JUNE 25, 2023 † 12™ SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME YEAR A



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12th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A Matthew 10:26-33



"Jesus said to the Twelve: "Fear no one. Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed ,nor secret that will not be known. What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light; what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna. Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin? Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge. Even all the hairs of your head are counted. So do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows. Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father. But whoever denies me before others, I will deny before my heavenly Father."

Parish Office Hours

Overheard in the orchard

By Elizabeth Cheney

Said the Robin to the Sparrow

"I should really like to know, Why these anxious human beings Rush around and worry so?"

Said the Sparrow to the Robin,

"Friend I think that it must be That they have no Heavenly Father Such as cares for you and me.

Eucharistic Renewal Meditation

"In this letter I have wanted simply to share some reflections which most certainly do not exhaust the immense treasure of the celebration of the holy mysteries. I ask all the bishops, priests, and deacons, the formators in seminaries, the instructors in theological faculties and schools of theology, and all catechists to help the holy people of God to draw from what is the first wellspring of Christian spirituality. We are called continually to rediscover the richness of the general principles exposed in the first numbers of Sacrosanctum Concilium, grasping the intimate bond between this first of the Council's constitutions and all the others. For this reason we cannot go back to that ritual form which the Council fathers, cum Petro et sub Petro, felt the need to reform, approving, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and following their conscience as pastors, the principles from which was born the reform." (Desiderio #60)

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 Thurday-8:00 am Friday-8:00 am

Eucharist Adoration
Visit our Website www.stpiusx.us

Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday June 25

Jer 20:10-13/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

Monday Gn 12:1-9/Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday Gn 13:2, 5-18/Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Mt 7:15-20

Thursday Acts 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-8,18/Mt 16:13-19

Friday Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Mt 8:1-4

Saturday Gn 18:1-15/ Matt :5-17

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

Saturday 6:00 pm

Sunday- 8:00 am

† Daily Mass

Wednesday-9:00 am Friday-9:00 am

Eucharist Adoration-First Friday 9:00 am <u>First Saturday of Month Mass 8:00 am</u>

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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Pastor's Study Desk Notes



Dear St Anthony & St Pius Families,

12th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A

Matthew 10:26-33

"Do not be afraid of those who kill the body......*rather, be afraid of the one who can <u>destroy both soul and body"</u> (Matt 10:28) Jesus warns us about how vulnerable and fragile, our souls within us are. Our souls may be threatened from outside ourselves by external forces such as social media influences and the corrupting examples of other people around us, or even the devil himself. But Jesus is also warning us by these words, we may have a hand in harming our own souls, when we hold destructive thoughts and corrupt desires in our hearts.*

I am sure we all remember that famous POGO Comic strip of Walt Kelly, where the main character Pogo makes the pronouncement "We have met the enemy and he is us." This is what Jesus is alerting us to in the gospel today. We harm and work against ourselves unwittingly when we are negligent about the care of our soul. Not guarding our souls or not tending to their proper care is a set-up for damaging our souls. Such destructive input for our souls, will harm, harden & even hollow them out (deaden them)

Jesus calls us to initiate a protection plan for our souls. There are two dimensions to this protection 1) watch what we passively let in, and 2) cultivate actively what is life-sustaining.

First, we want to watch what we take in, or allow into our souls. If we consume, view and fixate on poisonously hateful, violent and abusive media content, then we are hardening our consciences to not feel life in/for others. We also want to be on guard against exploitative and seductive pleasures that objectify other persons or ourselves – they equally diminish our spiritual nature-souls. Such deadening input conditions our souls to respond similarly. Secondly, we also, must *actively* cultivate life giving responses in our hearts and generate within ourselves positive and life-affirming dispositions toward everyone.

Here's an example of how injury/offenses not only hurt the body, but also harm our souls. Say that I suffer a physical injury from another person (they sucker-punch me). Okay, being the bigger person, I shake it off, treat the body and get on to the road to recovery. Is it over then? No, Jesus warns that the physical strike and injury is not only skin-deep. I need to evaluate my soul's response. Is it 'recovering' too? Especially if the hurt from the other person was intentional and malicious. How does my 'soul' process the injury? Do I react like a 'grievance collector' and keep a list for eventual revenge? Do I harden my heart with feelings of hatred not just for him/her, but even broadening my scorn to deepen my prejudice for all 'their type'-whatever that might mean? Do I even start to pull-back my good-natured trust & previous openness toward others? Am I growing bitter within myself, and maybe even starting to question God's providence? If any of this happens, even just a little, look at what I have done after the offender is probably long gone. I have let the external harm metastasize into a hard mass within me, and I continue to let it steal life from me. It jades any enthusiasm, and may lead me even to lash out, imitating the 'bully' behavior of my offender. Jesus wants us to keep alert to not let such moral offense from others to further degrade our own souls. What that other person does, they will be accountable for on judgement day. But what I do in response to an offense from another person or what I allow within my own soul, then I will have to give an accounting to God for that!

