

CONNECTING POINT

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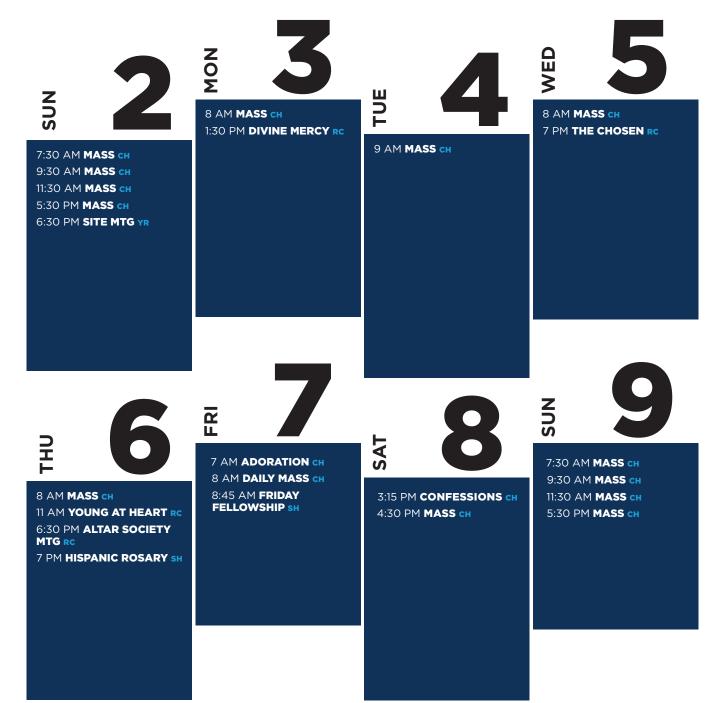
Where do I spend my thoughts, time, talents and treasures? We can all admit we have things we really love... myself included. We look forward with great anticipation to vacations, windsurfing and boating adventures, a good game of golf or tennis, a good romance novel, wine, dinner out, shopping for a new outfit for a special occasion or even just shopping for the fun of it. (Guilty as charged.) None of our favorite things or activities are necessarily bad or even sinful in themselves. But, do we balance our time, attention and money for "thing love," with our priority to work on our "people love?" Do we ever use "thing love" as an escape from "people love?" "This is my commandment: love one another as I love you." John 15:12

When our investment in the things we love outweighs our attention and time spent to love and care for others, there is an imbalance in the way God wants us to really love. Are we consumers or lovers first? We consume things and activities

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Calendar

JULY 2 - 9



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, VIR-Virtual, HSW-Holy Spirit Wing, HFW-Holy Family Wing



Graduation Mass / Reception

Congratulations to St. Isidore's Class of 2023! May the next part of your life's journey include God every step of the way and may you be open to the Holy Spirit's guidance. Mother Mary, please pray for them. For those who were able to attend, there was a special Graduation Mass and Reception on June 11. A huge thank you to our Knights of Columbus who provided the Reception / Breakfast. Once again, they truly went above and beyond.

EVENTS



SAT | JUL 1 | 3:50 PM FIRST SATURDAY ROSARY

Please join us Saturday, July 1, to pray a special *Patriotic Rosary* for our country, its leadership, and blessings for the people in each state. We will finish in time for private reflection before the 4:30 PM Mass.



THUR | JUL 6 | 11 AM | ST. THERESE

FALL PREVENTION PRESENTATION

The St. Therese of Lisieux's Health Ministry will be hosting a one-hour presentation on fall prevention, balance issues and strengthening exercises on July 6. Sara Geismann PT, DPT, from Plymouth Physical Therapy will be the speaker. RSVP at (586) 254-4433 Ext.#320 or marilync@stol.church. A light lunch will be provided.



SUN | JUL 9 | 3 PM SPECIAL NEEDS MASS

St. Isidore's Knight's of Columbus Council #7200 will be hosting a Special Needs Mass. The Order of Alhambra, Galicia Caravan #77, will be joining the K of C to assist with the Mass. This Order is a Catholic organization whose mission is to assist with intellectually and developmentally disabled children.

