

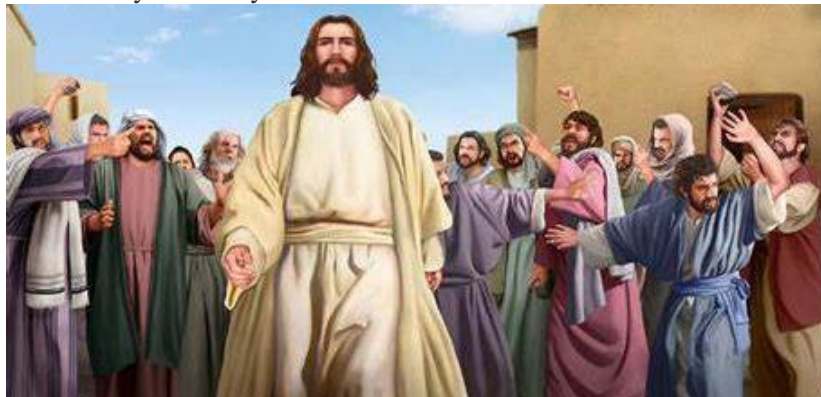


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10th Sunday Ordinary Year B Mark 3:20-35



“Jesus came home with his disciples. Again the crowd gathered, making it impossible for them even to eat. When his relatives heard of this they set out to seize him, for they said, "He is out of his mind." The scribes who had come from Jerusalem said, "He is possessed by Beelzebul," and "By the prince of demons he drives out demons." Summoning them, he began to speak to them in parables, "How can Satan drive out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand; that is the end of him. But no one can enter a strong man's house to plunder his property unless he first ties up the strong man. Then he can plunder the house. Amen, I say to you, all sins and all blasphemies that people utter will be forgiven them. But whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an everlasting sin." For they had said, "He has an unclean spirit." His mother and his brothers arrived. Standing outside they sent word to him and called him. A crowd seated around him told him, "Your mother and your brothers and your sisters are outside asking for you." But he said to them in reply, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking around at those seated in the circle he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers. For whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

'Rejected Jesus'

By Bob Gotti

Christ was despised and rejected,
by the ones He came to save,
But believed and accepted,
by men said to be morally depraved.
Sent to redeem an entire nation,
that special land chosen by God,
But they rejected His Salvation,
and now will face Messiah's Rod.

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One day His own will mark His words,
as many in that nation perish,
For Judgment will destroy two thirds,
with a remnant left to cherish.
Until then, He turns to every nation,
and every heart, big and small.
Bringing them to God's Salvation,
Christ His Son, who came for all.

Desert Fathers' Story On Avoiding Judgement

A brother who had been wronged by another brother came to Abba Sisoës the Theban, and said to him, "I have been wronged by a brother, and I want to take vengeance on him," but the elder entreated him, saying, "No my son; rather, leave the business of vengeance to God." He said, "I will not rest until I get my revenge on him." The elder said, "Then let us pray, brother." He stood up and said, "Oh God, Oh God, we no longer need you to look after us, for we are reaping our own vengeance, now." Suddenly, the brother fell at the elder's feet when he heard that, saying, "I will no longer take issue with my brother. Forgive me!"

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 June 9, 2024

*Gn 3:9-15/2 Cor 4:13—5:1/Mk 3:20-35
Monday 1 Kgs 17:1-6/Mt 5:1-12
Tuesday Acts 11:21b-26;13:1-3/Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday 1 Kgs 18:20-39/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday 1 Kgs 18:41-46/Mt 5:20-26
Friday 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16/Mt 5:27-32
Saturday 1 Kgs 19:19-21/Mt 5:33-37*

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 Masses**
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,

10th Sunday Ordinary Year B

Mark 3:20-35

“United we Stand, Divided we Fall”. The Kentucky flag and state seal declare this motto. It depicts two men, one in frontiersman buckskin and one in formal statesman dress, clasping hands in a gesture of friendship and cooperation (*some people say the two men are Daniel Boone and Henry Clay, but others dispute that-but hey, where’s the spirit?*) But regardless, our motto has its foundation in today’s gospel. Jesus returns to his home area in Galilee, and insults are hurled at him from inside and outside His circle. The scribes accuse Him of being possessed by Satan, and His own relatives accuse Him of being insane (3:21-22). Jesus will address both charges and his response *shows Him basically ‘shaking the dust from his feet’ not getting hung-up on the detraction of others-just keep moving on-Mark 6:11*). He first offers the proverb, “a house/kingdom divided against itself falls”. The proverb means that a house or kingdom’s unity is its identity. Once the house or kingdom is torn apart, you have nothing. It undoes itself. Maybe we’ve said such a thing, too, after we’ve witnessed someone’s ‘self-destructive’ conduct, and then suggested to them, “You are cutting off your own feet”, or “Your lashing out is only hurting yourself” (which means that their attack on another person afflicts themselves too).

