



St. Pius Tenth Catholic Church

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CRY OUT



John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey.

MATTHEW 3:4

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Second Sunday in Advent

December 8, 2019

Mission Statement: 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

PARISH STAFF:

Pastor—Fr. Tom Buckman
Permanent Deacon—Nick Nichols
Dir. of Faith Formation—Sr. Suzanne Sims O.S.U.
Business Manager—Jeanie Lewis
Office Associate—Laura Naviaux
Facilities Manager—Tom Rhodes
Building and Grounds—Ed Mattingly
Director of Music—Francis Zelinka
Youth/Young Adult Ministry—Matt Knight
Daycare Director—Brook Mattingly
Daycare Asst. Dir.—Jennifer Howard

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
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

WORSHIP and PRAYER

Everyday Stewardship: Jesus Is Headed Your Way

Tornadoes and storms are a way of life in many areas of the country. Coming face-to-face with a tornado might cause you to have some second thoughts about your preparedness for meeting God. Hopefully, a tornado doesn't make a path through your city or town this Advent.

Sometimes, reminders of our mortality find their way into life. The passing of a loved one, a car accident, or a health scare can all cause us to reflect on where we are in our relationship with God. Without those moments, we can find ourselves living daily without a mindfulness of where God is in our life and if our actions are pleasing to Him ... or if they drag us further away into the world.

Advent is the time to take inventory of where we are with God. How are we living as good stewards and mature disciples? What do I need to make amends for in the healing power of the sacrament of Penance? A tornado may not be coming, but Jesus will be returning someday. Hopefully, you will run outside of your home to meet him, and he won't find you huddled up afraid in your bathroom.

Readings for the week of December 8, 2019

Sunday: Is 11:1-10/ Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 19 [cf. 7]/ Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/ Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/ Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 [cf. 8]/Lk 1:5-25

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/ Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 [Is 35:4]/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11

St. Vincent DePaul:

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



Weekly Mass Count

Saturday	5 PM	128
Sunday	8 AM	279
Sunday	11AM	180

Question of the Week (Year A) Our Need to Change

Reading I: Isaiah 11:1-10 (the rule of Emmanuel)

Reading II: romans 15:4-9 (prayer of encouragement)

Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12 (John the Baptist)

Key Passage: This is the one (John the Baptist) of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight!" (Matthew 3:3

Adult: What do you need to change so that others can learn from watching you that Christ walks among us?

Youth: What could you do so that others will see in you what it means to follow Jesus?

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

Hillcrest: Richard Crowe, Kathleen Clark

Owensboro Center: Cecilia Aud, Peggy Livers

Wellington Parc: Bill Froelich

Fern Terra: Nettie Noel

Pray for the Sick: David Adkins, Charlie Aud, Cecilia Aud, Barbara and Dan Durbin, Axel Fleischmann, Larry Harralson, Hannah and Roy Johnson, Doris Johnson, Clifton Love, Mary Ann McLeod, Corky and Elaine Norcia, Joyce Payne, J.R. Payne, Patty Payne, Georgene Poole, Julie S., Robert Shrewsberry, Ron Tucker, Laura Veach, Phyllis Whitaker

The Pray list for the sick will start over anew on December 15th. Please call the office to add names. Thank you for your prayers.

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

Joshua Jones: Army National Guard Greenville, KY

Nathan Jones: Army National Guard Greenville, KY

Cory Vance: US Marines

Scott Wallace: National Guard

Prayer Chain Requests:

Joyce Yeiser: joyceyeiser5200@gmail.com or 270-929-4914

Michelle Jones: nanarunner15@gmail.com

ST. PIUS X PARISH NEWS

Masses for the week of December 9-15, 2019

8 am—Mon.—Daniel Fuzz Blair †

8 am—Tues.—Teresa Mu †

6 pm—Wed.—Deanna Mills †

8 am—Thurs.—Paul J. Knott †

8 am—Fri.—Daniel Fuzz Blair †

5 pm—Sat.—Tammy Millay †

8 am—Sun.—Bill Campbell †

11am—Sun.—Parish Family

* All the Weekend Masses are scheduled for 2019.

