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2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Lent Year C Luke 9:28b-36



“Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As they were about to part from him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good that we are here; let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” But he did not know what he was saying. While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my chosen Son; listen to him.” After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen.”

**The Hope Jubilee Year Prayer**

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

**ACTS 2:42 GROUPS**  
THE MISTON AND PADUA SAINTS PEOPLE  
YEAR OF MISSION

“They devoted themselves to the teachings of the apostles, the communal life, the breaking of the bread & prayer”  
Next Meeting April 13 at 1:30pm @ St Pius  
Or contact Ed Georgen [edwardgeorgen@gmail.com](mailto:edwardgeorgen@gmail.com)  
**NEW: Every Thursday 6:00 pm Lent Retreat**  
with Bishop Barron on Lives of the Saints for our Day! Come learn/admire the Saints’ model!

**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

Visit our Website [www.stpiusx.us](http://www.stpiusx.us)

**Daily Scripture Readings**

Sunday March 16, 2025  
Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Phil 3:17/Lk 9:28b-36  
Monday Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38  
Tuesday Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12  
Wednesday 2 Sm 7:4-16/Mt 1:16-24  
Thursday Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31  
Friday Gn 37:3-4, 12-28a/Mt 21:33-46  
Saturday Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-11-32

**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](http://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,

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Lent

Year C

Luke 9:28b-36

“For nothing will be impossible for God” (Luke 1:37) The Angel Gabriel had announced this to Mary back in the beginning of Luke’s gospel. A sign of great things to come for us! With today’s gospel and the revelation of Jesus’ divinity to Peter James and John on the mountain, the message is the same, about what God can make possible. I like to say that on the first Sunday of Lent, our church always has us focus on what we are up against (the Devil’s temptations). But don’t be discouraged, because on this second Sunday of Lent, the Church sets before us what is possible if we persevere with Christ! Transforming change -Transfiguration!

God can remake us in His Image, if we cooperate with Him. First, we need God to initiate this change of us, which Jesus has done already (the invitation of Lent itself!) And secondly, we need to persevere with Him in the work of our transformation. Luke 9:2, tells us that Jesus ‘led’ or ‘took’ Peter James and John up the mountain. Jesus starts us on the path of improvement. But of course, we have all walked uphill before and know that it takes our effort too! And, it is a hill! We must strive and work. But with Him, our change is possible. Jesus teaches this in John 15:5 “Apart from me you can do nothing, but remaining in Me, you will bear fruit.” So, this Mountaintop Transfiguration scene moves us to step up and answer His call for us to grow more into His image. Our Lenten discipleship project of fasting, prayer and charitable work will transform us more into His People.

Something striking to me always about the Mountaintop Transfiguration is the presence of Moses, Elijah, Peter, James and John. It is a type of conference meeting (summit!) That teaches me that lasting transformation requires the accountability measure of involving other people in consultation and dialogue. We see on the mountain that Jesus first converses with Moses and Elijah (what did they speak about? Luke 9:31 says “his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem”). After this, Peter makes a false start of conversation (distracting idle chatter? Luke says Peter doesn’t know what he is saying in 9:33) To this, God the Father resets the dialogue by announcing, “This is my chosen Son; listen to him.” Again, it takes God to initiate our change – we must begin by listening! In the Old Covenant, Moses alone goes up the mountain to converse with God (receive the ten commandments etc), yet in the New Covenant with Jesus, we see Moses, Elijah, Peter, James and John go up together. That says something about shared experience of God that we can learn from, living in Christ’s company- the Church.

So, the first step forward in our own conversion after reading Jesus’ Transfiguration event, can be our commitment to ***‘listen more’ and speak less***. Peter, James and John begin their conversions to Christ afterward by going silent, as Luke tells us that “They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen (*yet*)”(Lk 9:36) That is the needed posture to have God change us for the better- to start listening better! They are taking God’s command to heart.

A good question for each of us to answer and act on is, “How can we ‘listen more’ to God”? What kind of listening exercise can we take up? I ran across a statistic recently that reported that on average, a person speaks over 16,000 words a day. 16,000 of anything is a lot! I am afraid to ask how many of those 16,000 words are necessary or wise (*afraid to ask, but also asking may add to my allotment of words, won’t it?*) For transfiguration to occur, we need to listen first, and maybe keep on listening, instead of speaking up at all. Lent invites all of us to such a new ‘listening’ prayer, silent prayer-contemplative prayer with Christ. At higher elevations, on the mountain top, it is wise to save your breath. So, what will I do to foster more time of simply listening to God in Lent?

If I go back to the beginning of this column, I am reminded that Mary sets a great example for us of ‘listening to God best’ as she is the exemplary model of a disciple of Christ. Perhaps my Lent should be spent more in silent prayer like hers. She, “pondered, what was said, what sort of greeting this might be” after the angel Gabriel spoke to her (Luke 1:29). She also “kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart”(Luke 2:19) after the shepherds shared their angelic vision about Christ to her. And she “kept all these things in her heart” (Luke 2:51) after hearing Jesus’ wisdom shared among the teachers when she found Him in the Temple. What an example of ‘listening prayer’ to follow!

