

I give you a new commandment: love one another



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Human nature confronts newness in a variety of ways. While some bold individuals avoid routine and actively seek out unusual experiences, a great many of us, fearing the unfamiliar, resist change. Jesus knows perfectly our human nature, and understands the common reluctance to mess with routine. Nonetheless he proclaims, "Behold, I make all things new." During the Last Supper, he even goes so far as to pronounce a new commandment: "love one another." To the observant Jews who are Jesus' companions, receiving a new commandment might feel as shocking as hearing about a second moon orbiting the Earth, or a fifth ocean named Ralph.

NOT ONE IOTA

Mysteriously, the revolutionary newness of Jesus flows out of his profound obedience to fixed tradition, to God's law. In the fifth chapter of Matthew, Jesus promises that he will destroy "not one iota," not the smallest part of the Hebrew law. Instead, Jesus says, he has come to "fulfill" the law. With his perfect obedience to God's

plan, Jesus fulfills the letter of the law. At the same time, he demonstrates the spirit of the law by freely giving his life for us, out of loving concern for our eternal well-being. As St. Paul tells the Romans, "Love is the fulfillment of the law." God has given us rules to protect us and help us order our lives properly, but Jesus shows us that love makes the law all but unnecessary. A mother who loves her children has no need to remind herself of the commandment "Thou shall not kill." Because of her loving instinct to nurture her children, she not only follows the Fifth Commandment, but transcends it, fulfilling it by wanting to go further than it demands. She not only avoids murder, she protects and sustains life. Jesus' revolution of love challenges us to meet each moment, each person, as a new opportunity to sacrifice ourselves in love, doing more than the law requires.

Today's Readings: Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Rev 21:1-5a;
Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

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MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

SATURDAY — May 18	5:30 PM	† Ed & Edna Hurst by the Family
SUNDAY — May 19	9:00 AM	† Mike & Helen Hurst by Helen Stelzer
Monday	NO MASS	
Tuesday	NO MASS	
Wednesday	NO MASS	
Thursday	NO MASS	
Friday	NO MASS	
SATURDAY — May 25	5:30 PM	† Pauline Wooley by Steve & Mary Izdebski
SUNDAY — May 26	9:00 AM	† Jim Rowley by Robert & Mary Shaw

PRAYERS: PLEASE PRAY FOR MELVIN PAMMENT, - KEVIN PLATTE, OLIVER WASHINGTON, - GERRY PACE, - PAT SIMPSON, - RAY DOYLE, - KYLE WALLER, - JUDITH MARTELL (MOTHER OF TERESA PICKENS), - 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), - ROSE MORRILL, - JULIE STONER (DAUGHTER OF GENE & BARB STONER), - JOHN MARTINEZ, - FRANK LUNDIE, - JANET ARTHUR, - PAM DELONG, - SUSAN DELONG, - MARY CHADWICK, - LEAH ZAMARIPA, (COUSIN OF JESSE ANGUIANO), THERESA HEEG (DAUGHTER OF JOHN & SANDY VANGEERTRUY)— PATRICK MCMONAGLE (SON OF BOB & TERRY), - LANA MIERSEN, - MARY STEIN, AGGIE CASSADY, - NATHAN PESCH (SON OF VERONICA SCOTT), - SHIRLEY GREENE, MARY MAPES (MOTHER OF MIKE MAPES), - BILL DUSO, - TERESA KECK, (SISTER OF PHYLLIS HART & HELEN STELZER)

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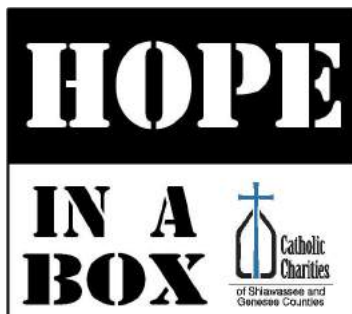
When emailing the parish office please make note of the
NEW address:

office@stisidorechurch.org

OFFERTORY

May 11 & 12, 2019

71 Adult Envelopes	\$2,812
Loose Collection	\$319
Children's Offertory	\$22
18 ACH Electronic Offertory	\$1,430
 Total Weekly Offertory	 \$4,583



Need for the month
of May:

Hand & Bar Soap



PARISH WIDE

June 2—Graduation Mass & Pancake Breakfast

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION (REF)

Sundays—10:15 AM—11:15 AM
See you in the Fall!