Calendar for the week of December 8, 2019

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Advent **Angel Tree Gifts due**

NO HS Youth FiF 9:30 5 PM Vespers

Monday: Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday: Advent **Choir Practice**

Wednesday: St. Damasus I, Pope **MS/HS Holiday Movie Party 6-8:00 PM**

Thursday: Our Lady of Guadalupe **RCIA 6 pm**

Friday: St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr **Day Care Christmas Program**

Saturday: St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Advent **5 PM Vespers**

Youth Christmas party 4:00-6:00 PM

Congratulations to **Tom and Janice Conrey** who **celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary** on December 17th. May God bless you on your major milestone!

St. Pius X welcomes new family, **Phoe Reh and Htay Meh and their 4 children: Tu Meh, Nay Mo, Pray Meh, Soe Reh.** Welcome to St. Pius!

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 have already been contributing in the green “Renovation Fund” envelopes, it **will count** toward your pledged amount! If you cannot contribute financially, we ask that you please still return your pledge card and pray for the parish renovation.



Angel Tree Time: These gifts should be returned to the vestibule by this weekend of December 7th & 8th. Thank you!



The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, December 8th, is NOT a holy day of obligation because December 8th falls on a Sunday. The feast day is transferred to Monday, December 9th at the 8 AM Mass. No Vigil Mass on December 8th or on December 9th at 6 PM.

The **Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University's** next class will be offered starting on **Sunday, January 19, 2020 at St. Pius X Catholic Church.** The class is for nine weeks with ½ of the cost of \$90 refunded to those missing no more than one class. This makes a great Christmas gift! The first **registration will take place after the weekend Masses of December 14th and 15th** at St. Pius X. Free childcare will be offered. For more information, contact Gary Estes at 270-314-4419.

290 families (66% of parish) have returned Stewardship cards. Thank you for your generosity.

This Sunday is the **2nd Sunday of Advent.** Vespers will be said each Sunday at 5 PM. This will be followed by a soup supper. All parish members and their families are invited to share in this short prayer service as part of their Advent preparation.



Christmas Mass Schedule:

Christmas Eve 5:00 PM with Children/Adult Choirs

8:00 PM with Jubilation

Christmas Day 10:00 AM with Spirit of Serenity

Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day) January 1st:

December 31st Vigil Mass 5 PM

January 1st 10:00 AM

Koinonia Retreat 2020 January 24, 25, and 26.

Refresh your faith. Contact St. Pius X office or Kenny and Debbie Lanham 270 993-2462

Koinonia Forms at both entrances of church.

ST. PIUS X YOUTH NEWS

Matthew Knight, Youth Minister
mknight@stpiustenthparish.org

Parents and Parishioners

WEATHER CANCELATIONS – As the weather changes I would like to remind all youth and their parents that my primary source for getting out information about cancelations is through the remind app. You can join by texting [@spxhs11](https://www.instagram.com/spxhs11) to **81010** for High School, [@spxms22](https://www.instagram.com/spxms22) to **81010** for Middle School, and [@spxp33](https://www.instagram.com/spxp33) to **81010** for Youth Group Parents. Know that whatever we choose to do based on the weather, always has YOUR best safety in mind. We will almost always error on the side of caution due to having student drivers.

High School & Middle School Youth

WEDNESDAY NIGHT, December 11th – MOVIE NIGHT/CARD MAKING 6:00-8:00pm

We will be having a combined Youth Ministry Movie night as we get into the Christmas Spirit. There will be candy, hot chocolate, pop corn, as well as materials to make Christmas Cards for the Hospital to pass out at our Christmas Party! Hope to see you there!!

