

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 28, 2020



Whoever gives only a cup
of cold water to one of these
little ones to drink because
the little one is a disciple —
amen, I say to you,
he will surely not lose his reward.

Matthew 10:42

On first reading, our Gospel seems very harsh. The idea of taking up our cross can be fearful or have negative connotations, as if it were something only a few can do. It is also confusing. Scripture tells us to honor our father and mother, and yet here are told we must love Jesus more than our parents or children, or we are not worthy. The message that Jesus intends to convey, however, is not to give up these people, but rather to choose Christ first.

Sometimes this means being countercultural. For a family, how do we make choices to keep Christ in the picture? It could mean that when you make plans to take the family to that water park for the weekend, you should also locate the local church so you can attend Mass. Or maybe it means not placing your child on the soccer team with 10 a.m. Sunday games, or rescheduling another part of your life to keep Christ foremost. Perhaps it is something as simple as locking yourself in the bathroom for five minutes so that you have time to pray. Maybe it means listening to an audiobook of scriptures on your commute to work. All we do is for naught if we do not include Christ.

THERE ARE MANY "CUPS OF WATER"

Don't get caught up in taking this scripture literally. Yes, you may give someone a glass of water, invite the staff of your parish for a meal, hand an apple or a dollar bill to a homeless person, or take a shift in a shelter. But sometimes, what is being asked for is simply a kind word or a helping hand. Seeing an elderly person having trouble and helping them through the crosswalk, calming someone's toddler in the grocery store while they pay their bill. Offer a smile, a compliment, or a word of encouragement. Say hello to a stranger. We do not know who is parched with loneliness or feeling overwhelmed. Look for the Christ in others and respond with simple kindness and hospitality.

Today's Readings: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42

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ST. ISIDORE CHURCH

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Confession: Wednesday 5:15 to 6:15 pm

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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Confession: Saturdays 3:00 to 3:30 pm

NOTES FROM FR. BOB



Reopening: Our reopening efforts have gone quite smoothly at both St. Isidore and Holy Family. We are back to our normal liturgical schedule with limited capacity and safety precautions. Please remember that we will continue to take this very slowly. Sunday Mass will continue to be available on our St. Isidore-Holy Family Facebook and YouTube pages. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Holy Land Pilgrimage: Everyone who had signed up for the October 2020 pilgrimage to the Holy Land should have received an email earlier this month from the travel company. There will be a meeting concerning our trip on Wednesday, July 1st at 7pm in the St. Isidore Large Hall.

Outdoors Mass: Weather permitting, the 4pm Mass at Holy Family on July 4 will be held outside. Bring your own seating and please observe and respect social distancing. The rest of the weekend's Mass schedule will remain as usual.

Welcome Pastor Newsom: We share in the excitement of the Laingsburg United Methodist Church as they welcome their new pastor, Tiffany Newsom. As you may recall, Pastor Brian West has been called to serve the Methodist Church in Grand Blanc. Let us offer our prayers for Pastor Newsom, Pastor West, and their new Church communities in this time of transition.

Giffels Scholarship: We are happy to announce the recipients of the 2020 Elmo and Ann Giffels Scholarships— Congratulations to Mariah Byrnes and Jacob Wood. Mariah is a graduate of Laingsburg High School and Jacob is a graduate of Owosso High School. Your parish family looks forward to your bright futures!



**PETER'S PENCE
This Weekend
June 27 & 28**

The purpose of the Peter's Pence Collection is to provide the Holy Father with the financial means to respond to those who are suffering as a result of war, oppression, natural disaster, and disease.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION (REF)

Virtual Vacation Bible School
July 27—30
10 am—11:30 am

Contact Mary Stevens for sign up information
marystevens@stisidorechurch.org

GUIDELINES FOR ATTENDING MASS

Stay home if you are ill or experiencing fever, shortness of breath or cough.

The obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains lifted for Catholics in the Diocese of Lansing.

- ◆ Please wear a mask or face covering while in Church building.
- ◆ Respect appropriate social distancing between households.
- ◆ Sanitize hands while entering and before receiving Holy Eucharist.
- ◆ Assist our cleaning efforts by cleaning your pew section before and after use.
- ◆ Avoid use of Church bathrooms if possible.



OFFICE CLOSED
FRIDAY, JULY 3

IN OBSERVANCE OF INDEPENDENCE DAY
There will be regular office hours at Holy Family on Tuesday and at St. Isidore Wednesday.



**BABY PANTRY OF
ELSIE**

Asking for **laundry detergent**. Please leave your donations in the entryway of the church at Holy Family.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

July 8 Business Meeting - To Be Determined
July 20 Blood Drive (St Isidore Large Hall)

Knight of the Month: Father Bob
Family of the Month: St. Isidore & Holy Family

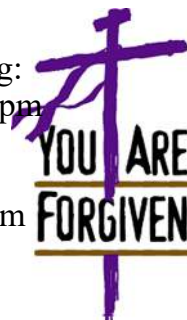
Fall Yard Sale Cancelled due of the risks and complications of the COVID-19 pandemic, we are canceling the September yard sale for this year. Thanks again for all of your support of yard sales over the years!

