

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
DECEMBER 8, 2019



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**SACRAMENTS AND SERVICES**

- † **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.
- † **CONFESSION:** Tuesday from 5:30-6:00 p.m. or Saturday from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at St. Pius X or by appointment.
- † **ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Is offered to anyone physically or emotionally ill, infirmed, or prior to surgery. Contact Fr. Brian at (270) 668-7675 (Medical or Emergency)
- † **St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of each month during office hours (9 am-2 pm). Call the St. Pius X office at (270) 395-4727 for help.
- † **Bulletin information:** Must be submitted to Jamie by 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday. *Email: stpiusx@stpiusx.us*

**Pastoral Team**

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**Maintenance**

*For concerns about maintenance of the parish, please contact the parish office at (270) 395-4727.*

**Parish Council Members  
(St. Pius X)**

Pam Hurst	Chair Person
Jeff Outland	Building & Ground
Larry Krouse	Secretary
Robert Weekes	Finance
Dawn Whitt	Spiritual Life
Catherine Broks	FFY

**Parish Council Members  
(St. Anthony of Padua)**

Roy McFadden	Chair Person
Mike Drury	Vice Chair/ Building & Ground
Debbie Owens	Secretary/Family Life
Shara Parish	Finance
Bob Lehky	Building & Ground-Indoor
Nick Zaim	Social/Spiritual Concern
Sr. Michael Friedman	Spiritual/Faith Formation

**Other Groups**

<i>Finance Council</i>	<i>Harold Dacus, Chair</i>
<i>Art &amp; Decorations</i>	<i>Paula Schmidt</i>
<i>Knights of Columbus</i>	<i>Philip Scheidegger</i>

*Online: kofcknights.org/CouncilSite/?CNO=10988*

**Bereavement Committees**

<i>Helen Krivan</i>	<i>(270) 559-7586(St. Anthony)</i>
<i>Pat Gorbett</i>	<i>(270)362-3377(St. Anthony)</i>
<i>Fran Dacus</i>	<i>(618)383-4646 (St. Pius X)</i>

**OFFICE HOURS**

Wednesday	9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
Thursday	9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.



Days	St. Pius X	St. Anthony
Tuesday	6:00 P.M.	
Wednesday	8:00 A.M.	9:00 A.M.
Thursday	8:00 A.M.	
Friday	8:00 A.M.	9:00 A.M.
*1 <sup>st</sup> Friday- Adoration	6:00 P.M.*	*9:00 A.M.
Saturday	4:30 P.M.	8:00 A.M. (1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday)
Sunday	10:00 A.M.	8:00 A.M.

Please see calendar inside for Holy Day times & other changes.

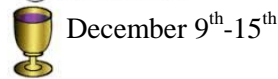
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St. Pius X Parish News

MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE WEEK



Monday	8:00 a.m.	All Parishioners
Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Levena Dossett
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Amalia Treto & Juan Treto
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Grace Ebelhar
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Norma Word Family
Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Lucille Costello
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Barbara Cirrito

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WEEKLY DONATIONS

Parish Hall Fund Donation	
12/01/19	\$ 544.00
Budget for 2019/2020 fiscal year	
(July 2019-June 2020)	\$ 177,160.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 3,406.92
Donation 12/01/19	\$ 3,612.00
Online Giving (Dec 2019)	\$ 790.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 77,270.44

FFY Christmas Party  
Wednesday, December 18, 6:15 pm  
Meal & Games for Students & Volunteers

Mass Assignments: Saturday, December 14, 2019

Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Dominic Schiaretta Isabella Schiaretta	Mike Bowling	Diane Fischer Julie Weekes Paula Schmidt	Susan Padgett (Usher) Joe Morris (Usher) Vicki Spencer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	

Mass Assignments: Sunday, December 15, 2019

Pax Canon Cameron Thomason	Case Thomason	Pam Hurst James Poat Mary Shupe	Philip Scheidegger (Usher) Kaylee Shupe (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	Richard Derry Nancy Singleton
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**Marcella's Kitchen Fundraiser Fish Fry**

is Tuesday, Dec 10 at Marcella's Kitchen. Their new location is 868 Mathis Drive, Benton, KY. They are in need of some volunteers to set-up, prep and serve dinner. For more info on helping, please contact Ron Lappin @ 270-243-5894

**Needed Rosary Leaders to help out:**

Anyone who may be interested in leading the rosary prayer before Mass, as a back-up leader for Saturday evening Mass, please let Fr. Brian know.



