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24th Sunday Ordinary Year B Mk 8:27-35



“Jesus and his disciples set out for the villages of Caesarea Philippi. Along the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" They said in reply, "John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others one of the prophets." And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter said to him in reply, "You are the Christ." Then he warned them not to tell anyone about him. He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer greatly and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and rise after three days. He spoke this openly. Then Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. At this he turned around and, looking at his disciples, rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it."

Excerpt from *Who do you say that I am?*

By Ed Ostrom

Lord if I were asked the question today
"who do you say that I am? along life's pathway,
From the deep recess of my heart my response would be
"Lord, You are God's Son, My Savior giving me victory."

O Lord You are my source of living hope
in and through You with life's challenges I can cope,
Your brought me out of the dysfunction of my young life
in love gave me direction and strength to overcome my
strife.

Through faith in You Lord I look past my pain
in confidence trace the rainbow through falling rain,
O Lord Jesus, You draw me in Your strong loving arms
daily in grace You shelter and protect me from all that
harm

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

"They devoted themselves to the teachings of the apostles, the communal life, the breaking of the bread & prayer"

We are excited to be hosting our **Acts 2:42** group for a second year. Next **Small group meets Oct 13, at 1:30 pm.** This small faith-sharing group will share a time of prayer, fellowship, and reflection. If you would like to join, check out the Bulletin Board in the hallway by Parish Hall or contact Ed Georgen our Coordinator edwardgeorgen@gmail.com or 270-963-0595 voice/text

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 September 15, 2024
Is 50:4c-9a/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35
Monday 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday 1 Cor 12:31-13:13/Lk 7:31-35
Thursday 1 Cor 15:1-11/Lk 7:36-50
Friday 1 Cor 15:12-20/Lk 8:1-3
Saturday Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13

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, 24th Sunday Ordinary Year B Mark 8:27-35

"Senator, you're no Jack Kennedy!" This was Senator Lloyd Bentsen's remark to Sen Dan Quayle in the 1988 vice-presidential debate (after Quayle had compared his experience to Kennedy's). Sen Bentson had worked personally with Kennedy in congress-maybe before Quayle was even born-*No not really, but Quayle was a young politician!* If we are aware of contemporary figures, in addition to past historical people, it helps us, like when we try to understand a new player that shows up on the scene. When Jesus started appearing in synagogues and common areas preaching the Kingdom of God, I'm sure word spread not just about His specific teaching, but also about HIM – what He did, where He went, who He hung out with and where He came from. In the gospel, Jesus shows interest in hearing from His disciples what the public was saying about Him. He asks, **"Who do people say that I am?"** (Mk 8:27) Some of the 'survey says' responses were that He was like 1) John the Baptist, 2) Elijah or 3) any of a number of the ancient prophets (Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Isaiah?) Of course, Jesus uses this question to them as a warm-up to His real question directed to them. What do they personally think of Him?

But I bet the powerful politicians of Jesus' time had heard things too, about the new 'up-and-coming' preacher-rabbi. Later at Jesus' arrest and trial, the authorities seem eager to question Jesus about Himself. I could imagine King Herod, saying something similar to Loyd Bentsen, and commenting to Him, **"You are no John the Baptist**-he was such a hotheaded prophet". Also, I could imagine Pilate saying to Jesus, **"You are like no king** I have ever talked to." But as we see when Jesus is dragged in front of such politically powerful people, He didn't show any concern for what they thought of Him (for one, their opinion changes with the wind, as they try to keep control of their power). I think that is why Jesus often didn't respond to them and kept silent before them. Rather, Jesus was interested in what the 'people in the street' thought (the ones who truly carry the world). I see such personal concern behind His request to the disciples about what people were saying about Him on the street. But again, by His first question, Jesus was just loosening up the disciples to elicit from them their true feelings they felt about Him. The question Jesus poses to the apostles, He also poses to every follower (us). **Who do we say that Jesus is?** This is a great question for us to ask and answer in prayer. How do we describe Jesus? With what tone and feeling, do we talk of Him? What does He mean to us? If someone was to walk up on us and say, "So you know Jesus? Tell me about Him!" What would our response be? **It is personal**, of course, but our response says so much about Him being in our life or not. Do we only drop in on Him on Sundays, or do we keep contact with Jesus every day?

