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Christ the King Sunday Year B Jn 18:33b-37



"Pilate said to Jesus, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you say this on your own or have others told you about me?" Pilate answered, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom did belong to this world, my attendants would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not here." So Pilate said to him, "Then you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

**Poem for the Feast of Christ the King**

*By Pamela Cranston*  
See how this infant boy  
lifted himself down  
into his humble crèche  
and laid his tender glove of skin  
against splintered wood—  
found refuge in a rack  
of straw—home  
that chilly dawn,  
in sweetest silage,  
those shriven stalks.

This outcast king lifted  
himself high upon his savage cross,  
extended the regal banner  
of his bones, draping himself  
upon his throne—his battered feet,  
his wounded hands not fastened  
there by nails but sewn  
by the strictest thorn of love.



**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"*  
Next Meeting December 8 at 1:30pm @ St Pius

**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](http://www.stpiusx.us)

**Daily Scripture Readings**

*Sunday November 24, 2024*  
Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37  
Monday Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Lk 21:1-4  
Tuesday Rv 14:14-19/Lk 21:5-11  
Wednesday Rv 15:1-4/Lk 21:12-19  
Thursday Rv 18:1-23; 19:1-9/Lk 21:20-28  
Friday Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2/Lk 21:29-33  
Saturday Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22

**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  
[www.stanthonygrandrivers.org](http://www.stanthonygrandrivers.org)

**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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## Pastor's Study Desk Notes



Dear St Anthony & St Pius Families,

Christ the King Sunday Year B

Jn 18:33b-37

***“My kingdom does not belong to this world”***, Jesus tells Pilate (Jn 18:36). So true! Jesus is a king like no other. He leads His people by serving them, and willingly giving and sacrificing His life so that His subjects may have life, and life to the fullest (John 10:10). His kingly authority was His lowly service. We can recall how he entered triumphantly into Jerusalem not in a golden chariot or on a majestic thoroughbred, but on a simple donkey. John 12:14-15 tells us that, “Jesus found a donkey and sat upon it, as is written: “Fear no more, O daughter Zion; see, your king comes, seated upon an ass’s colt.” Jesus is a humble king, not attached to pageantry and self-promotion. The day before entering Jerusalem on a donkey here, Jesus had been anointed king. ***His feet*** were anointed by Mary, (John 12:3). Saul, Solomon and David were anointed ***on their heads*** (1 Sam 10:1)! Why is Jesus anointed a ‘king’ differently by receiving oil on his feet? Because Jesus ‘walks’ with His people – walks in their own footsteps with them, and power is not a ‘head-trip’ (go to his head) for Jesus. Also, Isaiah 52:7 had prophesied that “How ***beautiful***....are the ***feet*** of the one bringing good news, announcing peace...” So Jesus is clearly as king unlike any typical earthly king. Worldly kings are often consumed with building campaigns of monuments and memorials, yet Jesus’ building campaign is ‘building up His People’. Jesus says such when He tells Peter in Matthew 16:18, “you are Peter, upon this rock I will ***build my church***....”. Recall that King David and King Solomon desire to build a glorious Temple Monument (God’s or THIERS). Their capital campaigns are described in 2 Samuel 7:2-5 that tells of David’s desire and 1 Kings 6 which documents Solomon’s completion of Temple. Jesus builds a Temple, more lasting and more fruitful by giving His own Body to His People as food so that He could permanently ‘dwell’ within them. Jesus reveals this when he clears out the Physical Temple in Jerusalem in John 2:19, and announces, ***“Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up.”*** Jesus is not concerned with any material monument on the city square. No, Jesus is after a ‘living memorial’ or ‘Temple of living stones’ as 1 Peter 2:5 says it, “like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house....” Jesus wishes to build His ‘sanctuary of presence’ among the very people (Church) He calls to be His own. Jesus is talking about building a ‘tabernacle’ He would dwell in, that is the ongoing, continued lives of His faithful disciples. (Jesus further describes this ‘real presence’ of Himself, within the Temple-the Church, of His disciples in John 6:54 “Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has ***eternal life***, and ***I will raise him*** on the last day.” Jesus’ Temple-Raising, or Temple building, is His people, His Church as they continue to live, serve and minister in His Name.

However, the crowds and people had different ideas about what type of king they wanted, and they wanted Jesus to fit into their expectations. Jesus knew their misunderstanding and always resisted the pressure from the crowd to make Him an ‘earthly prince of power’. In John 6:15, we hear an example of Jesus’ resistance to worldly power. John writes, ***“Since Jesus knew that they were going to come and carry him off to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain alone.”*** Also, as Jesus was on the way to the cross (His real Throne, and to wear His Crown-thorns), we hear the people ultimately reject His concept of power seen as humble service, when the chief priests announce, in John 19:15, “We have no king but Caesar.” Also, the Jewish crowd quibbles over the inscription Pilate sarcastically put on Jesus’ cross, “Do not write ‘The King of the Jews,’ but that he said, ‘I am the King of the Jews.’” They are distancing themselves from Jesus’ style of servant-leadership. Again, Jesus is king like no other!

If Jesus’ leadership is not most clearly seen by His humble acceptance of suffering and death on the cross for His People, then the next best place to witness how Jesus expresses His kingly service is in His humble act of ‘washing’ (anointing) His apostles’ feet at the Last Supper. I see this act of Jesus, as a type of anointing-coronation of them into his kingship of service. In John 13: 14, Jesus tells us that, ***“If I, therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another’s feet.”*** Back in Matthew 20:25-26, Jesus had ***called down*** His apostles as they fell into the worldly temptation to ‘boss and bully’ others instead of ‘sacrificing and serving’ them, when Jesus said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and the great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you shall be your servant’ That is Christ’s Shepherd-King style of leadership!

