

We congratulate 55 of our young parishioners as they celebrate the Sacrament of First Eucharist this weekend. As they receive fully the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, may they be forever blessed with his light and love.

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The Eucharist is essential for us: it is Christ who wishes to enter our lives and fill us with his grace.

Harvest News

APRIL 25, 2021 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER





CONNECTING POINT

This Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday, a time where we celebrate the Lord's immense care for us. Pastors, the head priests at a parish, dedicate their entire lives to shepherd us closer to God. The word pastor is actually rooted in a Latin word meaning shepherd. It is very common on Good Shepherd Sunday to offer prayers for our priests. Outside of our priests, have you ever thought about the other people who have helped you to know God?

I would argue that every person who has showed us love, has helped us to get a glimpse of God: a mother who nurtures us with care, a father who stoically goes about the day always doing the right thing, a grandmother who teaches us how to cook, a grandfather who teaches us how to fish, an older cousin who sits and listens to us, a coach who leads a prayer before a practice or game, a teacher who humbly assists a student even when they are being intentionally difficult, a neighbor who shovels your walk or brings in your garbage can without being asked, or a boss who spends time to work with you so you perform better

in the future. Acts of kindness and love abound, and each of the doers of these acts helps us to see God.

Of all of the beautiful stained glass windows at St. Isidore, my favorite is the depiction of the Good Shepherd. I am drawn to this window with its rich colors and the image of our Father holding us, the proverbial sheep, in his arms. It brings me comfort. I feel a similar comfort when reflecting on all of the wonderful people who have helped me to know God. Take

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CALENDAR



7:30 AM Mass CH 9:30 AM Mass CH

11:30 AM Mass CH

1:00 PM Bright Beginnings CR9 & CR10

5:30 PM Mass CH 6:30 PM SITE Mtg YR



8:00 AM Mass CH



8:00 AM Mass CH



7:00 AM Adoration CH 8:00 AM Mass CH



6:30 AM Men's Bible Study 3:00 AM Mass CH
9:00 AM Bible Study CR9 & CR10
10:00 AM Bible Study - Acts of the Apostles CR9 & CR10



4:30 PM Mass CH 5:30 PM May Crowning CH



8:00 AM Mass CH



7:30 AM Mass CH
9:30 AM Mass CH
10:30 AM RCIA FCR
11:30 AM Mass CH
5:30 PM Mass CH
6:30 PM SITE Mtg YR

A-Atrium, CH-Church, CR-Classrooms, CY-Courtyard, ECR-Executive Conference Room, FCR-Front Conference Room FO-Front Office, GS-Gathering Space, K-Social Hall Kitchen, MR-Music Room, PL-Parking Lot, OS-Off Site, RC-Resource Center, REC-Rectory, SH-Social Hall, YR-Youth Room, Virtual

MASS INTENTIONS

SAT. APRIL 24 4:30 PM

- † **Joseph Sribniak** Mother, Jeanette
- † Mary Russo Family
- **† Gerald Stafford** Brother
- † **Gerri Stafford** Family
- **+ William Goike**Wife, Gina and Family
- † **Stephen and Lottie Muzyk** Muzyk Family
- † **Joyce Hobbs** Jerry and Family
- † **Fernando Difelice** Family
- † Joseph Family

SUN. APRIL 25 7:30 AM

- † Patricia Kush Helen
- † **Ken Meerschaert, Sr.** June Walewski
- * Gus and Mary Spriet Family
- * Msgr Ferdinand DeCneudt Family
- * William Goike Wife, Gina and Family
- † **Ilene Popko** Popko Family
- † **Leo Silvestri wedding anniv** Wife, Carla
- † **Marino Guy** Mafalda Stabile

SUN. APRIL 25 9:30 AM

- Virginia Bova
 Rita Bova
- † **Don and Dan Berry** Goike Family

SUN. APRIL 25 11:30 AM

- † Helen Suzanne Bruck Mary Lou Wholihan
- † Theodore Ngoujou Family
- † **Antonino Palazzolo** Mary Censoplano
- † Frank Bruck Bruck Family
- † **Michael Bruck** Bruck Family
- † **Giuseppa Palazzolo** Mary Censoplano

