

St. Pius Tenth CATHOLIC CHURCH

December 12th-13th, 2020



3rd Sunday OF ADVENT



John answered them, "I baptize with water; but there is one among you whom you do not recognize, the one who is coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie."

- Jn 1:26-27

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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 and 11:00 AM

Monday and Friday: 8:00 AM

Tuesday and Thursday: 12:00 Noon

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

Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon



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Worship & Prayer



Weekly Mass Count

5:00 pm—82

8:00 am—100

11:00 am— 99 + 47 Livestream

St Pius will not have a communal penance service in Advent due to safety concerns over Covid-19. Multiple opportunities for confessions are still available:

- After each weekday mass
- December 16, 17, & 19 from 6:00-7:00 pm
- Each Saturday from 12:00 Noon—1:00 pm
- By appointment

Pray for the Sick: Cecilia Aud, Lois Davis, Axel Fleischmann, Larry Harralson, Dorothy Mattingly, Alex McGehee, Theresa Murphy, Dan Murray, Corky and Elaine Norcia, JR Payne, Agnes Powers, Cindy Reed, Robert Shrewsberry, Ron Tucker, Sharon Warren, Carrie Weaver, James Wimsatt.

Carmel Home: Eugene Head, Audline Johnson, Margaret Richeson, Annette Wimsatt

Owensboro Center: Cecilia Aud, Peggy Livers

Heritage: Ed Howard

Golden Living Center, Tell City, IN: Joe McKay

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

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

Brian A. McDaniel: Marine Corp

Tony Pace: National Guard

Joshua Jones: Army National Guard Greenville, KY

Nathan Jones: Army National Guard Greenville, KY

Cory Vance: US Marines

Scott Wallace: National Guard



Christmas Mass Survey Results

Thank you to everyone who responded to our Christmas Eve and Day Mass attendance survey. At this time, we believe we will be able to accommodate everyone who plans to attend each mass. However, **Please Note: The 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass will be heavily attended. We have a limit of 175 attendants and it is possible that with visitors and walk-ins this limit will be reached.** We encourage you to attend one of our other masses on Christmas Eve at 6:00 pm or 8:00 pm.

We have a sign up for greeters and ushers for these services available by the front door of the Parish Hall. Please consider signing up for a ministry.

MUSIC MINISTRY

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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 Lords 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 Gods 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.



Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Advent
8:00 am— Charles Leo Howard †
11:00 am— Our Parish Family
Monday: St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church
8:00 am—Ray Duff †
Tuesday: 12:00 Noon—Laverne Aud †
Wednesday: 6:00 pm—Stephanie Hayden, Birthday
Thursday: 12:00 Noon —Mac & Martha Howard
Friday: 8:00 am—Martha Zoglmann †
Saturday: 5:00 pm—Daniel Fuzz Blair †
Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Advent
8:00 am—Our Parish Family
11:00 am—Betty Howard †

Liturgical Life

Minister Schedule for December 19-20

Sat, 5:00 PM

Fr. Tom Buckman	Eucharistic Minister - Bread 2
Brenda Thomas	Lector - Lector 1
Lisa Sisk	Greeter - Greeter D-1
Eddie Stallings	Greeter - Greeter D-2
Robert Freels	Usher - Captain/Usher 1
Roger Thompson	Usher - Usher 2

Sun, 8:00 AM

Fr. Tom Buckman	Eucharistic Minister - Bread 2
Suzanne, Sr. Sims	Lector - Lector 1
Matthew Johnson	Greeter - Greeter D-1
Jill Johnson	Greeter - Greeter D-2
Thomas Payne	Usher - Captain/Usher 1
David Johnson	Usher - Usher 2

Sun, 11:00 AM

Fr. Tom Buckman	Eucharistic Minister - Bread 2
Tyler Simone	Lector - Lector 1
Lisa Gerteisen	Greeter - Greeter D-1
Adalyn Gentry	Greeter - Greeter D-2
Robert Millay	Usher - Captain/Usher 1
Jared Millay	Usher - Usher 2

