

# St. Pius Tenth CATHOLIC CHURCH

December 6th & 7th, 2025



*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.*

## *second sunday of* ADVENT

### *Mass Schedule*

**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  
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

#### **Business Manager—**

Melody Clark

#### **Director of Religious Ed.—**

Amie Stevens

#### **Administrative Assistant—**

Debra Brown

#### **Facilities Manager—**

Shane Aud

#### **Building and Grounds—**

Ed Mattingly

#### **Music Ministry—**

Clint Campbell

#### **Youth Ministry—**

Matt Knight

#### **Daycare Director—**

Sonya Budd

#### **Assistant Daycare Director—**

Laura Davis

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# Worship & Prayer



## Prayer Chain Requests:

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

**Pray for the Sick:** 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

**Chautauqua Health & Rehab:** Cecilia Aud

**Morning Pointe:** Ed Howard

**Hillcrest:** Marilyn Van Bussum, Frank Murphy

**Fern Terrace:** Gary Horn

**Pray for the Homebound:** 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](mailto:dbrown@stpiustenthparish.org).

THANK YOU!

## Pastoral Reflection

Advent is a Marian season. Not only do we wait with Mary as she prepares to give birth to the Messiah, we also celebrate several important feast days. The first of course is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on December 8, which is also a Holy Day of Obligation. This feast reminds us that Mary was freed from sin by her Savior from the first moment of her conception. Unlike the rest of us, she was not born with original sin, but was conceived in her mother's womb already "full of grace." This was not something she earned but a gift from God, the same gift we receive at our Baptism.

December 12 is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, which is important to everyone living in the Americas, but especially to the people of Mexico. The story of St. Juan Diego and the apparition of Mary to him in 1531, reminds us that God's love extends to all his children, no matter where they are from. This feast is especially meaningful as we unite ourselves with our immigrant brothers and sisters who are far from their homes but take comfort in the loving care of our Blessed Mother.

Pope Francis had a deep devotion to the mother of Jesus, popularizing the image of Our Lady, Undoer of Knots. So, it is not surprising that in 2019 he added a feast to the Church Calendar on December 10, honoring Our Lady of Loreto. Loreto, Italy is famous for having the house of Mary, which was miraculously transported to that spot in 1294. What is important about this legend is the reminder that Mary lived in a home, just as we all do, and that she, Joseph, and Jesus lived within its walls as a family. During Advent this feast is a reminder of the importance of family during the hectic days leading to Christmas.

May your Advent Days be filled with light, joy and peace, and may Blessed Mary guide your steps.

Fr. Larry



## The week of December 7-14, 2025

**Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Advent

8:00am—Rodney McCarty†

11:00am—Our Parish Family

VIGIL MASS 6PM—Fr. Mark Buckner

**Monday:** The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 am—Doug Howard†

**Tuesday:** St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

12:00pm—Harry & Pat Roberts

**Wednesday:** Our Lady of Loreto

6:00pm—Brad† & Bob Shrewsberry†

**Thursday:** St. Damasus I, Pope

12:00pm—Danny Murphy†

**Friday:** Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:00am—Dr. David Johnson

**Saturday:** St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

5:00pm—Pat Lewis†

**Next Sunday:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

8:00am—Jerry Payne†

11:00am—Our Parish Family



# Faith Formation

Amie Stevens, Director of Religious Education  
[astevens@stpiustenthparish.org](mailto:astevens@stpiustenthparish.org)



Matthew Knight, Youth Minister  
[mknight@stpiustenthparish.org](mailto:mknight@stpiustenthparish.org)

## Youth Ministry

### 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, UGLY SWEATER CONTEST 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 MEETINGS

**Wednesday, December 10th**  
**CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**Wednesday, December 17th**  
**HS YOUTH**

**MIDDLE SCHOOL LOCK-IN** CATHEDRAL IMMACULATE AND SPX YOUTH

When: **JANUARY 16 -17, 7PM - 7AM**  
Where: **IMMACULATE PARISH**  
What: **FOOD - GAMES - PRIZES**  
**VOLLEYBALL**  
**FUN - FELLOWSHIP**

