

FEBRUARY
16 2020



SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

If you trust in God, you too shall live;
God has set before you fire and water;
to whichever you choose, stretch forth your hand.

SIRACH 15:15-16

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Saint Paul speaks of both the “wisdom of this age” and the “rulers of this age.” He refers specifically to the so-called wise people and institutions responsible for unjustly condemning Jesus to death. As we mourn the human sin that killed Jesus two thousand years ago, we also consider contemporary errors and evils that wound the Body of Christ in our own age. We easily recognize the crimes of our leaders. Religious, corporate, and government institutions have inflicted suffering on countless innocent souls. The depth of our modern-day failures threatens us with despair. But Jesus calls us to renewed faithfulness and hope. Jesus tells us to “surpass” our leaders in righteousness. He instructs us to simplify our own lives: “Let your ‘Yes’ mean ‘Yes,’ and your ‘No’ mean ‘No.’ Anything more is from the evil one.” We are right to work against the sins of our leaders, but we must also scrutinize our own lives and make peace with our families, neighbors, and coworkers.

in this age is passing away. Jesus’ call is timely and radical, pleading with us to drop other business and make reconciliation a priority. The Lord actually says to “leave your gift at the altar” and return to worship after making peace with the adversaries in our lives. Jesus is deadly serious about the need for reconciliation and righteousness, insisting that nothing—not even our eyes and arms—are worth more than love. All of today’s readings reflect on the deep connection between God’s law and healthy, peaceful love. As Saint Paul says in Romans 13:10, “love is the fulfillment of the law.” Here in the twenty-first century, we modern disciples of Christ can cultivate that mystery deep in our hearts, nurturing the tremendous twin gifts of God’s love and God’s law, offered to us freely to help us sustain a healthy and holy Body of Christ.

Today’s Readings: Sir 15:15–20; Ps 119:1–2, 4–5, 17–18, 33–34; 1 Cor 2:6–10; Mt 5:17–37 [20–22a, 27–28, 33–34a, 37]

PASSING AWAY

There is some urgency in Christ’s call to holiness. Everything

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Confession: Saturdays 3:00 to 3:30 pm

Notes from Fr. Bob Bacik

Walk to Jerusalem: Sign up for this year's Lenten program "Walk to Jerusalem." There are 6,018 miles between our parish and Jerusalem and we are hoping to make it all the way by adding up physical and spiritual miles completed by participants. Register in the small hall before Ash Wednesday and pick up a purple bracelet to remind you of your Lenten resolutions. Participants are asked to log their miles each week and turn them into the small hall each week. Hopefully, this journey together will be a fun way to challenge us to grow spiritually this Lent.

Discipleship Maker Index: The parish-wide survey is now live. The survey can be accessed at www.disciplemakerindex.com. Please help us by partaking in the 10-15 minute survey online. The survey will be available through March 1 and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow. All responses will be confidential and the Parish will only receive information about the community as a whole. Print surveys are available for those without computer access. Because our parish merger is still not complete, you are asked to specify if you are primarily from St. Isidore or Holy Family.

Lent 2020: In next week's bulletin we will have our Lenten/Easter schedules inserted. Please keep these handy until after Easter. This year Holy Week and Spring Break coincide. We hope that if you are home, you will join your parish family for this Holy Week. If you are planning on being away, start doing research so that your family may enjoy the services of Holy Week in a Catholic church at your destination.

Thank you! For many years our funeral luncheons have been lovingly provided by a team headed by Janice Hurst, Julie Risch, and Mary Lee. This is a very important ministry. While these ladies will still remain involved with the funeral lunches, we are looking for additional teams of volunteers to rotate in as needed. Please call the parish office if you are interested in helping out.

Have a blessed and holy week!

Fr. Bob



**Ash Wednesday
February 26th**

7:00 am—Scripture Service w/Ashes - St. Isidore
10:00 am—Mass w/Ashes - Holy Family
6:30 pm—Mass w/Ashes - St. Isidore
7:00 pm—Scripture Service w/Ashes - Holy Family



PARISH WIDE

Feb. 17 — Mitten Making— 9 am to 2 pm Large Hall
Feb. 18—Eucharistic Adoration - 7:00—9:00 pm
Feb. 20—Apr.2—Bible Study—7:00 pm

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION (REF)

Sundays—10:15 AM—11:15 AM

Feb. 16—NO REF CLASSES

Feb. 23—REF Classes Resume

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

Feb. 23—Pancake Breakfast

Feb. 26— Planning Meeting— 7:00 pm

Knight of the Month:

Tom Mahoney

Family of the Month:

Ernie & Jenny West



FAITH MAGAZINE'S ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP

Fr. Charles Irvin Writing Scholarship 2020

Catholic high-school seniors who are active participants in their parish youth group/religious ed. program can apply.

