HARVEST NEWS

St. Isidore CHURCH

October 18, 2026
29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



CONNECTING POINT

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Make Christ your first priority.

Recently, while listening to a podcast by Fr. Mike Schmitz, I was inspired by his discussion of how to order life's various demands. Citing Matthew 6:33, "But seek first the kingdom [of God] and his righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides." Fr. Mike suggested that we simply must "make Christ our first priority, and then everything else will fall into proper place."

In the first reading this weekend (Isaiah 45:1, 4–6), we hear, "I am the LORD, and there is no other, there is no God besides me." We believers know there is only one God, but this scripture also means that nothing else in our lives should take precedence over Him. We must honor God above all things. Furthermore, our Responsorial Psalm (96:1, 3–5, 7–10) is a call to direct action, reminding us to "Give the Lord glory and honor." Still, in the Gospel (Matthew 22:15–21), Jesus says, "Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." The coin bears Caesar's image, but we bear the image of God; we belong to Him.

Because we belong to God, we honor Him by selflessly giving Him our

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Calendar

OCTOBER 18 - 25

SUN 18

ABIGAYLE MINISTRY BOTTLE DRIVE
7:30 AM **MASS** CH
9:30 AM **MASS/CLW** CH
10:30 AM **OCIA** ECR/CR9 & 10
11:30 AM **MASS/CLW** CH
2:30 PM **TRUNK-OR-TREAT** PL
5:30 PM **MASS/CLW** CH

MON 19

8 AM **MASS** CH
8:45 AM **ARMCHAIR AEROBICS** RC
5 PM **DISCIPLESHIP FORMATION** CH
6:30 PM **DISCIPLESHIP FORMATION** CH

TUE 20

6:30 AM **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** VIR
8 AM **MASS** CH
9 AM **ADORATION** CH
9 AM **TUES BIBLE STUDY - ACTS** CR9
1 PM **COMFORT CRAFT** SH
5 PM **DISCIPLESHIP FORMATION** CH
5:30 PM **FINC COUNCIL MTG** ECR
6:30 PM **DISCIPLESHIP FORMATION** CH

WED 21

8 AM **MASS** CH
9:30 AM **SCRIPTURE GRP** RC
5 PM **JOYFUL NOISE - CHILDREN'S CHOIR** MR
6 PM **YOUNG ADULTS BIBLE STUDY** SH
7 PM **YOUNG ADULTS (YCS)** SH
7 PM **WED BIBLE STUDY - ACTS** RC
7 PM **CHOIR REHEARSAL** MR

THU 22

8 AM **MASS** CH
1:30 PM **SVDP MTG** ECR
6 PM **7TH GRADE - CONFIRMATION MTG** CH
6 PM **MINDFULNESS** YR
6:30 PM **TOASTMAST** CR9
7 PM **HISPANIC ROSARY** FCR
7 PM **K OF C OFFICERS** RC
7:30 PM **TEEN ENSEMBLE REHEARSAL** MR

FRI 23

7 AM **ADORATION** CH
8 AM **MASS** CH
8:45 AM **FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP** SH
5:30 PM **ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES HALLOWEEN PARTY** SH

SAT 24

OLIVE WOOD SALES
3:15 PM **CONFESSIONS** CH
4:30 PM **MASS** CH

SUN 25

OLIVE WOOD SALES
7:30 AM **MASS** CH
9:30 AM **MASS/CLW** CH
11:30 AM **MASS/CLW** CH
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

Render unto Caesar that which is Caesar's, and give to God that which is God's!

Fr. John Bettin frjohn@stisidore.church

This Sunday's readings have much to do with God's authority, power, and sovereignty. How fitting that we are blessed with these readings during this current political season. We must constantly keep in mind that, while we are called to obey civil laws and authority, God, as the Creator of all things visible and invisible, has authority, power, and sovereignty over the whole world and all things within it! God's laws surpass any civil laws made by mere mortals. The balancing of civil laws and God's laws, being civilly obedient while at the same time obeying God by living a moral Christian life, demands our utmost concern in our everyday Christian life.

Isaiah proclaims for God that a pagan, Persian king, Cyrus, will be anointed by God. The Jewish people of the day must have been sickened to hear that God anoints a Gentile, something that was thought to be reserved for God's chosen people. Only Jews were to be anointed priests, prophets, or kings. God is not bound, however, to the genius or stupidity of human persons – God can anoint whoever He wills. God anoints Cyrus, a Gentile, to accomplish God's plan, giving Cyrus the authority and grace of any of God's anointed. And what is God's plan for Cyrus, His newly anointed? Cyrus is to free the Jews from exile and captivity, and allow them to return to Israel to restore the Temple. You, too, were anointed priest, prophet, and king with the holy chrism oil at your baptism. Hence, you were given similar graces that Cyrus received, so that you can do work in the world according to the plan God has for you!

