

St. Pius Tenth CATHOLIC CHURCH

December 2nd & 3rd, 2023



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.



Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM

Monday: NO MASS

Tuesday & Thursday: Noon

Wednesday: 6:00 PM

Friday: 8:00 AM

Holy Day: 8:00AM & 6:00PM

Confession:

Saturdays 12-1:00 PM

Adoration: First Friday of the month 9 AM—8 PM

First Fridays & Saturdays :

Mass @ 8:00AM

Bulletin Deadline:

Monday at Noon

(content pending Father's approval)

Office Hours:

Mon-Thurs: 8:00am-4:00pm

Friday: 8:00am-1:00pm

Parish Staff

See Contact Info Page 7

Pastor—

Fr. Babu Kulathumkal

Associate Pastor—

Fr. John Paul Mang

Faith Formation—

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Director of Music—

Youth Ministry—

Matt Knight

Daycare Director—

Brook Mattingly

Daycare Asst. Director—

Jennifer Howard

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



"Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come." - Mk 13:33

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Worship & Prayer

Readings for the week of
December 3, 2023



Prayer Chain Requests:

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

Pray for the Sick: Cecilia Aud, Lois Davis, Pat Harralson, Laura Hayden, Vincent Hayden, Mary Elaine Johnson, Rina Lyle, Theresa Murphy, Dan Murray, Corky and Elaine Norcia, Liz Parker, Chris Payne, Agnes Powers, Joseph A. Roby, Jr., Mary Shrewsbury, Louella Stroud, Carrie Weaver, Carrie Wieder, and Elizabeth Johnson, Joe Roby, Linda Roby, Alexis Bibb, Marvin & Mary Ann Bickwerment, Patty Adamic, Vincent Millay, Mark Bullock, Jack Hutton, Doris Johnson

Carmel Home: Audline Johnson, Annette Wimsatt, Laura Hayden

Chautauqua Health & Rehab: Cecilia Aud

Heritage: Ed Howard

Fern Terrace: Gary Horn

Pray for the Homebound: Tamara Burns, Louise Crowe, Richard Crowe, Wilford Crowe, Donald & Sylvia Hamilton, Rob Hamilton, Geraldine Keller, Joseph Roby, Mildred Smith

Pray for Our Military

Stuart Castlen: Navy, Fort Meade, Maryland

LT Patrick Clouse: Navy; Monterey, CA

Master Sgt. Jeffery Cooper: Iraq

Kaleb Hedden: Iraq

MAJ. Ben Hedges: US Army, Ft. Sill, OK

Sgt. Brandon Johnson: National Guard

Brian A. McDaniel: Marine Corp

Wesley Osborne: National Guard

Tony Pace: National Guard

Joshua Jones: Army National Guard Greenville, KY

Nathan Jones: Army National Guard Greenville, KY

Lt. Col. Joshua Murphy: Army Colorado Springs, CO

UPCOMING EVENTS:

During Advent—Every Day Mass @ 8:00am, Every Friday Holy Hour & Confession @ 8:00am

December 6th—Spiritual Life Committee Meeting @ 6:30pm

December 7th—Parish Council Meeting @ 7:00pm

Vigil Mass—6:00pm

December 8th—Immaculate Conception

Mass 8:00am—parish office closed

December 9th—Retreat & Confessions for First Reconciliations from 9:00am-12:00pm

December 14th—Finance Christmas Meeting @ 6:00pm

December 17th—Penance Service @ 2:00pm

December 24th—Christmas Eve Mass @ 4:00pm & 8:00pm

December 25th—Christmas Day @ 9:00am, Burmese Mass @ 11:00am

Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

Monday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27

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

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8



The week of December 3-10, 2023

Sunday: 1st Sunday of Advent

8:00am—John Williams†

11:00am—Our Parish Family

Monday: St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:00am—Charlotte Isbill†

Tuesday:

8:00am—Charles Brown†

12:00pm—Gerald Haynes†

Wednesday: St. Nicholas, Bishop

8:00am—Charlotte & John Reid†

6:00 pm—Joseph Mattingly† & Brent Wesley†

Thursday: St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

12:00pm—Nettie Noelt

6:00pm—Our Parish Family

Friday: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00am—Rodney McCarty†

Saturday: St. Juan Diego Cuahtlatotzin

8:00am—Kenny Roberts†

5:00pm—Raymond Aud†

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Advent

8:00am—Joe Rhinerson†

11:00am—Our Parish Family

Faith Formation

Kimly Hoang, Coord. of Faith Formation

khoang@stpiustenthparish.org

December 3-Community Breakfast
(Short Class)

December 10-Class

December 17-Class

December 24-No Class (Christmas)

December 31-No Class (New Years)

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be
at 8:00am Mass.

