ST. ISIDORE THE FARMER PASTORATE

A PASTORATE OF THE DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE-IN-INDIANA

MAY 14, 2023 | SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Weekday Masses

Monday - 8:00 a.m. Oxford 8:00 a.m. Kentland (CST)

Tuesday - 8:00 a.m. Kentland (CST)

8:15 a.m. Fowler

Wednesday - 8:00 a.m. Otterbein

8:15 a.m. Fowler

Thursday - 8:00 a.m. Earl Park

6:00 pm. Dunnington

Friday - 8:15 a.m. Fowler 6:00 p.m. Kentland (CST)

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Earl Park

5:30 p.m. Oxford

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. Oxford

8:00 a.m. Fowler

9:00 a.m. Kentland (CST)

9:30 a.m. Otterbein

Adoration

Wednesdays 9:00 AM - 10:00 PM St. Barbara Chapel - Sacred Heart Annex. All are welcome to adoration anytime during these holy hours.

If interested in committing to an hour each week, please contact: Melinda Kidwell -

Confessions

Saturdays - before evening Masses or by appointment.

St. John, Earl Park - 4:00 - 4:45 PM

St. Patrick, Oxford - 4:30 - 5:15 PM

New to the pastorate?

Contact the parish office (listed below) 765-884-1818/jgoetz@parish.dol-in.org or 765-385-2587/nbrost@dol-in.org

Baptisms & Weddings

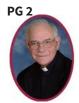
Congratulations! Parents/Couples must contact the pastorate administrative office. Matrimony - contact at least 6 months in advance.

Sacred Heart, St. John, St. Mary, St. Joseph 765-884-1818 St. Charles & St. Patrick 765-385-2587

MASS INTENTIONS AND WEEKLY **CALENDAR ON PAGE 4

107 E. Main St. Fowler, IN 47944 765-884-1818 504 S. Michigan St. Oxford, IN 47971 765-385-2587 swnewtonbentoncopastorate.org

WE ARE THE PEOPLE OF GOD UNITING IN THE HEART OF JESUS CHRIST



A NOTE FROM OUR

Happy Mother's Day to all moms! Motherhood is a great and wonderful vocation. Thanks to all women who answer that call. We often speak of the Church as a mother. In the early Church the baptismal font was often described as a womb. Just as each of us developed within and were born from our biological mother's womb so also we are reborn through baptism as Children of God. May the Church be a loving mother to all her children. May all moms experience the joy of motherhood.

PASTOR Fr. Richard Weisenberger

SCRIPTURE STUDY WITH FR. WEISENBERGER

My next meeting to discuss upcoming scriptures will be at St. Charles, Otterbein on June 11 from 10:45 - 11:45. ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND. PLEASE BRING A COPY OF THE SUNDAY READINGS WITH YOU.



BAPTISMAL CONGRATULATIONS AND BLESSINGS! ON SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2023

Zachary D. Goetz and Miranda P. Synesael - Daughter Gwynneth Myra Ann Goetz Baptized at
Sacred Heart Church

OUR PARISHES AND STAFF

Sacred Heart of Jesus 107 East Main Street, Fowler, 47944

St. Charles Borromeo 108 North Meadow Street, Otterbein, 47970

St. John the Baptist 205 South Chestnut Street, Earl Park, 47942

St. Joseph 409 East Allen Street, Kentland, 47951

St. Mary 2961 South State Road 71, Ambia, 47917

St. Patrick 504 South Michigan Street, Oxford, 47971

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Nancy Brost nbrost@dol-in.org Administrative Asst. 765-385-2587

STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY OFFERING + ONLINE GIVING

Sacred Heart	\$2,322.00
St. Mary	\$217.00
St. John	\$794.00
St. Joseph	\$1,533.00
St. Patrick	\$1,454.00
St. Charles	\$2,727.38

GIVE ONLINE TODAY!

Go to:

swnewtonbentoncopastorate.org and select online giving under the HOME tab.



