

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

AUGUST 6, 2023



Today's Readings:

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

Psalms 97:1-2, 5-6, 9

2 Peter 1:16-19

Matthew 17:1-9



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Confession: Saturdays 3:00 to 3:45 pm and

Thurs. 5:30 to 6:20 pm

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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 — Aug 5 —(5:30 PM) † Frances Lundie by Steve & Mary Izdebski

Sunday — Aug 6 —(9:00 AM) † James Rowley by the Family

Wednesday— Aug 9— (6:30 PM) † Sheila Doyle by the Family

Thursday — Aug 10—(8:30 AM) People of the Parish

Friday — Aug 11 — (8:30 AM) † Toni Doyle by Katie Grettenberger

Saturday — Aug 12 —(5:30 PM) † John Bartkowiak by the Family

Sunday — Aug 13 —(9:00 AM) † Pat Shaw by Janice Hurst

HOLY FAMILY, OVID

Saturday— Aug 5— (4:00 PM) † Maria Jones by Pat Elliott

Sunday— Aug 6—(11:00 AM) † Margaret Williams 10th Anniversary by Heather, Dominic & Kim

Tuesday — Aug 8— (12:10 PM) † Larry Scollon by the Family

Thursday— Aug 10— (6:30 PM) Deceased Members of the John & Sandy VanGeertruy Family by John & Konnie

Saturday— Aug 12— (4:00 PM) † Mitchell Wilcox by Richard & Carol Theile

Sunday— Aug 13—(11:00 AM) † Dale Constine by Joe Tejkl



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

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



(To add names, - contact the office.)

WEEKLY OFFERTORY July 29 & 30, 2023

St. Isidore Offertory- \$2,025

Holy Family Offertory - \$3,387

Online Offertory - \$1,205

TOTAL: - \$6,617



Please Pray for: Tori Martens*Charles Oleniczak*Judith Bond*Steve Butler*Sean Robinson*Gary Hrncharik*Eddy Trevino*Shannon Strobel*Richard Hutchings*Phyllis Hart*Lana Miersen*Jim Mosley*Isabelle Welsey*Stan Beherns*Tristen Hening*Olivia Klein*Barb Wright*Judy Minarik*Janet Arthur*David Hager*Mercedes, Eric & Baby Chris Martinez*Zach Koonter*Jane Timlick*Dale Trierweiler* Mike & Theresa Hegg*Frank Quine*Baby Owen Ulicki*Gregory Acker, Brother of Angela Michels*Napoleon Maritinez, Jr., Brother of Elodia Keys*Bruce Chandler, Brother of Marit Rowley*Gary Delaney, Pat Spencer, Rebecca Crites, Friend/Relative of Bev Delaney*Shawn Pardee, Friend of Ginger Kusnier*Jase Ellsworth, Great Grandson of Phyllis Hart*Antia Rios, Armando Anguiano, Juan Chapas, Archie Schebester, Dave Hilleker, Friend/Relative of Jesse Anguiano*Mark Sickler, Nephew of Bachelor's*Craig & Caren Henning, Vince Minarik, Terri Sue, Tim Minarik, Dorothy Woodworth, Friends/Relatives of Leonard Mitchell*Nancy Alice Carbary, Mother of Maggie Sayles*Christine Tejkl, Relative of Joe Tejkl*Allen Smith, Nephew of Pat Brown*Haven S. King, Niece of Barb Wright*Chasidy Martin, Niece of Doug & Char Angell*Susan Hulburt, James Lester, Kinzley Dawn Hulburt, Tom Hulburt, Alexander Augustine, Friend/Relative of Nita Hughes*Katie Florian, Mary Hughly, Theresa Arnold, Adam Thering, Jason Miller Friend/Relative of RoseMarie Thering* Ron & Denise Pohl, Sister & Brother -in-Law of Donna Judd*Janice Smith, Hugh Smith, Tammy Smith, Brenda Seeley, Betty Ann Fulgaro, Chris Bozung, Friend/Relative of The Smith Family*Randy & Karen Evans, Diane Mead, Friend/Relative of Ron & Joanne Evans*Joe Eiseler, Grandson of Jim & Joy Eiseler*Pam Morgan*Melissa Hinkley*Tony Mullen, Brother-in-Law of Marina Easterbrook*Joe Tejkl*Nancy Brown*Don Negus, Son of Marianne Negus-Stein*Aggie Cassady*Jesse Anguiano*Dennis Lee*Ron, Charlene & John Ginther*Tuffy Wolfrom*Joseph Caudy*Kathryn Okada, Friend of Dave & Charlene Porrell*RoseMarie Thering*Russ Mallery, Relative of Tom & Michelle Hatta*John VanGeertruy