**INVITE A FRIEND!**

### Dad Joke of the Week

Why don't fish play basketball?  
Because they're scared of the net

# Our Community

*Condolences to the  
family of  
Annette Wimsatt†*

*Eternal rest grant unto her  
O' Lord*

Disciples Response Fund Sunday will be taking place December 14th. The pledge period will kick off December 14th and run through June. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

## 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.

## Thank you...

*The family of Christopher Wheatley would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to Fr. Martin, Fr. Hostetter, Matt Grey and all those involved with the Mass and bereavement meal. Your service is a blessing and took a significant burden off our family. We are grateful for the thoughtfulness and love shown by St. Pius Tenth Church community. Thanks again,  
Rose Wheatley & family*





# St. Pius X Daycare

**Director: Sonya Budd**

**(sbudd@stpiustenthparish.org)**

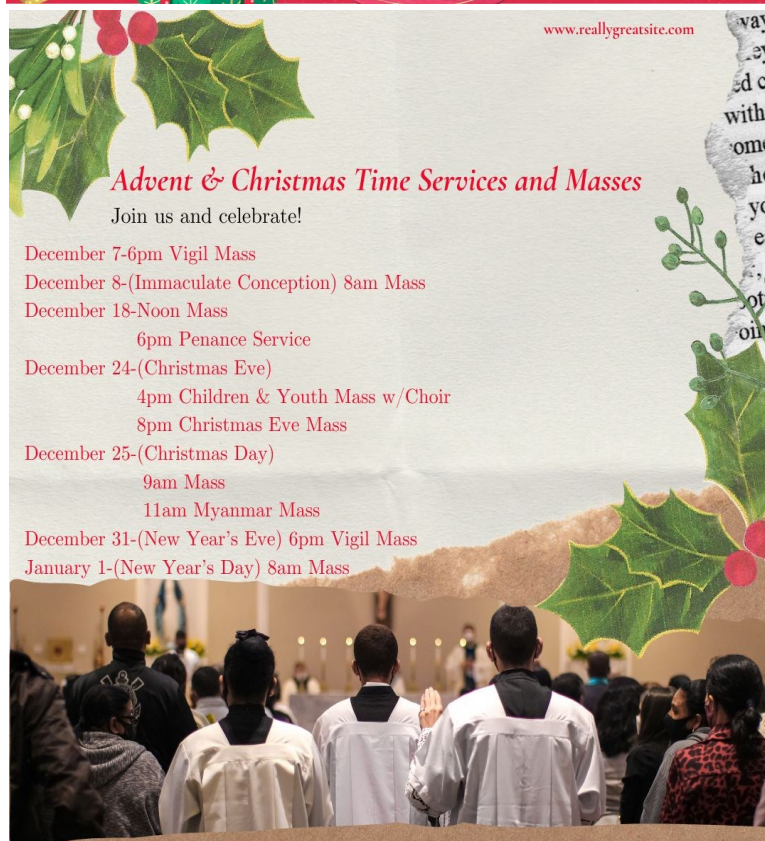
**Assistant Director: Laura Davis**

**(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, 26th—CLOSED
- December 31st—CLOSED
- January 1st & 2nd—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 <https://owensborocatholic.org/about-ocs/employment>**