IN OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Rocco Podone & Helen Treado.
Please pray for the repose soul of Frank Goodman

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

"Jesus, Eternal High Priest, live in (Name of Priest), act in him, speak in and through him. Think your thoughts in his mind, and live through his heart. Teach, lead, and guide him always. Let him live in you, and keep him in this intimate union always. Amen."

May 14 - Fr. Thomas Metzger
May 15 - Fr. Christopher Miller
May 16 - Fr. Kyle Neterer
May 17 - Fr. David Newton

May 18 - Fr. John Nguyen
May 19 - Fr. Dennis O'Keeffe
May 20 - Fr. Coady Owens

HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST OR NEED A PASTORAL VISIT?

Please contact us at either Sacred Heart - 765-884-1818 OR St. Patrick - 765-385-2587

WAYS TO CONNECT

Thank You!

Thank you to all those who have returned their Ministry forms. Within the next few weeks, we will be disseminating the information and reaching out to those who have expressed interest in various ministries and groups. If you have not yet submitted a form, but would like to participate, please contact the parish office at 765-884-1818 or email bschlebecker@parish.dol-in.org



The Quilting Ladies are busy creating new patterns! Please drop in Glotzbach Pharmacy and checkout the beautiful creations. Perfect for any occasion!

Make a splash with Jesus

VBS JUNE 12-16

St. Patrick Hall, Oxford register at sign-up genius https://www.signupgenius com/

go/10c0e4cabab2aa6f8c34 vbsmake#/

9:00 am - 11:30 am

LL 4-11 YEAR-OLDS

St. Isidore the Farmer Pastorate dedication May 15 7:30 pm Join us for Evening Prayer for the Memorial of our **Pastorate Saint.**

Reception to follow in Sacred Heart Gym St. Isidore the Farmer "Pray for Us"



GARDENERS GATHERING **OPPORTUNITY**



Anyone interested in flowers and planting knows what it takes to make a good show of your garden or yard. Mark your calendars for the first Mondays of the month 10:00 am - NOON (EST). ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH Gather for socializing, weeding and anything else we can do to enhance our parish grounds. Let's GET TOGETHER!! Bring your garden tools, etc. **SEE YOU THEN!!**



Congratulations to all graduating this spring. We will be celebrating this achievement with a Baccalaureate Mass at 6:30 PM (EST) on Wednesday, May 31 at St. Patrick, Oxford. All graduates parishioners are invited to attend, please wear your cap and gown. More information will be published soon.



COFFEE & DONUTS -SUNDAY SOCIAL @ St. Joseph Hall, KENTLAND

JOIN US!

St. Joseph Sunday Socials with Coffee and Donuts on the last Sunday of each month following the 9AM Mass (CST). All are welcome to attend! Let's get together and talk!

THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY SOCIAL FOR THE MONTH OF MAY DUE TO THE **MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY. **

"FOR WHERE TWO OR THREE ARE GATHERED TOGETHER IN MY NAME. THERE AM I IN THE MIDST OF THEM." Matthew 18:20



SACRED HEART SCHOOL **ENROLLMENT**

Is open for grades Preschool - 6. Tuition assistance is available for those who qualify in grades K-6. We would love to show your our school. Please contact Kristy Gross at 765-884-0710 or kgross@fowlersacredheart.org for more information or to set up a time to tour the school.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

SH School has openings for a full time 6th grade teacher and P/T music teacher. Please contact Kristy Gross



Knights of Columbus are looking for new members - For additional K of C member information, please go to: https://www.kofc.org/en/index.html

Council 9400 tidbit - The end of May marks the end of another PK-12 school year! Your K of C members wish all pastorate students good luck on end of term exams, papers, and projects. Education derives from the Latin educere, meaning "to lead out of the darkness of ignorance to the light of truth, knowledge and wisdom." (Craft, 1984)

All catholic men are invited to attend our next Knights of Columbus meeting on Monday, June 5th at 7:00 PM at St. Patrick Parish Hall.

