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On the Parables of the Mustard Seed

Who ever saw the mustard-plant,
wayside weed or tended crop,
grow tall as a shrub, let alone a tree, a treeful
of shade and nests and songs?

Acres of yellow,
not a bird of the air in sight.

No. He who knew
the west wind brings
the rain, the south wind
thunder, who walked the field-paths
running His hand along wheatstems to glean
those intimate milky kernels, good
to break on the tongue,

was talking of miracle, the seed
within us, so small
we take it for worthless, a mustard-seed, dust,
nothing.

Glib generations mistake
the metaphor, not looking at fields and trees,
not noticing paradox. Mountains
remain unmoved.

Faith is rare, He must have been saying,
prodigious, unique –
one infinitesimal grain divided
like loaves and fishes,
as if from a mustard-seed
a great shade-tree grew. That rare,
that strange: the kingdom
a tree. The soul
a bird. A great concourse of birds
at home there, wings among yellow flowers.

The waiting
kingdom of faith, the seed
waiting to be sown.

By Denise Levertov

Gospel 11th Sunday Ordinary YearB Mark 4:26-34

Jesus said to the crowds: "This is how it is with the kingdom of God; it is as if a man were to scatter seed on the land and would sleep and rise night and day and through it all the seed would sprout and grow. he knows not how. Of its own accord the land yields fruit, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the grain is ripe, he wields the sickle at once, for the harvest has come." He said, "To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the sky can dwell in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them as they were able to understand it. Without parables he did not speak to them, but to his own disciples he explained everything in private.

Weekly Mass Readings

June 13 - June 19

Sunday 6/13	Ez 17:22-24/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34
Monday 6/14	2 Cor 6:1-10/Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday 6/15	2 Cor 8:1-9/Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday 6/16	2 Cor 9:6-11/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday 6/17	2 Cor 11:1-11/Mt 6:7-15
Friday 6/18	2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Mt 6:19-23
Saturday 6/19	2 Cor 12:1-10/Mt 6:24-34

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**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 & 6:00 pm
Thursday-8:00 am
Friday-8:00 am

*Eucharist Adoration-First Friday of each month-
8:00 am*

† **Online Mass**

Sunday -10:00 am
Wednesday - 6:00 pm

**We are still Live Streaming Facebook
for anyone at home**

Find us on Facebook at:
*St. Pius X & St. Anthony of Padua Catholic
Churches*

Parish Office Hours

Thursday 9:00 am-2:00 pm

**St. Anthony of Padua
Mass Schedule**

† **Weekend Mass**

1st Saturday of each month-8:00 am
Sunday- 8:00 am

† **Daily Mass**

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

*Eucharist Adoration-First Friday of each
month-9:00 am*

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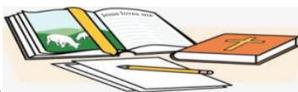
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FROM THE PASTOR

A Message From Fr. Brian Johnson



June 13, 2021.

How observant of you, Jesus! Of course, me saying that of Jesus, deserves a response like, "Well, yes, Fr Obvious!" It is no surprise how observant Jesus is of us in His shepherdly and providential way, because we all know that Jesus watches over us! He watches everyone and everything. That makes Jesus the good shepherd He is (John 10), who has His eyes always peeled and scanning his surroundings (yes, looking for wolves, cliffs or sinkholes, but also for the greenest grass and freshest water). Yet, it also makes Jesus a good gardener (see Luke 13:7-9's parable about sparing a tree for another year to be cared for by a patient gardener). But wait. Such close observation is good for all of us to perform, because it makes for a good person. Someone who is careful and observant tends to wisely size up situations and sensitively know what people need (like an excellent waitress who knows just when to refill your water, or a mother who buys each child's favorite cereal!) So yes Jesus is observant, not missing anything or losing anything. He repeatedly said that he would not lose any of his own (John 6:39; 10:28; 17:12, 18:9).

