FIRST SUNDY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 3, 2023



Today's Readings: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7(2B) Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 1Cor 1:3-9 Mk 13:33-37

ST. ISIDORE CHURCH Laingsburg, Michigan

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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

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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

Saturday — Dec 2 —(5:30 PM) † William & Mildred Eiseler by the Eiseler Family

Sunday — Dec 3 —(9:00 AM) † Frances Lundie by Robert & Mary Shaw

Wednesday— Dec 6— (6:30 PM) People of the Parish

Thursday — Dec 7 — (8:30 AM) † Joseph Merkel by the Family

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

Friday — Dec 8 - Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

(8:30 AM) † Allen Ferland by Chris & Kay Basgall

(6:30 PM) † Marilyn Kiel by Jay & Judy Ford

Saturday — Dec 9 —(5:30 PM) † Cliff Tobias by Shirley & Family

Sunday — Dec 10 —(9:00 AM) † Jarred Bird by Gary & Barb Koonter

HOLY FAMILY, OVID

Saturday – Dec 2 — (4:00 PM) † Dale Constine by Bev Delaney

Sunday— Dec 3 —(11:00 AM) † Matthew Heslip by Guy & Marianne Stuart and Family

Tuesday — Dec 5 —(12:10 PM) † Fr. Raymond Urbanek by Lillian Bigelow

Thurs—Dec 7— (6:30 PM) Vigil of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

† Greg Smith by the Smith Family

Saturday- Dec 9— (4:00 PM) Special Intentions of Tamara Smith by the Smith Family

Sunday— Dec 10 —(11:00 AM) † Barb Rewerts -3rd Anniversary by Larry & Ginger Kusnier and Family



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



WEEKLY OFFERTORY Nov. 25 & 26, 2023

St. Isidore Offertory- \$1,785 Holy Family Offertory - \$2,071 Online Offertory - \$1,220

TOTAL: - \$5,076

ROSARY
Every Sunday Before Mass
8:30 St. Isidore — 10:30 Holy Family

Donald Thelen—Army

8:30 St. Isidore — 10:30 Holy Family Thurs. & Fri. 8:30 am—St. Isidore

1st Wed. of Month—St. Isidore Rosary and Litany of St. Joseph after Mass

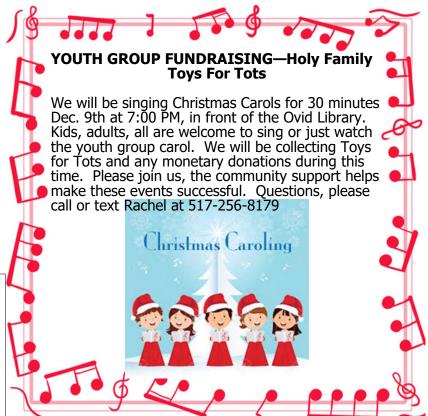


Please Pray for: Tori Martens*Charles Oleniczak*Judith Bond*Steve Butler*Sean Robinson*Gary Hrncharik*Eddy Trevino*Shannon Strobel*Richard Hutchings*Phyllis Hart*Lana Miersen*Jim Mosley*Isabelle Welsey*Stan Beherns*Tristen Hening*Olivia Klein*Judy Minarik*Janet Arthur*Mercedes, Eric & Baby Chris Martinez*Jane Timlick*Dale Trierweiler* Mike & Theresa Hegg*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 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*Tony Mullen, Brother-in-Law of Marina Easterbrook*Joe Tejkl*Nancy Brown*Aggie Cassady*Dennis Lee*Ron, Charlene & John Ginther*Tuffy Wolfrom*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*Mark Meyers, Grandson of Barb Groo



QUILTING QUIPS. . The Christmas Store is still open. Sales have been brisk and some items are sold out! However, if you saw something before and it's gone now, ask either Marcia Fabus or Cindy Broome — we might still have another one or one can be

made! Thanks to everyone who has made a purchase or a donation! Remember — 100% of all money donated will be given to area food pantries.



Retirement for Religious collection will be next weekend.

December 9 & 10

Envelopes are included in your offertory boxed sets.

CONFIRMATION CLASS SERVICE PROJECT Holy Family

Collecting donations for the Christmas Baskets to help the elders in the community. Items needed: games, puzzles, word searches, lap blankets, pillows, craft kits, paper products, coffee, tea, snacks, books. Please place unwrapped items in basket located in the hall. All donations should be in before Dec. 16.



HOLY FAMILY GIVING TREE

This project is under the direction of the Faith Formation students. All gifts are donated to the Ovid Christmas Basket project. There will be tags on the tree with gift suggestions. (Do Not wrap gifts!) Donations will be picked up on Dec. 17th.



ST. ISIDORE GIVING TREE

We will be helping 9 or the 18 families in need this year. All are of the Laingsburg Sch District. Wrap gifts and tape the tag on the outside of the gift. Deadline is Dec. 10. Gifts will be picked up from the school before Christmas break.



St. Isidore-Holy Family Christmas Party



Friday, Dec. 15, 6:00 pm—Dinner beginning at 6:30pm at St. Isidore and is sponsored by WINGS.

Two meats will be provided, bring a dish to pass. Cocoa bar and beverages also provided. There will be games and crafts for the kids and door prizes for the adults. This will be an evening filled with laughter, fun, and good cheer.

To ensure we get a variety of passing dishes we would like to try something new, if your last name begins with the letter: **A-G bring a salad or a jello dish**

H-N bring a vegetable or side dish

O-Z bring a dessert

If you have a dish to pass that you really want to bring but it doesn't correspond with the above assignment, please feel free to bring your favorite.



