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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 28, 2020

Mt 10:37-42

Jesus said to his apostles:

"Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me,  
and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of  
me;

and whoever does not take up his cross  
and follow after me is not worthy of me.

Whoever finds his life will lose it,  
and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

"Whoever receives you receives me,  
and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me.

Whoever receives a prophet because he is a prophet  
will receive a prophet's reward,  
and whoever receives a righteous man  
because he is a righteous man  
will receive a righteous man's reward.

And whoever gives only a cup of cold water  
to one of these little ones to drink  
because the little one is a disciple—

amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward."

**Observances for the Week of :  
June 29-July 5**

**Monday-Solemnity of Sts. Peter & Paul**

**Friday-Feast of St. Thomas**

**Sunday -Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Weekly Mass Readings**

<b>Monday</b>	Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19
<b>Tuesday</b>	Am 3:1-8, 4:11-42; Mt 8:23-27
<b>Wednesday</b>	Am 5:14-15, 21-24; Mt 8:28-34
<b>Thursday</b>	Am 7:10-17; Mt 9:1-8
<b>Friday</b>	Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29
<b>Saturday</b>	Am 9:11-15; Mt 9:14-17
<b>Sunday</b>	Zec 9:9-10; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

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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  
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**Parish Office Hours**

Thursday 9:00 am-2:00 pm

**St. Anthony of Padua  
Mass Schedule**

**† Weekend Mass**

Saturday- 6:00 pm

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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# FROM THE PASTOR

A Message From Fr. Brian Johnson

June 28, 2020

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mt 10:37-42

Dear St. Pius X and St. Anthony Church,

Awkward! A part of me is glad that that today's gospel was not last weekend's reading! We had a great time thanking our dads for their sacrifices and work loving and raising us with our moms. And today we hear Jesus say, "Whoever *loves* father or mother *more* than me is not worthy of me" (Matt 10:37). Luke's way of expressing this teaching of Jesus is more awkward and harsh, as he says, "If any one comes to me without *hating* his father and mother....., he cannot be my disciple" (Luke 14:26). What, surely not? Jesus is bringing up the unhappy 'What If..' question about us humans sometimes putting our immediate self-interested concerns against God's concern for us. It does seem extreme. Unless we are talking about an infamous crime-syndicate family, likely we won't be faced with making a choice between going with God or going with a brother, sister, mother or father. I wonder what the first disciples thought after hearing this, as they all had family, too. Some of them had family members right alongside themselves in ministry! For example, how did the brothers James and John hear this command of Jesus (Mark 1:19)? Or the brothers Andrew and Peter (Mark 1:16)? Or Peter and his mother-in-law (Luke 4:38)? Or imagine later in the church, when the Acts of the Apostles tells us that whole households, like Lydia's (Acts 16) Cornelius' (Acts 10) the Philippian Jailor's (Acts 16) or even Crispus' (Acts 18) all convert as a whole family? St Paul tells us in 1 Corinthians 16:15, that the whole household of Stephanus had "devoted themselves to the service of the saints." With whole families in ministry together, how did they understand Jesus' command to set family aside for the sake of following him?

