

ST. ISIDORE THE FARMER PASTORATE

A PASTORATE OF THE DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE-IN-INDIANA

AUGUST 27, 2023 TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MATTHEW 16:13-20

Christ Giving the Keys to St. Peter
- by Pietro Perugino (1481)

Weekday Masses

Monday - 6:00 pm Otterbein

Tuesday - 8:15 am Fowler

Wednesday - NO MASS

Thursday - 6:00 pm Earl Park

Friday - 8:15 am 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
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****MASS INTENTIONS AND WEEKLY
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HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION 2023

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

Sunday, January 1, 2023

Thursday, May 18, 2023

Tuesday, August 15, 2023

Wednesday, November 1, 2023

Friday, December 8, 2023

Monday, December 25, 2023

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Ascension of Jesus

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

All Saints' Day

The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Christmas

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By now, I'm guessing most of you have seen me serving as Deacon at Mass with Fr. Sean. Maybe you've wondered, "Why two of us at Mass? How does the "Deacon's" role at Mass differ from that of Fr. Sean? What IS a Deacon?" "What do we call him?"

All great questions: let's look at them individually... Why two of us at Mass? That's easy: it's because Fr. Sean and I BOTH share a very deep and sincere love of Sacred Liturgy. Personally, I have been attending daily Mass for the last 10-12 years. I find this devotion to be very healing and fulfilling – it's a great way to start [or end] the day. Once I was ordained, I found that daily Mass attendance is also a great way for a larger number of people to have exposure to a Deacon than they otherwise might have.

This rolls us into the second question: what role does the Deacon have in the Church? Well, a Deacon is ordained to a three-fold ministry of Word, Liturgy, and Service. Perhaps you've noticed that when I'm at Mass **[Liturgy]**, I am the one who proclaims the Gospel **[Word]**. This is because according to the General Instruction of the Roman Missal [GIRM for short], this 'function' in the Mass should be done by the Deacon. Some other roles proper to the Deacon include preparing the vessels on the altar at the Offertory time, assisting with the distribution of Holy Communion, the purification of patens, chalices, and other sacred vessels after Communion, as well as some spoken lines addressed to the congregation during the course of the Mass. These include the invitation to share a sign of peace with each other, a portion of the Penitential Act [Lord, have mercy...], the Universal Prayers [petitions], as well as the Final Dismissal [Go in peace...]. There may be other, additional spoken parts, depending on the circumstance of the particular Mass being celebrated [like the Exultant at the Easter Vigil, or inviting the congregation to sit or stand or kneel at the appropriate times]. The Deacon is also [and primarily] ordained to a ministry of Service. He is directly connected [by the grace of Holy Orders, and by obedience to the Bishop] to the Bishop's apostolic mission. A Deacon is ordained onto a ministry of service for the particular identified needs in the diocese, to be an image of Christ, the Servant [in Latin, the term is 'in persona Christi Servi' – in the 'person' of Christ, the Servant]. My service roles since my ordination have included my being responsible for the pastoral care of the nursing homes and extended care facilities in the Lafayette/West Lafayette areas, assisting [along with my wife] in the formation of the next cohort of Deacons, and serving with Bishop as Master of Ceremonies for Confirmations around the diocese. These were carried out while I was assigned to the Pastorate of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception and St. Ann's Church and Shrine in Lafayette, and now to the Pastorate of St. Isidore the Farmer.

I am often asked, "What do we call you?" My "official" title is Reverend Mr. Joe Poremski – this is how letters addressed to me from the Chancery arrive at my home. I was once told by a friend that I have been called 'Joe' LONG before I was ordained, and therefore that's what they choose to call me. But I also once heard from a priest-friend of mine [who I also knew LONG before he became a priest] that addressing him as 'Father' helps to remind him of the office he was ordained to, to the sacred promises he made, and to the duties and responsibilities of the vocation he now lives. I think the same is true for me: the proper form of address is 'Deacon', or 'Deacon Joe'. Do I say this here to chastise anyone – not at all. Think of it this way: would you approach our new pastor and address him as Sean? ...or rather would I call him Father Sean? Same should go for the Deacon...

I hope this helps clarify a few things. Please continue to submit your questions to me, which I will address next month.

Yours in Christ,
Deacon Joe Poremski

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Aug. 27 - Fr. Thomas Haan	Aug. 31 - Fr. David Huemmer
Aug. 28 - Fr. Kevin Haines	Sept. 1 - Fr. Kevin Hurley
Aug. 29 - Fr. David Hellmann	Sept. 2 - Fr. Matthew Kalu
Aug. 30 - Fr. Paul Hudson	

STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY OFFERING + ONLINE GIVING

Sacred Heart	\$ 931.00
St. Mary	\$ 477.00
St. John	\$ 375.00
St. Joseph	\$ 1,259.11
St. Patrick	\$ 815.00
St. Charles	\$ 265.00

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IN OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for the repose soul of Fr. Robert Bernotas

Please pray for our Pastorate & Vocations

HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST OR NEED A PASTORAL VISIT?

