

St. Pius Tenth CATHOLIC CHURCH

December 20th & 21st, 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.

Fourth 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

Day of: MWF 8AM; TTH
12Noon

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

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Fr. Larry Hostetter

Associate Pastor—

Fr. Martin Ling

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Melody Clark

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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.

THANK YOU!

Pastoral Reflection

The Fourth Sunday of Advent always gets short shrift. By this time in the Advent Season, we are in full Christmas mode, our homes are decorated, letters to Santa are written, gifts bought, cards are sent, and holiday menus planned. So, what more is there? It certainly feels a lot like Christmas, even though, technically, it hasn't even started yet.

For this reason, I think the fourth Sunday of Advent may be the most important. Because of all the busyness of this time of year, we may have not had time to prepare for the spiritual meaning of Christmas--the coming of the Christ Child. The last Sunday of Advent with the lighting of the fourth candle gives us an opportunity to catch our breath, or, maybe better-- to catch our Spirit-breath. Take a moment these few days before Christmas to invite Jesus into everything you do, to pray that each of us might be ready for his coming, not just as the Child in Bethlehem, but in his coming in those who need us, whether stranger or loved one. May the blessing of Advent fill your hearts with joy.

Fr. Larry



The week of December 21-28, 2025

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Advent

8:00am—Anna Jean Hardesty†

11:00am—Our Parish Family

Monday:

8:00 am—Doug Howard

Tuesday: St. John of Kanty, Priest

12:00pm—Chris Wheatley

Wednesday: Christmas Eve

4pm—Emily Nuam

8pm—Ann & Paul Cummings

Thursday: The Nativity of the Lord

9AM—Our Parish Family

11AM (Myanmar)—John Thang

Friday: St. Stephen, First Martyr

8:00am—Fr. Ed Bradley

Saturday: St. John, Apostle and Evangelist

5:00pm—Mildred O'Bryan

Next Sunday: The Holy Family

8:00am—Dora McCarty†

11:00am—Our Parish Family

Faith Formation

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



Faith Formation

Sundays: 9:05 AM Donuts
9:30 - 10:30 AM Class

12-21 No Class Christmas Break
12-21 Children & Youth Christmas Mass Rehearsal @ 3pm
12-24 Children's Christmas Eve Mass @ 4 PM
12-28 No Class Christmas Break

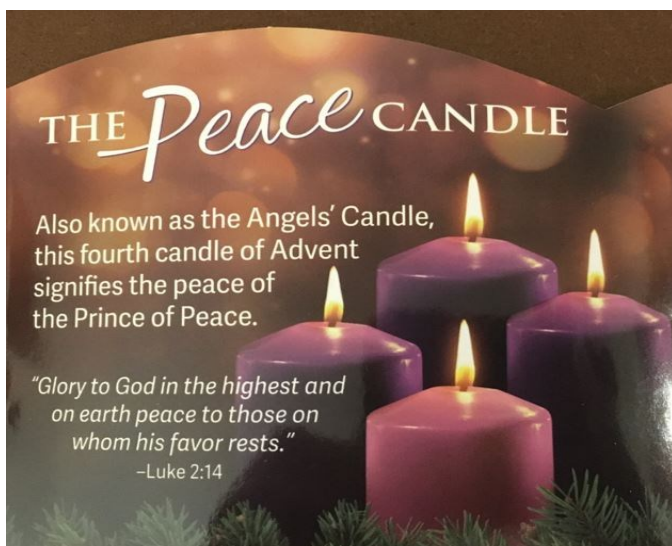


Matthew Knight, Youth Minister
mknight@stpiustenthparish.org

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

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

What did the cereal bring to the bank?
Chex

Our Community

Myanmar Catholic Community Happenings



Blessing of the new leaders of the community

Christmas Caroling of the Myanmar Community



OCIA Rite of Acceptance and Rite of Welcoming

On Sunday, December 7th, during our 11 am Mass, our parish family joyfully celebrated the OCIA Rite of Acceptance and Rite of Welcoming! Surrounded by prayer, smiles, and the glow of Advent hope, our catechumens and candidates publicly began the next step of their journey toward full communion with the Church. It was a beautiful and grace-filled moment for our community. Please join us in praying for them as they continue to grow in faith and love!



From Saint Vincent De Paul:

Thank you to all that donated for the Thanksgiving baskets and the extra items that have been donated to our food pantry. It is such a blessing to have such a generous parish. Thank you for being a part of providing some relief to households with food insecurities during this holiday season.

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.

Please turn in any empty burgoo containers in the box in front of the burgoo barn. We will no longer be collecting them in the vestibule.

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 24th-25th, 26th—CLOSED
- December 31st—CLOSED
- January 1st & 2nd—CLOSED



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Advent & Christmas Time Services and Masses

Join us and celebrate!