Render unto Caesar that which is Caesar's, and give to God that which is God's! In today's Gospel reading, Jesus, Himself, reminds us that, on one hand we are to give civil authorities that which belongs to them, but give to God that which is God's. Ultimately, of course, EVERYTHING belongs to God. While we are in this world, however, we must also follow man-made laws, so long as these laws do not violate God's laws. Simply because these civil laws and regulations allow us to do, or say, a particular thing, doesn't mean that we as Christians should say or do them! A familiar quote attributed to Oliver Wendell Holmes, Supreme Court Justice is appropriate when it comes to civil law and authority, "The right to swing one's arm ends at the tip of someone's nose." Our so-called rights ordained by worldly governments may not be in accord with God's laws. It is every Christian's obligation and duty to understand God's law, and what the Church teaches, to live a Christian moral life, and to act accordingly, rather than simply follow the ways of the world!

Enjoy this pleasant Fall weather!

In the Joy of Christ,
Fr. John

An Important Update from Archbishop Weisenburger

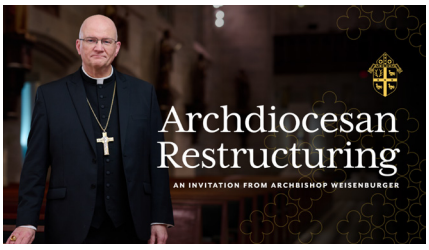
Fr. John Bettin

As the Archdiocese of Detroit continues its restructuring process, Archbishop Edward Weisenburger has shared an important update regarding the future of our parishes.

In a new video message and letter to the faithful, Archbishop Weisenburger discusses the next round of proposed pastorate models, upcoming priest assignments, and what we can expect as the Archdiocese moves toward a final restructuring plan in April 2027.

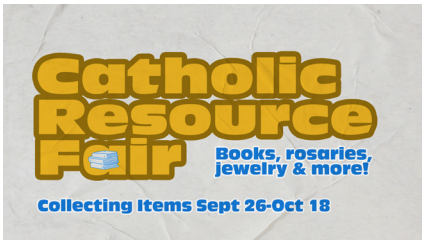
We encourage all parishioners to take a few moments to watch the Archbishop's video and read his letter to better understand these important changes and the vision for the future of our local Church.

Scan the QR code below to watch the video and read the full letter on our website.



Please continue to pray for our Archbishop, priests, and parish communities as we move forward together in faith and trust in the Holy Spirit.

EVENTS



DONATIONS ACCEPTED THROUGH SUN, OCT 18

CATHOLIC RESOURCE FAIR

Do you have gently used or new Catholic books, rosaries, medals, statues, or religious jewelry that need a new home? Help us pass on the faith! Please drop your donations in the designated boxes in the Gathering Space. Then, join us for the Catholic Resource Fair on Nov. 7–8 before and after all Masses. Everyone is welcome to browse and take items at no cost. Free-will donations are gratefully accepted and will support our parish Evangelization initiatives.



REGISTER HERE

SUN | OCT 18 | 2:30 - 4 PM

TRUNK-OR-TREAT

Trunk-or-Treat is back! Join from 2:30–4:00 PM for an afternoon of costumes, candy, and family fun! Trick-or-treat from creatively decorated vehicles, grab a drink from the coffee truck, and check out vehicles from the Macomb County Sheriff's Department including SWAT vehicles and ATVs! Want to join the fun? We're looking for volunteers to decorate their vehicles and pass out candy. Whether you're decorating or attending, please register in advance to help us plan!



SAT & SUN | OCT 24 & 25 | BEFORE & AFTER ALL MASSES

HOLY LAND CARVINGS SALES

St. Isidore is hosting the Holy Land Carvings Group who represent the Christian Woodcarvers of Bethlehem. They will have available for purchase beautiful olive wood religious items such as: nativity scenes, crucifixes, rosaries, statues, last supper pictures and more. Stop by and see if there is an item of interest for you or maybe an early Christmas shopping item!



RETURN BOTTLES BY SUN, OCT 25

ABIGAYLE MINISTRIES - BABY BOTTLE DRIVE - RETURN

Thank you to all who are participating in the Abigayle Ministries Baby Bottle Drive!
Please return all baby bottles to the St. Isidore office by Sunday, October 25. Remember to make checks payable to: St. Isidore Church.

Thank you for your generosity!



REGISTER HERE

SUN | OCT 25 | 1 - 3 PM | AUSTIN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

AUSTIN CATHOLIC HS OPEN HOUSE

Discover Austin Catholic High School by attending our Fall Open House. Explore academics, athletics, and faith-centered learning that help students thrive in the classroom, on the field, and in their faith. To tour the campus and attend the Open House, please register using the QR Code.
We hope to see you there!



THRU SUN, OCT 25

SEMINARY - CANDY DRIVE

Sacred Heart Major Seminary needs our help again preparing for its annual Halloween Ministry, when more than 2,000 neighborhood children are welcomed for a safe and fun Halloween celebration.
Please help St. Isidore support this wonderful tradition by donating bags of individually wrapped candy. Donations may be placed in the bins located in the Gathering Space and Mary's Garden Entrance through Sunday, October 25.
Thank you for helping our seminarians bring smiles, joy, and a warm welcome to thousands of children in our Detroit community!



