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20th Sunday Ordinary Year B John 6:51-58



“Jesus said to the crowds: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." The Jews quarreled among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever."

'The Bread from Heaven'

By Jones Very

Long do we live upon the husks of corn,
While 'neath untasted lie the kernels still,
Heirs of the kingdom, but in Christ unborn,
Fain with swine's food would we our hunger fill;
We eat but 'tis not of the bread from heaven;
We drink but 'tis not from the stream of life;
Our swelling actions want the little leaven
To make them with the sighed-for blessing rife;
We wait unhappy on a stranger's board,
While we the master's friend by right should

live,

Enjoy with him the fruits our labors stored,
And to the poor with him the pittance give;
No more to want, the long expected heir
With Christ the Father's love for evermore to
share.

ACTS 2:42 GROUPS
ON MISSION AS A EUCHARISTIC PEOPLE
YEAR OF MISSION

"They devoted themselves to the teachings of the apostles, the communal life, the breaking of the bread & prayer"

We are excited to be hosting our **Acts 2:42** group for a second year. **Small group starts Sept 8, at 2:00 pm.** This small faith-sharing group will share a time of prayer, fellowship, and reflection. If you would like to join , check out the Bulletin Board in the hallway by Parish Hall or contact Ed Georgen our Coordinator edwardgeorgen@gmail.com or 270-963-0595 voice/text

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 18, 2024

Prv 9:1-6/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58

Monday Ez 24:15-23/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14

Friday Ez 37:1-14/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51

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

† **Weekend Mass**

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

www.stanthonygrandrivers.org

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,

20th Sunday Ordinary Year B

John 6:51-58

"You'll never know if you don't ask!" The crowds are asking some good questions. Today they ask, "How can this man give us [his] flesh to eat?" (Jn 6:51) Last week they asked, "How can he say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" (Jn 6:42) The week before they had asked, "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?" (Jn 6:28) Good questions! So how about the answers?

Today Jesus teaches us that we are given a share in eternal life by our reception of Him. He is the 'living bread' come down from heaven (Jn 6:51). The Hebrew crowds would have understood Jesus' mention of 'special bread' from their history regarding manna bread God gave them in the desert with Moses. Jesus builds on that understanding to introduce this new 'heaven-sent' bread that not only nourishes for one day, but for eternity! (*Recall that the Hebrews were to gather bread only for that day's eating and it would spoil by morning. —Yet Jesus gives a bread that lasts forever*). Jesus is trying to help them understand this 'New Covenant Bread' that is actually Him. The bread that if Jesus, does not just show up impersonally dropped on onto the desert floor for them to pick up. No, Jesus' 'living bread' is personally handed from one believer to another, starting with His own life-giving hands (seen in his multiplying touch as He first grew enough bread and fish to feed over 5,000 from fives loaves and two fish). Jesus 'hands' this personal bread to us. That is the 'living' part (personal). The Bread that is Jesus is both 1) alive and growing itself and 2) gives life to others. We can ask ourselves, why the crowd quarrels over understanding this personal 'New Covenant' bread? **Was it** because their imagination was stuck in the past, and not able to let go of the idea of Moses' manna? Such 'new wine in new wineskins' (Mk 2:22) does require stretching one's previous understanding. **Or was it** due to a lack of faith in Jesus Himself, that they haven't seen enough of His wonder-working and been with Him long enough, to set aside their 'earthy' doubts. I hold that since 'Jesus says it, then I believe it!' **Or was it** fear of the consequences of receiving this Living Bread that is Him? This may be the toughest challenge to accept. We are to become, what we consume! If He is Bread and I unite with Him, **then I am to become bread for others too** -(Jesus tells us, "As I have done for you, you also are to do to others" Jn 13:15 ---If I feed you with my life, then give your life to others as food!) To follow, or imitate Jesus, would mean that I become like Him. So, following Jesus means that I also 'become food' for others. Or more simply, I feed others through the giving sacrifice of my service of them. My helping service should feed/build them up!

More questions will come from the crowd, but it helps us to hear some of their misgivings and doubts about Jesus and His teaching. We all at times, can revert back into past behaviors or just simply take our beliefs for granted. But Jesus poses some questions to the crowd (and us) too! Near the conclusion of this sacramental chapter of John's gospel, Jesus will ask, "Does this shock you?" (6:61) and "Do you also want to leave?" (6:67). We will address these questions in a week or so, but it reminds us that we always need to work on deepening our own trust and understanding of Jesus' words. If our Catholic teaching on Jesus' Real Presence challenges our minds, then that is good because it keeps us thinking and praying about what Jesus meant! Yet, even after we have perfect assent from our minds accepting the concept of His Eucharist Presence, we still have to work at reflecting our beliefs in our own real conduct. The Eucharist of Jesus re-forms us into His image – it feeds us **for a selfless purpose** and that purpose is to reflect Christ to others. (Do as He Does!) He institutes this when He says, "His Flesh is **for the life of the world**" (6:51) Jesus is Bread for others- Bread to feed and give life to others. I can say 'I believe' and my life not that belief. We call that bad witness. But it happens easily enough when our practices don't embody our principles. So, I ask myself, "Do I feed others by my life?" People talk about 'givers' and 'takers' in life. I remember my mom challenging us kids when we were acting selfish, and she would say, "You can't always be a 'taker' in life, **you have to become a 'giver'**. The Holy Eucharist creates such 'givers'. Jesus intends such 'life-giving' action from us, too, as a response to Him feeding us. So, we should turn and begin to feed others, just as He feeds us. Who knows, but it might be that such a challenging and 'giving' response that Jesus calls forth from us, might be what holds some people back from accepting His 'Real Presence' in the Eucharist? It is a challenge, but we are called to become what we receive! Peace and Prayers, 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

Early Church Fathers Study & Discussion
Every Tuesday Night from 6:30-7:30pm Come study some of these foundational documents written by the students of apostles. After Scripture, these are our earliest sources of Faith!

