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6th Sunday Easter

Year C

John 14:23-29



“Jesus said to his disciples: “Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and ***we will come to him and make our dwelling with him.*** Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me. “I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me tell you, ‘I am going away and I will come back to you.’ If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father; for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it happens, so that when it happens you may believe.”

If Jesus Came To Your House

by Lois Blanchard Eades

If Jesus came to your house to spend a day or two

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Would you hide your worldly music and
put some hymn books out?

Could you let Jesus walk right in, or would you rush about?
And I wonder - if the Savior spent a day or two with you,
Would you go right on doing the things you always do?
Would you go right on saying the things you always say?
Would life for you continue as it does from day to day?

Would your family conversation keep up it's usual pace?
And would you find it hard each meal to say a table grace?

Would you sing the songs you always sing,
and read the books you read,

And let Him know the things on which your mind and spirit feed?
Would you take Jesus with you everywhere you'd planned to go?
Or would you, maybe, change your plans for just a day or so?

Would you be glad to have Him meet your very closest friends?
Or would you hope they'd stay away until His visit ends?
Would you be glad to have Him stay forever on and on?
Or would you sigh with great relief when He at last was gone?
It might be interesting to know the things that you would do
If Jesus Christ in person came to spend some time with you?



ACTS 2:42 GROUPS
IN MISSION AS A EUCARISTIC PEOPLE
YEAR OF MISSION

“They devoted themselves to the teachings of the apostles,
the communal life, the breaking of the bread & prayer”
Next Meeting May 11 at 1:30pm @ St Pius

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 May 25, 2025

Acts 15:1-29/Rv 21:10-23/Jn 14:23-29

Monday Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11

Wed Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Jn 16:12-15

Thursday Acts 18:1-8/Jn 16:16-20

Friday Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23

Saturday Rom 12:9-16/Lk 1:39-56

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

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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,

6th Easter Sunday

Year C

John 14:23-29

"We had the experience but missed the meaning, And approach to the meaning restores the experience, In a different form, beyond any meaning..." (TS Eliot The Four Quartets-Dry Salvages 3.2)

I shared some of that quote from TS Eliot in my Easter Message. Today, Jesus teaches us in John 14:23 that "Whoever loves me will keep my word....." What does it mean 'to keep a word'? An answer to that, could be, that we reflect/think it over (hold on to it), follow through with some action response to hearing it. Basically, that the Word **actually means something**! Of course, the 'Word' that Jesus is talking about is Himself (John 1:1), but it is also the content material of 1)everything He told us and 2)everything recorded of what He did! (He is the 'Word made flesh' Jn 1:14). Jesus teaches in today's gospel that if we hold in love, all that we know of Him, that such a cherishing in our mind/heart will create a space in us, that He and the Father will come to 'dwell in' forever (John 14:23)! Amazing! God comes to live in us through our close meditation on His Word, along with our imitative re-enactment of His instructions in our own living. But it all starts with 'hearing' Him first. (John 5:24 "whoever hears my word and believes in the one who sent me **has eternal life**").

Even if we do not always understand fully what His word means (the deepest dimensions of His teaching), as long as we continue to sit with and hold it, then the meaning will come to us eventually. Or, it will come again (2nd time) to us – through His Holy Spirit. This is what Jesus suggests today too. In John 14:26, Jesus says, "the Holy Spirit will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you." Remind us? Jesus assures us that if we hold it closely, more and more of His meaning will continue to reveal itself to us over time (like an eternal spring of water? See John 4:14) The more we return to it, the more there is, to draw from it!

