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**21<sup>st</sup> Sunday Ordinary Year B John 6:60-69**



"Many of Jesus' disciples who were listening said, "This saying is hard; who can accept it?" Since Jesus knew that his disciples were murmuring about this, he said to them, "Does this shock you? What if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life, while the flesh is of no avail. The words I have spoken to you are Spirit and life. But there are some of you who do not believe." Jesus knew from the beginning the ones who would not believe and the one who would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by my Father." As a result of this, many of his disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him. Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God."

**Our Day: A Poem by Marcus Garvey**

The Bread of life is gift of God to man,  
The blood of Christ is solace grand:  
To eat the food of Love Divine,  
Brings hope that leads to glory's land.

The glorious Sacrament of Christ  
Is tonic to the soul each day:  
A ransom in the Blood of love,  
Is gain for those who humbly pray.

As sons of Ham we eat the Bread,  
And drink the Holy Christian Blood:  
Our hope is in the Grace of God,  
For sufferings thus understood.

Our day will come with showers true....

(Rain Down the Manna Bread of Justice-Exodus 16:4))

Marcus Garvey was a Jamaican-Born Civil Rights Activist, who died in 1940 (He held controversial views inside and outside of the civil rights movement due to his Pan-African Nationalist Sympathies).

**Weekly Mass Readings**

**August 8 – August 15**

**Sunday 8/22** Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32/Jn 6:60-69  
**Monday 8/23** 1 Thess 1:1-5, 8b-10/Mt 23:13-22  
**Tuesday 8/24** Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51  
**Wednesday 8/25** 1 Thess 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32  
**Thursday 8/26** 1 Thess 3:7-13/Mt 24:42-51  
**Friday 8/27** 1 Thess 4:1-8/Mt 25:1-13  
**Saturday 8/28** 1 Thess 4:9-11/Mt 25:14-30

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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  
Thursday-8:00 am  
Friday-8:00 am

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

**+ Online Mass +**  
Sunday -10:00 am

**We are still Live Streaming  
Sunday Mass via Facebook  
for anyone at home**

Also check out the Youtube Videos of  
Gospel Sunday Previews  
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**  
Saturday 6:00 pm  
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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# FROM THE PASTOR



Dear St Pius And St Anthony Churches,

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time Year B John 6:60-69

What do they say about 'tough love'? I understand 'tough love' to mean that there are times when people who love one another have to share or speak 'unpleasant, but true words' to each other. Maybe it is over serious matters such as risks to health, faith or life. These times come up whenever someone has to take action that is difficult but necessary, to protect and preserve the other person's life. I think today's gospel reading has Jesus expressing 'tough love' to us His followers. In chapter six of John's gospel, Jesus is laying down the truth that to be His follower, one must receive/consume His flesh and blood (6:56 "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him"—***If we do not eat & drink this saving food***, then Jesus had said, in verse 53 "then you do not have life within you."-That is a strong statement of His). John 6:60 tells us that 'Many' people left him and returned to their former ways after Jesus spoke this strongly. This moment of 'tough love' comes to a climax when Jesus asks His own 'called & chosen' apostles point blank, in John 6:67, "Do you also want to leave?" Determining who remains with Him and who leaves, comes down to who accepts on belief, Jesus' own statements that He will (*somehow*) feed us with His own Flesh and Blood. Yes, it is strong language, and Yes, we may not comprehend with our rational minds the mechanics of how God can give us eternal life through His Son's flesh and blood. ***YET***, Jesus said it! And we are called to accept His words or not. ***That is faith in His Word***. I suppose the 'many' who left have various different reasons for falling away, yet a definitive breaking point of either turning away or remaining with Him happens when Jesus asks them to believe on His word. 'Believing' is a step of trust beyond what the mind can rationalize and master for itself. I find it to be pure faith when we respond to Him, "Jesus you said it, and I believe it (*even though I can't see it!*)" That is what Peter replies to Jesus in John 6:68 when he says, "You have the words of eternal life."

