



*You have
kept
the good
wine
until now*

January 20, 2019 • Second Sunday Ordinary Time

Two weeks ago, Christians celebrated the Epiphany of the Lord, or the revelation of God's light to the world, in the visit of the magi to the Christ child. In other centuries, the wedding at Cana was also included in the Epiphany, as were other events, such as the baptism of Jesus and even the Nativity itself. We now have separate, yearly celebrations of the Nativity, the magi, and Jesus' baptism, but this Second Sunday of Ordinary Time, in Year C of the Lectionary cycle, is the only celebration of the wedding at Cana. Even so, wedding imagery seems to dominate the Church's understanding of those other epiphanies, as we see in the antiphon used in the Liturgy of the Hours for the Epiphany. It refers to the Christ as the Bridegroom and the Church as his bride, and to the magi as hastening with their gifts to the royal wedding. It concludes with the rejoicing of the wedding guests.

Jesus would perform to manifest God's glory. "Beginning" here means more than first in a series. "The beginning" points to the source of all the signs in that "royal wedding" of divinity and humanity in Jesus as the Word become flesh, elevating and transforming everything it touches. The wine that Jesus provided was better than the water that had previously filled the stone jars, and it was better than the wine the guests had already been drinking.

Early Christian writers saw in this transformation of water into wine an anticipation of Jesus' transformation of wine into his own blood. The epiphany at Cana shows us how to become participants in that great wedding of divinity and humanity. Cleansed in holy waters and sharers in the wine that has become Christ's blood, we too can be transformed into signs of God's glorious love.

Today's Readings: Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

SIGNS IN JOHN—EPIPHANIES OF THE ROYAL WEDDING

John the Evangelist describes the turning of water into wine at the wedding in Cana as "the beginning" of the signs that

Copyright © 2019, J. S. Paluch Company, Inc., 3708 River Road, Suite 400, Franklin Park, IL 60131-2158 1 800 621-5197. With Ecclesiastical Approbation.

**ST. ISIDORE CHURCH
Laingsburg, Michigan**

Pastoral Administrator: Rev. Robert C. Bacik
Rectory: 651-6617 – E-Mail: frbob@stisidorechurch.org
Parish Secretary: Sharon Gillespie
Office: 651-6722 – E-Mail: parishhq1@juno.com
Office Hours: Wed. & Fri. 8:00 – 3:00
R.C.I.A. Dir.: Nancy Kienitz – nk1001927@gmail.com
Religious Ed. Formation (REF) – Mary Stevens-
marystevens@stisidorechurch.org
Outreach Ministry: Jesse Anguiano – 517-881-2227
Web Address: <http://stisidorechurch.org>
Saturday Mass: 5:30 pm - **Sunday Mass:** 9:00 am
Confession: Saturdays 4:00 to 4:30 pm

**HOLY FAMILY CHURCH
Ovid, Michigan**

Sr. Priest in Residence: Rev. Raymond J. Urbanek
Phone: 989-834-5855
Parish Secretary: Sharon Gillespie
Office: 989-834-5855
E-Mail: holyfamilyovid@gmail.com
Office Hours: Tues. 8:00 – 3:00
Religious Ed. Formation (REF) Ginger Kusnier
R.C.I.A. Dir.: Vivian Durling
Web Address: <http://stisidorechurch.org/hf/>
Saturday Mass: 4:00 pm - **Sunday Mass:** 11:00 am
Confession: Saturdays 4:00 to 4:30 pm

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday—January 19	5:30 PM	✠ John Peter VanGeertury by Sandra & Family
Sunday— January 20	9:00 AM	✠ Michael Smith by Mary Lou Smith
Monday	NO MASS	
Tuesday	NO MASS	
Wednesday	6:30 PM	✠ Rev. Lehr Barkenquest, OSFS
Thursday	8:30 AM	People of the Parish
Friday	8:30 AM	✠ Rev. William J. Flick
Saturday—January 26	5:30 PM	✠ Sheila Doyle by the Family
Sunday— January 27	9:00 AM	✠ Anna Gunnell by Mark & Cindy Rostar

PRAYERS: PLEASE PRAY FOR MELVIN PAMMENT, - JIM CARBARY, (FATHER OF MAGGIE SAYLES), - KEVIN PLATTE, OLIVER WASHINGTON, - LINDSEY KING (GRANDDAUGHTER OF GEORGENE KING), - GERRY PACE, - PAT SIMPSON, - RAY DOYLE, - BEN SINIARSKI, - KYLE WALLER, - TYLER KING (GRANDSON OF GEORGENE KING) - JUDITH MARTELL (MOTHER OF TERESA PICKENS), - TERRY MILLER, - JIM (MAYO) HURST, - CHARLES OLENICZAK (BROTHER OF BARB WRIGHT), - PAT ROWLEY (SISTER OF JIM ROWLEY), - BRUCE CHANDLER (BROTHER OF MARTI ROWLEY), - JIM OLENICZAK (BROTHER OF BARB WRIGHT), - NICHOLAS SCOTT (SON OF VERONICA SCOTT), - ROSE MORRILL, - JULIE STONER (DAUGHTER OF GENE & BARB STONER), - JOHN MARTINEZ, - FRANK LUNDIE, - JANET ARTHUR, - KIM (KOONTER) BALCARCEL, - PAM DELONG, - SUSAN DELONG, - MARY CHADWICK, - LEAH ZAMARRIPA, (COUSIN OF JESSE ANGUIANO), THERESA HEEG (DAUGHTER OF JOHN & SANDY VANGEERTRUY), - BETH MUSELLA (COUSIN OF ANITA LEATHERS), - ALBERTO ZAMARRIPA (RELATIVE OF JESSE ANGUIANO).—PATRICK MCMONAGLE (SON OF BOB & TERRY)

