# SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY APRIL 16, 2023



Today's Readings: Acts 2:42-47, 1 Pt 1:3-9, Jn 20:19-31

## ST. ISIDORE CHURCH Laingsburg, Michigan

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#### HOLY FAMILY CHURCH Ovid, Michigan

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Sacrament of Baptism Sacrament of Matrimony Anointing of the Sick Last Rites Please contact the office For emergencies call the Rectory at 517-651-6617

#### ST. ISIDORE, LAINGSBURG

# MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday — Apr. 15— (5:30 PM) + Leon Lundie, Sr. by the Lundie Children Sunday — Apr. 16 — (9:00 AM) + Margaret Brink by Helen Stelzer Wednesday— Apr. 19— (6:30 PM) Blessings for a good growing season this year. Thursday — Apr. 20—(8:30 AM) + John March by Joseph & Jane Dowd Friday — Apr. 21 — (8:30 AM) People of the Parish Saturday — Apr. 22—(5:30 PM) + John & Helen Bartkowiak by the Family Sunday — Apr. 23 — (9:00 AM) + Shirley Greene by George & Paula Harris

#### HOLY FAMILY, OVID

Saturday– Apr. 15 — (4:00 PM) + Helen Bartkowiak by the Family Sunday— Apr. 16—(11:00 AM) + Ken Crawford by the Crawford Family Tuesday — Apr. 18— (12:10 PM) + Frances Mazzolini by Sid & Angie Wittenberg Thursday— Apr. 20— (6:30 PM) - Special Intentions for Donna Schobert by the Smith Family Saturday– Apr. 22 — (4:00 PM) + Fr. Raymond Urbanek by Collene, Jan, & Tammy Smith Sunday— Apr. 23—(11:00 AM) + Frank & Micky Chapko by their Children & Grandchildren



#### ADORATION

St. Isidore Church- Wednesdays 5:30—6:20 pm Adoration & Confessions 6:30 pm Mass Adoration & Confessions Following Mass Until 7:30 pm

Holy Family—Thursdays 5:30—6:20 pm Adoration & Confessions 6:30 pm Mass

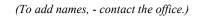
#### WEEKLY OFFERTORY April 8 & 9, 2023

St. Isidore Offertory & Easter- \$5,077 Holy Family Offertory & Easter - \$3,913 Online Offertory - \$1,845

TOTAL: - \$10,835

## **Remember our service members in your prayers:**

Taylor Earl Parsons—Air Force—Space Force Christian Garza—Army LTC Nathan Cooley - USN MSGT Joshua Delaney - Air Force Alexandra Cultra - Navy Andie Ostrander-Navy Patrick Schiffer—Air Force Kelly Brown—Navy Sergeant Jared Mersino-Army





