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27th Sunday Ordinary Year B Mark 10:2-16



"The Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, "Is it lawful for a husband to divorce his wife?" They were testing him. He said to them in reply, "What did Moses command you?" They replied, "Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce and dismiss her." But Jesus told them, "Because of the hardness of your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. So they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate." In the house the disciples again questioned Jesus about this. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery." And people were bringing children to him that he might touch them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this he became indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Amen, I say to you, whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it." Then he embraced them and blessed them, placing his hands on them."

Excerpt from 'The Prophet' ---- "Children"

By Kahlil Gibran

And a woman who held a babe against her bosom said,
"Speak to us of Children." And the Prophet said:
"Your children are not your children alone.
They are the sons and daughters of Life's longing for
itself.
They come through you but not from you,
And though they are with you yet they belong not to
you.
You may give them your love but not your thoughts,
For they have their own thoughts.
You may house their bodies but not their souls,
For their souls dwell in the house of tomorrow, which you
cannot visit, not even in your dreams.
You may strive to be like them,
but seek not to make them like you.
For life goes not backward nor tarries with yesterday.
You are the bows from which
your children as living arrows are sent forth.
The archer sees the mark upon the path of the infinite,
and He bends you with His might that
His arrows may go swift and far.
Let your bending in the archer's hand be for gladness;
For even as He loves the arrow that flies,

ACTS 2:42 GROUPS
ON MISSION AS A EUCARISTIC PEOPLE
YEAR OF MISSION

*"They devoted themselves to the teachings of the apostles,
the communal life, the breaking of the bread & prayer"*
Next Meeting October 13 at 1:30pm This small faith-
sharing group will share a time of prayer, and reflection.
contact Ed Georgen our Coordinator 270-963-0595

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 October 6, 2024
Gn 2:18-24/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16
Monday Gal 1:6-12/Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday Gal 1:13-24/Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Lk 11:1-4
Thursday Gal 3:1-5/Lk 11:5-13
Friday Gal 3:7-14/Lk 11:15-26
Saturday Gal 3:22-29/Lk 11:27-28

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**
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
Visit our website
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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,

27th Sunday Ordinary Year B

Mark 10:2-16

"It's such a shame for us to part.....Oh, take me back to the start" Yes, that is from Coldplay's song 'The Scientist', yet it summarizes how Jesus handles the Pharisees' argument over divorce and its permissibility or not.

The Pharisees wish to set Jesus in opposition to Moses (who would go against Moses?), trying to get Jesus on record contradicting Moses. Of course, the Pharisees have no concern about marriage therapy or healing couples that are in broken marriages. No, they simply want to use the divorce issue to make Jesus look bad (discredit him). This is the tragedy that happens so often, when people further division by using real people's lives and problems to further their agendas. This gospel is about more than rescuing marriage, or arguing the social problem of divorce and the breakdown of marriage. *(Please keep in mind that marriage as an institution has been under attack from the beginning, with people trying to force their will upon it, changing/redefining it to serve their wishes/desires).* Jesus wants the whole human family healed and all hurtful divisions ended. Jesus knows that the Pharisees are manipulating the divorce argument for their own social gain and standing at the expense of people's pain in their broken marriages.

Since Jesus is wisdom itself and because He also manifests the heart of God to us, He superbly handles this confrontation. Jesus feels with/for every person who is currently struggling or is still processing the pain of a broken relationship in marriage. Jesus doesn't quibble about the details of divorce allowed by Moses, or the conditions needed to qualify for a new marriage. No, Jesus goes to the heart of the matter and brings up the purpose of creation-go back to the beginning. God created us in God's image, male and female (Gen 1:27), two complementary parts to unite as a whole in a partnership for life (Gen 2:24-capable of each bringing their unique genetic contributions-XX+XY-to create new life together naturally). Marriage is about more than just husband and wife, loving each other. For their love to last, they must share their love in a common mission by furthering life, physically through the begetting and raising of children-Family! Marriage as a life-long covenant provides the stability and protection for the raising of children within the shared love between husband and wife. **Couples then can genuinely say with God, 'We (God and us) made this-Children and Family'**. This is what Jesus is upholding by granting that, yes, Moses did allow divorce, but that Moses' exceptions were a break/deviation from what God designed originally (in Genesis). The New Covenant of Jesus wishes to restore the original intention of creation-the Unity and Indissolubility of Marriage and Mission of Family Life.

