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Jesus said to his disciples:

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?' And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.' Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

**Observances for the week of
Nov 23-29**

This Week-National Bible Week
Monday- Memorial of Sts. Clement I & Columban;
Bl. Miguel Augustin
Tuesday- Memorial of St. Andrew Dung-Lac
Wednesday-- Memorial of St. Catherine of Alexandria
Thursday- Thanksgiving Day
Sunday- First Sunday of Advent

**Weekly Mass Readings
November 23-29**

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 Sir 50:22-24; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
Friday Rv 20:1-4, 11-21:2; Lk 21:29-33
Saturday Rv 22:1-7; Lk 21:34-36
Sunday Is 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7; 1 Cor 1:3-9;
Mk 13:33-37

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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 & 6:00 pm
Thursday-8:00 am
Friday-8:00 am

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

† **Online Mass**

Sunday -10:00 am
Wednesday - 6:00 pm

**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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A Message From Fr. Brian Johnson

November 22, 2020

Mt 25:31-46

Dear St. Pius X and St. Anthony Church,

Happy Christ the King Sunday! This Sunday ends our church calendar year celebrating Jesus as **King of all Time and Lord of all History!** This feast crowns the year, marking Jesus as the Universal Savior of all People! Of course, Jesus, the Lamb of God is the **'Alpha & Omega-Beginning & End'** of all things (Revelation 1:8, 21:6 *'I love how the book of Revelation begins and ends with that proclamation!'*). And what kind of king do we have? A Shepherd-King as Ezekiel prophesies (our first reading today Ez 34:15-17) and Jesus Himself confirms, "I am the Good Shepherd" (John 10:11). So beautifully does Ezekiel describe the care given the sheep by this Good Shepherd. He says *"I myself will give them rest; the lost I will search out, the strays I will bring back, the injured I will bind up, and the sick I will heal...."* So, if Jesus is the Good Shepherd, what does that make us? Good Sheep! Or at least He calls us to be 'good' sheep! How are we doing as 'good sheep'? Today's gospel gives us the measure of 'good sheep'. Jesus wants His sheep to serve each other, just as He serves us ('to love others just as He has loved us' John 13:34). Specifically, it means physical actions taken up daily to serve others. Jesus tells the good sheep, "For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me." (Matthew 25:35-36). Catholics refer to these specific commands of Jesus as the Corporal Works of Mercy. They embody the 'new command' Jesus gave at the Last Supper (John 13:15- **As I have done, so you should do**). So, as we end the year and come upon a time of review of the previous twelve months, we can ask ourselves how we measure up. Like the judgment scene in the gospel (Matthew 25-Separation of the Sheep from Goats), we need to ask ourselves how we have embodied Jesus' life giving actions or not! When the sheep are surprised to hear that they have been serving the Shepherd all along, He responds, "Amen, I say to you, ***whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me***" (Matt 25:40). Oh! What we do lovingly for another person in the name of Jesus, we are doing it to/for Him! And that includes everything. BUT, that also means maybe scarily, (more scary than Halloween) that anything and all that *we do not do* for others, or what we do rudely and offensively to others, we do that to Jesus Himself too! How life-changing this perspective should be for us? I have to ask myself about anything I say, would I say that to Jesus' face? I have to ask myself about anything I do, would I do that to Jesus standing right in front of me? That is judgment!

I emphasize about this Sheep-Goat parable how physical and concrete Jesus is being about what will mark us 'saved or not'! Jesus had hinted earlier in His teaching on Salvation that being with Him meant more than just words. We can't 'name-drop' our way into heaven. In Matthew 7:21 Jesus taught, "Not everyone who *says* to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who *does* the will of my Father in heaven." He tells us what the 'will of the Father' is when He teaches the corporal works of mercy. Salvation is reflected in more than just our words. Our reaction to salvation is shown by our outward concern for others expressed in physical actions of service. Jesus is the 'Word made Flesh'(Jn 1:14). The fruit of God's grace given to us is demonstrated in our lives of concern for others. A couple weeks ago, I mentioned in a message how easy it is to say, "I believe in God" or "I love Jesus". Yet, after saying that, is anything changed about my behavior? That is the judgment scene in today's gospel. I just mentioned Matthew 7 where Jesus said that there will be 'namedroppers' on the last day trying to justify their salvation by 'saying the right things'. But they never acted on the words. Jesus' response to those superficially 'posing' followers is, "I will declare to them solemnly, 'I never knew you. Depart from me, you evildoers.' Matt 7:23). That is scary! Facing Jesus on judgment day, he may ask us "Are you saved?" to which we can only humbly suggest, 'It is your grace, We know you, we learned your teaching and actions, and tried to follow- saying what you said and **doing what you did.**' And we pray He tells us, "Well done, my good and faithful servant..... Come, share your master's joy" (Matthew 25:21).