St Pius X Mass Intentions Aug 19 – Aug 25		
Tuesday	6:00 pm	John & Sue Mudd
Wednesday	8:00 am	Benedict Lazatin
Thursday	8:00 am	Nitazal Lazatin
Friday	8:00 am	Mary Virginia Krebs
Saturday	4:30 pm	Donald Mock
Sunday	10:00am	Dee Dee Whittaker
WEEKLY DONATIONS		
Parish Hall Donation (8/11/24)	\$	102.00
Budget for 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2024-June 2025)	\$	195,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$	3,750.00
Weekly Donation (8/11/24)	\$	2,890.72
Online Giving (8/11/24)	\$	1,377.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 8/11	\$	4,267.72
Fiscal Year to Date	\$	27,856.72

Marcella's Kitchen Need Volunteers:
Community kitchen provides healthy, warm meals to many, & delivers over 200 meals to homes. They need volunteers(kitchen workers and drivers) to provide this wonderful service. Please consider helping. Various times/days need helpers. Call 270-703-3977

St Pius X Parish Picnic Thanks
Many thanks to Debbie Anspach and Paula Humphreys and all the helpers who planned, set up and oversaw the great picnic! What a blessing!



**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 Forms on church tables or call Steve Glover (270) 493 - 0371

- Happy Birthday! Aug 19-24 St. Pius X**
- August 18 Sherry Ball
 - August 19 Adam Padgett
 - August 20 Brayden Willett
 - August 24 Sydney Johnson
- Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X**
- August 18 Tom & Annie Mae Kingston
 - August 18 Lou & Patti Langford
 - August 19 Larry & Sherry Ball
 - August 20 Bill & Noreen Patton
 - August 20 Gary & Cindy Ballard
 - August 23 David & Amy Crass
 - August 24 Ric & Diane Witowski

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, August 24, 2024				
Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Camryn Risley Kendall Risley	Liz Medley	Charlotte Riedfort Volunteer Volunteer	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	
Mass Assignments: Sunday, August 25, 2024				
Franky Schiaretti Dominic Schiaretti	Ric RJ Witowski	Pam Hurst Caleb King Alison Devine	Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer	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: Janet Norvell, Iris Joelle Maynard, Theresa Owens, Sara Repovich, Kaye Hinkebein, Amanda Scheidegger, 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 Pellegrin.

Pray for Our Military

St. Pius X: Cameron Thomason, 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 Page Announcements

Coffee/ Doughnuts 1st Sunday Every Month

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

Orphaned Children Diaper Project: Thank you to all who donated t-shirts for this important project. As of now, we have enough t-shirts. However, **Sew-On** Velcro can be donated and will be put to good use. Please use the basket by church doors for donations. Call Georgia Hunsley (*St. Anthony parish*) at 402-920-0108 for more info.

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



Acts 2:42 Groups start:2nd Sunday every month: Sept 8
Signup contact Ed Georgen edwardgeorgen@gmail.com

All-Day Adoration on Friday September 6

St Anthony Parish has an all day Eucharistic Adoration every 1st 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.
Every first Saturday we offer mass and pray the rosary



St Anthony Birthdays Aug 18 – Aug 24

August 23 Bob Lang

St Anthony Anniversaries:

No anniversaries this week

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

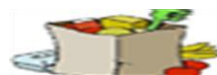
**Mass Intentions
Aug 19 – Aug 25**

Wednesday	9:00 am	<i>Richard & Virginia Klohr</i>
Friday	9:00 am	<i>Sally Anne Klohr</i>
Saturday Eve	6:00 pm	<i>Robert Hanegan Sr Family</i>
Sunday	8:00 am	<i>Helen Krivan</i>

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2024-June 2025)	\$ 73,500.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 8/11/2024	\$ 1,123.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 15,704.11

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



FOOD PANTRY

Food Items Especially Needed: *Saltine Crackers, Hamburger Helper*, sugar, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, tuna, salmon, canned fruits, canned vegetables. Other items needed: paper towels, toilet paper, laundry & dish detergent, shampoo (adult & baby), bath soap, diapers, wipes, feminine hygiene products. Collection container is in back of the church for your donated items.

St Anthony Mass Assignments – August 25, 2024

Lector	Darin Adrian
Eucharistic Ministers	Mike Drury Jo Herron
Ushers/Greeters	David Loxley Kelly Noonan
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, Pat Gorbett, Ed Derringe, Imogene Ramey.

Pray for our Military

Kevin Rapp, 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