

*Prepare the way of the Lord,
Make straight his path.*



In 27/28 or 28/29 John attained prominence, not as a priest but as a prophet. He was active in the region of the lower Jordan valley, from "Aenon near Salim" (near modern Nablus) to a point east of Jericho. His austere camel's hair garment was the traditional Garb of the prophets, and his diet of locusts and wild honey rep resented either strict adherence to Jewish purity laws or the ascetic conduct of a Nazirite (a Jew especially vowed to God's service). His mission was addressed to all ranks and stations of Jewish society. His message was that God's judgment on the world was imminent and that, to prepare for this judgment, the people should repent their sins, be baptized, and produce appropriate fruits of repentance. Certain problems about the meaning of John's message continue to be debarred: In Matthew 3, John says, "He who is coming after me is mightier than I"; this might refer to God himself, a human messiah, or a transcendent divine being. He also says, "I baptize you with water...; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire"; this second baptism might symbolize the judgment the one coming would carry out.

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St. Anthony Catholic Church St. Pius X Catholic Church Mission



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Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT
As a Catholic Church Family,
we respond to Christ's call,
evangelize, and welcome all
generations to the Holy
Eucharist.

PARISH MOTTO
St. Pius X adopted the motto
of St. Paul for his work as
Pope, "to restore all things in
Christ, so that Christ may be all
in all."

MASS SCHEDULE

ST. ANTHONY:

Monday - Friday: 7:00 a.m.
Liturgy of the Hours
and the Rosary: 9:00 a.m.
Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (Vigil)
Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

ST. PIUS X:

Sunday: 10:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration:

Wednesdays in St. Anthony Church
Chapel following the rosary @ 9:00 a.m.

RCIA: Parish Hall - Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m.

Confessions:

Before weekend Mass or by appointment.

Baptism:

Second Sunday of the month. The Seminar is the
first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Please
contact the rectory for forms prior to seminar.

Marriage:

Please contact Fr. Luke six months prior to
desired ceremony date.

Funeral:

Please contact Fr. Luke before final
arrangements of funeral.

Anointing of the Sick:

Call the rectory of emergency.

C.C.D. Classes:

Grades K - 9th Monday at 6:00 to 7:15 p.m. at
Parish Hall. Grades 10th & 11th Sunday at
10:00 to 11:30 a.m. at Parish Hall.

Ministry to the Sick and Shut In:

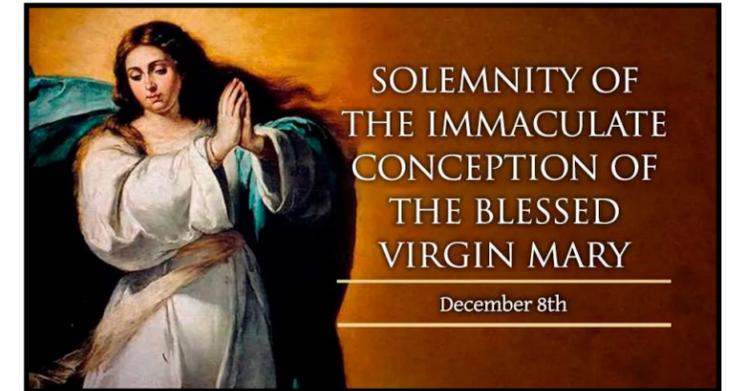
Parishioners unable to attend mass and receive
communion, please call the rectory.

Scripture Outline & Reflection

READINGS

Isaiah 11:1-10;
Psalms 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17
Romans 15:4-9;
Matthew 3:1-12

Reform your lives (3); live in God's peace (2) so
that justice may flourish (1, Ps).



SOLEMNITY OF
THE IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION OF
THE BLESSED
VIRGIN MARY

December 8th

Celebration of Mass

Wednesday, December 7th (Vigil)
St. Anthony Parish Hall 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, December 8th
St. Anthony Parish Hall 8:00 a.m.
St. Pius X Church 12:00 noon



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OFFERTORY

We gratefully acknowledge all that God has given to us. In gratitude, we have returned to Him.

