

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 15, 2026



Today's Readings:

1 S 16:1, 6-7, 10-13
Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6
Eph 5:8-14
Jn 9:1-41

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 **Ovid, Michigan**

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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 —Mar 14— (5:30 PM) † Jack Risch by Larry & Jane Bouke

Sunday — Mar 15 —(9:00 AM) † Jim Leathers by Terry McMonagle

Wednesday—Mar 18— (6:30 PM) Special Intentions of Katie Grettenberger by Susan Canen

Thursday—Mar 19— (8:30 AM) † Carol & † Janelle Slingsby by Chris & Kay Basgall

Friday —Mar 20— (8:30 AM) † Michael McMonagle by Barb Wright

Saturday —Mar 21— (5:30 PM) † Ken "Junior" Brink by Mike & Pam Hurst

Sunday — Mar 22 —(9:00 AM) † John Wood by Karrie Foley-Gerger

HOLY FAMILY, OVID

Saturday—Mar 14— (4:00 PM) † Marlene Call by Scott & Jeanie Honke

Sunday— Mar 15 —(11:00 AM) † Guy Stuart, Jr. by Rich & Carol Theile

Tuesday — Mar 17 — (12:10 PM) † Irma Farmer by Tammy Smith

Thursday—Mar 19—(6:30 PM) People of the Parish

Saturday—Mar 21— (4:00 PM) † Leonard Piotrowski by Terry & Cindy Broome

Sunday— Mar 22 —(11:00 AM) † John Kusnier, Jr. by Larry & Ginger Kusnier 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



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



WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Mar 7 & 8, 2026

St. Isidore Offertory- \$4,841

Holy Family Offertory - \$4,110

Online Offertory: \$1,900

TOTAL: - \$10,851

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.

Remember all of our service members in your prayers.

Craig Henning	Napoleon Martinez, Jr.	Michelle Hurst	Nick & Lucinda Dunay	Doug Maki	Joette Dennis
Ken Latz	Gloria Costello	Usher Jackson	Joe Lorio	Ginther Family	Rosemary Bailey
Pam Morgan	Chris Basgall	Chuck Hazard	Marie Hurst	Steve Izdebski	Mike Jones
Dan Schwartz	Elaine Stewart	Jerome Smith	Cheryl Hurst	Ken White	Todd Fox
Beverly Adcock	Margaret Lane	Jamie Lester	Jeff Watson	Dave Bitner	George Gates
Olivia Klein	Tamera Bodine-Wilson	Melissa Becker	James Parros	Juile Wells	Carol Kolp
Jan Bozung	Ernest Carr	Gary Lundquist	Therese Bruso	Linda Pung	Barb Gialanella
Rick Smith	Shirley Kalocy	Mildred Tejkl	Jim Thering	Pease Family	
Hugh Smith	Liz Miller	Michelle Houska	Tuffy Wolfrom	Marina Easterbrook	
Jan Smith	Kvalevog Family	Lorie Mumby	Nancy Kienitz	Mary Lewis	
Tammy Smith	Dale Coggins	June Leaf	Judy Eyde	Greg & Cynthia Cross	

Notes from Fr. Anthony

Laetare Sunday

It has been a couple of weeks now since we left off in our little - highly abbreviated - journey through what can be called one of the three worst heresies: Arianism, Protestantism and Modernism. If you recall, we found ourselves looking at an actual headline from the New York Times announcing that Pope Paul the VI had "*cancelled the anti-modernist oath*". Notice how it was carefully framed using the negative "**anti**". It could have easily been titled "*Pope cancels oath requiring faithful adherence to the Faith and Teachings of the Church*" as that is what the Oath Against Modernism actually was. While my pointing out this little tidbit might seem like much ado about nothing to some, to the more discerning theological eye, it points to just what progress the heresy had made in the public sphere. The goal was to frame opposition to the heresy in a negative, regressive light. This heresy had its proponents and supporters for many years already within the Church and they carefully guided and shaped the understanding of it among many in the seminaries, universities, colleges and media. In all reality, the oath against modernism would have been relatively unknown to most people as it didn't directly concern them. The common folk simply trusted that those who were to be leading them in the Faith would not intentionally lead them astray. This was something dealing with those in positions of power within the Church who were tasked with leading, teaching and formation.

