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Feast of Sts Peter & Paul Year C Matthew 16:13-19



“When Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” They replied, “Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter said in reply, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” Jesus said to him in reply, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”

Martyrdom of Sts Peter & Paul

By Aurelius Prudentius Clemens

May, friend, what means this stir today? What summons gathers all
These happy troops along the streets of Rome?
The feast ennobled by the blood of Peter and of Paul
Calls forth the worshippers to leave their home.
The self-same day with interval of one revolving year
Beheld the pair by death triumphant crowned.
Full well doth Father Tiber know, gliding those marshes near,
Hallowed with trophies twain that turf ground.
Both Cross & Sword he witnessed, twice the ghastly shower saw fall,
The self-same herb bedewed with martyr's blood.
A victim first fell Peter, in Nero's judgment-hall
Condemned to hang upon the towering wood.
But he, in fear to emulate his Master, cannot brook
To court the doom that our salvation earned:
And he claimeth from his murderer one boon, that he may look
On the Tree's nether limb with head down-turned.

Soon as the circling seasons brought the swift recurring date,
And Orient Sun reushered in the day,
The tyrant spat on holy Paul the venom of his hate,
Christ's world-worn Teacher resolute to slay.
He had seen the goal—had written “I am ready to depart
And be with Christ,” with heaven-inspired pen.
The headsman does his office. Beats no more that noble heart;
Nor day nor hour has failed his prescient ken.
On either bank, nigh each to each, their ashes now repose,
Where winds the stream between the two hallowed graves;
The gilded shrine that on the right doth Peter's bones enclose
'Neath sough of olives sacred Tiber laves.

Faith strips the mask from the world and reveals
God in everything. It makes nothing impossible and
renders meaningless such words as anxiety, danger, and
fear, so that the believer goes through life calmly and
peacefully, with profound joy - like a child, hand in
hand with his mother. (St Charles DeFoucauld)

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 June 29, 2025

Acts 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-18/Mt 16:13-19
Monday Gn 18:16-33/Mt 8:18-22
Tuesday Gn 19:15-29/Mt 8:23-27
Wednesday Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Mt 8:28-34
Thursday Eph 2:19-22/Jn 20:24-29
Friday Gn 23:1-4, 24:1-8, 62-67/Mt 9:9-13
Saturday Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Mt 9:14-17

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

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† **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,

Feast of Sts Peter & Paul

Year C

Matthew 16:13-19

Our Holy Day Feast of Sts Peter and Paul today, marks two foundational leaders of our faith in Jesus. They both have blessedly unique and differing styles of ministry. St Peter as our first chief shepherd, or Pope, (Matt 16:18) and St Paul as our first chief missionary (Acts 9:15 & 22:21). Their differing roles in ministry wonderfully complement one another. I heard someone describe it once as, "Peter covering the base and keeping the home fires lit in Rome, while Paul carried the torch outward in missionary work to all the world." Of course, both Peter and Paul engaged in *any* ministry (home or away) that they could, to serve Christ and His Church. So, we really can't claim that Peter never engaged in missionary work, nor that Paul didn't do his share of home-church maintenance. We have in the New Testament Literature, copies of both of their pastoral letters sent to communities expressing their leadership concerns for growing faith among the church (in addition to the Acts of the Apostles account of the early church history). But Peter as first Pope, does seem preoccupied with the unity and centralization of the Christian faith and practice, while Paul is eager to draw in more and more believers by his missionary zeal founding new communities for the Church anywhere. Of course, the other eleven apostles had their own leadership and missionary roles too. Yet, Peter and Paul are the most prominent, and likely because they also share the same martyrdom year-date and location, in Rome, 64 A.D. under the persecution of Emperor Nero. Peter and Paul both have a Roman Basilica Church place marking their location of execution and burial. Of the four major Basilicas in Rome, one is **St Peter's Basilica** in the Vatican and another is **Basilica of St Paul Outside the Walls** just outside the Vatican. Both are built over the burial sites of Peter and Paul respectively (the other two major basilicas are **St John Lateran Basilica** and **St Mary Major Basilica**). But even in their burial sites we can get the impression of St Peter administratively based in Rome, and St Paul on the road leading out of Vatican City, carrying the message outward in mission. Certainly though, both saints sacrificed their lives in service to the gospel of Jesus Christ. They followed His command that "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me" (Matt 16:24). Even unto death, which they both did, 'loving Christ's own to the end' (John 13:1-2). So, we honor them today and thank God for the witness of faithful disciples!