THRU SUN, OCT 25

BROWN BAG FOOD DRIVE

Fill a bag and feed a neighbor throughout the month of October, benefiting the Agape Center and the St. Francis–St. Maximilian Food Pantries. Brown bags will be available in the Gathering Space through Oct. 25, 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 Oct. 25. Your generosity is a beautiful way to live out Christ's call to feed the hungry and care for our neighbors in need.



REGISTER HERE

SUN | OCT 25 | NOON - 3 PM | DE LA SALLE

DE LA SALLE OPEN HOUSE

De La Salle Collegiate is calling all 5th-8th grade students and their families to join us for our annual Open House on Sunday, October 25 from Noon-3 PM. Come check out our state-of-the-art Business Bloomberg Center, new Steve and Kathy McShane STEM Center, learn more about our Dual Enrollment courses, and so much more. Please use the QR Code to register.



WED & THU | OCT 28 & 29 | 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM | ST. THERESE

AARP DRIVER SAFETY COURSE

St. Therese of Lisieux is hosting an AARP Driver Safety Course. You must attend both four-hour sessions to complete the course. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to St. Therese's Parish Office Secretary at 586-254-4433. The cost is $20 for AARP members and $25 for non-members payable at the door.



FRI - SUN | NOV 6 - 8 | CAPUCHIN RETREAT HOUSE

MEN'S WEEKEND RETREAT

Consider joining a quiet weekend retreat for men at the beautiful Capuchin Retreat House in Washington Twp. There will be opportunities for receiving the sacraments of the Eucharist, Reconciliation, and Healing along with several thought-provoking breakout sessions and prayerful reflection. You will have plenty of time to enjoy the 90 acres of wooded pathways throughout the grounds. Total weekend cost: $300 (includes $100 deposit). On-line Registration and payment is available at **capretreat.org**. For more details contact Dave Bisdorf: 586-202-7000 dbisdorf@aol.com.



REGISTER TO VOLUNTEER OR DONATE

SAT | NOV 7 | 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

KIDS COALITION AGAINST HUNGER

Answer Christ's call to feed the hungry by joining us on Saturday, November 7, as St. Isidore hosts Kids Coalition Against Hunger. Together, we'll work toward our goal of packing 125,000 meals for families in need both locally and around the world. This joyful, family-friendly event welcomes volunteers of all ages. Meal costs have increased to $0.42 each, so financial support is also needed to reach our goal of $52,500. Use the QR Code to register and/or donate.



WOMEN'S WEEKEND NOV 12 - 15 | HOLLY, MI

CURSILLO FALL WEEKEND RETREAT

Step out in faith and attend an inspirational, fun and deeply spiritual 3-day Cursillo (**cursillodetroit.com**) weekend at beautiful Maryville Retreat Center in Holly, MI. In His love and wisdom, God gives people just what they individually need! You will never regret this special experience of God's grace in tandem with fellow Catholics. The next women's weekend is scheduled for Nov. 12-15. Materials with details are available in the Front Office. Call ambassadors Dan & Kathy Banas to have all your questions answered: 586-764-9402.



SAT & SUN | NOV 21 & 22 | AFTER ALL MASSES

ALTAR SOCIETY COOKIE WALK & BAKE SALE

Join us for the Altar Society's Annual Cookie Walk and Bake Sale. This is a great opportunity to buy baked goods and cookies for Holiday dinner or take as a hostess gift. Coming soon also is the Themed Basket raffle ticket sale.



MORE INFO

TUE - THU | APR 6 - 15, 2027 | FRANCE & SPAIN

FR. JOE DAILEY - PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE AND SPAIN

Join Fr. Joe on a pilgrimage through France and Spain, following in the footsteps of St. Mary Magdalene and other great saints. The trip includes stops at: the sacred Basilica of Saint Mary Magdalene, the Grotto of Sainte-Baume, Avignon, Barcelona's Sagrada Família, and the holy sites of Montserrat and Manresa. This journey offers opportunities for prayer, daily Mass, fellowship, and spiritual renewal. Use the QR Code to access additional information.

Funeral Servers - Could This Be You?

Larry Opalewski - Worship Commission

Ever have the feeling you would like to give a little more of yourself to some kind of activity where you could help others without taking up too much of your time? Looking for an opportunity where you could show others some Christian charity in the form of sympathy, compassion, and warmth during their time of need?

Perhaps the Funeral Server Ministry might be just the answer for you. We are looking for men and women of all ages who could devote a couple of hours a month to helping their fellow Christians during their time of sorrow in the loss of a loved one. Perhaps we are looking for you.

Funeral Servers assist the priest with the funeral service which normally includes Holy Mass and appropriate memorial ceremonies for the deceased and the grieving family and friends. It is a special way to give of yourself by honoring our beloved deceased brothers and sisters and extending comfort and support to their families in their time of need.

Funerals are held on weekdays and Saturdays mornings, normally at 10:00 AM or 12:00 PM. Only a couple hours at the most would be needed of your time for any one such rewarding experience. Training would be provided and you would serve with an experienced partner. The more teams we have the fewer times you would have serve per month.