SUNDAY NIGHT, December 15th – YOUTH GROUP CHRISTMAS PARTY 4:00-6:00pm

Join us for our annual Christmas Party. Everyone will need a \$5 wrapped gag gift for Dirty Santa and their ugliest Christmas sweater. Please bring some sort of XMAS dessert or a finger food to go along with the pizza. We will also be bringing back caroling so dress warm! Any Adults willing to help PLEASE CONTACT MATT VIA TEXT AT (270)454-0404. Strength in numbers will make this event run smoothly.

High School Youth

SUNDAY NIGHT, December 8th – NO HS YOUTH

Families in Faith



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



NEW YEAR OF GRACE

Ultimately, we will each be judged by our Merciful God (Matthew 25). How are you doing according to this “measuring stick”? How do you want to be a better friend to Jesus in 2020?

FIRST RECONCILIATION CELEBRATION

The following children received their first Sacrament of Reconciliation last Sunday. Thank you for taking & using a prayer card. Congratulate them when you see: *Maggie Fleischmann, Leo Frazier, Kami Fulkerson, Holly Haynes Tyler Johnson, Elliot Kroeger, Luke Masterson, Bradley Wallace.*

DEC. 8 REGULAR CLASS SESSION TODAY

Next Sunday, Dec. 15, will be our final 2019 class session. The next two weeks of Advent is an excellent family time to prepare as our hearts as well as our homes, etc. **What are your family Advent traditions?**

PREPARE SPIRITUALLY FOR CHRISTMAS

Please enjoy the materials available in the vestibule and in the north entry of Church to enhance your love for God these NEXT weeks. The Church year is a time for interior renewal and reconciliation. Will you be ready when the Lord comes again? (Matthew 25)

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year A)

“He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.”

Matthew 3:11

Challenge: During Advent, find your Baptism date Celebrate it! It is “the most important day of your life.” (Bishop Henry J. Soenneker to newly ordained priests in 1975.)

O Come, O Come Emmanuel (God is with us)

MINISTRIES and SACRAMENTS



Music Ministry

fzelinka@stpiustenthparish.org

Advent comes from the Latin *adventus*, meaning coming. The Catechism stresses the two-fold meaning of this coming. On one hand, the faithful reflect back and are encouraged to celebrate the anniversary of the Lord's first coming into this world. We ponder again the great mystery of the incarnation when our Lord humbled Himself, taking on our humanity, and entered our time and space to free us from sin. On the other hand, we recall in the Creed that our Lord will come again to judge the living and the dead and that we must be ready to meet Him. The Advent wreath is also full of symbolism related to the season. The wreath is a circle, which has no beginning or end: So we call to mind how our lives, here and now, participate in the eternity of God's plan of salvation and how we hope to share eternal life in the Kingdom of Heaven. The Advent wreath is made of fresh plant material, because Christ came to give us new life. Three candles are purple, symbolizing penance, preparation, and sacrifice; the pink candle symbolizes the same but highlights the third Sunday of Advent, *Gaudete Sunday*, when we rejoice because our preparation is now half-way finished.

Daily Mass Music: Monday 8 AM

Choir Practice: Sunday, December 15th 6-7 PM

Membership In Parish

We extend a hearty welcome to all new families or persons moving into our parish. Please register in the Parish Office.

Stewardship

St. Pius Tenth Parish is a warm, welcoming community of faith. We want everyone to feel welcome to be a part of our faith community and an active member of our vibrant parish life!

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 or a pastoral visit is asked to call the Parish Office @ 270-684-4745.

Please notify the Parish Office upon admission of a family member into nursing homes or hospital.

St. Pius X Daycare

Director: Brook Mattingly

bmattingly@stpiustenthparish.org

Assistant Director: Jen Howard

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St. Pius X Daycare has a wonderful week ahead of us! Two's, Three's, & Preschool Curriculum- Christmas Themes & Christmas Program Practice (with dress rehearsal). Christmas Program is Fri., Dec. 13th at 10am in the Parish Hall (Santa will visit on this day, shhh...) Student of the Week: Three's- Brooks E., Awesome, Preschool- Josie B., Excellent!

