HARVEST NEWS

St. Isidore CHURCH

March 1, 2026
2ND SUNDAY OF LENT



CONNECTING POINT

Msgr. John Kasza - Moderator frjohn@stol.church

Too often, we become complacent and do the same old, same old. Why? Because it's easy; it's comfortable; it's effortless. However, it's also lazy. When we are lazy, we become idle, and, as the saying goes, "idle hands are the devil's workshop." As Catholic Christians, we cannot afford to be lazy. We cannot allow idleness or complacency to become the norm, especially in our spiritual lives. Abram was asked to leave the comfort of his kinsfolk's land and travel to unknown parts. In the process, God made of Abram a great nation. He became the ancestor of the Jews, Muslims, and Christians. His descendants became more numerous than the stars. But moving out of our comfort zones requires courage, trust, and faith.

When Jesus took Peter, James, and John to the top of Mount Tabor, it was a walk of trust. They were about to experience something that would shake their faith. I've been to the top of Tabor; the journey is long and difficult, and it would have been even more so in the first century. At the top are views of the Megiddo valley and the surrounding mountain ranges. There is a tradition that the Battle of Armageddon may be fought in the valleys below Mount Tabor. In any case, Jesus chose this site to reveal His divine nature to

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Calendar

MARCH 1 - 8

SUN 1

COFFEE & DONUTS AFTER 7:30 AND 9:30 MASSES
7:30 AM **MASS** CH
9:30 AM **MASS/CLW** CH
10:30 AM **OCIA** ECR/CR9 & 10
11:30 AM **MASS/CLW** CH
1 PM **SLOWING DOWN TO THE SPEED OF JOY** SH
5:30 PM **MASS/CLW** CH

MON 2

8 AM **MASS** CH
8:45 AM **ARMCHAIR AEROBICS** RC
1:30 PM **DIVINE MERCY** RC
4:30 PM **DISCIPLESHIP FORMATION** CH
6:15 PM **DISCIPLESHIP FORMATION** CH
6:30 PM **FELLOWSHIP MTG** ECR
7 PM **PARISH NURSE MTG** FCR

TUE 3

6:30 AM **MEN'S BIBLE** VIR
8 AM **MASS** CH
9 AM **ADORATION** RC
9 AM **THE PROPHETS** CR9
9 AM **ROSARY MAKER** ECR
1 PM **COMFORT CRAFT** SH
4:30 PM **DISCIPLESHIP FORMATION** CH
5 PM **JOYFUL NOISE CHILDREN'S REHEARS** MR
6:15 PM **DISCIPLESHIP FORMATION** CH
6:30 PM **BAPTISM CLASS** RC
7 PM **USHERS MTG** RC

WED 4

8 AM **MASS** CH
9:30 AM **SCRIPTURE GRP** RC
7 PM **YOUNG CATHOLIC SOCIETY** SH
7 PM **THE PROPHETS** RC
7 PM **CHOIR REHEARSAL** MR

THU 5

8 AM **MASS** CH
10 AM **SMALL GROUP** YR
11 AM **YOUNG AT HEART** RC
5:30 PM **MINDFULNESS MEDITATION** YR
6:30 PM **ALTAR SOCIETY** RC
7 PM **HISPANIC ROSARY** FCR

FRI 6

7 AM **ADORATION** CH
8 AM **MASS** CH
8:45 AM **FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP** SH
3:30 PM **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** HSW
4 PM **K OF C FISH FRY** SH

SAT 7

3:15 PM **CONFESSIONS** CH
4 PM **FIRST SATURDAY ROSARY** CH
4:30 PM **MASS** CH

SUN 8

7:30 AM **MASS** CH
9:30 AM **MASS/CLW** CH
10:30 AM **OCIA** ECR/CR9 & 10
11:30 AM **MASS/CLW** CH
1 PM **ALTAR SOCIETY GAME DAY** SH
2 PM **8TH GRADE RETREAT** OS (SUBIACO)
5:30 PM **MASS/CLW** CH

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

Stations of the Cross - Schedule

Evangelization Committee

"The Stations of the Cross, also known as the Way of the Cross or Via Crucis, commemorate Jesus's passion and death on the cross. There are 14 stations that each depict a moment on his journey to Calvary, usually through sacred art, prayers, and reflections. The practice began as pious pilgrims traced his path through Jerusalem on the Via Dolorosa.

