

ST. ISIDORE THE FARMER PASTORATE

SACRED HEART PARISH, FOWLER † ST. CHARLES PARISH, OTTERBEIN
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH, EARL PARK † ST. JOSEPH PARISH, KENTLAND
ST. MARY PARISH DUNNINGTON † ST. PATRICK PARISH, OXFORD
A PASTORATE OF THE DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE IN

MARCH 10, 2024 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



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:
Kentland: 4:00 pm (CST)
5:00 pm (EST)
Sunday:
Oxford: 7:30 am
Fowler: 10:00am

CONFESSIONS

Monday: 5:00 pm EST Otterbein
Thursday: 5:00 pm EST Earl Park
Friday: after 8:15 am Fowler

OUR STAFF

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ADORATION

Wednesdays: 9:00 AM - 10:00 PM
SACRED HEART CHURCH, FOWLER
Mondays: 5:00 PM—6:00 PM
ST. CHARLES CHURCH, OTTERBEIN
Thursdays: 5:00 PM—6:00 PM
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, EARL PARK
All are welcome to adoration anytime during these holy hours.
If interested in committing to an hour each week, please contact: Melinda Kidwell 765-490-1335

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Congratulations! Parents/Couples must contact the pastorate administrative office. Matrimony - contact at least 9 months in advance.
Sacred Heart, St. John, St. Mary, St. Joseph, St. Charles & St. Patrick

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION 2024

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

Thursday, May 9., 2024
Thursday, August 15, 2024
Friday, November 1, 2024
Sunday December 8, 2023
Wednesday, December 25, 2024

Ascension of Jesus
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
All Saints' Day
The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Christmas

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Go to Joseph, Joseph will take care of you

Lent is a time to enter into silence and slow down. St. Joseph is a man of silence. He did not speak a word in Scripture. Silence is an essential aspect of prayer during Lent and throughout our life. In 2005, Pope Benedict said that we all need to be "infected with St. Joseph's silence so that we can hear God's voice. Lent is a time to go back to the basics of our spiritual life in prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. A time to pray and a time to listen, a time to put on the armor of God, a time to fight off temptations, a time to be changed, and a time to discover ultimate happiness in our lives. Go to Joseph, do whatever he tells you. Joseph will take care of you.

St. Joseph is invoked at the Patron of the Catholic Church. He is also a model for the Christian family. Joseph was guardian of the Holy Family, "the domestic church." The Church simply was one in the same. He protected this earliest Church by fleeing Herod, and then guarded and supported those in his care. All, out of obedience to the Father. Lent is a time to be obedient in prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Lent is a time to obey as Christ obeyed; St. Joseph, likewise, is a model of obedience for us. Pope Francis mentions, "St. Joseph also experienced

moments of difficulty, but he never lost faith and was able to overcome them, in the certainty that God never abandons us" (General Audience, May 1, 2013).

St. Joseph is a figure of faith. Joseph is a just man because he lives by faith. He is holy because his faith is heroic. Without words, Joseph shows the depth of his faith, his greatness. He hears the words of God and he listens in silence. Through his faith, he perseveres no matter what. In "Redemptoris Custos," Pope St. John Paul II wrote, "The Gospels speak exclusively of what Joseph 'did.' Still, they allow us to discover in his 'actions' - shrouded in silence as they are - an aura of deep contemplation, Joseph was in daily contact with the mystery 'hidden from ages past,' and which 'dwelt' under his roof" ("Redemptoris Custos," August, 15, 1989). St. Joseph is a model and a reminder to be united with Christ in our homes and our work.

St. Isidore the Farmer, Pray for Us!

Peace,

Fr. Sean



IN OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for the Mark Wittenauer Family & Susie Nees. Please also pray for our Pastorate & Vocations. Please pray for the repose soul of Phyllis Ann Brooks.

HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST OR NEED A PASTORAL VISIT WITHIN YOUR PARISH?

Please contact the Pastorate Office - 765-884-1818

STEWARDSHIP

Sacred Heart	\$ 2,117.05
St. Mary	\$ 210.00
St. John	\$ 1,115.00
St. Joseph	\$ 1,835.00
St. Patrick	\$ 1,751.00
St. Charles	\$ 75.00

WAYS TO CONNECT & PASTORATE NEWS

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

CO-OP MARCH NEEDS: PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY OR PASTA ITEMS

MEXICO MISSION TRIP— Our next trips are November 9-16, 2024 and February 15-22, 2025. Remember God is not worried about your ability as he is your availability! Please consider joining us. For more information contact John Brost at 765-366-5329 or jbrost60gmail.com.



