

ALL SAINTS DAY NOVEMBER 1, 2026



Today's Readings:

Rev 7:2-4, 9-14

Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6

1 Jn 3:1-3

Mt 5:1-12

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

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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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 —Oct 31— (5:30 PM) † George Lehman by the Family

Sunday — All Saints—Nov 1— (9:00 AM) All The Faithfully Departed

First Wednesday—Nov 3— (6:30 PM) Special Intentions of Jack Mahoney & Family -**First Wed. Devotions**

Thursday—Nov 5— (8:30 AM) † Leon Lundie by the Lundie Children

First Friday —Nov 6 (8:30 AM) † Richard Doyle by Gary & Barb Koonter

First Friday Devotions

Saturday —Nov 7— (5:30 PM) † Barb Gialanella by the Hannibal Family

Sunday — Nov 8— (9:00 AM) † Thomas Leo †Maria Mercedes Brown by Jose & Nancy Brown

HOLY FAMILY, OVID

Saturday—Oct 31— (4:00 PM) † Joette Dennis by Marian Horsley

Sunday— All Saints—Nov 1—(11:00 AM) Intentions of the Holy Father

Tuesday — Nov 3—(12:10 PM) † Fr. Raymond Urbanek by Beverly Delaney

Thursday— Nov 5—(6:30 PM) People of the Parish

First Saturday— Nov 7— (9:00 AM) In Reparation For Sin & For Souls in Purgatory -**First Saturday Devotions**

Saturday—Nov 7— (4:00 PM) † Brenda Bartkowiak & Stephaine Harrist by Helen Farr

Sunday— Nov 8—(11:00 AM) † Ella Kenny by Jeff & Kathy Fowler

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

Oct 24 & 25, 2026

St. Isidore Offertory- \$2,556

Holy Family Offertory - \$4,373

Online Offertory: \$1,240

TOTAL: - \$8,169

ROSARY BEFORE MASS—HOLY FAMILY

Saturdays 3:30 pm

ROSARY BEFORE MASS—ST. ISIDORE

Sundays 8:30 am—Thurs. & Fri. 8:05 am

MONTHLY DEVOTIONS

1st Wed. of Month—St. Isidore—6:30 PM

Rosary and Litany of St. Joseph after Mass

1st Friday of Month—St. Isidore—8:30 AM

Litany of Sacred Heart after Mass

1st Saturday of Month—Holy Family

Litany of Loreto after 9:00 AM Mass



Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish

Names included should be parishioners, their relatives and friends.

Please contact the office to put names on the prayer list.

Craig Henning	Napoleon Martinez, Jr.	Jerome Smith	Therese Bruso	Todd Fox	Matt Carr
Ken Latz	Gloria Costello	Jamie Lester	Tuffy Wolfrom	Wayne Rodrigues	Julie Walsh
Pam Morgan	Chris Basgall	Gary Lundquist	Nancy Kienitz	Kathy Fowler	Gary Kiegerr
Dan Schwart	Elaine Stewart	Michelle Houska	Judy Eyde	Mary Lauderdale	Jon Seeley
Beverly Adcock	Margaret Lane	Lorie Mumby	Doug Maki	Monica Edington	Jack Mahoney
Olivia Klein	Tamera Bodine-Wilson	June Leaf	Ken White	Deacon John	Dan Thering
Jan Bozung	Liz Miller	Nick & Lucinda Dunay	Linda Pung	Mike O'Dell	Ruth Johnson
Rick Smith	Dale Coggins	Joe Lorio	Pease Family	JD Miller	
Hugh Smith	Michelle Hurst	Marie Hurst	Marina Easterbrook	George Harris	
Jan Smith	Usher Jackson	Cheryl Hurst	Rosemary Bailey	Nancy Carbary	
Tammy Smith	Chuck Hazard	Jeff Watson	Mike Jones	Joe Tejkl	

Notes from Fr. Anthony

The question we are going to look at this week is about working on Sundays: ***“What kind of work can/cannot be done on Sunday? Side question: if a hobby (mine is carpentry) looks like work, does it give scandal and then is it prohibited for Sunday?”***

This as we know is tied to the third commandment, to keep holy the Lord’s Day. The prohibition against work on Sunday deals with two main goals - the ability to spend time in worship and the opportunity to rest from physical or excessive mental labor. The Church has a term for that, it is called “servile work”. Servile work was the kind of work usually reserved for slaves, servants or the general physical labor classes of society.

The general rule has always been that if the work requires undue exertion, it can be considered servile work. The same would apply for overly burdensome mental labor. In prior times you could find this much more clearly defined in theology and catechism books. To give a few examples, cooking a meal is not considered servile work as one must eat. Deciding to clean the entire house and scrub the floors would be as there is not a necessity for it to be done on Sunday. Certain professions are excused from the rule – police, fire, doctors, nurses etc, those who are involved in jobs that need to be consistently in operation. Woodworking generally would be servile labor, even as a hobby, much like working on cars, working in the fields, gardening and such things. While I could water the flowers or swap out a car battery or clean some tools, I do not need to go too far.