I bet that in our lives of faith, we can all recount experiences that we went through, and they stuck with us. But that with the passage of some time, later we came to see in the events, even more and more meaning. They were much more powerful experiences of God's grace **than we recognized at first**. Like when we remember particular details (seemingly insignificant at the time) and later those same details become so impressive to us, and we realize the hand of God directing them, behind them all! As when we say, "Ohhhh, that is what you meant" or "I get it now!" God must be behind our growing realization of His Providence at play! We come to find even more depth to the experience the more that we reflect/pray upon it & hold it in our hearts ('keep the word')

In the Post-Easter days, of the apostles, we see a lot of this '**fresh remembering** of the past'. The followers of Jesus come to find more meaning than they initially sensed in the events they shared with Him. For example, as the women discover the empty tomb, two dazzling men announce to them, that Jesus is alive as He had told them, and Luke says, "They **remembered** Jesus' words"(Luke 24:8). Or in John 2 with Jesus cleansing the Temple, John says that "when Jesus was raised from the dead, his disciples **remembered that he had said this**, and they came to believe the scripture and the word Jesus had spoken"(John 2:22). And with Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on the donkey, John 12:16, tells us that "His disciples did not understand this at first, but when Jesus had been glorified **they remembered that these things** were written about him and that this was done." In all of these experiences, the followers of Jesus went through things with Jesus, but they didn't fully appreciate the depth of the meaning they were encountering, until later! Like the poet TS Eliot mentioned, they had the experience but missed the meaning. But thanks be to God, that Jesus is patient and keeps coming to us (or His Spirit reveals more and more over time to us!-Jn 14:26-'remind us all Jesus said/did'). With Jesus, it only gets better, and deeper. Perhaps that best 'one-moment' realization of the full depth of Jesus' Word happened in that second mass with the two disciples on the Road to Emmaus, when they came to have 'opened' both the word and deed of Jesus, when He taught them along the Way. Their reaction afterward was one of blessed insight and amazement: "Were not our hearts burning within us as spoke to us on the Way and opened the scriptures to us?"(Luke 24:32) All this comes when we 'keep His Word' – hold it, recall it and love it! Peace, Fr Brian

Pius X Parish Council Meeting Thurs @ 5:00 pm
Chair Person, Secretary & Finance, Spiritual Life, FFY & Religious Ed
Social Program/Outreach, Building & Ground Comttees
Returning Members: Debbie Anspach, Stacey Newby
Welcome New Members: Amanda Gentry, Allison Devine,
Philip Scheidegger & Karen Williams.

Scott Hahn's 4th Cup Book Study & Discussion
Every Tuesday Night from 6:30-7:30pm Come study this
interesting approach to the Passion & Death of Christ and the
connection of the Last Supper (Passover Meal) and Mass!

MAY 25, 2025 + 6TH SUNDAY EASTER YEAR C

St Pius X Mass Intentions

May 26– June 1

Tuesday	6:00 pm	John/Marilyn Brooks 70 th Annvrsry
Wednesday	8:00 am	Francisco Rendon
Thursday	8:00 am	Charlie Hinkebein
Friday	8:00 am	Jordan Donohoo
Saturday	4:30 pm	Jared Wheatley
Sunday	10:00am	Linda Paluso

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Parish Hall Donation (5/18/25)	\$ 97.00
Budget for 2024/2025 Fiscal Year	\$ 195,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 3,750.00
Weekly Donation (5/18/25)	\$ 2,694.13
Online Giving (5/18/25)	\$ 1,149.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 5/18	\$ 3,843.13
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 217,836.77

St Leo Parish KC Saffer Council #6897 brings the Silver Rose (Pro-Life Work) visit to our area, for a special Mass, on Saturday May31 at a 4:00pm and 5:30 pm mass (Rosary recited at 5:05) at St Leo Parish Church., Murray KY. Everyone invited, especially any Knight of Columbus & Family!

Deacon Conrad Jaconette to be ordained Priest for our Diocese and the Archdiocese of Military!

Saturday May 31 @ 10:00 am St Stephen Cathedral Owensboro, Ky. Come celebrate our newest priest dedicated to God for service in the Priesthood of Jesus Christ! Deo Gratias!



Happy Birthday! May 25– May 31 St. Pius

May 30	Stormy Weigle
May 30	Russell Tomlinson
May 30	Anthony Pellegrin

Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X

May 27	John & Marilyn Brooks
May 29	Jeff & Heidi Outland
May 30	Russell & Carolyn Tomlinson
May 30	John & Janet Colgan
May 31	Fr Brian Priest Anniversary

Prayers & Sympathy: Please pray for the eternal rest of Keith Elliott (husband of Regina Elliott) and Francisco Rendon (brother of Mila Richardson), who passed away last week. Please keep their families in your prayers, that God may comfort and strengthen them in through these difficult times.