Sound like something you could do? Do you think you might be able to spare a couple hours a month, whether on weekday mornings or Saturday mornings as your busy schedule permits, to reach out to others in this special way? You might be surprised at how rewarding it could be for you. If you are interested or would like to know more about this worthy ministry, please call Larry Opalewski at 586-598-0688.

God may be calling you to help His children in this special way. Won't you please consider volunteering?

Thank You.

Connecting Point (cont'd)

time, talents, attention, relationships, choices, and monetary gifts. Are we always giving Him our best—or merely our leftovers?

This reminds me of the "Widow's Mite" story, a great scriptural illustration of Fr. Mike's principle, "Make Christ our first priority, and then everything else will fall into its proper place." In Mark 12:41–44 and Luke 21:1–4, Jesus watches people place their offerings into the Temple treasury. The wealthy people contribute substantial amounts, but a poor widow puts in two small coins. Jesus says, "She, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood" (Mark 12:44). Although her amount is comparatively small, the priority is far greater. The widow puts God before herself, giving not from her surplus but from what she needs to live. She puts her total trust in God. As we make God our priority, we are called not to be stingy with our money.

We are also called not to be stingy with our love. Is unconditional love always easy? Isn't it much easier to be joyful, kind, and loving when we are around the people we love and when everything is going well? The real test comes when life stresses us out, and we bring our dark sides, frustrations, conflicts, and differences into relationships and into how we treat one another. The bible tells us to love our neighbors and our enemies, but also the crabby people and those who don't vote the same way we do. These are opportunities when keeping God's love a priority is a real challenge. Sometimes, loving them may seem impossible.

Finally, there is prayer. When it seems impossible to love, turn to God in prayer and ask Him for the strength to love with His love. Make it a daily priority to come to God in prayer. Give Him your best, not your leftovers.

Donations and Volunteers Still Needed for Kids Coalition Against Hunger!

Mike Aprile - Evangelical Charity Coordinator

Our Family of Parishes Kids Coalition Against Hunger (KCAH) food-packing event at St. Isidore on Saturday, November 7, is just a few weeks away! We still have work to do to reach our goal of packing 125,000 meals for families in need locally and around the world.

While volunteers are still needed, our most urgent need is financial support. We must raise $52,500 ($0.42 per meal) to purchase the food ingredients. Without sufficient funding, we will not be able to reach our meal-packing goal.

To everyone who has already donated or signed up to volunteer, thank you for your generosity and support! If you haven't yet participated, now is the time. Your donation today will help ensure the ingredients can be purchased in time for the event.

Donate or sign up to volunteer by using the QR Code.

Together, we can turn our Catholic faith into action by feeding the hungry and bringing hope to those in need.
Every donation matters. Every volunteer makes a difference.

Together, we can reach 125,000 meals!

$750,000 Gift Expands Access to Austin Catholic High School

Mike Aprile - Evangelical Charity Coordinator

Dear Future Crusader Family,
Choosing a high school is one of the most important decisions your family will make. At Austin Catholic High School, we believe every student deserves the opportunity to experience an education that challenges the mind, nurtures the heart and inspires a life of purpose.

Today, we are pleased to share exciting news that may make that opportunity possible.
An anonymous benefactor has made a transformative $750,000 gift to Austin Catholic, designated specifically for need-based tuition assistance for incoming students. This remarkable generosity is more than a financial gift. It is a powerful vote of confidence in Austin Catholic and in the students and families who make our community extraordinary. It reflects the Augustinian values of Truth, Unity and Love and a belief in investing in the lives of others and in the future of our community.

The gift comes from parents of Austin Catholic alumni who experienced the impact of an Austin Catholic education. Their immense generosity shows how deeply our mission resonated with their family, inspiring an investment that will strengthen our school and serve future generations of students.

If you have ever wondered whether an Austin Catholic education could be possible for your family, we invite you to take the next step by attending our Fall Open House Sunday, Oct. 25. Register here: www.cognitoforms.com/AustinCatholicHighSchool1/AustinCatholicFallOpenHouse2026
Applications for the 2027-28 school year are now open, and we encourage you to visit our campus, experience our community and learn more about the opportunities available to your student — including tuition assistance.

Your journey to becoming a Crusader may be closer than you think.

With gratitude,

Allison Hoover
President - Austin Catholic High School

K of C Breakfast - Thank You!

Brian McAleer - K of C

St. Isidore Church: Thank you for your attendance at the October 4th pancake breakfast, as we had a very nice turnout of 181. With your help and support, the money we were able to raise will be used for the benefit of others. We hope you enjoyed the food and the fellowship of this breakfast. It was very nice sharing breakfast with you. As always, your generosity and continued support of our events is greatly appreciated, as our efforts would be fruitless without your involvement. We pray that you have a wonderful Fall season. We hope to see you at church and at our next Pancake Breakfast on November 15.

God Bless You and Yours.
Knights of Columbus – Council 7200



Apple Pie Bake-Off - Thank You!