All parishioners are welcome to attend. A light dinner will be served after Mass in the Parish Social Hall. RSVP if staying for dinner by Thurs, June 29 to Don Kaiser: (586) 899-5366 or dkaiser47222@gmail.com. Please include your name and the number of attendees.



THUR | JUL 20 | 7 PM | ST. FRANCIS / ST. MAX ENCOUNTERING CHRIST

We are happy to welcome Fr. William Promesso as our guest speaker. Fr. Bill earned a Doctor of Ministry in Preaching degree from the Aquinas Institute of Theology. Come and be transformed by God's grace through uplifting praise and worship music, powerful witness and preaching, adoration, confession, benediction and silent prayer.



MON - FRI | JUL 24 - 28 | 9:15 AM - 12:30 PM

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS Blasts off Monday, July 24! Come join us for an *Out of this World* adventure! Spaces are filling fast! \$20 per child. Forms are available on the KIOSK in the Gathering Space or in the Parish Office. Contact Dawn Ormsby at (586) 286-1700 to sign up or for more information.



SUN | JUL 30 | 12 - 4 PM

RAISE HOPE & FOSTER DREAMS

St. Isidore will host, with DHHS of Oakland and Macomb Counties, a fun-day event for all who would like to attend (need not be a parishioner). Foster Care families and their children will be invited also. The free event includes: bounce house, petting zoo, face painting, age appropriate arts and crafts, DJ music, and food and drinks. Please come and support the foster care families and find out more about the needs and programs available in our area through DHHS. If you would like more information or have questions please contact Dave Rizzi at info@ stisidore.church.



MON - FRI | SEPT 11 - 21 PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

Join Fr. Joe Dailey and Fr. Ryan McMillin on an Italian pilgrimage from September 11-21, 2023 including Rome, Assisi, Florence, Bologna, Venice and Milan. Includes 11 Days9 Nights. Price per person, \$4,250 (double occupancy) Learn more and register at stisidore.church/fr-joe-italy.

Connecting Point (cont'd)

we really love, but they may in turn consume us and alienate us from others, if we do not work to keep our lives and what we love in balance.

"There's nothing new about the idea that consumption doesn't lead to happiness-that concept is a mainstay of just about every religion, and many philosophical traditions as well. Arguably, Karl Marx's greatest insight came from his theory of alienation, in part defined as a sense of estrangement from the self that comes from being part of a materialistic society in which we are cogs in an enormous market-based machine." (Are we Trading Our Happiness for Modern Comforts? Arthur C. Brooks, The Atlantic.com, October 22, 2020)

"We love because he first loved us." 1 John 4:19 We consume the Body and Blood of Christ at Mass, as a means to feed our souls and remind us we are made to love others and care for those in need, as Christ cares for us. It is easy to love our favorite things but sometimes hard to love people... even people in our own families. Christ is there to help us.

Real love without expectations includes caring for people who have hurt us, with whom we disagree, or people of other traditions and cultures... especially those people who we never expect will "return the favor." We are called to His higher Love, but higher love takes work. It is not frivolous, impulsive or self-gratifying. Real "people love" requires consistent focus and determination to be open, kind, forgiving, and sometimes even uncomfortable. Pope Francis calls us to spend time with people in the margins. Do we visit someone who doesn't get visitors, like those in prison, the hospital or assisted living? Do we give to the poor or volunteer for a food distribution or soup kitchen?

St. Isidore offers many opportunities for us to care for others in need including Knights of Columbus events, St. Vincent de Paul, Baby Pantry, Forgotten Harvest Distribution, and our annual summer MCREST experience. If you are looking for a way to get more involved close to home, we have something right here for you to really love.

"It all comes down to this, Love God, Love people." Danny Gokey

SVDP PANTRY / MEIJER SUBMISSION



The new Meijer Grocery Store on 24 Mile Rd. and Hayes has chosen our SVdP Pantry for the store's Simply Give "Summer Campaign" which begins July 2 and runs to September 30. Meijer customers are encouraged to purchase a \$10 Simply Give donation card (not a Meijer gift card) located in a display near the checkout. Once purchased, the donation is converted into a Meijer Food-Only Gift Card and donated directly to our SVdP Food Pantry. Meijer customers shopping online, using Meijer pickup or home delivery, can also purchase Simply Give donation cards as an add-on to their orders.