The Angel Tree is now on display. Our parish is buying clothes for 65 children in our community. Monetary donations are needed. Donation envelopes are near the Angel Tree. Parishioners may place their donations in the Donation Box or place the donation envelope in the basket during the Mass Collection. Thank you for your generosity!



Hosted by  
Knights of Columbus  
Sunday, December 15  
11:00 am

Immaculate Conception of Mary

St. Pius X Mass Schedule  
Monday, December 9  
8:00 am




**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:** John Bardsley, Bennett Meisenheimer, Peter Bullock, Joe Cirrito, Jim & Rose Drury, Wes Hayes, Maryann Huebschmann, Shirley Mangan, Kenny Matthews, Dora Miller, Miller Meisenheimer, Joann Najgebauer, Elizabeth Nelson, Johnny Poe, Joel Rivera, Sister Rosemary, 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, Jeanette Hayes, Cameron Richmond, Brad Longworth, Matthew Black, LaRece Hurst, Helen Bennett, Nannette Frizzell, Catherine Brooks, Stacey Newby, Bette Zilligen, Dorothy Henry, Ric Vaughn, Susan Sloan, Donny Travis, Betty Derry, Scott Hamilton, Connie Burt and family, Abigail Huebschmann, Lucas Hebner, Juanita Perkins, Ericka Karpstein, Joanna Cooper, Carolyn Outland, Angel Thompson, Kaye Poyner, Jerry Huebschmann, Dorothy Henry, Derwood & Pat Doyle, Bob & Lois Tashjian, Kim Bruce, Rita Cook, Hannah Padgett, Juliette Kaplanes, Jim Henthorn, Jack Bender, Penny Maupin, Don Kemp, Tom and Sharon Olejnicak, Tim Wilson, Beverly Dukes, Bill Norvell, Kacie Schmidt, Stanley Frank Newby, JoAnne Carter, Wallace Hunt, Phyllis White, Judy Krouse and their family and caregivers.



**FOR OUR MILITARY:** Daniel Burgess, James Griffith, Cory Erickson, Justin Fatum, Jason Huber, James A. Kinsey, Sarah Martindale, Devin McFadden, Ryan M. Fields, Benjamin Patton, Kousuke Sasaki, Noah Willett, Wally Schmidt, and Luke Jablonski.

**St. Pius X Mission Statement:** We, the parishioners of St. Pius Tenth Church, gather in the name of the Lord to praise God and His Son, Jesus Christ, through the Holy Spirit, thanking them for the many blessings that they have given to us. We gain strength from the Word of God in order to share and celebrate God's love through the sacraments.

**St. Anthony of Padua Parish News**

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
 **FOR THE WEEK**  
 December 9<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>

<b>Monday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>All Parishioners</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Dick Cain</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Anthony Essner</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Donnie Owens Sr.</b>

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**Attention Ministers at Mass:** We have started our special prayer time before mass for all ministers (Servers, Ushers, Readers, & Eucharistic Ministers) in the sacristy promptly at 7:50 am. If needed, any absence will be replaced at that time.


**Angel Tree**  
 Beginning Sunday, December 1, the Angel Tree will be on display. Envelopes for donation will be available. Parishioners may place their donations in the basket during the Mass Collection.

**Thank you St Anthony:** Ms. Darlene Timmons and Helping Hands of Livingston County wants to thank St Anthony Church for your faithful and generous donations to help the poor of the county. God bless you for your generosity through regular collections and gifts.

**DECORATE**  
 the Church  
 Sunday, December 22  
 9:00 am

**Immaculate Conception of Mary**  
 St. Anthony of Padua Mass Schedule  
 Monday, December 9  
 9:00 am

 **PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:** Elena Carey, Donna & Jon Gresham, Bill Rodgers, Sister Rosemary, Tom & Margie Sheppard, Bob & Lois Tashjian, Deanna Hayward, Mr. Driskill, Margeret Adams, Pat Gorbett, Ed Derringe, Charles Paulius, Kathy Lehky, Helen Krivan, Betty Gonzalez, Frances Scott and their families and caregivers.