Children from 3-6 years old are
invited.

We are looking for volunteers in this
ministry if you interested, please
contact Kimly Hoang.

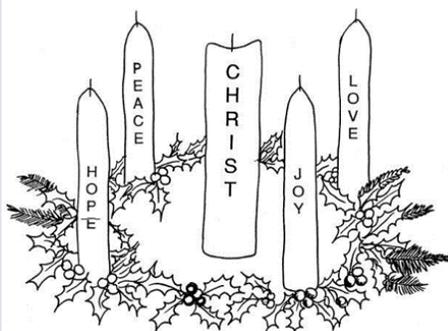


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The Meaning of Four Candles During Advent

The Advent lasts four weeks and it is a time to remind us to get ready for the coming of the Lord. The candles represent four weeks of preparation and they focus on four virtues: Hope, Peace, Joy & Love.

- The first candle (purple) represents hope: we place our hope in God as He is coming and we are able to welcome him into our hearts.
- The second candle (purple) represents peace: we pray and work for peace in the midst of a busy and chaotic world while waiting for the Lord because He is the Prince of Peace.
- The third candle (pink) represents joy: we are joyful because the Lord is almost here. The coming of the Lord can be at Christmas when we commemorate the Infant Child in the manger or can be the moment when the Lord comes to us in prayer or the moment we die.
- The fourth candle (purple) represents love: when we light this last candle of Advent, the Lord is almost here, the love of God is incarnated and dwells among us. He became one of us to show us who God is and how to love, especially when He was hung on the cross.

The Advent candles are to remind us about Advent and how we are invited to prepare for the Lord coming at Christmas & our death.

Matthew Knight, Youth Minister
mknight@stpiustenthparish.org

Youth Ministry

UPCOMING EVENTS

I can not believe the holiday season is here! We have a couple of things before Christmas break that are coming up.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6th - MS YOUTH

**SUNDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 13TH—YOUTH
MINISTRY CHRISTMAS PARTY 5:00-6:30PM**

**SUNDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 17TH—SERVICE
OPPORTUNITY, CLEANING THE CHURCH
5:00-6:30PM**

CHRISTMAS PARTY

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 13th – MIDDLE AND
HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH 5:00-6:30PM**

Join us for our annual Christmas Party. Everyone will need a \$5 wrapped gag gift for Dirty Santa and their ugliest Christmas sweater. If you can please bring some sort of Christmas dessert or a finger food to go along with the pizza. Any Adults willing to help PLEASE CONTACT MATT VIA TEXT AT (270)454-0404. Strength in numbers will make this event run smoothly. This is arguably the most fun event we have each year, you won't want to miss it!!

CONFIRMATION

SUNDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 3RD 5:00 - 7:00PM

SESSION 3: "And I Wish To Be Confirmed"

Our Community

Christmas Program 2023

All children from the parish in grades 1st to 8th are invited to participate in the Christmas program on December 24th at the 4:00pm Christmas Eve Mass.

Rehearsal will Sunday afternoons @ 2:00pm.
Please contact Kimly at khoang@stpiustentparish.org
Sign up sheets are in the vestibule.

Please Welcome our New Members James & Connie Nalley



CULTURAL ENRICHMENT & OUTREACH SERIES PRESENTS

An Advent / Christmas

Concert

with Contemporary Catholic Artists

JOHN ANGOTTI & LORRAINE HESS



"This promises to be an awesome time with perhaps some special appearances throughout the evening."
~ B. Rankin

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH
December 10th | 7:00 PM

Koinonia #21 FEB. 16TH - 18TH

Do you enjoy community? Do you want to grow deeper in your relationship with Christ? Save the dates for an opportunity to do just that!

PLEASE CALL

Gail Wallace: (270)302-5259

Melody Clark: (270)315-0066



Children's Christmas Music Opportunity

Any children 3-15 years who are interested in helping with the music for Christmas Eve 4:00pm Mass are welcome.