SUN. APRIL 25 5:30 PM

† Don & June Holland Family Julie Faletta BDAY

Sister

MON. APRIL 26 8:00 AM

TUE. APRIL 27 8:00 AM

WED. APRIL 28 8:00 AM

THU. APRIL 29 8:00 AM

- † Antonia Valentini ANNIV Daughter
- * Stefano De Bellis Wife

FRI. APRIL 30 8:00 AM

SAT. MAY 1 4:30 PM

- † Robert Bronson Family
- † James J. Budzynowski Larry & Debbie Kudla
- † **Joyce Hobbs** Jerry and Family
- † **Joseph Pistono** Michael & Rose Burtnyk
- † Bob VanEenoo Wife
- † Rosamma Family

SUN. MAY 2 7:30 AM

† Nancy Campbell John & Elizabeth Curell Pellerito Family Family

Evelyn Edwards Mary Lou & Ron Pratt

- † **Rita Stefaniak** Carolyn & Douglas Josey
- † Polly & Guy Dennis Skupny Family
- † **Ilene Popko** Popko Family
- † Ilio Benvenuti Sister, Carla
- † Rosalie Goike 26TH ANNIV Irene Goike

SUN. MAY 2 9:30 AM

† **Stella Sanders** Judy Homrocky and Family

SUN. MAY 2 11:30 AM

The Menard & Daniels Families Family

† Franco Serina Rosa Marano

SUN. MAY 2 5:30 PM

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MONDAY - THURSDAY

FRIDAY 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

LUNCH HOUR 12:00 - 1:00 PM (M, W, Th, F) 12:00 - 1:30 PM (T)



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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Help honors when to the bread that nourishes it adds the visit that consoles, the advice that enlightens, the friendly shake of the hand that lifts up the sinking courage; when it treats the poor man with respect, not only as an equal but as a superior, since he is suffering what perhaps we are incapable of suffering; since he is the messenger of God to us, sent to prove our justice and our charity, and to save us by our works.

-Blessed Frederic Ozanam

Antoine-Frédéric Ozanam (April 23, 1813 – September 8, 1853) was a French literary scholar, lawyer, journalist and equal rights advocate. While he was a student, he and a group of friends gathered to have lively discussions and social teachings of the Gospel was a favorite topic. At one meeting during a heated debate in which Ozanam and his friends were trying to prove from historical evidence alone the truth of the Catholic Church as the one founded by Christ, their adversaries declared that, though at one time the Church was a source of good, it no longer was. One voice issued the challenge, "What is your church doing now? What is She doing for the poor of Paris? Show us your works and we will believe you!"

As a consequence, in May, 1833 Ozanam and a group of other young men founded the charitable Society of Saint Vincent de Paul for the sanctification of its members by personal service to the poor. Innumerable Catholic parishes have established "conferences," most of which affiliate with a diocesan council. Among its varied efforts to offer material help to the poor or needy, the Society also has thrift stores which sell donated goods at a low price and raise money for the poor. There are a great variety of outreach programs sponsored by the local conferences and councils, addressing local needs for social service. Blessed Frederic Ozanam's birthday was this past Friday.

The parishioners of St. Isidore have restocked our pantry so well that we only need \$25 gift cards from Kroger and Meijer for emergency fresh food. Thank you!

Also, our St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store on Van Dyke is open to receiving other types of donations (clothing, books, houseware, decorations, etc.) that we cannot accept. God bless.



BABY PANTRY

We give daily prayerful thanks to all parishioners who fill our baby pantry shelves. Please continue to bring in items we request as these are the most needed.

However... we ask that you do not donate used clothes to us. We cannot distribute these items. Our baby pantry does accept new children's clothes sizes 6 months to 2T with tags still attached.

Our mission is to reach out to very low-income single moms and families with infants and toddlers under the age of two. It is through you, the St. Isidore parishioners, in your name, and with your donations, that our ministry is able to do this work of evangelization. We are very grateful for all of your donations.

Our current pantry needs are:

- $\hfill \square$ Boys summer clothes sizes 2T and 24 months
- □ New toddler books

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Christian living is about being 'touched' by Jesus so that the fleeting moments of glory are made permanent in bettering the lives of others. And so we bring the tenderness of Christ to all persons who are destitute and forgotten. In this way Christ touches others through us.

