

Pray For!

Our Church, the Pope, our Diocese, Bishop Hying, Priests, Conversions, the Sick, the Suffering & Dying, Jobs for our area, Religious freedom, Judges, Healing of abortion, Family & children, Mary's Intentions, Valley of Our Lady.

Paul Davis	Riley Sigg	Marty Bellich
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Jack Smith	Roger Tourdot	John Schuster
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Lorna Gillespie	Terry Nelson	Joyce Ball
Pat Flannery	Jim Green	Larry VanDusen
Lucy Lawson	Tom Murphy	Lonnie VanDusen
Monica Hodgson	Mary Botsford	Gene Kolb
Kane Burton	Mary Thill	Fr. Paul Eruva
Matthew Keller	Eric Makos	Alisha Weis
Mary Jane Yedinak	Tom Young	Taetyn Disney
Tim Sutter	Layla	

Food Drive: School will be starting soon and the Argyle and Pecatonica schools could use some help with their backpack programs. To assist them, St. Isidore Parish will be conducting a food drive until August 28th.

Argyle's Ole's Cupboard needs: peanut butter, cans of vegetables and fruit, cans of soup, ravioli, Spaghetto's and macaroni and cheese.

Pecatonica schools need: granola and cereal bars, fruit bars, fruit snacks, Easy Mac and small packages of cereal, oatmeal, raisins, applesauce, and snack crackers/cheese/fish crackers.

Pecatonica and Argyle food pantries are always in need of: laundry soap, dish soap, toilet paper, paper towels, ketchup, soup, ready-to-make rice packets, cake mixes and frostings.

Any food items you can contribute are greatly appreciated.

DEEPEN YOUR FAITH WITH THE CATHOLIC HERALD Issue of August 25, 2022

It's that time of year, and this week's *Catholic Herald* Back to School section is filled with information and resources to be ready for it. Plus, in the *Catholic Herald's* monthly County Connection section, Rock County is highlighted.

Learn more about your Catholic faith by reading the *Catholic Herald*. If you do not subscribe but wish to receive the *Catholic Herald* print or e-Edition in your home, contact your parish office.

"There are two things you don't want to know how they are made: sausages and priests."

I remember hearing this shortly after I joined seminary, and to a certain extent, it's true. With seminarian Mark Wagner joining us last weekend, however, I was thinking about how most people do not know the process of becoming a priest. I thought it might be educational, and hopefully helpful, to write about this process for the next few weeks. It should be noted that this looks different for each man, so I will focus on generalization and my own experience.

Discernment

The first part about joining the seminary is what we call "discernment." Each man who thinks he is called to be a priest must discern that call, whether or not it is right for him. There is a good reason it takes years to become a priest, because it is not right for everyone. Trust me, no one wants a priest who has an online certificate you can get in a matter of minutes.

Probably the best piece of advice I received during this process was to discern the seminary, not the priesthood. That's what the seminary is for. Take things in order. If a man tries to discern the priesthood from the very beginning it will be overwhelming, so we first need to discern whether or not we should join the seminary.

In my particular case, as someone with an advanced degree, my pastor suggested that I take a year to do what I want to do (teach) while I discern the seminary. This was excellent advice for me because it gave me a year to really pray and think about it rather than rushing in. That year was spent in Grand Rapids, teaching at Grand Valley State University and discerning with a spiritual director. After awhile he pushed me and I agreed that I had nothing else to discern outside the seminary, I had to give it a chance. So I did.

The other part of discernment is where to apply. You may not know that there are basically two types of priests: religious order (i.e., Franciscans, Jesuits, Dominicans, etc.) and diocesan (also called "secular" priests, as opposed to "religious"). Some are called to serve a religious order with a specific charism (teaching, preaching, work with the poor, etc.), others are called to serve a particular diocese.

This was another big part of my discernment, and a bit unusual compared to most. Most seminarians have only lived one place and so they naturally will study for that diocese. Since I had lived in many places, I did not really feel like I had a "home" diocese. The vocations director in Grand Rapids suggested that I study where my family was, and so I initially applied to and was accepted to study for the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. More on the application process next week.

