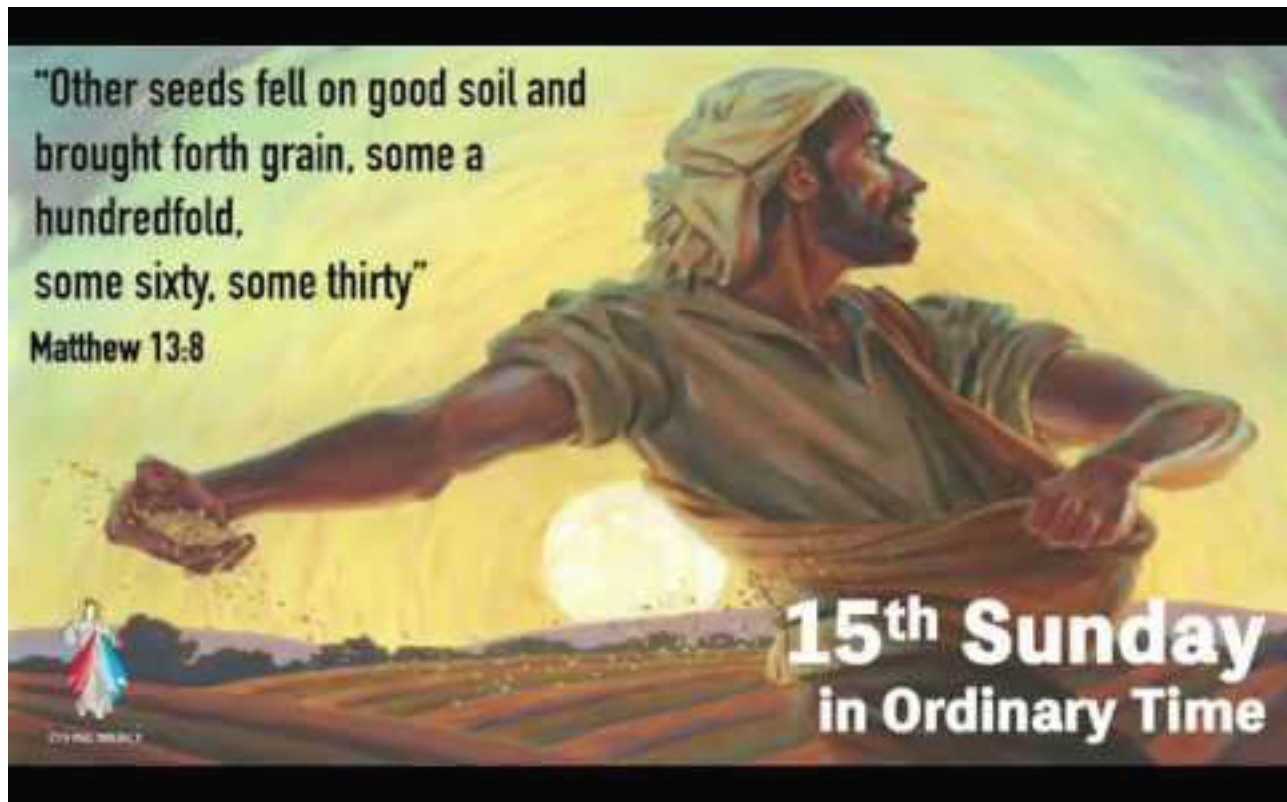


ST. ISIDORE THE FARMER PASTORATE

A PASTORATE OF THE DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE-IN-INDIANA

JULY 16, 2023 | FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Weekday Masses

Monday - 6:00 pm Otterbein

Tuesday - 8:15 am Fowler

Wednesday - NO MASS

Thursday - 6:00 pm Earl Park

Friday - 8:15 a.m. Fowler

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:00 pm (CST) 5:00 pm (EST) Kentland

Sunday: 7:30 am Oxford
10:00 am Fowler June - August

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

Monday 5:00 pm EST before 6:00 pm Mass at St. Charles, Otterbein

Thursday 5:00 pm EST before 6:00 pm Mass at St. John, Earl Park

Friday after 8:15 am EST Mass at Sacred Heart, Fowler

New to the pastorate?

Contact the pastorate office (765-884-1818 or email jgoetz@parish.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, St. Charles & St. Patrick
765-884-1818

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

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July is the Month of the Most Precious Blood

July is the month dedicated to the Precious Blood. This month is a time to be reminded of Christ's gift of His most precious blood Throughout the Scriptures, we read of the many ancient covenants that are associated with blood. In addition, the pelican is an ancient symbol of Christ. It was believed that the mother pelican would pierce its own breast to feed its young with her blood to prevent the baby pelican from starvation or death. The mother pelican would lose her life to save the life of her baby pelicans.

