrificially to each other, even assuming losses of their own to assist their suffering friends. It was so inspiring to see how many people cooked, helped clean up yards & homes, opened their own houses for neighbors to stay in, and may still be missing work or travels to stay close and support the others in the community. Jesus wants us to fruitfully focus on our caring responses to tragedies instead of sitting back and arguing over causes of the guilt/ innocence of suffering people. What is most important is the simple fact that someone is suffering and needs our help! Our first concern is to help. Wordy explanations about the causes of tragedy only add to the hurt already inflicted. Compassionate help is what is needed now. And may all of us be appreciative of our own blessing and always respond gratefully to others (not knowing how long we will or will not hold that grace) instead of further hurting the victims by presuming to judge their guilt/innocence. I must remember, "There but for the grace of God, go I!" Peace, Fr Brian

Daily Mass! What an overlooked treasure!

Consider participating in a daily mass, as a wonderful opportunity to get away, pray and join the universal prayer of the Church. Jesus calls us to 'come away with him' (Mark 6:31), and the Church offers the sanctuary of a daily mass as a 'still point' to help us keep in contact with Him and His People of the Church.



Saturdays 10:00 am!

Come join a discussion on Thomas Merton, the spiritual writer! We are reading **Bread in the Wilderness**! A great book on the Psalms & Contemplative Prayer!

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FFY Faith Formation Youth Activities Calendar				
Sunday	Mar. 27	2:00-3:30	Confirmation Class	Parish Hall
Monday	Mar. 28	6:30pm	CONFIRMATION MASS	Church
Wednesday	Mar. 30	6:30-8:00	Family Faith - April Parents Meeting	Parish Hall
Spring Break	Apr. 4 - 8	Spring Break	Enjoy a Refreshing Spring Break	Spring Break

LENT SPECIAL PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

At St Pius

--Every Tuesday Night 6:30 pm--*Why do we do that in Mass?*--Every Wednesday night 6:00 pm Rosary & Stations of Cross
--Every Saturday 10:00 am---*Thomas Merton Book Read*

At St Anthony

--Every Friday 9:30 Stations of Cross -Every Wednesday 10:00 Bible Study

Parish Hall Fund Raiser Raffle

Chance to win 7 day Beachfront Vacation Condo at Dauphin Island, Alabama!

Drawing will be April 17th – winner will be called

Only 500 tickets available for sale

\$10.00 a piece or 5 for \$40.00

*Dates subject to availability, sorry no pets or smoking.

<u>Birthdays & Anniversaries:</u> Mar 20 – Mar 26

Happy Birthday!

St. Pius X

March 22 Marilyn Wysock March 23 Katie Hurst

> St. Anthony of Padua No birthdays this week Happy Anniversary!

> > St. Pius X

March 26 Tom & Nancy Forsythe

St. Anthony of Padua

No anniversaries this week

<u>Confirmation!</u> We welcome Bishop Medley who is coming to confirm our young people with gifts of the Holy Spirit. **Monday the 28**th at 6:30 pm

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, March 26, 2021				
Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Volunteer	Paula Schmidt	Volunteer	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	
Mass Assignments: Sunday, March 27, 2021				
Anthony Schiaretti	Nancy Glover	Marty Darst	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter)	Mary Ann Huebschmann Kathy Smith

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, Amanda Bailey, Kathryn Bailey, Pam Laible, Kaileigh Row, Dolly Bardsley, Chevelle Allen, Henry Feezor, John Campbell, Lisa Hammond, Rose Grossius, Bennett Meisenheimer, Peter Bullock, Jim & Rose Drury, Wes Hayes, Mike Norvell, Maryann Huebschmann, Shirley Mangan, Kenny Matthews, Dora Miller, Miller Meisenheimer, Joann Najgebauer, 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, Cameron Richmond, Brad Longsworth, Matthew Black, Helen Bennett, Nannette Frizzell, Catherine Broks, Stacey Newby, Bette Zilligen, 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, 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, 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: David Reed, 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, 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.