**Please Pray for:** Tori Martens\*Charles Oleniczak\*Judith Bond\*Steve Butler\*Sean Robinson\*Gary Hrncharik\*Eddy Trevi-no\*Shannon Strobel\*Richard Hutchings\*Phyllis Hart\*Lana Miersen\*Jim Mosley\*Isabelle Welsey\*Don & DeniseElliott\*Stan Beherns\*Tristen Hening\*Olivia Klein\*RobertShaw\*Patty VanLeiw\*DeeBingham\*Barb Wright\*Judy Minarik\*Janet Arthur\*David Hager\*Mercedes, Eric & Baby Chris Martinez\*Antia Leathers\*Zach Koonter\*Bruce & Jane Timlick\*Dale Trierweiler\* Mike & Theresa Hegg\*Frank Quine\*Baby Owen Ulicki\*Gregory Acker, Brother of Angela Michels\*Napoleon Maritinez, Jr., Brother of Elo-dia Keys\*Bruce Chandler, Brother of Marit Rowley\* Gary Delaney, Pat Spencer, Rebecca Crites, Friends/Relatives of Bev Delaney\*Shawn Pardee, Friend of Ginger Kusnier\* Kathryn Okada, Friend of Porrell's\*Jase Ellsworth, Great Grandson of Phyllis Hart\* Antia Rios, Armando Anguiano, Juan Chapas, Archie Schebester, Dave Hilleker, Friends/Relatives of Jesse Anguiano\*Mark Sickler, Nephew of Bachelder's\* Craig & Caren Henning, Vince Minarik, Terri Sue, Friends/Relatives of Leonard Mitchell\*Nancy Alice Carba-ry, Mother of Maggie Sayles\* Sean Palatka, Nephew of Joe Tejkl\*Allen Smith, Nephew of Pat Brown\* Haven S. King, Niece of Barb Wright\*Chasidy Martin, Niece of Doug & Char Angel!\* Matthew Rios, James Lester, Friend/Relative of Nita Hughes\* Katie Florian, Mary Hughly, Theresa Arnold, Adam Thering, Friends/Relatives of RoseMarie Thering\* Ron & Denise Pohl, Sister & Brother-in-Law of Donna Juda\*Janice Smith, Hugh Smith, Tammy Smith, Brenda Seeley, Betty Ann Fulgaro, Jodi Barber, Chris Bozung, Greg Smith, Friends/Relatives of The Smith Family\*Randy Evans, Diane Mead, Friend/Relative of Na Joanne Evans\* Dale & Lorraine Constine\*Joe Eiseler, Grandson of Jim & Joy Eiseler\*Pam Morgan\*Melissa Hinkley\*Tom Hulburt, Son of Nita Hughes\*Bryan Weller, Friend of Fabus' and Leonard Mitchell\* Tony Mullen, Brother-in-Law of Marina Easterbrook\*Terry McMonagle

Please contact the office to add or remove names from the prayer list.

# Notes from Fr. Anthony ......



We are now in what we call the Easter season and it lasts until Pentecost, which comes up 50 days after Easter. The Easter season is a beautiful time in the liturgy where we hear of the beginnings of the Church after the Resurrection and we can place ourselves in the shoes of the apostles and the first Christians as we take the time to really reflect on the importance of the Resurrection for our lives and also what a central part of our faith it is. We see the changes in nature around us as well as she rejoices in the constant care of the Creator. The days are getting longer and we see the sun shine more often. The flowers and trees are blooming and the birds are becoming more active. This all drives home the point that we are living in a particular time of the year, the new life in nature is a symbol of the new life we achieve in Christ. We are to die to the old life of sin and be reborn in the new life of grace. The new life in the light of Christ.

With that in mind, we are aware that planting season is upon us. Since we are what they call "rural" parishes – otherwise known as country parishes – we see and understand how important this time of the year is. We drive by the fields and see them being plowed and diced and prepared for a new growing season. I believe we all

realize how important a good harvest is, for us and for the many others who depend on it throughout our country. We also know that in all truth, we have very little power over it all in the end.



Welcome James Brimacombe and his wife Sandra into our parish. Jim was received into full communion this Easter Vigil at Holy Family.



#### Communion to the Homebound

If you have a friend or relative who is not able to come to Mass and receive the Eucharist, please contact Sharon in the office. Steve & Kathleen Zemcik will take the Eucharist to Holy Family parishioners on Wednesdays. Deacon John visits St. Isidore Families on Thursdays.

While we can prepare as best as we can and work hard, none of us can force a seed to grow. No one has ever forced the corn or wheat to grow by yelling at it or reminding it of how much work was put in. Nature cannot be threatened or forced into growth. This is one of the reasons why the Church has always tried to underscore the importance of faith and the role of our good God in this. Nature functions by the command of God. With the in mind, the Church has always had special blessings for fields and food. There are even special Mass prayers connected with this.

Last year we did the Mass with prayer for rain and the good Lord heard our prayers; this year we are going to start our growing season with the Mass at seedtime. On Wednesday of this week – the 20<sup>th</sup> – we will have our Mass at the regular time: starting with adoration and confessions at 5:30pm, Mass at 6:30pm and after Mass we will pray the rosary together asking for the intercession of our Blessed Mother and St. Isidore during the growing season. You are all invited to attend and pray with us. It might be your own garden that you are planting, it might be you are a farmer or have family or friends who are. Regardless, we are all beneficiaries of a good growing season and a little prayer goes a long way. So please join us this Wednesday evening at St. Isidore for a Mass for seedtime and adoration and the rosary.