Let's start by remembering who it is that is telling us to make family second fiddle in our lives by loving God more above all. It is Jesus. He knows family. He is our family, too. He was raised up lovingly in a good Jewish home with all of its familial and bonding rituals. His home kept the Law of Moses. Jesus Himself taught, "I have come not to abolish, but to fulfill the Law" (Matt 5:17). And what does the Law teach us, but, 'Honor your Father and Mother (Ex 20:12). Jesus wants us to love and honor our family. This *4<sup>th</sup>* command (itself significant) could be called the first to regulate human to human relations. But *the first preceding three commands* regulate how we relate to God '1-No other God but Yahweh, 2-Do not take God's name in vain, and 3-Keep Holy His Day' (Ex 20). So Jesus calls us to love and honor our family, *under God* and *according to God's order* of blessing and life given. God *made* my parents, and all my family. I don't have any family if God doesn't give them to me, or better said, 'gave *me* to them'. God created this whole 'get-up'. I know that God is not going to let anything adverse happen to them because of any call He gives me according to His purpose. First things first. God is our first principle. Parents know this and raise their children to honor and love God above all. They want their children to 'go with God first'. I would question mine and any human's mind, if they were putting me above God, and if I let them. Jesus summarized the whole Law of God as these two commands, "Love God with whole mind, whole heart...." and "Love neighbor as yourself" (Matt 22:38-39). He is teaching us to love our family and our neighbor, yet first acknowledging that God created them. So, love God. And *love your family as having come from God*, too. Loving God is the original blessing, and then loving all that comes from that originating blessing is next. Starting from God, We work our love outward through further and further rings of responsibility and relationship. I am honoring my father and mother (as they taught me) when I serve and love God first. Consider this: If I do not acknowledge God, then what do I have to give to anyone else? Or, if I put any human being first before God, then I have made them out to be God, which is a disservice to them. They probably will reject me for that, saying, "Don't put that on me! Don't call me in place of God. You have the wrong number!" Well, yes, the wrong priority. Put God first, and all else thrives in its place. Jesus taught this priority in another place in scripture, when he called us to strive for the Kingdom, ahead of & above all earthly worries. In Matthew 6:33, he said, "Seek first the kingdom of God, & His righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides."

Peace,  
Fr. Brian

## Another Saint in a Time of Plague: St. Gregory the Great

(born 540 AD - died 3-12-604 AD)

St. Gregory the Great was born around the year 540 in the city of Rome. His father Gordianus, was a wealthy aristocrat along with his wife Silvia, who was from the upper class. They owned a large estate on the Caelian Hill in Rome. Rome was a declining city when Gregory was born, due to repeated invasions and occupations, as well as the natural disasters of a couple of earthquakes. Gregory was a studious child who excelled in school. He was so brilliant that by 30 years old he was placed in the highest civil office of Prefect of the City. However, he felt the call of God to a life of greater prayer and reflection upon divine matters. In 574, he retired from public life and founded a monastery out of his home and welcomed several other men to live the monastic life with him according to the Rule of St Benedict. As a monk, he prayed, fasted and wrote of the mysteries of God. In 578, over his protests, the Pope ordained him as one of the seven deacons of the city of Rome. A Deacon had major responsibilities for the city, serving the public order, distributing charitable aid and seeking peace of alliances with competing cities. Following a local siege and invasion, Pope Pelagius II dispatched a special delegation to the Emperor Tiberius in Constantinople. Gregory went along as an ambassador to the Byzantine court, and was named to a post within the Byzantine court of Constantinople from 579-586. Following this court service, he returned to his home monastery and led the monks as abbot for a couple of years. In this time as abbot, he encountered some young men from England seeking to join the monastery and learned through them of the sad plight of many English boys who were sold into slavery. This sparked his life's heartfelt concern for the youth of England. He asked permission from the Pope to go to England as a missionary. After being recalled by the people of Rome, Gregory sent Augustine of Canterbury and others to evangelize and serve England. In 589 several plagues, a drought and lost harvests, and then a consuming flood devastated Rome. Not one to be idle, Gregory began public ministry work in Rome, seeking to alleviate the severe needs and give comfort to the residents. He called for processions and litanies to be performed for relief from the plague. Much prayer and penance was offered by Gregory's example and by his call for everyone to pray and ask God's intercession. Then in 590, Pope Pelagius II died of the plague. Gregory was elected to become next Pope. He declined and sought appeal from the Emperor to be released from the call to be Pope. But Gregory continued his prayer campaign seeking an end to the afflicting plague. At one time, there were seven different processions of people praying together in public for an end to the plague. A legend has it that a public miracle occurred during one of the processions, that the Archangel Michael appeared atop the mausoleum of the Emperor Hadrian and sheathed his sword signifying the end of the plague. Cases dropped and the plague ended within days. Gregory was named and installed as Pope on September 3, 590. His time as Pope was a busy one as he frequently taught and preached, writing much on church governance and commentary on the scripture. He oversaw reforms to the Church's liturgy, enhancing the universality of its music through spread of Gregorian Chant, adding more music to prayer and even himself composing many Latin hymns. Gregory is often seen with a dove on his shoulder signifying his wisdom interpreting scripture (Holy Spirit) and the influence of music. He personally mediated a peace settlement for Rome with an invading King Agilulf, by leaving the city and meeting the king on the battlefield.

