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18th Sunday Ordinary Year B John 6:24-35



"When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into boats and came to Capernaum looking for Jesus. And when they found him across the sea they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you get here?" Jesus answered them and said, "Amen, amen, I say to you, you are looking for me not because you saw signs but because you ate the loaves and were filled. Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him the Father, God, has set his seal." So they said to him, "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?" Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent." So they said to him, "What sign can you do, that we may see and believe in you? What can you do? Our ancestors ate manna in the desert, as it is written: He gave them bread from heaven to eat." So Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." So they said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

Excerpt from 'Just a Crumb'

By Emily Dickinson

God gave a loaf to every bird
But just a crumb to me
I dare not eat it, though I starve –
My poignant luxury
To own it, touch it, prove the feat
That made the pellet mine—
Too happy in my sparrow chance
For ampler coveting.

It might be famine all around
I could not miss an ear
Such plenty smiles upon my board,
My garner shows so fair.
I wonder how the rich may feel.....
I deem that I with but a crumb
Am sovereign of them all.

School Backpack Blessing at Church

Students please bring your school backpacks to church for a blessing. Start off your new school year with God's grace behind you and have your supplies blessed for a wonderful new year. Since the different school systems are beginning at different times, we'll be having a blessing offered after communion at every mass for the next two weekends. Bring in your pack!



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

Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday August 4, 2024
Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Eph 4:17-24/Jn 6:24-35
Monday Jer 28:1-17/Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday Dn 7:9-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mk 9:2-10
Wednesday Jer 31:1-7/Mt 15:21-28
Thursday Jer 31:31-34/Mt 16:13-23
Friday Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Mt 16:24-28
Saturday 2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26

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

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Saturday 6:00 pm
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
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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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Parish Office Hours

Tuesday -- Thursday

9:00 am-2:00 pm



Pastor's Study Desk Notes



Dear St Anthony & St Pius Families, 18th Sunday Ordinary Year B John 6:24-35

Jn 6:27 "Do not work for food that perishes.....but work for the food that endures for eternal life"

What is food that perishes? How is it different from Jesus' 'food that endures'? Perhaps an approach to understanding this 'food that perishes', is to think of what we know about 'empty calories'. Those are the foods that, the more we eat, the more we want (like sugar or bad carbs!) Maybe like the experience of having a food that 'you can't eat just one' (like salty potato chips or chocolate dipped Peanut Butter Oreos). I experience this when I make homemade doughnuts and toss them in a bag of powdered sugar to coat them. After eating one, I cannot stop! The finely powdered sugar must increase the speed of its absorption and it fuels a demand for 'just one more', until quickly there are no more on the plate! After the 1st taste, the sugar chase begins, similar to the thirsty person that drinks salt water (one never gets enough). (*People have asked before, "Why not eat that one lonely doughnut left on the plate?"*, to only hear a response similar to the alcoholic's answer who won't accept a first drink, "If you only have a pint-that's not worth getting started over!") So, any 'food that perishes', is food that doesn't truly satisfy – its calories always comes up short. But oh, how different is the food that Jesus introduces: 'food that endures'. Like a more substantial and sustaining fiber or protein, Jesus provides a 'satisfying' substance for our souls.

I suspect this is like what they say about the difference between a good book and a great book. **A good book helps you fall asleep, while a great book keeps you up all night!** One speaks to the body, and the other speaks to the soul (soul food). Of course, Jesus invites our souls to keep awake and be nourished eternally, so He delivers a food to us that can become an additional source of 'itself' (enduring, by growing itself). A few verses later, He calls this truly sustaining nourishment the '**living bread**' (Jn 6:35) that is Him!

Jesus had hinted at this 'living food' before, when He resisted the tempting devil in the desert by quoting Deuteronomy 8:3 "**One does not live by bread alone**" (Matt 4:4). Because, **Life is more than bread**. Since we humans are created in God's image, we are **made for more** (*Before the musician Billie Eilish sang "What was I made for?"*, Switchfoot was already singing "*We were meant to live for so much more*") Jesus wants us to seek more than just 'the next meal'. He feeds our longing for an eternally lasting banquet, filling us the fullest (Full-Fill-ment). In John 6:26, Jesus invited the crowd to reflect upon this major 'What is the meaning of life' question, by saying, "You are looking for me not because you saw signs but because you ate the loaves and were filled." Jesus wants the crowd to question their own motivations, "Were they following him only because of their hungry stomachs, or because of their hungry hearts? (Jn 6:26) St Paul in Philippians 3:19, identified this 'hanger-on' who is only after material things-stomach food, when he wrote, "Their God is their stomach their minds are only occupied with earthly things." The Roman Poet Juvenal (55-128 AD) had also described this tendency of human nature to give up & settle for less, when he wrote "the crowds long eagerly for just two things--Bread and Circuses!" (Satires #10:56-113)