Notes from Fr. Anthony

Rotten fruit from rotten seeds

Last week, I wrote that we are going to spend a few weeks going over some of the heresies and heretics that have plagued the Church. It might surprise some of you that the first heresies to come about, began in the lifetimes of the Apostles. They were for the most part attempts to bring certain pagan customs into the Church and often had a heavy accent of sexual immorality, unbridled licentiousness and so on. A few of the examples we see in the Letters of St. Paul, St Peter, St. Jude and St. John and it is these Apostles as well who begin with the first excommunications and condemnations of these heresies.

We shall start by looking at a couple of recurring admonitions and condemnations of these groups by the Apostles. In the **First Letter of John, 18-23**: *“Children, it is the last hour; and just as you heard that the antichrist was coming, so now many antichrists have appeared. Thus we know this is the last hour. They went out from us, but they were not really of our number; if they had been, they would have remained with us. Their desertion shows that none of them was of our number. But you have the anointing that comes from the holy one, and you all have knowledge. I write to you not because you do not know the truth but because you do, and because every lie is alien to the truth. Who is the liar? Whoever denies that Jesus is the Christ. Whoever denies the Father and the Son, this is the antichrist. No one who denies the Son has the Father, but whoever confesses the Son has the Father as well.”* We see here the beginning of the Christological heresies that dispute Christ as being the immortal, Divine, Son of God. This theme pops up quite a bit in the following centuries and some of the bigger heresies of the early centuries. In the **Letter to the Colossians, 16-18**, Paul confronts

certain heresies already present: *“Let no one, then, pass judgment on you in matters of food and drink or with regard to a festival or new moon or sabbath. These are shadows of things to come; the reality belongs to Christ. Let no one disqualify you, delighting in self-abasement and worship of angels, taking his stand on visions, inflated without reason by his fleshly mind.”* He points to the **worship** of the elements and angels as ways the faith is being twisted. We can also see the connection between these new heresies and the immoral behavior of these groups, a certain compromise they reached with the ways of the world at the expense of the true faith. Paul points out the infatuation they have with visions, with personal experiences, and we see the beginning of the gnostic and transcendentalist heresy. This is also something we see certain movements in the current Church are in danger of, when an emphasis is placed upon some physical/emotional reaction to the presence of the Holy Spirit – such as passing out and such things as that found in certain charismatic circles – while these things can happen, often these *subjective things are being taken as definitive signs or proof of His presence because the person feels it to be so.* Another way this gives beginning to the future transcendentalist movement is that we see also the inordinate desire to be self-fulfilling in the sense of knowledge of God – that my personal experiences are the true source of knowledge of God, not the Scriptures or the Magisterium of the Church. And on that note, that will be it for this week, next week we will look at another heresy found in the lifetime of the Apostles and then we shall move on to the history of the Church in the first few centuries.

God love, Fr. Anthony

REFRESH your faith journey ----
RETOOL your prayer life ----
REVITALIZE your spiritual life ----

THIS IS O.C.I.A. (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)!!

Are you interested in exploring further the teachings of the Catholic Church?

Do you know of a non-practicing Catholic who wishes to return to the Church?

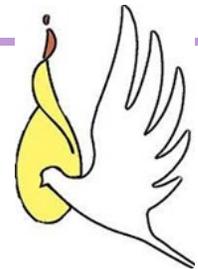
Do you know of a person who is looking for a faith community and is interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith?