In the case of the scribes accusing him of being able to cast out demons, because He is a demon Himself, Jesus’ response is basically, “Then relax, I am doing your work for you, taking down Satan myself.” In Matthew’s gospel, after being insulted this way, Jesus further challenges the scribes to consider the thin ice they are reasoning on, when He tosses this question to them, “*if I drive out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your own people drive them out?*” (Matt 12:27) The scribes expose their own insecurities and reveal their own bad intent when they attack the good of Jesus. Then addressing His own family’s rejection of Him when they question His sanity, Jesus points out their own unwise and undiscerning confusion (*like His suggestion elsewhere that ‘a prophet is always rejected in his hometown’ Mark 6:4*). Jesus then clarifies the definition of family to be those who not only have the same name, but those who more importantly share a common purpose. With Jesus, that means ‘knowing the Word and Will of the Father’. He says, “Who is my brother and mother, but whoever knows and performs the Will of God” (Mark 3:35). Of course, by some of his kinfolk attacking Him, they reveal themselves to not really be related to Him (they are imposing their own self-willful purpose onto Him-cutting themselves off from Him). So with both the scribes and his own family, Jesus is pointing out that their own manipulative behavior sets them apart from Him-they are doing it to themselves.

Which brings up another troubling statement from Jesus in this gospel. ‘Unforgivable Sin’-what is this sin against the Holy Spirit? We might ask, “Is anything unforgivable?” Well, nothing is unforgivable if it is sincerely asked to be forgiven. The only unforgivable sin is the one that is never asked to be forgiven. Jesus is talking about the greatest sin: prideful self-exaltation. If I am presumptively arrogant and project that I know better than God or even outright reject God, then such a destructive sin is not forgiven because I am ruling God out of it. If I think I am greater than God (my will is superior to His), then I have put myself out of His reach. A sin is not forgiven if it is never asked to be forgiven (if I don’t admit it, or turn to God for forgiveness). So, the sin against the Holy Spirit is my lack of humility in turning to/submitting to God. Do I think that I ‘save myself’? Then such pride condemns myself – refusing God’s grace. The Catholic Catechism says in #1864 “*There are no limits to the mercy of God, but anyone who deliberately refuses to accept his mercy by repenting, rejects the forgiveness of his sins and the salvation offered by the Holy Spirit*”. Paradoxical as it sounds, the only power greater than God’s love, is our refusal of it. God endowed us with freedom of heart, and God honors our freedom lovingly. If we reject God’s will/grace, then our condemnation is self-inflicted. That is what happens with the scribes and even some of Jesus’ own family who condemn themselves when they turn against Jesus. Their self-exaltation (their attempt to force their own will upon God and others) creates the division within themselves that brings their own house down, their own ego-kingdom to crumble. The solution to avoid such condemnation is humility – being open to God’s rule and design for each of us (acknowledging Him and following Him). Admitting our own ego’s faults, and our need of God’s direction is what keeps us from falling into such self-inflicted exile from God. God’s Will, not ours, saves us from condemnation. Or as Jesus says in Mark 3:35 “Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother” (keeps the house/family together, or as Dante wrote, “In God’s will is my peace”- ***Paradise 3.85-87***) Peace, Fr Brian


St Pius X Parish Council Meeting Thurs June 19 @ 5:30 pm

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| Gary Traylor | (3) | Chair Person |
| Nora Canon | (3) | Secretary & Finance |
| Paula Humphreys | (3) | Spiritual Life |
| Stacey Newby | (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!

| St Pius X Mass Intentions June 10 – June 16 | | |
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| Tuesday | 6:00 pm | Sally Anne Klohr |
| Wednesday | 8:00 am | Mary Virginia Krebs |
| Thursday | 8:00 am | Mary Nundackel |
| Friday | 8:00 am | Dee Dee Whittaker |
| Saturday | 4:30 pm | Bernie & Pat Fendler |
| Sunday | 10:00am | Bob Mattingly |
| WEEKLY DONATIONS | | |
| Parish Hall Donation (6/2/24) | \$ | 640.00 |
| Budget for 2022/2023 Fiscal Year (July 2023-June 2024) | \$ | 195,000.00 |
| Donation Need Each Week | \$ | 3,750.00 |
| Weekly Donation (6/2/24) | \$ | 2,967.00 |
| Online Giving (6/2/24) | \$ | 1,609.00 |
| Total Week's Gift Offering 6/2 | \$ | 4,576.00 |
| Fiscal Year to Date | \$ | 216,843.04 |



Looking Forward to Year Two of Eucharistic Group

We want to thank Rich Derry who led the first year and organized monthly meetings. We welcome on board Ed Georgen who will be directing the second year in the fall!

Lunch Bunch Thurs June 20 @11:30
 Main entrée Fried Chicken. Please bring along a side dish, salad or dessert. Come and enjoy a good time and visit. Catching up with church friends!