BENTON COUNTY Co-op

Items for MAY: Laundry detergent.

Mexico Mission trip info: Want to make a difference in someone's/your life? Come with us on one of the next Mexico Mission trips. They are Nov. 4-11, 2023 and Feb. 17-24, 2024. Contact John Brost at 765-366-5329 or jbrost60@gmail.com

Life Teen

Sundays 7:00-8:00 PM EST, **Sacred Heart School, Fowler**

Best Wishes to all our graduating Seniors!

PG 4 EVANGELIZATION

DID YOU KNOW

The National Eucharistic Revival has begun to combat the signs of the times and bring the healing power of Jesus into the world.

Signs of the Times (National Statistics)

- 31%: CATHOLICS WHO KNOW AND BELIEVE IN THE EUCHARIST
- 39%: CATHOLICS WHO ATTEND MASS WEEKLY
- 10.776: THE DECREASE IN PRIESTS SINCE 2000
- 12,000,000+: INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE HAD SERIOUS THOUGHTS OF SUICIDE DURING THE LAST YEAR IN THE UNITED STATES
- FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE HISTORY OF OUR NATION, THE NUMBER OF ADULTS BELONGING TO A CHURCH OR CONGREGATION HAS FALLEN BELOW 50%

How will you become a part of it?

BE A PART OF OUR LECTIO EUCHARIST

the Eucharist is "not a prize for the perfect, but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak."

Gain a greater understanding of the biblical roots of the Eucharist and learn of its foreshadowing in the miraculous events of the Old Testament, the Gospels, and Apostolic teaching.

Our first gathering will be at **St. Patrick Hall, JUNE 8 at 7 pm**. Please RSVP if you are interested in attending or if would like further information, contact Bridget Schlebecker at **bschlebecker@parish.dol-in.org** or 765-884-1818.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

Children...pray for your Moms on Mother's Day and every day.

MOMS...pray for your children

I have yet to know a mother who does not carry the love of her child (regardless of the age) within her heart. That is why we will begin to explore a new program, MILLIONS of MONICAS. Mothers, aunts, grandmothers, godmothers, confirmation sponsors are all encouraged to gather together in prayer one hour a week. Inspired by St. Monica, who never gave up praying for the conversion of her son (St.)Augustine, we will gather with our personal prayers and petitions as we unite in a common theme... for the joyful return of our children to full unity with the Catholic Church. MORE INFORMATION TO COME...

VBS is just around the corner. TEEN volunteers are encouraged ...fun guaranteed.

Bridget Schlebecker at bschlebecker@parish.dol-in.org

THIS WEEK IN OUR PASTORATE Masses and Mass Intentions in Bold

Sunday, May 14 Sixth Sunday of Easter
Happy Mother's Day!
7:30am Oxford Mass † For the Pastorate
8:00am Fowler Mass † John Francis Family
9:00am Kentland Mass † Robert Reynolds
9:30am Otterbein Mass † Jeff Glotzbach

Monday, May 15 Easter Weekday 8:00am Kentland Daily Mass † Arlene Budreau 8:00am Oxford Daily Mass † Dick Atha

7:30pm Sacred Heart Church Evening Prayer - Memorial of St. Isidore the Farmer (Reception to follow in gym)

Tuesday, May 16 Easter Weekday 8:00am Kentland Daily Mass † Francis & Adeline Hasser 8:15am Fowler Daily Mass † Evelyn Boren

Wednesday, May 17 Easter Weekday 8:00am Otterbein Daily Mass † John Eder Family 8:15am Fowler Daily Mass † Doris Windler 7:00pm May Crowning Sacred Heart School

Thursday, May 18 Easter Weekday 8:00am Earl Park Daily Mass † John & Junior Gretencord

9:00am-3:00pm Sewing Day, St. Patrick Parish Hall **6:00pm Dunnington Daily Mass † Steve Dwenger**