Are you a practicing Catholic who wants to know more about the Catholic teachings and increase your Faith?

Come and Join our OCIA inquiry sessions which will begin in September either at Holy Family in Ovid or St. Isidore in Laingsburg.

For more information please contact the OCIA coordinators at either parish ---- Roger & Shirley Hughes at St. Isidore or Vivian Durling at Holy Family or Deacon John Marsh --- this can be done by leaving a message with the office at either parish.

Come join us and become a more informed Catholic who can spread the Good News of the Catholic Church and its teachings!



PARISH ACTIVITIES

Sundays - 8:30 am - Rosary at St. Isidore
Sundays - 10:30 am - Rosary at Holy Family
Christmas In July Sale—Holy Family—After Masses
Mondays—7:30 pm—“Zoom” online Rosary
Thurs.—9:00 am—Quilting Ministry—Holy Family
Aug 12 -TMIY -7:30 am- 9am—Holy Family
Aug 17—WINGS—1:30 pm—St. Isidore
Aug 19-Youth Group Meeting at Ovid Modern Woodman
Aug 27—Noon—Annual Parish Picnic at Holy Family
Sept. 9—Yard Sale—K of C -8-4 pm —St. Isidore

WINGS [Women in God’s Service] AUGUST MEETING

Mission Statement: The mission of WINGS is to build community among the women of our parish through spiritual, social, and charitable activities, with the help of The Blessed Virgin Mary as our patron and guide.

WINGS will meet at 1:30pm on Thursday, August 17, 2023, in the St. Isidore Small Hall. For our spiritual activity, we will view *Little Red Wagon*, the story of 8-year-old Zach Bonner who used his beat-up toy wagon to collect water, food and clothing for families left homeless in 2004 by Hurricane Charley. For our charitable activity, we will collect school supplies for the Back to School Supply Drive. [See the Church Bulletin for suggestions.] Pizza, popcorn, and dessert will be served. All interested women of the parish are invited to attend.

Coming Attraction!

At WINGS’ September meeting, our special guest speaker will be Father Anthony, who will present a talk on “The 14 Holy Helpers.” Save the date—September 21, 2023.

Parish Picnic

As summer draws to a close, we would once again like to have our parish family reunion. The parish picnic will be August 27 from noon to 3:00 at Holy Family. We will have lunch for everyone provided by the parish. There will once again be a car show...please feel free to bring your pride & joy to the event for all to see. We'll have games for the adults and children. It's a great time for fellowship and fun. Please join us!



REF starts the weekend after Labor Day

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Aug. 9 —Business Meeting—7:00 pm

Knight of the Month: Roger Hughes

Family of the Month: Richard & Carol Theile



K of C Yard Sale

Uncle Sam Wants you...to bring in your donations. Time is running out. Act Now! Leave donations on the marked tables in the large hall. If you need items picked up, contact Keith Kienitz 651-5957, Don Brown 517-290-4225, or Tom Mahoney 651-6638



YOUTH GROUP MEETING

Aug 19—10 am—Noon
At Modern Woodman in Ovid

We will be collecting *Back to School Items*, donuts and drinks will be provided. Anyone wishing to donate school supplies can leave them in the Yellow Food Pantry Box in the back of Holy Family Church, or drop them off at Modern Woodman on the 19th.

PILGRIMAGE TO BASILICA & NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION Sept. 19, 2023

There are still a few seats available.
For more information contact Richard Theile 517-599-6113 or Carol Theile 989-395-0283.

QUILTING QUIPS. . . The “Christmas in July” was a success beyond our wildest imagination! The money has been counted and given to the Activities Group for distribution. You donated \$1,275 for the Beautification of the Church Grounds. We cannot thank you enough for your generosity!

And now back to our “regular” projects — quilt making, pillow making for the hospital and more. We are already planning on our Annual Christmas Store in November, proceeds for area Food Pantries. We are in desperate need of some new and fresh ideas of crafts. If you have a sewing idea, please share with us on Thursday or talk to Cindy Broome.