Later, for the many who wanted to pass along the same route, but could not make the trip to Jerusalem, a practice developed that eventually took the form of the fourteen stations currently found in almost every church throughout the world. Similarly, the 150 Hail Marys that were recited for the rosary were an adaptation of the medieval monastic practice of reciting the 150 psalms in the Psalter." (www.usccb.org/prayer-worship/prayers-devotions/stations)

Slow down and join us this Lent as we walk the way of Christ's Passion. Let this walk, this Lent, transform your heart and mind and may you draw closer to our Lord and Savior. We will meet each Friday in the Holy Spirit Wing of the church at the following dates/times:

- March 6 // 3:30 PM
- March 13 // 7:00 PM
- March 20 // 3:30 PM
- March 27 // 7:00 PM
- Aprll 3 // Noon (Living Stations of the Cross)

Can't make it to any of the dates/times above? Feel free to stop by the church anytime it's open and walk the Stations individually. Booklets are available at the First Station.

Lenten Giving Tree - 2026

Jenny L. Racette - LGT Chairperson

This week I would like to introduce the charity the Giving Tree Committee has chosen to support in 2026.

We will continue to sponsor Cross Catholic Outreach and three of their charities. This year's charities are:

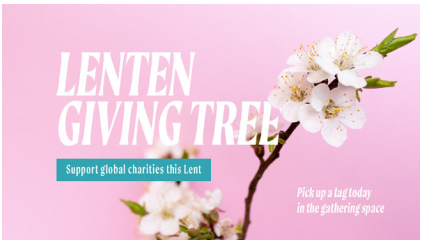
- Heart of Jesus School - Peru
- Brothers of Good Works Housing and Constructions - Dominican Republic
- Water for Life. Building Wells and Bless Generations - Africa

Cross Catholic Outreach

- VISION: All Catholics around the world united in overcoming material and spiritual poverty.

- MISSION: To mobilize the global Catholic Church to transform the poor and their communities materially and spiritually for the glory of Jesus Christ. Your gift empowers us to serve the poorest of the poor by channeling life-changing aid through an international network of dioceses, parishes and Catholic missionaries. This cost-effective approach helps break the cycle of poverty and advance Catholic evangelization.*

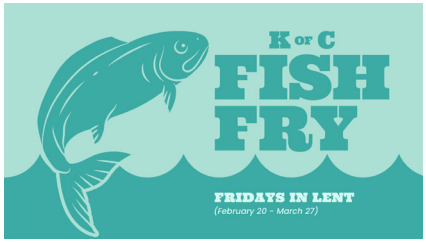
- CORE VALUES:
  - » Obedience to God
  - » Christian Identity
  - » Empowering
  - » Joyful service
  - » Love of Others
  - » Preference for the Poor
  - » Excellence in Stewardship



Thus says the Lord: “Share our bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed and the homeless; clothe the naked when you see them” (Isaiah, 58:7).

**From Cross Catholic Outreach website*

EVENTS



FRIDAYS THROUGH MAR 27 | 4 - 7 PM

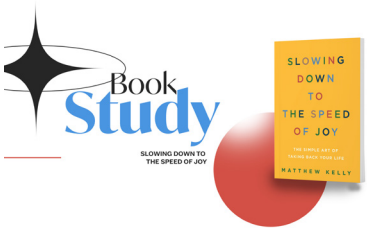
K OF C FISH FRY

Enjoy food, music, and fellowship featuring dine-in, take-out, and drive-thru. Enter from Romeo Plank. Proceeds will support local K of C charities. Cash, check, or credit card accepted and prices include sales tax. Menu (no subtitutions):

Dinner ($15): One Entree: fried fish, baked fish, or fried shrimp. Sides included: redskin potatoes, coleslaw, mac-&-cheese, and roll.

Lite Meal ($6): One Entree: 2 slices of cheese pizza or mac-&-cheese. Sides included: coleslaw and roll.

Allergy Warning - Fish and Shellfish may come in contact with one another during cooking. Sponsored by St. Isidore Knights of Columbus Council #7200.



SUN | MAR 1 | 1 - 3 PM

SLOWING DOWN TO THE SPEED OF JOY: TWO-HOUR BOOK STUDY

Slow down for a two-hour review and book study based on Matthew Kelly's *Slowing Down to the Speed of Joy.* This easy-to-read book was gifted at Christmas and can be read in one evening. (If you did not receive a copy of the book, contact the Parish Office.) The session will include prayer, discussion, reflection, and practical ways to reclaim joy and your Sundays, especially through Sunday rest. **Register by calling the Parish Office at 586-286-1700.**



SUN | MAR 1 | 11 AM - 12:30 PM | ST. THERESE

SENIOR SCAM PRESENTATION

St. Therese will be hosting Macomb County Prosecutor Peter Lucido who will give a presentation on crime prevention for seniors, including how seniors are targeted and exploited by criminals and what to do if a senior becomes a victim.