A great spiritual exercise to undertake on this feast would be to read one each of the NT letters of Peter and Paul. While Peter only has two letters, Paul has thirteen (*Of course, there is dispute among scholars about whether Paul wrote every one of the thirteen or only seven of them with secretaries finishing the others*). There are 27 books in the New Testament. As an encouragement for people to read the actual texts, I like to emphasize that some of the books are quite short (*so you can spend as little as 30 minutes and be able to say afterward, that you read four books of the NT today!*) Paul's shortest letter is his Letter to Philemon and Peter's shortest is 2 Peter. I encourage you to read them for yourself. They give a window into the heart and personality of each saint. We can sense what concerns them, through the emotion and message they are communicating to the congregation or person they are writing to. Among my list of favorite NT letters is this Letter to Philemon, where I find Paul being his most rhetorically persuasive in a diplomatic way (*he is often not 'diplomatic'*) to encourage Philemon to 'do the right thing' about slavery. A favorite letter of mine from Peter is his first one, where he quotes Psalm 90:4 and reminds us to be patient, since 'a thousand days are as one day to God' (2 Peter 3:8). Peter is saying, that our impatience is not about God being slow to answer us, but it is more about our being slow to understand His Ways (in the end we are going to wish for that 'more or long time' we first complained about!) Also, if we are ever slow to understand something, we are not alone, because in this same letter Peter humbly admits that some of Paul's lengthy letters are 'difficult to understand' (2 Peter 3:16). But thanks be to God we have such a diverse witness to sanctity in the many lives (of which Peter and Paul are only two!) within the Communion of Saints that we look up to, to guide our following of Jesus!

Peace, Fr Brian

Pius X Parish Council Meeting Thurs @ 5:00 pm
Chair Person, Secretary & Finance, Spiritual Life, FFY & Religious Ed
Social Program/Outreach, Building & Ground Comttes
Returning Members: Debbie Anspach, Stacey Newby
Welcome New Members: Amanda Gentry, Allison Devine,
Philip Scheidegger & Karen Williams.

Jewish Background to Christianity Book Study/Discussion
Every Tuesday Night from 6:30-7:30pm Come study this interesting approach and discussion to the Jewish Roots of the Catholic Faith based on Dr Brant Pitre's research.

St Pius X Mass Intentions June 30– July 6		
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Rodney Wheatley
Wednesday	8:00 am	PJ & Martha Rose O'Donoghue
Thursday	8:00 am	May Ray Hays
Friday	8:00 am	Joel Rivera
Saturday	4:30 pm	Betty Beecham
Sunday	10:00am	Joel Rivera
WEEKLY DONATIONS		
Parish Hall Donation (6/22/25)	\$	110.00
Budget for 2024/2025 Fiscal Year	\$	195,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$	3,750.00
Weekly Donation (6/22/25)	\$	2,305.50
Online Giving (6/22/25)	\$	1,232.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 6/22	\$	3,537.50
Fiscal Year to Date	\$	247,789.77

New Parish Hall Project Committee Report
 Please review the initial designs and layout of the proposed new hall building and parking area. The committee is planning a parish meeting to solicit feedback from parishioners soon. Please watch for date and be sure to come and discuss the next steps.

Summer Bible Craft Nights
 Come join us Bible stories and crafts this summer. The theme is Service/Prayer. Families welcome to attend together, children must be accompanied due to tool use. July 9 & July 16 – 6:00-7:30 pm
 Contact Paula Schmidt or register online!