Collections November 26th and 27th

ST. ANTHONY ST. PIUS X

1st Collection: \$1,440.00 \$250.15
2nd Collection: \$ 644.00 \$ 64.85

Children's Collection \$27.00

This weeks Online Giving \$82.00

Total Weekly Offerings \$2,508.00

MASS ATTENDANCE

St Anthony 85 St. Pius X 25

ST. ANTHONY

Electric Bill (November) \$2,049.43

ST. PIUS X

Electric Bill (November) \$200.35

“The Angel Giving Tree” An Advent Custom

The Giving Tree is a variation of the Jesse Tree that became popular in the late 20th century.

The Custom has communities decorate a tree with tags indicating gifts for children in need at Christmas.

Intended to remind Christians of the teaching of Jesus “what you do to the least of these, you do to me” (Mt. 25:40)



Again this year St. Anthony/St. Pius X will host an Angel Tree for Children who are in need. **Please visit the tree after mass to sponsor a child or family.** The Angel Tree is displayed at St. Anthony Church. A special person will be attending the tree to take your information for sponsoring or call the rectory for further information. 689-4101.



December 16, 2020
St. Anthony Parish Hall
9:00 a.m.



We will begin Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday, December 7th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in St. Anthony Church Chapel. We will continued every Wednesday at this same time. If you would like more information, please contact Opal Pixie Boudreaux at 504-628-7381.

Poinsettias for the Altar

Remember your loved ones for Christmas by placing a poinsettia on the Altar. The cost is \$15.00



For St. Anthony: Envelops are available at the church entrance with instructions.

For St. Pius X: Please call Lenora @ 689-2210



SEASON OF ADVENT

This week we light the second candle in our Advent Wreath, which is also purple. It represents faith. It is called the “Bethlehem Candle” as a reminder of Mary and Joseph’s journey to Bethlehem.



MASS INTENTIONS

ST. ANTHONY

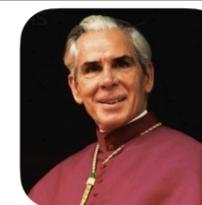
December 3rd 4:00 pm Mike Rivet
Lottie Cheramie Bennett
Erica K. Schieffler
Fr. John Ryan
Most Abandoned Souls in Purgatory

December 4th 9:00 am Doris & Wayne Guillot
Wanda & Garrell
Jules & Louella Nunez
Manuel Torres, Jr.

ST. PIUS X

December 4th 10:30 am Daniel Berthelot
Simon Hingle

The Rosary is the best therapy for these distraught, unhappy, fearful, and frustrated souls, precisely because it involves the simultaneous use of three powers: the physical, the vocal, and the spiritual, and in that order.



The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen



Come join us for the rosary recital Monday - Friday at 9:00 a.m. in the St. Anthony Church Chapel

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Parishioners and Father John Ryan, Dot Perrin, Herman Helmer, June Fazende, Floyd Porche, Patricia Cantrelle, Alvin Adam, Jr., Edward Joseph Hymel, Jr., Angel Dempster, Ronald J. Thomassie, Loraine LaCross, Barbara Adam, Willard O. Masters III, Robert John Laurent, Betty Perrin, Ethel Autin, Mary Maise Bonura, Linda Silver, Joan Coulon, Eugene Pizani, Lottie Cheramie Bennett, Susan Lepine Guidry, Gerald “Sam” Guidry, Sr., Manuel Torres, Jr., Dominick Ditcharo, Jr. and Pearl Wyman.



St. Anthony Sanctuary Lamps

Wanda & Garrell Adam, Jr.

St. Pius X Sanctuary Lamps

Daniel Berthelot



St. Anthony and St. Pius X Altar Flowers

In Memory of

Rena and Elias Basse,

Nelson Perrin, Sr. and Susan Verdin

Parish Events

Wednesday, December 7th
Immaculate Conception Celebration Mass
St. Anthony Parish Hall (Vigil) 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 8th
St. Anthony Parish Hall 8:00 a.m.
St. Pius X Church 12:00 noon

Friday, December 16th
Second Harvest Food Bank
St. Anthony Parish Hall 9:00 a.m.

Saturday, December 24th
Christmas Vigil
St. Anthony Church 4:00 p.m.
CCD Christmas Caroling 5:45 p.m.
Second Vigil Mass 6:00 p.m.
Midnight Mass 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 25th
Christmas Day Mass
St. Anthony Church 9:00 a.m.
St. Pius X Church 10:30 a.m.

Saturday, December 31st
Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God
St. Anthony Church (Vigil) 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 1st
St. Anthony Church 9:00 a.m.
St. Pius X 10:30 a.m.