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25th Sunday Ordinary Year B Mark 9:30-37



Jesus and his disciples left from there and began a journey through Galilee, but he did not wish anyone to know about it. He was teaching his disciples and telling them, "The Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise." But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to question him. They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house, he began to ask them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they remained silent. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest. Then he sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in the their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me."

From Little Gidding by TS Eliot

......We shall not cease from exploration
And the end of all our exploring
Will be to arrive where we started
And know the place for the first time.
Through the unknown, remembered gate
When the last of earth left to discover
Is that which was the beginning;
At the source of the longest river
The voice of the hidden waterfall
And the children in the apple-tree
Not known, because not looked for
But heard, half-heard, in the stillness
Between two waves of the sea.......

<u>Weekly Mass Readings</u> <u>September 19-September 25</u> Sunday 9/19 Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37

Monday 9/20 Ezr 1:1-6/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday 9/21 Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13

Wednesday 9/22 Ezr 9:5-9/Lk 9:1-6 Thursday 9/23 Hg 1:1-8/Lk 9:7-9 Friday 9/24 Hg 2:1-9/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday 9/25 Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Lk 9:43b-45

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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 Thurday-8:00 am Friday-8:00 am

Eucharist Adoration-First Friday of each month-8:00

† Weekly Online Mass

Sunday -10:00 am

We are still Live Streaming Facebook for anyone at home

Find us on Facebook at:
St. Pius X & St. Anthony of Padua Catholic
Churches

Parish Office Hours

Thursday 9:00 am-2:00 pm

St. Anthony of Padua Mass Schedule

† Weekend Mass

Sunday-8:00 am

† Daily Mass

Wednesday-9:00 am Friday-9:00 am

Eucharist Adoration-First Friday of each month-9:00 am

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Dear St Pius And St Anthony Churches,

'What were you arguing about?' (Mk 9:33) Jesus asks the apostles, yet they remain silent. I think their silence says it all. They are embarrassed to admit that they were having a boasting contest about who was the greatest! Can you believe that supposed 'servants of the Lord' argue about who is 'top dog'? Does this really happen? Oh, yes. This scene reminds me of the coach who overheard some of his players arguing about how they are going to display their trophy, even before they've made the playoffs. The good coach (like Jesus) reminds the team that a person doesn't count their chips until the dealing is done. I remember Aesop's fable of the milkmaid who was balancing her milk pail on her head while going to market, all the while imagining the fanciest dress at the fair she would wear as a result of her fortune. She would churn her milk to butter, then trade the butter in the market for baby chicks, then raise and sell the chicks to buy that dress everyone would envy her over. When she thought of herself on the stage, she haughtily threw her head back, and it tossed her milk pail to the ground. Lesson: we all knew but maybe didn't know the whole story: Don't count your chickens before they hatch!

Our gospel reading today has the apostles imagining their own glory (like the milkmaid), instead of being true disciples of Jesus. So as a good coach/teacher, Jesus takes a moment to reveal to them that true Christian leadership is SERVICE. Jesus says, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all" (Mark 9:35) Jesus knows the apostles were engaged in the old game of 'King of the Hill', where someone gets to the top, by pushing others down. Unfortunately, this is typical of the world and its leaders. So often in business and politics we see that the person at the top is there because of using others and putting others down. In this worldly model, the 'boss' appears as the point on top of a pyramid. Yet, Jesus up-ends that leadership triangle and shows that the real leader is the one at the bottom of an inverted triangle and holds the whole structure up by his/her work ('last-first, first-last' Matt 20:16).

Or if we do think of Jesus as 'King of the Hill' it is the hill of Calvary, where He willingly gave up His life, for our salvation ('My Kingdom not of this world'-John 18:3-again, Jesus is not a worldly leader). As a leader, Jesus gives His all to lift up everyone around Him. Our Good Shepherd-leader, Jesus says that He will freely 'lay down my life for my sheep' (John 10:11, 15). Jesus came to 'give life and life to the fullest' to everyone He encounters (John 10:10). Jesus serves all, and calls his disciples to serve the same way (John 13:15-Feetwashing Service).

On a related note, hasn't COVID done strange things to us? Somehow I learn about every other day, something that I missed in the past year and a half (piece of news or event story). I just learned of a theology professor/writer that I admired so much, who passed away back in mid-2020. He was a splendid interdisciplinary teacher who could bridge theology-literature-science in his writing style (and wonderful Irishman!) Well, I was reading some of his funeral tributes, and ran across one from a student of him, who shared how his professor always cautioned students not to get caught in the academic trap of competitiveness-envy that poisons too many education departments (professors exalting themselves by cutting down their peers). He saw too many professors more caught up in being 'published' or 'interviewed', than actually advancing truth and understanding. They were more concerned about their good image or catchy press than they were concerned about true ideas, or over curious pupils. He cautioned them against pursuing PhD degrees (Put Him Down-degrees). Yet as a good teacher, he lifted up all of his students, and was glad to disappear into the background while students deeply pursued the subject knowledge more and more. I already miss his next questions, papers and projects. May he rest in Christ's peace, though!