WORLD WIDE EVANGELIZATION COLLECTION Next Weekend—January 26 & 27

For more than 50 years, the collection has been a sign of solidarity between Catholics of the United States and those in Latin America and the Caribbean. This Solidarity Fund helps Latin America, the Holy Land, Eastern Europe, and Churches in Africa.

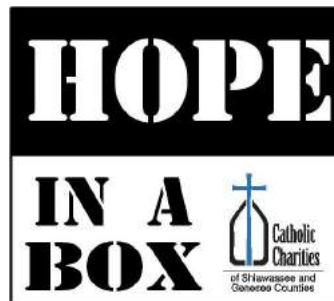
There are envelopes in your weekly boxed sets. Extra envelopes can be found near the bulletins.

OFFERTORY January 12 & 13, 2018

83 Adult Envelopes	\$2,507
Loose Collection	\$314
Children's Envelopes	\$57
17 ACH Electronic Offertory	\$1,360
Total Weekly Offertory	\$4,239

2019 CONTRIBUTION REPORTS

The Contribution Reports are now available. You can pick yours up in the main entryway to the church along with your **2019 Offertory Envelopes**. If yours is not there please contact the office.



**JANUARY NEED
OF MONTH THE MONTH**
Toilet Paper and Mouthwash



PARISH WIDE

Jan. 20—Pancake Breakfast

Jan. 20 -Cooking Club—(During REF) 10:15-11:15

Jan. 21—Mitten Making—9 am—2 pm- Lg Hall

High School Youth Group

Sunday, January 27th - 5:00 - 6:30 pm

Sunday, February 10th - 10:15 - 11:30 am

MITTENS FOR THE HOMELESS

Monday, January 21

Large Hall—9 am to 2 pm

All ladies are welcome to join us. No sewing skills needed. **Donations needed:**

Thread, Sweaters and Polar Fleece
Please leave donations near office door.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION (REF)

Sundays—10:15 AM—11:15 AM

Jan. 27—REF Sessions

Feb. 3—REF Sessions

More REF details contact:

Mary Stevens—marystevens@stisidorechurch.org

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Jan. 20 - Pancake Breakfast

Jan. 23—Planning Meeting—**CANCELLED**

Knight of the Month: - Clare Greene

Family of the Month: - REF Teachers who selflessly guide our children through their spiritual education.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST—THIS SUNDAY

In lieu of the normal fees for **pancake breakfast** on January 20, we will be accepting donations for the New Hope Community Center which supports more than 7000 homeless veterans, adults, and children in the Lansing area. Holy Cross Services recently took over this ministry from Volunteers of America.



50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

The children of Don and Pat Brown would like to invite all parishioners to the celebration of Don and Pat's 50th Wedding Anniversary. The celebration will take place on **January 26th, 2-5pm in the large hall.** Please come to join in the fun. No gifts please.

**NO QUILTING
AT HOLY FAMILY
FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY
QUILTING RESUMES ON
MARCH 7**



Year of Prayer

Diocese of Lansing

Year of Hospitality

St. Isidore and Holy Family

Notes from Fr. Bob

Dear Friends,

I had a very grace-filled retreat this past week. I thank you for your prayers. I feel refreshed and happy to be amongst you again.

On Monday of this week our nation commemorates the life and legacy of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Over the past several years I have gotten in the practice of relistening to a sermon he gave in 1968 entitled “The Drum Major Instinct.” The audio can be found with a simple internet search. I think you will find it challenging and inspiring. 26 minutes long! I see some of your glances when I go over 9 minutes!

This coming **Tuesday, January 22nd** is the Annual Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. In addition to the regularly scheduled **Mass at Holy Family at 12:10 pm**, we will also have a **Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration at St. Isidore from 7:00 - 8:00 pm**. Let us join our prayers together for an end to abortion and greater respect and protection for all human life.

Please note that annual financial statements for the previous calendar year are available in the main entryway— just in time for income tax season. It is also a good opportunity for us to review our tithing practice for the last year. Your generosity and sacrifice make it possible for our parish to continue our mission and look for future possibilities. Thank you! If there are any questions regarding your records, please notify Sharon in the parish office.

I am excited to announce a pilgrimage to Southern Italy and Sicily this upcoming **October 15-28, 2019**. This trip is offered through a partnership with Collette Travel and in conjunction with Fr. Andrew Czajkowski (St. John, Davison) and myself. Information can be found in the Small Hall near the library. Registration packets will arrive in the mail this week. St. John, Davison is already full with a waiting list. 11 spots have been saved for our parish.

God’s blessings on your week!

Fr. Bob Bacik

Fr. Robert C. Bacik
frbob@stisidorechurch.org
517-651-7622