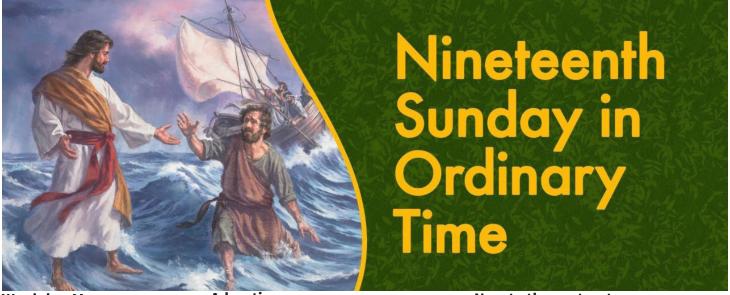
ST. ISIDORE THE FARMER PASTORATE

A PASTORATE OF THE DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE-IN-INDIANA

AUGUST 13, 2023 NINETEENTH 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

**MASS INTENTIONS AND WEEKLY CALENDAR ON PAGE 4

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION 2023

All Sundays are obligatory for the faithful to participate in the Mass

Sunday, January 1, 2023 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Thursday, May 18, 2023 Ascension of Jesus

Tuesday, August 15, 2023 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday, November 1, 2023 All Saints' Day

Friday, December 8, 2023 The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary Monday, December 25, 2023 Christmas

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



Catholic Schools and Lifelong Learning

School began this week at Sacred Heart! My grade school years at St. Joan of Arc in Kokomo still has a lasting and impactful memory for me. I'm sharing with you a Message from St. John Paul II for the great cause of Catholic Education.

"As Catholic educators assembled in the communion of the universal Church and in prayer, you will certainly share with each other insights of value that will assist you in your important work, in your ecclesial mission. The Holy Spirit is with you and the Church is deeply grateful for your dedication. The Pope speaks to you in order to confirm you in your lofty role as Catholic educators, to assist you, to direct you, to support you.

IAmong the many reflections that could be made at this time there are three points in particular to which I would like to make a brief reference at the beginning of my pontificate. These are: the value of Catholic schools, the importance of Catholic teachers and educators, and the nature of Catholic education itself. These are themes that have been developed at length by my predecessors. At this time, however, it is important that I add my own testimony to theirs, in the special hope of giving a new impulse to Catholic education throughout the vast area of the United States of America.

With profound conviction I ratify and reaffirm the words that Paul VI spoke originally to the Bishops of your country: "Brethren, we know the difficulties involved in preserving Catholic schools, and the uncertainties of the future, and yet we rely on the help of God and on your own zealous collaboration and untiring efforts, so that Catholic schools can continue, despite grave obstacles, to fulfill their providential role at the service of genuine Catholic education, and at the service of your country." Yes, the Catholic school must remain a privileged means of Catholic education in America. As an instrument of the apostolate it is worthy of the greatest sacrifices.

But no Catholic school can be effective without dedicated Catholic teachers, convinced of the great ideal of Catholic education. The Church needs men and women who are intent on teaching by word and example – intent on helping to permeate the whole educational milieu with the spirit of Christ. This is a great vocation, and the Lord himself will reward all who serve in it as educators in the cause of the word of God.

In order that the Catholic school and the Catholic teachers may truly make their irreplaceable contribution to the Church and to the world, the goal of Catholic education itself must be crystal clear. Beloved sons and daughters of the Catholic Church, brothers and sisters in the faith: Catholic education is above all a question of communicating Christ, of helping to form Christ in the lives of others.

In the expression of the Second Vatican Council, those who have been baptized must be made ever more aware of the gift of faith that they have received, they must learn to adore the Father in spirit and in truth, and they must be trained to live the newness of Christian life in justice and in the holiness of truth.

These are indeed essential aims of Catholic education. To foster and promote them gives meaning to the Catholic school; it spells out the dignity of the vocation of Catholic educators.