Jesus consistently pushes us to 'raise the bar' and for us to seek for more, working for the 'plus' in life-of-great meaning! In John chapter 4, Jesus had told both His disciples and the woman at the well, to seek that 'super' food and 'super' drink. He told His disciples in John 4:32 "**I have food to eat of which you do not know**" (food that truly satisfies). He tells the woman in John 4:14 "**whoever drinks the water I shall give, will never thirst.**" Jesus had also described this 'bonus food' over in Matthew's gospel chapter 4:4, when He indicated that true satisfaction in life, comes from being nourished 'by every **word** that comes forth from the mouth of God.' Then, here in John 4:34. Jesus says that, "My food is to do the **will** of the one who sent me and to finish his **work**." So, He is teaching us that the performing the Will, Word and Work of the Father is what feeds our deepest longing.

What is this 'More' in Life? It is fulfillment, satisfaction, and a pervading sense of contentment in life. The psychologist, Abraham Maslow, described our human nature as being comprised of successive levels of fulfillment. Once our basic 1)physiological needs are met, then we advance to higher level needs of 2)safety and security, then to needs of 3)love and belonging, then to needs of 4)healthy self-esteem, and finally then to 'self-actualization' = living fully!

Some other examples of how we can see this 'enduring food' at work is when we watch an athlete or artist doing what they love, and they are both enjoying and excelling in their performance (almost entranced in their passion). I'd say we call that 'divine grace'! Think of the great sacrifice joyfully undertaken by people who are blessed to be able to work, and do what they truly love to do (I know I've said it a lot, but I still hear an echo of my old friend who told me once, "I've never worked a day in my life." Actually, he was one of the hardest working men I knew, but I understood that he meant he absolutely loved what he worked at-His work energized him tremendously! Obviously, he was at peace, performing the Will, Word and Work of God in his life's occupation- his vocation! May it be so for all of us! Peace, Fr Brian

St Pius X Parish Council Meeting Thurs August 29 @ 5:30 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

Acts 2:42 New Season: We are excited to be hosting our Acts 2:42 group for a second year. Group will meet once a month from fall to spring. The small faith-sharing group will have a time of prayer, fellowship, and reflection. If you would like to join our group, check out the Bulletin Board in the hallway or **contact Ed Georgen our Coordinator at 270-963-0595**

St Pius X Mass Intentions Aug 4 – Aug 11		
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Sally Anne Klohr
Wednesday	8:00 am	Onotre Lazatin, Jr
Thursday	8:00 am	Jody Opiola
Friday	8:00 am	Richard Derry
Saturday	4:30 pm	John Rayner
Sunday	10:00am	Jewell Dean Watts
WEEKLY DONATIONS		
Parish Hall Donation (7/28/24)	\$	130.00
Budget for 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2024-June 2025)	\$	195,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$	3,750.00
Weekly Donation (7/28/24)	\$	2,530.55
Online Giving (7/28/24)	\$	1,069.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 7/28	\$	3,599.55
Fiscal Year to Date	\$	17,568.15

Marriage Need Help? Retrouvaille Coming to Nashville
Retrouvaille ('retro-vi') has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information about or register for next program beginning with weekend on August 30 call 931-820-2115 or email: nrv3043@gmail.com or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, August 10, 2024				
Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Volunteer	Paula Schmidt	Kurt Schmidt Suzette Whittington	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	
Mass Assignments: Sunday, August 11, 2024				
Franky Schiaretto Dominic Schiaretto	Mike Bowling	Jimmy Harbison Alison Devine Kelli King	Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer	Jan Waniel Jean Waniel

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: Janet Norvell, Iris Joelle Maynard, Theresa Owens, Sara Repovich, Kaye Hinkebein, Olga Edwards, Diane Fischer Russell Tomlinson, Joanne Schmidt Paula Willett, Kent & Kim Henry, Leah Vincek, Rick Wilson, Richard Warmowski, Wade Barnes, Ashley Hayden, Donna Barrix, David Crass, Beth Strutzel, Jason Long, Helen Nicholson, Larry Kline, Bonita Walker, Joe Hedges, Jerry Wade, Katie Wood, Joanna Grimes, Amanda Bailey, Kaileigh Row, Dolly Bardsley, 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, Donny Travis, 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 Pellegriin.