St. Isidore Parish

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 21, 2022

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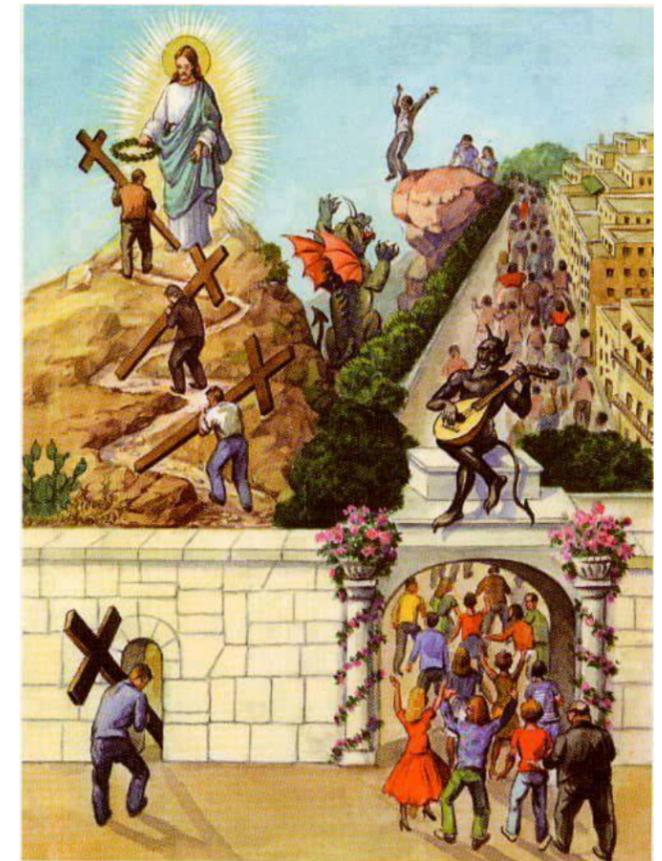
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Bulletin Announcements

Due by Tuesday evening.
Send to:
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Readings for Next Sunday

Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29
Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a
Luke 14:1, 7-14



"Whom the Lord loves, He disciplines."
– Hebrews 12:6

Welcome!

If you are new to our parish or just traveling through, welcome!

<https://www.stisidorecatholicparish.com/>

YouTube Channel: St. Isidore Catholic Parish – Hollandale, WI



From the Pastor's Desk

Dear St. Isidore Family,

As hopefully you are aware, I always try my best to celebrate Mass intentions in the church most associated with that intention. There may be times when I will need to “shift” intentions due to a lack of intentions for that particular church. The same may be for intentions that are asked for Sundays, may be celebrated during the week due to the overabundance of Mass intentions for weekends. Again, I always try to keep with the instructions with the intentions, but I hope everyone understands if adjustments are needed. In the end, the Mass is said, and that is most important.

Speaking of Mass intentions, you may not know that every Sunday and every Holy Day of Obligation, the pastor of the parish is required to celebrate one Mass for the people of the parish. This is why you may on weekends hear the intention for “St. Isidore Parishioners.” This is also why there is actually one fewer Mass intention for weekend Masses than you may think. This is a good practice, so that the people of the parish are always at the forefront of the pastor’s prayers (though they are already).

Please note that in September, I will be holding training sessions for both Eucharistic (Extraordinary) Ministers and Readers (Lectors). These will be **required** for all who wish to participate in these ministries, returning or new. If you absolutely cannot make the assigned times, please let me know and we will try and work something out. The training for **Extraordinary Ministers** will be **Thursday, September 8**, and the training for **Lectors** will be **Thursday, September 15**. Both will be held on their respective days at **6:00 at Immaculate Conception in Blanchardville**. Those who wish to start serving in one of these ministries are most welcome to join those already serving.

God Bless, and please know you are in my prayers,
Fr. Michael

Announcements:

Support Divine Mercy Academy: This weekend, a representative from a new, regional school, Divine Mercy Academy, will be in our parish to introduce the school at all Masses. They will be in the narthex after Mass to answer any questions, collect any information or for financial support.

Divine Mercy Academy (DMA) is a regional, Catholic, Classical, Montessori school for children ages 3-12 that aims to serve families in Southwest Dane County and Northern Green County. DMA strives to make a Christ-centered, Catholic education available to all income levels and educational needs. The mission of Divine Mercy Academy is to provide an educational environment for all children that inspires trust in Jesus Christ, a life of virtue, and faith in the Catholic Church. To learn more, visit their website at: www.divinemeracyacademywi.org.

