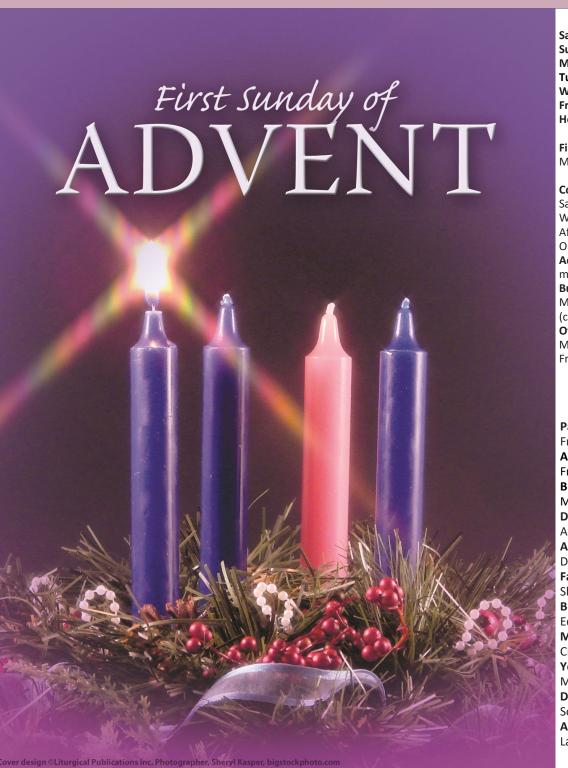




The Church community of St. Pius Tenth hears the call to a deep, personal relationship with God in Jesus Christ. We commit ourselves to living and sharing our Catholic faith guided by the Holy Spirit and expressed in love.



Saturday: 5:00 PM Sunday: 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM Monday: 8:00 AM Tuesday & Thursday: Noon Wednesday: 6:00 PM Friday: 8:00 AM Holy Day: 6:00 PM Vigil

Mass Schedule

8:00 AM Day of First Fridays & Saturdays: Mass @ 8:00 AM

### **Confession:**

Saturdays 3:30-4:30 PM Wednesdays: 5:00-5:45 PM After Mass on First Friday Or by appointment

Adoration: First Friday of the

month 9 AM-6 PM **Bulletin Deadline:** Monday at Noon

(content pending Father's approval)

Office Hours:

Mon-Thurs: 8:00am-4:00pm Friday: 8:00am-1:00pm

> Parish Staff See Contact Info Page 7

#### Pastor—

Fr. Larry Hostetter Associate Pastor— Fr. Martin Ling

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Clint Campbell

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Matt Knight

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Assistant Daycare Director—

Laura Davis





### **Prayer Chain Requests:**

**Joyce Yeiser:** joyceyeiser5200@gmail.com 270-929-4914

<u>Pray for the Sick</u>: Pat Harralson, Mary Elaine Johnson, Rina Lyle, Theresa Murphy, Dan Murray, Liz Parker, Chris Payne, Joseph A. Roby, Jr., Louella Stroud, Carrie Wieder, Elizabeth Johnson, Joe Roby, Linda Roby, Alexis Bibb, Marvin Bickwerment, Mark Bullock, Jack Hutton, Steven Thompson, Joe Rearden, Harold Rearden, Sam Hayden, Joyce Yeiser, Bryan Jones, & Mary Roberts

Carmel Home: Audline Johnson, Annette Wimsatt

Chautauqua Health & Rehab: Cecilia Aud

**Morning Pointe:** Ed Howard

Hillcrest: Marilyn Van Bussum, Frank Murphy

Fern Terrace: Gary Horn

<u>Pray for the Homebound:</u> Tamara Burns, Louise Crowe, Richard Crowe, Rob Hamilton, Joseph Roby, Mildred Smith, & Vincent Hayden

### **Pray for Our Military**

**1st LT Xavier Evans:** Marine Corps, Japan **Spc. Zachary Nalley:** National Guard **Stuart Castlen:** Space Force, CO

**Lt. Cmdr. Patrick Clouse:** Navy, Washington, DC **Master Sgt. Jeffery Cooper:** Greenville, KY

Kaleb Hedden: Iraq

MAJ Ben Hedges, U.S. Army Reserves, Fort Knox, KY

Sgt. Brandon Johnson: National Guard Brian A. McDaniel: Marine Corps Wesley Osborne: National Guard Tony Pace: National Guard

Joshua Jones: Army National Guard Greenville, KY Nathan Jones: Army National Guard Greenville, KY Lt. Col. Joshua Murphy: Army Colorado Springs, CO

If you have or know a parishioner that would like to receive a bulletin in the mail please contact the church office at 270-684-4745 or email: dbrown@stpiustenthparish.org.

