



St. Pius Tenth Catholic Church

The Church community of St. Pius Tenth hears the call to a deep, personal relationship with God in Jesus Christ. We commit ourselves to living and sharing our Catholic faith guided by the Holy Spirit and expressed in love.



Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 24th, 2020

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Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM and 11:00 AM

Monday and Friday: 8:00 AM

Tuesday and Thursday: 12:00 Noon and 6:00 PM

Wednesday: 6:00 PM

Holy Day Vigil: 6:00 PM

Holy Day: 8:00 AM and 6:00 PM

Confession: Saturdays at 12-1:00 PM

Adoration: First Friday of the month 9 AM—8 PM

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9 AM—4 PM

Friday 9 AM—1 PM

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WORSHIP and PRAYER

Readings for the week of May 24, 2020

Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/
Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

7th Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:12-14/Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8
[13]/1 Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11a

Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab [33a]/
Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 [33a]/Jn
17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-
36ab [33a]/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-
10, 11 [1]/Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab
[19a]/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5
and 7 [cf. 7b]/Jn 21:20-25b

Everyday Stewardship: Everlasting Easter

The Easter season is almost over. This season is always a tougher one for us Catholics. We get Advent and Lent: preparation. We are on board with Christmas, mainly because we like to keep up our decorations until someone tells us the exact day we must take them down. But Easter as a season is a bit more difficult to observe. The rest of the world has moved on. There are no Easter eggs left in store windows and all those religious movies on television have given way to reruns or season-ending episodes. It just feels like Easter anywhere ... except in the Church.

The truth is that it should feel like Easter all year-round in the Church. Every Sunday, we celebrate a mini-Easter. Our Lord is ALIVE! He is risen and alive, and we need to celebrate. We also need to be about the work of the Lord. We are an Easter people who bear witness to his resurrection through our stewardship. If he had never risen, then we would be called to nothing by no one. But he lives! As this Easter season is drawing to a close, it is prudent to reflect on what his death and resurrection mean for each of us. How has it changed us? How does it motivate us? It doesn't look like Easter in most corners of the world, so it is up to us to bring a little Easter to every place we go and to everyone we meet.

St. Vincent DePaul:

Volunteers are available on Tuesday and Thursday mornings 9-11:00 AM.

Question of the Week

First Reading

Those closest to Jesus in his life gathered together in the immediate aftermath of his resurrection and ascension. What sort of mixed emotions do you think they experienced?

Second Reading

Peter encourages those who suffer for the faith to "glorify God." When have you experienced this type of redemptive suffering?

Gospel Reading

At the conclusion of his farewell discourse, Jesus offers a prayer of petition to the Father for his disciples. How do you find Jesus' words comforting?

Pray for the Sick: Lois Davis, Axel Fleischmann, Larry Harralson, Jeanetta Mayfield, Alex McGehee Theresa Murphy, Corky and Elaine Norcia, JR Payne, Robert Shrewsbury, Julie S., Ron Tucker, Sharon Warren, Carrie Weaver. **Please call the office to add names.**

Carmel Home: Eugene Head, Audline Johnson, Margaret and Randal Richeson

Hillcrest: Kathleen Clark

Owensboro Center: Cecilia Aud, Peggy Livers

Heritage: Ed Howard

Golden Living Center, Tell City, IN: Joe McKay

Pray for the Homebound: Arch Bamberger, Tamara Burns, Richard Crowe, Wilford Crowe, Betty Greenwell, Donald & Sylvia Hamilton, Gerald Haynes, Sharon Merkley, Janet Rehrauer, Nathan Rumage, Margaret VanBussum, John Williams

Please Pray for Our Military

Stuart Castlen: Navy, Fort Meade, Maryland

LTJG Patrick Clouse: Navy; Norfolk, VA

Sgt. Jeffery Cooper: Iraq

Kaleb Hedden: Iraq

CPT. Ben Hedges: US Army, Ft. Knox, KY

Sgt. Brandon Johnson: National Guard: Iraq

LTC. Jason Jones: US Army-Deputy Director NATO Italy

Brian A. McDaniel: Marine Corp

Tony Pace: National Guard

MSgt. Kevin Payne: Dyess, AFB Abilene, Texas

Joshua Jones: Army National Guard Greenville, KY

Nathan Jones: Army National Guard Greenville, KY

Cory Vance: US Marines

Scott Wallace: National Guard

Prayer Chain Requests:

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ST. PIUS X LITURGICAL LIFE

Live Streaming Saturday 5 PM and Sunday at 8 AM & 11 AM from St. Pius X. Please join us by going to the Parish website: www.stpiustenthparish.org. Let us pray as a “virtual” community united in faith when we cannot gather together to worship together in person.