Sacrament of Confession

The sacrament of confession will continue to be offered in the parking lot of St. Isidore and Holy Family on a weekly basis.

St. Isidore, Laingsburg:
Wednesday 5:30 - 6:15pm

Holy Family, Ovid:
Saturday 3:00 - 3:30pm



Financial Contributions

Many of you find yourselves in a place of financial uncertainty and may have to, understandably, adapt your parish contributions at this time. For those of you who are able to continue to give financially, we invite you to do so through our new online platform found on our webpage (www.stisidorechurch.org). Envelopes can also be mailed to the parish office.
Thank you.



MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

ST ISIDORE, LAINGSBURG

Saturday—June 27—(5:30 PM) † Anna Hurst by Steve & Mary Ann Izdebski

Sunday—June 28 (9:00 AM) † Don Smith by Don & Pat Brown

Wednesday— July 1 — (6:30 PM) † Sheila Doyle by the Family

Thursday—July 2—(8:30 AM) Jack Wasienger by Chris & Kay Basgall

Friday—July 4 (8:30 AM) Reparations for Sins and the Healing of Abuse Victims

Saturday—July 4—(5:30 PM) † Harriet Delaney by Jack & Julie Risch

Sunday—July 5 (9:00 AM) † Phyllis Izdebski by Corwin & Jeannette Parker

HOLY FAMILY, OVID

Saturday—June 27—(4:00 PM) † Elizabeth Beavers by Collene Smith Family

Sunday—June 28 (11:00 AM) † Sandra VanGeertruy by Arthur & Karen Kelley

Tuesday—June 30 - (12:10 PM) † Michael Carter by Collene Smith Family

Saturday—July 4—(4:00 PM) † M/M Lawrence White by Greg & Margaret White

Sunday—July 5 (11:00 AM) † Fr. Raymond Urbanek by Joe Lorio 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, - JANET ARTHUR, - PAM DELONG, - SUSAN DELONG, - THERESA HEEG, - LANA MIERSEN, - MARY STEIN, AGGIE CASSADY, - SHIRLEY GREENE, - MARY MAPES (MOTHER OF MIKE MAPES), - TERESA KECK, (SISTER OF PHYLLIS HART & HELEN STELZER), - DENNY LEE, - DAVID OLENICZAK, - JEANNE OLENICZAK, - DON ELLIOTT, - TONI DOYLE, - MARY LOU DOYLE, - DAWN WROBEL, - 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), - MEREDITH MIERSEN (GRANDDAUGHTER OF RON & LANA MIERSEN), - JENN HILL MCCAUSEY, - HELEN STELZER, - JOSEPH NEUMANN— ARLENE GUTIERRES, (COUSIN OF JESSE ANGUIANO), VIRGINIA BERNAL (COUSIN OF JESSE ANGUIANO), MATTHEW BALCARCEL, (GRANDSON OF GARY & BARB KOONTER), CHARLES BERNAL (COUSIN OF JESSE ANGUIANO)

PAMELA MORGAN, SYLVIA MCKAY, CRAIG & CAREN HENNING (NEPHEW & NIECE OF LEONARD MITCHELL), SHARON DARLING, (SISTER-IN-LAW ART & KAREN KELLEY), JUSTIN COLE, (NEPHEW OF COURTNEY & ANDY BATES); VAL THELEN, CONNIE WELLER, ROBERTA STANTON, SHELBY PORUBSKY, MIKE HEEG, CHARLES WADDELL FAMILY, JOHN OLINGER, BEVERLY DELANEY, JEANNE ALAGA, THERESA HEEG, RANDY BOWLES (SON OF ELLIE BOWLES), SUE NETHAWAY (SISTER OF ADRIANNE BOCEK), NICK DUNAY, JEFF WASON, BARB REWERTS, (GINGER KUSNIER'S MOTHER), GENE SCHOENDORF, EILEEN STRICKLAND (FRIEND OF ROSEMARIE THERING), MARY MAPES (MOTHER OF MIKE MAPES), JANÉ MCCALLISTER, BLANCHE WOODBURY, VINCE MINARIK (SON-IN-LAW OF LEONARD MITCHELL), ROBERT GARCIAS, MARIA JONES, BOB MCCUE, TOM HULBURT (SON OF NITA HUGHES), BETTE ALEXANDER (FRIEND OF ROSEMARIE THERING), CHRIS CHANDLER, MILDRED TEJKA, CARY LEN, LARRY HUGHES. CHERYL CHANDLER, LARRY MILLER, NANCY BEHRENS, ROBERT GALECKA

WEEKLY OFFERTORY June 20 & 21, 2020

St Isidore

Offertory—\$2,584

ACH Electronic Offertory—\$845

Online Giving—\$905

Total: \$4,334

Holy Family

Offertory—\$1,100

Online Giving—\$115

Total: \$1,215

DSA COLLECTION STARTS -

Happy The One Who Trusts In The Lord!

DSA continues—Online at

www.dioceseoflansing.org/DSA or mail donation into the parish office.

This years goal for:

St. Isidore is \$18,516

Holy Family is \$10,142

Current Pledges made:

St. Isidore - \$24, 235 –23% parish participation

Holy Family - \$5,105—21% parish participation