Please **RSVP to the St. Therese of Lisieux Parish Secretary at 586-254-4433** or Marilyn Cito, Parish Nurse, at 586-254-4433 Ext. 320, or Marilync@stol.church.



THU | MAR 5 | 8:30 AM - 7:30 PM | ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

FIRST THURSDAY ADORATION, PRAISE & WORSHIP

Adoration is a time to be with Jesus in prayer and praise; all are welcome, regardless of age. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed following the 8:30 AM Mass and remain exposed for Adoration until 7:30 PM. Additionally, a Taco Bowl and fellowship will be available from 5 to 6:30 PM, and music, praise, and worship will be from 6:30 to 7:30 PM.



THU | MAR 5 | 12 - 1 PM | ST. THERESE

HEARING LOSS LECTURE

You are invited to a presentation given by Nicole Reinhart from Hart Hearing on Hearing Loss and Treatments. Since a light lunch will be served, **please RSVP to the St. Therese of Lisieux Parish Office or Marilyn Cito, Parish Nurse at 586-254-4433**, or MarilynC@stol.church.



SUN | MAR 8 | 1 - 5 PM

GAME DAY WITH CHICKEN DINNER

Winner, winner and chicken dinner! Come out for an afternoon of fun games and a delicious chicken dinner, including dessert, coffee, and tea. Bring your friends and your favorite game. The Altar Society will provide the food and snacks while you play. Enjoy door prizes, a Spring Raffle, and a money draw (tickets sold separately). Cost is $20 per person. Dinner tickets sold after all Masses Feb. 28–Mar. 1. Raffle tickets also available Mar. 7–8. For information, contact Kathy Shipton at 586-291-7769.



THU - SUN | 2 WEEKENDS AVAILABLE | HOLLY, MI

CURSILLO SPRING WEEKENDS

Step out in faith and attend an inspirational, fun, and pertinent 3-day Cursillo (**cursillodetroit.com**) weekend at Maryville retreat center. In his love and wisdom, God gives people just what they individually need! You will never regret this special experience of grace and friendship. Two weekends available: Men's from March 12-15 and a women's retreat from April 23-26. Materials with details are available in the Front Office. Call ambassadors Dan & Kathy to have all your questions answered: (586) 202-9085.



GET TICKETS

SAT | MAR 14 | 10 - 12 PM

CHILDREN'S EASTER PARTY

Join us for a festive morning of Easter fun! From 10 AM to 12 PM, enjoy a light lunch, cookie decorating, crafts, and plenty of Easter cheer. The Easter Bunny will be there for hugs and photos, so don't forget your camera! This event is perfect for families to celebrate together, but space is limited to 250 participants, so be sure to **register by March 11**. Tickets are $5 per person (kids under 3 are free).



WED | MAR 18 | 6 - 7:30 PM | AUSTIN CATHOLIC HS

AUSTIN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Austin Catholic HS offers a strong college-preparatory education taught by dedicated teachers who know and support their students. Come and learn more about Macomb County's only Cognia-accredited, co-educational Catholic HS, now accepting applications for the 2026–2027 school year by applying online.



VOLUNTEER SIGNUP

SAT | MAR 21 | 8 AM - 2 PM | ST. THERESE

KIDS COALITION AGAINST HUNGER

We'll work together to pack meals that bless families around the world and in our own community. Our goal is 20,000 meals, and we need your help! Past events have been filled with joy and fellowship as parishioners of all ages—children, teens, parents, and grandparents—worked side by side in a fun, fast-paced environment. It's a wonderful way to serve together and make a real difference. **Scan the code to access the volunteering opportunities.**



SAT | MAR 28 | 1 PM | ST. MARY MYSTICAL ROSE, ARMADA

RIGHT TO LIFE ORATORY CONTEST

RTL of North Macomb is hosting a PRO-LIFE HIGH SCHOOL ORATORY CONTEST on Saturday, March 28 at 1 PM at St. Mary Mystical Rose Parish in Armada. All high school students from Macomb County are welcome! This is an amazing opportunity for high schoolers to perfect their speaking skills while promoting life in a competitive setting. It is very important to get young people involved in supporting a culture of life!