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 Mar 17 – Mar 23		
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Ray Lucas
Wednesday	8:00 am	Elizabeth Schmidt
Thursday	8:00 am	Sally Anne Klohr
Friday	8:00 am	John & Sue Mudd
Saturday	4:30 pm	Dolly Bardsley
Sunday	10:00am	Newby Family
WEEKLY DONATIONS		
Parish Hall Donation (3/9/25)	\$	137.00
Budget for 2024/2025 Fiscal Year	\$	195,000.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$	3,750.00
Weekly Donation (3/9/25)	\$	2,546.25
Online Giving (3/9/25)	\$	1,480.00
Total Week's Gift Offering 3/9	\$	4,026.25
Fiscal Year to Date	\$	171,693.31




**Every Friday thru Lent**  
**4:00-7:00pm at St. Pius Hall**  
 Call in Order 395-5747 Carry Out or Dine-In  
**Price is \$15 a person** and includes Your choice of either:  
 Fish, Shrimp, or Chicken  
 Baked Potato or French Fries Hot or Mild Hush Puppies  
 White Beans & Cole Slaw & Drink & Dessert

**Stations of Cross:** St Pius Every Wed 6:30  
 & at St Anthony every Friday 9:30 am

**Parish Potluck/Bingo Sat Mar 15 after 4:30 mass**  
 Plan to come enjoy St Pat's potluck dinner! Bring a side!  
 Bingo afterward! Please bring a \$5 gift to use as prizes!

**First Communion Classes Schedule**  
 Sun March 30 11:00am First Communion Session Parish Hall  
 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Mass for Students April 27 10:00 am Mass

**Paducah Quilt show time! St. Francis de Sales Church** is having their annual Quilt Show & Luncheon Thurs, April 24<sup>th</sup> and Fri, April 25<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 am – 1:30 pm. Come enjoy a delicious meal, browse our Quilt display, & get chance to win a quilt!



**Happy Birthday! Mar 16 – Mar 22 St. Pius**

March 16	Rosemary Hudson
March 16	Loretta Vargocko
March 22	Marilyn Wysock
March 22	Jim Fogarty

**Happy Anniversary! St. Pius X**  
 No anniversaries this week

St Pius X Mass Assignments: Saturday, March 22, 2025				
Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers / Greeters	Money Counters
Franky Schiaretti	Brenda Schiaretti	Jeff Riedfort Charlotte Riedfort Larry Whitt	George Humphreys (Greeter) Paula Humphreys (Greeter)	
Mass Assignments: Sunday, March 23, 2025				
Kinley Peterson Server Volunteer	Phillip Scheiber	Marcus Newman Teresa Newman Volunteer	Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer Usher Volunteer	Nancy Singleton Kathy Smith

**FFY**  
 Calendar  
 &  
 Activities  
 Schedule

DATE	SUNDAY GOSPEL READING	SUBJECT
March 19, 2025 Wed 6:00-7:30 pm	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday Lent Luke 13:1-9	Middle/High School Class <i>lead Station of the Cross</i> Spiritual Works of Mercy, PG p. 202-203
March 26, 2025 Wed 6:00-7:30 pm	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Lent Luke 15:1-3,11-32	<b>Penance Service</b> after Stations of the Cross Activity: Write letters of gratitude & prayer
April 2, 2025 Wed 6:00-7:30	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Lent John 8:1-11	<b>Attend Stations of the Cross</b> <b>Learn about Young Saints- St Carlo Acutis</b>

**Remember in Prayer**

**St. Pius X:** 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 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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. We could use some old, used light bulbs for our next crafts project! Also, volunteer help is always needed too! Come/Have fun!



**Next Lunch Bunch gathering in March 20**

**Come bring a side this Thursday to Lunch Bunch 11:30**

**Acts 2:42 Group: 2nd Sunday every month: Apr 13**

Signup contact Ed Georgen [edwardgeorgen@gmail.com](mailto:edwardgeorgen@gmail.com)

Come share faith with others and enjoy a time of prayer and fellowship like the first apostles in Acts 2!

**Hope Clinic Baby Bottle Collection:** Pick up a bottle to fill with your loose coins or bills to help the pro-life & pregnancy support work of Hope Clinic.

**Plan to come to the Diocesan Chrism Mass Apr 15**

Tuesday of Holy Week in Owensboro at Sportscenter The Bishop will bless the Holy Oils for all parishes

**All-Day Adoration on Friday April 4**

St Anthony Church has an all day Eucharistic Adoration every 1<sup>st</sup> 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 April 5 @ 8:00am. Every first Saturday we offer mass and pray the rosary



**St Anthony Birthdays Mar 16– Mar 22**

*No birthdays this week*

**St Anthony Anniversaries:**

March 16 Antonio & Estella Molina

**St Anthony Wednesday Bible Study**

Come join us every Wednesday at 10:00-11:00 for a study of John's Gospel. We are using Dr Brant Pitre materials to guide our study and discussion. Bring your Bible & come learn about the 4<sup>th</sup> gospel



**St. Anthony of Padua**

**Mass Intentions**

Mar 17 – Mar 23

Wednesday	9:00 am	Charles Thurman
Friday	9:00 am	Linda Paluso
Sunday	8:00 am	Monroe Adrian

**WEEKLY DONATIONS**

Budget 2024/2025 Fiscal Year (July 2024-June 2025)	\$ 73,500.00
Donation Need Each Week	\$ 1,413.46
Weekly Donation 3/9/2025	\$ 2,211.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 78,848.39



**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 the church for your donated items.

**St Anthony Mass Assignments – March 23, 2025**

<b>Lector</b>	Shara Parrish
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Jovita Herron Judy Forsythe
<b>Ushers/Greeters</b>	Kelly Noonan David Loxley
<b>Server</b>	Juan Gonzalez
<b>Money Counters</b>	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 March 19, 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:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:stpiusx@stpiusx.us)