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23rd Sunday Ordinary Year B Mk 7:31-37



“Again Jesus left the district of Tyre and went by way of Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, into the district of the Decapolis. And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man’s ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, “Ephphatha!”— that is, “Be opened!” — And immediately the man’s ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly. He ordered them not to tell anyone. But the more he ordered them not to, the more they proclaimed it. They were exceedingly astonished and they said, “He has done all things well. He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.”

Excerpt from ‘A Birthday’

By Christina Rossetti

My heart is like a singing bird
Whose nest is in a water’d shoot;
My heart is like an apple-tree
Whose boughs are bent with thicket fruit;
My heart is like a rainbow shell
That paddles in a halcyon sea;
My heart is gladder than all these
Because my love is come to me.

Raise me a dais of silk and down;
Hang it with vair and purple dyes;
Carve it in doves and pomegranates,
And peacocks with a hundred eyes;
Work it in gold and silver grapes,
In leaves and silver fleurs-de-lys;
Because the birthday of my life
Is come, my love is come to me.

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 today Sept 8, at 2:00** 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 September 8, 2024
Is 35:4-7a/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37
Monday 1 Cor 5:1-8/Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday 1 Cor 6:1-11/Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday 1 Cor 7:25-31/Lk 6:20-26
Thursday 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Lk 6:27-38
Friday 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Lk 6:39-42
Saturday Nm 21:4-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

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**
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,

23rd Sunday Ordinary Year B

Mk 7:31-37

Two strikes against him! The man in the gospel was both deaf and mute. But no third strike is coming to him, because by the intercession of his friends who led him to Jesus, and by Jesus' personal touch, this man scores a home run. When Jesus opens his ears to hear and his mouth to speak, the man is blessed to be able to walk a victory tour of the bases to home plate. Now, he can even hear the crowd's cheering astonishment after his miraculous cure! It is a hit out of the park for him. Yet like all good athletes know, there is always another challenge waiting for us to work at—a person can always be bettered. Once we master one measure, another level of excellence waits to be achieved. So, after the grace of God heals the man's disabilities, Jesus places another challenge before him. To follow Jesus now, the healed man is challenged to NOT 'speak' about the miraculous healing (the gift he just received, he is now asked not to use!) The key, though, is not to speak about it, YET!

Jesus' frequent commands after healings not to go 'spread the word everywhere', always strikes me as a contradiction, UNTIL I recall that God is the one who has the Plan. It is God's time that counts, not my time. Elsewhere, Jesus does say that we should 'Go out to all the world proclaiming the Gospel to all' (Mark 16:15, Luke 14:23, Matthew 28:19-20) and He will say, "what you have whispered inside houses will be proclaimed from the rooftops" (Luke 12:3). BUT that will come later and most importantly according to God's timing. Jesus will tell when that time comes. Jesus knew the widespread and premature spotlighting of His miraculous wonders would derail His message and ministry. Jesus often referred to '**His Hour**' as a reference to God's Time. Jesus even hesitated to perform His first miracle in John's gospel when the Blessed Mother asked Him to help the wedding couple who had run out of wine. "**My hour has not yet come**" (John 2:3-4), He said. Of course, He continues ahead to perform the miracle, but the very public mention by Him as to God's proper timing, served as a warning to the disciples to keep the miracle under closed tabs until later (John 2:9 says only the servants and Mary knew about the miracle work!) Jesus goes on in John's gospel to mention '**His hour**' three more times (John 5:28, 7:30, 8:20). However, in Chapter 12, the time change occurs, and Jesus begins to announce that the muffler is removed! Then, He says, "The **hour has come** for the Son of Man to be glorified." (He goes on to repeat that in 13:1 and 17:1). Now, go speak everywhere and tell everyone!

We can see the wisdom of God's timing being different than the expectation of our scheduling, when we consider the negative effect of too heavy an emphasis on Jesus' wonder-working. He did not want to be seen as a carnival sideshow or an entry in Ripley's 'Believe it or Not' museum. Jesus wanted the focus of his work and teaching to remain on the Father's will and for all glory to go to the Father.