Council 9400 tidbit—The K of C's St. Patrick's Day dinner will be by Saturday March 16th @ 6pm in the St. Patrick Hall. Corned Beef & Cabbage with some American food as well. Goodwill donations. **Please visit us at our next meeting: Monday, March 11th, 7:00 PM, St. Patrick Parish Hall.**



SCHEDULE : CLASSES WILL BE HELD 7—8PM (EST) ON SUNDAYS @ SACRED HEART SCHOOL, FOWLER

DATE	TYPE OF CLASS	DATE	TYPE OF CLASS
1/14	Educational Class	3/10	Educational Class
1/21	Educational Class	3/17	Adoration & Stations of the Cross
1/28	Adoration—families welcome!	3/24	NO CLASS—Spring Break
2/4	Lent Educational Class	3/31	NO CLASS—Easter Sunday
2/11	Soup Dinner Fundraiser—NO CLASS	4/7	Divine Mercy Educational Class
2/18	Social—if BC has school on 2/19	4/14	Educational Class
2/25	Adoration—families welcome!	4/21	Circle of Grace—Diocesan Requirement
3/3	Educational Class	4/28	Adoration—families welcome!
		5/5	End of the Year Party

PASTORATE FACILITIES USAGE

Event/Meeting Halls must be approved and reserved in advance (1 week minimum). Please email jgoetz@parish.dol-in.org for all scheduling. All events and room reservations must be requested in writing. For non-parish activities/events a 2 week notice, proper liability forms, and fees need to be in place. Liability forms are available at the Pastorate Office. They may also be scanned if requested. Arrangement of keys for entry will be made upon completion of proper paperwork. Key returns are expected to be returned the next business day to the pastorate office.

CEMETERY CLEAN-UP TIME!

TOWARDS THE END OF MARCH-BEGINNING OF APRIL THE CEMETERIES WILL BE DOING A “CLEAN UP”. PLEASE REMOVE ANY LOOSE ITEMS AROUND THE GRAVESITES IN ORDER TO MAKE MOWING AND TRIMMING POSSIBLE.



Daily Gospel and Rosary

All of the classic Catholic prayers, plus over 3,000 audio-guided meditations, homilies, and reflections with the Saints

Praylists, Novenas, & Music

Curated meditations and exclusive music on love, joy, hope, humility, discernment, gratitude, forgiveness and more

Exclusive Mental Health Content

Prayers and talks addressing topics like managing stress, overcoming addiction, building healthy relationships, healing from emotional wounds, and more

Bible Stories and Sleep Content

Close your day with Christ with an Examen, Night Prayer, or a Bible Story from Fr. Mike Schmitz, Bishop Barron, Emily Wilson, and others

Hallow



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THE CATHOLIC CORNER



CALLED BY NAME

Please continue to pray for our Elect as they journey closer to receiving the sacraments of Christian Initiation into the Church:

Gabriel Reynolds
Connor Reynolds
Killian Reynolds

Joshua Ratts
Logan Ratts
Hudson Ratts
Brooklyn Ratts

McKenna Kuntz

Jack Kuntz

Samantha Cooper

Geoff Irby who will be making a Profession of Faith

If you would like to know more about becoming Catholic or making your Confirmation, please contact Bridget Schlebecker, Director of

Evangelization bschlebecker@parish.dol-in.org

CALLING PRAYER WARRIORS!

We are forming an Intercessory Prayer Group beginning Tuesday, April 2 at 6:00 pm in Sacred Heart Church.

The focus of our prayers will be for the renewal of our parish, the Church, community, and yes, the whole world. What does it mean to pray for renewal? We are specifically calling upon the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and help us to recognize the gifts bestowed upon us so to fight the darkness that pervades in the world. This is an invitation to all ages and to all family members. Please come join us as we embark on this journey. Sign up with Bridget Schlebecker at bschlebecker@parish.dol-in.org or call the Pastorate Office.

WANTED! VBS SUPER HEROES

Time to mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School the week of June 17-21. Once again, St. Patrick Church and Hall will host our little Super Heroes in Training (no acronyms please). There are bound to be remarkable accomplishments and heroics as we demonstrate our own super faith powers while learning about some of those from the Bible: Joshua and his Super Faith in Leadership Powers, Esther and her Super Prayer Powers, we will even learn about the "Unknown" Samaritan and his Super Compassion Power.