Here is an excerpt from a book from 1962 providing some examples: Necessity also permits farmers to “harvest their grain, hay, etc. or gather fruit on Sunday *if a storm threatens*.” Similarly, “any necessary work is allowed in case of fire, flood, etc.” And some professions like mechanics may “sharpen, re-

pair, etc. tools that farmers and artisans need on Monday,” whereas tailors “may work on Sunday if they cannot otherwise finish mourning clothes for a funeral.” further, “light manual labor is also probably lawful for charitable purposes.” One can deduce from this that the corporal works of mercy remain good and are lawful on Sundays.

“Servile works are forbidden even though done gratis, as a form of recreation or for some pious purpose.” For instance, mowing the lawn because one enjoys it would not be permitted. Grocery shopping in itself is not sinful on Sundays as the purchasing of food is considered a necessity. Saint Alphonsus states this as well in *Moral Theology*. However, the spirit of the law is also to be respected. It would seem imprudent to engage in any large shopping trips on Sundays.” Eating in a restaurant would be permitted as one must eat. Similarly, those who are suffering extreme poverty may work a job on Sundays in order to make ends meet.

Some might say this is too micromanaging. The reason why it is this way is to help us follow the commandments and avoid sin. We need concrete guides, not abstract ideas. I need to know whether or not something fits in one category or the other rather than just hoping for the best. The idea is to make my life easier by having clear lines and guides so I can make better decisions not only for my body but also my soul. To summarize, there are a few questions I can use to judge whether something is servile work and whether or not I can or should do this on a Sunday: Does it occupy or require more effort from the body than the mind? Is it overly exerting? And next, is it necessary and does it have to be done now?

God love you, Fr. Anthony

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Mondays—7:30 pm—"Zoom" online Rosary
Thurs— 9:00 am—Quilting Ministry—Holy Family
Nov 1—10:30 am—OCIA at St. Isidore
Nov 1—4:00 pm—OCIA at Holy Family
Nov 2— 6:00 pm—She Shall Be Called Woman- HF
Nov 7—TMIY -7:30 am—9 am — Holy Family
Nov 29—Sweatshirt Deadline—Both Churches
Dec 19—Parish Wide Christmas Party—St. Isidore

T- SHIRT PICK UP.

If you ordered a parish t-shirt, they are in the hall at both churches, ready for pick.

ACTIVITIES GROUP MEETING. . .

The group meet last Sunday after Mass. Every parishioner is automatically a member of the Activities Group. This Group does various activities throughout the year to help us grow as a parish family. This can only be accomplished by participation of its members. You are encouraged to attend meetings and share your thoughts, ideas, and talents to making our parish stronger. Highlights of the meetings: Treasurer's report

Fish Fry Plans
Updates of past projects
Day for meetings
And more

The next meeting is scheduled for Jan. 2, 2027! We do not meet every month. If you have any thoughts that you would like to share with the group, please try to attend the meetings. We are exploring the idea of changing our meetings from after a week-end Mass to a week night. Presently, we alternate between the Saturday and Sunday Mass. Would a different time/day help you attend? Let us know by contacting President: Sue Ladisky, Treasurer: Steve Fabus, or Secretary: Rachel Remenar.

QUILTING QUIPS. . . It's almost that time again for the Holy Family Christmas Store to open. The group has been working on restocking our supplies plus making new items. Also, new this year, the group has decided to expand to a "satellite" store at St. Isidore. The main store at Holy Family will open on November 14 and stay open until we run out of inventory or Dec. 20th The "satellite" store at St. Isidore will be open for a few special weeks. Be sure to check the bulletin for those dates! As in the past, all proceeds, 100%, will be given to the local area food banks.

RELIGIOUS ED. FORMATION—(REF)

Holy Family

Class Time—Sunday: 9:30 am—Before Mass

St. Isidore

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

Any students who have been confirmed are invited to join a youth age group to further study the life of Jesus and the tenets of our faith.

More info: marystevens@stisidorechurch.org



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #12044

Upcoming Events:

Nov11—Business Meeting –7:15 pm
Nov 15—Pancake Breakfast



Knight of the Month: Deacon John Marsh

Family of the Month: Steve & Mary Izdebski

To become a Knight, visit kofc.org/join

SWEATSHIRT COLLECTION

Knights of Columbus is again collecting sweatshirts for the young people that are served by Holy Cross Children's Services. They are requesting sweatshirts with college or professional athletic logos. There is a special need for Large and X-Large sizes. Remember, often this is the only Christmas gift these young people receive. Wrap or box the shirts, label the box with the size of the shirt and if it is gender specific, with men's or women's. **Deadline: Sunday, Nov 29th.**

