

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 24, 2023



Today's Readings: Is 55:6-9(133A) Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 Phil 1:20x-24, 27a Mt 20:1-16a

ST. ISIDORE CHURCH **Laingsburg, Michigan**

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Saturday Mass: 5:30 pm - **Sunday Mass:** 9:00 am

Confession: Wed. 5:30 to 6:20 pm & after Mass until 7:30

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Confession: Saturdays 3:00 to 3:45 pm and
Thurs. 5:30 to 6:20 pm

Web Address: <http://stisidorechurch.org>

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 — Sept 23 —(5:30 PM) † Nancy Byrnes by Tom & Krys Rourke

Sunday — Sept 24 —(9:00 AM) † John & Mary Ladiski by George & Paula Harris

Wednesday— Sept 27 — **NO MASS**Thursday — Sept 28 —**NO MASS**Friday — Sept 29 — **NO MASS**

Saturday — Sept 30 —(5:30 PM) † Bruce Horne by Chris & Kay Basgall

Sunday — Oct 1 —(9:00 AM) † John Voisinet 19th Anniversary by the Family

HOLY FAMILY, OVID

Saturday— Sept 23 — (4:00 PM) † Gene Schoendorf by the Family

Sunday— Sept 24 —(11:00 AM) † Pat Latz 2nd Anniversary by Leonard and Family

Tuesday — Sept 26 **NO MASS**Thursday— Sept 28— **NO MASS**

Saturday— Sept 30 — (4:00 PM) † Dick Ehlert by the Family

Sunday— Oct 1 —(11:00 AM) † Paul Ladiski by Micky Chapko

**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
Sept. 16 17, 2023**

St. Isidore Offertory- \$2,463

Holy Family Offertory - \$2,336

Online Offertory - \$1,355

TOTAL: - \$6,154**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.)*

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*Baby Owen Ulicki*Gregory Acker, Brother of Angela Michels*Napoleon Martinez, 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 Bachelder'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*Dan Schwark, Relative/Friend 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*Jason Miller*Taylor Nixon, Friend/Relative of RoseMarie Thering* Ron & Denise Pohl, Sister & Brother-in-Law of Donna Judd*Janice Smith*Hugh Smith*Tammy Smith*Richard Smith*Brenda Seeley*Betty Ann Fulgaro*Chris Bozung*Allysson Castonguay, 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*Dennis Lee*Ron, Charlene & John Ginther*Tuffy Wolfrom*Joseph Caudy*Kathryn Okada, Friend of Dave & Charlene Porrell*Russ Mallery, Relative of Tom & Michelle Hatta*John VanGeertruy*Mike Adanec, Friend of Paul & Linda Pung*Melissa Harden*Denise Elliott*Anthony Jelinek, Relative of Don & Joette Dennis**

Notes from Fr. Anthony



Part II

This week we return to Theodotus and his heresy, we will take a look at the story behind the rise of Adoptionism. We are told that Adoptionism finds its roots in the persecution of the early Christians. When Theodotus had been seized along with other Christians at Byzantium, he had denied Christ, whereas his companions had been martyred; he had fled to Rome, and had invented his heresy in order to excuse his fall, saying that it was but a man and not God that he had denied. It was a matter of convenience for him: to save his life and afterwards to justify his betrayal of Christ, His Church, and Theodotus' own friends. There are similarities between Theodotus' behavior and what is going on in the church in Germany right now with their "synodal way", as they draw closer and closer to heresy and schism - with some of the western European and Scandinavian countries attempting to follow that path in their own way - all for the sake of convenience and a relationship with the world and in an attempt to justify the general lack of faith and the failure of their church leaders. The Church there has been hemorrhaging people on a scale never seen before, and they believe the solution is to change the core teachings of the Church, to do as Theodotus did, and attempt to save face that way. They have been warned by the last few popes about the direction in which they are headed, and Rome has warned them numerous times within the last year and yet they refuse to be obedient. So, we have a few things on a collision course here: pride - which the devil loves, convenience - which he will exploit, and self-justification - which is concerned foremost with how I look, not necessarily what is true or right. The idea that leaving a safe port and heading out into the open water is somehow going to help you combat the storm, that it is better to let the winds and waves toss me about than to stand strong in the face of them and consequently to say that cutting the anchor was the only choice, after being smashed on the rocks because the anchor that held you in place was gone. A modern version of Theodotus.