-Anonymous

We thank you for your generosity!

PRAYER BLANKET MINISTRY

Prayer blankets and shawls are available. Call the office during normal business hours.

Our Prayer Blanket/Shawl Ministry always prays for the recipients of our hand-crafted items. We encourage you to pray for those who receive comfort from your gift of a blessed blanket or shawl. Praying for our friends is so important because sometimes they fight battles they'll never share with us. We need to make sure they're covered with prayer and comfort.

There are times when we know people who need comfort and prayer. Sometime or another, everyone faces serious problems: sickness, the death of a family member or friend, depression, disappointment, frustration, you name it. People need comfort. Where shall they find it? In God, of course, and through us, as Jesus called us to do.

The "love of neighbor" command is ours to embrace. We can bring this love to someone by a visit and a gift of one of our prayer blankets or shawls.

Please give a prayer blanket or shawl, which are available through the Church office, to someone who needs comfort this week. There is no charge for these items. Get and give a blanket or shawl to a person you know. Call the office 586-286-1700 to arrange your pick-up of one of these items.

Thank you for your participation in this ministry. "The Comfort Crafters"



READINGS

SUNDAY

Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

MONDAY

Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3-4; Jn 10:1-10

TUESDAY

Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 10:22-30

WEDNESDAY

Acts 12:24—13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8; Jn 12:44-50

THURSDAY

Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27; Jn 13:16-20

FRIDAY

Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab; Jn 14:1-6

SATURDAY

Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 14:7-14

SUNDAY

Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8



WHAT'S HAPPENING



MAY CROWNING

SATURDAY, MAY 1

Rosary, scripture and prayers in honor of the Blessed Mother following the 4:30 Mass.



FOOD DRIVE

SATURDAY, MAY 15

Benefitting St. Peter Lutheran Church, St. Isidore Church, Immanuel Lutheran Church, and Trinity Lutheran Church and sponsored by The Macomb Charitable Foundation. Drop off your donations at St. Isidore on May 15 from 9 AM until noon.

All donations are welcome, but they are hoping for: boxed cereal, pancake mix & syrup, breakfast bars, canned tuna, canned chicken, canned fruit, boxed rice, baby diapers/wipes/food, boxed or bagged potatoes, pasta and pasta sauce, shelf stable juice, dessert mixes, peanut butter, jelly, applesauce, soup, gift cards for fresh fruit and meat.

Questions? Call 586-232-3473

S.I.T.E. RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS

As part of our Lenten journey each S.I.T.E. teen was given \$40 (funds collected from our summer bottle drive) to be used in Random Acts of Kindness. The only 'rules' were: they were encouraged to pray to see where the Holy Spirit would lead them, they needed to donate to at least two different organizations/ needs and they were to journal their donations and experiences. Each week will be featured a teen's journal.

Mindy:

- DAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL FOOD DRIVE: Went to store and bought canned food to donate to "Cougar Closet" at school. It felt good to help out in the community, knowing I was able to provide a student with something they couldn't get themselves.
- ST. JUDE'S HOSPITAL: When I was younger, a kid I went to elementary school with sadly passed away from

- cancer at age of five. I chose to donate to St. Jude's in memory of him, hoping it will help other kids with cancer.
- Family Friend in Vietnam: My Mom's friend (from Vietnam), is not as fortunate as us. She struggles to provide for her family. Every year my Mom sends over money and I decided to give the rest of my money to help her out. I felt happy being able to help someone that I knew needed help.



Let's make time to speak personally to Jesus. Join fellow church members each Wednesday from the comfort of your home, workplace, etc., in spending 10 minutes in prayer anytime day or evening. Enlist your family, a friend, or perhaps you prefer a quiet place to meditate. Prayers can be formal or not, including singing or reading scripture. You could offer your work, a kind act, or make a sacrifice as your prayer. We are called to be a holy people (set aside for sacred use). As we focus our mind and heart on Jesus, He transforms us, re-creating us into the ones he designed us to be.

This week's Intention: Signs of God's Presence

Suggested Prayer: Father, make me aware of Your Presence today. You scatter precious treasures throughout my day for me to enjoy; signs of Your care. Open my eyes to actively seek them. Let me not rush through my day so I will take a moment to fully appreciate them and give thanks to You for these blessings. Amen.