For more information about the oratory contest visit **rtl/migenleads/high-school-oratory-contest.**



TUE | MAR 24 | 7 PM OR WED | MAR 25 | 9 AM

JOIN THE GARDEN TEAM

All current members and anyone interested in helping maintain and enhance our beautiful church grounds are invited to attend one of two informational meetings:

- Tuesday, March 24 // 7 PM
- Wednesday, March 25 // 9 AM.

Whether you're an experienced gardener or simply willing to lend a hand, even a few hours a month makes a difference.

Come learn how you can help us care for God's creation and grow together this season.



BAGS DUE TUE, MAR 31

BROWN BAG FOOD DRIVE

Sharing Christ's Love in March

St. Isidore will host a Brown Bag Food Drive throughout the month of March, benefiting the Agape Center and the St. Francis–St. Maximilian Food Pantries. Brown bags will be available in the Gathering Space all month long, each containing a list of needed items. We invite you to fill a bag with these items and return it to the Gathering Space by March 31. Your generosity is a beautiful way to live out Christ's call to feed the hungry and care for our neighbors in need.



MON - FRI | MAY 4 - 8

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

Save-The-Date for the Spring, 2026 Rummage Sale. Dates are:

- May 4 & 5: Drop-off
- May 7 & 8: Sale

Donations are strongly encouraged and appreciated!



FRI - SUN | JUL 17 - 19

NORTHERN MICHIGAN PILGRIMAGE

Join St. Isidore on a tour of Northern Michigan. Trip includes:

- Round-trip deluxe motorcoach transportation
- Two nights' stay and two breakfasts at Alpena-area hotel
- One group dinner at a restaurant
- One boxed lunch
- One lunch at St. Augustine Church
- Two performance opportunities
- Visit to the Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center
- Two-hour retreat at Cross in the Woods

For info: 866.466.2202, info@ctscentral.net, or at classicperformancesbycts.com.

Living Stations of the Cross Presentation

Amy Righi - Music & Liturgy Director

Our annual Living Stations of the Cross will be presented at St. Isidore on Good Friday at 12:00 noon. We are in need of volunteers to fill roles. Each station is portrayed in still-life, with no spoken lines to memorize. Rehearsals are on Saturdays, March 21 & 28 at 1 PM. If you are age 12 or older and able to remain still and silent for a few minutes at a time, you are invited to be part of this prayerful and powerful depiction of Christ's journey to the Cross. The program is based on the Scriptural Stations of Pope John Paul II and is infused with reflection, prayer, and beautiful sacred music.

Note: Costumes will be refined and simplified this year. For more information or to sign up, please email amy@stisidore.church.

K of C Star Council Award

Brian McAleer - K of C

At the end of each Fraternal Year, the Knights of Columbus award qualifying councils a Star Council Award. This award is quite an honor, as less than 10% of the over 16,000 councils world-wide earn Star Council. To achieve this award, councils need to meet or exceed requirements in various elements of council activities. The main activities focus on Culture of Life, Youth, Family, the Council, and service to the Church and Community.

Our K of C St. Isidore Council 7200 was awarded this Star Council for the 2024-2025 Fraternal Year. Shown (left to right) are Past Grand Knight Chijioke Oparaji, GK Patrick Lang holding the Star Council Award, and Membership Director Dennis Jarzombek at the February General Membership Meeting. Congratulations and thank you PGK Oparaji and the entire council for your year-long efforts!!



K of C Exemplification

Brian McAleer - K of C

On Thursday, February 12, members from the St. Isidore K of C Council conducted an Exemplification ceremony welcoming two new Brother Knights into the Knights of Columbus. This ceremony imparts lessons that inspire men to serve and teaches our time-honored principles in a way that is appropriate for today. It presents the lessons of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity in powerful contemporary language.

Pictured are the new 3rd Degree members of the K of C: (l-r in front row) Craig Niese and Thomas Youngblood, surrounding Msgr. Michael Hrydziuszko, along with the K of C Degree Team. Also pictured are these two new Knights receiving their rosaries from Grand Knight Patrick Lang and Deputy Grand Knight Mark Paoletti.





Fasting and Abstinence: Lenten Observances

Amy Righi - Music & Liturgy Director

Lent is the 40 days before Easter when Catholics prepare to commemorate Jesus' Resurrection through prayer, penance, fasting, and almsgiving.