This heresy helped give rise to another heresy, started by a priest in Rome by the name of Sabellius. Around the year 217

is when the heretical teaching of his began to really take root. At the center of the heresy of "Sabellianism", we find that it has shifted from the Christological heresy of adoptionism, to now becoming a Trinitarian heresy.

The Sabellians (also called Monarchians or Modalists) claimed that since there is only one God, there is only one Person in the Godhead. There are no personal relationships between the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. The only distinguishing relationships were between God and man. ***The Trinity was not three Persons in one God, but three functional relationships with man.*** The Father is the mode that created man; the Son is the mode that redeemed man; the Holy Spirit is the mode that sanctified man. Pope Callistus condemned this heresy, but it continued to flourish in the East into the fifth century. Even today it makes a comeback with the formula: "In the name of the Creator, the Redeemer and the Sanctifier."

It was further recognized that if the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit were all "modes" of a single divine Person, it followed that the Father, being the same Person as the Son, suffered and died on the cross, and so in the West this heresy became known as "Patripassianism." But what is the big difference between three Persons vs. three modes? God is love (1 John 4:8,16) and we know that the Son loves the Father (John 14:31; 15:10); however, true love can only be between distinct persons and not manifestations (modes). If there are no distinct personal relationships within the Godhead, then there is no love within the Godhead. God could only love *after* man was created. Ergo - God is only love in relation to His creations, therefore He wasn't always love and consequently He has changed and therefore is not perfect, immutable, or constant. And it all goes downhill from there.

Thankfully we had great leaders and theologians in the Church who stood against these heresies and reminded us of the fact that the Trinity is indeed three Divine Persons, and that those three Divine Persons love each of us in a unique, personal way.

God love you, Fr. Anthony

Home School Co-Op At Holy Family

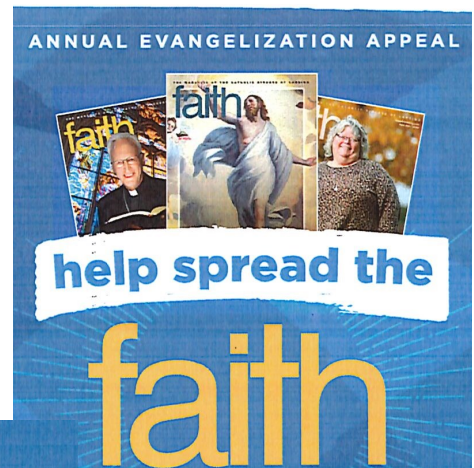
Are you a home schooling family and would like more community and socialization with families working on increasing their faith life while being involved in Mass and the Sacraments? We would love to have you! Please contact Kelli Porter for more information. We will be getting together starting this fall for our second year! Stylewithkelliporter@gmail.com

HELP SPREAD THE FAITH
Annual Evangelization Appeal
Sept. 23 & 24

Support the U. S. Bishops' communications efforts, Catholic University and Diocese of Lansing evangelization efforts that include: FAITH Magazine, Social Media, and Televised Outreach Mass. Envelopes are in the boxed sets, or online.