St. Gregory served as Pope for fourteen years, and died on March 12, 604. His writings include the Dialogues (that includes a biography of St Benedict), the Pastoral Rule, Morals and Job, and Homilies on the Gospels, Ezekiel and Song of Songs. Again, he led strong prayer among the whole city for an end to the plague and healing relief came to the city! So, St. Gregory the Great, pray for us!

## Gasper on the Go! Summer Camps:

For information and registration, go to

[gasperriverretreatcenter.org](http://gasperriverretreatcenter.org)

**About Weekend and Daily Mass Participation:** Just to give an idea about the size of congregations at mass so far. We are limited to 33% capacity, yet we have been coming in safely under the limits (we do have the parish hall TV screen overflow open area, too). *Of course, the Sunday Obligation is relaxed.* There is no obligation to attend. So Live Stream Mass, Spiritual Communion and Personal At Home Prayer is a first & safest option.

#### Daily Mass Schedule

Tuesday -6:00 pm(St. Pius X)  
Wednesday -8:00am (St. Pius X), 9:00 am(St. Anthony) and 6:00 pm(St. Pius X)  
Thursday- 8:00 am(St. Pius X)  
Friday- 8:00 am (St. Pius X) and 9:00 am (St. Anthony)  
Saturday- 4:30 pm (St. Pius X) and 6:00 pm (St. Anthony)  
Sunday 8:00 am (St. Anthony) and 10:00 am (St. Pius X)

**We are still Live Streaming Facebook for anyone at home,** as we still prayer together remembering all of our members home, in church or out in the community: Sunday Morning 10:00 am and Wednesday evening at 6:00 pm.

**Sympathy:** Please pray for the eternal rest and peace of the souls of Leon Charbonneau (brother of Midge Oswald) and Harold (Howie) Frizzell (son-in-law of Jean Bailey, brother-in-law of Larry & Dawn Whitt. He was married to (Jean's daughter) Nannette Bailey Frizzell). Please pray for their families' comfort in this difficult time, too.

**Donate Life!** St Pope John Paul II wrote in his major teaching on life issues titled 'Gospel of Life' #86, that "organ, eye, and tissue donation is considered an act of charity and love, and transplants are morally and ethically commendable." Our catholic tradition completely supports the voluntary gift of life through organs donated following natural death. Though National Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Week has already passed, take a moment sometime, to discuss organ and tissue donation with your family. Consider how simple acts may change the lives of others who have great need. Sign your organ donor card today; it is simple enough an act to perform and it may make the difference between life and death for someone in need of an organ. Jesus says in John 10:10 "I came that they may have life and life abundantly". Your gift could be that life to someone, given for love of Christ.

#### **Mt St Joseph: "Jesus: A Pilgrimage" Book Study begins Aug 13:**

The Focus on Faith program, which meets monthly to study the Catholic faith, will begin discussing a new book, "Jesus A Pilgrimage" by Father James Martin, on Thursday, Aug. 13 from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The program is led by Sister Ann McGrew, OSU. The \$20 fee per session includes lunch. The group meets at Mount Saint Joseph Conference Center. Call 270-229-0206 or email retreatcenter@maplemount.org or register online at [ursulinesmsj.org/registration-form-for-sponsored-programs](https://www.ursulinesmsj.org/registration-form-for-sponsored-programs). Future book discussions are scheduled for Sept. 10, Oct. 8, Nov. 12 and Dec. 10. *Please note: We will be following the physical distancing and safety guidelines recommended for group gatherings.*

**Parish Leadership Webinar:** May 20<sup>th</sup>, nearly 90 parish leaders from across the Diocese of Owensboro gathered over Zoom video conference call for an hour of prayer, support, and guided discussion about ministry in COVID times. In case you missed it, below is the link to a recording of that gathering so you can hear what was discussed:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0zGi806WU20>.

