

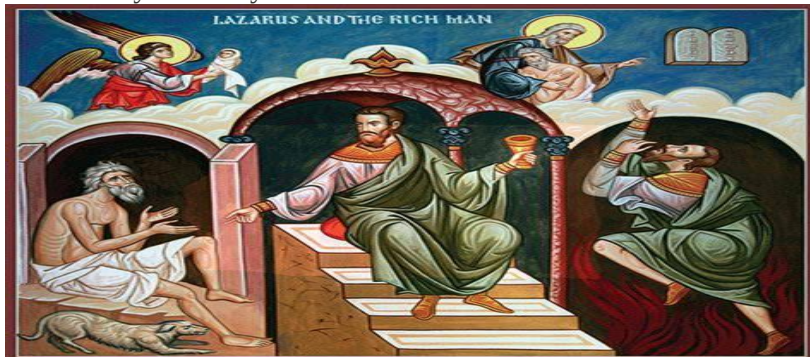


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26th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C Lk 16:19-31



"Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores. When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld, where he was in torment, he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he cried out, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames.' Abraham replied, 'My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established to prevent anyone from crossing who might wish to go from our side to yours or from your side to ours.' He said, 'Then I beg you, father, send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they too come to this place of torment.' But Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them.' He said, 'Oh no, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' Then Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.'"

'The Rich Man & Lazarus'

By John Newton

A Worldling spent each day
In luxury and state;
While a believer lay,
A beggar at his gate:
Think not the Lord's appointments strange,
Death made a great and lasting change.

Death brought the saint release
From want, disease, and scorn;
And to the land of peace,
His soul, by angels borne,

The rich man also died,
And in a moment fell
From all his pomp and pride
Into the flames of hell:

Let all who worldly pelf,
And worldly spirits have,
Observe, each for himself,
The answer Abram gave the rich man:
Remember, thou wast filled with good,
While the poor beggar pined for food.

Neglected at thy door
With tears he begged his bread;
But now, he weeps no more,
His griefs and pains are fled:
His joys eternally will flow,
While thine expire in endless woe.

Lord, make us truly wise,
To choose thy peoples' lot;
And earthly joys despise,
Which soon will be forgot:
The greatest evil we can fear,
Is to possess our portion here!

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 28, 2025

Am 6:1a, 4-7/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

Monday Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Jn 1:47-51

Tuesday Zec 8:20-23/Lk 9:51-56 (

Wednesday Neh 2:1-8/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday Neh 8:1-4a, 5-12/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Friday Bar 1:15-22/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Lk 10:17-24

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

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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,

26th Sunday Ordinary Time

Luke 16:19-31

"They just don't get it!" other phrases that capture what afflicts the rich man in the gospel are "hard-hearted", 'closed-minded' or OT biblically 'stiff-necked' (Exodus 32:9, 34:9 & Deut 9:6). To be stiff necked, meant 'stubborn-not budging' 'not willing to turn & look around' 'view to left or right' or not open to new information. It means to be stuck/hung up on oneself, like the Greek tragedy figure Narcissus, who was so fixated on his image in the pool of water (like a mirror) that he remained there just staring, never eating/drinking until he died! (the rest of the story was that his self-absorption/demise came about due to his cruel & judgmental rejection of Echo because she wasn't beautiful enough for Him =A Lesson in Social Media-Don't get caught up chasing the perfect image! If you live by false beauty image, you'll die thru false beauty image!) But in Jesus' parable, the rich man ***'just doesn't get it!'*** Not even as he burns in torment! He still doesn't get it, even there! He has wound himself up so tightly in his privilege and prosperity that he has put himself out of touch with the rest of humanity! In the world, his self-insulating empire around himself, made him 'unreachable' from other humans. His 'closed-off' self has even pushed God away! (*What do they say but that God's almighty control does not extend into the human heart – He created us free out of love, and we must invite Him into our heart-He does not push in /impose?*) For example, notice about the rich man, how he looks upon people as 'things to manipulate' and as 'resources to exploit'. He only pays attention to them when they 'benefit' him. The rich man notices Lazarus only as 'useful' to 1)satisfy him by bringing him water-Lk 16:24 or to 2) selfishly to be sent as a warning his brothers-Lk 16:27-28 (the family dynasty!) ***Otherwise, poor little Lazarus means nothing to the rich man.*** He is just another commodity to use up for his own or his family's gain. This closed-off blindness and insensitivity to others is what condemns the rich man to burning torment in the afterlife. But He puts himself there – and the greatest tragedy is that even when he is in Hades, he still doesn't begin to see Lazarus with dignity, and humanly as a brother. He treats him like a slave, dealing, over his head with Abraham to ***"Send Lazarus"***(vs 24&27) to do his work. He didn't ask Lazarus. He didn't apologize, or repent over his previously callous disregard of Lazarus in life. No, he still ignores Lazarus' dignity and is still demandingly ordering him around! How arrogant! But those who claim 'privilege and entitlement' act that way (so ***out of touch***-out of feeling!) And not just wealth, but ***power*** (*often power corruptly seizes its wealth from others*), power also afflicts its holders with 'stiff-necked' narcissism. I am reminded of the Prime Minister Netanyahu, who while his own soldiers and airmen were being attacked and killed during military exchanges with Iran, he claimed that the war had had personal costs/sacrifice for his family too, *because his son had to postpone his wedding two times because of air-strike warnings*. What?? There is no comparison between an inconvenience of a changed schedule and the sacrifice of being maimed in war or die a death as a soldier/citizen hostage. How pompous! But its a classic example of powerful people cluelessly being 'out of touch'! Justifiably, many of the country's military families and hostage families were outraged by his insensitivity to their real 'ultimate sacrifices' (*story reference to www.independent.co.uk/news/world/middle-east/netanyahu-iran-israel-war-son-wedding-b2773758.html*) Again, no comparison! Such a lack of compassionate sensitivity demonstrates the utter 'out of touch' risks we create for ourselves, otherwise called-'unbridgeable chasms-walls' that people of privilege build between themselves and others. It leads to our own condemnation! So, tragically, the rich man in the parable never repents and acknowledges the inhumanity that Lazarus lived through right at the rich man's own front door-step (he didn't even throw 'scraps' out the window to Lazarus Lk 16:21 – worse yet, he probably even had the little helper comfort-dogs captured by animal control!) The rich man's obsession with his riches, prevented him from seeing genuine human need right in front of him. This happens easily enough to us all. We can be so caught up in our own possessions, or positions (with full schedules and busy appointments) that we overlook/ignore people in need, putting ourselves out of touch from the people who may need us most. A good question to ask is, "Do we notice who is hurting and in need, around us? Have we really listened to, and kept in touch with, neighbors or family who are around us all the time?"