Masses Intentions for May 25-31 2020

8 am Mon.—Bill Froelich †
 Noon Tues.—Phillip Hagan †
 6 pm Tues.—Larry Gillims †
 6 pm Wed.—Fr. Joe Mills †
 Noon Thurs.—Michelle Haire birthday
 6 pm Thurs.—Rose Kimbley †
 8 am Fri. — Sara and Joe Wathen anniversary
 *5 pm Sat. — Brad Shrewsberry †
 *8 am Sun.—Tony Coomes †
 *11 am Sun.—Our Parish Family
 *Live Streaming

Observances for the week of May 24, 2020

Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter
Monday: St. John I, Pope and Martyr
Tuesday: 6th week of Easter
Wednesday: St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest
Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord (holy day of obligation in some U.S. dioceses); St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs
Friday: St. Rita of Cascia, Religious
Saturday: Sixth Week of Easter
Next Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord; 7th Sunday of Easter; World Communications Day

The diocese invites all Catholics to engage in **“Easter Lights”** now through May 31, Pentecost Sunday. Homeowners are invited to use the symbol of light on your property as a visible reminder that the light of Christ dispels the darkness of sin and death. Each night, as you ‘turn on the lights,’ say a prayer for an end to the Pandemic.

THANK YOU to all parish members for your prayers, generosity and turning in your pledge cards! *If you have not turned in a pledge card, please turn them in as soon as possible so we can meet our goal!* If you cannot contribute financially, we ask that you please still return your pledge card and pray for the parish renovation.



PENDING

<u>Mass Ministry Schedule:</u>	5 PM	8 PM	11 PM
Lector 1	TBD	TBD	TBD
Servers	None	None	None
Gift Bearers	None	None	None
1 Eucharistic Minister	TBD	TBD	TBD
4 Greeters	TBD	TBD	TBD
4 Ushers	TBD	TBD	TBD

Congratulations to **Nathan Lewis and Stephanie Williams** who celebrated the sacrament of marriage at St. Pius on May 23rd. The two shall become one flesh. (Genesis 22;24)

Eternal rest grant unto **Betty Howard**, mother of Mark Howard. May she rest in peace

Congratulations to Stephen Van Lal Than who was ordained to the priesthood at St. Stephen Cathedral on Mary 23rd. We are very proud of you, Father Stephen! God bless you in your assignment at Holy Spirit beginning June 9th.

Update on Church Renovation

Following the necessary bid phase, and after prayerful discernment, **Hayden Construction** has been selected as contractor. The committee will now be meeting to move forward and work with the architect, liturgical consultant and contractor.

I have asked the **Picnic Committee** to consider changing the date of the Picnic in light of the uncertainty created by the pandemic. **The new date for the Picnic is August 8th.** ~Fr. Tom

The **Flower Fund ministry** enhances the church environment throughout the year. Please contribute to replenish the flower fund if you are able. Special envelopes are at the church doors or simply designate “Flower Fund” on checks and envelopes. Thank you. Please do not forget to **pray for vocations through the Matthew 9 Mission**. If you cannot physically sign up in the parish vestibule to say the rosary, just call the office and let Laura know and I will fill in your name.

Howdy Buckaroos!

St. Pius X VBS is the week of June 22-26, 2020. The theme is Avalanche Ranch: **A Wild Ride Through God’s Word**

ST. PIUS X YOUTH NEWS

Matthew Knight, Youth Minister
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Parents and Youth

We are in a weird time and it looks like there might be a sliver of hope at the end of the tunnel. We will not be meeting for the rest of the month of May and for the whole month of June. However, the moment we are able to have 50 people in a gathering space we will start having some fun summer events. My hope is that this starts happening in July. Do know that everyone is in my prayers? Seniors, we are sad to see you go. 8th graders, welcome to High School Youth. 5th graders, we are so happy for you to join us for Middle School in the fall.

