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4th Sunday Easter Year C John 10:27-30



“Jesus said: “My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father’s hand. The Father and I are one.”

I am the Door of the Sheepfold

by Malcom Guite

Not one that’s gently hinged or deftly hung,
Not like the ones you planed at Joseph’s place,
Not like the well-oiled openings that swung
So easily for Pilate’s practiced pace,
Not like the ones that closed in Mary’s face
From house to house in brimming Bethlehem,
Not like the one that no man may assail,
The dreadful curtain, the forbidding veil
That waits your breaking in Jerusalem.
Not one you made but one you have become:
Load-bearing, balancing, a weighted beam
To bridge the gap, to bring us within reach
Of your high pasture. Calling us by name,
You lay your body down across the breach,
Yourself the door that opens into home.

ACTS 2:42 GROUPS
THE MONTH OF A THIRTIETH YEAR OF MISSION

“They devoted themselves to the teachings of the apostles, the communal life, the breaking of the bread & prayer”
Last session of this series May 11 at 1:30pm @ St Pius
Contact Ed Georgen edwardgeorgen@gmail.com
Plan to come to the Diocesan Closing Celebration of this season of Acts 2:42 in Hopkinsville, KY
Wonderful Celebration in this Jubilee Year Mercy

St. Pius X Mass Schedule

+ **Weekend Mass**
Saturday- 4:30 pm
Easter 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 May 11, 2025
Acts 13:14, 43-52/Rv 7:-17/Jn 10:27-30
Monday Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17
Thursday Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20
Friday Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6
Saturday Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14

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

+ **Weekend Mass**
Sunday- 8:00 am
+ **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

Visit our website

www.stanthonygrandrivers.org

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, 3rd Easter Sunday

Year C

John 10-29-30

Happy Good Shepherd Sunday! “*The Shepherd knows his sheep!*” Isn’t that about the most comforting line in scripture? *God knows us!* (Jn 10:27) This reminds me of the national advertising campaign, “*God gets us!*” Yet our gospel reading gets even better when we hear Jesus say in the next verse that “*No one can take my sheep out of my hand.*” Jesus further says that the Father’s hand has the sheep too. That makes two mentions of being in God’s hand, in two verses. A favorite theme of mine in funeral homilies is to emphasize how comforting it is to know that, in life and in death, we are on God’s hands. I emphasize how comforting an image that is: to be in God’s hands. I recall how many times a child runs to his/her parents after being scared so that they can climb up into their mom’s/dad’s arms & hands. The child feels/knows that if he/she can just get to the safety of dad/mom’s arms, then everything is going to be okay! In those protective, secure arms, there’s nothing to fear! Well, we can know, too, that peace and security comes to us when we are in the heavenly arms of God (especially through death). Jesus had taught this same idea of our everlasting safety in his hands, earlier in the gospel of John (verse 6:39). There He said, “I will not lose anything (anyone) of who the Father gave me, and I will raise it on the last day.” Jesus is saying that He is with us and sees us through everything, (even death)!

This idea of being in God’s hand, is no different than us also being in Jesus’ boat. For example, we read in Mark chapter 4. That Jesus brought the disciples into His boat with Him to cross the sea. While Jesus is sleeping, a major storm breaks out and tosses the boat around. This terrifies the disciples. But, no fear-Jesus is here! Though the disciples don’t feel that yet. Instead, they panic, and wake Jesus from sleeping. They even rashly say to him, “*Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?*” (Mark 4:38)

I don’t know why they don’t trust Jesus? Jesus invited them to ride along with Him. He is in control, even when asleep! Even if the boat sinks, we can sit back and rest! Jesus has the plan. He will see us through this. Even *if* we go down with the ship, just as long as Jesus is with you, He will bring the ship and everyone in it, out safely on the other side! Maybe it is similar to us not being able to imagine Easter Sunday, when we are going through Good Friday? But imagine now, what Jesus can do if we trust! Who knows, but as the ship goes under the waves submerged, if we remember that we are riding with Jesus, then watch how He will get us through this. As He allows the ship to submerge under water, He can create over its deck, a clear bubble (like a convertible’s top in a rain-storm!), so that the boat becomes an ‘observatory submersible’. Then we can view the ‘under-sea-scape’ from the security of our new submarine. Over in Matthew’s gospel, we will hear about just such a ‘deep sea dip into the water’ as we hear about Peter’s sinking/going down, before Peter calls out to Jesus for saving. There, Jesus stretches out a lifesaving hand and rescues Peter, lifting him back to the surface (Matthew 14:29-31). Jesus always has the way out, the plan through whatever obstacle or trouble we may face. Of course, Jesus navigates us to calmer seas through all manner of creative interventions!

Again, with Jesus along, what is there for us to be anxious over – we only need to rest in His company! Jesus has this! As long as we are in his Hands, or in His boat, all is well with our souls! Jesus assures us, ‘No one (not even death) can snatch you out of my hand!’ He is our shepherd who knows us. He has and we can trust Him (head above or below water!) The English mystic Julian of Norwich (1343-1416) affirms such consolation and trust in her book Revelations of Divine Love written down following visions she had of Christ that she experienced in a near- fatal encounter she endured being sick unto death. Having been taken to the threshold of life’s exit by illness she called out to Christ and He spoke to her words of comfort. That With Him by her side, no matter the severity of the trial, “all shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of thing shall be well.”