We will have double match days on August 12 and September 9 where any purchase of a \$10 *Simply Give* donation card will be doubled by the store. Each \$10 donation will turn into \$30 for our pantry. We will keep you updated as these days get closer. We encourage all of St. Isidore's parishioners to shop at the new Meijer Grocery Store and support our SVdP Food Pantry by purchasing donation cards.

Thank You!



Faith Formation

Upcoming Events

- Month of July // On-Line Discipleship Formation Registration Continues
- Vacation Bible School Donation Requests in Gathering Space - Due by July 23
- July 24-28 Stellar Vacation Bible School - Registration Continues until July 10

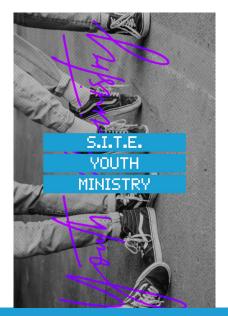


13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus welcomes everyone. So we too should welcome anyone in his name. "Anyone who welcomes Jesus welcomes the One who sent him." Matthew 10:40

FAMILY TIME

Take time this week to see a local fireworks display as a family. Don't forget to bring your blankets, chairs, bug spray, and some snacks! Happy Fourth of July week!



Youth Ministry

Upcoming Events

Sun, Jul 2 // 6:30 PM Mtg

Power in Prayer

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I urge... that petitions, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgiving be made for all peoplefor kings and those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. 1 Timothy 2:1-7

This Week's Intention: Our Country

Suggested Prayer: Heavenly Father, Creator of the heavens and earth, we are confident that You sovereignly place every leader and that You have marked the days for which You use them for Your purposes. By Your mighty hand we pray that You would be merciful to our nation to work in the hearts of those to whom You give authority.





Did You Know? Fun Facts About Michigan

Michigan's name was derived from the Indian word Michigama, meaning great or large lake. It became the 26th state on Jan. 26, 1837. The capital was moved from Detroit to Lansing on Jan. 1, 1879. The capitol building is topped by a cast iron dome, one of the first states to have this, and was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1992. Michigan, the 10th most populous state, boasts a population of over 10 million. In 1931 the American Robin was chosen as state bird, in 1965 the Trout was designated as the state fish, and in 1897, the Apple Blossom was designated the state flower. Other interesting designations include Mastadon-state fossil, White-tailed deer-state mammal, Painted turtle-state reptile, Chlorastrolite (green star stone)-state gem, Kalkaska Sand-state soil, Petoskey Stone-state stone, White Pine-state tree, and Dwarf Lake Irisstate wildflower. Amaze your friends and family with your knowledge of Michigan, the Wolverine State. God bless Michigan and all who reside here.

St. Vincent de Paul

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Helping a person in need is good in itself; but the degree of goodness is hugely affected by the attitude with which it is done. And joy is the appropriate attitude with which to help others because acts of generosity are a source of blessing to the giver as well as the receiver.

St. John Chrysostom

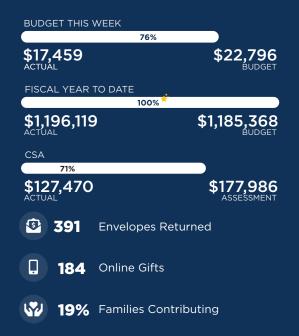
We wish everyone a very happy and safe July 4th! It is such a blessing to see how joyful everyone is as they donate items to the pantry! Thank You! Please keep our pantry list in mind as you shop in stores or on-line this week.