Our understanding of the Holy Eucharist as Christ's Real Presence, is drawn from several places in scripture, but most clearly Jesus teaches it in this sixth chapter 6 of John's gospel. In John 6:55, Jesus pointedly says "***For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink***." Such clarity and specificity I find is Jesus' acknowledgement that later generations would question the literalness of His words. Controversialists ask, "*Is Jesus being literal here, or only figurative? Does He mean 'actual flesh and blood' or is He only talking symbolically? Is He stretching language to make a point?*" I suggest that Jesus knows these questions will circulate in the minds that wish to revise His words, softening or minimizing them. He knows that 'many' are questioning His words even at the moment He speaks them as recorded in scripture. He demonstrates this awareness as He notes the departure of the previous believers. But we still hear such questions today, "*Is Jesus being literal here or only exaggeratedly suggestive to add emphasis to His teaching?*" I find that He must be as literal here as He ever is, because if He was only using symbolic 'figures of speech', He so easily could have called back the departing crowds to Him with apologies, clarifying that He was only exaggerating to make a point. But He didn't do that. He offers in a spirit of 'tough love' this freedom to accept Him on faith and remain in His word, or to leave and move on from being in His company. What I've always found to be a tipping point in favor of Jesus' literalness here is His use of 'IS' and 'MY' ('my flesh is true food'-6:55-repeated in another form in Matthew 26:26 'This is my body'). 'IS' speaks for itself, and anyone's use of 'MY' puts that own person on the line, indicating maybe the highest level of clarity and actuality- If I know anything, I should know it and state it about 'me'! But again, this whole chapter 6 of John as teaching of Jesus, is God's Word. I remember that back in the beginning of Jesus' public ministry He had claimed that 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God' (Matthew 4:4 quoting Deuteronomy 8:3). So, I find Jesus' Word is enough to live by. While I'm not able to fully explain how He makes 'His Flesh-Body-Blood' become my 'Food', I can accept and know it 'works' as I feel it within me and I am nourished by Him. By the Way, since it is our Savior Jesus who is the one who even miraculously rose from the dead, what could He not accomplish by His Word? Peace, Fr Brian

## St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, August 28, 2021

Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	
Mass Assignments: Sunday, August 29, 2021				
Volunteer	Dawn Whitt	Jimmy Harbison	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter)	Nancy Singleton Richard Derry

## **Volunteer Corner:** Are you looking for a way to help around our church community?

There are many opportunities for service ***within our churches***. Sometimes, the right gift is out there looking for just the right time to serve. How about now? 1) Have you ever considered working in a *parish support card-ministry with others* mailing comfort cards to the sick or grieving, or celebratory cards for special events? Or 2) re-designing and maintaining the bulletin each week? Or 3) preparing a seasonal parish newsletter with activity pictures and updates on parishioners, new and old, or spotlighting parishioner involvements serving in the greater community? Or 4) composing and preparing the prayer intentions at our daily and weekend masses?

**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 to an informational gathering on **Sunday, August 29 at 2:00pm in the St. Pius X Parish Hall**. We will discuss how the women in our parish can support one another while providing valuable help to our parish's needs.

**Every Wednesday Bible Study**

at 10:00 am St Anthony Church



Come study the Sunday Mass readings with a group as a wonderful preparation to find even more grace in Sunday Celebrations.

**Knights Columbus Pancake Breakfast**

**Sunday August 29** after the Sunday 10:00 am Mass at St Pius. Everyone is invited to stay after mass and visit while enjoying a delicious pancake, sausage and egg breakfast hosted by our Knights of Columbus Council.

**Our Churches' Quilting Group has been busy!** They have another beautiful quilt on raffle again, and are selling chances at St Anthony masses this weekend. Please buy some and get in the drawing for a beautiful home quilt! We are so thankful for their faithful support of the churches!

**Mark your calendar: Sophia Award Mass 2021**

Scheduled for **Sunday, September 26, 2021** at 2:00 pm at St. Stephens Cathedral. A reception will follow in the Fr. Vaughan Community Center. If you have any questions please call Janet Clancy at janet.clancy@pastoral.org 270-852-8354.

**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>).

**Congratulations to our newly baptized:**

**Cole Douglas Blazina**, son of Joey & Tara Blazina & brother of Aiden Blazina, who was baptized August 8<sup>th</sup> at St Pius. We welcome our newest church member and celebrate Cole's entrance into the family of Christ! Congratulations!

**Birthdays & Anniversaries:**

**August 22-August 28**

**Happy Birthday!**

**St. Pius X**

August 22	Merle Wysock
August 24	Sydney Ferm
August 25	John Brooks
August 25	Devin Humphreys
August 26	Jimmy Harbison
August 27	Willard Doughty
August 28	Marty Darst

**St. Anthony of Padua**

August 23	Bob Lang
August 25	Merlin Ray

**Happy Anniversary!**

**St. Pius X**

August 23	Ray & Alice Lucas
August 25	John & Patricia Schuld

**St. Anthony of Padua**

August 27	Steve & Helen Krivan
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**CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES & PARENTS MEETING**

**Wednesday, August 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm**  
**St. Pius X Parish Hall**

Students in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade – High School who want to receive Confirmation this coming Spring must attend the Confirmation Meeting with their parents.