Lenten Fasting Guidelines
Catholics ages 18-59 are required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday which involves eating one full meal and two smaller meals. The total amount of food consumed in the two smaller meals should not be equal to a full meal. Additionally, all Catholics over age 14 are expected to abstain from meat on Fridays during Lent.

Note: No eating between meals (solid food); liquids (like water, juice, tea, coffee) are permitted.

Excused
Those who are sick, elderly (60+), pregnant or nursing, manual laborers with serious work demands, or otherwise whose health would be jeopardized by fasting/abstinence are not obligated to follow these laws, though they are encouraged to undertake suitable acts of penance instead.

"Lent reminds us, therefore, that Christian life is a never-ending combat in which the "weapons" of prayer, fasting, and penance are used. Fighting against evil, against every form of selfishness and hate, and dying to oneself to live in God is the ascetic journey that every disciple of Jesus is called to make with humility and patience, with generosity and perseverance." (From Catholic Answers Insider Newsletter)

Purpose and Encouragement
The Church emphasizes that these practices are not merely rules but are meant to foster penance, spiritual renewal, and conversion of heart. Catholics are also encouraged to take on additional prayer, almsgiving, and personal penances throughout Lent beyond the minimum requirements.

Help Our Parish Bloom This Season

Mike Aprile - Evangelical Charity Coordinator

Do you love working outdoors? Do you enjoy gardening, planting, weeding, or simply being part of a team that helps keep our parish beautiful?

We invite all current members of the St. Isidore Garden Team — and anyone interested in joining — to be part of caring for and enhancing the beautiful outdoor spaces around our Church and throughout the parish grounds.

From flower beds and landscaping to our vegetable and butterfly gardens, this ministry helps create a welcoming and peaceful environment for all who come to worship, pray, and gather. Whether you are an experienced gardener or simply willing to lend a hand, there is a place for you. Even a few hours per month can make a meaningful difference.

To learn more, please join us at one of two informational meetings in the Front Conference Room (next to the Parish Office):

- Tuesday, March 24 / 7:00 PM
- Wednesday, March 25 / 9:00 AM

Come discover how you can help us be good stewards of God's creation and ensure our parish grounds continue to reflect the beauty of His handiwork.

We look forward to growing together!





Upcoming Events

- March 1 – Coffee, Donuts & Fruit after 7:30 & 9:30 Masses
- March 1 – 2nd Sunday of Lent
- March 3 – Total Lunar Eclipse
- March 6 – Fish Fry
- March 7 – First Eucharist Workshop @ St. Therese of Lisieux
- March 8 – Daylight Savings Time Ends





The Second Sunday of Lent
The Lord reveals his shining, divine glory to a select few of his disciples. Showing that he is God's Son and he should be listened to.

Family Time Fun
As we think about the message from the Gospel we realize that the transfiguration of Jesus was a supernatural event. Realizing that science gives us similar things, consider taking the family to a local science center or technology-related exhibit.

2026 Teen Home Repair Mission Trip - Information Meetings

Paul Candela candelas@wowway.com 810-523-6818

Curious about teen mission trips? Come join our information meetings where we'll share the details and answer questions for the trip on July 5-11 in Huntingburg, IN. This will be the last opportunity to get information before registration closes April 30.

The meetings at St. Therese are on:
- Wednesday, 11/March, 6 PM
- Sunday, 15/March, 1 PM
- Sunday, 12/April, 1 PM
- Wednesday, 15/April. 6 PM

The mission trip is an open invitation to teens in grades 9-12, college students, and adults willing to help:
- Build and share your faith
- Help those in need
- Learn some cool skills
- Have fun

For more information go to this link - **heartworkcamp.com/huntingburg-in**

Power in Prayer

Sue Rebits - Evangelization Committee

This Week's Intention: Gratitude

Suggested Prayer: A Morning Prayer

Lord God, your love is as vast as the morning sky. Your mercy, sure as the rising sun. Your voice is on the wind, and your goodness evident in each work of Creation. This day, may I know your love, see your mercies, hear your voice and notice your goodness all around me. In every breath I breathe today, may you hear my song of gratitude. Amen.

Suggested Activity: Notice throughout the day how many things you are grateful for. Take a moment to thank God.

> ***Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.***
> 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



Did You Know?
30 Days of Gratitude

Build a powerful 30-day gratitude habit to boost your mood, mindset, relationships, and long-term well-being.