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



St. Isidore the Farmer Prayer

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. Amen



BENTON COUNTY CO-OP - Items for **SEPTEMBER**: Laundry Detergent & Cleaning Products



Earl Park Fall Festival - September 1st thru 4th, 2023 – Earl Park, Indiana Weekend fun for the whole family! - Truck & Tractor Pull, Bluegrass Music (band schedule), Demolition Derby, Parade (more info), Car Show (more info), Softball Tournament, Horseshoe & Wa-shoo Tournaments. Pedal Tractor Pull, Dunk Tank, Little Rascal Races (more info), Sand Volleyball, Pedal Tractor Pull, and more! **Don't forget to stop and enjoy the pork chops at the St. John the Baptist tent!!!**

MISSION TRIP

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



DAN PATCH DAYS - OXFORD Friday 9/8, Bingo - 5-8pm, **Chicken Dinner - (Life Teen) 5:30 - 7:30pm**, Saturday 9/9 - Oxford Lions Club Fish Fry 4 - 7pm, Dan Patch Rodeo Opens 5:00pm, Sunday 9/10 - Dan Patch Parade 1:00pm, Dan Patch Rodeo Opens 1:30pm, For more information: <https://sites.google.com/view/oxforddanpatchdays/festival-schedule>



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 - On July 29th we held our 13th Annual Golf Scramble at the Oak Grove Golf Course in Oxford. The event attracted 12 1/2 teams, had 67 hole sponsors, and netted about \$4,500 to supplement our charitable giving coffers. Thanks!

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.



Life Teen will kick off the Fall semester with a Welcome Night on August 27. All teens in grades 9-12 and their families are invited for ice cream and games! Life Teen Kick-Off - Sunday, August 27, 7:00-8:00 PM (EST) - Sacred Heart School



ST. ANNE SOCIETY CHICKEN DINNER - **Sunday, September 17th 11:00 - 1:30pm**, DINE IN OR CARRY OUT, SACRED HEART SCHOOL FOWLER, TICKETS SOLD AT DOOR ONLY. ADULTS \$12.00, CHILDREN 12 & UNDER \$8.00.

Pastorate Mass/Picnic Pictures - If you or someone you know took pictures at the picnic, please send them to jgoetz@parish.dol-in.org. We are hoping to create an insert of the event in an upcoming bulletin. Thank you!

EVANGELIZATION



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

AFTER SCHOOL SAINTS Beginning September 13, 3pm-4pm at Sacred Heart School

Through storytelling and re-enactment, students will be introduced to many of the younger saints of the Church and the virtues they practiced during their lives. We will be focusing on many of the saints associated with the Eucharist as we continue to participate in the National Eucharistic Revival.

WHAT IS A SAINT?

Saints are persons in heaven (officially canonized or not), who lived heroically virtuous lives, offered their life for others, or were martyred for the faith, and who are worthy of imitation.

(USCCB)

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church #2683

(Saints are) witnesses who have preceded us into the kingdom, especially those whom the Church recognizes as saints, share in the living tradition of prayer by the example of their lives, the transmission of their writings, and their prayer today. They contemplate God, praise him and constantly care for those whom they have left on earth. When they entered into the joy of their Master, they were "put in charge of many things." (Mt 25:21)

Their intercession is their most exalted service to God's plan. We can and should ask them to intercede for us and for the whole world.

HOW DOES ONE BECOME A SAINT?

All Christians are called to be saints. (USCCB)

That means US ... We are directed to holiness through our baptism, hearing the Word of God; learning the teachings of Jesus; following the example of the Blessed Mother Mary; and in celebrating the liturgy. God sustains with the graces we received from the sacraments. (ax:: #2030)

DID YOU KNOW ... ???

Saint Tarsicius, an altar server, martyred in the third century and

Blessed Imelda Lambertini, who died at age 11, are the patron saint of 1st Communicants.

FIND OUT WHY AT THE AFTER-SCHOOL SAINTS.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PASTORATE

Masses and Mass Intentions in Bold

Sunday, August 27, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00pm (Saturday Kentland Mass † For the Pastorate

7:30am Oxford Mass † Bob Wetli

10:00am Fowler Mass † Vic Lauerman

Lifeteen/Confirmation welcome night - 7-8pm Sacred Heart Gym. Ice Cream social and games.

Monday, August 28 Weekday

5:00pm Confessions, Otterbein

6:00pm Otterbein Daily Mass † L&D of the Wilfred & Betty Gross Family by the Gross Family

Tuesday, August 29 Weekday

8:15am Fowler Daily Mass † Betty & Gene Ponto by Chuck & Jean Ann Crouch

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Credo - RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, St. Patrick Hall

Wednesday, August 30 Weekday - NO MASS

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

Thursday, August 31 Weekday

5:00 pm Confessions, Earl Park

6:00pm Earl Park Daily Mass † Kathleen Williams by Maryrose Schellenberger

Friday, September 1 Weekday

8:15am Fowler Daily Mass † Don & Jeff Glotzbach by Shirley Glotzbach & Family

Confessions following the 8:15am Mass, Fowler

Saturday, September 2 Vigil Mass

4:00pm (CST), 5:00PM (EST) Kentland Mass † Ed & Zola Butler by Sharon Butler

10:00 am First Saturday Rosary "Peace 'N Pie", Sacred Heart Church

Sunday, September 3, Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am Oxford Mass † Bob Wetli by Keith & Liz Brost

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 - TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sacred Heart - September 3

Lector - Kent Brouillette

Extraordinary Minister of Communion -

Chalice - Kris Wallpe & Dale Budreau

Rosary - Pat Richey

St. Patrick - September 3

Lector - Keith Glotzbach

Altar Servers:

Greeters - Bill Brost & Tim Muller

Extraordinary Minister of Communion - Kathy

Budreau Penny Pava, Sue Wallpe

St. Joseph - September 2

Lector - Henry Senefelder

Greeters - Archie Nagle (September)

Extraordinary Minister of Communion -

Chalice - Ed Coussens & Phyliss Haldeman

Ushers - Denny Cobb & David Miller

Offertory - Curt & Kathy Holloway

SAVE THE DATE

2nd TRAINING AND CALL-OUT FOR
USHERS/EMHC/LECTORS
ALL TIMES (EST) -
(FOR THOSE WHO MISSED
THE FIRST CALL-OUT)

DATE: SEPTMEBER 30TH

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

SACRED HEART MASS TIME
CHANGES TO 11AM SUNDAY
SEPT. 10TH