Peace, Fr Brian

**St Pius X Parish Council Meeting Thurs @ 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!

**NOVEMBER 24, 2024 † CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY YEAR B**

St Pius X Mass Intentions Nov 25 – Dec 1		
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Marilyn Erselius
Wednesday	8:00 am	Richard Gregory Klohr
Thursday	8:00 am	John Bardsley
Friday	8:00 am	Linda Palusco
Saturday	4:30 pm	Ray Lucas
Sunday	10:00am	David Soczka
WEEKLY DONATIONS		
Parish Hall Donation (11/17/24)	\$	140.00
Budget for 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2024-June 2025)	\$	195,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$	3,750.00
Weekly Donation (11/17/24)	\$	2,588.25
Online Giving (11/17/24)	\$	871.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 11/17	\$	3,459.25
Fiscal Year to Date	\$	93,628.34

**Prayers & Condolences:** Please pray for the eternal rest and peace of *Charlette DeWitt Hemmer* (mother of Jeana Orlandi), and *Dolly Bardsley* (sister of Georgia Bradshaw) who passed away last week. May their families be comforted.

**Mark Calendars for December Events too!**

Dec 8 Sun Father Brian's Open House  
Dec 15 Sun Breakfast with Santa KC's

**Immaculate Conception Holy Day Transferred to Monday December 9<sup>th</sup>-- Mass Schedule**

Dec 9<sup>th</sup> St Pius 8:00 am, St Anthony 9:00 am  
& St Pius 6:00 pm

**Memorial-Funeral Mass for Dolly Bardsley @ St Pius December 10 at 10:00 am**



**Happy Birthday! Nov 24 – Nov 30 St. Pius**

November 25 Benjamin Patton  
November 26 Steven Randol

**Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X**

November 28 Steve & Nancy Glover

**First Reconciliation/Communion Schedule**

Sun Dec 1 2:00 pm First Reconciliation Service  
*Please pray for our First Reconciliation students!*

**\*Advent Angel Trees:** \*Please help our Angel Project as we participate again this year in the provision of Christmas gifts/toys to children in need, through School Resources Centers

**St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, November 30, 2024**

Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
	Nancy Glover	Paula Schmidt Suzette Whittington Volunteer	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	

**Mass Assignments: Sunday, December 1, 2024**

Kason Peterson Kinley Peterson	Phil Scheiber	Pam Hurst Allison Devine Marcus Newman	Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer	Jan Waniel Jean Waniel
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**FFY**  
Calendar  
&  
Activities  
Schedule

DATE	SUNDAY GOSPEL READING	SUBJECT
Nov 27, 2024 No Class	First Sunday Advent Luke 21:25-28,34-36	Happy Thanksgiving No Class
Dec 4, 2024 <b>Wed 6:00-7:30</b>	Second Sunday Advent Luke 3:1-6	Penance Service for Students 6:30 pm <b>Cardinal/Theological Virtues AB52</b>
Dec 11, 2024 <b>Wed 6:00-7:30</b>	Third Sunday Advent Luke 3:10-18	St Lucy's Story Virtues/Vices Journey Board Activity

**Remember in Prayer**

**St. Pius X:** Greg Williams, Keisha Bradley Janet Norvell, Iris Joelle Maynard, Theresa Owens, Megan Mudd, 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, Jason Long, Helen Nicholson, Larry Kline, Bonita Walker, Joe Hedges, Jerry Wade, Katie Wood, Joanna Grimes, Amanda Bailey, Kaileigh Row, 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, 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 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Every Month**

**Quilters/Crafts group** at St Anthony Every Tuesday

**New Project Crafting Gifts** for an annual bazaar. Please see the list of items you can donate to help out. There are lots of different materials needed.

**Orphaned Children Diaper Project:** 1/4" Braided Elastic and Sew-on Velcro are needed. T-shirts are no longer needed. 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

**Acts 2:42 Groups Next Gathering is Dec 8 at 1:30 StPius**



**Christmas Choir Practice Every Saturday 10:00 am**

*We welcome anyone new members: Please consider joining Christmas Choir. We practice every Saturday! Please come join the group as we prepare for Christmas!*

**All-Day Adoration on Friday December 6**

St Anthony Church has an all day Eucharistic Adoration every 1<sup>st</sup> 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 December 7 @ 8:00am. Every first Saturday we offer mass and pray the rosary



**St Anthony Birthdays Nov 24 – Nov 30**

November 24 Savannah Gilbert  
November 26 Jack Modaff  
November 29 Shannon Lucas

**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  
Nov 25 – Dec 1**

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<i>Dolly Bardsley</i>
<b>ThanksGiving</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<i>Msgr Bernard Powers</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<i>Kay Sandra Lind</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<i>Tony Lazzaro</i>

**WEEKLY DONATIONS**

Budget 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2024-June 2025)	<b>\$ 73,500.00</b>
<b>Donation Need Each Week</b>	<b>\$ 1,413.46</b>
<b>Weekly Donation 11/17/2024</b>	<b>\$ 1,194.00</b>
<b>Fiscal Year to Date</b>	<b>\$ 46,396.39</b>

*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 – December 1, 2024**

<b>Lector</b>	Georgia Bradshaw
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Mike Drury Joyce Wilkinson
<b>Ushers/Greeters</b>	Kevin Diesen Kelly Noonan
<b>Server</b>	Juan Gonzalez
<b>Money Counters</b>	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond

**CONSIDER ATTENDING DAILY MASS**

**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 Jan 15 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:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:stpiusx@stpiusx.us)