May we receive the Eucharist with gratitude for the Lamb of God who died for our salvation. The story of the Pelican reminds us that the Eucharist, the Body and Blood of our Lord, feeds and nourishes us when we receive Him at every Mass. In each of the sacraments, one experiences the outpouring of God's grace, love and mercy.

Pope Francis on the Precious Blood of Jesus (June 30, 2018)

"God chose the sign of blood because no other sign can express so eloquently the supreme love of a life given for others. It is important to be brave people, building courageous communities that are not afraid to stand up to affirm the values of the Gospel and the truth about the world and man..." He goes on to say, "But let us not forget that the true strength of Christian witness comes from the Gospel itself. And this is where the centrality of the Blood of Christ and its spirituality emerges. It is a question of relying above all on the "superabundance of love" expressed in the Blood of the Lord, which brought to light the Church Fathers and the great saints and mystics of Christian history, from Saint Bonaventure to Saint Catherine of Siena, up to a Saint especially dear to you: Saint Gaspar del Bufalo. This Roman priest, founder of the Missionaries of the Most Precious Blood, endeavored to keep alive the ardor of faith in the Christian people by traveling through the regions of central Italy. With the example of his love for God, his humility, his charity, he was able to bring reconciliation and peace everywhere, tending to the spiritual and material needs of the most fragile people who lived on the margins of society."

Pope John XXIII (June 30, 1960)

"You know well enough that your ransom was not paid in earthly currency, silver or gold; it was paid in the precious blood of Christ; no lamb was ever so pure, so spotless a victim. If only they would lend a more eager ear to the apostle of the Gentiles: 'A great price was paid to ransom you; glorify God by making your bodies the shrines of his presence.' Their upright lives would then be the shining example they ought to be; Christ's Church would far more effectively fulfill its mission to men. God wants all men to be saved, for he has willed that they should all be ransomed by the Blood of his only-begotten Son; he calls them all to be members of the one Mystical Body whose head is Christ. If only men would be more responsive to these promptings of his grace, how much the bonds of brotherly love among individuals and peoples and nations would be strengthened. Life in society would be so much more peaceable, so much worthier of God and the human nature created in his image and likeness."

O God, who by the Precious Blood of your Only Begotten Son have redeemed the whole world, preserve in us the work of your mercy, so that, ever honoring the mystery of our salvation, we may merit to obtain its fruits. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Peace, Fr. Sean



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

July 16 - Fr. Leroy Kinnaman	July 20 - Fr. Richard Puetz
July 17 - Fr. Robert Klemme	July 21 - Fr. Robert Williams
July 18 - Fr. John Mannion	July 22 - Fr. Dominic Young
July 19 - Fr. Robert Moran	

OUR STAFF

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STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY OFFERING + ONLINE GIVING

Sacred Heart	\$2,841.01
St. Mary	\$ 236.91
St. John	\$ 775.00
St. Joseph	\$1,274.00
St. Patrick	\$1,227.00
St. Charles	\$ 190.00

IN OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Rocco Podone

Please pray for the repose soul of Vic Lauerman

HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST OR NEED A PASTORAL VISIT?

Please contact us at Sacred Heart - 765-884-1818



SAVE THE DATE
Annual Pastorate
Picnic, August 20th,
11am (EST)
Benton Central
Auditorium

PASTORATE PICNIC NEEDS:

The Pastorate Mass and Picnic committee is looking for 4-seat and 6-seat golf carts (and drivers) to provide transportation from the parking lots to the school and back for those who desire it at this year's event. If you have a golf cart that could be used at the event on August 20, please contact Del 2012.



SUPERVISORS

Supervisors needed for children's picnic games. Contact bschlebecker@parish.dol-in.org or 765-884-1818



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

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 - Reminder ... Be a swinger! Join us for our biggest annual fund raiser: the K of C Golf Outing at the Oak Grove Country Club, July 29th, at 1:00 p.m. For more details contact Tom Etter at 765-299-7581 or Jim Schutter at 765-376-3829.

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

Lord, God, to whom belongs all creation, and who calls us to serve you by caring for the gifts that surround us. Inspire us by the example of Saint Isidore the Farmer to share our food with the hungry and to work for the salvation of all people

DIocese of LAFAYETTE-IN-INDIANA

PRIESTS VS SEMINARIANS

SOFTBALL

GAME

BUY TICKETS ONLINE & PICK UP AT WILL CALL WINDOW

AUGUST 4, 2023 - 7PM

KOKOMO MUNICIPAL STADIUM

MORE INFO DOL-IN.ORG/SERRASERIES



Items for JULY :
Peanut butter and jelly

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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 9400 GOLF OUTING



TO REGISTER OR MORE INFO PLEASE CONTACT: TOM ETTER 765-385-2185, JIM SCHUTTER - 765-376-3829, OR KENT BROUILLETTE - 765-586-1661

SATURDAY JULY 29, 2023
1 PM SHOTGUN START
FOUR PERSON SCRAMBLE
OAK GROVE COUNTRY CLUB
OXFORD, IN
MEAL SERVED FOLLOWING GOLF



ENROLLMENT

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 you 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 an opening for a P/T music teacher. Please contact Kristy Gross

Currently at LIFETEEN

Check below for the most recent information about our high school youth group.