Some further good questions to further reflect on, and pray about, could be: "Who might be 'my Lazarus'?" "What needs of those who live or work around me, am I not noticing?" "What injustices have I accepted as a 'matter of doing business'?" And to help us not overlook the Lazaruses around us all the time, "What practices or actions can I insert into my daily routine to keep me attentive to and observant to other peoples' needs?" A lot to pray about! Blessings and Peace, Fr Brian

Pius X Parish Council Meeting Wednesday Oct 15 @ 5:00 pm

Chair Person, Secretary & Finance, Spiritual Life, FFY & Religious Ed
Social Program/Outreach, Building & Ground Comttees

Barb Melillo, Stacey Newby, Philip Scheidegger, Amanda
Gentry, Allison Devine, Michael Bowling, Karen Williams

First Reconciliation/First Communion Schedule

Sept. 28	Sun 9:00 - 9:45am	First Reconciliation	Session #2
Oct. 19	Sun 9:00 - 9:45am	First Reconciliation	Session #3
Nov. 2	Sun 9:00 - 9:45am	First Reconciliation	Session #4/ #5

**St Pius X Mass Intentions
Sep 29– Oct 5**

Tuesday	6:00 pm	Lucila Rendon
Wednesday	8:00 am	Tena Brooks
Thursday	8:00 am	MaryAnn Huebschmann
Friday	8:00 am	Norman Wheatley
Saturday	4:30 pm	Deacon Joseph Padgett
Sunday	10:00am	Crispin Rendon

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Parish Hall Donation (9/21/25)	\$ 50.00+online tba
Budget for 2025/2026 Fiscal Year	\$ 205,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 3,942.00
Weekly Donation (9/21/25)	\$ 2,372.00
Online Giving (9/21/25)	\$ N/A Online
Total Week's Gift Offering 9/21	\$ 2,372.00+online tba
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 55,339.16 +online tba

Prayers & Sympathy: Please pray for the eternal rest and peace of **Ronan Spillaine**, nephew of Margaret Howard who passed away suddenly last week. Please keep the family in your prayers too.

Upcoming Events

In the Word with the Bishop October 12 after 1:30 pm
Men's Bible Study September 28 after 10 Mass

Presentation on St John Henry Newman

Oct 9th @ St Leo Parish Murray 7:00 pm
President Rector of St Meinrad Seminary, Fr Denis Robinson, OSB will offer an engaging lecture presentation on the Spirituality & Thought of Henry Newman. Come enjoy an interesting overview of this fascinating and brilliant saint of modern times!

Ladies Night Out

With the Daughters of Isabella
You don't have to be a member to join in the fun,
but you do need to be a fabulous lady over 18!
Saturday Oct. 25 @ 6:30
An Amazing Evening of Fun and
BUNCO
At the KC Hall 3028 Jefferson Street, Paducah
\$15.00 per person to play and win prizes
Please bring an appetizer to share,
and your favorite drink!
You don't have to know how to play, we'll teach you, it's easy!