Fri., Dec. 13th – Christmas Pajama Day



Baptismal Preparation

For parents and godparents, the Baptism Formation "Belonging" will generally be held on the first Tuesday of the month from 6:00-8:00 pm. You may attend this 2 hour session before or after the birth of your child. Please call the Office to schedule your formation one week or more in advance.

RCIA and RCIC

Adults, youth, children age 7+ and persons interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, to discern a call to Baptism, Holy Eucharist, or Confirmation, please register by calling the Parish Office. Classes are Thursday evenings each week 6-7:30 p.m.

Anointing of the Sick

Anointing of the sick is celebrated twice a year with the whole community. Anointing of the Sick is also celebrated on the First Friday of every month during Mass. Anyone having surgery or wishing to receive the Sacrament is asked to call the Parish Office.

STEWARDSHIP and SERVICE



Altar Linens and Albs: December

Debbie Murphy
Laura Naviaux

	Week of	Year 2019/20
<i>(fiscal year begins in July)</i>	12/1/2019	To Date
Regular Collections	11,920.38	299,219.30
Budgeted	13,900.00	305,800.00
Over/(Short) TOTAL	(1,979.61)	(6,580.70)
SVdP (Thanksgiving)	650.00	
Renovation Goal	1,500,000.00	
Pledges Received	1194,434.25	
Money Received	265,446.31	

God's Housekeepers: December 16-21

Tom & Carol Payne Jane & Gene Strehl
Nick & Carolyn Hoard Maureen Duvall
Marian & Roger Jones Beverly Aud
Janet & Mike Schwartz Judy Roby



Bus Drivers: December 15th

Scott Wallace and Richard Duvall

Musicians' Schedule: December 14th & 5th

5 PM Kim and Francis
8 AM Choir
11 AM Spirit of Serenity



For online giving or from your electronic device:

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

or **QR code**



Sat. December 14th @5 PM

James Fleischmann- Captain/Bread 1
Fr. Tom Buckman- Bread 2
Tommy Velotta- Bread 3
Luke Roberts- Bread 4
Stacey Potts- Cup 1
Truby Velotta- Cup 2
Brenda Thomas- Cup 3
Peggy Castlen- Cup 4
Jason Potts Family- Gift Bearer
Connie Fleischmann- Lector 1
Steve Hollman- Lector 2
Whitnee Rice- Greeter D-1
Martha Walker- Greeter D-2
Amanda Decker- Greeter D-3
Janice Masterson- Greeter D-4
Zachary Masterson- Altar Server 1
Savannah Masterson- Altar Server 2
Sam Potts- Usher Captain/1
Joe Brooks- Usher 2
Thomas Blair- Usher 3
Patrick Hayden- Usher 4
Karen Hollman- Rosary Leader

Sun. December 15th @8 AM

Linda Calhoun- Captain/Bread 1
Fr. Tom Buckman - Bread 2
Mary Sumlut- Bread 3
Stacy Harper- Bread 4
Ed Calhoun- Cup 1
Deacon Nick Nichols- Cup 2
Amy Silvert- Cup 3
Daren Harper- Cup 4
Ed/Jackie Mattingly Family- Gift Bearer
Neal Zoglmann- Lector 1
Madison Silvert- Lector 2
Randy Roby- Greeter D-1
Lilly Silvert- Greeter D-2
Felicity Nu Neh- Greeter D-3
Emma Silvert- Greeter D-4
John Crawford Silvert- Altar Server 1
Max Payne- Altar Server 2
Eddie Mattingly- Usher Captain/1
Jill Campbell- Usher 2
Gant Harper- Usher 3
Denny Campbell- Usher 4
Cathy Hagan- Rosary Leader