 **PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY:** 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.


**To add or remove names from either list, please call St. Pius Office at 395-4727 or email [stpiusx@stpiusx.us](mailto:stpiusx@stpiusx.us)**

Budget 2019/2020 fiscal year (July 2019-June 2020)	\$ 72,100.00
Donation Need Each Week:	\$ 1,386.54
Regular Collection -1201/19	\$ 1,284.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 34,011.28

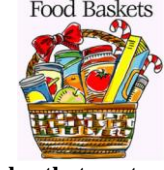
Mass Assignments – December 15, 2019

<b>Lector</b>	Nick Zaim
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Pat Gorbett Steve Wilkes Elena Carey
<b>Prayers of the Faithful</b>	Diane Quayle
<b>Ushers/Greeters</b>	Juan Gonzalez Bob Lehky
<b>Server</b>	Mike Drury
<b>Money Counters</b>	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond

  
**First Saturday Mass**  
 Saturday, January 4, 2020  
 8:00 a.m.

**Donuts & Coffee**  
  
**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Each Month**  
 Sunday, January 5, 2020  
 9:00 a.m. (after Mass)

Monthly volunteers to setup and purchase donuts are needed. Please sign up on the sheet in the gathering space of the Church if you would like to volunteer.

**Livingston County Helping Hands**  
 Christmas Food Baskets  


**corn, green beans, chicken broth, tomato sauce, cranberry sauce, canned tomatoes, chili beans, pinto beans, mixed vegetables, evaporated milk, canned sweet potatoes, spaghetti sauce, tuna, hamburger helper, tuna helper, spaghetti noodles, great northern beans, sugar, flour, Kool-Aid, pancake mix, macaroni and cheese, kids cereal, saltine crackers, cake mix, frosting, tea bags, peanut butter, grape jelly, pancake syrup, dishwashing liquid, shampoo, toilet paper, laundry detergent, coffee (regular or instant/or decaf coffee).**

*There is a donation basket at the back of the Church for your non-perishable items.*

# FROM THE PASTOR

December 8, 2019  
 Second Sunday of Advent  
 Mt 3:1-12

Dear St Pius X and St Anthony Church,

**A Voice of One!** John, just like Elijah (Is it 2 then?), appears as a *solitary voice* calling people to return to God! A lot of scripture is being fulfilled in just the few opening lines of today's gospel. First, Matthew (3:3) points out that John the Baptist is the prophet that Isaiah 40:3 refers to as "**A voice of one crying out in the desert**". The Voice's message is, "**Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths**". Immediately in the next verse (Matt 3:4), John's clothing is described to a T (de-Tail) as the same clothes as Elijah wore back in 2 Kings 1:8 "He wore a *hairy garment* with a *leather belt* around his waist." What is the significance of these strange clothes? Well, they were not Armani or Canada Goose Down. No surprise then that Jesus contrasted John's humble simplicity from the proud luxury of the Herodian high-class in **Luke 7:25-26** "*What did you go out in the desert to see? Someone dressed in fine garments? Those who dress luxuriously and live sumptuously are found in royal palaces. What, then, did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, and I tell you more than a prophet.*" And John's diet of locusts and wild honey reflected Elijah's survivalist ingenuity, showing his trust in God to care for him with whatever the environment provided! God fed and cared for Elijah through generous Raven birds and a widow's miraculously re-filling jar! 1 Kings 17:6 & 9, says "**Ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning, and bread and meat in the evening, and he drank from the wadi**" and then God sent him "to Zarephath of Sidon to stay there. *By my command, a widow there will feed you.*" So John, like Elijah, lived each moment trusting God to provide (clothing & food) whatever he needed *in* whatever circumstances God called him. But again, Jesus Himself later teaches just that exactly, saying, "Do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink, or what you will wear about your body. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing?" (Matthew 6:25). Jesus too knew that some religious groups obsessed about the status symbol of their clothes and banquets, "They widen their phylacteries (*showy armstraps & headwear*) and lengthen their tassels. All their works performed to be seen" (Matthew 23:5) & "they love places of honor at banquets" (Matthew 23:6). They are all wrapped up in luxuriously detailed clothes at elite dinners. So John made a statement with his counter-cultural example of simple and functional clothes! Like a good prophet, he dramatized his message by enacting what he taught.