Happy Birthday! June 29– July 5 St. Pius
 June 28 Jacob Gentry
 July 1 Abigail Traylor
Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X
 June 29 Gary & Suzette Whittington
 June 29 Andy & Sherry Ferm

Calvert City Ministerial Fellowship
 Invites you to the annual
SALUTE TO VETERANS
FISH FRY
Thursday July 10, 2025
 11:00 am to 1:00 pm
 First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
 Corner of First and Ash Streets, Calvert City
 All Proceeds go to the
WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT
 Cost: \$7.00
 Veterans eat free
ADVANCED TICKET PURCHASE IS ENCOURAGED TO AVOID DELAYS
 Tickets available at all Ministerial Fellowship Churches or at the door
 Call 270 395 4600 by Wednesday, July 9 for take-out orders

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, July 5, 2025				
Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Camryn Risley Kendall Risley	Dawn Whitt	Kurt Schmidt Amy Crass Jeff Riedfort	George Humphreys (Greeter) Paula Humphreys (Greeter)	
Mass Assignments: Sunday, July 6, 2025				
Gavin Devine Kinley Peterson	Jeff Outland	Kelli King Allison Devine Volunteer	Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer	Jan Waniel Jean Waniel

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: Sonnie Fleming, Erin Hamilton, Kathy Sanderson, Greg Williams, Judy Ayers, Pat Hobbs, Keisha Bradley Janet Norvell, Iris Joelle Maynard, Megan Mudd, Theresa Owens, 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, Kaileigh Row, Pam Laibl, David Kroll, Henry Feezor, Lisa Hammond, Bennett Meisenheimer, Wes Hayes, Mike Norvell, Maryann Huebschmann, Kenny Matthews, 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 Broks, 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, Judy Krouse, Kerry Frazier, Rene Harrington, Forrest Michael Teeters, Cameron Brewer, Hugo Santos, Sharon Gibbons, Braydn Barnett, Elizabeth Witowski, Pam Dietz. Anthony Pellegriin.

Pray for Our Military

St. Pius X: Cameron Thomason, 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 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
 Every Tuesday 9:00 am Church: Come help prepare crafts and put together supplies. Jobs for everybody with no special skills required. We just need extra hands to piece together gifts/crafts. Please come out!

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

Remembrance Mass for Parents who've Lost Children

We are scheduling a memorial mass to remember any age children (from conception thru childhood) who have passed, and to pray for their parents. Wednesday July 23 at 6:00 pm at St Anthony. Please contact Judy Forsythe with any questions. We will record our children's names in a memory book and light candles.

All-Day Adoration on Friday July 4

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 July 5 @ 8:00am. Every first Saturday we offer mass and pray the rosary



St Anthony Birthdays June 29– July 5

No birthdays this week

St Anthony Anniversaries:

No anniversaries this week

St Anthony Wednesday Bible Study

Come join us every Wednesday at 10:00-11:00 for a study of Luke's Gospel. We are using Jeff Cavins & Dr Morrow's materials to guide our study. Bring your Bible & come learn about the 3rd gospel



St. Anthony of Padua

**Mass Intentions
 June 30 – July 6**

Wednesday	9:00 am	John & Sue Mudd
Friday	9:00 am	Fred Drury
First Saturday	8:00 am	Taylor Johansen
Saturday pm	6:00 pm	Charles Thurman Jr
Sunday	8:00 am	Deanna Hayward

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2024-June 2025)	\$ 73,500.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 6//2025	\$ 1,990.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 114,726.75



FOOD PANTRY

Food Items Especially Needed: *Saltine Crackers, Hamburger Helper*, sugar, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, tuna, salmon, canned fruits, canned vegetables. Other items needed: paper towels, toilet paper, laundry & dish detergent, shampoo (adult & baby), bath soap, diapers, wipes, feminine hygiene products. Collection container is in back of church

St Anthony Mass Assignments – July 6, 2025

Lector	Darin Adrian
Eucharistic Ministers	Joyce Wilkinson Jo Herron
Ushers/Greeters	Kevin Diamond David Loxley
Server	Juan Gonzalez
Money Counters	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond

CONSIDER ATTENDING DAILY MASS

St Anthony Prayer List: Theresa Owens, Kathy Johansen, Jeff Ritorto, Cathy Ritorto, Betty Gonzalez, Elena Carey, Donna & Jon Gresham, Bob Decker, Bill Rodgers, Tom & 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 Sept 17 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