Finally, service in Christ's name doesn't have to be seen as a huge campaign. Simply serving another person in love (helping them prepare a meal, picking up an item for them, accepting a task from them) is the service work Jesus is calling us to by commanding our discipleship (deny self, take up cross & follow me). Jesus concludes His call to service today by lifting up and holding a child in front of them and saying, 'Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me' (Mark 9:37). Christian Service doesn't have to wait for a big project. Opportunities are everywhere, and anywhere when someone is in need. Recall that Jesus even said that a great work was as simple as 'cup of cold water given in my name' and would be rewarded (Mark 9:41). Such small, patient, lowly acts of service glorify God all the same as the glorious acts of dramatic martyrdoms in the history of the church. Some speculate that the real 'evangelization engine' of the early church was its example of true charity and selfless service to others. Romans 12:10 even advises Christians to 'anticipate one another in showing honor' (serving). So, let's be eager to discover new little ways of serving others in Christ's name! Peace, Fr Brian

Thank you, Thank you St Pius Clean-up Day helpers! Everyone who came out to help, it sure made a difference! Thank you for giving some time to take on several of the different jobs, and many little (or big) projects around the church and grounds. It was so good to conduct a deep cleaning of the parish hall area and hallway, in addition to the windows, etc. I hope it was good fun, I know it was work, but working together with others always makes the job a little lighter! Again, thank you so much for coming out and working the grounds!

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FFY Schedule: Family of Faith group, Confirmation group and Youth Ministry group				
Sunday	Sept. 19	11:30-1:00	Picnic for Family Faith Group	Church's Picnic Shelter
Wednesday	Sept. 22	6:30-8:00	Youth Ministry Grp	Parish Hall
Sunday	Sept. 26	2:00-3:30	Confirmation Class	Parish Hall
Wednesday	Sept. 29	6:30-8:00	Family Faith -	Parish Hall
•	•		October Parents Mtg	

CFSB Community Prayer at the Pole

Come out Thursday September 23 at 9:00 am, to CFSB (Calvert City Branch) for the annual prayer service for local law enforcement (Calvert City Police, Sheriff Dept & State Police), We thank and honor our local police and pray for their safety!

Prayers & Sympathy: Please pray for the eternal rest and peace of *James Harbison (Jimmy Harbison's father)* who passed away last Monday. Pray also for his family to be comforted and strengthened as they adjust and mourn his passing. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace

Birthdays & Anniversaries:

September 19 -September 25

Happy Birthday!

St. Pius X

September 19 Cheryl Sexton
September 21 Eric Galvan
September 22 Shayla Le
September 24 Shirley Poat
Larry Krouse

St. Anthony of Padua

September 24 Betty Gonzalez

Happy Anniversary!

St. Pius X

September 24 Brandon & Nikki Doughty

St. Anthony of Padua
No anniversaries this week

	St Pius X I	Mass Assignments: Satur	day, September 25, 2021	
Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Volunteer	Nancy Glover	Paula Schmidt	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	
	N	Iass Assignments: Sunday, S	eptember 26, 2021	
Volunteer	Pam Hurst	Jimmy Harbison	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter)	Andy Ferm Sherry Ferm

Protect our Children: Report and Seek Help against Abuse: The safety of our children is the responsibility of every Christian. Anyone aware of the abuse of a person under the age of eighteen is required by law to report this to the proper state authorities local law enforcement or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (toll-free: 1-877-597- 2331). To report abuse to the diocese, current or past, by anyone acting in the name of the Church (paid or volunteer), call Louanne Payne, Pastoral Assistance Coordinator (English) on the confidential phone line: 270-852-8380, or Susan Montalvo-Gesser/Miguel Quintanilla, Pastoral Assistance Coordinators (Spanish): 270-880-8360. The Diocese of Owensboro's sexual abuse policy is available this parish, on the bulletin board, in the parish office, and also on the diocesan website (https://owensborodiocese.org/safe).

Remember in Prayer

St. Pius X: Joey Elder, Jeffrey Frizzell, Kaileigh Row, Henry Feezor, John Campbell, Lisa Hammond, Rose Grossius, Bennett Meisenheimer, Neil Trammell, Peter Bullock, Jim & Rose Drury, Wes Hayes, Mike Norvell, Maryann Huebschmann, Shirley Mangan, Kenny Matthews, Dora Miller, Miller Meisenheimer, Joann Najgebauer, Elizabeth Nelson, Johnny Poe, Joel Rivera, 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 Longsworth, Matthew Black, Helen Bennett, Nannette Frizzell, Catherine Broks, Stacey Newby, Bette Zilligen, Dorothy Henry, Ric Vaughn, Susan Sloan, Donny Travis, Betty Derry, Scott Hamilton, Connie Burt and family, Abigail Huebschmann, Lucas Hebner, Ericka Karpstein, Joanna Cooper, Carolyn Outland, Angel Thompson, Kaye Poyner, Jerry Huebschmann, Dorothy Henry, Bob & Lois Tashjian, Rita Cook, Hannah Padgett, Juliette Kaplanes, Jack Bender, Penny Maupin, Don Kemp, Sharon Olejnicak, Tim Wilson, Beverly Dukes, Bill Norvell, Wallace Hunt, Phyllis White, Judy Krouse, Kerry Frazier, Rene Harrington, Joe Cirrito, Lisa Doyle, Forrest Michael Teeters, David Kroll, Cameron Brewer, Stefanie Wilkerson-Barragan, Hugo Santos, Sharon Gibbons, Lori Blades, Wayne Viniard, Braydn Barnett, and their families and caregivers