Middle and High School Youth

WEDNESDAY NIGHT, May 27th – Online Praise and Worship from 6:00pm-7:00pm

This is via Instagram Live. We go live around 5:55ish on my Instagram account @matt_knightt (yes that is Knight with 2 “t”s). Both Francis and I love sharing this time with everyone.

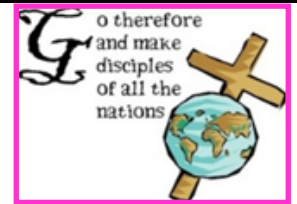
TEXT UPDATES

TEXT UPDATES for Youth and Parents: We had success with the remind app this past year to help inform when we meet for youth as well as cancelations. You can join by texting @spxhs11 (High School), @spxms22 (Middle School), or @spxp33 (Parents) to 81010. You can also join by sending me your name in a text to (270)454-0404. We will still send out mailing’s and post cards but only for big events (Retreats, Lock-out, ODYC, NCYC, Holy Fire, Messtival Games, etc).

VBS

Jeanie, Sister, and myself are looking at all of our options. Currently there is no finalized plan. Our hope is to be able to have an in-person VBS this summer but we are also weighing online options for you to do at home. Please stay tuned to the bulletin as we will let everyone know information the moment we have something for everyone. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Families in Faith



EASTER CONTINUES

FAMILY PRAYER - NOVENA

Even at an early stage of learning, children love to count 1,2,3 to show how old they are. A “novena” is a word meaning “nine” days of prayer. **May 22** is the day to begin a *Novena to the Holy Spirit* to anticipate May 31, the Feast of Pentecost, the “birthday” of the Church.

THERE IS AN APP FOR THAT (actually, several), You Tube, EWTN. Still at home? Try a daily set time for the family to gather and pray with the whole Church for a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Jesus promised to be with us until the end of time.

ASCENSION – BIG DEAL THEN?

Yes, a bigger deal than we sometimes understand when we read the Scriptures. Jesus promised the Apostles—and us—that he would send another PERSON of the TRINITY, the Holy Spirit. BUT, Jesus had to go back to the Father for the Spirit to be sent to the CHURCH. We (Church) carry out Jesus’ MISSION through the Spirit (power in US) as Community.

PRAYERS CONTINUE

Remember in your prayers those who **await the Easter Sacraments: Catechumens, Candidates from RCIA, First Communion children, and Confirmation youth.** “*Holy Spirit, your chosen ones wait to be one with us and with the universal Church. May we continue to incorporate them into our Parish life. Amen.*”

JESUS RISEN MAKES PROMISES

“You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes..., and you will be my witnesses...to the ends of the earth.” Acts 1:8-9

Mass Resuming and Sunday Obligation

May 23-24

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I wish to share with you the plan for reopening Mass:

- The suspension of the obligation to attend Mass continues indefinitely.
- Those who are sick or fall into the high risk and vulnerable category should stay home.
- Opportunities to worship virtually through live-streaming will continue. All weekend Masses now will be live-streamed.
- Churches may only admit 33% of their occupancy (100) Attendance **must** be regulated.
- All must enter through the vestibule or Daycare doors. These doors will be locked after Mass begins. Exit is always possible. The north doors will be locked before Mass.
- Social distancing must be maintained. An estimate of 80-85 persons is anticipated. Families from one household can sit together.
- Weekend overflow will be directed to the Parish Hall where Mass will be live-streamed. Communion will be distributed.
- The faithful is strongly encouraged to attend Mass during the week rather than on the Weekend. Weekday Mass schedule is revised for convenience. See schedule: Page 1.
- The largest attended Mass is Sunday 8 am. Please try to attend the 5 pm or 11 am.
- **Everyone over the age of 2 should wear a mask. If people are uncomfortable or children are not mature enough to wear a mask for the entire Mass, please refrain from attending.**
- Father will wear a mask in procession and in distributing Communion.
- Liturgical ministers will receive an email about volunteering to serve as Eucharistic Ministers, Greeters, Lectors and Ushers.
- Greeters and Ushers should wear masks and gloves to open doors.
- Cry Room will be unavailable.
- Holy Water fonts will remain empty. The Offertory Procession is suspended.
- The collection basket will not be passed. Use stationary basket in the front.
- The sign of peace involving touch remains suspended. Alternatives: bow, nod of head.
- Holding hands during the Our Father is only for those who live in the same home.
- Communion will be distributed to each section. The face mask should be worn in the communion procession and removed only long enough to receive the host.
- Communion will be given in the hand only and not on the tongue. People uncomfortable with this type of reception should make a spiritual communion.
- Singing is only done by the cantor.
- There should be no gatherings either before or after Mass.
- At the conclusion of Mass, please exit by pew to avoid a bottleneck at the doors.
- The worship space and bathrooms will be cleaned and sanitized after each Mass.

