



December 13th & 14th, 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.



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

<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

The other day, I ended an OCIA session with this prayer. It was written by Thomas Merton (1915-1968), who was a Trappist monk from Gethsemane, Kentucky. Several at the meeting said they had never heard this prayer before, so I thought I would share it as it's a great reflection about our journey to God. Hope it helps in your preparation for the coming of the Lord.

"My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that if I do this, you will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it. Therefore, I will trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone."

INTENTIONS

The week of December 14-21 2025

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Advent

8:00am—Jerry Payne†

11:00am—Our Parish Family

Monday:

8:00 am—Anna Jean Hardesty†

Tuesday:

12:00pm—Jim Wathen†

Wednesday:

6:00pm—Brad† & Bob Shrewsberry†

Thursday:

12:00pm—Doris Johnson†

6pm Penance Service—No Mass Intention

Friday:

8:00am—Anna Jean Hardesty†

Saturday:

5:00pm—Larry Harralson† & Alex McGhee

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Advent

8:00am—Anna Jean Hardesty†

11:00am—Our Parish Family

Faith Formation

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



Matthew Knight, Youth Minister mknight@stpiustenthparish.org

YOUTH MEETINGS

Wednesday, December 17th HS YOUTH

Wednesday, December 24th NO YOUTH

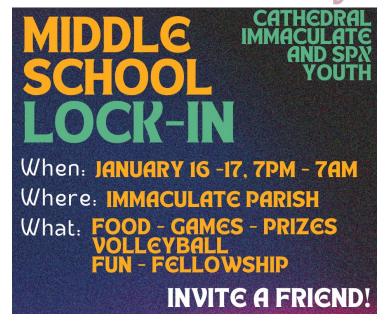
Wednesday, December 31st NO YOUTH

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)

Youth Ministry



Dad Joke of the Week

What do you call a snowman with a six pack?

An abdominal snowman

Our Community

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

The church office will be closed for the holidays from December 22nd and return January 5th. During this time if you have an emergency please contact Fr. Larry or Fr. Martin at the rectory at 270-684-5517. Please leave a message with your contact information if you do not get an answer and they will get back with you.

Disciples Response Fund Sunday is taking place this weekend. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Please return pledge cards by December 22. Thank you!

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
 Oujet 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

Welcome +

The Jones Family

Ryan, Kathryn & Thomas

Building a Family of Faith – Parent Workshop Series

The Diocese of Owensboro is hosting *Building a Family of Faith*, a winter workshop series to help parents integrate faith into everyday family life. Parents at all stages of life are invited.

Workshops will include practical tools, conversation, and faith-centered guidance from the Offices of Youth & Young Adult Ministry, Marriage & Family Life, and Hispanic/Latino Ministry.

Dates & Locations:

- Jan 17, 2026 St. Pius X, Owensboro
- Jan 31, 2026 Holy Spirit, Bowling Green

Mar 7, 2026 - St. Thomas More, Paducah

Register:

owensborodiocese.org/building-a-family-of-faith.

Parents are invited to watch the introductory videos:

English video:

https://vimeo.com/1130272495?

share=copy&fl=sv&fe=ci

Spanish video:

https://vimeo.com/1131739686?

Thank you...

The family of Annette Wimsatt would like to express our gratitude to all involved in the Funeral Mass.

Thank you so much for all the condolences and prayers during this time by our St. Pius Tenth community.

Blessings, The Wimsatt family

Thank you...

The family of Geraldine Keller would like to thank everyone involved in the Funeral Mass and bereavement meal. Thank you for all the prayers and support during this time from the St. Pius community.

Peace, The Keller 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 19th Christmas Program for 2yr, 3yr and preschool A (10:00 a.m.)
- —December 24th-25th, 26th—CLOSED
- —December 31st—CLOSED
- -January 1st & 2nd-CLOSED



Please sign up for Liturgical Positions for Christmas and New Year's Masses in the vestibule.