Sarah Sullivan has volunteered to lead a handbell choir for Christmas for all school age children who are interested.

More information will come regarding practices.



Breaking Open the Lectionary

During Families in Faith, there is an adult class that meets in the room off of the kitchen to take a deeper dive into the Sunday readings.

All are invited to join at any time of the year, but we want to extend a special invitation for you to join us as we begin a new liturgical year on December 3rd.

If you wish to follow along with the book we use, the cost is \$20. However, the book is not required.

We also share with one another insights that we drew from the readings, Father's homily, and from other commentaries we may have read.

Please join us!



Please give generously to the upcoming collection.

Retirement Fund for Religious

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December 10th

You can help. "Religious are blessed to serve," says Dominican Father Bertrand Ebben, age 90. Please donate to the Retirement Fund for Religious next week. Your gift will provide essential care for nearly 25,000 senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to serving others. Let us show our gratitude to these selfless individuals by giving generously.

Advent Penance Services

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	MEAL WITH CONFESSORS
12/3	2:00pm	Blessed Mother	Yes, after service
12/12	7:15pm	St. Lawrence	Yes, 5:30pm
12/13	6:00pm	Sts. Joseph & Paul	Yes, after service
12/17	2:00pm	St. Pius X	Yes, after service
12/18	6:00pm	St. Mary of the Woods	Yes, after service

Immaculate Conception Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday, December 7th

Vigil Mass Time: 6 PM

Friday, December 8th

Mass Time: 8 AM

Holy Day of Obligation

St. Pius offices will be closed on Friday.

St. Pius X Daycare

Director: Brook Mattingly

(bmattingly@stpiustenthparish.org)

Assistant Director: Jen Howard

(jhoward@stpiustenthparish.org)

WE HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK AHEAD OF US!

- ALL CLASSROOMS – CHRISTMAS CURRICULUM (Jesus's birthday, Christmas songs, Pre. A Christmas program practice, letters to Santa, Christmas crafts)
- Preschool A
 - ◊ Religion Class Tuesday – Fr. Babu (Lesson: TBA)
 - ◊ Mass 8am Friday
- 2's & Preschool B – Music Ministry (curriculum TBA)
- Student of the Week: Preschool B- Logan R., Splendid, Preschool A- Ronnie, Way to Go!

Important Dates:

December

4th – Dress Like a Snowman

5th – Wear Green Like a Christmas Tree

6th – Wear Christmas Socks

7th – Wear a Christmas Shirt

8th – Wear Reindeer Antlers

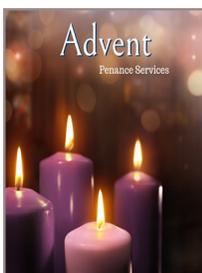


Advent Spiritual Opportunities

During the Advent season as we are preparing to welcome Jesus into our hearts and lives, we all know how important it is to prepare ourselves spiritually. This Advent season you will have lots of opportunities in our parish. Please make use of them to welcome Jesus and to celebrate a Joyful Christmas.

Some of the opportunities are as follows:

- **Every Day Mass at 8:00am and also regular daily Masses**
- **Every Friday Mass Followed by a Holy Hour and opportunity for confessions.**
- **Advent Penance Service December 17th at 2PM**



**St. Pius X Catholic Church
Director of Music Ministry**

St. Pius X Catholic Church in Owensboro, KY is seeking a *Full-Time Director of Music Ministry.*

Requirements include a Bachelor's Degree in music or equivalent experience, excellent people skills and proficient computer knowledge. Candidate must be a practicing Catholic in good standing with the Roman Catholic Church. Outstanding written and oral communication skills. The position collaborates with the Pastor, Parish Staff and Worship Committee. Must understand the Roman Catholic Church regarding liturgical theology, praxis and liturgical music and the ability to successfully complete a criminal history and background check.

St. Pius Tenth Catholic Church is an equal opportunity employer with a range of benefits. All interested applicants may email a cover letter and resume to:

Fr. Babu K. Joseph, Pastor - frbabu@stpiustenthparish.org

**Congratulations on the
Baptism of
Henry Thomas Roberts**



Christmas Giving Tree

The tree is up in the vestibule.

The gifts need to be turned in by December 17th. Distribution will be December 18th-20th.

Call the office if you know of a parishioner that is in need.