Gratitude is more than saying "thanks" once in a while. It is a constance practice of noticing and appreciating the good in your life, even when circumstances are not perfect. Research links gratitude with better mental health, stronger relationships, and higher overall life satisfaction.

You focus on one small action each day, which is easier to maintain than a long vague promise to "be more positive."

GETTING STARTED

- Decide exactly when and how you will practice gratitude every day.
- Make a clear daily action (ex. write down three things you are grateful for)
- Spend a few minutes reflecting on what you're grateful for.
- Start a gratitude jar. Cut small strips of paper to write at least one thing. Perhaps it can be a family project.

Most gratitude work begins internally, but sharing thanks with other people multiplies the impact. Expressing gratitude boosts both the giver and receiver well-being and strengthens relationships. Give genuine compliments to colleagues, friends, or family members.

After 30 days set aside time to look back at what you've written down or experienced. Ask yourself how your mood, stress levels, or relationships feel now compared to day one. Decide which parts of the challenge you would like to continue. Hopefully by day 30 it becomes part of your routine.

St. Vincent de Paul

conference621@gmail.com 586-745-9513

In a generous spirit pay homage to the LORD, be not sparing of freewill gifts. With each contribution show a cheerful countenance, and pay your tithes in a spirit of joy. Give to the Most High as he has given to you, generously, according to your means. For the LORD is one who always repays, and he will give back to you sevenfold.
Sirach 35:10-13

Many families in our area are homeless or facing homelessness. The food we give to them helps them use some of their resources to pay rent or a mortgage. Once they get behind in their payments, there is not much chance of them catching up and keeping their home. In your generous spirit of giving, you not only help your neighbors, you pay homage to God by feeding the poor. As you shop online or in stores this week, please keep our pantry list in mind. Our Pantry needs are:

- ☐ $25 Gift Cards – Kroger, Meijer, Walmart
- ☐ Dish Soap
- ☐ Kleenex
- ☐ Shampoo
- ☐ Tuna Helper
- ☐ Noodles – Spaghetti and Elbow
- ☐ Canned Ravioli
- ☐ Canned Sloppy Joe
- ☐ Canned Chili
- ☐ Mac & Cheese
- ☐ Pasta Roni
- ☐ Tuna
- ☐ Oatmeal Packets
- ☐ Canned Peas, Mixed Vegetables
- ☐ Cereal
- ☐ Chicken Noodle Soup

God Bless you for loving our neighbors,
St. Vincent de Paul Society

Giving Report

FOR FEBRUARY 23, 2026

BUDGET THIS WEEK

87%

$21,098 ACTUAL — $24,962

FISCAL YEAR TO DATE

106%

$904,170 ACTUAL — $848,692

CSA

157%

$304,047 ACTUAL — $193,553

496 Envelopes Returned

197 Online Gifts

23% Families Contributing

Our 2025 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) has now surpassed the assigned AOD goal. Donating to CSA remains the best way to support St. Isidore. Any excess CSA funds beyond our goal are not subject to the 7% assessment and will not be included in future CSA assessments (14.5%), making them extremely valuable to our parish. Your generosity enables our parish to thrive. Thank you!

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

How to Donate to St. Vincent de Paul

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

To make a donation, put cash or a check (to St. Isidore SVdP) in one of the blue envelopes located at church entrances, and place in the collection basket at Mass.

Connecting Point (cont'd)

His most trusted companions. At the transfiguration, Peter, James, and John received a brief glimpse of Jesus' divinity and an insight into what lay ahead for them. In order to achieve the Kingdom, they first must bear the hardship of the Gospel.

As Christians, the Gospel challenges us to go out of our comfort zones. It is not easy to follow the Lord; if it were, everyone would do it (but as we know, not everyone follows God). The Gospel invites us to look beyond the usual and the familiar to see the world as God does. Moreover, the Gospel challenges our assumptions and attitudes about who God is and who we are. Again, this involves trust. We need to allow the Holy Spirit to inspire in us words and actions that reflect Jesus Christ. We are invited to place our trust in God and have the courage to leave what is comfortable and go out into the world, armed only with the mantle of the Lord to protect us.

This Lent, ask the Lord to give you a transfiguration from complacency to courage, from laziness to action, and from old habits to new life in the Spirit. May each of us be like Abram and do as the Lord directs us.