- □ Toothpaste
- □ Manwich
- Deodorant Men's and Women's
- □ Kleenex
- □ Laundry Soap 50 Loads or Less
- □ Pasta and Rice Sides
- □ Peanut Butter
- □ Jelly
- Helpers Tuna, Chicken, Hamburger
- □ Tomato Soup
- □ Chicken Noodle Soup
- Elbow Pasta
- □ Canned Ravioli and Spaghetti-O's
- □ Spaghetti Sauce Jars
- □ Chili
- Canned Fruit Any Kind
- □ Candy
- □ Crackers
- 🗆 Tuna
- 🛛 \$25 Gift Cards Meijer, Kroger, Walmart

Meijer has selected us for another "season" (three months) for the Simply Give Program at the new Meijer Grocery Store on 24 Mile and Hayes. You can purchase items from our list or buy \$10 Simply Give donation cards that will transfer into a gift card at the end of September that we can use to fill the holes in our pantry.

God Bless, St. Vincent de Paul Society

Giving Report



Thank you! Your dedication to the CSA allowed our 2022 campaign to again be a major success. As of May 1, we are now focused on the 2023 campaign. All gifts received from this point forward, until April 2024, will benefit the 2023 campaign.

Visit stisidore.church/give for the safest and easiest way to support St. Isidore

How to donate to St. Vincent de Paul

- Put Cash or a Check (made out to St. Isidore SVDP) in an envelope marked SVDP and put it in the collection basket as Mass
- Pay by credit card at: www.osvhub.com/stisidore/ giving/funds

We use all donations to help your neighbors who are in financial distress with rent, utilities, and food. All donations are tax deductible.

Prayer Blanket Ministry

Happy 4th of July! Independence Day is a time to remember our freedoms and to thank God for them.

Someone you know is hurting, suffering, lonely, depressed, nervous, or afraid... Please consider bringing that person a blanket or shawl.

Blankets, shawls, and rosaries are offered to parishioners for their family member or friend who has a need for comfort. There is no charge. Stop in the church office for these items.

We ask that you share this ministry information with other parishioners.

Thank you, The Comfort Crafters.

Baby Pantry

God bless America! Happy 4th of July to all people in this great country. We wish everyone a peaceful and blessed Independence Day! May you and your family spend a joyous day as you celebrate the 4th with a heart full of patriotism and kindness!

Too many families in our area need baby items they cannot afford.

Donations are a tremendous gift to them. This week, please say a special prayer each day for the low-income families who benefit from your generosity. You give them hope. God bless each and every one of you!

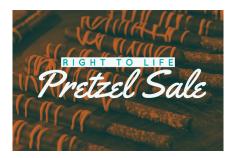
Right now, we need:

- Baby wash, especially Johnson's "Head to Toe"
- Diapers size Newborn

• Baby lotion (the pink stuff)

The gratitude of moms who receive your gifts is overwhelming.

St. Isidore Baby Pantry Volunteers



Right to Life Thanks

A big Thank you to all parishioners for supporting Right to Life at the Mother's Day carnation sale and the Father's Day chocolate bar sale! Due to your generosity we were able to raise over \$1,400. Your donations are so very important at this critical time in helping to promote a culture of life. Please continue to pray for an end to abortion and check out the KIOSK and bulletin board for ways to get involved. Thank you!

We pray for the sick...

Jason Abbate Joseph Andary Steve Andree **Bob** Agius Mary Agius Maria Antonuccio Arceni Barrocal Bradley Beck Scott Bell Meagan Betcher Sam Biondo Jonathan Bisdorf Rita Bova Thomas Breen Stephen Bruck Diane Buckenhizer Stephanie Burk Edward Campbell Mary Ann Campbell Geri Chambers Tony Caruso Rose Chesnev Carol Chianese Frank Chianese Emilio Coletti Wayne Corey

Noah Ryan Danski Rosalie Debeaussaert Pam DeClerc David DeKevser Kathy Demeter Maria De Santis Gisalla DiBella Jackie Duncan Janet Dwver Judy Elskens Edmond Essad John Farsakian Isaiah Ford William Francis Haberkamp Family Geraldine Hock Lisa Hohmann Barb Hoover Joshua Hugo Najy Jaboro Mike Jamula Greg Johnson Nika Juncai Devin Kachar Scott Kadets Georgiann Kaptur

Susan Karidis Kathy Karpinski Kenneth Karpinski Maysoon Kashat Mvra Keiffer Patricia Kellogg Kathleen V. Kempisty Tony Kendzierski Michelle Konal Sharon Koscielski Sabrina Kozlowski Nancy Krantz Paulie Lavigne Michael Lepoudre Roberto LiCavoli Donald Loeb Don Macioce Conner MacKenzie Matt Maday Rocco Maiuri Geri Marini Tracy Schmitz Marshall KayCee Mattson Janet McDonald Sue Merlano Mary Messana

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And those who serve

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in Peace Entered eternal life on..