John's message was 'Repent. The Kingdom is at hand!' Repent today, while you can! Return to the Lord, before He returns to the earth! The message is preached to everyone, but the gospel mentions two particular groups who show up by surprise: Some Pharisees and Sadducees. What is their business in the desert? Are they converting? Are they sincere? With John, we can hope so. But being realistic and aware that they control the corrupt Temple market and its treasury, John suspects that they are only coming out to spy on his teaching and collect 'opposition research' to discredit him and accuse him before Herod & Rome. So John amps up his challenge to them by saying, "**Produce good fruit** as evidence of your repentance" (Matthew 3:8). The Baptist wants them to show their sincerity through their **changed behavior**. They have to let go of their abusive powers, fancy robes, lofty titles and empty prayers. Instead of their religion serving them with perks and privileges, their repentance will serve the poor and previously persecuted (especially those persecuted by the Pharisees because the Pharisees were writing the religious rules to enrich themselves). John challenges them to live up to the kingdom of heaven. If their conversion is genuine, it will be proven in their public example. John says that the coming of Jesus will bring judgement. Jesus brings the tools to test each person's sincerity: the axe to harvest (v.10) and the fan to winnow (v.12). He will separate the fruit from the fluff, the wheat from the chaff. John proves his conversion by his own good works and eventual martyrdom. But will the Pharisees produce fruit of their conversion? They presumptively try to claim Abrahamic ancestry as insurance of their salvation, but John points out that in the desert everyone has to carry his/her own water! Membership in Abraham's bloodline is no birthright to salvation. The only salvation birthright is baptismal rebirth in Christ. And John demands that baptism shows itself in '**worthy fruits proving one's repentance**'. Anyone baptized in Christ will show proof of the works and words of Jesus in his/her life. That is a real witness! True repentance bears fruit!

Peace, Fr Brian

## Weekly Mass Readings

Monday	Gn 3:9-15, 20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday	Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday	Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30
Thursday	Zec 2:14-17; Lk 1:26-28
Friday	Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19
Saturday	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Sunday	Is 35:1-6a, 10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11



December 9	Mass-8:00 am (St. Pius X) Mass-9:00 am (Sr. Anthony) Devotional Service-11:30 am (Oakview Nursing Home)
December 10	Lunch Bunch-11:30 am Reconciliation: 5:30-6:00 pm (St. Pius X) Mass-6:00 pm (St. Pius X)
December 11	Mass-8:00 am (St. Pius X) Mass-9:00 am (St. Anthony) Weekly Scripture Reading-10:00 am (St. Anthony) FFY: Meal-5:45 pm-6:15 pm; Class- 6:30pm -7:30 pm Penance Service-7:00 pm at St. Mark, Eddyville
December 12	Mass-8:00 am (St. Pius X) Advent Retreat-6:30 pm
December 13	Mass-8:00 am (St. Pius X) Mass -9:00 am (St. Anthony)
December 14	Reconciliation: 3:30-4:30 pm (St. Pius X) Mass-4:30 pm (St. Pius X)
December 15	Rosary- 7:30 am; Mass-8:00 am (St. Anthony); Rosary- 9:30 am; Mass -10:00 am (St. Pius X); KC Breakfast with Santa-11:00 am (st. Pius X) Penance Service-2:00 pm at St. Paul, Princeton

### Change in Holy Day for this year

**only:** Because December 8 falls on a Sunday this year (Advent 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday), the Church has transferred its celebration to Monday the 9<sup>th</sup>. As a result of it being the 9<sup>th</sup>, not actual 8<sup>th</sup>, the US Bishops lifted the obligation to attend. We will be honoring Blessed Mother's Feast with mass at St Pius 8:00 am, and St Anthony 9:00 am.

### Christmas Mass Schedule:

**Christmas Eve**  
 St Anthony  
 5:00 pm Carols  
 5:30 pm Mass  
**Christmas Eve**  
 St Pius X  
 7:30 pm Carols  
 8:00 pm Mass  
**Christmas Day**  
 St Pius X  
 10:00 am Mass

### Advent Scripture Retreats:

Thursdays Dec 5, 12, 26, Jan 2  
 Come study some Advent-Christmas Scripture readings and explore the prayer form known as 'Visio Divina'. The session runs from 6:30-7:30 pm.

### Lunch Bunch

**December 10**  
**11:30 am**

**St. Pius X Parish Hall**  
 Bring your favorite finger food, appetizers or desserts to share. Christmas Trivia will be played.

### Advent Penance Service

- † Wednesday, December 11- 7:00 pm at St. Mark, Eddyville
- † Sunday, December 15- 2:00 pm at St. Paul, Princeton
- † Thursday, December 19- 6:00 pm at St. Pius X



*Exercise for Mind,  
 Body & Soul*  
 At St. Pius X

Tuesday, December 17-7:30 am

Please bring a floor mat or blanket.

Every Parish Pray for Priesthood Vocations: Matthew 9 Mission: Jesus says in Matthew 9:38 "Ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." 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 each volunteer may gladly offer more than one day a month to pray. Our goal is to have someone in all 78 parishes in the Diocese of Owensboro praying the Rosary for priesthood vocations every day of the year. Please see the register in the back of church and commit to praying at least one rosary a month for vocations. If you have any questions regarding the Matthew 9 Mission, please contact St Michael Marie Friedman or Fr Brian.