**Tags will be added each week.
(Names will not be published on the Giving Tree gift tags.)**



St. Benedict's

St. Benedict's Needs Volunteers!!

Currently, there is a team of 12 volunteers that feed 64 men on the 3rd Thursday of each month. This may be the only meal that a person eats that day. We really need more people to join this ministry as not everyone is available each month.

We have selected menus that we use and usually this means a casserole or dish of food is needed from each volunteer.

Please contact: **Linda Dixon at 270-929-6633 or Bonnie Castlen at 270-313-4136** if you are interested in volunteering.

Liturgical

Ministry Schedule for December 9th-10th, 2023

Sat, 5:00 PM (Church)	Sun, 8:00 AM (Church)	Sun, 11:00 AM (Church)
Laura Veach - Captain/Bread 1	Carolyn McCarty - Captain/Bread 1	Robert Smith - Captain/Bread 1
Fr. Babu Joseph - Bread 2	Fr. Babu Joseph - Bread 2	Fr. Babu Joseph - Bread 2
Ava Roberts - Captain Asst./Bread 3	Pray Reh - Captain Asst./Bread 3	Rebecca Jones - Captain Asst./Bread 3
Christa Roberts - Bread 4	Paula Annin - Bread 4	Donna Feldpausch - Bread 4
Katelyn Storm - Cup 1	John McCarty - Cup 1	Melody Clark - Cup 1
NOT FILLED - Cup 2	Wil Storm - Cup 2	Julia Law Meh - Cup 2
Kathy Jo Clary - Cup 3	Carol Payne - Cup 3	Htay Meh - Cup 3
Melanie Wallace - Cup 4	Geoff Snyder - Cup 4	Suzann Millay - Cup 4
Charles Pedley - Gift Bearer	Nick Howard - Gift Bearer	Tom Rhodes - Gift Bearer
Thomas Conrey - Lector 1	Russell Payne - Lector 1	Brenda Coombs - Lector 1
Gene Strehl - Lector 2	Steve Clark - Lector 2	Bree Simone (sub req.) - Lector 2
Patricia Loboda - Greeter D-1	Tina Zoglmann - Greeter D-1	Shelly Maffia - Greeter D-1
Jane Strehl - Greeter D-2	Audrey Hagan - Greeter D-2	Josh Maffia - Greeter D-2
Caleb Freels - Server 1	Keaton Mattingly - Server 1	Carter Maffia - Server 1
Lucas and Ella Freels - Server 2	Peyton Hagan - Server 2	Grayson Moore - Server 2
Robert Freels - Captain/Usher 1	Thomas Payne - Captain/Usher 1	Gerald Castlen - Captain/Usher 1
Scott Wallace - Usher 2	Bryan Jones - Usher 2	Ellen Marlowe - Usher 2
Colton Wallace - Usher 3	David Goetz - Usher 3	Brion Marlowe - Usher 3
Joe Brooks - Usher 4	Tim Payne (sub req.) - Usher 4	Robert Millay - Usher 4
Alice Freels - Rosary Leader	Carol Payne - Rosary Leader	Beverly Estes - Rosary Leader

MUSIC MINISTRY

December 7th Vigil Mass

6:00pm—Sarah Sullivan, Don Logsdon with guys & girls

December 8th (The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

8:00 am— Amanda & Mary Lou Storm

December 9th & 10th (Second Sunday of Advent)

5:00pm— Kim Bennett and Tracie Feldpausch

8:00 am —Charlie Hardesty

11:00 am -Nathan Lewis, Susan Zoglmann, & Dane Roberts



Weekly Mass Count:

November 18th & 19th

5:00PM—113

8:00AM—184

11:00AM—186

Total—483

November 25th & 26th

5:00PM—173

8:00AM—158

11:00AM—215

Total—546

SPIRITUAL LIFE COMMITTEE

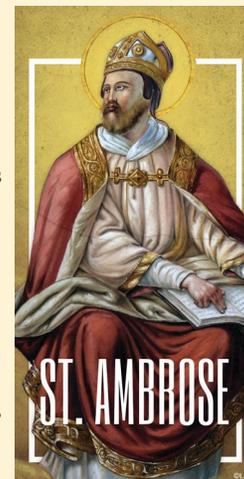
Saint Ambrose | December 7

Saint Ambrose was born to an aristocratic Roman Christian family in 339 in what is now Trier, Germany. One popular legend tells of a swarm of bees alighting on the infant Ambrose's face and leaving behind a drop of honey which his father took as a sign that Ambrose would be an eloquent speaker with a 'honeyed tongue.'