THANK YOU!

### **Pastoral Reflection**

First Sunday of Advent,

I think Advent is my favorite liturgical season. The word Adventus is Latin and means "arrival," specifically the arrival of the Lord. During Advent we are called to prepare ourselves, not just for Christmas but also for the return of the Lord. As a season it reflects the longing we have for Jesus as the one who provides meaning and fulfillment to our lives. So, how should we prepare? Coming to Mass during the week would make the season special, if that isn't already your practice. If you can't attend, then reading and reflecting on the scriptures for the daily Mass is a great alternative. You can find them at www.usccb.org. Once there just click on "Daily Readings" and you can see the Mass readings for every day. There are also Advent copies of "The Word Among Us" that will do the same. Spiritual Reading is also a good way to prepare our hearts during Advent. This year we will have available to you a book by Matthew Kelley called "The Forgotten Way." I hope it will provide grist for the spiritual mill during your Advent journey. There are many ways to pray during Advent: adoration and the Rosary are powerful, especially when reflecting on the Joyful Mysteries. Almsgiving and charity are also helpful in preparing for the Lord. Our giving tree is a great way to help others, along with supporting our St. Vincent de Paul. Finally, Advent is a good time to take advantage of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Along with our usual confession times, we will also have a communal penance service on December 18 at 6pm. I pray that this rich season of Grace will provide you with a deep experience of God's love for you and your family. Happy Advent! Fr. Larry

# INTENTIONS

### The week of November 30-December 7, 2025

**Sunday:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent 8:00am—Thelma Mattingly† 11:00am—Our Parish Family

Monday:

8:00 am—Jonathan Payne†

Tuesday:

12:00pm—Doris Schadler

Wednesday: St. Francis Xavier, Priest

6:00pm—Tim Jackson†

**Thursday**: St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the

Church

12:00pm—David & Holly Johnson Family

Friday:

8:00am—Kara Payne

**Saturday**: St. Nicholas, Bishop 8:00am—Avery McDonald<sup>†</sup>

5:00pm—Larry Harralson† & Alex McGehee†

**Next Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Advent

8:00am—Rodney McCarty†
11:00am—Our Parish Family

VIGIL MASS 6PM—Fr. Mark Buckner

## **Faith Formation**

Amie Stevens, Director of Religious Education astevens@stpiustenthparish.org



Matthew Knight, Youth Minister mknight@stpiustenthparish.org

### **YOUTH MEETINGS**

Wednesday, December 3rd NO YOUTH

Wednesday, December 10th CHRISTMAS PARTY

### **YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY**

### Wednesday, December 10th

All MS and HS Youth are invited to join us for our annual Christmas Party! There will be prizes, games, pizza, and a really good time. Youth are invited to bring a \$5 gag gift as well as any Christmas candy/dessert they want. Its always a great time!

# **Youth Ministry**

### **CONFIRMATION**

### Schedule Change:

Our class meetings are now 1/11, 1/25, 2/8, 2/22, 3/22, 4/19, 4/24 (Practice), 4/25 (Confirmation Mass)

### **Dad Joke of the Week**

What did the skillet eat on its birthday?

Pan-cakes

MS YOUTH: SAVE THE DATE
MIDDLE SCHOOL LOCK-IN
@ IMMACULATE PARISH
JANUARY 16th & 17th!!

# **Our Community**



### The Conder Family

Keith & June

Condolences to the family of Geraldine Keller†

Eternal rest grant unto her O' Lord

### **Our Lady of Lourdes**

### Vespers, Exposition & Benediction

Each Sunday of Advent • 5:00 pm
Take an opportunity to quiet your soul and pray the ancient prayer of the Church while spending time with Jesus in Blessed Adoration.

### What to Expect

- Evening Prayer (Vespers) of the Advent season
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in Adoration
- Quiet reflection, sacred silence, and seasonal psalms
- Benediction to conclude the hour of prayer

Advent Sundays: November 30 • December 7 • December 14 • December 21



Questions? Contact Deacon Ken Bennett — Parish Office All are welcome • Prepare your heart for the coming of the Lord

### Christmas Giving Tree

If you are interested in buying for a child in need this Christmas please take a tag from our tree in the vestibule.

Thank you for the continuing support of this ministry.

Please have your turkey tag with gifts returned by

December 12th.

### **Church Cleaning Volunteers Needed**

**God's Housekeepers: Keeping Our Church Beautiful** 

God's Housekeepers work tirelessly to clean our beautiful church every week. Their dedication helps maintain a welcoming and pristine environment for everyone.

### **How the Teams Work**

There are eight volunteer teams, each committing around three hours of cleaning every eight weeks. This shared effort ensures that the church is consistently cared for and remains a pleasant place for all who visit.