#### God love you, Fr. Anthony

#### **TRADITIONAL LADIES HIGH TEA**

May 6th 1st Congregational Church Grand River, Laingsburg 1:00 pm—3:00 pm Cost: \$5 RSVP by May 1—517-651-6741

Traditional Tea Service, Scones, Sweets, Door Prizes, and a Hat Contest. Extra prize ticket given for each personal care item donated.



## PARISH ACTIVITIES

Thurs.—9:00 am—Quilting Ministry—Holy Family Apr. 15 - Activities Group Meeting - Holy Family Apr. 16 —Pancake Breakfast—St. Isidore Apr. 16–2pm Adoration/3pm Divine Mercy Chaplet- St I Apr. 20—WINGS—1:30 pm—Small Hall—St. Isidore Apr. 20—Busy Mom's Group –6:00 pm—St. Isidore Apr. 22 —TMIY—Holy Family– 7:30 am May - All Sundays - 8:30 am - Rosary at St. Isidore

May is traditionally dedicated in a special way to honoring and seeking the intercession of Mary as the Mother of God and Mother of the Church.

During the Month of May we will be praying the Rosary before Sunday Masses at St. Isidore. Rosary will start at 8:30 am

#### **GRATITUDE CORNER**

Last week proved once again how dedicated, creative and talented the people in our parish are! From Palm Sunday, through the Triduum into the beauty of the Easter season, we have seen how much our decorators work to make our worship space reflect the magnitude of what we celebrate. Thank you once again for all of your hard work. It was truly stunning! There were a lot of changes that had to be made, some beautiful spaces that were created and a lot of things that had to be done in a time-sensitive manner. Special seasons of the liturgical year may require some extra hands, but our volunteers work all year long to keep our worship space beautiful. Whether you might be willing to help out on a regular basis or just be an extra set of hands when there is more heavy lifting, feel free to reach out to Cindy Broome or Sue Ladisky (Holy Family) or Lisa Phillips (St. Isidore). And be sure to tell these ladies how much we appreciate the work their committees do for us!

#### 2023 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

St. Isidore parish is now accepting applications for two unique scholarships:

**The Giffels Scholarship:** Open to parish members pursing any advanced education opportunities. One or more scholarships will be awarded.

**The Knights of Columbus Scholarship:** Offers one \$1,000 scholarship to parish graduating seniors pur-

suing 2 & 4 year college education.

Criteria for applicants will include personal and family involvement in the parish, community service, financial need, and long term potential.

The link (url) to the online applications is on our website. — stisidorechurch.org

#### Deadline for submission is May 19th

# **RELIGIOUS ED. FORMATION—(REF)**

Holy Family Class Time—Sunday: 9:50 am—Before Mass

**St. Isidore** Class Time-Sunday: 10:15 am—After Mass

More info: marystevens@stisidorechurch.org



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



April 16—Pancake Breakfast May 10—Business Meeting—7:00 pm

Knight of the Month: Rick, Case & Cole Trevino

Family of the Month: Gary & Barb Koonter



Vacation Bible School—(VBS) (St. Isidore-Holy Family joining St. Jude) Free VBS—June 12—15 at St. Jude, Dewitt 8:30 am—Noon Preschool—5th Grade Show—June 15 @ Noon PM Child Care—Noon—3:30 pm—\$35 per day Register at: https://stjudedewitt.com/ Questions, contact Mary Stevens at marystevens@stisidorechurch.org





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MON · APRIL 17, 2023 Lansing Catholic High School

WED · APRIL 19, 2023 Lumen Christi Catholic High School

**THUR · APRIL 20, 2023** Father Gabriel Richard Catholic High School

**FRI · APRIL 21, 2023** Powers Catholic High School