December 18-Noon Mass

6pm Penance Service

December 24-(Christmas Eve)

4pm Children & Youth Mass w/Choir

8pm Christmas Eve Mass

December 25-(Christmas Day)

9am Mass

11am Myanmar Mass

December 31-(New Year's Eve) 6pm Vigil Mass

January 1-(New Year's Day) 12 Noon Mass

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



Liturgical

Ministry Schedule for December 27th & 28th, 2025

Sat, 5:00 PM (Church)

Laura Veach - Captain/Sacred Host 1
Fr. Hostetter or Ling - Sacred Host 2
Christa Roberts - Captain Asst./Sacred Host 3
Peggy Castlen - Sacred Host 4
Truby Velotta - Precious Blood 1
Thomas Veach - Precious Blood 2
Melanie Wallace - Precious Blood 3
Kathy Jo Clary - Precious Blood 4
Beverly Aud - Gift Bearer
Linda Logsdon - Lector 1
Thomas Conrey - Lector 2
Lisa Sisk - Greeter D-1
Deborah Daugherty - Greeter D-2
Emmy Roberts - Server 1
Jon Andrew Ball - Server 2
Sam Potts - Captain/Usher 1
Charles Aud - Usher 2
Colton Wallace - Usher 3
Tommy Velotta - Usher 4
Beverly Aud - Rosary Leader

Sun, 8:00 AM (Church)

Ed Calhoun - Captain/Sacred Host 1
Fr. Hostetter or Ling - Sacred Host 2
Mary Jo Westerfield - Cpt. Asst./Sacred H. 3
Charlotte Hedges - Sacred Host 4
Linda Calhoun - Precious Blood 1
John McCarty - Precious Blood 2
Paula Annin - Precious Blood 3
Heather Haynes - Precious Blood 4
Jesse Baldwin - Gift Bearer
Russell Payne - Lector 1
David Fleischmann - Lector 2
Maddie Baldwin - Greeter D-1
Parker Baldwin - Greeter D-2
Oliver (Ollie) Mattingly - Server 1
James Thawng - Server 2
Nick Howard - Captain/Usher 1
Gary Warren - Usher 2
Danny Morris - Usher 3
Eric Ratliff - Usher 4
Mary Jo Westerfield - Rosary Leader

Sun, 11:00 AM (Church)

Colleen Bachmeier - Captain/Sacred Host 1
Fr. Hostetter or Ling - Sacred Host 2
Brenda Coombs - Captain Asst./Sacred Host 3
Shelly Maffia - Sacred Host 4
Amy Silvert - Precious Blood 1
Gary Estes - Precious Blood 2
Rebecca Jones - Precious Blood 3
Catherine Marlowe - Precious Blood 4
Madison Silvert - Gift Bearer
Bryan Krampe - Lector 1
Larry Millay - Lector 2
Bonnie Castlen - Greeter D-1
John Crawford Silvert - Greeter D-2
Braeden Nichols - Server 1
Carter Maffia - Server 2
Tom Rhodes - Captain/Usher 1
Tim Bowen - Usher 2
James E. Howard - Usher 3
Wayne Zoglmann - Usher 4
Larry Millay - Rosary Leader

MUSIC MINISTRY

Clint Campbell, Director of Music
ccampbell@stpiustenthparish.org

December 27th & 28th (The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph)

Saturday:

5pm—Amanda & Mary Lou

Sunday:

8am—John, Kendall, & Clint

11am—Choir with Clint

January 1st

(Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God)

Vigil Mass 6pm—Guys & Gals with Clint

Holy Day Mass 12 Noon—Amanda & Mary

Lou

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.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

Isaiah 7:10–14 The virgin shall be with child.

Psalms 24 "Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory."

Romans 1:1–7 Jesus is the son of David and the Son of God.

Matthew 1:18–24 Joseph, son of David, have no fear about taking Mary as your wife.

Twice today we hear the words Isaiah proclaimed hundreds of years before Christ's birth: "the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel." This Hebrew name means "God is with us," and when Joseph, a devout and righteous man, is visited by an angel in his dream, he recalls Isaiah's prophecy. We know that God is also with us as we gather here to listen to God's word, and so at this time we allow ourselves to be immersed in God's presence as we actively listen to today's readings.

Stewardship & Service

SUMMARY AS OF WEEK OF 12/07/2025		
	Budget/Goal	Collected
Weekly 2025-2026 Budget Goal	\$16,617.02	\$30,094.24
YTD 2025-2026 Budget Goal	\$382,191.46	\$388,913.66

Collections		
Collection	12/7/2025	2025-2026 YTD
General	\$27,941.04	\$357,184.71
Building	\$2,153.20	\$31,728.95

Collection numbers for December 13th & 14th will be in next week's bulletin due to an early submit date.

MASS COUNT

December 6th & 7th	Dec. 7th/8th (Immaculate Conc.)
5PM—129	6PM Vigil-118
8AM—203	8AM—102
11AM—319	December 13th/14th will be in the next issue due to an early submit date.
Total—651	

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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.

Altar Linens:
December
Joanne Warren



God's Housekeepers:
Dec. 20-21 TEAM 4
Gail & Ricky Wallace
Delores Turnage
Karen Wells
Valerie Thomas
Robert Smith
Jeannie & David Foster
Bonnie Castlen

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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>).