



Increase our faith

October 6, 2019 • Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus and the disciples had been together for quite some time when the apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." Even though they had witnessed the miracles, heard Jesus' teaching, and eaten with him at table, they sought greater faith in him. The same might be said for us. In the waters of baptism, we were drawn deeply to Christ and filled with the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit, and still we often struggle to have faith, or enough faith, or the faith that we need in the circumstances of our daily lives. In his second letter to Timothy, Saint Paul urges us to rely on the power and gifts of the Holy Spirit, as we are challenged to live in faith and witness to the love of Christ. We hear this same sort of reliance on faith in today's first reading from Habakkuk: "For the vision still has its time, presses on to fulfillment, and will not disappoint; if it delays, wait for it, it will surely come, it will not be late."

WHAT IS YOUR MULBERRY TREE?

We often limit what we believe we are capable of, rather than trusting that God will guide and strengthen us to do what we are called to do. A familiar phrase captures this sentiment: "God does not call the equipped, but equips the called." Uprooting a mulberry tree may seem impossible. So, at times, may living as a Christian in the world. What is your mulberry tree today? What situation needs you to take a leap of faith in order to respond in Christ's name? With faith and through the presence of the Holy Spirit, there is no limit to what we can do as Christian disciples.

Today's Readings: Hb 1:2-3, 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

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Confession: Wednesday 5:15 to 6:15 pm

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Confession: Saturdays 3:00 to 3:30 pm

Notes from Fr. Bob Bacik

Priest Convocation: This past week I participated in the annual convocation for priests of the Diocese of Lansing. These few days away provide an opportunity for ongoing formation, renewal and fellowship. Fr. Pamment was honored this year on the occasion of his 55th anniversary of ordination. Please continue to keep the priests of the Diocese of Lansing in your regular prayers... and pray for more priestly vocations!!!!

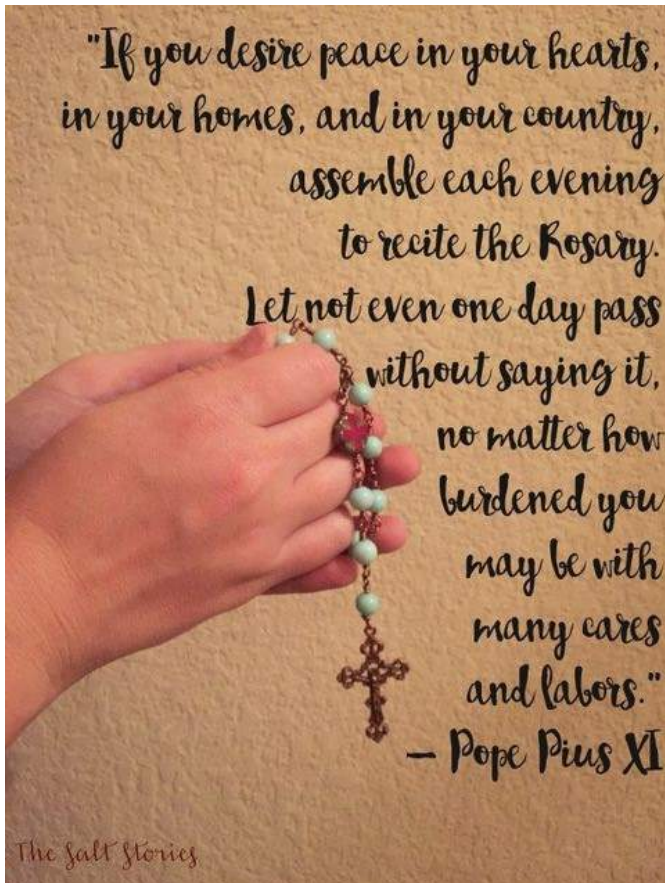
Dedication of new Mary statue: This Sunday (October 6) we will bless and dedicate the new statue of Mary during the Family and Friends Fun Day at St. Isidore. Lunch and ice cream bar begin at 1:00, blessing and dedication of the new statue will begin at **2:15pm**. Please consider joining us for this historic day for our parish community. Envelopes are still available if you would like to make a contribution towards this project. Remember, Mary is always urging us towards prayer and will always lead us closer to her Son.

Rectory Open House: Our current parish rectory was built in 1910 for a total cost of \$4,225! I am the 15th pastor of St. Isidore to have lived within these walls. I am happy to invite all of you to a rectory open house this **Sunday (October 6), beginning at 2:30 pm.**

Pet Blessing: I am excited to meet your pets next week during our pet blessing. This event will take place in the soccer field to the east of the large hall, October 13 at 2:00 pm

October Counts: During the month of October every church in the diocese counts the number of people who are in attendance at Mass each week. These numbers are shared with the diocese and used to access trends in parish membership. If you can, try to avoid 'church hopping' in October!