Baby Pantry Request List

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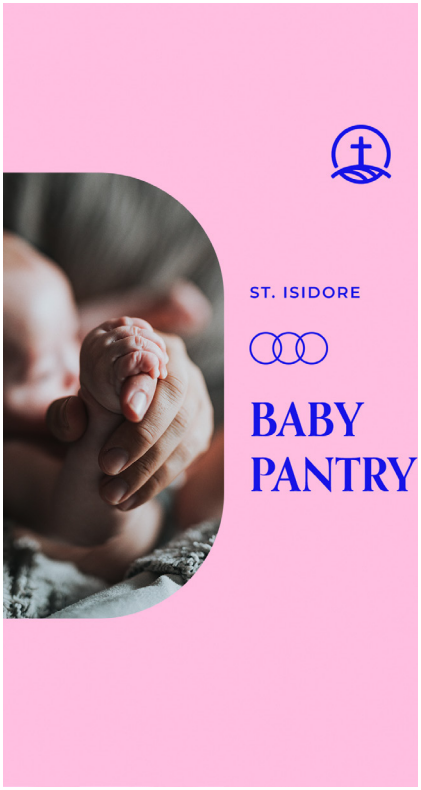
"Many know of the tradition of abstaining from meat on Fridays during Lent, but we are also called to practice self-discipline and fast in other ways throughout the season. In addition, the giving of alms is one way to share God's gifts—not only through the distribution of money, but through the sharing of our time and talents. As St. John Chrysostom reminds us: 'Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs.'" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2446).

Lent is a great time to reflect on how generous God has been to us and the opportunities he gives us to in turn be generous to others.

If you are able, please donate:

- Wipes
- Size 5 diapers

St. Isidore Baby Pantry



Mass Intentions

SAT. FEB. 28 4:30 PM
- ✝ Christopher H. Bohlmann (Bday), Parents
- ✝ Marie Zanni, Family
- ✝ Antonia Valentini, Daughter
- ✝ Tommy Schang, Family
- ✝ Deceased Members of the Muzyk Family, Jeff & Kathy
- ✝ Angelina Parker, Lang Family
  Amy Lipiccolo, Lang Family
  Greene Family, Lang Family
- ✝ Richard T. Paul, Family
- ✝ Mary Cholyway (41st Anniv), Family

SUN. MAR. 1 7:30 AM
- ✝ Stefano DeBellis, Wife
- ✝ George & Petrina Boyd, Family
  Jim Finn, Family

SUN. MAR. 1 9:30 AM
- ✝ James Budzynowski, Patrick & Michelle Lang
  People of St. Isidore Parish
  Success of Parish Mission Initiatives
- ✝ Mary Graca, Donna Groldis and Randy Graca
- ✝ Fred Goike, Goike Family
- ✝ Maria Vettraino, Family
- ✝ Barbato Rubano, Wife
- ✝ Maria & Filippo Torre, Family
- ✝ Elaine Canepa, Joann Wilson Family
  Roy and Michael Paoletti, Family

SUN. MAR. 1 11:30 AM
- ✝ Robert Mason, Family
- ✝ Arcenio Berrocal, Family
- ✝ Jevron Macalino, Sr., Chu Family

SUN. MAR. 1 5:30 PM

MON. MAR. 2 8:00 AM
- ✝ J. Pellerito Family, Daughter
  Divine Mercy Prayer Group, Friend
- ✝ Shawn Lechner, Family
  Noah and all sick children, Danski Family

TUE. MAR. 3 8:00 AM
- ✝ Chrissy Sloan, Sloan Family
  Regan Turner (Bday), Grandma & Grandpa

WED. MAR. 4 8:00 AM

THU. MAR. 5 8:00 AM
- ✝ Ken Sierzan (3rd Anniv), Family

FRI. MAR. 6 8:00 AM
  Menard and Daniel Families, Family
- ✝ Bernadine Dubrovich (7th Anniv), Family
- ✝ Shawn Lechner, Family

SAT. MAR. 7 4:30 PM
- ✝ Michael Majchrzak, Wife, Eleanor
- ✝ Dorothy Colombo (4th Anniv), Sister, Eleanor Majchrzak
- ✝ Veleria Filipek, Irene Maciag
- ✝ Schang Family, Family
- ✝ Shakir & Gorjia Jarbo, Family
- ✝ Thomas Chmielewski, Smiecinski Family
- ✝ Marie Kolpacki (6th Anniv), Family
- ✝ Michael Kolpacki, Family
- ✝ Amber Schwartz and Family, Urbanik Family