Readings for the week of December 13, 2020

Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 51-54 [Is 61:10b]/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28
Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [4]/Mt 21:23-27
Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23 [7a]/Mt 21:28-32
Wednesday: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21c-25/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [Is 45:8]/Lk 7:18b-23
Thursday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:1-17
Friday: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:18-25
Saturday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 [cf. 8]/Lk 1:5-25
Next Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [2a]/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38

Faith Formation

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations



ADVENT: WAITING, HOPING....

Our HOPE is not empty wishful thinking. It is a hope based on the solid rock of God's Promise to love us, no matter what. Our hope knows more than the first disciples knew: we know that Jesus' death was not the end. It was a fulfillment of God's Promise to make us whole again, to give us eternal life in the presence of our awe-some God! Claim your Hope!

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS FAMILY KITS

Last call to pick up your family "pizza box" of activities (in the long hallway on the table). Today, is the day after the beautiful feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe—look for the large image of her in your box. I thought you might want to frame it for your home? Under this title, Mary is called Mother of the Americas (North, Central, South). Share the story each year.

MYANMAR and ST. PIUS "BUILDS"

There are a couple of the large wall mount reusable Advent calendars and a few bags of ornaments remaining if anyone still wants to make a donation to help build this incomplete structure in Fr. Timothy's Parish in Myanmar.

ALPHA for ADVENT PRAYER

ALPHA prayer coordinator (270-313-2701); [prayer line: joyceveiser5200@gmail.com](mailto:joyceveiser5200@gmail.com) for any prayer intentions. Also, Joyce will add you (if you ask her) to the list of those who receive these intentions anytime, any day!

GREAT TIME TO INVITE

Anytime is a good time. Be not afraid. Bring a friend to Christ-mas! He told us to.

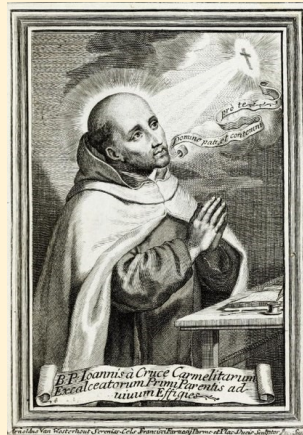
Youth Group

Middle & High School Text Updates

As things continue to stay crazy please remember to sign up for our text updates. We use the REMIND app to help inform when we meet for youth as well as cancelations. You can join by texting @spxhs11 (High School), @spxms22 (Middle School), or @spxp33 (Parents) to 81010. You can also join by sending me your name in a text to (270)-454-0404.

Due to the flux of the current pandemic and our holiday printing schedule, it's **even more important** to sign up for these remind updates so you can stay informed on the youth events going on. If you have any questions or concern, please contact me.

Matthew Knight, Youth Minister
mknight@stpiustenthparish.org



A Doctor of the Church, St. John of the Cross is also one of its great mystics and poets. Born Juan de Yepes de Alvarez in Spain, he was raised by his mother and entered a Carmelite monastery in 1563. He was ordained in 1567. Finding the Carmelites very lax, he joined with St. Teresa of Avila to reform the order.

In 1568, he entered the first reformed house for men, taking the name John of the Cross. He encountered severe opposition and was even imprisoned for nine months in a monastery cell, where he began writing poems. The Dark Night of the Soul is his most famous work. Only after his death was John recognized as co-founder of the Discalced Carmelites. He is the patron saint of mystics and poets. (catholiccurrent.org)

Have you yet to experience the power of prayer at **Sunday Vespers in Advent at 5:00 pm**? Vespers is an excellent way to prepare for the birth of the Savior. Learn more at: bit.ly/2IFwBvd

Prayer Chain Requests:

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

The family of Randal Richeson would like to thank St Pius Tenth for all of their support and help during their time of loss. It was greatly appreciated.

