

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 21, 2024



Today's Readings: Acts 4:8-12 (50B) Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 1Jn 3:1-2 Jn 10:11-18

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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://saintisidorehollyfamily.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 — Apr 20 —(5:30 PM) † Leon Lundie, Sr. by the Lundie Children

Sunday — Apr 21 —(9:00 AM) † Russ Jorae by Lisa Mueller Orleskie

Wednesday— Apr 24 — **(NO MASS)**

Thursday — Apr 25— (8:30 AM) People of the Parish

Friday —Apr 26 —(8:30 AM) † Greg Smith by the Smith Family

Saturday — Apr 27 —(5:30 PM) † John & Helen Bartkowiak by the Family

Sunday — Apr 28 —(9:00 AM) Special Intentions of Richard Ives by Helen Stelzer

HOLY FAMILY, OVID

Saturday— Apr 20— (4:00 PM) † Patrick Bisson, Sr. by Char Angell

Sunday— Apr 21 —(11:00 AM) † Dale Constine by Lorraine & Family

Tuesday — Apr 23—**(NO MASS)**

Thurs—Apr 25 —(6:30 PM) † Michael Kurzyniec by the Yaich Family

Saturday— Apr 27— (4:00 PM) † Bernice Caudy by Joseph Caudy

Sunday— Apr 28 —(11:00 AM) † Sylvia McKay by Allen & Michell Martin

ROSARY BEFORE MASS—ST. ISIDORE

Sundays 8:30 am—Thurs. & Fri. 8:05 am

MONTHLY DEVOTIONS

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

1st Friday of Month—St. Isidore
Litany of Sacred Heart after Mass



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 13 & 14, 2024

St. Isidore Offertory- \$2,797

Holy Family Offertory - \$2,741

Online Offertory - \$1,825

TOTAL: - \$7,363

Pray for the Sick of our Parish

Names included should be parishioners, their relatives and friends. Also, remember all of our service members in your prayers.

Tori Martens	Bruce Chandler	Haven S. King	Betty Ann Fulgaro	Denise Elliott
Charles Oleniczak	Gary Delaney	Chasidy Martin	Chris Bozung	Mark Meyers
Judith Bond	Pat Spencer	Susan Hulburt	Allysson Castonguay	Tom Grettenberger
Steve Butler	Rebecca Crites	James Lester	Randy & Karen Evans	Irene Medina
Sean Robinson	Shawn Pardee	Kinzley Dawn Hulburt	Diane Mead	Nancy Kienitz
Gary Hrncharik	Jase Ellsworth	Tom Hulburt	Joe Eiseler	Mike Chapko
Shannon Strobel	Antia Rios	Alexander Augustine	Pam Morgan	Gary Lundquist
Richard Hutchings	Armando Anguiano	Jamie Lester	Tony Mullen	Jacob Stoneman
Phyllis Hart	Juan Chapas	Katie Florian	Mercedes, Eric & Baby	Kris Hood
Lana Miersen	Archie Schebester	Mary Hughly	Chris Martinez	Bill Dennis
Jim Mosley	Dave Hilleker	Theresa Arnold	Nancy Brown	Maddie Jones
Stan Beherns	Mark Sickler	Jason Miller	Aggie Cassady	Judy Eyde
Olivia Klein	Craig Henning	Taylor Nixon	Dennis Lee	Beverly Adcock
Janet Arthur	Vince Minarik	Ron & Denise Pohl	Ron, Charlene & John	Dale Coggins
Jane Timlick	Tim Minarik	Janice Smith	Ginther	Harold Graber
Dale Trierweiler	Dorothy Woodworth	Hugh Smith	Tuffy Wolfrom	Richard Ives
Mike & Theresa Hegg	Ken Latz	Tammy Smith	Russ Mallery	
Gregory Acker	Dan Schwark	Richard Smith	Mike Adanec	
Napoleon Martinez, Jr.	Allen Smith	Brenda Seeley	Melissa Harden	

Notes from Fr. Anthony

Iconoclasm III

This is the bad penny of heresies – it just keeps turning up. When we last saw it was in the 8th century and predominantly in the eastern part of the Church. This week we are going to fast forward to the 16th century when one heretic started what would become one of the largest most damaging heresies up until the heresy of modernism. That 16th century heretic was none other than the former Catholic and Augustinian priest, Martin Luther. When Martin Luther founded the Lutheran church, one of the heresies that quickly attached itself to his heresy, was the heresy of Iconoclasm. After he first separated from the Catholic Church, Luther and the various people associated with him began to lash out at anything resembling the Catholic Faith, and this included images and pictures. One of his close associates in Wittenberg becomes the leader of the iconoclastic movement within Martin Luther's new church and he quickly sets about destroying images, stained glass windows and statuary, stripping and destroying churches, monasteries and convents through force and violence. While Luther himself later went on to express opposition primarily to images of God, forbidding those, he was not so against images of saints and angels. But the problem was that a door had been opened that he refused to shut immediately and one of the great lacks of his church became evident – there was no central authority to hold a consistent line of teaching and when necessary, refrain of punish those who cross that line.