PARISH ACTIVITIES

Sundays—10:30 am—Mysteries of Rosary—St. Isidore

Mondays—7:30 pm—"Zoom" online Rosary

Thurs.—9:00 am—Quilting Ministry—Holy Family

Dec 4—6:00 pm—Mysteries of Rosary—Holy Family

Dec 5 –33 Days to Morning Glory Consecration

-1:00 pm—Holy Family

Dec 5—Busy Moms Group—6:00 pm—St. Isidore

Dec 9—TMIY -7:30 am- 9am—Holy Family

Dec 12—Busy Moms Group—6:00 pm—St. Isidore

Dec 15—Parish Wide Christmas Party –6pm- St Isidore

2024 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

The new offertory envelopes are out and ready to be picked up. Holy Family—church hall. St. Isidore—small hall. If you have had envelopes in the past and they are not there, or if you have never had envelopes and would like them, please contact the office. If you use the online offertory, please pick up your envelopes for the special collection envelopes that are in the boxed sets.



POSTER CONTEST

Once again, for the KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS Poster Contest, we asking our kids to make their posters at home. Forms and blank posters can be found in a box the St. Isidore parish office door, or in the hall at Holy Family. Completed posters must be returned by December 13 and placed back in the box. We will announce the winners at Pancake Breakfast on December 17.



BUSY MOMS Dec. 5 & 19—St. Isidore

We have met twice, but we would still love more moms to join us. We can provide help with kids and we bring in dinner. Please consider joining us! We have adjusted our dates. We are meeting again on Dec. 5 at 6:00. Our final date of the year will be to say the rosary together at 6:00 on Dec. 12.

RELIGIOUS ED. FORMATION—(REF)

Holy FamilyClass 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

Dec. 13 —Business Meeting—7:00 pm Dec. 17—Pancake Breakfast after Sunday Mass

Knight of the Month: Tom Mahoney

Family of the Year: Mike & Aloise Bachelder

Volunteers of the Month: The Knights are honoring all of our Religious Education Teachers at both Churches for their contributions to the spiritual upbringing of our catholic youth. They include:

St. Isidore: Lisa Kingsbury, Kaitlyn Kingsbury, Reanna Byrnes, Barb Tyler, Cory Highfield, and Mary Stevens (DRE)

Holy Family: Pam Fabus, Charity Garcia, Heidi Loynes, Melissa Jones, Rachel Remenar, Mary Jo Calkins, Dan Calkins, and Ginger Kusnier (DRE)

LECTORS NEEDED

To Read at St. Isidore:

Please contact Lisa Phillips and ask the details of becoming a Lector. Readers sign up only for Masses when they are available. Help spread the Word of the Lord!! lphillips359@gmail.com

To Read at Holy Family: Please contact Vivian Durling at durlingvi@hotmail.com

Lectors

Notes from Fr. Anthony



As we begin this Advent and our new Church year, I felt it might be time to do something a little different this year. Usually during Advent, as you probably remember over the last few years, I would devote the homily at Mass on Sunday to particular characters in the Nativity story. This year we will be doing something slightly different; every week we will look at a couple of saints from various times and walks of life. The idea is to consider some of the fruits of Christ coming here to this earth, and what better way to do that than to look at some of the saints who evidenced in a particular way the effects of God's grace on the human body and soul. To that end, along with the weekend homily on the subject of the given saints for that weekend, we will have this extra page in the bulletin with a few images of those saints and a couple of prayers through their intercession. We can then take this and cut the prayers and pictures out or take the

whole page and hang it on the refrigerator at home or the mirror in the foyer or place it on the table in the living room or put it in our car. We can then look at the pictures often and pray along with those saints in our intentions and hopefully find a particular saint that we can in a sense "fall in love with" and turn to more often for their intercession in our daily lives. The hope is that this will help spur on our devotional lives and grow in gratitude for the grace of God in His saints and deepen our cooperation with them in living our lives on this earth for the greater glory of God.

I pray for a blessed advent for us at our parishes and that we may grow in a deeper relationship with our brothers and sisters in the Faith who have fought the good fight and run the race to the finish.

God love you, Fr. Anthony



Saints of the week: Blessed Emperor Charles of Austria and his wife Servant of God Empress Zita

Feast day October 21st







Prayer for special grace through the intercession of Blessed Emperor and King Karl of the House of Austria

Holy Trinity, I adore you from the bottom of my heart and thank You for the gifts You have granted to Blessed Karl of the House of Austria. As a result of his deep Faith, he gave his entire life in selfless and willing service to Your divine Glory and the well -being of those entrusted to him.

Strengthen us through his helping intercession when discouragement, loneliness, lack of readiness to forgive others, and sickness oppress us, and grant us through his intercession a good death.

Through the intercession of Blessed Karl of the House of Austria, in Your mercy, also hear my personal request (mention here the graces you are asking for). Praise and thanks be to You, eternal and almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

<u>Prayer for the canonization and fort he intercession</u> of Servant of God Empress Zita

God our Father, you redeemed the world by the self-abasement of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. He who was King became the Servant of all and gave his life as a ransom for many, therefore you have exalted him. We ask you that your servant Zita, Empress and Queen, will be raised upon the altars of your Church. In her, you have given us a great example of faith and hope in the face of trials, and of unshakeable trust in your Divine Providence.

We beseech you that alongside her husband, the Blessed Emperor Charles, Zita will become for couples a model of married love and fidelity, and for families a guide in the ways of a truly Christian upbringing. May she who in all circumstances opened her heart to the needs of others, especially the poor and needy, be for us all an example of service and love of neighbor.

Through her intercession, grant our petition (mention here the graces you are asking for). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

1 Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, 1 Glory be