Pray for Our Military

St. Pius X: Cameron Thomason, Julianne Utley, Daniel Burgess, James Griffith, Cory Erickson, Justin Fatum, James A. Kinsey, Sarah Martindale, Devin McFadden, Beniamin Patton, Kousuke Sasaki, Noah Willett, Amanda Woiahn and Luke Jablonski.

St Pius X Parish Picnic Sun. August 18

Mark your calendars for parish family dinner and fun for kids (Inflatables!) Sun. Aug 18 after 10:00 am mass. Fried Chicken and drinks will be provided with the rest of us bringing favorite side dishes, salads & desserts! Come out !



**Knights Columbus Charity
Golf Tournament**

August 24 @ Drake Creek Golf Club 8:00am (registration start 6:45) \$85 per player, includes cart, green fee, beverages-snacks in play & lunch after play, Lots of prizes!

Deadline to register August 17. Please see reg forms on church tables or contact Steve Glover (270) 493 - 0371

Birthdays & Anniversaries: Aug 4– Aug 10

Happy Birthday! St. Pius X

- August 5 Dianna Mock
- August 6 Suzette Whittington
- August 7 Dominic Schiaretto
- August 8 Jan Waniel
- August 8 Greg Williams
- August 9 Nannette Frizzell

Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X

- August 7 Leon & Penny Hobbs
- August 12 Dennis & Theresa Wilson

St. Anthony Page Announcements

Prayers & Sympathy: Please pray for the eternal rest of **Ray Lucas**, (husband of Alice Lucas) & **Jim Loxley** (David Loxley’s uncle) who passed away last week. Please keep their families in your prayers, that God may comfort them through this difficult time.

Quilters group at St Anthony Every Tuesday Contact Georgia Bradshaw for details. Quilters gather and work on their community quilt together.

T-Shirts Needed: Donations of Used T-Shirts are needed for the Orphaned Children Diaper Project. T-Shirts of ANY condition can be used. Contact Georgia Hunsley (St Anthony Church) at 402-920-0108 for more information. **Please place t-shirts in the basket by church doors. Thank you!!**

Upcoming Parish Events at St Anthony of Padua

August 28 All Mass Ministers Training 6:00 pm
 Sept 15 St Anthony Picnic -Little Lake Park Noon
 Oct 13 Visit to St Stephen Church Grounds in LBL

All-Day Adoration on Friday September 13

St Anthony Parish has an all day Eucharistic Adoration the 2nd 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 September 7 @ 8:00am.



St Anthony Birthdays Aug 4 – Aug

August 04 Kevin Diamond
 August 09 Shara Parish

St Anthony Anniversaries:

August 05 Sam & Sherry Rebich
 August 09 Darin & Lisa Adrian

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
 Aug 5 – Aug 11**

Wednesday	9:00 am	Dr Sidney Edds
Friday	9:00 am	Richard Klohr
Saturday Eve	6:00 pm	Mary Virginia Krebs
Sunday	8:00 am	Sally Anne Klohr

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2024-June 2025)	\$ 73,500.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 7/28/2024	\$ 1,404.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 11,008.00

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

EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLES AT ST JOHN’S

St John. Paducah, will be having an exhibit of some of Eucharistic Miracles the Blessed Carlos Acutis compiled with his computer skills. Exhibit will be in Cafeteria from Saturday, August 10th thru Sunday, August 18th, and will be open after ALL of our weekend and weekday Masses during this time, except Monday & Tuesday. Celebrating the Year of Eucharistic Revival, come experience the International Exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles at St John the Evangelist Cafeteria! Any pilgrim group may call the office at 270 554-3810 to schedule a time to visit.

St Anthony Mass Assignments – August 11, 2024

Lector	Darin Adrian
Eucharistic Ministers	Mike Drury Shara Parrish
Ushers/Greeters	Kelly Noonan David Loxley
Server	Juan Gonzalez
Money Counters	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, Margaret Adams, Pat Gorbett, Ed Derringe, Imogene Ramey.

Pray for our Military

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 Oct 9 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:** 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