In response to the feedback from that first gathering on May 20<sup>th</sup>, we expand the invitation to anyone interested in working to better evangelize and keep faith in these times. Here is a follow-up series of four additional webinars in June and July. Each evening we will focus on one of the movements of "Encounter," "Accompany," "Community," and "Send." These webinars will be recorded to be watched later, too. Wednesday evenings of June 17<sup>th</sup>, June 24<sup>th</sup>, July 8<sup>th</sup>, and July 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

#### **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

*Week of June 29-July 5*

#### **St. Pius X**

**Happy Birthday!**

No Birthdays this week

**Happy Anniversary!**

June 29- Bob & Marty Darst

June 29-Gary & Suzette Whittington

June 29-Andy & Sherry Ferm

#### **St. Anthony of Padua**

**Happy Birthday!**

No Birthdays this week

**Happy Anniversary!**

No Anniversaries this week

#### **Remember in Prayer**

**St. Pius X:** John Bardsley, Kaileigh Row, Bennett Meisenheimer, Peter Bullock, Jim & Rose Drury, Wes Hayes, Maryann Huebschmann, Shirley Mangan, Kenny Matthews, Dora Miller, Miller Meisenheimer, Joann Najgebauer, Elizabeth Nelson, Johnny Poe, Joel Rivera, Sister Rosemary, 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 Longsworth, 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, Kim Bruce, Rita Cook, Hannah Padgett, Juliette Kaplanes, Jim Henthorn, Jack Bender, Penny Maupin, Don Kemp, Tom and Sharon Olejnicak, Tim Wilson, Beverly Dukes, Bill Norvell, Kacie Schmidt, Wallace Hunt, Phyllis White, Judy Krouse, Kerry Frazier, Rene Harrington, Joe Cirrito, Lisa Doyle, Phyllis Whit, Lanie Pellegrin, Forrest Michael Teeters, Mike Block, Jerry Isaacs and their families and caregivers

**St. Anthony of Padua:** Elena Carey, Donna & Jon Gresham, Bill Rodgers, Sister Rosemary, Tom & Margie Sheppard, Bob & Lois Tashjian, Deanna Hayward, Mr. Driskill, Margaret Adams, Pat Gorbett, Ed Derringe, Charles Paulius, Helen Krivan and their families and caregivers.

#### **Pray for Our Military**

**St. Pius X:** Julianne Utley, Daniel Burgess, James Griffith, Cory Erickson, Justin Fatum, Jason Huber, James A. Kinsey, Sarah Martindale, Devin McFadden, Ryan M. Fields, Benjamin Patton, Kousuke Sasaki, Noah Willett 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.

### St. Pius X

#### Mass Intentions June 29-July 5

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<i>Special Intention</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<i>Loretta Rodney Wheatley Family</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<i>Rosemary Powell</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<i>Don Buffington</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<i>Butch Spencer</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>4:30 pm</b>	<i>John &amp; Sue Mudd</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<i>Olga Edwards</i>

#### WEEKLY DONATIONS

<b>Parish Hall Donation (06/21/20)</b>	<b>\$ 201.00</b>
<b>Budget for 2019/2020 Fiscal Year (July 2019-June 2020)</b>	<b>\$ 177,160.00</b>
<b>Donation Need Each Week</b>	<b>\$ 3,406.92</b>
<b>Weekly Donation (06/21/20)</b>	<b>\$ 913.50</b>
<b>Online Giving (06/21/20)</b>	<b>\$ 630.00</b>
<b>Fiscal Year to Date</b>	<b>\$ 176, 699.49</b>

**Online Giving:** To sign up, visit our website at [www.stpiusx.us](http://www.stpiusx.us) and click on the link for "online giving" to set up your account. If you need assistance, please call the parish office.