### **We Need More Volunteers**

Currently, there is a desperate need for additional members to join the cleaning teams. Your support is appreciated, and every extra set of hands makes a difference.

### **Flexible Volunteer Options**

If you are unable to participate on the designated night when a team is scheduled to clean, you are welcome to come and help at your own convenience. Flexibility is offered to accommodate your schedule.

#### How to Get Involved

Please consider volunteering to help keep our church beautiful. For more information or to sign up, contact Alicia Wells on (270) 925-2146.

### St. Benedict Shelter Ministry

Matthew 25:35 says: "For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, ......."

I invite you to put these words into action by agreeing to volunteer at the St. Benedict's Shelter, which St. Pius X endorses each month as an outreach ministry for our church by providing and serving food and staffing three shifts in the residency hall on the third Thursday and Friday of each month. The food is prepared and served by the food volunteers coordinated by Bonnie Castlen. The two-man, 4-hour shifts start at 8 pm on Thursday and run through 8 am on Friday, and are coordinated by Gary Estes. Prayerfully consider making this ministry one of your New Year's resolutions. Call Gary Estes at 270-314-4419.



# St. Pius X Daycare

Director: Sonya Budd (sbudd@stpiustenthparish.org) Assistant Director: Laura Davis (ldavis@stpiustenthparish.org)

- Curriculum: 1's Cozy Corner— Munch a bunch! (Talk about food-healthy &unhealthy)
- 2's Creative Curriculum— Trees Study
- Religion Class Preschool A: Christmas Songs and Advent Week
- Preschool A-B- LiteraSci: Letters and Christmas songs

### **Important Dates:**

- -December 19<sup>th</sup> Christmas Program for 2yr, 3yr and preschool A (10:00 a.m)
- -December 24th-25th-CLOSED
- –December 31st—CLOSED



Owensboro Catholic Schools is seeking a full time Human Resources Director for the K-12 school system and also a full time Digital Marketing Coordinator for the K-12 school system.

For details about the position and to apply please visit <a href="https://owensborocatholic.org/about-ocs/employment">https://owensborocatholic.org/about-ocs/employment</a>



# Liturgical

### Ministry Schedule for December 6th & 7th, 2025

Sat, 5:00 PM (Church)		Sun, 8:00 AM (Church)		Sun, 11:00 AM (Church)	
Laura Veach	- Captain/Sacred Host 1	Charlotte Hedges	- Captain/Sacred Host 1	Gerald Castlen	- Captain/Sacred Host 1
Fr. Hostetter or Ling	- Sacred Host 2	Fr. Hostetter or Ling	- Sacred Host 2	Fr. Hostetter or Ling	- Sacred Host 2
Kathy Jo Clary -Ca	ptain Asst./Sacred Host 3	Gail Wallace - Ca	ptain Asst./Sacred Host 3	Marion Bates - Ca	ptain Asst./Sacred Host 3
James Fleischmann	- Sacred Host 4	Meh Law	- Sacred Host 4	Catherine Marlowe	- Sacred Host 4
Peggy Castlen	- Precious Blood 1	Carol Payne	- Precious Blood 1	Amanda Kauffeld	- Precious Blood 1
Truby Velotta	- Precious Blood 2	Tina Zoglmann	- Precious Blood 2	Robert Smith	- Precious Blood 2
Connie Nalley	- Precious Blood 3	Linda Calhoun	- Precious Blood 3	Michelle Jones	- Precious Blood 3
Tommy Velotta	- Precious Blood 4	Ed Calhoun	- Precious Blood 4	Gary Estes	- Precious Blood 4
Jeff Fulkerson	Gift Bearer	Eddie Stallings	Gift Bearer	Tom Rhodes	Gift Bearer
Steve Hollman	- Lector 1	Eli Zoglmann	- Lector 1	NOT FILLED	- Lector 1
Connie Fleischmann	- Lector 2	Donna Howard	- Lector 2	Larry Millay	- Lector 2
Kristy Fulkerson	- Greeter D-1	Charles (Eddie) Potts	- Greeter D-1	John & Beth Clement:	s - Greeter D-1
Robert (Bob) Storm	- Greeter D-2	John McCarty	- Greeter D-2	Adam Payne	- Greeter D-2
Kami Fulkerson	- Server 1	James Thawng	- Server 1	Jessica Payne	- Server 1
Braeden Nichols	- Server 2	Flora Stiff	- Server 2	Weston Payne	- Server 2
Sam Potts	- Captain/Usher 1	Stephen Boarman	- Captain/Usher 1	Robert (Tony) Millay	- Captain/Usher 1
Thomas Blair	- Usher 2	Mark Howard	- Usher 2	Zackary Kauffeld	- Usher 2
Joe Brooks	- Usher 3	Dennis Zoglmann	- Usher 3	Tim Bowen	- Usher 3
Eric Ratliff (sub req.)	- Usher 4	Larry Murphy	- Usher 4	Samuel Clements	- Usher 4
Karen Hollman	Rosary Leader	Carol Payne	Rosary Leader	Beverly Estes	Rosary Leader