Suggested Activity: Signs from God are personal and often quite simple. Is it for you the sun breaking through the clouds, the song of birds, someone's smile, a phone call from a friend, a job well done, laughter of children, a delicious meal? Take time today to find the treasures God has just for you.

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S.I.T.E YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth in grades 9-12 & their friends are invited!

Contact Beth Beebe at (586)286-1700 ext. 2116 beth@stisidore.church

MEETINGS

Sunday, April 25 / 6:30pm Sunday, May 2 / 6:30pm Sunday, May 9 / No Mtg Sunday, May 16 / 6:30pm

DID YOU KNOW?

In 2016 while celebrating Mass on the feast of All Saints, Pope Francis spoke about the need for a new set of beatitudes "to confront the troubles and anxieties of our age with the spirit and love of Jesus." He came up with six. Here are three of them:

Blessed are those who remain faithful while enduring evils inflicted on them by others and forgive them from their heart.

Blessed are those who see God in every person and strive to make others also discover him.

Blessed are those who renounce their own comfort in order to help others.

- THE LITTLE WHITE BOOK, MAY 17, 2021 REFLECTION



CONNECTING POINT

a few moments today, Good Shepherd Sunday, to reflect on these mini "shepherds" in your life and pray for the grace to reciprocate this care to those people who are looking to you so that they can more fully know God.

RECENTLY

REST IN PEACE



FRANK CAVEZZA

Entered eternal life on March 15

BAPTISMS APR 17/18



ADDISON ELISE SEPPEY Daughter of Craig and Erin

PRAYER WALL

STISIDORE.CHURCH/PRAYER-WALL

The Prayer Wall is a place on our website where anyone can share a prayer intention and also pray for others. There is an option for the requester to ask to have someone contact and pray with them as well.



My sister-in-law, Brigit, who has several health issues, is in ICU with ventilator. Please pray for her. Thanks.



Requested by Paul Dolfus



Please pray for my wife Agnes, who is having heart and sugar problems, and going to have a cardiac catheterization procedure on this Friday. Thanks.



Requested by PAUL V DOLFUS



Please pray for my friend Jim who is suffering with an unknown illness.



Requested by Chris



For the repose OF the souls of Lily Tolentino and **Balbina Tacderas**



Requested by Laura V tacderas



Write your own prayer request on our Prayer Wall:

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WE PRAY FOR THE SICK



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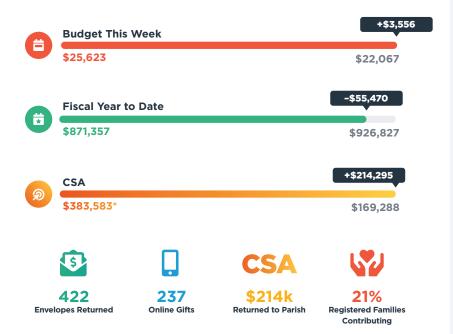
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OFFERTORY REPORT

AS OF 4/19/2021



Please consider helping out the church during this difficult time by making any contribution that you are able. We greatly appreciate and need your generosity now more than ever!

^{*}Now that we have surpassed our CSA goal, every dollar given to the CSA will be returned to the parish in full. As a reminder, monies received through CSA are not assessed by the Archdiocese (7%) nor are they part of future CSA calculations (14.5%).



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What does Jesus say about His life?

Find the words hidden in the word search to fill in the blanks below.

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"The reason My Father loves Me is that I $___$ down							
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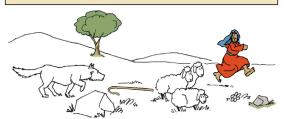
What does Jesus say about the hired hand?

Fill in the missing vowels, in order, to find out.

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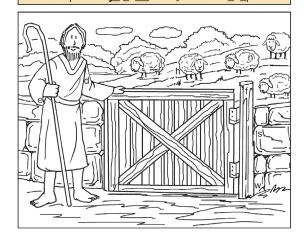
April 25, 2021 · John 10:11-18

Jesus, the Good Shepherd

Jesus says He is the Good Shepherd. What does He say that means?

Find the underlined letters hidden in the picture below.

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down His life for the sheep."



Jesus talks about the Father, the sheep and Himself. What does He say?