Gretchen McAleer - Fellowship Committee

On October 3rd, the Fellowship Committee hosted the Apple Pie Bake-Off.

Thank you to all of the contestants; every pie was delicious. Thank you also to everyone who came and helped us decide the following winners:

3rd Place: Andrea Obrien
2nd Place: Barbara Viscomi
1st Place: Sofia Obrien



Upcoming Events

- Oct 22 – 7th Grade students Confirmation Student & Parent mtg. 6:00 PM
- Oct 25 – Austin Catholic High School Open House 1:00 – 3:00 PM
- Oct 31 – Happy Halloween
- Nov 1 – All Saints' Day
- Nov 2 – All Souls' Day
- Nov 7 – Kids Coalition Against Hunger Event
- Nov 11 – Veterans Day
- Nov 12 – SVdP Thanksgiving Food Distribution
- Nov 14 – Reconciliation Workshop 9:00 AM – Noon *Sign Up Required*



The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
God's image is part of us from the beginning as we are all created in the image and likeness of God. So, money belongs to the government but we, our hearts, love, and life belong to God.

Family Time Fun & Challenge
Have a fall fun time making a scarecrow or considering carving your pumpkins to prepare for all Hallows Eve and Halloween.

Armchair Aerobics Has Resumed!

Heather Herbst - Parish Nurse

Are you looking for a low-impact way to exercise, stretch, strengthen your core muscles, get out of the house, and spend some time in fellowship? Check out the Parish Health Ministry's FREE Armchair Aerobics classes held every Monday at 8:45 AM in the Resource Center following daily Mass. Wear comfortable clothing. Light equipment is provided, but feel free to bring your own hand-held weights. All exercises are easily modified for any limitations, and are supervised by a Registered Nurse (RN).

Blessings,
Heather

K of C Monthly Recogniton

Brian McAleer - K of C

The St. Isidore K of C Council monthly recognizes a "Knight of the Month" and a "Family of the Month" for their efforts in serving the council/parish/community. Shown is Andi Vushaj receiving a certificate for October's Knight of the Month from Grand Knight Patrick Lang at the October General Membership Meeting. No K of C Family of the Month was selected.



Want to Join the Team?

Chris Kozlowski - Mission Support Director

Are you a college student looking for an employer to work around your class schedule? Are you retired and restless? Are you simply looking to add 10-15 hours a week to help supplement your income? If any of these apply to you, please reach out to me as St. Isidore is looking to add a couple part-time people to our maintenance team. Pay is commiserate with experience. No experience, no problem. We are willing to train. For more info email chris@stisidore.church or call 586-745-9514.

Grief Support

Heather Herbst - Parish Nurse

Are you struggling after the loss of a loved one? There is help for you. St. Isidore offers support and all are welcomes. We are a faith-based support program for those who have suffered the loss of a loved one. Our mission is to provide compassionate, Christ-centered support as we walk alongside one another through our season of grief. We seek to provide encouragement, acceptance, understanding, and respect every member's space and time to share.

Our group is not professional counseling, rather Christian, peer-based support, facilitated by Lay Ministers in the church, not professional therapists. A relational and empathetic approach is provided with emotional and spiritual support and guidance. We are not equipped to diagnose or treat conditions, but can provide additional resources, as needed. We have an open format meeting style, and you may join at any time.

We usually meet on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month, at 6:30 PM. **Please check the church calendar for the most up-to-date schedule. Due to conflicts and holidays, there will be changes in the schedule for the months of October, November and December.** Please feel free to call the church office at 586-286-1700 if you have any questions. You may also call Heather, Parish Nurse and Facilitator at 586-286-1700 ext. 2123, or email at heather@stisidore.church.

Power in Prayer

Sue Rebits - Evangelization Committee

This Week's Intention: Inspiring Children

Suggested Activity: Talk to your children, grandchildren, or nieces and nephews about God's love for them and about saints and angels in heaven. Look for opportunities to bring your faith into the conversation.

Sacred Seeds

Worship Commission

Question: Why do we sing a Gospel Acclamation?

(Answer on page 15)

> ***When a child is given to his parents, a crown is made for that child in Heaven, and woe to the parents who raise a child without consciousness of that eternal crown!***
> Blessed Fulton Sheen



Did You Know?
Miracle Baby

Travis and Bonnie Engstrom were expecting their third child. They prayed to Fulton Sheen for him to walk with their son and protect and defend through his prayers from the womb and through his whole life.

Bonnie likened Fulton Sheen, his videos and books, to listening to her grandpa and great grandpa, his wisdom, humor and personality were similar.

When the baby, James Fulton, was being delivered he was stillborn. Medical staff worked on him for 61 minutes to save him, all the while the Engstroms were praying for Archishop Sheen to intercede for the life of their baby. After 61 minutes the doctor stopped the intervention and was about to call time of death when the baby's heart start beating. He was rushed to NICU to cool down the body to avoid further damage. The doctor told the Engstroms that if the baby lived he would be severely impaired. The EEG's showed abnormal brain activity. The MRI's showed brain damage. But God had a different plan. Many community prayers later at three months the MRI came back showing no brain damage. Three months after that, the feeding tube was taken out.