Isidore's Garden Plant of the Week

Bleeding Hearts Dicentra Spectabilis

We have reds (deep pink) and whites. They grow by the bell tower and near the statue of St. Isidore as well as along the sidewalk near the large hall. They'll seed themselves well if you let them.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We asking you to prayerfully consider helping with Vacation Bible School (VBS). We are in need of Treasure, Time and Talent. See the bulletin board in the Large Hall and pick up your support card today. Thank you in advance for your generous support. - Mary Stevens.

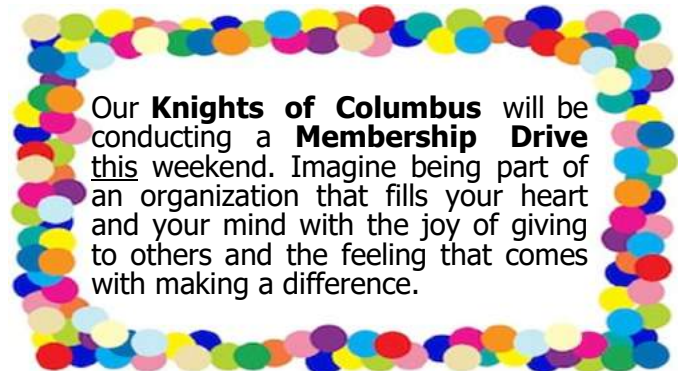


KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

June 2—Pancake Breakfast for Grads
June 12—Business Meeting—7:00 PM

Note: Planning Meetings cancelled for:
May 22, June 26 & July 24

Knight of the Month: - Jim Pock
Family of the Month: - Jim and Anita Leathers
Family of the Year: - Bob and Terry McMonagle .



Our **Knights of Columbus** will be conducting a **Membership Drive** this weekend. Imagine being part of an organization that fills your heart and your mind with the joy of giving to others and the feeling that comes with making a difference.

Laingsburg Community Singers (LCS) Invite everyone to join them for **breakfast, Sunday, May 19 at the American Legion** serving from 8 am to 11 am.

The Legion continues to support the Laingsburg community and has offered to assist LCS in raising funds for our performance at Carnegie Hall in February of 2020.

A donation will be made by the Legion to LCS for each person that brings this flyer with them. Extra flyers can be picked up in the church entryway. Additional donations will gladly be accepted.

A 50/50 raffle will take place (need not be present to win)

K of C Yard Sale

The Knights are now accepting donations of gently-used or unwanted items for their Annual Yard Sale. Donations can be dropped off in the large hall outside the door to the classrooms. Please, no clothes shoes, televisions, mattresses or hazardous materials. Proceeds from the sale support our scholarship program and many other charitable causes. If you need items picked up, contact Keith Kienitz 651-5957, Don Brown 517-290-4225, or Tom Mahoney 651-6638



2019 Diocese of Lansing Men's Retreat

June 14 – 15, 2019

DeSales Center, Brooklyn, Michigan

You will join men from all across the Diocese of Lansing at the beautiful DeSales Center in Brooklyn, Michigan for an overnight retreat that will focus on the four foundational relationships every man is called to have in his life ... whether he is married, single or called to celibacy.

At this retreat you will have an opportunity to relax, get away from all that's on your plate, and prayerfully reflect on what it means to be a son, a brother, a husband, and a father ... not only physically – but also spiritually.

Retreat Fee: \$95 (covers all meals/snacks/refreshments, lodging and materials as well as forming priceless faith-filled friendships)

For more details and to register, go to: www.dioceseoflansing.org/mens-retreat. Questions? Contact Rich Budd, Director of Marriage & Family Life, rbudd@dioceseoflansing.org or 517.342.2556.





May 19, 2019

To: Men of St. Isidore Church, Laingsburg


Imagine being part of an organization that fills your heart and your mind with the joy of giving to others and the feeling that comes with making a difference.

Knights of Columbus are Catholic men, 18 years of age and older, who are committed to making their community a better place, while supporting their Church. Being a Knight is more than camaraderie; it is being involved with your community; it is supporting your local Catholic Church, while enhancing your own faith; it is about protecting and enhancing your family life. What more could a man ask for?

However, in today's world, with the need to find time for work, family, Church and Community, it is no surprise that you may feel too overwhelmed to add another commitment. Be assured that we will gladly accept whatever time commitment you are able to give, whether it's one hour a year or one hundred. We guarantee that you will not regret a decision to join the Knights.

If you would like more information about becoming a Knight, please file out the attached information card and give to any of our knights, drop it in the collection basket, or drop it off in the office. If you would like to become an online member, go to:

<https://www.kofc.org/en/members/online-membership/index.html#/>.

	<h2>Knights of Columbus</h2> <p>THE MAN WHO STANDS WITH US NEVER STANDS ALONE.</p>
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