Yes, it is above all a question of communicating Christ, and helping his uplifting Gospel to take root in the hearts of the faithful. Be strong, therefore, in pursuing these goals. The cause of Catholic education is the cause of Jesus Christ and of his Gospel at the service of man."

In addition, we all are to be lifelong learners. That is, to continually grow in knowledge and love of our Catholic faith; to know and love Jesus Christ. As RCIA begins in the coming weeks, all are invited to attend to learn and understand our beautiful Catholic faith.

Peace,

Fr. Sean

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Aug. 13 - Fr. Daniel Duff
Aug. 14 - Fr. Stephen Duquaine
Aug. 15 - Fr. Dale Ehrman

Aug. 19 - Fr. Dennis Goth

Aug. 16 - Fr. Dennis Faker

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STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY OFFERING + ONLINE GIVING

 Sacred Heart
 \$2,845.00

 St. Mary
 \$ 165.00

 St. John
 \$ 475.00

 St. Joseph
 \$ 2,195.00

 St. Patrick
 \$1,652.00

 St. Charles
 \$ 310.00

IN OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Rocco Podone
Please pray for our Pastorate & Vocations

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HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST OR NEED A PASTORAL

VISIT?

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

WAYS TO CONNECT



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

Please join us for a day of faith, fun and fellowship for all at the 2023 Mass and Picnic on August 20 at Benton Central H.S.

To RSVP just point your phone camera at the QR code to go to the online signup, complete a pew RSVP and place it in the collection basket, or call the pastorate office. We look forward to seeing you there!

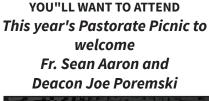


Thank you!

As we begin a new school year, we would like to thank the many people who helped make some updates to the school building possible:

Holscher Products
Mike Schwartz
Huston Electric-Brady McKinney and
Travis Krug
Orardon's Renovations
Tommy Winchester
Deno's Home Center
Sacred Heart CPTO
Sacred Heart Advisory Board
Sacred Heart Parish Finance Council
Eric Wetli
John and Diahn Campagna

We would also like to thank the family of Bill and Alice Silver for purchasing some iPads for our students.





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









Items for AUGUST: Canned fruit/disposable adult & baby diapers

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 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 - In AD 325 the First Council of Nicaea, a council of Christian bishops, was convened by Roman Emperor Constantine I, the first Roman emperor to profess Christianity. We recite their *Nicene Creed* as our profession of faith.

All catholic men are invited to attend our next Knights of Columbus meeting on Monday, September 11th at 7:00 PM at St. Patrick Parish Hall.



All parents of high school teens (grades 9-12) are invited to a Parent Meeting on August 13. Confirmation requirements and some Life Teen opportunities will be discussed at this meeting.

Parent Meeting for Confirmation & Life Teen
Sunday, August 13
11:30 AM (EST)
Sacred Heart School

PG 4 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

FAITH * HOPE * LOVE – are the three theological virtues. Theological virtues relate directly to the Triune God for their origin, motive, and object.

FAITH

Is a grace...a gift of God (CCC 153)

Is a human act (CCC 154)

Is the human intellect and will in cooperation with divine grace (CCC 155)

Is certain...founded on the word of God who cannot lie (CCC 157)

Faith Seeks understanding... The grace of faith opens "the eyes of your hearts" to a lively understanding of the contents of Revelation: that is, of the totality of God's plan and the mysteries of faith, of their connection with each other and with Christ, the center of the revealed mystery. In the words of St. Augustine: "I believe, in order to understand; and

I understand, the better to believe." (CCC 158)

If you desire to seek a greater understanding of the Catholic faith, why not consider attending *Credo*. This new program will be held on **Tuesday evenings from 7pm – 8:30 pm in St. Patrick Hall.**Each week the specific topics of discussion will be listed in the bulletin. Although *Credo* is designed for RCIA, it is also quite illuminating for anyone who wishes to gain further understanding of their Catholic faith. For additional information please contact Bridget, the Director of Evangelization at <u>bschlebecker@parish.dolin.org</u>

