

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 3, 2024



Today's Readings: Ex 20:1-17 (29B) Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 1Cor 1:22-25 Jn :2:13-25

ST. ISIDORE CHURCH

Laingsburg, Michigan

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Religious Ed. Formation (REF) – Mary Stevens-
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O.C.I.A. Dir.: Roger & Shirley Hughes -

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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

Ovid, Michigan

Pastor: Rev. Anthony Brooks

Deacon: John Marsh

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Religious Ed. Formation (REF) Ginger Kusnier

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Saturday Mass: 4:00 pm - **Sunday Mass** 11:00 am

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

Saturday — Mar 2 —(5:30 PM) † Delores Micallef by the Izdebski Family
Sunday — Mar 3 —(9:00 AM) † Ken "Junior" Brink by Tom & Krys Rourke Family
Wednesday— Mar 6 — (6:30 PM) † Frances Lundie by Steve & Ronnie Patoprsty
Thursday — Mar 7— (8:30 AM) People of the Parish
Friday — Mar 8—(8:30 AM) Special Intentions of the Basgall Family
Saturday — Mar 9 —(5:30 PM) † Jack Risch by the Knights of Columbus
Sunday — Mar 10 —(9:00 AM) † Dawn Wrobel by Larry & Debbie Earl

MASS SCHEDULE

FOR THIS WEEK

First Wednesday Devotions

HOLY FAMILY, OVID

Saturday— Mar 2 — (4:00 PM) For the Health of Tammy, Jan, Rick, & Hugh Smith
Sunday— Mar 3 —(11:00 AM) † Janina Mikulionis by Ramune
Tuesday — Mar 5 —(12:10 PM) † Ann Green by Sue Detloff
Thurs—Mar 7 —(6:30 PM) † Fr. Jim Bozung by Jan Smith
Saturday— Mar 9 — (4:00 PM) † Pat Pohl by Janice Hurst Family
Sunday— Mar 10 —(11:00 AM) † Bernie Mitchell 12th Anniversary by Leonard & 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

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Feb.24 & 25, 2024

St. Isidore Offertory- \$4,272

Holy Family Offertory - \$3,563

Online Offertory - \$1,110

TOTAL: - \$8,945

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
- Andie Ostrander—Navy
- Patrick Schiffer—Air Force
- Kelly Brown—Navy
- Sergeant Jared Mersino—Army
- Donald Thelen—Army



ROSARY

Every Sunday Before Mass

8:30 St. Isidore

Thurs. & Fri. 8:05 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*Shannon Strobel*Richard Hutchings*Phyllis Hart*Lana Miersen*Jim Mosley*Isabelle Welsey*Stan Beherns*Olivia Klein*Janet Arthur*Mercedes, Eric & Baby Chris Martinez*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 Bachelor's*Craig Henning*Vince Minarik*Tim Minarik*Dorothy Woodworth*Ken Latz, Friends/Relatives of Leonard Mitchell*Nancy Alice Carbery, Mother of Maggie Sayles*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*Nancy Brown*Aggie Cassidy*Dennis Lee*Ron, Charlene & John Ginther*Tuffy Wolfrom*Russ Mallery, Relative of Tom & Michelle Hatta*Mike Adanec, Friend of Paul & Linda Pung*Melissa Harden*Denise Elliott*Mark Meyers, Grandson of Barb Groom,*Tom Grettenberger*Richard Nail, Brother of Carol Theile*Irene Medina*David Grant, Friend of Theile's*Nancy Kienitz*Mike Chapko*Gary Lundquist*Wendy, Daughter of Linda Smith*Jacob Stoneman*Deloris Mumby*Kris Hood*Bill Dennis*Maddie Jones, Daughter of Eric & Melissa*Judy Eyde*Beverly Adcock, Relative of Mary Shaw

Notes from Fr. Anthony

This week we are going to skip ahead a few centuries and find ourselves in the 7th century looking at a peculiar heresy that came back three different times and is one that has caused not just theological damage, but actual great monetary damage as well and contributed to a consistent and deep ignorance that is still ingrained in many people and religious denominations. The heresy we are speaking of is **Iconoclasm**. It is based upon a false and ignorant understanding of the place of images and pictures in regard to the Faith and Tradition and an erroneous understanding of the 2nd commandment.