Friday, May 19 Easter Weekday 8:15am Fowler Daily Mass † Joseph Brouillette 6:00pm Kentland Daily Mass † Kate Nagele

Saturday, May 20 Easter Weekday
4:15pm Reconciliation Earl Park
5:00pm Earl Park Daily Mass † Millie Schluttenhofer
4:30pm Reconciliation Oxford
5:30pm Oxford Daily Mass † Steve Etter

Sunday, May 21 Seventh Sunday of Easter
7:30am Oxford Mass † Gary Brost
8:00am Fowler Mass † For the Pastorate
9:00am Kentland Mass † Bill Nagele
9:30am Otterbein Mass † Diane Molter

Ministries and Contacts



WHY MINISTRY?

Remembering St. Matthew's account of Jesus' temptation in the desert before beginning His public ministry. One way of looking at Jesus' encounter with Satan is that He needed to choose between using His gifts selfishly or for the sake of others. Because Jesus overcomes the devil's tempting He is able to feed others, glorify God, and exercise the power of sacrificial love.

This is a good example to encourage all of us to reflect on how we use our gifts of time, talent, and treasure. Do we give back to God the gifts He has given us by using them to serve others?

Part of the way we share our gifts with others is by giving them to the Church.

LITURGICAL DUTIES - SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sacred Heart - May 21 Proclaimer of the Word - Arnold Muller Rosary - Shirley Glotzbach

St. John the Baptist - May 20 Proclaimer of the Word - Mary Sherfey Greeters -

Extraordinary Minister of Communion - Jeanette Peck

St. Joseph - May 21
Proclaimer of the Word - Susan McCarty
Greeters - Jennifer Creek (May)
Extraordinary Minister of Communion - Verna Marcum
Ushers - Rich Reynolds & Dave Molter (May)
Offertory - Pat & Rich Reynolds
Sunday Social - (Last Sunday of each Month)

St. Charles - May 21
Proclaimer of the Word - Steve Wittenauer
Altar Servers - Parker & Luke Sexton
Greeter - Bob McTaggart
Extraordinary Minister of Communion - Julie Kerkhoff

St. Patrick - May 20 Proclaimer of the Word - Kevin Becker Server - McCoy Rhoades Greeter - Tim Tabert Extraordinary Minister of Communion - Margot Gobel

May 21 Proclaimer of the Word - Barb Richardson Servers - Nicholas Brost, Kynzley Richardson Greeters - Josh Brost, Kevin Brost Extraordinary Minister of Communion - Sue Wallpe

MINISTRIES WITHIN OUR PASTORATE

Organist needed

St. Charles Church, Otterbein If interested contact the pastorate office at 765-385-2587



WE NEED YOU!! THERE ARE SO MANY POSSIBILITIES TO USE YOUR TALENTS!

WORSHIP: Altar Server, Church Decorating, EMHC, Proclaimer, Musician, Choir, Sacristan, Usher/Greeter

PRAYER: Adoration, Prayer Chain, Peace a' Pie Rosary, Rosary Leaders, Prayer Services

EVANGELIZATION: ACE, Bible Study, Catechists, Life Teen, Lenten Book Club, RCIA, Seniors w/SASS, St. Nicholas Party, VBS

BEREAVEMENT: Funeral Meals, Grief Support Ministry Post Funeral Outreach

HOSPITALITY: Greeting Card Ministry, Home Visits, Pastorate Picnic, Pastorate Receptions, Special Events, Baccalaureate Mass,

Confirmation, Coffee & Donuts, Welcome Packets

COMMUNICATION: Newsletter, Photography, Directory, Social Media

SOCIAL ACTION: Benton Co-Op, Kentland Co-OP, Habitat, Mission Trip, Health Committee, Quilters, Sewing Guild

OTHER: Church Cleaning, Gardening

MEN & WOMEN GROUPS

If any of these ministries are of interest to you, please let us know by contacting: Bridget Schlebecker @ 765-884-1818 OR bschlebecker@parish.dol-in.org