Help is very much needed to make this the best summer faith experience for our children. Registration for the children AND adult super hero helpers may be found online at Sign-Up Genius <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4CABAB2AA6F8C34-47998506-summer#/>

Or scan the code



THIS WEEK IN OUR PASTORATE

MASSSES AND MASS INTENTIONS IN BOLD

Sunday, March 10 — FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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

7:30am: Oxford Mass † Dick Atha

10:00am: Fowler Mass † For the Pastorate

8:45—9:45am: Religious Education Sacred Heart School

7:00pm: Life Teen & Confirmation, Sacred Heart School

Monday, March 11 —Daily Mass

5:00pm: Confessions

6:00pm: Otterbein Mass † Ione & Elmo Mills by Cleone Logan

1—3:00pm: Lectio Scripture Study, Earl Park

6:30—8:00pm: Grieving With Great Hope—SH Pastorate Office (Rectorcy)

Tuesday, March 12 — Daily Mass

8:15am: Fowler Mass † Connie Brouillette by Tessa Brouillette

8:00pm: Credo—RCIA at St. Patrick Hall, Oxford

Wednesday, March 13 — NO MASS

9:00am—10:00pm: Adoration

7 —9:00pm: Lectio Scripture Study, Oxford

Thursday, March 14— Daily Mass

5:00pm: Confessions

6:00pm: Earl Park Daily Mass † June Schluttenhofer by Randy & Marsha Schluttenhofer

Friday, March 15 — Daily Mass

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

Confessions following Mass

5:30-7:30pm FISH FRY 7:00pm Stations, Sacred Heart

Saturday, March 16 — Vigil Mass

4:00pm: (CST), 5:00pm (EST) Kentland Mass † Rita Molter by Kathie Molter

Sunday, March 17 — FORTH SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30am: Oxford Mass † For the Pastorate

10:00am: Fowler Mass † Rosemary Weist by Karen Gretencord

8:45—9:45am: Religious Education Sacred Heart School

7:00pm: Life Teen & Confirmation, Sacred Heart School

PART-TIME JOB OPPORTUNITY:
St. Isidore the Farmer Pastorate

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * 1-3 Years Relevant Experience
- * Excellent Writing, Grammar Skills
- * Proficiency in MS Office Publisher, Word
- * Familiarity with Social Media Facebook, Instagram
- * Possess Respect & ability to uphold Catholic School Teachings

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Weekly Bulletin Preparation, Designing Printed Materials, Creating and Sending Newsletters, Social Media Posting and Assisting in Other Projects as Needed.

NOW HIRING!!
COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR
PART-TIME

Please send resumes to:
jgoetz@parish.dol-in.org OR Mail to:
 Sacred Heart 107 E. Main St. Fowler, IN
 47944

Holy Week Schedule



- ♦ **March 28 — HOLY THURSDAY at Sacred Heart Church**
 7:00 pm—Mass of the Lord's Supper, followed by the Altar of Repose until 10PM
- ♦ **March 29—GOOD FRIDAY at Sacred Heart Church**
 2:30pm—Stations of the Cross
 3:00pm—Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
- ♦ **March 30—HOLY SATURDAY at Sacred Heart Church**
 8:30pm—Easter Vigil
- ♦ **March 31—EASTER SUNDAY**
 7:30am—Mass at St. Patrick, Oxford
 10:00am—Mass at Sacred Heart, Fowler
- ♦ **April 1—EASTER MONDAY**
NO MASS

**ALL
 TIMES
 (EST)**

**WE ARE IN NEED OF READERS,
 EMHC, AND SERVERS. WE WOULD
 LIKE TO HAVE NUMEROUS SERV-
 ERS!! PLEASE SIGN UP FOR THESE
 HOLY WEEK SERVICES!**

SAVE THE DATE

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

•Friday, March 15, 5:30-7:30pm
 Fish Fry 7:00pm Stations

•Friday, March 22, 7:00pm
 Stations

GRIEVING WITH GREAT HOPE -
 MONDAY 6:30PM IN THE SACRED
 HEART RECTORY.

**RCIA TUESDAY 7:00PM IN THE ST.
 PATRICK'S HALL**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING—
 MONDAY MARCH 11 @ 7:00 IN THE ST.
 PATRICK'S HALL.**

St. Cecilia Choir Holy Week Rehearsals

St. Cecilia Choir will rehearse for the Holy Week Liturgies on Friday, March 15th 4:45 to 5:30 (before the fish fry) and Friday, March 22nd, 6:00 - 6:45 (before stations). ALL are invited to sing for the Holy Thursday and Easter Vigil liturgies.

