

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 9, 2026



AUGUST
Month of the
Immaculate Heart
of Mary

Today's Readings: 1 Kg 19:9, 11-13 Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13—14 Rom 9:1-5 Mt 14:22-33

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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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://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

Saturday —Aug 8— (5:30 PM) † Toni Doyle by Chris & Kay Basgall
Sunday — Aug 9— (9:00 AM) † Russ Jorae by Rick & Adam Curtis
Wednesday—Aug 12— (6:30 PM) † Brad Canen by Susan Canen
Thursday—Aug 13— (8:30 AM) † Fr. Amos Wischmeyer by Brett Lundie
Friday —Aug 14— (8:30 AM) Ken & Jodi Barber 50th Wedding Anniversary
Saturday —Aug 15— (5:30 PM) † Denny Lee Family by Judy Wurm Family
Sunday — Aug 16— (9:00 AM) † Keith Kienitz by Martha Rowley

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

HOLY FAMILY, OVID

Saturday—Aug 8— (4:00 PM) † Blanche Woodbury by Joyce Harska & Family
Sunday— Aug 9 —(11:00 AM) † Irene Salinaz Medina by Denny & Julia Borton
Tuesday — Aug 11—(12:10 PM) For the Healing of Alaina Kachnovich by the Smith Family
Thursday—Aug 13—(6:30 PM) For the People of the Parish
Saturday—Aug 15— (4:00 PM) Randy & Yvonne Cross—50th Wedding Anniversary
Sunday— Aug 16 —(11:00 AM) † Lynn Bolton - 17th Anniversary by Barb & 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

Aug 1 & 2, 2026

St. Isidore Offertory- \$3,543

Holy Family Offertory - \$4,621

Online Offertory: \$1,540

TOTAL: - \$9,705



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.

Remember all of our service members in your prayers.

Craig Henning	Napoleon Martinez, Jr.	Usher Jackson	Marie Hurst	Marina Easterbrook	Mary Lauderdale
Ken Latz	Gloria Costello	Chuck Hazard	Cheryl Hurst	Joette Dennis	Monica Edington
Pam Morgan	Chris Basgall	Jerome Smith	Jeff Watson	Rosemary Bailey	Deacon John
Dan Schwart	Elaine Stewart	Jamie Lester	Therese Bruso	Mike Jones	Mike O'Dell
Beverly Adcock	Margaret Lane	Gary Lundquist	Tuffy Wolf from	Todd Fox	JD Miller
Olivia Klein	Tamera Bodine-Wilson	Mildred Tejkl	Nancy Kienitz	George Gates	George Harris
Jan Bozung	Ernest Carr	Michelle Houska	Judy Eyde	Anna Broome	Nancy Carbarry
Rick Smith	Liz Miller	Lorie Mumby	Doug Maki	Richard Tejkl	
Hugh Smith	Kvalevog Family	June Leaf	Ken White	Wayne Rodrigues	
Jan Smith	Dale Coggins	Nick & Lucinda Dunay	Linda Pung	Kathy Fowler	
Tammy Smith	Michelle Hurst	Joe Lorio	Pease Family	Ron Kruzman	

Notes from Fr. Anthony

On to some more questions that have been submitted. Remember, if you have any questions, please feel free to send them to my email.

I have wondered about at the Last Supper, was the bread and wine actually the body and blood of Christ even though he was alive at the table at that moment? In other words, was that event the very first transubstantiation of the bread and wine in history that occurred? So, the first Last Supper with the disciples was bread and wine then I would imagine breaking an actual loaf of bread caused crumbs. Also, the Early Church would have used leavened or unleavened bread as the Holy Eucharist? Was there any serious concern when any loose bread happened in the Early Church? Did they know it was the true Body of Christ to retrieve it properly or, were they oblivious to it?

Firstly, yes, the first act Transubstantiation (the changing of the substance, not the appearance of the bread and wine into the Eucharist) did happen at the last supper. The first act of Transubstantiation took place then for the very reason that it required the direct action of God in order for it to take place. Christ demonstrated multiple times his power over the laws of nature – multiplying loaves and fishes, walking on water, raising the dead etc. – and it is by His divine power that the Eucharist exists. First, He must institute the sacrifice Himself and then He gives His Apostles and Church the power to continue it. As He is the new Passover lamb, who willingly gives His life in sacrifice – in opposition to the former Passover lambs who were taken by force – He therefore of His own Divine power also gives them the new sacrifice to celebrate, the new Victim giving Himself in offering.

When it comes to the Passover meal and the institution of the Eucharist that followed it, the rules were very strict about how the foods were to be treated and that nothing was to be wasted or left over. They had to ensure that it was totally con-

sumed and if they could not finish it, then they would place the rest in the fire. In Exodus 12, 10 God tells Moses: *“You must not keep any of it beyond the morning; whatever is left over in the morning must be burned up.”* The Passover food was not to be mixed in any way with the foods consumed after as it was a sacrificial meal. As to the bread that was used, it was unleavened bread, that was a requirement for the Passover meal. A loaf of unleavened bread looks very different from what we are used to in terms of loaves of bread and has a very different consistency. It is thin, but not flat and generally has a much lesser tendency to fragment, which is why they literally have to tear it apart; however it still would leave some particles. The hosts we use are also made of unleavened bread and unleavened bread is a requirement for the celebration of the Mass.