However, Jesus knows full well the reality of sorrow and suffering at times for both partners in some marriages (and unfortunately for the whole family). He gently calls for every attempt at reconciliation if possible. That is the compassionate and understanding shepherd that we have in Jesus. He wants us to find a way to work things out. But again, Jesus knows that with divorce (as REM sang--'Everybody Hurts'). The parents, the children, the extended family and friends often feel pain along with a struggling husband and wife. Everyone feels pulled to side one way or the other. Jesus intervenes to remind of us of marriage's purpose as an institution of unity. So, even if marriage fails, then Jesus calls for us to ameliorate the suffering (stop the bleeding) by not furthering the hurtful division by trying to justify the breakup either way – scapegoating completely one party except in clear cases of abuse or abandonment. So, Jesus calls out the Pharisees for using the pain of couples to further their agenda and thereby pour fuel on the flames of the heated emotions mixed in with the breakup of marriage.

Jesus wants healing and peace to be experienced by everyone. And as usual His heart is closest to the weakest and the little ones in any situation. I like to point out that immediately after this testy exchange in today's gospel between the Pharisees and Jesus (Mark 10:1-12), Jesus takes a moment to embrace and bless children (children that even the apostles were turning away and ignoring) saying, "Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these" (Mark 10:14). Why? Jesus knows that that often in broken marriages it is the children who suffer most. So, Jesus is saying that we need to keep the love and care of children in the center of all talk and action about marriage. In fact, every institution of humanity is meant to foster care and nurturance of the young as they grow into what we all depend upon as the next generation. Who is behind us but the young, so we should do all we can to support them. And to work at preserving marriage and the stable environment it provides to our society's 'little ones'. Peace, Fr Brian

St Pius X Parish Council Meeting Thurs October 24 @ 5:00 pm

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 Oct 7– Oct 13		
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Ray Lucas
Wednesday	8:00 am	PJ & Martha Rose O'Donoghue
Thursday	8:00 am	Richard & Virginia Klohr
Friday	8:00 am	John T Schmidt
Saturday	4:30 pm	Robert Zilligen
Sunday	10:00am	Margaret Adams
WEEKLY DONATIONS		
Parish Hall Donation (9/29/24)	\$	315.00
Budget for 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2024-June 2025)	\$	195,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$	3,750.00
Weekly Donation (9/29/24)	\$	2,596.00
Online Giving (9/29/24)	\$	938.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 9/29	\$	3,534.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$	57,002.29

National Eucharistic Revival – Year 2 “Mission”

Whether you've participated in Praise and Adoration at your parish, walked alongside the Pilgrimage, or experienced Congress in Indianapolis this summer, this is a time for us to come together. Synodal listening sessions October 29th, event starts at 6:30pm at Ballard Center in Madisonville, KY

Marcella's Kitchen Need Volunteers:

Community kitchen provides healthy, warm meals to many, & delivers over 200 meals to homes. They need volunteers (kitchen workers & drivers) to provide this wonderful service. Various times/days need helpers. Call 270-703-3977 to help.