This heresy is already seen in the early Church but lacks any cohesive unity and ebbs and wanes with time until toward the end of the 7th century when there is a persecution of the Christians by the Muslim leaders of Damascus. We know that Islam an amalgamation of Jewish and Christian teachings with the things Mohamed added himself, so it takes the command against idolatry and the Jewish understanding of images and statues (which forbids them in acts of liturgy or worship) and takes it one step further (prohibiting them at all - in the religious sphere or public sphere). This persecution requires the destruction of all images and statues that the Christians had and is then picked up by certain powerful people within the Eastern part of the Church, notably the Byzantine emperor Leo III.

The main tenet of Iconoclasm was that images and statues were a form of idolatry or led to idolatry and therefore must be destroyed or covered up. This heresy is violent in its nature, and we have houses being raided for images; churches being ransacked, and the images or statues publicly destroyed or burned and wall frescos painted over; monasteries and convents being raided

and burned and people were being tortured and killed as well. The relics and bodies of saints were burned in some areas and there was even an attempt at the total suppression of monasticism. It is horrific in the anger and violence. The emperor even went as far as sending a letter to Pope Gregory II in 726 which demanded that all the sacred images in Rome be destroyed, and a council be called to forbid their use again. Leo threatens to come to Rome and destroy the statue of St. Peter in the church of the pope himself and imprison the pope. In 727 Pope Gregory responds with a brilliant defense of the use of images and flatly refuses to comply with Leo's demands while asking him how he could so misunderstand the commandments and the Scriptures. He tells him to quit disturbing the peace of the Church. In so many words he tells him to - "knock it off" - and then basically dares him to come to Rome and try. In 731 Pope Gregory II died and was succeeded by Pope Gregory III, who kept up the defense of images as Gregory II had done.

The upper class were for the most part supporters of iconoclasm. It was the common people who were against it and in many areas they were rising up against the decree of the emperor as icons and images had always been very important to them. The "uneducated" knew and understood more than the "educated" concerning the use and meaning of images. The response was the escalation in violence and force by the emperor against the rebellions and the suppression of these rebellions accompanied by great destruction sometimes. On that note, we will close this article with the promise of a continuation to come.

God love you, Fr. Anthony

MARCH SAINT OF THE MONTH ST. CASIMIR, FEAST DAY MARCH 4

On March 4, the Catholic Church honors St. Casimir Jagiellon, a prince whose life of service to God has made him a patron saint of Poland, Lithuania, and young people. In 1984 Pope John Paul II addressed Lithuanian pilgrims commemorating the 500th anniversary of the prince's death. He said the Church "proclaimed Casimir a saint and placed him before us not only to be venerated but also that we might imitate his heroic virtues and follow his example of holiness."



PARISH ACTIVITIES

Mondays—7:30 pm—“Zoom” online Rosary
 Thurs—9:00 am—Quilting Ministry—Holy Family
 Mar 2 & 3—DSA Begins
 Mar 5—Busy Mom’s Group— 6:00 pm—St. Isidore
 Mar 8—Lenten Fish Fry—4:30—7 pm—Holy Family
 Mar 8—6:30 pm Stations of the Cross —St. Isidore
 Mar 9—TMIY – 7:30 –9am—Holy Family
 Mar 15—6:30 pm Stations of the Cross—Holy Family

PILGRIMAGE BUS TRIP APRIL 9TH- SEATS ARE FILLING FAST!

Don't wait until the last minute to reserve your spot for this holy pilgrimage to Detroit to the Blessed Solanus Casey Center and then to Royal Oak to the National Shrine of the Little Flower. There are only 34 seats on the bus and half have already been reserved! Pick up a registration form on the table in the church (in the parish hall at Holy Family and at the entrance at St. Isidore) or go to our parish website to print a registration form and mail, with your check payable to HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH, to Richard and Carol Theile at 1331 Jackson Dr., Owosso, MI 48867. The cost is \$75 and