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 Comttee
Returning Members: Debbie Anspach, Stacey Newby
Welcome New Members: Amanda Gentry, Allison Devine,
Philip Scheidegger & Karen Williams.

Jesus’ Last Seven Words from Cross Study & Discussion
Every Tuesday Night from 6:30-7:30pm Come study this classic devotion to Jesus’ preaching from the pulpit of the cross itself. Scripture study and Lenten focus on deepening prayer.

**St Pius X Mass Intentions
May 12– May 18**

Tuesday	6:00 pm	<i>Dolly Bardsley</i>
Wednesday	8:00 am	<i>Dr Sidney Edds</i>
Thursday	8:00 am	<i>Richard & Virginia Klohr</i>
Friday	8:00 am	<i>Linda Paluso</i>
Saturday	4:30 pm	<i>Billy Driscoll</i>
Sunday	10:00am	<i>Ray Lucas</i>

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Parish Hall Donation (5/4/25)	\$ 152.00
Budget for 2024/2025 Fiscal Year	\$ 195,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 3,750.00
Weekly Donation (5/4/25)	\$ 3,845.50
Online Giving (5/4/25)	\$ 1,785.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 5/4	\$ 5,630.50
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 213,993.64

Gasper River Camp Volunteers needed!

Hey Catholics (especially guys), we need your help! Registrations are pouring into our office for summer camp 2025. We need volunteer counselors to come and help out with young people who have signed up for camp. If you care about young people, are trying your best to live a devoted life and want to know Jesus better, then sign up to be a volunteer counselor! Please call 270-781-2466 to apply or go to www.gasperriverretreatcenter.org

Saturday night Potluck & Bingo:

Plan to attend the potluck dinner after Saturday 4:30 mass on May 17. Plan to bring a side dish and or a dessert to share. We will have some games of Bingo afterward to enjoy playing.

Catholic Charities Special Collection. Catholic Charities of Owensboro is responding to the hail and flood disasters, in the following counties: Bullitt, Barren, Butler, Calloway, Christian, Grayson, Green, Hardin, Hart, Henderson, Hickman, Hopkins, Jefferson, LaRue, Logan, McCracken, Mclean, Meade, Muhlenberg, Nelson, Ohio, Spencer, Trimble, Union, Warren, and Washington. Some donations have been received, but the need is greater than currently on-hand.
Bishop Medley asks for a special collection taken May 17-18



Happy Birthday! May 11 – May 17 St. Pius

May 8 Anna Watson
May 11 Landon Shupe
May 12 Danny Padgett
May 14 Cody Shupe
May 15 Gary Traylor

Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X

May 15 Joey & Tara Blazina

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, May 17, 2025

Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Camryn Risley Kendall Risley	Paula Schmidt	Larry Whitt Volunteer Kurt Schmidt	George Humphreys (Greeter) Paula Humphreys (Greeter)	

Mass Assignments: Sunday, May 18, 2025

Gavin Devine Kinley Peterson	Philip Scheiber	Jimmy Harbison Kelli King Teresa Newman	Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer	Jan Waniel Jean Waniel
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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>).



**PRAY FOR
UKRAINE**

Remember in Prayer

St. Pius X: 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 Brooks, 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 Pellegrin.

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
Bazaar Workshop at St Anthony Every Tuesday at 9:00 am – Every Tuesday & all parishioners invited to come participate in helping craft gifts for the annual bazaar fundraiser. See the list of items and materials that anyone can donate. Also, volunteer help is always needed too! Come enjoy the crafting!



Next Lunch Bunch gathering in May 15
Come bring a side this Thursday to Lunch Bunch 11:30

Hope Clinic Baby Bottle Collection: Please bring back your bottles to turn in to Hope Clinic!

Mt St Joseph Quilt of Month Club: Tickets are still available! Only 2500 sold.. There are still 11 chances to win a new handmade quilt -- for just \$25 . A lucky winner's name is drawn on the first Friday of each month from April 2025 through March 2026. Watch the drawings live on the Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph Facebook page at noon Central Time: www.facebook.com/ursulinesmsj.

All-Day Adoration on Friday June 6

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 June 7 @ 8:00am. Every first Saturday we offer mass and pray the rosary



St Anthony Birthdays May 11– May 17

May 8 Cathy Ritorto

May 12 Gail Dailey

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 Dr Brant Pitre materials to guide our study and discussion. Bring your Bible & come learn about the 4th gospel



St. Anthony of Padua

Mass Intentions

May 12 – May 18

Wednesday	9:00 am	<i>Norman Wheatley</i>
Friday	9:00 am	<i>Charles Tissius</i>
Sunday	8:00 am	<i>Helen Krivan</i>

WEEKLY DONATIONS

Budget 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2024-June 2025)	\$ 73,500.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 5/4/2025	\$ 4,216.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 98,182.50



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 the church for your donated items.

St Anthony Mass Assignments – May 18, 2025

Lector	Darin Adrian
Eucharistic Ministers	Mike Drury Jo Herron
Ushers/Greeters	Vern Hunsley Georgia Hunsley
Server	Juan Gonzalez
Money Counters	Shara Parish Kevin Diamond

CONSIDER ATTENDING DAILY MASS OR WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

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 June 18, 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