**Remember in Prayer**

**St. Pius X:** Joey Elder, John Campbell, Jim Darst, Kaileigh Row, Marilyn Duzmal, 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 Longworth, Matthew Black, Helen Bennett, Nannette Frizzell, Catherine Brooks, 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**

**St. Pius X:** 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.



**St. Pius X**

**Mass Intentions**

**August 23 – August 29**

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<i>Dewain Fischer</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<i>Doretha Owen</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<i>Sylvester Herricks</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<i>Lonnie Roberts</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>4:30 pm</b>	<i>John Bardsley</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<i>Ann Burgess</i>

**WEEKLY DONATIONS**

<b>Parish Hall Donation (8/15/21)</b>	<b>\$ 155.00</b>
<b>Budget for 2021/2022 Fiscal Year (July 2021-June 2022)</b>	<b>\$ 180,000.00</b>
<b>Donation Need Each Week</b>	<b>\$ 3,461.54</b>
<b>Weekly Donation (8/15/21)</b>	<b>\$ 1,683.00</b>
<b>Online Giving (8/15/21)</b>	<b>\$ 960.00</b>
<b>Total Week's Gift Offering</b>	<b>\$ 2,643.00</b>
<b>Fiscal Year to Date</b>	<b>\$ 26,533.00</b>

**Online Giving:** To sign up, visit our website at [www.stpiusx.us](http://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.

**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 Pius X Parish Council**

<b>Pam Hurst</b>	<b>Chair Person</b>
<b>Jeff Outland</b>	<b>Building &amp; Ground</b>
<b>Larry Krouse</b>	<b>Secretary</b>
<b>Robert Weekes</b>	<b>Finance</b>
<b>Dawn Whitt</b>	<b>Spiritual Life</b>
<b>Catherine Broks</b>	<b>FFY</b>

**Bereavement Committee**

*Fran Dacus*

**Other Groups**

<i>Finance Council</i>	<i>Harold Dacus, Chair</i>
<i>Art &amp; Decorations</i>	<i>Paula Schmidt</i>
<i>Knights of Columbus</i>	<i>Michael Canon</i>

**St. Anthony of Padua**

**Mass Intentions**

**August 23 – August 29**

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<i>Pauline Henning</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<i>In Thanksgiving</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<i>Norma Word Family</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<i>Iva Mae Court</i>

**WEEKLY DONATIONS**

<b>Budget 2021/2022 Fiscal Year (July 2021-June 2022)</b>	<b>\$ 72,000.00</b>
<b>Donation Need Each Week</b>	<b>\$ 1,386.54</b>
<b>Weekly Donation (8/15/2021)</b>	<b>\$ 1,270.00</b>
<b>Fiscal Year to Date</b>	<b>\$ 11,690.00</b>

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

**St Anthony Parish Council New Member Update**

After consulting the Council Constitution, we'll be adjusting the process to conform better to guidelines. We need to first receive nominations, and then we will conduct an election by paper ballot, so this Sunday and next, we will be receiving nomination forms and the paper election will be conducted Sept 5<sup>th</sup> weekend. Please pray over who may serve well on our church council, and ask them to consider serving or if you feel called to help your church in this ministry of servant leadership, please step up too.

**St Anthony Mass Assignments – August 29, 2021**

<b>Lector</b>	<i>Mike Drury</i>
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	<i>Shara Parish</i>
<b>Prayers of the Faithful</b>	
<b>Ushers/Greeters</b>	<i>Kelly Noonan</i> <i>Kevin Diamond</i>
<b>Server</b>	<i>Shara Parish</i>
<b>Money Counters</b>	<i>Shara Parish</i> <i>Kevin Diamond</i>

**St Anthony Parish Council**

<b>Roy McFadden</b>	<b>Chair Person</b>
<b>Mike Drury</b>	<b>Vice Chair/Building &amp; Ground</b>
<b>Debbie Owens</b>	<b>Secretary/Family Life</b>
<b>Shara Parish</b>	<b>Finance/ Building &amp; Ground</b>
<b>Nick Zaim</b>	<b>Social/Spiritual Concern</b>

**Bereavement Committee**

*Pat Gorbett (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)
- + **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)