Thank you for your spirit of charity and ensuring the safety of one another. God bless!

Sincerely,

Fr. Tom Buckman, Pastor



	Week of	Year 2019/20
<i>(fiscal year begins in July)</i>	5/17/2020	To Date
Regular Collections	11,514.81	613,391.71
Budget Goal	13,900.00	639,400.00
Over/ (Short) TOTAL	(2,385.19)	(26,028.29)
SVDP	167.00	
Renovation Goal	1,500,000.00	
Pledges Received	1,313,906.62	
Money Received	531,287.20	

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Web address is: <http://bit.ly/StpxOboro>

or QR code



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You are were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen



A Memorial Day Prayer

As our nation pauses today to remember those in the military who have given their lives for freedoms we enjoy, we pray you would have us all look to you for strength, comfort and guidance.

Be with all who serve in our Armed Forces. Bless them and their families.

Grant your loving protection. Let peace prevail among all the nations, O God. Especially let your mercy rest upon our land, even as we acknowledge with thanksgiving your past goodness on this country.

If it is your will, preserve the lives of the men and women in uniform as they defend our citizenry.

Most of all, we pray that you would turn the hearts of all - military and civilian - to your holy Word where we find the true peace for our sinful souls that surpasses all understanding. Keep us repentant of sin. Move us to know, take hold and treasure your saving grace.

In this peace and hope for eternity, we pray.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Unfortunately Young Adult Ministry will be placed on hold until further notice due to the COVID-19 outbreak. We will be having live streams of Mass every Sunday at 11am as well as a praise and worship on Instagram Live (@matt_knightt) every Wednesday Night at 6pm. We pray everyone stays safe and healthy. We will resume as soon as social distancing and Mass suspension is lifted.

Congratulations from the staff and parishioners at St. Pius X to Fr. Stephen Than on his priestly ordination!



Matthew 9 Mission

A response to Christ's call to pray for vocations. Please sign up in the vestibule on the monthly calendar. More than one person may pray on a particular day and you may choose more than one day a month to pray. This would be a wonderful **family prayer time**. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office or the vocations office.

Safe Environment:

To report suspected abuse, call the Kentucky Child Protection Hot Line: 1-877-597-2331 (Toll Free) or contact your local Commonwealth Attorney to report abuse to the diocese, current or past, by anyone acting in the name of the Church, call Louanne Payne, Pastoral Assistance coordinator (English) at 270-852-8380, or Nuria Elizondo, Pastoral Assistance coordinator (Spanish) at 270-880-8360. You may also visit the Office of Safe Environment (owensborodiocese.org/safe) for more information.

WELCOME AND SACRAMENTS:

Membership In Parish

We extend a hearty welcome to all new families or persons in our parish. We want everyone to be part of our faith community and an active member of our vibrant parish life. Please register in the Parish Office.

Marriage

Call the Parish Office at least six months before the proposed date.

Communion to Shut-Ins

Any home-bound parishioner wishing to receive Communion is asked to call the Parish Office.

Baptismal Preparation

The Baptism Formation "Belonging" will be held on the first Tuesday of each month from 6:00-8:00 pm. Parents and Grandparents may attend this 2 hour session before or after the birth of the child. Please call the Office to schedule your session.

RCIA and RCIC

Those aged 7+ or interested in learning more about the Catholic faith please call the Parish Office. Classes are Thursday evening at 6-7:30.

Anointing of the Sick

Anointing of the sick is celebrated twice a year and on First Fridays. Anyone wishing to receive the Sacrament at another time is asked to call the Parish Office.

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