Jesus calls us to be vigilant and mind both our body and our soul when it comes to our conduct and behavior, especially when it means responding to the (bad or offensive) actions of others against us. We can be as guilty of our own 'spiritual harm' as the other person is of 'bodily harm' against us. Such attention to both our bodies and souls, reminds me of a story that the great teacher of comparative religions, Joseph Campbell told in the PBS series, 'The Power of Myth'. He told of the Noble Samurai Warrior, who was given the charge to avenge the murder of his overlord. He found the assassin, and cornered the man. He was about to deal with murderer with his samurai sword, and the man in a fit of terror, spat in the Samurai's face. The samurai sheathed the sword and walked away. Why? Because he was made angry by the spit, and if he had dispatched the assassin in such a similar emotional outburst, the Samurai would have violated his noble warrior principles of self-control and mission-mindedness. The Warrior's code was one of honor, not of emotions. The Samurai was guided by purpose and principle, and not by passion or prejudice. A Samurai conditions his heart as much as he did his body. Approaching this need to guard our own hearts against corrupting influences or experiences, the philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche warned about the spiritual harm we can do to ourselves after an injury, when he wrote, "Whoever fights monsters should see to it that in the process he does not become a monster himself. When you look long into an abyss, the abyss also looks into you." (Beyond Good and Evil, 146)? And St Augustine, when warning Christians to never 'strike out at others in vengeance' because of violence's destructive effect upon all persons affected, He highlighted the damage that violence does to the offender's own heart. Reflecting on Psalm 37:15 "Their weapon shall enter into their own heart", St Augustine added that "the heart of the one who drew out the sword against the body of the just ones did not remain unhurt.....They who would have thought to slay the other person in the body, attacks his own soul. Let them die the death of the soul" (Expositions on the Psalms-37). So, we must be on guard against what can harm/kill both body and soul (Matt 10:28), realizing that we can be on both the receiving and giving end of such danger to our own selves! Peace and Prayers, Fr Brian

St Pius X Parish Council Meeting Wed July 19 @ 5:00 pm

Building & Ground

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

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!

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St Pius X Mass Intentions					
June 26 – July 2					
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Richard & Virginia Klohr			
Wednesday	8:00 am	John Bardsley		ohn Bardsley	
Thursday	8:00 am	Bob Darst		Bob Darst	
Friday	8:00 am	Mary Stroud		Mary Stroud	
Saturday	4:30 pm	Bob Mattingly			
Sunday	10:00 am	Don Buffington			
WEEKLY DONATIONS					
Parish Hall Donation (6/18/23)		\$	213.00		
Budget for 2022/2023 Fiscal		\$	190,000.00		
Year (July 2022-June 2023)					
Donation Need Each Week		\$	3,653.58		
Weekly Donation (6/18/23)		\$	2,170.85		
Online Giving (6/18/23)		\$	1,301.00		
Total Week's Gift Offering 6/18		\$	3,471.85		
Fiscal Year to Date		\$	218,113.77		

Salute to Veterans Fish Fry

Thursday July 13 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm @ First Baptist Church (Corner of 1st & Ash St)

Cost \$7.00 & Veterans Eat Free
Sponsored by Calvert City Ministerial Alliance

Bible Sewing Camp: Want to learn a new skill or be creative this summer? Join us for a Bible Sewing Camp! On Wednesday evenings this summer you will learn basics of hand-sewing & embroidery. Each session will include a Bible story and a related sewing craft. Camp is open to all ages (especially ages from 8 - 108). Upcoming sessions will be June 28, July 5, July 12 from 6:00pm - 7:30pm. Please register online or call the office at 270-395-4727.

Knights Columbus Charity Golf Tournament Saturday August 26 @ Drake Creek Golf Club 8:00am 4-person scramble \$320 per team, includes cart, green fee, beverages-snacks in play & lunch after play, Lots of prizes! Deadline to register August 21. Please see forms on church tables, or contact Steve Glover.

<u>Birthdays & Anniversaries:</u> June 26 - July 2 Happy Birthday! St. Pius X

June 27 Amanda Gentry June 28 Jacob Gentry June 28 Wally Schmidt July 1 Abigail Traylor

Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X

June 29 Gary & Suzette Whittington June 29 Andy & Sherry Ferm

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, July 1, 2023				
Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Volunteer	Nancy Glover	Charlotte Riedfort	Volunteer (Usher)	
	Nancy Glover	Jeff Riedfort Paula Schmidt	Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter) Volunteer (Greeter)	
Mass Assignments: Sunday, July 2, 2023				
Volunteer	Ric (RJ) Witowski	Kelli King Marcus Newman Teresa Newman	Phillip Scheidegger Volunteer (Usher) Volunteer (Greeter)	Richard Derry Nancy Singleton