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.

St. Pius X Daycare

Director: Brook Mattingly

(bmattingly@stpiustenthparish.org)

Assistant Director: Jen Howard

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We have a wonderful week ahead of us!

- Christmas Themes (celebrating the birth of Jesus)
 - oMonday: Wear white Like Snow
 - oTuesday: Wear a Santa Hat
 - oWednesday: Wear Christmas Pajama's (Dojo Christmas Program)
 - oThursday: Wear a Christmas Bow (Letter to Santa)
 - oFriday: Wear Red & Green (Christmas Scissor Skills)
- Student of the Week: Preschool A- Brooks, Great Job, Preschool B- Jacob, Super!

The Magic of
Christmas
is not in the presents
but in *His*
presence

Our Community

The **Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University's** next class will start on Sunday, January 17, 2021 at St. Pius X Catholic Church. Registration will take place after the weekend Masses of January 9th and 10th of 2021 at St. Pius X. Free childcare will be offered. State COVID-19 protocols will be followed for this class. For more information, contact **Gary Estes** at 270-314-4419.



St Vincent de Paul and St Pius Tenth would like to extend many thanks to our Scouts and Fifth-Third Bank for their donations to the food pantry and help office. We are grateful for your generosity!

Remember, donations for Birthright's layette gift bags for new mothers may be taken to Birthright of Owensboro at 512 W 7th St, Owensboro, KY 42301 . See the flyer in the Parish Hall for a list of items to be donated.

If you have any questions please contact Terri LaHugb at 270-570-5319

Due to the circumstances surrounding Covid-19 dates and times of events are subject to change. Please contact the parish office/the event coordinator to confirm dates if unsure.

Stewardship &

WEEKLY GIVING

	Week of	2020/21
<i>(fiscal year begins in July)</i>	12/6/2020	To Date
Regular Collections	10,792.88	277,308.70
Children's Collection	2.50	
Budget Goal		312,800.00
Over/ (Short) TOTAL	(-2,804.62)	(-35,491.30)
Renovation Goal		1,500,000.00
Pledges Received		1,354,073.34
Money Received		642,639.70

For online giving:

<http://bit.ly/StpxOboro>

or scan our QR code:



Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who donated to our annual Advent Giving Tree. Thanks to your generous hearts, St Pius Tenth was able to present a check for **\$3,745.00** to the local schools to help give children a special Christmas.

COME, Lord Jesus!



Thank you to all parish members for your prayers, generosity and turning in your renovation 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.

Parish Staff

Pastor—Fr. Tom Buckman

Dir. of Faith Formation—Sr. Suzanne Sims O.S.U.

Business Manager—Jeanie Lewis

Office Associate—Sara Lewis

Facilities Manager—Nick Spinks

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

To ensure you receive emails from the staff in the parish office, please add their emails to your email contact list. You can find the emails on the parish website under the **'More Ministries'** tab. www.stpiustenthparish.org

ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER(S), OR EMAIL CHANGES

Please contact us at the parish office if you have any changes or incorrect information in our records. We appreciate being able to contact you to let you know about events/updates.

GOD IS THE JOY OF MY SOUL

December Altar Linens & Alter Server Albs:
Marion Bates

God's Housekeepers: December 14-19

Carolyn & Gene Abel

Steve & Sharon Clark

Cindy Mattingly

Sara Clark

Daniel Phenee

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

Renovation UPDATES



Week of November 29-Dec 5:

Finishing work on the eaves and soffits is nearing completion. Landscaping has started with beautiful river rock and shrubs planted in the front of the Reservation Chapel. Most exciting, the grid work for the oak hanging ceiling is going up!

Be sure to follow our Facebook page for more updates!

[facebook.com/SPXCathChurch](https://www.facebook.com/SPXCathChurch)



Prayerful



Simple



Beautiful