Additional Summer Mass at St Anthony!

Every Saturday 6:00 pm St Anthony, Grand Rivers

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, May 31, 2025

Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Volunteer	Larry Whitt	Kurt Schmidt Paula Schmidt Dawn Whitt	George Humphreys (Greeter) Paula Humphreys (Greeter)	

Mass Assignments: Sunday, June 1, 2025

Gavin Devine Kinley Peterson	Jeff Outland	Caleb King Allison Devine Patty Langford	Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer	Andy Ferm Sherry Ferm
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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>).



PRAY FOR UKRAINE

Remember in Prayer

St. Pius X: Erin Hamilton, Kathy Sanderson, Greg Williams, Judy Ayers, Pat Hobbs, Keisha Bradley Janet Norvell, Iris Joelle Maynard, Megan Mudd, Theresa Owens, Sara Repovich, Kaye Hinkebein, Amanda Scheidegger, Olga Edwards, Diane Fischer Russell Tomlinson, Paula Willett, Kent & Kim Henry, Leah Vincek, Rick Wilson, Ashley Hayden, Donna Barrix, David Crass, Helen Nicholson, Bonita Walker, Joe Hedges, Jerry Wade, Katie Wood, Joanna Grimes, Amanda Bailey, Kaileigh Row, Pam Laibl, David Kroll, Henry Feezor, Lisa Hammond, Bennett Meisenheimer, Wes Hayes, Mike Norvell, Maryann Huebschmann, 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 Brooks, Stacy Newby, Bette Zilligen, Ric Vaughn, 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

Bazaar Workshop at St Anthony Every Tuesday at 9:00 am – Every Tuesday & all parishioners invited to come participate in helping craft gifts for the annual bazaar fundraiser. See the list of items and materials that anyone can donate. Also, volunteer help is always needed too! Come/Have fun!



Lunch Bunch meets every 3rd Thursday at 11:30 Come and bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share!

Hope Clinic Baby Bottle Collection: Please bring back the baby bottles to be returned to Hope Clinic, Benton.

IN THE WORD WITH BISHOP MEDLEY

A new series for parish adult small groups
Coming September 2025.

All-Day Adoration on Friday June 6

St Anthony Church 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.

First Saturdays Honor the Blessed Mother:

First Saturday Mass on June 7 @ 8:00am. Every first Saturday we offer mass and pray the rosary



St Anthony Birthdays May 25– May 31

No birthdays this week

St Anthony Anniversaries:

May 30 John & Janet Colgan
May 31 Fr Brian Priest Anniversary

St Anthony Wednesday Bible Study

Come join us every Wednesday at 10:00-11:00 for a study of Luke's Gospel. We are using Jeff Cavins & Dr Morrow's materials to guide our study. Bring your Bible & come learn about the 3rd gospel



St. Anthony of Padua

Mass Intentions

May 26 – June 1

Wednesday	9:00 am	Janet Noyes
Friday	9:00 am	Fred Drury
Saturday	6:00 pm	Jerry Offerman
Sunday	8:00 am	Charles Thurman, Sr

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2024-June 2025)	\$ 73,500.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 5/18/2025	\$ 1,968.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 101,681.50
KY Bishops Disaster Relief Coll	\$ 967.00



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 – June 1, 2025

Lector	Georgia Bradshaw
Eucharistic Ministers	Jo Herron Cindy O'Brien
Ushers/Greeters	Kevin Diamond David Loxley
Server	Juan Gonzalez
Money Counters	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond

CONSIDER ATTENDING DAILY MASS

St Anthony Prayer List: Theresa Owens, Kathy Johansen, Jeff Ritorto, Cathy Ritorto, Betty Gonzalez, Elena Carey, Donna & Jon Gresham, Bob Decker, Bill Rodgers, Tom & Margie Sheppard, Bob Tashjian, Mr. Driskill, Pat Gorbett, 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 June 18, 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