

firstsunday OF LENT

MARCH 1
2020

THE JUDEAN
DESERT
WESTERN ISRAEL

Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert
to be tempted by the devil.

MATTHEW 4:1

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The story of Adam and Eve, in Genesis 2 and 3, considers the origins of the trials and sufferings that we experience in human life. Part of the problem, the story suggests, is the human effort to be like God. Humans are therefore forbidden to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. The story is quite a contrast to Genesis 1, which proclaims that we are made in the image and likeness of God, and called to seek to become more like God. This creates a tension that points to a challenge in our life of faith: we are created both to embody God by developing our God-given human capacities, and also to live in radical trust and dependence on God. We are called to embrace and to live into this tension.

GOD'S BELOVED

When the people of Israel were freed from Egypt, they were declared to be God's chosen and beloved people. They wandered in the desert for forty years, often with great resistance, as God prepared them to enter the Promised Land.

Jesus' forty days in the desert echo their story, and offer a

contrast. At his baptism, just before being led into the desert by the Spirit, Jesus was declared by a voice from the heavens to be God's "beloved Son." So, twice in today's passage, he is lured with the words "If you are the Son of God . . ." The devil tempts Jesus to redefine his sonship of God on his own terms, instead of following his Father. Israel had failed to understand its identity as God's people, but Jesus demonstrates how to live as God's Beloved.

These contrasting stories of Israel and of Jesus present us with a challenge. We are regularly tempted to redefine our identity as Christians on our own terms, to make faith comfortable and non-threatening. This Lenten season can re-mind us to allow God to transform our minds and hearts on God's terms.

Today's Readings: Gen 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17;
Rom 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]; Mt 4:1-11

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St. Isidore Holy Family Lent & Holy Week 2020



Masses During Lent

St. Isidore

Wednesday - 6:30 pm
Thursday - 8:30 am (Chapel)
Friday - 8:30 am (Chapel)
Saturday - 5:30 pm
Sunday - 9:00 am

Holy Family

Tuesday - 12:10 pm
Saturday - 4:00 pm
Sunday - 11:00 am



Confession During Lent

St. Isidore

Wednesdays: 5:15 - 6:15 pm

Holy Family

Saturdays: 3:00 - 3:30 pm

Regional Reconciliation Service

Sunday, March 22: 2:00 pm
St. Thomas, East Lansing

- *Or by appointment*

Office: (517) 651-6722

Holy Family Fish Fry

March 6 \$11 - Adults
March 20 \$5 - 12 and under
April 3 Free - 5 or less
4:30 - 7:00 pm



St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Saturday, March 14, 6:30 pm (St. Isidore)
- No cost, please RSVP



Seder Meal

Tuesday April 7, 6:30 pm (St. Isidore)
- Potluck



Walk to Jerusalem

There are 6,018 miles between our parish and Jerusalem. Together as a parish family we'll challenge ourselves to walk this distance with physical and spiritual miles. Sign up for the journey at St. Isidore or Holy Family.

Stations of the Cross

St. Isidore - 7:00 pm

Fridays in Lent

- *Weather permitting, April 3 Stations will take place outdoors at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.*

Holy Family - 3:30 pm

Saturdays in Lent

Wednesday Evening Eucharistic Adoration

St. Isidore - Wednesdays in Lent

Adoration/Confession: 5:15 - 6:15 pm

Holy Mass: 6:30 pm

Adoration: 7:00 - 8:00 pm

- *Benediction at 7:50 pm*



The Sacred Paschal Triduum

Holy Thursday - Mass of the Lords Supper

7:30 pm (St. Isidore)

- *following Mass we will process to the small hall where there will be*

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11:00 pm.

Good Friday: Passion of the Lord

1:30 pm (St. Isidore)

- *Confessions will be heard following services until all are heard.*

- *An **Eccumenical Prayer Service** will take place at Watkins Brothers Laingsburg Chapel, 7:00 pm.*

Holy Saturday at Sunset: Easter Vigil

8:30 pm (St. Isidore)

- *Blessing of the **Food Baskets** will take place at St. Isidore and Holy Family at 11:00 am.*

Easter Sunday

9:00 am (St. Isidore)

11:00 am (Holy Family)



PARISH WIDE

March 4—Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel
March 6—Stations of the Cross— 7:00 pm
(*Stations of the Cross every Friday of Lent*)
Mar. 9 — Mitten Making— 9 am to 2 pm Large Hall
March 19 —WINGS Gathering— 2-3:30 pm

MITTENS FOR THE HOMELESS

Monday, March 9
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. Always in need of donations: Yarn, Sweaters, or money to buy supplies.