MABLE HENGSTEBECK June 22



Mass Intentions

SAT. JUL 1 4:30 PM

- Ronald Johns (Bday), Family
- Dora Andary (25th Anniv), Family
- + Keith Preston, Sapienza Family
- Leonard Sapienza, Sapienza Family
 Edward Kosinski and Genevieve,
- Bingard, Sapienza Family
- + Veronica & Jacob Kosinski, Sapienza Family
- ↑ Joan Orsini (Anniv), Husband
- **†** Remo & Giuseppa, Son, John Orsini
- + Angela DeGasperis, Brother, John Orsini
- + Stella & Max Sobolewski, Son, Lawrence

SUN. JUL 2 7:30 AM

- Pellerito Family, Daughter
 Evelyn Edwards, Mary Lou & Ron Pratt
- David Gregory Schmitz, Mary Lee and Karen Grzenkowicz
- + Sylvester Cook, Virginia and Family

SUN. JUL 2 9:30 AM

- People of St. Isidore Parish **†** David Gasparovich. Wife and Family
- Noah Ryan Danski, Grumpy & Busha

SUN. JUL 2 11:30 AM

 Robert Mason, Family Klerk Pllumaj, Family

SUN. JUL 2 5:30 PM

- + Grace Salamie (Bday), Cheryl & Bill Cobert
- ↑ Charlene Hicks, Hicks Family
- + Stella & Max Sobolewski, Son, Lawrence

MON. JUL 3 8:00 AM

- † Loretta Pakizer, Kim & Rich
- 🕈 Antonia Valentina, Daughter
- John Maciag, Irene Maciag
 Bennet Boundy (1st Bday), Susan & George Ball
- James Smarr, Mary Harris

TUES. JUL 4 9:00 AM

WED. JUL 5 8:00 AM

Desi Paquette, Elaine Schmitt

THUR. JUL 6 8:00 AM

FRI. JUL 7 8:00 AM

↑ Bill Dettloff, Pat Saelens

SAT. JUL 8 4:30 PM

- Loretta Pakizer, Kim & Rich
- + Larry Prudhomme (Bday), Wife, Sherry
- ✤ Garry Fix (Bday), Pugh Family
- Michael Majchrzak, Wife, Eleanor
- ↑ Ben & Dorothy Decker, Family
- Dolores Busacca, Family
- Mary & Joseph Maslonka (Wed Anniv), Daughter, Helene
- **†** Fr. Francis Faraci, Sapienza Family
- Laverne Biskner, Kathy & Jeff Muzyk Georgiann Kaptur, Friends from Money Counters

SUN. JUL 9 7:30 AM

- + Domenica & Pasquale Spalvieri, Daughter
- + Barb Haworth, French Family

SUN. JUL 9 9:30 AM

- + Remo Spalvieri, Sister
- Gail Schoenherr, Burt & Kathy Berridge Noah Ryan Danski, Grumpy & Busha

SUN. JUL 9 11:30 AM

People of St. Isidore Parish

- Janet Stevens (14th Anniv), Husband
 Giorgio Pascucci (9th Anniv), Margaret & Serafina Pascucci
- Klerk Pllumaj, Family + Vincent Binsfield, Family

SUN. JUL 9 5:30 PM

+ Leonardo Moreno, Family

Readings

SUNDAY

2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42

MONDAY

Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 20:24-29

TUESDAY

Gn 19:15-29; Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12; Mt 8:23-27

WEDNESDAY

Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Mt 8:28-34

THURSDAY

Gn 22:1b-19; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Mt 9:1-8

FRIDAY

Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5; Mt 9:9-13

SATURDAY

Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:14-17

SUNDAY

Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

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