Sun. December 15th @11 AM

Andy Lawless- Captain/Bread 1
Fr. Tom Buckman - Bread 2
Nathan Jones- Bread 3
Michael Roach- Bread 4
Marion Bates- Cup 1
Deacon Nick Nichols - Cup 2
Caroline Clements- Cup 3
Michelle Jones- Cup 4
James Coomes Family - Gift Bearer
Wayne Zoglmann- Lector 1
Bryan Krampe- Lector 2
Kristina Jones- Greeter D-1
Cheryl Gerteisen- Greeter D-2
A. Jason Jones- Greeter D-3
James Gerteisen- Greeter D-4
Jessica Payne- Altar Server 1
Ethan Damion Payne- Altar Server 2
Tom Rhodes- Usher Captain/1
John Clements- Usher 2
Joe Knott- Usher 3
Samuel Clements- Usher 4
Donna Nichols- Rosary Leader

* Those who serve as Cup 1 at any Mass are requested to help the Captain, Bread 1 with cleaning the vessels. Thank you!

DIOCESE and COMMUNITY EVENTS

Matthew 9 Mission

Matthew 9:38 "Ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."

The Office of Vocations and St. Pius X invite you to be a part of the Matthew 9 Mission. The **Matthew 9 Mission** is a response to Christ's call to pray for vocations. Participants will choose at least one day a month to pray the Rosary specifically for vocations to priesthood. More than one person may pray on a particular day and you may choose more than one day a month to pray. The goal is to have someone in all 78 parishes in the Diocese of Owensboro praying the Rosary for vocations to priesthood every day of the year.

Please sign up in the vestibule on the monthly calendar.

If you have any questions regarding the Matthew 9 Mission, please contact your parish office or the vocations office: 270-683-1545 or vocations@pastoral.org.

2019 Advent Theology on Tap Series

Ages 18-39 welcome. Location: Fetta Specialty Pizza, 118 St. Ann Street, Owensboro. Speaker lineup:

Monday night, Dec. 9, 6 PM: Corey Bruns, "Making PEACE: A Sinner's Guide to Mercy & Forgiveness"

Monday night, Dec. 16: 6 PM: Kristin Dorth, "JOY: Why You Need It & Why You Don't Have It"

Questions: charlie.hardesty@pastoral.org, rob-in.tomes@pastoral.org. Follow us at Facebook.com/OwensboroYoungAdult. [Flyer available here.](#)

Advent Communal Penance Services East Deanery

Mon., Dec. 9th @ 6:00 PM Lourdes

Tues., Dec. 10th @ 6:30 PM Sts. Joseph and Paul

Thurs., Dec. 12th @ 6:00 PM St. Lawrence

Sun., Dec. 15th @ 2:00 PM Blessed Mother

Mon., Dec. 16th @ 6:00 PM St. Mary

Tues., Dec. 17th @ 6:00 PM St. William

Thurs., Dec. 19th @ 6 :00PM St. Pius X

HOST FAMILY NEEDED

Please consider becoming a Host Family for a Brescia University student. She is a 4.0, first semester sophomore from Somalia. Her student visa allows her to work only 20 hours a week. She is currently working in the cafeteria at Brescia. She is in jeopardy of not returning to Brescia second semester without this help. Contact Josh Clary at Brescia for more details: 270-485-6760 or josh.clary@brescia.edu Thanks.

Marriage Help Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has helped thousands of couples who are disillusioned or even experiencing misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information about or to register for the January program beginning with a weekend on Jan. 31, 2020, call the Family Life office at 270-683-1545, or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org.

St. Pius X Daycare is hiring for Part-Time (10am-1pm), Full-Time (10am-5:30pm), Substitute (times may vary)



Applications available at daycare & in the back of church (18 years or older may apply).

St Pius X Daycare has open enrollment in our 3 year old classroom and our Preschool Program. We are open Monday-Friday 6:30 AM-5:30 PM.

PARISH COUNCIL:

Chairperson:

Linda Calhoun270-925-5052

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Eddie Stallings.....270-570-4636

Leigha Mattingly...Youth Representative

Emily FergusonYoung Adult Rep.

OCS Education Council,

Amy Silvert.....270-689-1607

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/)