Peace, Fr Brian

Another Saint in Time of Plague:

Blessed Margaret of Castello

(Born 1287- Died 4-12-1320)

Margaret della Metola was born in Perugia to parents Parisio and Emilia who were nobles in Castle of Metola. Her parents were expecting a son to take up guard service as a noble soldier. Yet, Margaret, not only disappointing them to not be a male heir, was born with many health deformities. She was born blind with a severe curvature of the spine and had difficulties in walking due to one leg being several inches shorter than the other. Her growth was stunted allowing her to only grow to about four feet in height. Because of social status, her parents were embarrassed by her severe deformities and sought to keep her hidden in the castle always out of public view. A house maid discovered her and cared for her, naming her 'Margaret' from the Greek word for 'pearl'. At age six, she was almost exposed and made known to neighbors, but her parents intervened and imprisoned her in the castle in a room attached to the family castle chapel. She became someone like a church 'anchorite' who remained in the cell only having a window that looked into the church (sealed room with no door). She could hear mass and the priest would bring the sacraments and necessities to her through the window. The priest provided catechism and counsel to her. She dedicated her life to prayer. When she was about 15, the family castle was threatened by attack and Margaret's father Parisio ordered his wife to cover her under a dark veil to flee for safety to another castle. Again, Margaret was imprisoned away from any other family and people. After some months, her mother asked Parisio if Margaret could be taken to a healing shrine at a Franciscan church in Castello, where miracles were occurring. Margaret had grown accepting of God's will and adjusted to her disabilities, but regardless, no miraculous cure occurred during the pilgrimage to Castello. Again, disappointed, her parents tragically abandoned her at the shrine. The poor and the street people took her in, accepting her and allowing her to stay with different families as long as they were able to provide her needs. Soon after, she was granted residence and a room in a local convent. But their relaxed devotion conflicted with her zeal for the faith and desire to serve, so their resentment of her grew and they expelled her from the convent. Not at peace with just taking or freeloading from others, she sought to help the families any way she could, too. She served other disabled patients and visited prisoners, talking with them and delivering food to them from families. The city fell in love with Margaret and her determination to help others, as she listened to their problems and offered hope, prayer and strength to them. She became familiar with some Dominican Friars ministering in the area, and they gave her a habit as a Third Order member. Around this time she was accepted and adopted by an older couple Venfarino & Grigias as a daughter, and she lived in their home the rest of her life. She kept the rule and prayer regimen of the Third Order Dominicans. She opened a small school for the street children, to teach them reading and the Catholic Faith. She loved to pray the psalms with the children. Margaret would look after the town's children when their parents went to work (like a daycare). Her own imprisonment and her lifelong disabilities gave her deep empathy for prisoners, slaves and all of the sick. She was faithful to visiting prisoners and through frequent conversations and prayers with one named Alonzo, converted him to the faith. She rescued him from despair and brought faith to life in him. Margaret died on April 12, 1320. Nearly the whole city attended her funeral. As Margaret had desired to be buried in the church (similar to her living so long detained in the castle chapel of her youth), a dispute arose from the parish priest denying such a burial inside the church. The whole city demanded that she remain in the church, and the priest relented following a miracle. A crippled girl on crutches stumbled up to Margaret's casket and as she reached out and touched Margaret's body, the girl was miraculously healed and walked away without help! In 1558, due to the decomposition of her casket in the wall, the local bishop sought to examine her remains, and found them incorrupt. This sign of her sanctity along with accounts of miracle cures at the church led to her being beatified by Pope Paul V in October 1609. Margaret of Castello is a great saint for a pandemic time, due to her patronage of causes for healing to all the sick. Also, she grew comfortable with quarantine or isolation due to sickness or bad health. Her experiences made her a most patient and more devout person with deeper compassion for the sick and for those shunned because of disability. Alone or separated, she turned to prayer and helping others any way she safely could. In Columbus Ohio at St. Patrick Church, there is a National Shrine of Blessed Margaret Castello. In our time of pandemic, Blessed Margaret of Castello, pray for us!