What happens in the century immediately following doesn't require much imagination to figure out. Every place where the protestant revolution entered, whether it be in the original form of Luther or those who soon broke from him – Calvin or Zwingli – the consequences were devastating. Churches were absolutely gutted and/or destroyed completely. Convents, monasteries, and even private homes were ransacked. Stained glass windows were broken into shards, statues and paintings were destroyed, painted over or decapitated. The high altars and side altars of churches were chopped apart with axes and hammers and broken into pieces that were often then used to start a bonfire to burn other pieces of Christian art.



If you opposed this, it could mean not only imprisonment, but also death. The loss is primarily theological as the persistent misunderstanding of the second commandment is ingrained more deeply into Lutheran teaching and flows from there into each of those denominations which broke from it – basically all of your protestant and “bible” churches. It even infected our own Church later on. This is why many churches are so plain and empty. There is also the destruction of priceless artwork and treasures that were never recovered and lost forever. One can only imagine the desolation of the religious but also societal understanding of art and its place in the world and how many people's ability to grow in their faith was directly kneecapped by this. Keeping in mind that in those centuries, many people could not read, so the art in churches helped illustrate their faith and then they were able to understand it better. Alas, this was taken from them and they were told it was for their own good. On that sorrowful note, we will conclude this week's article with the promise of at least one more installment on the recurrence of Iconoclasm, not too far distant from our own times.

God love you, Fr. Anthony

Gianna Beretta Molla is the Patron Saint of unborn babies, mothers and physicians, **Feast Day: April 28th**

APRIL SAINT OF THE MONTH - ST. GIANNA BERETTA MOLLA



After learning about the fibroma growing in her uterus during her fourth pregnancy, Gianna attended daily Mass and prayed for her own good health as well as the infant's. A few days before her fourth child was due, although trusting in God's divine care, she was ready to give her life in order to save that of the life of her child. Gianna told her doctor, "If you must decide between me and the child, do not hesitate; choose the child. I insist on it. Save the baby." On Holy Saturday 1962, doctors delivered a baby girl by Cesarean section. Soon after, St. Gianna's condition rapidly declined, as she battled a high fever. Her body did not respond to medical treatment, and she died from septic peritonitis (inflammation of the inner abdominal walls) on April 28, 1962, at the age of 39. Her last words were, "Jesus, I love you. Jesus, I love you." Next week, we will share the miracles attributed to her sainthood.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Mondays—7:30 pm—“Zoom” online Rosary
Thurs—No Quilting Ministry during construction
Apr 21—Pancake Breakfast—After Mass—St. Isidore
Apr 23—Busy Mom’s Group—6:00 pm—St. Isidore
May 8—Scholarship Deadline—3:00 pm

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



UNDER CONSTRUCTION **QUILTING QUIPS.**

Excuse the mess! The Quilting Ministry is getting a new storage built for all our supplies. Please stay safe by not going into this area. We will not be quilting on Thursdays until our room is completed.

P.S. One of our quilters loaned two quilting books to someone in the group. She can't remember who, but does need them back. If you borrowed any books, please contact Cindy Broome so she can return them back to the quilter. Thanks!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

April 21—Pancake Breakfast

May 8 —Business Meeting—7:00 pm



Knight of the Month: Jim Eiseler

Family of the Month: Eric & Melissa Jones & Family

2023 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

St. Isidore parish is now accepting applications for two unique scholarships: The Giffels Scholarship and The Knights of Columbus Scholarship: Criteria for applicants will include personal and family involvement in the parish, community service, financial need, and long term potential. Applications can be found in the halls at both churches or use the online form available at stisidorechurch.org. **Deadline for submission is 3pm on May 8th.**



Thank You

The Holy Family Activities group would like to send out a HUGE Thank you to all the individuals who helped make the Lenten Fish Fry's a big success. We couldn't have done it without the Amazing people that put in hours and hours of hard work. A big **Thank you** to the parishioners who Served Food, Took Money, Washed Dishes, Cooked, Baked Desserts, Carried Trays, Cleaned Up, Greeted Guests, Prepped, Shopped, and so much more. A **SPECIAL SHOUT** out to the kids (and instructors) who did a wonderful job serving drinks, taking out trash, and clearing tables.

Check out our new website
saintisidorehollyfamily.org