

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 26, 2023



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Jesus told her, "I am
the resurrection and
the life; whoever
believes in me, even
if he dies, will live."
- Jn 11:2

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Today's Readings: Ez 37:12-14, Ps 130:1-8, Ro 8:8-11, Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

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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—Mar. 25—(5:30 PM) † Cliff Tobias by Shirley and Family
 Sunday— Mar. 26 —(9:00 AM) † Kathryn Wurm by Helen Stelzer
 Wednesday— Mar. 29 — (6:30 PM) People of the Parish
 Thursday — Mar. 30 —(8:30 AM) † Nancy Byrnes by Ron & Donna Granger
 Friday — Mar. 31 — (8:30 AM) † Toni Doyle by Katie Grettenberger
 Saturday—Apr. 1—(5:30 PM) † Mary Lou Doyle by Ike & Mary Hunt
 Sunday— Apr. 2 —(9:00 AM) Special Intention for Terry Thomas by Robert & Mary Shaw

HOLY FAMILY, OVID

Saturday— Mar. 25 — (4:00 PM) In Gratitude by the Lorio Family
 Sunday— Mar. 26—(11:00 AM) † Ken Crawford by the Crawford Family
 Tuesday —Mar. 28— (12:10 PM) † Ann Green by Pat & Pam Walsh
 Thursday— Mar. 30— (6:30 PM) † Eva Duletski by Terry & Cindy Broome
 Saturday— Apr. 1 — (4:00 PM) † Dan Morgan by the Holy Family Choir
 Sunday— Apr. 2—(11:00 AM) † Ann Green by Jerry & Theresa Fedewa

**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
March 18 & 19, 2023**

St. Isidore Offertory- \$3,114
 Holy Family Offertory - \$2,886
 Online Offertory - \$2,355

TOTAL: - \$8,355



Please Pray for: Tori Martens*Charles Oleniczak*Judith Bond*Steve Butler*Sean Robinson*Gary Hrncharik*Donna Fruchey*Eddy Trevino*Shannon Strobel*Richard Hutchings*Phyllis Hart*Lana Miersen*Jim Mosley*Mike(Doc) O'Bryant*IsabelleWelsey*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 Trieweiler* 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, 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, 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 Carbary, 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 Angell* 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 Judd*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 Ron & Joanne Evans* Dale & Lorraine Constine*Joe Eiseler, Grandson of Jim & Joy Eiseler*Pam Morgan*Melissa Hinkley

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

Notes from Fr. Anthony



Professor Marvel

PAY NO ATTENTION TO THE MAN BEHIND THE CURTAIN! This is one of my favorite lines from the movie *The Wizard of Oz*. Anyone who spends time in my presence on a semi-regular basis has heard me use this line. It is one of my favorites and as we know, this doesn't have much bearing on the world at large. Now that the random, semi-useful knowledge has been offered, we move on to the subject for today: **The veiling of crucifixes, statues and images on the 5th Sunday of Lent - traditionally known as Passion Sunday and the beginning of Passiontide.**

The reason for veiling of the crucifixes, images and statues is not so that we pretend they are not there or not pay attention to them; it has a connection to history and the liturgy. The history of veiling goes back many centuries and there are more than a few theories as to where and when it came into being and we will look at the main ones.

One theory is that it began in Germany in or around the 9th century and was called a "*hunger cloth*", which covered the entire altar area with only a small opening in the middle. It was hung during the entire Lenten season and was connected with the ritual of expelling public penitents from the church until Easter and was removed on Wednesday of Holy Week when the gospel was read. The gospel was the passion according to St. John and at the words "*the veil of the temple was rent in two*" the veil was removed. The statues or images were not veiled.

Another theory is that it is Gallican in origin dating to before the 7th century and was not connected with public penance - but with Lent - and statues, crucifixes and images were covered.

In the 17th century Bishops' Ceremonial the practice of veiling crucifixes, statues and images is listed as something done during Lent.