Today, James Fulton Engstrom is a normal 16 year old boy. He has a special devotion to Blessed Fulton Sheen. He and his family were invited to bring up the relic with James presenting it during the beatification ceremony for Archbishop Fulton Sheen.

Baby Pantry - Request List

babypantry@stisidore.church 586-745-9501

Autumn Blessings!

Autumn is not the end. it's a beautiful reminder that letting go can be gorgeous too.

Families in need of essential supplies for babies newborn through age three should call 586-745-9501 to review program requirements.

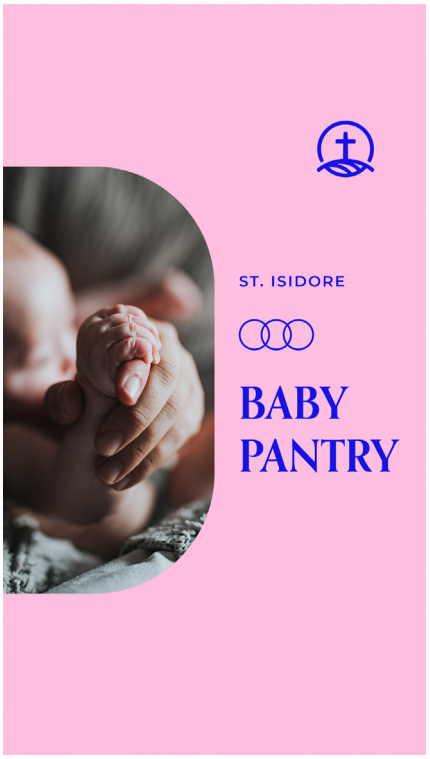
Parishioners, if you know of a family in need, have them call the Baby Pantry.

The Baby Pantry is in need of the following items:

- Wipes
- Puffs
- Diapers, size 6

Donated items may be placed in the "Pac 'n' Play" outside the office door or inside the office lobby. Monetary donations may be placed in an envelope, labeled "Baby Pantry" and left in the weekend collection baskets, or dropped to the office during business hours.

The Baby Pantry volunteers appreciate your kindness.



"Comfort Crafters" Prayer Blanket/Shawl Ministry

Pat Schmeiser 586-286-1700

The Comfort Crafter's blankets and shawls are carefully created by a great group of women who hope you will participate in their mission of reaching out to people who need comfort for any reason.

How can you participate in this mission? It's easily done. Simply bring one of our free-to-you blankets or shawls to someone you know. If we truly care about and reach out to others, we might increase their feeling of self-worth. This is what our Lord asks each of us to do.

Do you have a relative or friend dealing with a health issue or any crisis, problem or disruption in their life? How about a gift for that person?

Please get a prayer blanket or shawl for that someone you know who needs comfort.

> ***God comforts, not to make us comfortable, but to make us comforters.***
> John Henry Jowett

St. Vincent de Paul

conference621@gmail.com 586-745-9513

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW... Thank you for your generous support of our Food Pantry through Meijer's "Simply Give" Program since January 2023!! Right now, another pantry is the recipient of the program during this current campaign. We expect to participate again, but do not yet know when it will be our turn.

For now, please do not purchase "Simply Give" cards at Meijer that you intend for our pantry, as those donations will not benefit our St Isidore St. Vincent de Paul. We will let you know when our participation resumes, and you will again see our display of cards on our SVdP bins in the Gathering Space.

Our Thanksgiving Distribution is just under four weeks away. We warmly welcome your direct donations from the list below:

- ☐ $25 Gift Cards – Meijer, Kroger, Walmart
- ☐ Cash Donations – Blue Envelopes Located on SVdP Bins
- ☐ Paper Towel
- ☐ Laundry Soap
- ☐ Toilet Paper
- ☐ Pump Hand Soap
- ☐ Dish Soap
- ☐ Canned Corn
- ☐ Canned Green Beans
- ☐ Jelly
- ☐ Canned Chili
- ☐ Pasta Sides - Pouches
- ☐ Stuffing Mix
- ☐ Mashed Potatoes – Boxed

May God Bless you all for your amazing kindness to our Neighbors in Need.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Giving Report

FOR OCTOBER 12, 2026

BUDGET THIS WEEK

116%

$29,636 ACTUAL

$25,962

FISCAL YEAR TO DATE

98%

$383,677 ACTUAL

$389,423

CSA

99%

$204,494 ACTUAL

$205,073

537 Envelopes Returned

318 Online Gifts

28% Families Contributing

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. The 2026 CSA campaign started on May 1. All donations received between May 1, 2026, and December 31, 2026, will count towards the 2026 CSA campaign. *(Please note this year's season has changed from the typical May to April time frame, to the new May to December time frame. Gifts received in 2027 will be applied to the 2027 campaign.)* 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.