We know that plates/platters would have been used for the foods they ate. The early church had a special cloth they would place over the area where they were celebrating the Eucharist to ensure that no particles were lost. This is where the corporal that we use now comes from. This is also where the paten (the gold plate used at Mass) takes its beginning from. St. Hippolytus of Rome, a bishop of the 2nd century, wrote these instructions in ***The Apostolic Tradition***: *But let each of the faithful be zealous, before he eats anything else, to receive the eucharist ... let each one take care that no unbeliever taste the eucharist, nor a mouse nor any other animal, and that **nothing of it fall or be lost**; for the body of Christ is to be eaten by believers and must not be despised.*

And so we see that the early Church was very concerned with the Eucharist and any particles as they possessed the knowledge that it was not simply bread, but the body of Christ.

God love you, Fr. Anthony

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Mondays—7:30 pm—"Zoom" online Rosary
Thurs— **Resumes**—Aug 6—9:00 am—Holy Family
Aug 20—1:30 pm—WINGS—St. Isidore
Aug 30—6:00 pm—OCIA at Holy Family
Sept 13—Noon—Parish Picnic after Mass—Holy Fam
Sept 20—10:30 am—OCIA at St. Isidore
Sept 21—She Shall Be Called Woman—(9 Wks) - HF

WINGS AUGUST MEETING

WINGS will meet at 1:30pm on Thursday, August 20, 2026, in the St. Isidore Small Hall. For this month's community service activity, we will make fleece tie blankets. If you plan to participate in the activity, please take scissors to the meeting. Refreshments will be served. All women of our parish are welcome to attend.

BEFORE THE PARISH PICNIC.....

We are looking for one or two families that would like to clean up the pavilion for the September Parish Picnic. Clean off the cement slab and wipe down the picnic tables, etc. Anyone interested, please contact Steve Fabus at 517-512-0928



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #12044

Upcoming Events:

Aug 12—Business Meeting—7:15 pm



Knight of the Month: Daniel Zeppa

Family of the Month: Fred & Therese Bruso

QUILTING QUIPS. . . . The quilters are back, but we are missing one of the most generous quilters.

Lucille Schiffer was a quilter of extraordinary skills. Lucille would gather 3 pieces of material together and turn out some of the most beautiful quilts. When Lucille couldn't come and quilt with the group, materials were taken to her and returned to us in a matter of weeks, showing her skills. Lucille left us on June 27th, just a few months before celebrating her 100th birthday! Every quilt that she made was treasured by every recipient. We will miss you Lucille but know that you are watching and guiding us still! Thank you for all you did for the group.

The quilting area is slowly getting put back together. Thank you to all our quilters for all your hard work in getting us back to quilting business.

Quilting will meet on Thursday mornings, 9 to noon. We start each gathering with coffee, a cookie and some world problem solving before we get down to the business of making quilts. Please feel free to join us on any Thursday. No sewing experience necessary -- just a willingness to help others!

CATHOLIC HOMESCHOOL FAMILIES!!

Are you looking for a place to fellowship with other area Homeschool families? The Holy Family Home-school Coop has a few openings. We meet roughly three Tuesdays a month at Holy Family Parish in Ov-
id. We start with Mass at noon, enjoy lunch together, and then have a couple different enrichments op-
portunities. We are tentatively planning to learn about some saints together, and explor-
ing conversational Spanish. Other ideas are in the works. We have groups from preschool to High School.

If you are interested in learning more, please contact us by email.

Angela Porta: theportapack2011@gmail.com

Kelli Porter: kelli08porter@gmail.com

An Invitation to join OCIA

Are you looking to deepen your understanding of the Catholic faith? Do you have questions about God, Jesus, or the Church that you are longing to explore? Have you felt a calling to become part of the Catholic community? If so, we warmly invite you to join the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) at St. Isidore-Holy Family.

OCIA is a faith journey designed for those considering joining the Catholic Church or wanting to learn more about it. This program is open to:

- Those who are not baptized
- Those who are baptized in another Christian tradition and wish to become Catholic
- Catholics who were baptized but did not receive further formation or sacraments

Through OCIA, you will have the opportunity to explore the teachings of the Church, engage in meaningful discussions, and grow spiritually in a supportive community. The program includes weekly sessions where we cover a variety of topics related to faith and practice, as well as opportunities for prayer and reflection.

If you are interested in joining OCIA or have any questions, contact:

St. Isidore Church – Roger & Shirley Hughes, OCIA Directors
ocia@stisidorechurch.org
Or call Parish office at 517-651-6722

OCIA at St. Isidore begins September 20, 2026 at 10:30 am

Holy Family Church – Richard & Carol Theile, OCIA Directors
Call or text Richard at 517-599-6113 or Carol at 989-395-0283
Or call Parish office at 989-834-5855

OCIA at Holy Family begins August 30, 2026 at 6:00 pm

We are here to support you every step of the way. We look forward to walking this faith journey with you and helping you discover the richness and depth of the Catholic faith.