Happy Birthday! Oct 6 – Oct 12 St. Pius

- October 6 Wesley Duzmal
- October 9 Carol Roberts
- October 9 Kim Lampert
- October 12 Jerry Pidcock

Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X

- October 7 Stacey Newby & Catherine Broks
- October 8 Vic & Barb Melillo
- October 8 Maddie & Silas Traylor
- October 10 P.J. & Tracy Thomason
- October 12 Frank and Brenda Schiaretti

First Reconciliation/Communion Schedule

- Sun Oct 20 11:00-12:00 1st Reconciliation Class
 - Sun Nov 3 11:00-12:00 1st Reconciliation Class
 - Sun Nov 17 11:00-12:00 1st Reconciliation Class
 - Sun Dec 1 2:00 pm First Reconciliation Service**
- Please pray for our First Reconciliation students!*

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, October 12, 2024

Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Ed Georgen	Paula Schmidt	Kurt Schmidt Suzette Whittington Volunteer	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	

Mass Assignments: Sunday, October 13, 2024

Franky Schiaretti	Mike Bowling	Marcus Newman Teresa Newman Pam Hurst	Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer	Andy Ferm Sherry Ferm
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FFY
Calendar
&
Activities
Schedule

DATE	SUNDAY GOSPEL READING	SUBJECT
Oct 9, 2024 No class Fall Break	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 10:17-30	No Class Fall Break
Oct 16, 2024 Wed 6:00-7:30	29 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 10:35-45	Ten Commandments Beatitudes Image of God
Oct 23, 2024 Wed 6:00-7:30	30 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 10:46-52	Right/Wrong Choice, Say Yes to God Journey Board

Remember in Prayer

St. Pius X: Kiesha Bradley, Janet Norvell, 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, 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, Wes Hayes, Mike Norvell, Maryann Huebschmann, Shirley Mangan, 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, 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, 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.

Orphaned Children Diaper Project: Thank you to all who donated t-shirts for this important project. As of now, we have enough t-shirts. However, **Sew-On** Velcro can be donated and will be put to good use. Please use the basket by church doors for donations. Call Georgia Hunsley (*St. Anthony parish*) at 402-920-0108 for more info.

Upcoming Parish Events at St Anthony of Padua

Oct 9 Parish Council this Wed at 6:00 pm

Oct 13 Visit to St Stephen Church Grounds in LBL
Meet at St Anthony at 1:00 pm to carpool



Acts 2:42 Groups: 2nd Sunday every month: Oct. 13th
Signup contact Ed Georgen edwardgeorgen@gmail.com

All-Day Adoration on Friday November 1

St Anthony Church 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 November 2 @ 8:00am.
Every first Saturday we offer mass and pray the rosary



St Anthony Birthdays Oct 6– Oct 12

October 08 Colton Adrian
October 08 Tracy Modaff
October 10 Avery Zaim

St Anthony Anniversaries: No anniversaries this week

Study ‘The Chosen’ Weekly Sessions

Every Wednesday @ St. Anthony of Padua, we gather for weekly study session at 10:00 am. Currently we are viewing the series “The Chosen” and discussing its portrayal of Christ and His Disciples. We use guide-discussion questions and compare experiences of the different models of service to Christ. Come enjoy an insightful discussion about Jesus; followers. and how we can identify or not with their approach

St. Anthony of Padua

**Mass Intentions
Oct 7 – Oct 13**

Wednesday	9:00 am	<i>Dolly Bardsley</i>
Friday	9:00 am	<i>Patricia McNamara</i>
Sunday	8:00 am	<i>Ray Lucas</i>

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2024-June 2025)	\$ 73,500.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 9/29/2024	\$ 1,481.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 32,110.39

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

FOOD PANTRY

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 – October 13, 2024

Lector	Darin Adrian
Eucharistic Ministers	Jeff Ritorto Steve Wilkes
Ushers/Greeters	Vern Hunsley Georgia Hunsley
Server	Juan Gonzalez
Money Counters	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond

**CONSIDER ATTENDING DAILY MASS
OR WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

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, Pat Gorbett, Ed Derringe, Imogene Ramey.

Pray for our Military

Kevin Rapp, 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

Kevin Diamond	Chair Person
Judy Forsythe	Spiritual Life/ Secretary
Shara Parish	Finance
Kelly Noonan	Building & Ground
David Loxley	Social Concerns/Events
Steve Wilkes	Faith Formation

Next Meeting Oct 9 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