WINGS GATHERING

The women of the parish will gather on **Thurs, March 19** (feast of St Joseph) at **2:00 pm to 3:30 pm** in St Isidore small hall for a Baked Potato Bar and a talk on St Joseph's Table, an Italian tradition. Please bring a topping to share and RSVP to Marilyn at mkv1006@frontier.com or call (517) 651-6452 and let her know what you are bringing. Suggestions: diced ham, bacon bits, cheese sauce, shredded cheese, diced green onion, sour cream, butter, chili, salsa, chopped broccoli, & mushrooms and 2 deserts.

RCIA

Time has flown. A few months ago, we were presenting our people from RCIA to you. We now have four who this Sunday, March 1st, will go through the Rite of Sending at our Parish and then on to St. Martha's Parish in Okemos to meet with the many other RCIA catechumens and candidates.

There they will be presented to Bishop Boyea and receive the RITE OF ELECTION AND THE CALL TO CONTINUING CONVERSION. Devon Phillips will sign the Book of the Elect at our church and then receive baptism at Easter Vigil. He will join many others from our parish who have been through RCIA. Our 3 candidates: Dan Fickes, Roger Hughes and Dennis Story, will receive the Call to Continuing Conversion. All of them will shake hands with the bishop.

As they continue on this journey to Easter Vigil please remember them in your prayers.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION (REF)

Sundays—10:15 AM—11:15 AM

Mar. 1—REF Classes
Mar. 8—REF Classes

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

March 11— Business Meeting— 7:00 pm



55 & BETTER GROUP March 17—at Holy Family Church

The third Tuesdays of every month start with Mass at 12:10 pm followed by a potluck luncheon. All are invited to attend, please bring a dish to share, table service & drinks provided.

The
Season
of
Lent



LENTEN FISH FRY **HOLY FAMILY CHURCH**

Mar. 6
Mar. 20
Apr. 3

4:30 pm—7:00 pm

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

DSA COLLECTION STARTS - MARCH 7 & 8

Happy The One Who Trusts In The Lord!

DSA starts next weekend. Informational brochures are available in the entryway to the church. Envelopes will be distributed during Mass next weekend.

This years goal for St. Isidore is \$18,516



MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

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| SATURDAY — February 29 | 5:30 PM | † Grace Tisdale by the Family |
| SUNDAY — March 1 | 9:00 AM | † Tom & Dick Hengesbach by the Voisinet Family |
| Monday | NO MASS | |
| Tuesday | NO MASS | |
| Wednesday | 6:30 PM | † Anna Hurst by Robert & Mary Shaw |
| Thursday | 8:30 AM | † Leon Lundie, Sr. by Mrs. Frances Lundie |
| Friday | 8:30 AM | † Theresa A. Broughan by John & Janet Bloomfield |
| SATURDAY — March 7 | 5:30 PM | † Ann McDougall by Denny & Mary Lee |
| SUNDAY — March 8 | 9:00 AM | † Don Smith by Tim & Stacy Voisinet Family |

PRAYERS: PLEASE PRAY FOR MELVIN PAMMENT, - 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 CASADY, - SHIRLEY GREENE, - MARY MAPES (MOTHER OF MIKE MAPES), - BILL DUÑO, - TERESA KECK, (SISTER OF PHYLLIS HART & HELEN STELZER), - 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), - FRANK & NANCY DUKES, - MEREDITH MIERSEN (GRANDDAUGHTER OF RON & LANA MIERSEN)

Recently Deceased We Remember Cheryl Hutchings

(Daughter-in-law of Richard & Suzanne (Brink) Hutchings)

Please keep her six children in your prayers.

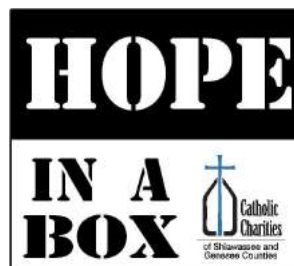
OFFERTORY February 22 & 23, 2020

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| 71 Adult Envelopes | \$2,460 |
| Loose Collection | \$232 |
| Children's Offertory | \$22 |
| 18 ACH Electronic Offertory | \$1,430 |
| Total Weekly Offertory | \$4,144 |

Thank You

Mary Lee would like to thank everyone for their well wishes, thoughts, and prayers during her recent knee replacement.

Need for the month of February
Shampoo



NOTICE:

Disciple Maker Index Surveys have to be completed online by March 1. Paper copies of the survey need to be turned into the small hall by March 1

Copies of the Disciple Maker Survey are in both entryways and in the small hall.

Survey online - www.DiscipleMakerIndex.com