Jesus said, "I came to do...not my own will, but the will of the Father" (Jn 6:38). He went on to teach that all attention should go to the Father, saying, "I honor the Father....I do not seek my own glory" (Jn 8:49-50). Jesus knew that some people came to him only to be entertained, and to see some show-y spectacle tickling their imaginations. Herod was one of them, as we hear in Luke 23:8 "Herod wanted to see Jesus for a long time, for he had heard about him and had been **hoping to see him perform some sign.**" Luke 11:16 tells us, that "Others (from crowd), tested him, asking for a sign from heaven". Jesus even warned His own followers not to get caught up with self-seeking attention and obsess about miracles. They were bragging once about their power over demons, and Jesus told them, "do not rejoice because the spirits are subject to you, but simply rejoice because your names are written in heaven" (Luke 10:20). Jesus wants them to lean upon their faith, not the fantastic! So, we all gain from Jesus' modest and humble call to believe and keep faith even without miracles (Blessed are they who do not see, yet still believe!- Jn20:29). Most likely, this is what is all behind Jesus' call for the disciples to be as quiet and low key as they can about His wonders, until the time is right for widespread witness and public proclamation! How will we know the difference? Well, this is the wisdom of Jesus again, to keep us close to Him—to keep us constantly in communication with Him, so we will discern and know exactly WHEN that time is – whether it is a time for speech or a simply a time for silence! Peace, Fr Brian

St Pius X Parish Council Meeting Thurs October @ 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 Sept 9 – Sept 15		
Tuesday	6:00 pm	<i>PJ & Martha Rose O'Donoghue</i>
Wednesday	8:00 am	<i>Ray Lucas</i>
Thursday	8:00 am	<i>Jewell Dean Watts</i>
Friday	8:00 am	<i>Sally Anne Klohr</i>
Saturday	4:30 pm	<i>Joan Braeckel</i>
Sunday	10:00am	<i>Carl & Faith Soczka Family</i>
WEEKLY DONATIONS		
Parish Hall Donation (9/1/24)	\$	162.00
Budget for 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2024-June 2025)	\$	195,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$	3,750.00
Weekly Donation (9/1/24)	\$	2,791.40
Online Giving (9/1/24)	\$	1,378.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 9/1	\$	4,169.40
Fiscal Year to Date	\$	40,776.65

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.

First Reconciliation/Communion Schedule

Today Sept 8	11:00-12:00	1 st Reconciliation Class
Sept 29	11:00-12:00	1st Reconciliation Class
Oct 20	11:00-12:00	1st Reconciliation Class
Nov 3	11:00-12:00	1st Reconciliation Class

Marcella's Kitchen Need Volunteers:

Community kitchen provides healthy, warm meals to many, & delivers over 200 meals to homes. They need volunteers (kitchen workers & drivers) to provide this wonderful service. Various times/ days need helpers. Call 270-703-3977 to help.

Happy Birthday! Sept 8 – Sept 14 St. Pius X

September 10	Chloe Anderson
September 10	Barbara Doughty
September 11	Kason Peterson
September 11	Larry Whitt
September 11	Kaylee Shupe
September 11	Kamie Pellegrin
September 11	Max Risley
September 12	Amanda Glover
September 14	Brent Hurst

Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X

September 10	Danny & Nikki Shea
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St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, September 14, 2024

Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Camryn Risley Kendall Risley	Liz Medley	Kurt Schmidt Paula Schmidt Suzette Whittington	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	
Mass Assignments: Sunday, September 15, 2024				
Kason Peterson	Mike Bowling	Allison Devine Jimmy Harbison Patty Langford	Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer	Not Filled

FFY
**Calendar
and
Activities**

DATE	SUNDAY GOSPEL READING	SUBJECT
Sept. 11, 2024 Wed 6:00-7:30	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 8:27-35	Welcome Journey Board Gospel Events in Chalk
Sept. 18, 2024 Wed 6:00-7:30	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mark 9:30-37	Rosary Lesson

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, 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

- Sept 15 St Anthony Picnic -Little Lake Park Noon
Parish Picnic Next Sunday 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 October 4

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 October 5 @ 8:00am. Every first Saturday we offer mass and pray the rosary

St Anthony Birthdays Sept 8– Sept 14

September 11 Sam Rebich

St Anthony Anniversaries:

- September 11 Jeff & Cathy Ritorto
- September 11 Robert & Tracey Tashjian
- September 12 Wallace & Joyce Wilkinson

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
Sept 9 – Sept 15**

Wednesday	9:00 am	<i>Margie Dumbacher</i>
Friday	9:00 am	<i>Dr Sidney Eds</i>
Sunday	8:00 am	<i>Sharlene Hagan Hatfield</i>

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2024-June 2025)	\$ 73,500.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 9/1/2024	\$ 3,157.41
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 26,523.52

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



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 – September 15, 2024

Lector	Darin Adrian
Eucharistic Ministers	Shara Parish Steve Wilkes
Ushers/Greeters	Vern Hunsley Georgia Hunsley
Server	Juan Gonzalez
Money Counters	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond

**CONSIDER ATTENDING DAILY MASS
OR WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

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

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| 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