We know Jesus watched people in the marketplace (seeing how the Pharisees jockeyed for prestigious seats-Matt 23:6) and watching the temple treasury (to see widow offer her gift-Luke 21:1-2). So clearly, Jesus is watching. But today's parables also show how he watched nature's process of growth and the progress of seasons. He knows the growth cycle of a seed. He knows different types of plants and their preferred conditions for optimal height and yield. I suspect that all of his time by the lakeshores, in gardens and groves, on hillsides and even in the seas familiarized him with all kinds of natural observations. People quote Jesus' observation of weather conditions in Matthew 16:2-3 when they say, "Red sky at night sailors' delight-Red sky in morning, sailor's warning" from Matthew 16:2-3 (Shakespeare turns it into a proverb in his poem 'Venus & Adonis' 470-75). My gardening experience at the moment with seeds is simply 'burying them for safe-keeping' because I am not seeing much growth (they are not helped much with such cool nights and cloudy days). Yet, I also think I have some root mites or aphids that are attacking the tender shoots and keeping them stunted. The bottom line is that I would starve if I depended upon anything I'm growing! But praised be to God, that our land is blessed with farmers! If I eat today, I thank a farmer and farmhands (talk about 'essential workers'!) Jesus two parables today basically tell us first that the life growth of a seed is absolute mystery (the 'secret of life' stuff). Also, a seed's growth calls for patience (fruit does not come immediately). Fruit comes at the end of the season: First the stem, then the leaf and branch and then finally the flower and fruit. Mark 4:27 "the seed would sprout and grow, the sower knows not how" Yes, just add water, but water without the proper heat and light, water only brings rot to the seed underground. Yet, under the right conditions, it is life! We plant and wait (Does a watched plant grow?) This action and trust combined amounts to faith. Continuing on without knowing the exact details, is an act of faith. Seeds don't come with manuals showing each step of growth, you can check off visually to ensure it looks right. (In fact, the unseen seed is doing its most important work of anchoring and setting up intake roots all underground!) That work in the dark is the most important. More is going on than ever appears on the surface.

Jesus' second parable tells of the tiniest of seeds producing the largest of bushes (mustard seed becomes large woody, branched bush or in the tree world we would say a tiny acorn becomes a mighty oak-KY's version of sequoias!) But to only see the mustard seed, you miss out on the final plant! So, faith patiently imagines the oak tree even in its acorn form. Maybe this is something like the artist Michelangelo who spoke about his art being the gift of seeing a figure animated in the marble even before the first chip is chiseled. The sculptors' job is to cut away all that binds the figure in the block. It is also like the painter who visualizes the scene on the white canvas, that he/she then traces lines and adds color layers to lift the image off its background for everyone else to see. Faith is an added spiritual sense, always seeing more. Faith plants a seed and waits. Faith knows that more life is happening than what is seen, recorded or measured. Hebrews 11:1 tells us that, "Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen." In 1 Corinthians 13:12, St Paul tells us that 'presently, we only see indistinctly, as in a mirror....', not physically seeing all there is, so that in the meantime "We walk by faith, not by sight" (2 Cor 5:7). It starts with a seed! Peace, Fr Brian

Sunday Obligation Reinstatement by Bishop Medley

Dear Brothers & Sisters, As we move beyond the worst of the coronavirus pandemic and access to the COVID-19 vaccine is now more widespread, the time has arrived for the good of all the faithful when the general dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays & Holy Days is no longer necessary.

The general obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation (including the Saturday/Vigil Mass) is to be reinstated (CIC, can. 1247). This will **take effect in the Diocese of Owensboro the weekend of June 12-13, 2021**. This date was chosen because as of June 11, the state-mandated restrictions are lifted, including capacity restrictions on gatherings. As has always been the case, those who have a serious reason are exempt from attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2181). This includes those who are ill, have serious health risk factors or care for someone who is immuno-compromised or ill, as well as those having significant fear/anxiety of contracting the coronavirus in a large group of persons. Still, these persons should observe the Lord's Day (CIC, can. 1247) and are encouraged to spend time in prayer on Sunday, meditating on the Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection. Kindly consult your pastor with any specific questions regarding the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.

If medical case situations worsen, some cautionary measures may be instituted again.

General Measures as of June 12, 2021

- The general obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days is to be reinstated on the weekend of June 12-13, 2021. Those who are ill, have significant health risk factors, care for someone who is immuno-compromised or ill, as well as those who have significant anxiety of contracting the coronavirus in a large group of persons are not obliged
- Per Kentucky State guidelines, masks are not required for anyone (including those who are unvaccinated), except by personal choice.
- Physical distancing is not required for anyone (including for those who are unvaccinated), except by personal choice.
- Holy water fonts and baptismal fonts may be filled and used by the faithful, but should be cleaned regularly.
- It is recommended that the Sign of Peace is offered without physical touch for now.
- The Precious Blood is not to be distributed to the faithful until further notice.
- At this time, receiving Communion in the hand remains the safest way to ensure that the virus is not spread from one Communicant to another.

Old St Stephen Parish Church in LBL Painting!