<u>St. Anthony of Padua:</u> Joel Dumbacher, Matt Elder, Kathleen Erickson, Scott Erickson, Cory Erickson, Jason Huber, James A. Kinsey, Jay Lockhart, Sarah Martindale, Devin McFadden, Ryan M. Fields, LeAnne Neal, and Kousuke Sasaki.

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St. Pius X			
Mass Intentions			
March 21 – March 27			
Tuesday	6:00 pm	James F Warmowski	
Wednesday	8:00 am	Anna Jane Scheidegger	
Thursday	8:00 am	No Mass	
Friday	8:00 am	John & Anne Bradshaw	
Saturday	4:30 pm	Benedict Lazatin	
Sunday	10:00 am	John Bardsley	
WEEKLY DONATIONS			
Parish Hall D	onation (3/13	\$/22) \$ 217.00	
Budget for 20	21/2022 Fisc	al \$ 180,000.00	
Year (July 2	021-June 202	22)	
Donation Nee	d Each Weel	k \$ 3,461.54	
Weekly Donat	tion (3/13/22)	\$ 1,405.00	
Online Giving	g(3/13/22)	\$ 1,011.00	
Ukraine Speci	ial Collection	1 *** \$ 979.00	
Total Week's G	Gift Offering	3/13 \$ 2,416.00	
Fiscal Year to	Date	\$ 138,174.04	



Every Friday thru Lent 4:00-7:00pm at St. Pius

Call Order 395-5747 Pick up/Carry Out Only

Livingston County Helping Hands FOOD PANTRY

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 &cheese, sugar, flour, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, tuna, salmon, canned fruits & vegetables. A collection container is in back of the church. Any donation is needed!

Parish Council

Pam Hurst **Chair Person** Jeff Outland **Building & Ground**

Larry Krouse Secretary Robert Weekes Finance Dawn Whitt/ **Spiritual Life Catherine Broks FFY**

Gary Traylor Nora Canon

Catie Weekes

Bereavement Committee

Fran Dacus

St. Anthony of Padua

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Mass Intentions			
March 21 – March 27			
Wednesday	9:00 am	Freddie Hancock	
Friday	9:00 am	Mary Jane & Ron Lang	
Sunday	8:00 am	Mary Margaret Drury	

WEEKLY DONATIONS	
Budget 2021/2022 Fiscal Year	\$ 72,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,386.54
Weekly Donation (3/13/2022)	\$ 1,830.00
Ukraine Special Collection ***	\$ 1,902.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 53,331.69

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

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT? TRY THESE FAST IDEAS

† Fast from hurting words	and	say kind words.	
† Fast from sadness	and	be filled with gratitude.	
† Fast from anger	and	be filled with patience.	
† Fast from pessimism	and	be filled with hope.	
† Fast from worries	and	have trust in God.	
† Fast from complaints	and	contemplate simplicity.	
† Fast from pressures	and	be prayerful.	
† Fast from bitterness	and	fill your hearts with joy.	
† Fast from selfishness	and	be compassionate to others.	
† Fast from grudges	and	be reconciled.	
† Fast from words	and	be silent & listen more.	
(Courtesy of pietrafitness.com from Rich Derry)			

St Anthony Mass Assignments – March 27, 2022		
Lector	Darin Adrian	
Eucharistic Ministers	Shara Parish	
Prayers of the Faithful		
Ushers/Greeters	David Loxley	
	Kippling Spencer	
Server	Steve Wilkes	
Money Counters	Shara Parish	
-	Kevin Diamond	

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 in the tabs.

Parish Council

Roy McFadden Chair Person Mike Drury

Vice Chair/Building & Ground Debbie Owens Secretary/Family Life Shara Parish Finance/ Building & Ground

Kelly Noonan David Loxley Steve Wilkes

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.
- 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)
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- <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 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