Have a blessed weekend!
Fr. Bob Bacik



St. Isidore Church (1902- 1966) and Rectory (1910)

PARISH WIDE

Oct. 6—Family & Friends Fun Day—1:00 PM
Oct. 9—Holy Land Meeting—7:00 PM
Oct. 13—Blessing of Pets—2:00 PM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION (REF)

Sundays—10:15 AM—11:15 AM

Oct. 6—REF Classes
Oct. 13—REF Classes

Sign up for **REMINd** to receive all notifications for REF. Go to

<https://www.remind.com/join/stisidorer>

Sign up to receive notices via text or email.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Oct. 9—Business Meeting—7:00 pm

R.C.I.A.: Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Perhaps you or some members of your family have not been fully initiated into the Catholic faith through the sacraments -- maybe you are not affiliated with any church but are seeking answers about God and the Catholic faith— maybe you are a practicing Catholic who wants to know more about your faith — if so, RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a process of welcoming adult inquirers into the Catholic faith. The first step— called the **Inquiry Sessions— began SEPT. 29 at St. Isidore.** During this process no commitments are made— this strictly is an “inquiry” period where questions are asked and answers provided by trained catechists. If you, or anyone know, are interested in this program, please speak to Fr. Bob or contact Nancy at 517-651-5957.

MITTENS FOR THE HOMELESS

Monday, Oct. 21

Large Hall—9 am to 2 pm

All ladies are welcome to join us. No sewing skills needed. We would welcome all the help we can get.

Donations needed:

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

Blessing of Pets: Bring your goldfish, cats, dogs, snakes and cows— whatever animals you may have! Plan to join us for a “blessing of animals” on **October 13, 2pm** at St. Isidore. This blessing is offered in collaboration with the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the beloved saint who encourages us to see and praise God in all of creation.



Laingsburg Community Singers Carnegie Hall Fundraiser

Pancake Supper



Saturday, October 19 -- 5-7 p.m.

Laingsburg Congregational Church
Grand River Avenue (across from ECEC)

MENU

Pancakes w/syrup	Fresh fruit
Sausage links	Coffee and tea
Scrambled eggs	Orange juice and milk

0-5 yrs. **FREE** 6-12 yrs. **\$5.00** Adults **\$8.00**

Thank you for your support!

HOLY LAND 2020: Many of you have expressed your interest in the October 19-28 2020 pilgrimage to Israel. Please plan on attending an informational meeting on **Wednesday, October 9** at 7pm with the travel company. We will see where Jesus was born in Bethlehem, grew up in Nazareth and was crucified at Golgotha. Our pilgrimage will include this and much, much more.

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

SATURDAY — October 5	5:30 PM	† Karen Brown by the Family
SUNDAY — October 6	9:00 AM	† Steve Rourke by the Family
Monday	NO MASS	
Tuesday	NO MASS	
Wednesday	6:30 PM	† Katie Russell Walters by the Family
Thursday	8:30 AM	† Rev. Donald Rusch
Friday	8:30 AM	† Sheila Doyle by the Family
SATURDAY — October 12	5:30 PM	† Carolyn Platte by Paul Platte
SUNDAY — October 13	9:00 AM	† Annie Hurst by Paul Hurst

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), - BRUCE CHANDLER (BROTHER OF MARTI ROWLEY), - JIM OLENICZAK (BROTHER OF BARB WRIGHT), - ROSE MORRILL, - JULIE STONER (DAUGHTER OF GENE & BARB STONER), - FRANK LUNDIE, - JOHN MARTINEZ, (FRIEND OF JESSE ANGUIANO) - JANET ARTHUR, - PAM DELONG, - SUSAN DELONG, - THERESA HEEG, - LANA MIERSEN, - MARY STEIN, AGGIE CASSADY, - SHIRLEY GREENE, - MARY MAPES (MOTHER OF MIKE MAPES), - BILL DUSO, - TERESA KECK, (SISTER OF PHYLLIS HART & HELEN STELZER), - JOSEPHINE ANDERSON, - SHANNON HURST, - DENNY LEE, - DAVID OLENICZAK, - JEANNE OLENICZAK, - VERN WRIGHT, — DON ELLIOTT, - TONI DOYLE, - KEITH HURST, - MARY LOU DOYLE, - VIRGINIA BERNAL (COUSIN OF JESSE ANGUIANO). - CURTIS ANTCLIFF

HAPPY BIRTHDAY DAWN WROBEL!!

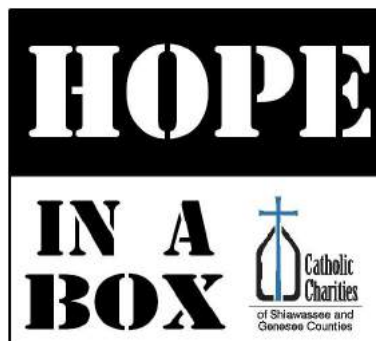
Dawn will celebrate her 90th Birthday on October 11. Birthday wishes can be sent to her at: 7770 Round Lake Road, Laingsburg, MI 48848



FREE BURLAP BAGS

Our new statue of Mary was wrapped and shipped in burlap bags. Anyone that has a use for these bags should contact Aloise Bachelder

OFFERTORY	
Sept 28 & 29, 2019	
66 Adult Envelopes	\$2,195
Loose Collection	\$546
Children's Offertory	\$38
Total Weekly Offertory	\$2,779



Need for the month of October

Toothbrush / Toothpaste