HOPE

Desiring eternal life and happiness (CCC 1817)

Not relying on our own strength but placing our trust in Christ's promises and the grace of the Holy Spirit (CCC 1818)

Hope is expressed and nourished in prayer (CCC 1820) Grieving with Great Hope, is for anyone who has experienced loss or is trying to cope with the death of a friend or family member. Grieving with Great Hope, a six week program, will begin on Wednesday, September 13 at 6:30 pm in St. Patrick Hall. This first evening will be an introduction and information session. If you are interested, please let me know so that we may have the necessary materials on hand. For additional information or to register, contact <code>bschlebecker@parish.dol-in.org</code>

CHARITY (LOVE)

Loving God above all things

Loving our neighbor as ourself (CCC 1821)

"So, Faith, Hope and Love abide, but the greatest of these is love." (1Cor. 13:13)

May we continue to grow in the virtues of Faith, Hope and Charity.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PASTORATE Masses and Mass Intentions in Bold

Sunday, August 13, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00pm (Saturday) Kentland Mass † Sid & Clementine Noel

7:30am Oxford Mass † Judy Gobel 10:00am Fowler Mass † For the Pastorate

Monday, August 14 VIGIL for THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

5:00pm Confessions, Otterbein

6:00pm Otterbein Vigil Mass † Bob Wetli by Deb & Mike Wallpe

Tuesday, August 15 HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION - THE
ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
8:15am Fowler Daily Mass † Arlene Budreau by Mary
Schwartz

6:00pm Earl Park Mass † For the Pastorate

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

Wednesday, August 16 Weekday - NO MASS

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

Thursday, August 17 Weekday

5:00 pm Confessions, Earl Park

6:00pm Earl Park Daily Mass † Fr. Harold Datzman by Mary Ann Schellenberger

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

Friday, August 18 Weekday 8:15am Fowler Daily Mass † Don & Jeff Glotzbach by Shirley Glotzbach & Famil

Confessions following the 8:15am Mass, Fowler

Saturday, August 19 Vigil Mass 4:00pm (CST), 5:00PM (EST) Kentland † Bernie, Barbara, Christopher Murphy by Colleen Clifton

9:30am - Saturday devotion @ Sacred Heart

Sunday, August 20, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30am Oxford Mass † - NO MASS

10:00am Fowler Mass † NO MASS

11:00am (EST) Benton Central Auditorium † For the Pastorate

Picnic - After Mass

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 - TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pastorate Mass - August 20 **Lectors- Henry Senefelder & Tim Tabert Extraordinary Minister of Communion - Karen Piegza (others TBD)** Ushers - Randy Schluttenhofer, John Brost (others TBD) Offertory/Gifts - Dale Budreau Family **Servers -TBD** Music - TBD

SAVE THE DATE

TRAINING AND CALL-OUT **FOR USHERS/EMHC/LECTORS ALL TIMES (EST)**

DATE: SATURDAY, AUGUST

26TH

WHERE: SACRED HEART CHURCH, FOWLER **USHERS:** 9:00 - 9:30 AM

EMHC: 9:30 - 10:30 AM

LECTORS: 10:30 - 11:30 AM

RCIA CLASSES BEGIN ALL TIMES (EST)

DATE: EVERY TUESDAY,

BEGINNING

AUGUST 29, @ 7:00 PM

WHERE: ST. PATRICK HALL,

OXFORD

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH **ROSARY "PEACE 'N PIE -**

10AM - SACRED HEART

GRIEVING WITH GREAT HOPE BEGINS

SEPTEMBER 13

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

ALL TIMES (EST)

DATE: EVERY SUNDAY

BEGINNING

SEPTEMBER 10TH 9:30

-10:45 AM

WHERE: SACRED HEART

SCHOOL, FOWLER

CATECHIST ORIENTATION

SEPTEMBER 30