Thank You Mary Ann Huebschmann! What a wonderful painting of the old St Stephen Church in LBL! Make sure to view the beautiful original painting of the old church that Mary Ann donated to St Anthony Church. It is displayed in the front vestibule! What a testimony to the Church's history!

Every Wednesday Bible Study

at 10:00 am St Anthony Church



Come study the Sunday Mass readings with a group as a wonderful preparation to find even more grace in Sunday Celebrations.

Support for Hope Clinic! Thank You!

Lisa Holland, the center's director, sent a wonderful card with words of gratitude to the churches for helping recently with an appeal for the pregnancy support centers at Benton & Eddyville. Almost \$900 had been given so far. There are donation envelopes placed on tables by the church doors for anyone who still wants to help Hope Clinic's pro-life pregnancy support ministry. Checks can be made out directly to Hope Clinic, and mailed to them. Hope Clinic: PO Box 645, Benton KY 42025

Act of Consecration to St. Joseph: O dearest Saint Joseph, I consecrate myself to your honor and give myself to you, that you may always be my father, my protector and my guide in the way of salvation. Obtain for me a greater purity of heart and fervent love of the interior life. After your example may I do all my actions for the greater glory of God, in union with the Divine Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. O Blessed Saint Joseph, pray for me, that I share in the peace and joy of your holy death.

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>).

Remember in Prayer

St. Pius X: Joey Elder, Jeffrey Frizzell, Jim Darst, Kaileigh Row, Marilyn Duzmal, Henry Feezor, Lisa Hammond, Rose Grossius, Bennett Meisenheimer, Neil Trammell, Peter Bullock, Jim & Rose Drury, Wes Hayes, Mike Norvell, Maryann Huebschmann, Shirley Mangan, Kenny Matthews, Dora Miller, Miller Meisenheimer, Joann Najgebauer, Elizabeth Nelson, Johnny Poe, Joel Rivera, Carol Ross, Marty Tyskling, Lonnie Vogler, Brenda Waitke, Gary Walters, Andrew Walton, Larry Wenzel, Anna Williams, Dawn Williams, Wilma Lejuene, Lori Butler, Isabella Hamilton, Dr. Danny Butler, Jeanette Hayes, Cameron Richmond, Brad Longworth, Matthew Black, Helen Bennett, Nannette Frizzell, Catherine Broks, Stacey Newby, Bette Zilligen, Dorothy Henry, Ric Vaughn, Susan Sloan, Donny Travis, Betty Derry, Scott Hamilton, Connie Burt and family, Abigail Huebschmann, Lucas Hebner, Juanita Perkins, Ericka Karpstein, Joanna Cooper, Carolyn Outland, Angel Thompson, Kaye Poyner, Jerry Huebschmann, Dorothy Henry, Bob & Lois Tashjian, Rita Cook, Hannah Padgett, Juliette Kaplanes, Jack Bender, Penny Maupin, Don Kemp, Sharon Olejnicak, Tim Wilson, Beverly Dukes, Bill Norvell, Wallace Hunt, Phyllis White, Judy Krouse, Kerry Frazier, Rene Harrington, Joe Cirrito, Lisa Doyle, Forrest Michael Teeters, David Kroll, Cameron Brewer, Stefanie Wilkerson-Barragan, Hugo Santos, Sharon Gibbons, Lori Blades, Wayne Viniard, Braydn Barnett, and their families and caregivers
St. Anthony of Padua: Juan Gonzalez, Elena Carey, Donna & Jon Gresham, Bob Decker, Bill Rodgers, Tom & Margie Sheppard, Bob & Lois Tashjian, Mr. Driskill, Margaret Adams, Pat Gorbett, Charles Paulius, Helen Krivan, Imogene Ramey, Bob Lang and their families and caregivers.

Pray for Our Military

St. Pius X: 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 of Padua: Joel Dumbacher, Matt Elder, Kathleen Erickson, Scott Erickson, Cory Erickson, Jason Huber, James A. Kinsey, Jay Lockhart, Sarah Martindale, Devin McFadden, Ryan M. Fields, LeAnne Neal, and Kousuke Sasaki.

Sympathy & Prayers: Please pray for the eternal rest of Jim Maziarka, (husband of Linda Maziarka) whose funeral was last Sunday at St Pius. Please keep Linda and their children in your prayers that God may comfort them in this time of loss.

Birthdays & Anniversaries:

June 13-June 19

Happy Birthday!