SUN. MAR. 8 7:30 AM
- ✝ Eleanor Kaslatas, Family
- ✝ Domenica & Pasquale Spalvieri, Daughter

SUN. MAR. 8 9:30 AM
- ✝ Don Sabalinski, Family
- ✝ Maddalena Pozizzi, Family
- ✝ Salvatore Orlando, Family
- ✝ Clare Pety, Virge, Barb, Diane
- ✝ Elaine Canepa, Joann Wilson Family
- ✝ Irma Jones, Children
- ✝ Maria Vettraino, Family
  Roy and Michael Paoletti, Family

SUN. MAR. 8 11:30 AM
  People of St. Isidore Parish
  Success of Parish Mission Initiatives
- ✝ Walter & Helen Parran, Family
- ✝ Judy Parran, Family
- ✝ Leo Piccirillo, Wife and Family

SUN. MAR. 8 5:30 PM
- ✝ Geraldine Larson, Patrick & Michelle Lang
- ✝ Linda Agazzi Badamo, Family

Readings

SUNDAY
Gn 12:1-4a;
Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22;
2 Tm 1:8b-10;
Mt 17:1-9

MONDAY
Dn 9:4b-10;
Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13;
Lk 6:36-38

TUESDAY
Is 1:10, 16-20;
Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-21, 23;
Mt 23:1-12

WEDNESDAY
Jer 18:18-20;
Ps 31:5-6, 14-16;
Mt 20:17-28

THURSDAY
Jer 17:5-10;
Ps 1:1-4, 6;
Lk 16:19-31

FRIDAY
Gen 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a;
Ps 105:16-21;
Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

SATURDAY
Mi 7:14-15, 18-20;
Ps 103:1-4, 9-12;
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

SUNDAY
Ex 17:3-7;
Ps 95:1-2, 6-9;
Rm 5:1-2, 5-8;
Jn 4:5-42

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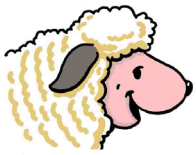
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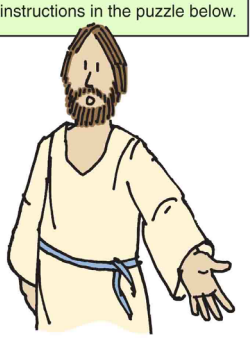
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As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them some instructions.

Find the underlined words of Jesus' instructions in the puzzle below.



"Don't tell anyone what you have seen, until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

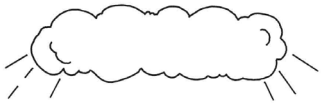
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Use the code to find out.

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A bright cloud enveloped them and

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The Transfiguration

Jesus took Peter, James and John up a high mountain.

Read what happened next.
Then find the underlined letters in the picture below.

Jesus was transfigured before them.
His face shone like the sun, and
His clothes became as white as the light.



When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground, terrified. What did Jesus say to them?

Write the word that means the opposite of the one given.
Then transfer the letters to the lines below.



up ___ ___ ___ ___
1 2

white ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
3 4

day ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
5 6

give ___ ___ ___ ___
7 8

walk ___ ___ ___
9 10

bad ___ ___ ___ ___
11 12

war ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
13 14

break ___ ___ ___
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Jesus said, "___ ___ ___ ___ ___.
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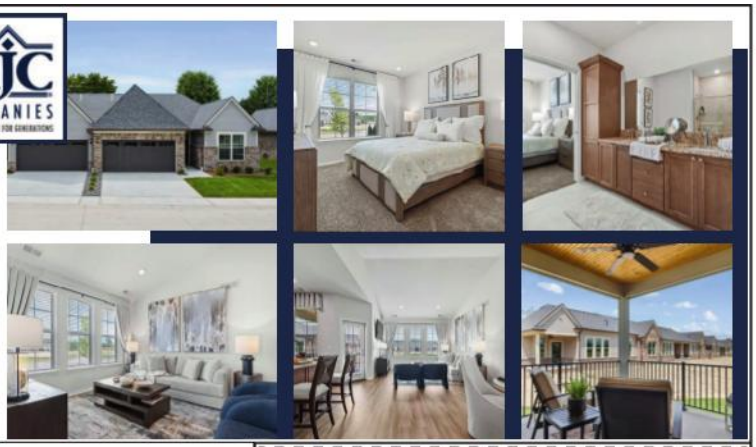
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