Catholic Heart Workcamp Prayer Requests



Please pray for the group of 16 teens and 8 adults from our Pastorate traveling to Catholic Heart Workcamp in Marshalltown, IA July 16-21. Take a "smile" from the back of the church to pray for a member of the group so that they can be an instrument of God's grace and witness on their trip.

EVANGELIZATION



THE CATHOLIC CORNER

CATECHISTS
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WE NEED CATECHISTS for 2023-24

Have you ever wondered how to utilize your unique set of talents from God. Consider becoming a catechist for our Pastorate Religious Education Program (PREP). Faith necessary, witnessing inevitable, training provided. For more information, please contact me at bschlebecker@parish.dol-in.org

CHILDREN (7-12) Tuesdays @ 10am - 11am

FOWLER PUBLIC LIBRARY. *"Heavenly Hosts: Eucharistic Miracles for Kids" by Kathryn Griffin Swegart (79 pg.) (cost of book to be determined)*

"The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest."

Every Sunday, we hear the Word of God; but what happens on Monday? What do we harvest: words of kindness or complaints and animosity, condemnation of the poor or action in service to assist the needy in their struggles, criticism of the pastorate or constructive interaction and participation to build up the Church? We are not asked to "do it all" ...but we are called to share the unique gifts that God has graciously given to each of us.

This August 20th we will gather together at Benton Central for our Second Annual Pastorate Picnic. Many volunteers will be needed to assist in the coordination of the food, hospitality, decoration, set-up and clean-up, preparation for the liturgy, transportation, parking, and activities and games. Please consider the special ways in which you might participate and share your gifts.

This Monday, let us continue to sow the Word of God in the lives of others through our daily witness as followers of Christ. Let us offer our gifts and talents for the good of one another. Let us work together in unity for the good of the pastorate. It is then, we will yield a fruitful harvest.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PASTORATE

Masses and Mass Intentions in Bold

Sunday, July 16, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am Oxford Mass † Keith Windler by Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Stepp

10:00am Fowler Mass † Tom Lamie by Chuck Berry Family

Monday, July 17 Weekday

5:00pm Confessions, Otterbein

6:00pm Otterbein Daily Mass † Virginia & Melissa Bontempo by Deb & Mike Wallpe

Tuesday, July 18 Weekday

8:15am Fowler Daily Mass † Janet Gretencord by Virginia, Kelly, Sarah & Jeff and Family

10:00am - Children's Summer Book Club, Fowler Public Library

Wednesday, July 19 Weekday

NO MASSES

9:00am-10:00pm - Adoration Sacred Heart

Thursday, July 20 Weekday

5:00 pm Confessions, Earl Park

6:00pm Earl Park Daily Mass † Velma Hasser by St. John Rosary

7:00pm - Lectio Eucharist, St. Patrick Parish Hall

Friday, July 21 Weekday

8:15am Fowler Daily Mass † Gene Balensiefer by Beth Owens

Confessions following the 8:15am Mass, Fowler

Saturday, July 22 Vigil Mass

4:00pm (CST), 5:00PM (EST) Kentland Mass † Lucy Perkins by Robert & Joan Hays

Sunday, July 23, Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am Oxford Mass † Dick Atha by Dave & Janine Klumpe

10:00am Fowler Mass † For the Pastorate

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 - SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sacred Heart - July 23

Proclaimer of the Word - Arnold Muller

Extraordinary Minister of Communion -

Chalice -

Rosary - Nancy Phillips

St. Joseph - July 22

Proclaimer of the Word - Shelley Murphy

Greeters - Karen Piegza (July)

Extraordinary Minister of Communion - Karen Piegza

Chalice - Hank Coussens & Karl Elliker

Ushers - Stan & Bernie Walkup (July)

Offertory - Sue & Mark Mayhew

St. Patrick - July 23

Proclaimer of the Word - Wayne Oneal

Altar Servers:

Greeters - Tim Muller & Larry Barnard

Extraordinary Minister of Communion - Kathy

Budreau, Margot Gobel & Rita Etter

MINISTRIES WITHIN OUR PASTORATE

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

Please join us at the
2023 Pastorate Mass & Picnic
Sunday, August 20
Mass at 11 am EST / 10 am CST

To welcome Father Sean Aaron
and Deacon Joe Poremski

Location:

**Benton Central High School
4241 E. 300 S.
Oxford, IN 47971**

Immediately following the Mass, a picnic luncheon will be held in the cafeteria. Grilled hamburgers, hot dogs, and beverages will be provided for the meal, and families are asked to bring a dish to share. Life Teen students will give a short presentation about their experiences at Catholic Heart Work Camp in July followed by fun activities for all ages!