Liturgical

Ministry Schedule for December 20th & 21st, 2025

Sat, 5:00 PM (Church)		Sun, 8:00 AM (Church)		Sun, 11:00 AM (Church)	
NOT FILLED	 Captain/Sacred Host 1 	Mary Jo Westerfield	- 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
Peggy Castlen - Ca	ptain Asst./Sacred Host 3	John McCarty - Cap	otain Asst./Sacred Host 3	Michelle Jones - Ca	ptain Asst./Sacred Host 3
Kathy Jo Clary	- Sacred Host 4	Max Payne	- Sacred Host 4	Denice Moore	- Sacred Host 4
Laura Veach	- Precious Blood 1	Wil Storm	- Precious Blood 1	Marion Bates	- Precious Blood 1
Connie Nalley	- Precious Blood 2	Linda Calhoun	- Precious Blood 2	Suzann Millay	- Precious Blood 2
Thomas Veach	- Precious Blood 3	Heather Haynes	- Precious Blood 3	Amanda Kauffeld	- Precious Blood 3
Christa Roberts	- Precious Blood 4	Tina Zoglmann	- Precious Blood 4	Robert Smith	- Precious Blood 4
James (Mike) Nalley	Gift Bearer	Ed and Jackie Matting	ly Gift Bearer	Charles Moore	Gift Bearer
Jane Strehl	- Lector 1	Mark Howard	- Lector 1	Larry Millay	- Lector 1
Gene Strehl	- Lector 2	Steve Clark	- Lector 2	Stephanie Lewis	- Lector 2
Marlene Murphy	- Greeter D-1	Lindsay Payne	- Greeter D-1	Lorhn Frazier	- Greeter D-1
Patricia Loboda	- Greeter D-2	Malea Payne	- Greeter D-2	Olyvia and Leo Fraziei	- Greeter D-2
NOT FILLED	- Server 1	Flora Stiff	- Server 1	John Thang	- Server 1
Jon Andrew Ball	- Server 2	Ed Calhoun	- Server 2	Emily Na Ngsih Nuam	- Server 2
Robert Freels	- Captain/Usher 1	Eddie Mattingly	- Captain/Usher 1	Robert (Tony) Millay	- Captain/Usher 1
Thomas Blair	- Usher 2	Mason Payne	- Usher 2	Wayne Zoglmann	- Usher 2
Joe Brooks	- Usher 3	David Goetz	- Usher 3	John Zoglmann	- Usher 3
Jonah Damin	- Usher 4	Tim Payne	- Usher 4	Zackary Kauffeld	- Usher 4
NOT FILLED	Rosary Leader	Catherine Barnett	Rosary Leader	Larry Millay	Rosary Leader

MUSIC MINISTRY

December 20th & 21st (4th Sunday of Advent)

Saturday 5pm: Kim, Connie, Ariane, Melanie &

Clint

Sunday 8am: Matt & Clint

Sunday 11am: Casey, Bella, Brion, & Clint

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.

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.

Clint Campbell, Director of Music ccampbell@stpiustenthparish.org

December 24th (The Nativity of the Lord)

Saturday 4pm: Children & Youth Mass: Children and Youth

Choir with Parker & Clint

Saturday 8pm: Jubilation with Logan & Kevin December 25th (The Nativity of the Lord)

9AM: Choir with Clint

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

Isaiah 35:1–6a, 10 The desert will bloom.

Psalm 146 "Lord, come and save us."

James 5:7–10 Be patient like a farmer waiting for spring.

Matthew 11:2–11 In prison, John received word of the coming of Christ.

The powerful imagery in Isaiah's poetry overwhelms us with joy on this Gaudete Sunday. Deserts bloom with abundant flowers! Parched land exults in joyful song! The blind will see, the deaf will hear, and those who cannot walk will leap like a stag! In this season of watchful preparation for the Lord's coming into our lives, may we recognize his transformative presence in our world as we long for the coming of the kingdom, when all this and more will be fulfilled.



SUMMARY AS OF WEEK OF 11/30/2025					
	Budget/Goal	Collected			
Weekly 2025-2026					
Budget Goal	\$16,617.02	\$11,397.42			
YTD 2025-2026					
Budget Goal	\$365,574.44	358,819.42			

Collections						
Collection	11/30/20235	2025-2026 YTD				
General	\$10,968.42	\$329,243.67				
Building	\$429.00	\$29,575.75				

Collection numbers for December 6th & 7th will be in next week's bulletin due to an early submit date.

MASS COUNT

November 27th, 29th & 30th

Thanksgiving Day—130

5PM-172

8AM-193

11AM—256 Total—751 December 6th & 7th will be in the next bulletin issue due to an early submit date.

Want to learn more about ONLINE GIVING?

visit http://bit.ly/StpxOboro







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:

Dec. 15-20 TEAM 3
Charles & Lois Hoskins
Sandy Morris
Tammy Mattingly
Sharon Ford
Mary Helen Strehl
Roger Horn
Beth Horn

Staff Contact Information Parish Office (270) 684-4745

Pastor (Ext. 19)

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Associate Pastor (Ext. 26)

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Director of Religious Education (Ext. 12)

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Business Manager (Ext. 14)

Melody Clark: msmithclark@stpiustenthparish.org

Administrative Assistant (Ext. 11)

Debra Brown: dbrown@stpiustenthparish.org

Facilities Manager (Ext. 18)

Shane Aud: saud@stpiustenthparish.org

Director of Music Ministry (Ext. 13)

Clint Campbell: ccampbell@stpiustenthparish.org

Youth Ministry (Ext. 15)

Matt Knight: mknight@stpiustenthparish.org

Daycare (270) 684-7456

Daycare Director (Ext. 23)

Sonya Budd: sbudd@stpiustenthparish.org

Daycare Assistant (Ext. 22)

Laura Davis: Idavis@stpiustenthparish.org

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).