Mass Intentions

SAT. OCT. 17 4:30 PM
- ✝ Dennis Slowke, Friends
- ✝ Alice O'Donnell, Family
- ✝ Schang Family, Family
- ✝ Larry Prudhomme, Wife, Sherrie
- ✝ Andrew Malburg, Family
- ✝ John Czulinski, Family
- ✝ Judy Roosen, Michael & Rose Burtnyk
- ✝ Don De Camp, Michael & Rose Burtnyk
- ✝ Robert Spence, K of C
- ✝ Herman Schultz, Linda & Carl Yaden

SUN. OCT. 18 7:30 AM
- ✝ Remo Spalvieri, Sister
- ✝ Marguerite Goike, Mary Kruezzncki
- ✝ Bill Bielski, Wife and Son
- ✝ Delbert Asbury, K of C

SUN. OCT. 18 9:30 AM

People of St. Isidore Parish
Success of Parish Mission Initiatives
- ✝ Joe Laczek, K of C
- ✝ Joann Keith, John & Carrie Sobetski
- ✝ Maria Vettraino, Family
- ✝ Stanley & Margaret Kowalski, Family
- ✝ James Kucyk, Family
- ✝ Dennis Burns, George, Salina, and Grandkids
- ✝ Susan Hinsby, Ron Boerjan
- ✝ Filippo Torres, Family

Roy and Michael Paoletti, Family

SUN. OCT. 18 11:30 AM
- ✝ Concetta Licavoli, Family
- ✝ David and Gerald Hawrys, Family
- ✝ Frank Mancuso, Family
- ✝ Mark Vatnikaj, Family

SUN. OCT. 18 5:30 PM
- ✝ Pirone and Nosakowski Family, Bill & Cheryl Cobert
- ✝ Julian & Marie Zanni, Family
- ✝ Greg Deakin, K of C
- ✝ Salvatore Giacona, Family

MON. OCT. 19 8:00 AM
- ✝ Anthony J. Lucido, Family
- ✝ Gladys Dorich, Husband, Michael
- ✝ Shawn Lechner, Susan Lechner

Noah and all sick children, Danski Family
- ✝ Beth Harris (2nd Anniv), Husband

TUE. OCT. 20 8:00 AM
- ✝ Joan Sloan, Sloan Family
- ✝ Adriana Pleban, Family

WED. OCT. 21 8:00 AM
- ✝ Alan Slowke, Family

Hoover and Beebe Families, Family
- ✝ Ethel Campbell (Anniv), Family
- ✝ Joseph Blavatt (20th Anniv), Wife

THU. OCT. 22 8:00 AM
- ✝ Marcy Di Giovanni, Family

Andrew Stellon, Family

FRI. OCT. 23 8:00 AM
- ✝ Julian Zanni, Family
- ✝ Ron Michels (Bday), Family

SAT. OCT. 24 4:30 PM
- ✝ Domenico Natuzzi, Daughter
- ✝ Tommy Schang, Family
- ✝ Roger Andrews, Fred Legge
- ✝ Marty Sikes, Fred Legge
- ✝ Gina & William Goike (Anniv), Goike Family

SUN. OCT. 25 7:30 AM
- ✝ J Pellerito Family, Daughter

Rita & Walter Kachorek, Pietras Family
- ✝ Rosella Caringi, Family

Theresa Ball, Family

SUN. OCT. 25 9:30 AM
- ✝ Ana Elena Miranda, Barb & Alejandro
- ✝ Maria Vettraino, Family
- ✝ Rocco & Joann Patamia, Stralko Family
- ✝ Gina Goike, Friend
- ✝ Barbato Rubano, Family

Roy and Michael Paoletti, Family

SUN. OCT. 25 11:30 AM

People of St. Isidore Parish
Success of Parish Mission Initiatives
- ✝ Raffael Scenna, Friend
- ✝ Martha Mironski, Elaine & Don Hoffman
- ✝ Delbert Asbury, Friend
- ✝ Kimberly Papp, Kathy Cehaich

SUN. OCT. 25 5:30 PM
- ✝ John & Ann Burtnyk, Michael & Rose Burtnyk

Sacred Seeds Answer: Before the reading of the Gospel, the Gospel Acclamation is a sung chant of praise that welcomes Jesus Christ. Alleluia is a Hebrew word meaning "Praise God!" We rise now in utmost respect as we prepare for the Gospel message of the Gospel with the Alleluia verse during Ordinary Time. During Lent the Alleluia is omitted and replaced by a Lenten Acclamation like, "Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, King of Endless Glory."

Sacred Seeds

Readings

SUNDAY
Is 45:1, 4-6;
Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10;
1 Thes 1:1-5b;
Mt 22:15-21

MONDAY
Eph 2:1-10;
Ps 100:1b-5;
Lk 12:13-21

TUESDAY
Eph 2:12-22;
Ps 85:9ab-14;
Lk 12:35-38

WEDNESDAY
Eph 3:2-12;
Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6;
Lk 12:39-48

THURSDAY
Eph 3:14-21;
Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19;
Lk 12:49-53

FRIDAY
Eph 4:1-6;
Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6;
Lk 12:54-59

SATURDAY
Eph 4:7-16;
Ps 122:1-5;
Lk 13:1-9

SUNDAY
Ex 22:20-26;
Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51;
1 Thes 1:5c-10;
Mt 22:34-40

We pray for the sick...