**Thanksgiving
Day
Mass**



Thursday, November 26

St. Pius X
8:00 am

St. Anthony of Padua
9:00 am

**Bring your bread or rolls
to be blessed**

A Thanksgiving Day prayer

(by Brian F. King)

O Lord, with humble hearts we pray,
Thy blessing this Thanksgiving Day
And ask that at table place,
Where grateful folk say words of grace,
That Thou will come to share the yield,
Thy bounty gave to farm and field.
We pray thy love will bless, O Lord,
Each hearth, each home, each festive board;
And that Thy peace will come to stay,
Where candles glow, Thanksgiving Day.

Happy Thanksgiving Everyone: I say it a lot but *'Every Mass is a little thanksgiving'* or better said, *"The Mass of the Last Supper is the true first Thanksgiving"*! We have so much to be grateful for, if we stop to take a moment and inventory our blessings! Even when times are tough, we may be aware but we have so much and are likely being spared the worst. For example, how many times have we missed tragedies? We may not be conscious of what did not happen but surely close to happening to us. Let me share one with I realized the other day. I was mulching up some leaves, and saw a hole scratched into the brown dirt in the middle of the yard grass. As I got off the mower and started looking closer at it, I saw a couple chunks of a hornet's nest laying on the ground behind me. Thank goodness we have had several frosts and freezes, or I would not have been standing there very long. But as I explored it more, I saw the claw marks in the ground all around the opening, but not any hornet carcasses! Well, I went on and finished the leaves work, and committed myself to research later what animal might hunt down the chilled and hibernating hornets. It turns out that both raccoons and skunks will dig and root out dormant hornets to eat them. Yes, I guess that was the skunk's thanksgiving feast, but my point in bringing up the story is that it made me realize how many blessings I had (and David Carr!) as we ran over and over that spot all summer mowing. Thank goodness, we were never swarmed by angry hornets! Like sitting on gunpowder and playing with matches, little did I know, how many times I was spared hornet attacks! So, I think that even when things are not like we would want them, we must still be thankful for whatever is, because even that could be blown apart or taken from us. So, while we may not be having the Thanksgiving Family Gathering that we would want this COVID year, we still are overwhelmed with blessings to have the moment to count good things and good people in our lives! I am grateful! Our scriptures give us so much to read and sing on the theme of Thanksgiving: 1 Thessalonians 5:18, "In all things, give thanks!" or Job who knows his share of hardship who says, 1:21 "The LORD gives and the LORD takes away; yet blessed be the name of the LORD!" or even St. Paul who can find much to thank God for even while he is suffering in jail, in Philippians 4:4 "Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: Rejoice!" Especially those last two quotes from men of faith who knew such deep loss but found so much grace in their circumstances, I am very thankful this Thanksgiving Holiday! Peace, Fr. Brian

All Souls Day and November Remembrance: We will be having the candles lit in the sanctuary for our recently deceased parishioners from the parishes. Also, the Books of Remembrance will be out for you to come write the names of deceased family members in it for the special prayers for the departed throughout the month of November. We honor the faithful departed and support them by our prayers. May God give them rest.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

November 23-29



St. Pius X

November 25-Trae Harbison
November 25-Benjamin Patton
November 26-Jeanette Hayes
November 26-Steven Randol

St. Anthony of Padua

November 24-Savannah Adrian
November 29-Shannon Lucas



St. Pius X

November 23-Lonie & Jerolyn Vickers
November 28-Steve & Nancy Glover

St. Anthony of Padua

No Anniversaries this week

Remember in Prayer

St. Pius X: John Bardsley, Kaileigh Row, Bennett Meisenheimer, Neil Trammell, James Eden, 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, Sister Rosemary, 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 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, Juanita Perkins, Ericka Karpstein, Joanna Cooper, Carolyn Outland, Angel Thompson, Kaye Poyner, Jerry Huebschmann, Dorothy Henry, Bob & Lois Tashjian, Kim Bruce, Rita Cook, Hannah Padgett, Juliette Kaplanes, Jim Henthorn, Jack Bender, Penny Maupin, Don Kemp, Tom and Sharon Olejnicak, Tim Wilson, Beverly Dukes, Bill Norvell, Kacie Schmidt, Wallace Hunt, Phyllis White, Judy Krouse, Kerry Frazier, Rene Harrington, Joe Cirrito, Lisa Doyle, Forrest Michael Teeters, Mike Block, David Kroll, Cameron Brewer, Stefanie Wilkerson-Barragin, Hugo Santos, Sharon Gibbons, Lori Blades, Wayne Viniard, Braydn Barnett, Ligia Seyller, and their families and caregivers