Carry-in Requests by Family Name:

A-R: Hot or Cold Salad, Covered Dish

S-Z: Dessert, Fruit

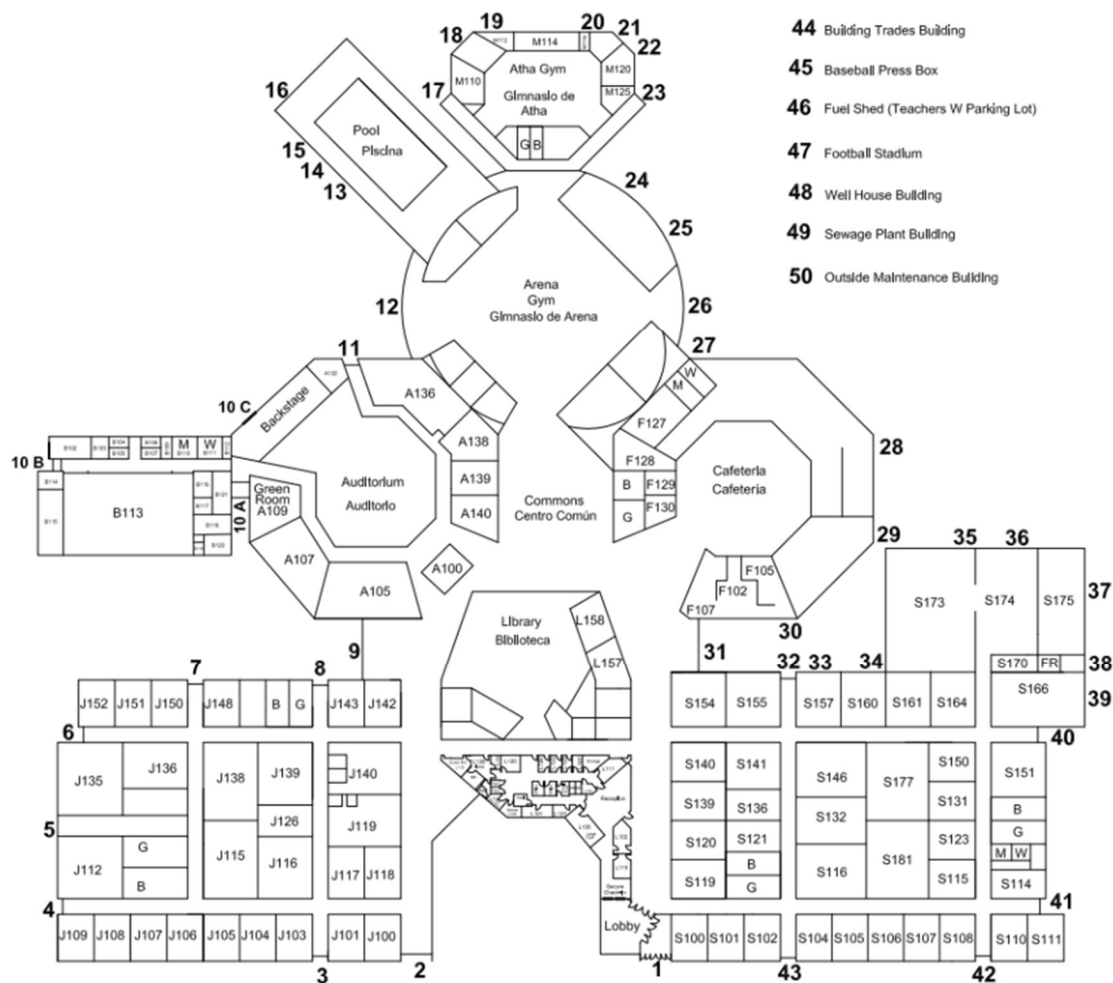
Parking, Entrance, and other Additional Information can be found on the backside of this sheet. Handicap parking will be available near door 2.

RSVP:

Please RSVP as soon as possible but no later than August 7. Either fill out an RSVP sheet found in the pews and return it to the collection basket or call the Pastorate Office at 765-884-1818.

Parking and Entrance Information:

Parking is available in the front lot off of E. 300 S. and in the back behind the school. Entrances will be open at Doors 1, 2, and 12 (see map below). Those needing assistance or handicap spots should park in the front parking lot and enter either Door 1 or 2 for the shortest walking distance to the auditorium.



Carry-In Item Drop-Off

Families are welcome to take their food items to the Cafeteria before Mass no later than 10:50 am.

The Saturday Vigil Mass at St. Joseph Kentland will be offered on August 19, but there will be no other Sunday Mass offered in the Pastorate on August 20.