Summer Bible Craft Nights
 Jun 12, 19 Jul 10, 17@ St Pius Parish Hall 6:00-7:30 pm
 We'll use stories from the Bible & Catholic Tradition to inspire crafts we make to reinforce their message. Crafts could be Christmas gifts for loved ones! Due to tools used to make crafts, we ask that children attend with parent or trusted adult. See the QR code on the registration form by church doors or on handout brochures. Or call Paula in office for details.

Birthdays & Anniversaries: June 9– June 15

Happy Birthday! St. Pius X

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| June 11 | Mary Shupe |
| June 12 | Brad Tack |
| June 13 | Wes Canup |
| June 15 | Dylan Coursey |
| June 15 | Christine Newman |
| June 15 | Ed Georgen |

Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X

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| June 9 | John Paul & Ashley Peterson |
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| St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, June 15, 2024 | | | | |
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| Servers | Lectors | Eucharistic Ministers | Ushers / Greeters | Money Counters |
| | Nancy Glover | Jeff Riedfort Charlotte Riedfort | Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) | |
| Mass Assignments: Sunday, June 16, 2024 | | | | |
| Dominic Schiaretta Franky Schiaretta | Pam Hurst | Marcus Newman Teresa Newman Patty Langford | Usher Volunteer Greeter Volunteer | Jan Waniel Jean Waniel |

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: Iris Joelle Maynard, Theresa Owens, Sara Repovich, Kaye Hinkebein, Amanda Scheidegger, Olga Edwards, Diane Fischer Russell Tomlinson, Joanne Schmidt Paula Willett, Kent & Kim Henry, Leah Vincek, Rick Wilson, Richard Warmowski, Wade Barnes, 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, Kaileigh Row, Dolly Bardsley, Pam Laibl, David Kroll, Henry Feezor, Lisa Hammond, 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 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, Don Kemp, Sharon Olejnicak, Tim Wilson, Beverly Dukes, Judy Krouse, Kerry Frazier, Rene Harrington, Forrest Michael Teeters, Cameron Brewer, Hugo Santos, Sharon Gibbons, Braydn Barnett, Elizabeth Witowski, Pam Dietz, Anthony Pellegrin.

Pray for Our Military

St. Pius X: 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.

St. Anthony Page Announcements

Coffee/ Doughnuts 1st Sunday Every Month

Quilters group at St Anthony Every Tuesday
Contact Georgia Bradshaw for details. Quilters gather and work on their community quilt together.

Needed Donations: SEW ON Velcro (any size) for Diaper Project for Orphaned Children in the Philippines. Only SEW-ON Velcro can be used – Please NO adhesive velcro. Contact Georgia Hunsley (St Anthony Church) at 402-920-0108 for more info. Baskets by church doors to collect the velcro.

Lunch Bunch Thurs June 20 @11:30

Main entrée Fried Chicken. Please bring along a side dish, salad or dessert. Come and enjoy a good time and visit. Catching up with church friends!

Consider Volunteering at Mass: Needed

- 1) *Hospitality Ministers – Door Welcomers*
- 2) *Gift Presenters to carry up Offertory Gifts*

All-Day Adoration on 1st Friday June 7

St Anthony Parish has an all day Eucharistic Adoration every 1st Friday from 9:00am – 9:00pm All are welcome to spend time in prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Confession available at 9:30am. Prayer Partners are requested for each hour during Adoration. Please register your time on the schedule or call Judy Forsythe - 612-245-3636

First Saturdays Honor the Blessed Mother:

First Saturday Mass on July 6 @ 8:00am. Every first Saturday we offer mass and pray the rosary



St Anthony Birthdays Jun 9 – Jun 15

June 15 Joyce Wilkinson

St Anthony Anniversaries:

June 10 Wayne & Georgia Bradshaw

June 12 Grant & Sommer Johnson

June 14 Tommy & Margie Sheppard

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
June 10 – June 16**

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| Wednesday | 9:00 am | <i>Dr Sidney Edds</i> |
| Friday | 9:00 am | <i>Richard Gregory Klohr</i> |
| Saturday Eve | 6:00 pm | <i>Kay Sandra Lind</i> |
| Sunday | 8:00 am | <i>Monroe Adrian</i> |

WEEKLY DONATIONS

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| Budget 2022/2023 Fiscal Year (July 2023-June 2024) | \$ 73,500.00 |
| Donation Need Each Week | \$ 1,413.46 |
| Weekly Donation 6/2/2024 | \$ 3,068.00 |
| Fiscal Year to Date | \$ 94,692.13 |

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



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, wipes, feminine hygiene products. Collection container is in back of the church for your donated items.

St Anthony Mass Assignments – June 16, 2024

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

CONSIDER ATTENDING DAILY MASS

St Anthony Prayer List: Theresa Owens, Jeff Ritorto, Cathy Ritorto, Betty Gonzalez, 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

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| 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 July 17 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