St. Anthony of Padua: Elena Carey, Donna & Jon Gresham, Bill Rodgers, Sister Rosemary, Tom & Margie Sheppard, Bob & Lois Tashjian, Deanna Hayward, 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
November 23-29**

Tuesday	6:00 pm	<i>Jerry Huebschmann</i>
Wednesday	8:00 am	<i>Stella & Leonard Francois</i>
Wednesday	6:00 pm	<i>Irwin Wiggs</i>
Thursday	8:00 am	<i>Gertrude B. Cantaron</i>
Friday	8:00 am	<i>Deceased Members of the Brooks Family</i>
Saturday	4:30 pm	<i>Marcella Hartman</i>
Sunday	10:00 am	<i>Don Buffington</i>

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Parish Hall Donation (11/15/20)	157.00
Budget for 2020/2021 Fiscal Year (July 2020-June 2021)	\$ 165,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 3,173.08
Weekly Donation (11/15/20)	\$ 2,221.00
Online Giving (11/15/20)	\$ 945.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 70,378.00

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 assistance, please call the parish office.



2020 Angel Tree: This year, we are purchasing clothes and pajamas for 50 children to assist the Calvert-Sharpe Family Resource Center. Donations are needed. We are hoping to collect at least \$2000 to go towards purchasing the clothes and pajamas. Collection envelopes can be found in the vestibule of the Church and you can donate online through our Online Giving program.

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 (618)383-4646

Other Groups

<i>Finance Council</i>	<i>Harold Dacus, Chair</i>
<i>Art & Decorations</i>	<i>Paula Schmidt</i>
<i>Knights of Columbus</i>	<i>Philip Scheidegger</i>

St. Anthony of Padua

**Mass Intentions
November 23-29**

Wednesday	9:00 am	<i>Dick Gorbett</i>
Thursday	9:00 am	<i>Dan & Gail Dailey</i>
Friday	9:00 am	<i>Lang Family</i>
Sunday	8:00 am	<i>Jerry Roling</i>

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2020/2021 Fiscal Year (July 2020-June 2021)	\$ 60,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,153.85
Weekly Donation (11/15/20)	\$ 1,202.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 25,841.00

Livingston County Helping Hands

Thanksgiving & Christmas Food Basket Collection:

Food donations for the Thanksgiving and Christmas Baskets are being collected. **Non perishable items needed:** corn, green beans, chicken broth, tomato sauce, cranberry sauce, tomatoes, chili beans, pinto beans, mixed vegetables, evaporated milk, sweet potatoes, spaghetti sauce, tuna, Hamburger Helper, Tuna Helper, Spaghetti noodles, great northern beans, sugar, flour, Kool Aid, pancake mix, macaroni and cheese, kids cereal, crackers, cake mix, frosting, tea bags, peanut butter, jelly, pancake syrup, dishwashing liquid, shampoo, toilet paper, laundry detergent and coffee. There is a collection container at the back of the church for your non-perishable items. Thank you for your generosity!

Livingston County 4-H Christmas Tree Walk: The Livingston County Extension Office (803 US 60 E Smithland) is hosting a **Christmas Tree Walk** through their building to view all the submitted trees by local groups, families or organizations. The walk through is December 17th from 5:00-7:00 pm and visitors can vote for their favorite tree winner -\$1 a vote. The exhibit room is open to the community for viewing regular hours from Dec 1-22. If your group would like to submit a tree (creative themed colorful tree!), set-up day is Nov 19th. Contact the Extension office for more details at 270-928-2168.

The garage sale raised \$703.75. Thanks to all who donated items and those that setup and worked the garage sale.

Parish Council

Roy McFadden	Chair Person
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Shara Parish	Finance
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Nick Zaim	Social/Spiritual Concern
Sr. Michael Friedman	Spiritual/Faith Formation

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:** 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 Jamie by 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday. Email: stpiusx@stpiusx.us