Give today at
HelpSpreadTheFaith.com



PARISH ACTIVITIES

Sundays - 8:30 am - Rosary at St. Isidore
Sundays - 10:30 am - Rosary at Holy Family
Mondays—7:30 pm—"Zoom" online Rosary
Thurs.—9:00 am—Quilting Ministry—Holy Family
Sept 30 -TMIY -7:30 am- 9am—Holy Family
Oct 1—3-4 pm—Pumpkin Decorating Contest —HF
Oct 6-8—Tootsie Roll Campaign—K of C
Oct 8—10:30 am—Mysteries of Rosary—St. Isidore
Nov 6—6:-00 pm—Mysteries of Rosary—Holy Family

RELIGIOUS ED. FORMATION—(REF)

Holy Family

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

St. Isidore

Class Time-Sunday: 10:15 am—After Mass

Sign up now on our website:

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Oct. 11 —Business Meeting—7:00 pm

Knight of the Month: Fred Bruso

Volunteer of the Month: Sue Canen

Family of the Year: Steve & Mary Izdebski

Oct. 6—8—Tootsie Roll Campaign

Raising money for Special Needs youth. We will register Knights and other parishioners who are willing to give two hours to work a shift. In the small hall after Masses.



PILGRIMAGE

On September 19th, 32 pilgrims traveled by bus to Carey, OH to The Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation. It was a beautiful day! Thank you Jesus for the graces that you graciously poured down on these faithful pilgrims!



October 1st, 3-4 pm Holy Family Church Hall Ovid

ALL ARE WELCOME different age groups prizes - kids to adults are welcome to participate.

Free Pumpkins, Paint, and Paint Brushes supplied.

You can bring anything with you to decorate your pumpkin.



COME AND SEE

Interested in becoming a deacon? A meeting to explore that possibility will be at St. Thomas Aquinas in the Father Mac Hall on Oct. 8, 1-2:30 pm. Wives are encouraged to come. Dcn. Randy Derochers, Dir. Of Deacon Formation for the Diocese will conduct the meeting and answer any questions. Please see Dcn. John if interested





Holy Family - Saturday, September 30th @ 7:30am. All men are welcome.
Week 03 - The Battle of David and Goliath

In Session #1, we heard there are over 100 battles in the Old Testament and that they are a sign of something to come. This week, “The Dynamic Deacon” - Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, will break down the story of David and Goliath. You won’t want to miss his preaching!

If you lack fire in your heart, if you are feeling lethargic about your spiritual life, if you are on auto-pilot and are going through the motions... come check us out this week as Deacon Harold is sure to inspire you!

This is one you absolutely don’t want to miss as we discover a powerful spiritual weapon of epic proportion. Come, be equipped, and bring a friend.

Knowing who you are changes everything.
Take your share of suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No soldier on service gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to satisfy the one who enlisted him. - 2 Timothy 2:1-4

MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY



Back by popular vote, we will be bringing both parishes the **Mysteries of the Rosary**. The Joyful Mysteries will be presented this season. This is a 7-episode series highlighting the Mysteries in the life of Christ as outlined in the decades of the Rosary. Mysteries of the Rosary integrates deeply reflective insights on the life of Christ, theological truths, and captivating stories together with breathtaking scenery, illuminating sacred art, and inspiring music. By filming on location in the Holy Land, our aspiration is to make the Rosary come alive in the hearts and minds of the viewer. Encounters with Christ in the episodes and discussions will help lead to even deeper encounters with Him in personal prayer and contemplation. A holy collaboration between Paradisus Dei and 4PM Media.

St. Isidore will be gathering for this series starting Sunday, **October 8th** at 10:30 a.m., following coffee and donuts and each subsequent Sunday, with our last gathering on November 19th.

Holy Family will be gathering for this series starting Monday, **November 6th** at 6:00 p.m. and each subsequent Monday, with our last gathering on December 18th.

WHEN YOU PRAY

A CLEAR PATH TO A DEEPER RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

You know prayer is important but still find it challenging. Perhaps it's hard to find time, or you're unsure what to do when you pray. Or maybe you feel discouraged by your weaknesses and your inability to overcome them.

If you have any of these feelings, you are not alone. Many of the saints struggled in prayer. They were like us. But each time they fell, they got up again and learned to rely more on God's grace.

What God did in the lives of countless saints, he wants to do in the lives of ordinary people like us. And that's what this study is about: the journey of prayer God wants to take us on.



DATE TIMES LOCATION

Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm

October 3rd thru November 14th

St Isidore Parish, Laingsburg
Cost \$15 for materials

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