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, 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: 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, Kathryn Bailey Kaileigh Row, Dolly Bardsley, Pam Laibl, Chevelle Allen, David Kroll, Henry Feezor, Jerry & Sissy Wommack, Lisa Hammond, Rose Grossius, Bennett Meisenheimer, Jim & Rose Drury, 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 Longsworth, Helen Bennett, Catherine Broks, Stacy Newby, Bette Zilligen, Ric Vaughn, Donny Travis, Betty Derry, Scott Hamilton, Connie Burt, Abigail Huebschmann, Lucas Hebner, Ericka Karpstein, Joanna Cooper, Angel Thompson, Kaye Poyner, Bob Tashjian, Rita Cook, Juliette Kaplanes, Jack Bender, Penny Maupin, Don Kemp, Sharon Olejnicak, Tim Wilson, Beverly Dukes, Wallace Hunt, Judy Krouse, Kerry Frazier, Rene Harrington, Forrest Michael Teeters, Cameron Brewer, Stefanie Wilkerson-Barragan, Hugo Santos, Sharon Gibbons, Braydn Barnett, Elizabeth Witowski, Pam Dietz.

Pray for Our Military

<u>St. Pius X:</u> Cameron Thomason, 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 Page Announcements

Quilters group at St Anthony Every Tuesday: Contact Georgia Bradshaw for details. Quilters gather and work on their community quilt together. Come and join in their labor of love for their church family

Holy Land Presentation – NOTE -- POSTPONED

Due to an unforeseen scheduling problem, we need to postpone the Holy Land Presentation until later in August. Please stay tuned though, and plan to attend Wendy Elrod's Jerusalem Trip highlights when we reschedule it for later in August 2023.

Baby Bottle Collection: Hope Clinic

Please pick up a baby bottle to benefit Hope Clinic's work to support expectant mothers and the babies. Set the bottle on your table or by the door & deposit your pocket change or bills into it to support their ministry

Prayers and Sympathy

Please pray for the eternal rest of Wally Hunt, husband of Mary Jane Hunt (parishioners who recently moved), who passed away suddenly May 15. Please keep Mary Jane in your prayers that God may comfort & strengthen her and her family through this difficult time.

Wedding At Cana: St Anthony Parish **Celebrates Married Couples**

Friday July 28, @ St Anthony, Grand Rivers, KY Mass beginning at 6:00 pm with a Renewal of Marriage Vows. Table served Dinner/wine, Music & Dance to celebrate friendship and marriage. Dress attire: semiformal/business casual. Sign-up/Register Sheet at St Anthony or contact Judy Forsythe at 612-245-3636.



St Anthony Birthdays June 26-July 2

Roy McFadden

Anniversaries:

No anniversaries this week

Lectio Divina Weekly Sessions

Every Wednesday @ St. Anthony of Padua, we gather for weekly "Lectio Divina" sessions. Come and open God's Word in your heart & mind. We have workbooks available



St. Anthony of Padua

Mass Intentions				
June 26 – July 2				
Wednesday	9:00 am	Dr Sidney Edds		
Friday	9:00 am	Nancy Rodgers		
1 st Saturday	8:00 am	Joan Lunt		
Saturday	6:00 pm	Robert Hannegan Sr Family		
Sunday	8:00 am	Richard & Virginia Klohr		

WEEKLY DONATIONS	
Budget 2022/2023 Fiscal Year	\$ 73,500.00
(July 2022-June 2023)	
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 6/18/2023)	\$ 1,658.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 82,407.36

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

Livingston County Helping Hands LEGOD PANTRY

Food Items EspeciallyNeeded: Hamburger Helper, mac and cheese, 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, baby wipes, feminine hygiene products. Collection container is in back of the church for your donated items.

St Anthony Mass Assignments - July 2, 2023		
Lector	Shara Parish	
Eucharistic Ministers	Mike Drury	
	Pat Gorbett	
Ushers/Greeters	David Loxley	
	Kevin Diamond	
Server	Juan Gonzalez	
Money Counters	Shara Parish	

St Anthony Prayer List: David Reed, Juan 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, Bob Lang and their families/caregivers.

Pray for our Military

Joel Dumbacher, Matt Elder, Kathleen Erickson, Scott Erickson, Corv Erickson, James A. Kinsey, Jay Lockhart, Sarah Martindale, Devin McFadden, LeAnne Neal, and Kousuke Sasaki.

Parish Council

Mike Drury Chair Person Debbie Owens Secretary/Family Life

Shara Parish Finance

Building & Ground Kelly Noonan David Loxley Social Concerns/Events Steve Wilkes Spirituality/Faith Formation Wed Aug 9 @ 6:00 pm Next Meeting

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)
- <u>CONFESSION</u>: 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 <u>St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry:</u> 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