Public Rosary: A public rosary will be prayed on August 28 at 1:00 pm at the Wiesbrook Farm, 775 Cty Road DDD, Mineral Point, WI. All are welcome. Call for directions: 608-574-1344.

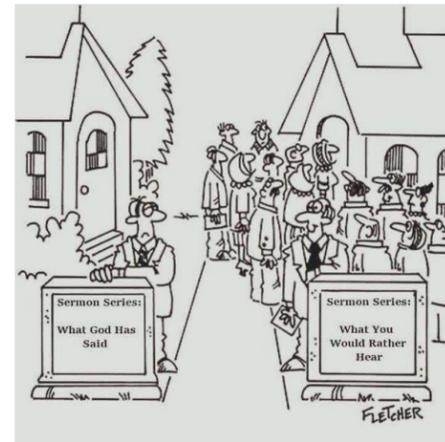
“You should permit yourself to be tormented by every kind of martyrdom before you would allow yourself to commit a mortal sin.” – St. Louis (Feast: August 25)

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Reconciliation is available:

Immaculate Conception,
Blanchardville
Saturdays: 3:15-3:45
St. Joseph, Argyle
Tuesdays: 3:15-3:45
(unless there is no 4 pm Mass)
Sundays: 7:45-8:00
St. Patrick, Hollandale
Fridays: 8:30-9:00 am
Saturday after Mass
Sundays: 10:00-10:15
Also available anytime upon request
Just call 608-967-2344
Email: stisidorepastor@mhtc.net

Getting Married: Please contact 6 months before the date.

New baby: Please call to schedule the baptism.

In case of serious illness or imminent death:

Call Fr. Michael any time.

First Friday Communion: For Communion to the homebound, please contact Fr. Michael.

Parish Membership: To join St. Isidore Parish, please contact Fr. Michael.

Masses for the Week

Monday, August 22nd

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:00 am – Hollandale
Special Intention

Tuesday, August 23rd

Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin
4:00 pm – Argyle
+ Lee Zurfluh

Wednesday, August 24th

Saint Bartholomew, Apostle
8:00 am – Blanchardville
+ Bernie Koch

Thursday, August 25th

Saint Louis
8:00 am – Hollandale
+ Dave Scott

Friday, August 26th

8:00 am – Hollandale
Deceased members of the Murphy & McDermott families

Saturday, August 27th

Saint Monica
4:00 pm – Blanchardville
St. Isidore Parishioners

5:15 pm – Yellowstone
The Hardyman family

Sunday, August 28th

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15 am – Argyle
Harry and Betsy Gavigan

10:30 am – Hollandale
+ Joe and Jane Leonard

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, August 27th

Immaculate Conception
Lector: Virginia McGowan
Eucharistic: Anita Bohn

St. Michael
Lector: Lisa Sikora

Sunday, August 28th

St. Joseph
Lector: Lydia Steinmann
Eucharistic: Sue Madson

St. Patrick
Lector: Cindy Sutter
Eucharistic: Jim Sigg

Into the Deep

Strategic Planning for the Diocese of Madison intothedeepmadison.org

Across the Diocese of Madison, there is a tangible longing for... LITURGY.

A Sunday Mass that is Holy and Heavenly, an experience of Holy Mass where the Eucharist, which is the source and summit of our faith, is celebrated joyfully and with devotion, and where we sense our connection to the saints and angels in Heaven. We believe that the Into the Deep strategic planning process will help us to achieve this vision of a brighter future and a more vibrant local Church, but this process will require the participation and engagement of every Catholic in the Diocese of Madison. We would love to have you walk with us.

To stay informed about where God is leading us, please sign up for our email newsletter! And may God help all of us to follow Him... into the deep!

<https://bit.ly/3P82vh8>

Financial Outlook

	Week Ended 7/10/22
Actual Parish Envelope & Offertory Collection	\$1,491.00
Collections – Fiscal Year to Date	\$3,817.00
Amount Needed – Fiscal Year to Date	\$5,400.00