### **MUSIC MINISTRY**

December 6th & 7th (2nd Sunday of Advent)
5PM-Mary Lou & Roger
8AM-John & Kendall
11AM-Jubilation with Clint & Logan (Madison)
Sunday Evening 6PM Vigil Mass Guys & Gals with Clint

### Clint Campbell, Director of Music ccampbell@stpiustenthparish.org

December 8th( Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary)
Holy Day Monday
8AM—Amanda, Susan, & Mary Lou Storm

### **Sacramental Preparation**

#### **Baptism**

For the Sacrament of Baptism for their child, parents must attend a preparation class. Please contact the church office at 270-684-4745.

### Matrimony

One or both persons of the engaged couple must be active and registered parishioners at St. Pius X. If not, you may still contact Father Larry Hostetter at 270-684-4745 or lhostetter@stpiustenthparish.org.

#### First Reconciliation/Holy Communion, and Confirmation

Registered parishioners are encouraged to register for preparation for the sacraments.

For more information for children kindergarten-5th grade and First Communion, please contact Amie Stevens, Director of Religious Education at 270-684-4745.

For Confirmation please contact Matt Knight, Youth Minister at 270-684-4745 or mknight@stpiustenthparish.org

### **Order Of Christian Initiation Of Adults**

If you are considering becoming a Catholic we offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for children or youth. Please contact the church office at 270-684-4745.

### Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

- Isaiah 2:1–5 They shall beat their swords into plowshares.
- Psalm 122 "Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord."
- Romans 13:11–14 Now is the hour to awake from sleep.
- Matthew 24:37–44 The Son of Man will come at an hour you least expect.

Jesus paints a scary picture of his second coming in today's Gospel, warning his disciples to be ready always. We too must prepare ourselves, not only for his return at any time, but also for his coming into our hearts in a deeper way at a time we least expect. The words of the prophet Isaiah and the apostle Paul can help. "Put on the Lord Jesus Christ," Paul says, or, as Isaiah puts it, "Let us walk in the light of the Lord." May God's word inspire us to prepare our hearts so that we may all "go rejoicing to the house of the Lord."

# Stewardship Service

SUMMARY AS OF WEEK OF 11/16/2025					
	<b>Budget/Goal</b>	Collected			
Weekly 2025-					
2026 Budget Goal	\$16,617.02	\$13,065.48			
YTD 2025-2026					
<b>Budget Goal</b>	\$332,340.40	\$332,058.59			

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Collections						
		2025-2026				
Collection	11/16/20235	YTD				
General	\$12,339.48	\$304,086.84				
Building	\$726.00	\$27,971.75				

Collection numbers for Nov. 22nd and 23rd will be in next week's bulletin due to an early submit date.

### **MASS COUNT**

### November 22nd-23rd

Due to early bulletin submit date Mass count for this past week will be in next weeks bulletin.



# Want to learn more about ONLINE GIVING?

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### Counseling

Are there things in life that are stressing you out? You are not alone. Please call Catholic Charities at 270-683-1545 and mention CAP. We will direct you to a licensed counselor. You may also visit owensborodiocese.org/counseling.

### Altar Linens: December Joanne Warren



### God's Housekeepers:

November 29-30 Team 1
Gary & Beverly Estes
Mark & Donna Howard
Anna Carrico
Timothy & Betty Bowen
Andrew Ngun Pheh
Thomas Melton
Becky Pedley

Michelle Jones

### **Staff Contact Information** Parish Office (270) 684-4745

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#### Daycare (270) 684-7456

### **Daycare Director (Ext. 23)**

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Daycare Assistant (Ext. 22)

Laura Davis

**Parish Council Chairperson** 

Nick Howard 270-929-8948

**Finance Committee Chairperson** 

Debbie Daugherty: 270-695-7199

Safe Environment: 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 (270) 685-8442; local law enforcement (270) 687-8888; 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 Scott Ingram, Pastoral Assistance Coordinator (English) on the confidential phone line: 270-852-8380, Miguel Quintanilla, Pastoral Assistance Coordinator (Spanish): 270-880-8360. The Diocese of Owensboro's sexual abuse policy is available at this parish in the parish office, and also on the diocesan website (https://owensborodiocese.org/safe).