Following Jesus' first questions, even then, Jesus is just warming up. After Peter steps up and answers for the group, identifying Jesus as the Christ (the 'anointed one'), Jesus needs to further question and explore what they understand by the title 'Christ'. What does that name mean? We see that Peter may be stuck in a worldly mentality, like Pilate and Herod, and see the 'anointed one' of God only in terms of politics and governmental authority. When Jesus begins to describe His leadership service to humanity as one of sacrificial suffering FOR people, Peter balks and tries to redefine Jesus more to the taste of Peter's own liking. Peter seems to be thinking of 'anointed' leaders as 'kingpins' who boss others around, demanding service FROM people instead of giving service TO them. Of course, that manipulative attitude is what results in Jesus' strong reply to Peter. Jesus tells Peter that he is acting like 'Satan' (Mk 8:33) Peter had stopped being a disciple once he tried to 'control' Jesus, advising Him to avoid the 'cross' and 'suffering' for His people. Jesus was telling Peter that such self-interested leadership was thinking more like Herod's and Pilate's than God's way of true service to others. Jesus' followers willingly sacrifice themselves for the benefit and building up of others, not selfishly preserving only themselves. Jesus says, "For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it" (Mk 8:35). Jesus suffers and sacrifices Himself for us, instead of demanding that we sacrifice to make Him comfortable. Maybe Peter had seen too many politicians who loved to spend away other people's money on projects that glorified and served only themselves. Peter must have been caught up in that cycle of comfort and convenience seen among worldly leaders. But, Jesus introduces a new concept of kingdom and covenant among people: A kingdom of service and care for each person, and a covenant of loving sacrifice for the good of all people, starting at the bottom and building upward! This was/is NEW! For Christ, the Servant is the Leader! Jesus teaches, in Mark 10:45, "Whoever wishes to be first among you will be the **servant of all**. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but **to serve** and to give his life as a ransom for many." Peace, Fr Brian

St Pius X Parish Council Meeting Thurs November @ 5:30 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 Sept 16 – Sept 22		
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Charles Tissius
Wednesday	8:00 am	Michael Sutton
Thursday	8:00 am	Sally Anne Klohr
Friday	8:00 am	Mary Nundackel
Saturday	4:30 pm	Ray Lucas
Sunday	10:00am	Francis Higgins
WEEKLY DONATIONS		
Parish Hall Donation (9/8/24)	\$	172.00
Budget for 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2024-June 2025)	\$	195,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$	3,750.00
Weekly Donation (9/8/24)	\$	3,700.50
Online Giving (9/8/24)	\$	1,241.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 9/8	\$	4,941.50
Fiscal Year to Date	\$	45,718.15

Lunch Bunch September 19 @ St Pius 11:30 am

Lovely September Luncheon in September 19 @11:30 Church provides famous Food Giant Fried Chicken. Please bring a side dish vegetable or dessert. Sign up on Sheet in vestibule, (so we can order enough chicken!) Always a lovely time - please come join us!

Bishop's Sophia Award Recipients

Congratulations to our parish members selected by Bishop Medley to receive the Sophia Award this year. It recognizes longstanding parishioners who have worked in parish ministries and contributed to building up the parish community by their volunteer service.

St Pius – Congratulations to Mrs Olga Edwards
St Anthony–Congratulations to Dan &Cindy O'Brien



Happy Birthday! Sept 15 – Sept 21 St. Pius X

September 21 Eric Galvan

Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X

September 17 Klint & Debra Boughton

September 17 Jerry & Kathy Sanderson

September 18 Jeff & Julie Risley

First Reconciliation/Communion Schedule

Sun Sept 29	11:00-12:00	1st Reconciliation Class
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	1 st Reconciliation Class
Sun Dec 1	2:00 pm	First Reconciliation Service

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, September 21, 2024

Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Volunteer	Nancy Glover	Jeff Riedfort Charlotte Riedfort Suzette Whittington	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	

Mass Assignments: Sunday, September 22, 2024

Franky Schiaretti Dominic Schiaretti	Philip Scheiber	Marcua Newman Teresa Newman Caleb King	Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer	Not filled Not filled
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FFY
Calendar
&
Activities
Schedule

DATE	SUNDAY GOSPEL READING	SUBJECT
Sept. 18, 2024 Wed 6:00-7:30	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 9:30-37	Rosary Lesson
Sept. 25, 2024 Wed 6:00-7:30	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48	Adoration Lesson Adoration Benediction Church 7:00pm
Oct 2, 2024 Wed 6:00-7:30	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 10:2-16	Guardian Angels Journey-where are we headed?

Remember in Prayer

St. Pius X: 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, 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, 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 Woiahn 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
Parish Picnic Today at Noon! Little Lake Park
Sept 16 Hope Clinic Banquet (*see Judy Forsythe*)
Oct 13 Visit to St Stephen Church Grounds in LBL



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

All-Day Adoration on Friday October 4

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 October 5 @ 8:00am. Every first Saturday we offer mass and pray the rosary



St Anthony Birthdays Sept 15– Sept 21

September 15 Jamie Zaim

St Anthony Anniversaries:

September 16 Bob & Dot Lang

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
Sept 16 – Sept 22**

Wednesday	9:00 am	<i>Richard Gregory Klohr</i>
Friday	9:00 am	<i>Christopher Elder</i>
Sunday	8:00 am	<i>Rita & Thomas Marshall</i>

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2024-June 2025)	\$ 73,500.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 9/8/2024	\$ 2,454.87
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 28,978.39

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 – September 22, 2024

Lector	Wayne Bradshaw
Eucharistic Ministers	Cindy O’Brien Pat Gorbett
Ushers/Greeters	David Loxley Kevin Diesen
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