Happy Birthday! Sep 28– Oct 4 St. Pius

Sept 28 Alice Lucas Sept 28 David Carr
Sept 30 Marcus Newman Oct 1 Henry Anderson
Oct 2 Lauren Shea Oct 3 Jimmy Hogancamp

Happy Anniversary! St. Pius

Sept 29 Ryan & Allison Devine
October 4 Jeff & Charlotte Riedfort
October 4 Chance & Allison Lucas

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, Oct 4, 2025

Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Franky Schiarette Marlie Schiarette	Brenda Schiarette	Charlotte Riedfort Jeff Riedfort Kurt Schmidt	George Humphreys (Greeter) Paula Humphreys (Greeter)	

Mass Assignments: Sunday, Oct 5, 2025

Gavin Devine Kinley Peterson	Ric Witowski	Larry Whitt Jimmy Harbsion Allison Devine	Margaret Howard Gary Traylor Usher Volunteer	Andy Ferm Sherry Ferm
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FFY
Calendar
&
Activities
Schedule

DATE	SUNDAY GOSPEL READING	Classes or Events
Sep 24, 2025 Wed 6:00-7:30	26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time -C	ADORATION @ 7:00pm & Adoration etiquette/protocol
Oct 1, 2025 Wed 6:00-7:30	27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time -C	St Francis Pet Blessing 6:30 pm
Oct 8, 2025 Wed 6:00-7:30	28 th Sunday in Ordinary Time -C	NO FFY SESSION FALL BREAK

Remember our Sick in Your Prayers

St. Pius X: Clem Hinkebein, Florine Daigle, Tena Brooks, Angie Farris, Kathy Sanderson, Greg Williams, Judy Ayers, Pat Hobbs, Keisha Bradley Iris Joelle Maynard, 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, Pam Laibl, David Kroll, Henry Feezor, Lisa Hammond, Bennett Meisenheimer, Mike Norvell, 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, Kerry Frazier, Rene Harrington, Forrest Teeters, Cameron Brewer, Hugo Santos, Sharon Gibbons, Braydn Barnett, Elizabeth Witowski, Pam Dietz. Anthony Pellegrin.

Pray for Our Military

Cameron Thomason, James Griffith, Cory Erickson, Justin Fatum, James A. Kinsey, Sarah Martindale, Benjamin Patton, Kousuke Sasaki, Noah Willett..



PRAY FOR UKRAINE

St. Anthony Page Announcements

Coffee/ Doughnuts 1st Sunday Every Month

Save the Dates: St Anthony Fall Bazaar

Fri Oct 3 @ 5:00 pm & All Day Sat Oct 4 @ 9-4

Please consider signing up for any of the ways of helping the day of the bazaar. We need helpers for set-up, and clean-up.

Bake Sale Items Needed***Homemade Pies, Cakes, Brownies, any baked goods packaged & ready to sell can be dropped off at Church Friday all day Oct 3 or brought to Community Ctr Oct 4 at 9:00 for Sale

Plan ahead: For Bazaar Day, we will need set-up help, kitchen help, man tables & booths and sales.

Leaders: **Quilts & Crafts:** Wayne/Georgia Bradshaw

Set-up & Crafts: Vern & Georgia Hunsley

Lunch/Bake Sale: Kevin & Sandy Ruth Diesen

Upcoming Events And Dates to Mark

Sunday Sept 28 1st Friday Adoration Appeal (PT)

Sunday Oct 12 St Stephen Visit & Mass Prayer

Sunday Oct 19 Sign up Sunday - Get involved !

All-Day Adoration on Friday October 3

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 October 4 @ 8:00am. Every first Saturday we offer mass and pray the rosary



St Anthony Birthdays Sep 28 – Oct 4

September 28 Renee Ray

September 30 Kaiden Johnson

St Anthony Anniversaries:

No anniversaries this week

St Anthony Wednesday Bible Study

Come join us every Wednesday at 10:00-11:00 for study of the gospel reading from the Sunday ahead. We'll be reading the text and conducting a form of Lectio Divina & discussing the fruit of our reflection upon God's Word



St. Anthony of Padua

Mass Intentions

Sep 29– Oct 5

Wednesday	9:00 am	Helen Krivan
Friday	9:00 am	Charles Thurman, Jr
1 st Sat	8:00 am	Taylor Johansen & Shane Lyman
Sunday	8:00 am	John & Anne Bradshaw

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2025-June 2026)	\$ 89,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,711.54
Weekly Donation 9/21/2025	\$ 1,176.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 35,452.00



FOOD PANTRY

Food Items Especially Needed: *Saltine Crackers, Hamburger Helper*, sugar, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, tuna.

Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University: We're interested in hosting a financial-help seminar. At least 10 people needed to host classes. Please ask Kippling Spencer or Fr Brian info.

St Anthony Mass Assignments – October 5, 2025

Lector	Sandy Ruth
Eucharistic Ministers	Mike Drury Jovita Herron
Ushers/Greeters	Kevin Diamond Kelly Noonan
Server	Juan Gonzalez
Money Counters	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond

CONSIDER ATTENDING DAILY MASS OR WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

St Anthony Prayer List: Theresa Owens, Kathy Johansen, Jeff Ritorto, Cathy Ritorto, Betty Gonzalez, Elena Carey, Donna & Jon Gresham, Bob Decker, Bill Rodgers, 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 Nov 19 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