St. Anthony of Padua: Juan Gonzalez, Elena Carey, Donna & Jon Gresham, Bob Decker, Bill Rodgers, Tom & Margie Sheppard, Bob & Lois Tashjian, Mr. Driskill, Margaret Adams, Pat Gorbett, Ed Derringe, Charles Paulius, Helen Krivan, Imogene Ramey, Bob Lang and their families and caregivers.

Pray for Our Military

<u>St. Pius X:</u> Julianne Utley, 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 of Padua: 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.

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St. Pius X **Mass Intentions** September 20- September 26 Michael Gilliam **Tuesday** 6:00 pm 8:00 am Elizabeth Nelson Wednesday **Thursday** 8:00 am Jeanette Brooks Hayes **Friday** 8:00 am John Bailey **Saturday** 4:30 pm Cathy Creason Dustin & Rochelle Holmen **Sunday** 10:00 am

WEEKLY DONATIONS			
Parish Hall Donation (9/12/21)	\$	282.00	
Budget for 2021/2022 Fiscal	\$	180,000.00	
Year (July 2021-June 2022)			
Donation Need Each Week	\$	3,461.54	
Weekly MassDonation (9/12/21)	\$	2,416.00	
Online Giving (9/12/21)		1,006.00	
Total Week's Gift Offering	\$	3,422.00	
Fiscal Year to Date	\$	38,639.00	

NEW WOMEN'S MINISTRY @ ST. PIUS X

A place where you are loved and supported for who you are – A Daughter of God! All women are invited!

Meeting on Sunday, September 26 @ 11:00am-12:00pm Lunch will be provided for attendees.

Please call Pam Hurst or Paula Schmidt for more details.

<u>Disciples Response</u>: <u>DRF Sunday Oct 9-10, 16-17th</u>

Watch for your direct mailing from the Bishop's Office inviting you to support the annual diocesan appeal. The Bishop's Appeal Message will be shared at Mass in all of the Diocese's Churches on October 9-10 with the appeal cards being filled out at Mass, like usual, Bulletin Inserts will appear October 2-3.

Parish Council

Pam Hurst Chair Person Jeff Outland Building & Ground

Larry Krouse Secretary Robert Weekes Finance **Dawn Whitt Spiritual Life Catherine Broks FFY**

Bereavement Committee

Fran Dacus

Other Groups

Harold Dacus, Chair Finance Council Paula Schmidt *Art & Decorations* Michael Canon Knights of Columbus

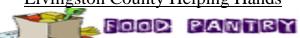
St. Anthony of Padua

Mass Intentions			
September 20- September 26			
Wednesday	9:00 am	Dent & Evelynn Mudd	
Friday	9:00 am	In Thanksgiving	
Sunday	8:00 am	Laura Logsdon	

WEEKLY DONATIONS	
Budget 2021/2022 Fiscal Year	\$ 72, 000.00
(July 2021-June 2022)	
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,386.54
Weekly Donation (9/12/2021)	\$ 1,955.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 19,230.00

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

Livingston County Helping Hands



Non perishable items needed: paper towels, toilet paper, laundry detergent, shampoo (adult & baby), bath soap, diapers, baby wipes, feminine hygiene products, dish soap, coffee, tea, mac and cheese, sugar, flour, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, tuna, salmon, canned fruits, canned vegetables. There is a collection container at the back of the church for your donated items.

Thank you for your generosity!

St Anthony Mass Assignments – September 26, 2021		
Lector	Mike Drury	
Eucharistic Ministers	Shara Parish	
Prayers of the Faithful		
Ushers/Greeters	Kelly Noonan	
	Kevin Diamond	
Server	Shara Parish	
Money Counters	Shara Parish	
	Kevin Diamond	

Online Giving: To sign up, visit our website at www.stpiusx.us and click on the link for "online giving" to set up your account. If you need any assistance, please call the parish office.

Parish Council

Roy McFadden Chair Person

Mike Drury Vice Chair/Building & Ground Debbie Owens Secretary/Family Life

Shara Parish Finance/ Building & Ground Social/Spiritual Concern Nick Zaim

Bereavement Committee

Pat Gorhett (270)362-3377

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)
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- <u>CONFESSION</u>: 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 <u>St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry:</u> 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