Mary Albers
Eric Andrews
Ralph Ash
Purita Bernadez
Dennis Boyd
Thomas Breen
Michael Bruck
Mary Ann Calabro
Robert Caulfield
Rose Chesney
Shirley Clay
Biaunca Cruickshank
Maya Cruickshank
Joseph Cox
Sharon & Ken Czarnecki
Susan Koziatek Danielewicz
Ken Daniels
Sue Decker
Amanda Dietrich
Sherry Horton Dickenson
Cydney Domsic
Anna Marie Felczak
Claudia & John Gradzinski
Katherine Heabeart
Lisa Hohmann
Nathaniel Jalbert
Michelle Kaleta
Maysoon Kashat
Carol Klenner
Sharon Koscielski
Sabrina Kozlowski
Thomas Kunnummyalil
Carol & Ted Lang
Gabriella Licari
Nadia Lynch
Barbara Marrs
Mary Messana
Keith Moss
Linda Muzyk
Marian Nantais
Linda Naperkowski
Marie Palazzola
Roy Paoletti
Mary Parisi
Sherrie Prudhomme
Marge Pullen
Nicholas Quni
Diane Raab
Eric Racette
Sue Rebits
Frank Ringley
Al Roy
Jan Safran
Sr. Janet Schaffler
Pat Schmeiser
Bob Schwark
Mike Siembida
Carla Silvestri
Robert Silvestri
Sally Smogor
Kathy Starski
Al Steele
Andrew Stellon
Patti Teal
Bill Terry
John Terry
Barb Turchanik
Kara VanLacken
Rosemary Warner
Judi Witek
Charlotte Wyatt

And those who serve

PFC Tanner Adkins,Army
WO1 Jeremy Bentley,Army
1Lt. Everhett Biland,Army
2Lt. Alfred Biland Jr.,Army
Mathew Bronikowski
E6 Lucian Burge,Army
Christa Caroll,Army
Pvt. Troy Ciaramella,Army
CPL Kyle Cichowski,Marines
Major Theresa Corsentino,Marines
Sgt. Brian Dahl,Army
Sgt. Tyler Dean,Army
Spec. John Deapen,Army
PFC Anthony Difatta,Army
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Staff Sgt. Brian Domzalski,Marines
Daniel Jackman,Air Force
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J. Jackson,Navy
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Sgt. Griffin Kozak,Marines
Jason Kurpiewski,Navy
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Laurel Morton,Air Force
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Joel Sebastian,Army
Chief John C. Sbraccia,Navy
Sgt. Josh Scott
Sr. Airman Jeremy Spanski,Air Force
CPL Jeremiah Stewart,Army
Gjelosh Vata, Army
Pvt Andre Ventmiglia,Army
LS1 Justin Wood,Navy
Thomas Yombor,Army Ranger 1/75

Funerals

Entered eternal life on...
Patrick Bennett
September 29

Baptisms

OCTOBER 10/11

Riley Ann Berning
Daughter of Jordan & Savannah

Charlie Jade Lee
Son of Jacob & Jessie

Jack Bryon Lee
Son of Jacob & Jessie

Georgia Marie Renusch
Daughter of Robert & Lauren

Grace Margaret Wunderlich
Daughter of Robert & Alessia

Robert Lawrence Wunderlich
Son of Robert & Alessia

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Friday 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM
Saturday Closed
Sunday 2nd & 4th 8:30 AM - 1:00 PM
Lunch 12 - 1 PM (M, W, Th, F), 12 - 1:45 PM (T)

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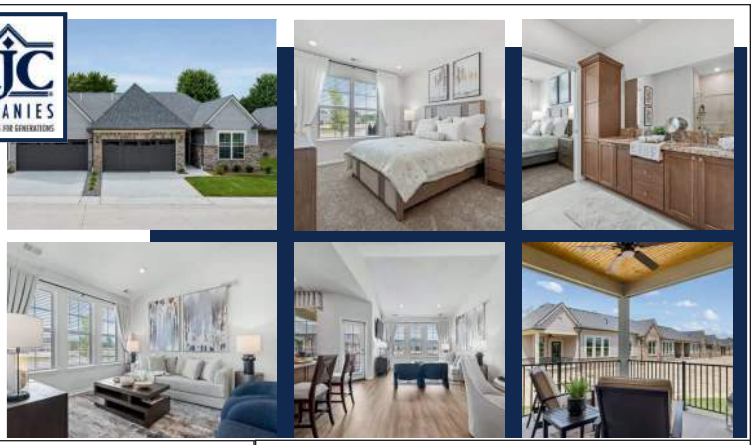
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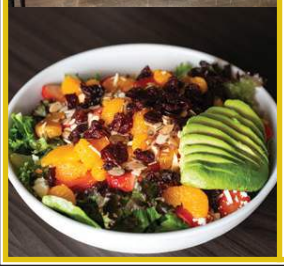
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