Now the next theory (to which I subscribe - .02 cents please) is that the practice of veiling the crucifixes, statues and images dates back to before the 5th century and was begun in the papal chapel in the Vatican. The veiling took place on the 5th Sunday of Lent (**Passion Sunday**) and occurred during the liturgy when the deacon of Mass chanted the concluding words of Passion Sunday's gospel from John 8:59 "*Jesus hid himself and went out of the Temple*". This Gospel was removed from use during Lent in the new form of the Mass; however the traditional form of the Mass has still kept it on the 5th Sunday of Lent. After the second Vatican Council there was an attempt to downplay the passion centered spirituality and there were those who attempted to even push a ban on veiling, which thankfully did not happen, but this is why it is not done in some places. After a closer look we see how the veiling is intimately connected with the liturgy itself in a very visible and physical way. On a theological level it is joined to the understanding of the Passion and the fact that our Lord sacrificed Himself on a cross for our salvation and the fruit of the sacrifice was and is the impetus and source of eternal life for the saints, the Church and hopefully ourselves; the fact that He was rejected by His own and His Divinity was and is still denied by so many. And during Passiontide we are called to reflect more deeply on the physical and spiritual journey of our Savior during those last weeks that concluded with a crucifixion and resurrection. The fruit which makes sinners saints and the dead live.

God bless You, Fr. Anthony

DSA

We have passed our goal for this year!

Thank you to all who have donated!

Donations are still being accepted if you wish to contribute. A percentage of funds over our goal are paid back to the parish. We will have current figures next week.



LENTEN SCHEDULE

Stations of the Cross-6:30 pm / 5:30 pm Confessions
March 31—St. Isidore

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday—April 6— 6:00 pm—St. Isidore
Good Friday—Noon—Holy Family
Good Friday—3:00 pm—St. Isidore
Easter Vigil—8:45 pm—Holy Family
Easter Sunday—9:00 am—St. Isidore
Easter Sunday—11:00 am—Holy Family



PARISH ACTIVITIES

Thurs.—9:00 am—Quilting Ministry—Holy Family
Mar. 26 —10:30 am—Mysteries of Rosary—St. Isidore
Mar. 27—6:00 pm—Mysteries of Rosary —Holy Fam
Mar. 31 -Fish Fry—4:30—7 pm—Holy Family
Mar. 31—Stations of the Cross —6:30—St. Isidore
Apr. 1 —TMIY—Holy Family— 7:30 am
Apr. 16 —Pancake Breakfast—St. Isidore

RELIGIOUS ED. FORMATION—(REF)

Holy Family

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

St. Isidore

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

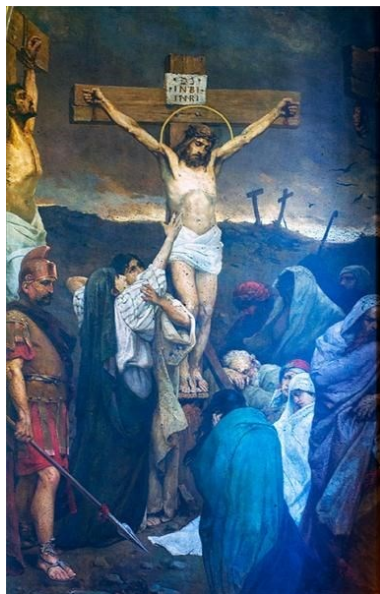
More info: marystevens@stisidorechurch.org



FISH FRY DATES— Holy Family



March 31
4:30 pm—7 pm
\$16—Adult
\$8 Kids—6—12
Kids 5 & Under- Free



**No Coffee & Donuts—
Holy Family—
on Easter Weekend.
Resumes the following
weekend.**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

April 12—Business Meeting—7:00 pm

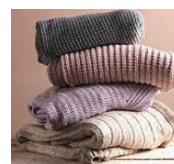
April 16—Pancake Breakfast

Knight of the Month: Deacon John Marsh

Family of the Month: Mike, Ronni, Emma, Connor
and Olivia Klein

MITTENS FOR THE HOMELESS

The mitten makers are winding down for the year but are always in need of donated sweaters and yarn. Any donations can be dropped off at either parish office.



MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY

When we reflect upon the pain of Good Friday, we enter into a profound mystery. How can the hour of Our Lord's death be the hour of his glory? Jesus breaks into the darkest moment in human history precisely to reveal the Father's unfathomable love. What God did over 2,000 years ago, He desires to do in your life today. He continues to descend into our darkness moments to offer us forgiveness. He reveals a love that conquers sin and restores us into communion with the Father. When we look upon the Cross, we see the Incarnation of the Father's love.

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

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Remember to take the **Disciple Maker Index Survey**.
<https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/gkx3ag>