Ambrose was educated in law and rhetoric in Rome. Like his father, he went into public service and was made governor of Liguria and Emilia about 373. In the second year of his governorship, he went to moderate the election of the bishop of Milan because the heretical Arians were challenging the succession. Unbaptized and untrained in theology, Ambrose was called by popular acclamation to be bishop. Though he attempted to flee, he was found and within a week he was baptized, ordained, and consecrated bishop on December 7, 374.

As bishop Ambrose studied scripture and the writings of Church fathers, he gave his property and wealth to the poor, and became an impactful orator, hymn writer, and renowned teacher. He highly praised consecrated virginity, likely influenced by his sister who took the veil. A contemporary with St. Martin of Tours, he also defended the faith against the Arian heresy (which questioned Christ's divinity), and against the state. Ambrose required Emperor Theodosius do public penance after the massacre of Thessalonica. His classic education contributed to his writing and sermons which attracted and converted Saint Augustine of Hippo who Saint Ambrose baptized.

Saint Ambrose is one of four original doctors of the Church. He died in 397 in Milan, Italy. His remains can be seen today at the Basilica di Sant'Ambrogio, where he lays with Saint Gervasus and Saint Protasus. ©LPi



Sacramental Preparation

Baptism

For the Sacrament of Baptism for their child parents must attend a preparation class. Please contact Kimly Hoang at 270-684-4745 or khoang@stpiustenthparish.org

Matrimony

One or both persons of the engaged couple must be active and registered parishioners at St. Pius X. If not, you may still contact Father Babu at 270-684-4745 or frbabu@stpiustenthparish.org.

First Reconciliation/Holy Communion, and Confirmation

Registered parishioners are encouraged to register for preparation for the sacraments.

For more information for children age 3-8th grade and First Communion, please contact Kimly Hoang, Faith Formation Coordinator at 270-684-4745 or khoang@stpiustenthparish.org.

For Confirmation please contact Matt Knight, Youth Minister at 270-684-4745 or mknight@stpiustenthparish.org

Order Of Christian Initiation Of Adults

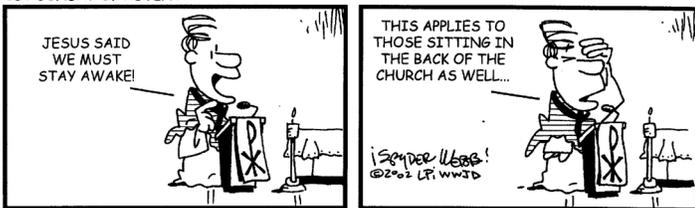
If you are considering becoming a Catholic we offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for children or youth. Please contact the church office at 270-684-4745 or khoang@stpiustenthparish.org

Stewardship & Service

General Collections		
<i>Fiscal year begins in July*</i>	Week of : 11/19 & 11/26	2023
		Year To Date
General Collections	31,831.98	318,006.62
Budget Goal	29,230.00	321,530.00
Over/(Short) TOTAL	2,601.98	(3,523.38)

Capital Campaign		
	Week of: 11/19 & 11/26	Total
Total Cost of Reno		1,628,687.00
Pledges Received		1,567,916.96
Collected	4,890.00	1,338,816.30

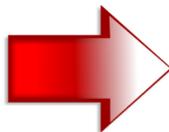
1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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Counseling

Are there things in life that are stressing you out? You are not alone. Please call Catholic Charities at 270-683-1545 and mention CAP. We will direct you to a licensed counselor. You may also visit owensborodiocese.org/counseling.

December Altar Linens:

Joanne Warren



God's

Housekeepers:

Dec. 4-9

Team 2

Becky Krampe
John Zoglmann family
Leslie Krampe
Wayne & Susan Zoglmann
Brenda Thomas

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Cathy Hagan: 270-315-8893

Finance Committee Chairperson

Debbie Daugherty: 270-695-7199

Safe Environment: 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 (270) 685-8442; local law enforcement (270) 687-8888; 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 Scott Ingram, 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 at this parish in the parish office, and also on the diocesan website (<https://owensborodiocese.org/safe>).