St. Pius X

June 13	Wes Canup
June 13	Shane Luecke
June 15	Christine Newman
June 16	Claudia Malzahn
June 16	Frank Schiaretti
June 18	Betty Derry
June 18	Dustin Poat
	<u>St. Anthony of Padua</u>
June 15	Joyce Wilkinson

Happy Anniversary!

St. Pius X

June 17	Rich & Betty Derry
June 18	Jerry & Anita Pidcock

St. Anthony of Padua

June	14 Tommy & Margie Sheppard
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Consider Coming out to Daily Mass!

Calvert City Ministerial Group's Salute to Veterans Annual Fish Fry July 9

At **First Baptist Church** from 11:00 am -1:00 pm

Cost \$7.00, but Veterans Eat Free

All Proceeds go to Wounded Warrior Project

Tickets can be bought in advance/ see office

Eat in Fellowship Hall or Carry Out available

St. Pius X

Mass Intentions June 14 – June 20		
Tuesday	6:00 pm	<i>In Thanksgiving</i>
Wednesday	8:00 am	<i>Lonnie Roberts</i>
Wednesday	6:00 pm	<i>Norma Word Family</i>
Thursday	8:00 am	<i>Cori Wohlhueter</i>
Friday	8:00 am	<i>Olivia Ann Weekes</i>
Saturday	4:30 pm	<i>All Fathers</i>
Sunday	10:00 am	<i>All Fathers</i>

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Parish Hall Donation (6/6/21)	\$ TBA
Budget for 2020/2021 Fiscal Year (July 2020-June 2021)	\$ 165,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 3,173.08
Weekly Donation (6/6/21)	\$ 2,059.08
Online Giving (6/6/21)	\$ TBA
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 188,966.28

Online Giving: To sign up, visit our website at www.stpiusx.us and click on the link for “online giving” to set up your account. If you need any assistance, please call the parish office.

2021 Year Honoring St. Joseph

The Office of Worship is releasing video reflections on the titles of St. Joseph on Fridays. Fr. Brandon Williams will be giving reflections in English, and Dcn. Chris Gutierrez will be giving reflections in Spanish. These will be posted on diocesan social media (please “like” and “share”!) and on the diocesan webpage under the Year of St. Joseph. Additional Year of St. Joseph resources can be found here:

<https://owensborodiocese.org/year-of-st-joseph>

Parish Council

Pam Hurst	Chair Person
Jeff Outland	Building & Ground
Larry Krouse	Secretary
Robert Weekes	Finance
Dawn Whitt	Spiritual Life
Catherine Broks	FFY

Bereavement Committee

Fran Dacus

Other Groups

<i>Finance Council</i>	<i>Harold Dacus, Chair</i>
<i>Art & Decorations</i>	<i>Paula Schmidt</i>
<i>Knights of Columbus</i>	<i>Michael Canon</i>

St. Anthony of Padua

Mass Intentions June 14– June 20		
Wednesday	9:00 am	<i>Ashley & Pam Thurman</i>
Friday	9:00 am	<i>Souls in Purgatory</i>
Saturday	6:00 pm	<i>Doretha Owen</i>
Sunday	8:00 am	<i>All Fathers</i>

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2020/2021 Fiscal Year (July 2020-June 2021)	\$ 60,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,153.85
Weekly Donation (6/6/2021)	\$ 1,019.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 60,009.00

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

Livingston County Helping Hands



Non perishable items needed: paper towels, toilet paper, laundry detergent, shampoo (adult & baby), bath soap, diapers, baby wipes, feminine hygiene products, dish soap, coffee, tea, mac and cheese, sugar, flour, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, tuna, salmon, canned fruits, canned vegetables. There is a collection container at the back of the church for your donated items.

Thank you for your generosity!

Learning to Fish: Summer Scripture series, Learning to Fish, is presented by Fr. Ray Clark and co-facilitators Deacon Ken Bennett and Dcn. Brett Mills. It is free and open to anyone interested in learning about Scripture. It will run Thursday evenings from 7-8:30 PM, May 27 through July 1, 2021. These will be held via Zoom, with all sessions recorded. You only need to purchase a copy of Stephen Binz book titled, Introduction to the Bible: A Catholic Guide to Studying Scripture. You are also encouraged to have a Catholic study Bible. Register by visiting <https://owensborodiocese.org/summer-formation-opportunity/>.

Parish Council

Roy McFadden	Chair Person
Mike Drury	Vice Chair/Building & Ground
Debbie Owens	Secretary/Family Life
Shara Parish	Finance/ Building & Ground
Nick Zaim	Social/Spiritual Concern

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