**H.O.P.E. Clinic** baby bottles *Change For Life* may be returned to church or the Clinic in Benton. Call 270-527-4111 when you park outside the clinic and someone will come to your car to pick up the bottle.

#### Parish Council

<b>Pam Hurst</b>	<b>Chair Person</b>
<b>Jeff Outland</b>	<b>Building &amp; Ground</b>
<b>Larry Krouse</b>	<b>Secretary</b>
<b>Robert Weekes</b>	<b>Finance</b>
<b>Dawn Whitt</b>	<b>Spiritual Life</b>
<b>Catherine Broks</b>	<b>FFY</b>

#### Bereavement Committee

*Fran Dacus (618)383-4646*

#### Other Groups

<i>Finance Council</i>	<i>Harold Dacus, Chair</i>
<i>Art &amp; Decorations</i>	<i>Paula Schmidt</i>
<i>Knights of Columbus</i>	<i>Philip Scheidegger</i>

**St. Pius X Mission Statement:** *We, the parishioners of St. Pius Tenth Church, gather in the name of the Lord to praise God and His Son, Jesus Christ, through the Holy Spirit, thanking them for the many blessings that they have given to us. We gain strength from the Word of God in order to share and celebrate God's love through the sacraments.*

### St. Anthony of Padua

#### Mass Intentions June 29-July 5

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<i>Successful Surgery for Alan Beckman</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<i>Earl O'Reilly</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<i>Landon Kasey</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<i>Carol York</i>

#### WEEKLY DONATIONS

<b>Budget 2019/2020 Fiscal Year (July 2019-June 2020)</b>	<b>\$ 72,100.00</b>
<b>Donation Need Each Week</b>	<b>\$ 1,386.54</b>
<b>Weekly Donation (06/21/20)</b>	<b>\$ 1,443.00</b>
<b>Fiscal Year to Date</b>	<b>\$ 67, 910.29</b>

*Livingston County Helping Hands*  
Food Pantry Needs:

paper towels, toilet paper, laundry detergent, shampoo, bath soap, diapers, feminine hygiene products, dish washing liquid, coffee, tea, macaroni and cheese, sugar, flour, cereal (all kinds), peanut butter, jelly, tuna, salmon, other canned meats, canned fruits, and canned vegetables

*There is a donation basket at the back of the Church for your non-perishable items.*

#### Parish Council

<b>Roy McFadden</b>	<b>Chair Person</b>
<b>Mike Drury</b>	<b>Vice Chair/Building &amp; Ground</b>
<b>Debbie Owens</b>	<b>Secretary/Family Life</b>
<b>Shara Parish</b>	<b>Finance</b>
<b>Bob Lehky</b>	<b>Building &amp; Ground –Indoor</b>
<b>Nick Zaim</b>	<b>Social/Spiritual Concern</b>
<b>Sr. Michael Friedman</b>	<b>Spiritual/Faith Formation</b>

#### Bereavement Committee

*Helen Krivan (270) 559-7586*  
*Pat Gorbett (270)362-3377*

**St. Anthony of Padua Mission Statement:** *We, the Catholics of St. Anthony of Padua Parish of Grand Rivers, are united as a faith-filled community to give honor and glory to God, to aid each other, and others, on the journey of salvation and to share the Good News of the Gospel.*

#### Sacraments and Services

- † **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.
- † **CONFESSION:** Contact Fr. Brian at (270) 668-7675.
- † **ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Is offered to anyone physically or emotionally ill, infirmed, or prior to surgery. Contact Fr. Brian at (270) 668-7675 (Emergency)
- † **St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month during office hours (9 am-2 pm). Call the St. Pius X office at (270) 395-4727 for help.
- † **Bulletin information:** Must be submitted to Jamie by 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday. Email: [stpiusx@stpiusx.us](mailto:stpiusx@stpiusx.us)