2024
DIOCESAN
SERVICES
APPEAL

“THE OFFERING OF
THE JUST ENRICHES
the altar”
Isaiah 35:8

The annual Diocesan Services Appeal has started. This years combined goal is \$39,720. Please put your DSA envelopes into the offertory baskets during the offertory collection. Checks payable to either parish NOT the diocese. Informational brochures and envelopes are available in the church entryways.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Mar. 14—Business Meeting—7:00 pm

Knight of the Month: Jim Leathers
 Family of the Month: Bob & Mary Shaw

ST PATRICK’S DAY DINNER

St. Isidore Knights of Columbus will be offering their traditional Irish dinner (corned beef & cabbage, carrots & potatoes, potato pancakes, soda bread and dessert) on , Saturday, March 16 at 6:45 pm. All for your free will donation. Please sign up in advance at either church.

RECORD
BREAKER!

FISH FRY REPORT. . We did it again—another record breaking dinner -- 286. The success of these dinners would not be possible without all the volunteer help you give. Thanks to all the dessert donations. The compliments are heard from many about how good the entire meal is! Hopefully the next dinner, **March 8th**, will be another record breaker.



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16 MARCH 2024

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9:00AM - 5:00PM

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- Praise and Worship
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JOIN US!!!

April 9, 2024

Pilgrimage to:



Blessed Solanus Casey Center in Detroit, Michigan

And

The National Shrine of the Little Flower in Royal Oak Michigan



What to look forward to:

- Bus Transportation provided by Blue Lakes
- Tour, Mass, and Lunch at Blessed Solanus Casey Center
- Tour of The National Shrine of the Little Flower
- Snacks for the Bus included
- Bus will board 7:15am @Holy Family, Ovid Mi
- Bus will return @ approximately 6:45pm

Please mail this completed reservation form to reserve your seat.

Pilgrimage to Blessed Solanus Casey Center & The National Shrine of the Little Flower

TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2024

*****THERE ARE ONLY 34 SEATS AVAILABLE, SO GET YOUR SEAT SOON*****

RESERVATION FORM DEADLINE APRIL 1, 2024, OR WHEN BUS IS FULL

(Money must be received with reservation request.)

Cost per person \$75.00 (includes bus transportation, tours at each pilgrimage location, lunch meal, morning, and afternoon snacks)

_____ of people you are reserving

Names of person(s) going

Daytime contact phone #

Emergency contact phone #

Payment included \$ _____

Please make checks payable to Holy Family Catholic Church and mail registration form and payment to Rich and Carol Theile at 1331 Jackson Drive, Owosso, MI 48867

*****NO REFUNDS WILL BE ALLOWED, AS OUR PRICE IS BASED ON A TOTAL OF 34 PASSENGERS*****

2024 LENTEN SCHEDULE

Ash Wednesday - Feb 14

Noon - Holy Family

6:30 pm - St. Isidore



Palm Sunday - Mar 23 & 24

Saturday

4:00 pm - Holy Family

5:30 pm - St. Isidore

Sunday

9:00 am - St. Isidore

11:00 am - Holy Family



Holy Thursday - Mar 28

6:30 pm - Holy Family

Followed by Adoration

No Mass at St. Isidore

Good Friday Liturgy - Mar 29

Noon - Holy Family

Followed by Stations of the Cross, 1st Day of the Divine Mercy Novena, & Confessions

3:00 pm - St. Isidore

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Easter Vigil - Mar 30

No Mass - Holy Family

8:45 pm - St. Isidore



Easter Sunday

9:00 am - St. Isidore

11:00 am - Holy Family



STATIONS OF THE CROSS - 6:30 pm

Friday Nights

Feb 16 - Holy Family

Confessions 5:30—Stations 6:30

Feb 23 - St. Isidore

Confessions 5:30—Stations 6:30

Mar 1 - Holy Family

Confessions 5:30—Stations 6:30

Mar 8 - St. Isidore

Confessions 5:30—Stations 6:30

Mar 15 - Holy Family

Confessions 5:30—Stations 6:30

Mar 22—St. Isidore

Confessions 5:30—Stations 6:30

HOLY FAMILY - LENTEN FISH FRY

4:30—7:00 pm



Feb 23

Mar 8

Mar 22

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6:30 pm Mass

Adoration & Confessions Following Mass

Until 7:30 pm

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6:30 pm Mass