# Liturgical

## Ministry Schedule for December 13th & 14th, 2025

Sat, 5:00 PM (Church)	Sun, 8:00 AM (Church)	Sun, 11:00 AM (Church)
Laura Veach - Captain/Sacred Host 1	Carol Payne - Captain/Sacred Host 1	Colleen Bachmeier - 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 - Captain Asst./Sacred Host 3	Jill Campbell - Captain Asst./Sacred Host 3	Josie Kroeger - Captain Asst./Sacred Host 3
Cathy Franey - Sacred Host 4	Matt Knight - Sacred Host 4	Suzann Millay - Sacred Host 4
Melanie Wallace - Precious Blood 1	Wil Storm - Precious Blood 1	Donna Feldpausch - Precious Blood 1
Connie Nalley - Precious Blood 2	Charlotte Hedges - Precious Blood 2	Michelle Jones - Precious Blood 2
James Fleischmann - Precious Blood 3	Gail Wallace - Precious Blood 3	Shelly Maffia - Precious Blood 3
Peggy Castlen - Precious Blood 4	Heather Haynes - Precious Blood 4	Amy Silvert - Precious Blood 4
Keith Franey - Gift Bearer	Joe & Jane Brand - Gift Bearer	Rebecca Jones - Gift Bearer
Connie Fleischmann - Lector 1	Linda Logsdon - Lector 1	Ellen Marlowe - Lector 1
Gene Strehl - Lector 2	Rosemary Smith - Lector 2	Madison Silvert - Lector 2
Jane Strehl - Greeter D-1	Cindy Mattingly - Greeter D-1	Gerald Castlen - Greeter D-1
Zachary Masterson - Greeter D-2	Paula Annin - Greeter D-2	Stephanie Millay - Greeter D-2
Lucas and Ella Freels - Server 1	Oliver (Ollie) Mattingly - Server 1	Kailey Millay - Server 1
Kami Fulkerson - Server 2	James Thawng - Server 2	Carter Maffia - Server 2
Jeff Fulkerson - Captain/Usher 1	Thomas Payne - Captain/Usher 1	Brion Marlowe - Captain/Usher 1
Caleb Freels - Usher 2	Michael Reynolds - Usher 2	Sean Bolling - Usher 2
Scott Wallace - Usher 3	Denny Campbell (sub req.) - Usher 3	Robert (Tony) Millay - Usher 3
Colton Wallace - Usher 4	Steven Haynes - Usher 4	James E. Howard - Usher 4
Marian Jones - Rosary Leader	Jill Campbell - Rosary Leader	Beverly Estes - Rosary Leader

## MUSIC MINISTRY

**Clint Campbell, Director of Music**  
[ccampbell@stpiustenthparish.org](mailto:ccampbell@stpiustenthparish.org)

### December 13th & 14th (3rd Sunday of Advent)

Saturday 5:00pm: Charlie & Clint

Sunday 8am: Denny, John, Kendall, Parker & Clint

Sunday 11am: Lee, John, Kendall, Parker, Logan & Clint

#### 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 11:1-10 The wolf shall be a guest of the lamb.*

*Psalms 72 "Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever."*

*Romans 15:4-9 God, the source of patience, enables us to live in harmony.*

*Matthew 3:1-12 Prepare the way of the Lord!*

Each Sunday of Advent this year, the first reading is taken from the book of the prophet Isaiah and the Gospel is from Matthew. Matthew's Gospel consistently portrays Jesus and his mission as a fulfillment of the promise God made to the Chosen People. Therefore, Matthew strives to connect the dots between Isaiah, the paramount prophet of the Hebrew scriptures, and Jesus Christ. Today we hear Isaiah and John the Baptist describe in terms poetic and practical the coming of God's chosen one. May their words strengthen our anticipation of and preparation for the Lord's coming.

# Stewardship & Service

SUMMARY AS OF WEEK OF 11/23/2025		
	Budget/Goal	Collected
Weekly 2025-2026		
Budget Goal	\$16,617.02	\$15,363.41
YTD 2025-2026		
Budget Goal	\$348,957.42	\$347,422.00

Collections		
Collection	11/23/2023	2025-2026 YTD
General	\$14,188.41	\$318,275.25
Building	\$1,175.00	\$29,146.75

Collection numbers for Nov. 29th and 30th will be in next week's bulletin due to an early submit date.

November 22nd-23rd	MASS COUNT
5PM—132	November 29th & 30th will be in the next bulletin issue due to an early submit date.
8AM—186	
11AM—216	
Myanmar Mass-108	
Total—642	

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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](https://owensborodiocese.org/counseling).

**Altar Linens:**  
December  
Joanne Warren



**God's Housekeepers:**  
Dec. 8-13 TEAM 2  
Brenda Thomas  
John Zoglmann  
Casey Zoglmann  
Becky Krampe  
Leslie & Bryan Krampe  
Sara Lewis  
Alicia Wells

### Staff Contact Information

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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>).