The goal of those in the Church who had given themselves over to this heresy was to chip away at the foundational aspects of the Faith amongst those who were going to be leaders of the next generations. So it began in the religious orders, seminaries and Catholic universities. A slow, deliberate deformation of the Faith and the conscience. One

of the particular hooks that was used was the nefarious and intentional warping of the understanding of the "*primacy of conscience*". Simplistically speaking, this teaching meant that a person was to obey their conscience in all things. *However, the Church always taught that a conscience must be well formed in the Faith and objective truth before it can be considered a worthy guide for life's decisions.* What modernism did was to deliberately remove the emphasis on the necessity for the conscience to be well formed by the Faith, substituted objective (eternal, never changing) truth for subjective (based on one's own feelings or strictly modern understanding) truth and then simply state that a person was to follow their conscience based simply upon what they thought to be right. Here we have a perfect recipe for disaster. At the end of the day, we all know - whether or not we want to admit it - that we are not always right, that we have made bad decisions and that sometimes we do desire things that are bad or evil. It's part of our human brokenness. One of the goals of modernism was to remove any objective standards except those which the "modern man" deemed important. That our desires were good in so long as we deemed them to be so regardless. Where did this lead to? It led to the current situation in our Church and world today.

Next time we will look at two opposing ends of the result of the Modernist heresy - Pope Paul VI's 1968 encyclical *Humanae vitae* (of human life) and the factions on the right and left in our Church and also how this is connected to what is currently happening with the Society of St. Pius X and the push for episcopal consecrations without the approval of the pope.

God love you, Fr. Anthony

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Mondays—7:30 pm—“Zoom” online Rosary
Thurs—9:00 am—Quilting Ministry—Holy Family
Mar 14—St. Patrick’s Day Dinner—After Mass— St. Isidore
Mar 16—Red Cross Blood Drive / K of C—St. Isidore
Mar 16—6 pm—She Shall Be Called Women—Holy Family
Mar 20—6:30 pm—Stations of the Cross—Holy Family
Mar 21—TMIY—7:30—9:00 am—Holy Family
Mar 23—6 pm—She Shall Be Called Women—Holy Family
Mar 27—4:30-7pm— Lenten Fish Fry—Holy Family
Mar 27—6:30 pm—Stations of the Cross—St. Isidore
Apr 10—4:30-7pm— **LAST** Lenten Fish Fry—Holy Family

DIOCESEAN SERVICE APPEAL (DSA) 2026

DSA continues. Our combined goal is \$40,207. Envelopes will be in the entryways to the church.

**Please write checks to the parish—
NOT the Diocese.**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #12044

Upcoming Events:

Mar 14—St. Patrick’s Day Dinner
Mar 15—Pancake Breakfast
Mar 16—Red Cross Blood Drive
Apr 8—Business Meeting—7:00 pm



Knight of the Month: Tom Mahoney

Family of the Month: OCIA CATECHISTS—St. Isidore:
Roger & Shirley Hughes, Gary & Diana Hurst
OCIA CATECHISTS—Holy Family
Rich & Carol Theile, Elaine Bartholic, Ross Porter

To become a Knight, visit kofc.org/join

WINGS—MEETING

WINGS (Women in God’s Service) will hold their next meeting next Thursday, March 19th, at 1:30 pm in the small hall. Attendees are asked to donate baby items to contribute to six welcome bags for new babies in the parish. We look forward to seeing the women of both worship sites there!



SAVE THE DATE

Mother Daughter Tea

Saturday, May 8

Additional Details
will be forthcoming

LAINGSBURG KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BLOOD DRIVE

St. Isidore Church, 310 Crum Street
Monday, March 16— 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Walk ins will be accepted, but it is recommended that you schedule an appointment at

redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive

Zip Code 48848

Or call 1-800 RED CROSS



2026 LENTEN SCHEDULE

HOLY FAMILY – LENTEN FISH FRY

4:30—7:00 pm

Feb 27

Mar 13

Mar 27

Apr 10



Palm Sunday - March 28/29



Saturday

4:00 pm - Holy Family

5:30 pm - St. Isidore

Sunday

9:00 am - St. Isidore

11:00 am - Holy Family



Holy Thursday - Apr 2

6:30 pm - Holy Family

Followed by Adoration until 8:30 pm

No Mass at St. Isidore

Good Friday Liturgy - Apr 3

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 - Apr 4

8:45 pm - St. Isidore

No Mass - Holy Family



Easter Sunday—Apr 5

9:00 am - St. Isidore

11:00 am - Holy Family



STATIONS OF THE CROSS - 6:30 pm

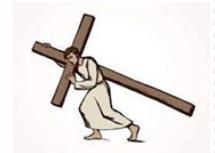
Friday Nights

Feb 20 - Holy Family

Confessions 5:30—Stations 6:30

Feb 27 - St. Isidore

Confessions 5:30—Stations 6:30



Mar 6 - Holy Family

Confessions 5:30—Stations 6:30

Mar 13 - St. Isidore

Confessions 5:30—Stations 6:30

Mar 20 - Holy Family

Confessions 5:30—Stations 6:30

Mar 27—St. Isidore

Confessions 5:30—Stations 6:30

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