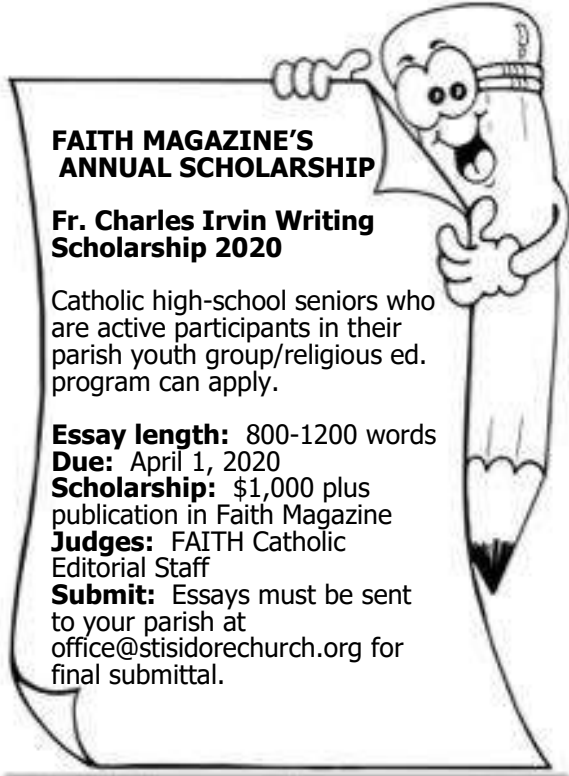
Essay length: 800-1200 words

Due: April 1, 2020

Scholarship: \$1,000 plus publication in Faith Magazine

Judges: FAITH Catholic Editorial Staff

Submit: Essays must be sent to your parish at office@stisidorechurch.org for final submittal.



MITTENS FOR THE HOMELESS

Monday, Feb. 17
Large Hall—9 am to 2 pm

Due to inclement weather last week we will be meeting this coming Monday, Feb. 17.



**LENTEN FISH FRY
HOLY FAMILY CHURCH**

Feb. 21
Mar. 6
Mar. 20
Apr. 3

4:30 pm—7:00 pm

Lenten Fish Dinners with all the extras.

\$11—Adults
\$5—Kids 12 & under
Free—Age 5 or less

Make checks payable to:
Holy Family Men's Club

DIOCESE OF LANSING CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE

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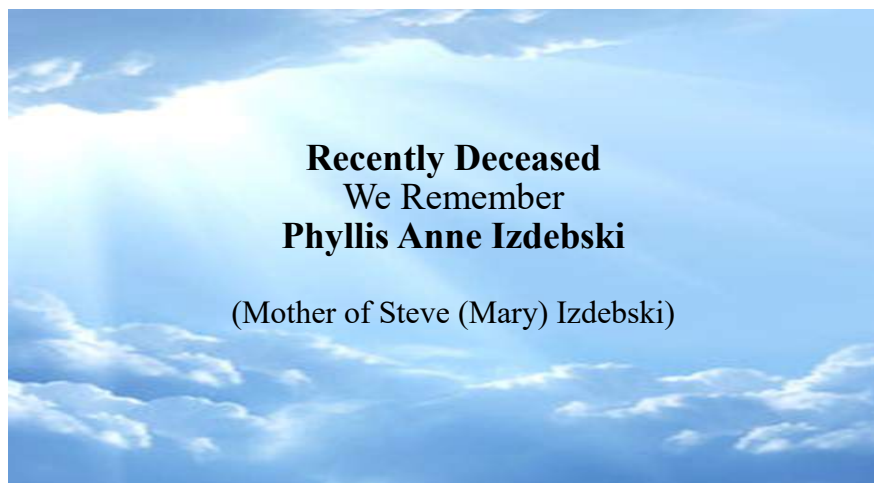
PRESENTED BY: 



MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

SATURDAY — February 15	5:30 PM	† Leo Henning by Paul Platte
SUNDAY — February 16	9:00 AM	† Mary Kral by the Family
Monday	NO MASS	
Tuesday	NO MASS	
Wednesday	6:30 PM	† The Broughan Family
Thursday	8:30 AM	† Sheila Doyle by the Family
Friday	8:30 AM	† Leon Lundie, Sr. by Mrs. Frances Lundie & Family
SATURDAY — February 22	5:30 PM	† Ann McDougall by Mary Lou Smith
SUNDAY — February 23	9:00 AM	† Karen Brown by Tim, Stacy, Jacob, & Thomas

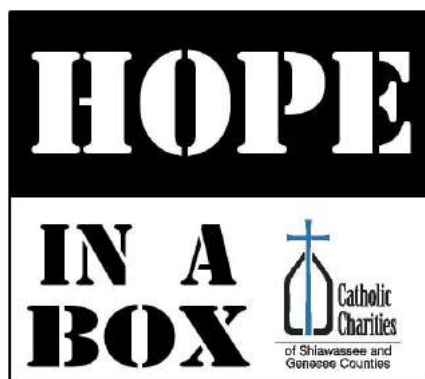
PRAYERS: PLEASE PRAY FOR MELVIN PAMMENT, - KEVIN PLATTE, OLIVER WASHINGTON, - GERRY PACE, - PAT SIMPSON, - RAY DOYLE, - KYLE WALLER, - JUDITH MARTELL (MOTHER OF TERESA PICKENS), - JIM (MAYO) HURST, - CHARLES OLENICZAK (BROTHER OF BARB WRIGHT), - BRUCE CHANDLER (BROTHER OF MARTI ROWLEY), - JIM OLENICZAK (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), - 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), - DAWN WROBEL, - PEGGY ROUMPZ (FRIEND OF NANCY CLARK), - THERESA PICKLER (FRIEND OF JESSE ANGUIANO), - JULIE JUSTICE (GRANDDAUGHTER OF LARRY & DEBBIE EARL), - BERRY DECKER (JESSE ANGUIANO), - CHRISTIAN GARZA (DEPLOYED TO IRAQ, GRANDSON OF MARY STEIN), DON NEGUS (SON OF MARY STEIN), - CHERYL HUTCHINGS, - FRANK & NANCY DUKES



**Recently Deceased
We Remember
Phyllis Anne Izdebski**

(Mother of Steve (Mary) Izdebski)

OFFERTORY	
February 8 & 9, 2020	
81 Adult Envelopes	\$2,707
Loose Collection	\$450
Children's Offertory	\$35
18 ACH Electronic Offertory	\$1,430
Total Weekly Offertory	\$4,622



Need for the
month of
February

Shampoo