

# ST. ISIDORE THE FARMER PASTORATE

May 11, 2025 :: The Fourth Sunday of Easter



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#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Monday: 6:00pm Otterbein Tuesday: 8:15am Fowler Wednesday: NO MASS Thursday: 6:00pm Earl Park Friday: 8:15 am Fowler

# **WEEKEND MASSES**

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

# CONFESSIONS

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

#### **ADORATION**

Monday: 5:00pm - 6:00pm Otterbein Wednesday: 9:00am-10:00pm Fowler Thursday: 5:00pm - 6:00pm Earl Park

# Celebrating Mother's Day

In recent years, there has been greater recognition in the Church of the vocation of spiritual motherhood. It is a vocation formed in love: love of God and love of neighbor. Women of every age and in every state of life—single, married, widowed, or in religious life—can be spiritual mothers. However, it is not something a woman can do on her own, but only in union with God by spending time with Him in prayer.

The primary way of practicing spiritual motherhood is by intercessory prayer, but it can also involve service to others. A woman praying outside an abortion clinic, a woman visiting a person in a nursing home, a woman teaching a catechism class, and a woman serving a meal at a soup kitchen are all examples of spiritual mothers. This vocation is also lived out every day at home, at work, and in all of a woman's interactions with others by her kindness and concern for people's spiritual welfare.

A spiritual mother is concerned about people's salvation. She wants them to have a relationship with God, to live virtuously, to experience conversion, and to have the peace that comes from a life of faith. A spiritual mother also cares about people's physical and emotional needs as well. She wants to bring healing to the sick, consolation to the sad, hope to the discouraged, and above all, to bring God's love to everyone. A woman can be a spiritual mother to people of any age, including people who are older than she is. There is a special vocation of spiritual motherhood of priests. In 2012, the Congregation for the Clergy wrote a letter asking laity and religious to pray in Eucharistic Adoration for the sanctification of priests and for women to be spiritual mothers to priests by offering their prayers and sacrifices for them. (Shared From Catholic Exchange, "The Vocation of Spiritual Motherhood")

Happy Mother's Day to all Mothers, Grandmothers, Godmothers and Spiritual Mothers!

St. Isidore the Farmer, Pray for Us! Peace, Fr. Sean



Fr. Sean Aaron, Pastor



You have heard the ancient Easter Victory hymn, **Regina Caeli**, after Holy Communion. The Regina Caeli is prayed or sung throughout the Easter season. Regina Caeli is Latin for "Queen of Heaven" and dates around the 12th – 13th century. It is a tribute to our Blessed Mother and an exclamation of JOY at the Resurrection of our Lord!

# **NEWS**

# **Children's Bulletin**

Children's bulletins are available at the main entrance at Sacred Heart Church. Bulletins are for children to engage in the Mass and their Catholic faith!

# **Formed OnDemand**

Go to Formed.org and click "Find your parish subscription" then enter zip code 47944. Choose "St Isidore Pastorate", then enter your name and email address to sign up. Its FREE To you!

# **Sacred Heart Sewing**

The Sacred Heart Sew ladies took some time off over the winter but are back to sewing again. Please stop by Glotzbach Pharmacy and check out the new quilts that are on display with more added weekly. Thank you for your support.. With your support, we support things at Sacred Heart School.



# WE ARE HIRING

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# THE TREASURE OF FAITH

# **AHOY YE SCALLYWAGS!**

This year's VBS will be held the week of June 9 – 13 from 9am to 11:30am at St. Patrick Hall.

Our Theme is The Treasure of Faith and

we will become Pirates and Mermaids in search of our own treasure.

If you are unfamiliar with our program it is a week-long with morning sessions that include worship, song and daily scripture lesson, along with outdoor activities, crafts, and snacks. On Friday, the last day, we invite families to attend our final worship session and bring a family picnic lunch.

OUR VBS IS FREE OF CHARGE AND OPEN TO ALL CHILDREN (they must all be potty trained).

To register your child OR if YOU would like to volunteer and join in the fun, scan the QR code.

Be sure to include your child's name and T-shirt size.

# Pastorate Information

# **First Holy Communion**

Several of our 2nd graders received their 1st Holy Communion last Sunday. Many commented that it was a beautiful Mass and the St. Cecilia Choir sang like the angels! As I mentioned in my weekend homily, these youth give us an ideal example of how to approach Mass and receive our Lord in the Eucharist. They are focused on Jesus, waiting for this moment to receive Jesus. I pray that these youth continue to receive our Lord present to us in the Holy Eucharist at every Sunday Mass and keep the flame of faith burning with love for Jesus! – Fr. Sean



Congratulations to: Lucas Albrecht, Blair Baxter, Evelyn Cooper, Ximena Gomez, Kane Perry, Aubriella Spurlock, Skylar Tabert, Elizabeth Ward, Christopher Allen, Gavin Budreau, Stella Cyr, Luke LeSage, McKaylyn Sparenberg, Lennon Sturgeon, Henry Thompson, Maeve Ziembo.



# This Week in our Pastorate

# Sunday, May 11th

7:30am Mass: St. Patrick, Oxford -+ L&D of the Kennedy Family (W&B Oneal) 10:00am Mass: Sacred Heart - +Pastorate

# Monday, May 12th

6:00pm Mass: St. Charles, Otterbein + Judy Collins (Wayne & Berneice Oneal)

# Tuesday, May 13th

8:15am Mass: Sacred Heart, Fowler + Wallace Donahue (Donahue Family)

# Wednesday, May 14th

\*No Mass\*

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

Thursday, May 15th (St. Isidore Feast Day) 5:00pm Adoration: Sacred Heart, Fowler

6:00pm Mass: Sacred Heart, Fowler + Randy Muller (Hope Turner)

**Meal Following Mass** 

# Friday, May 16Th

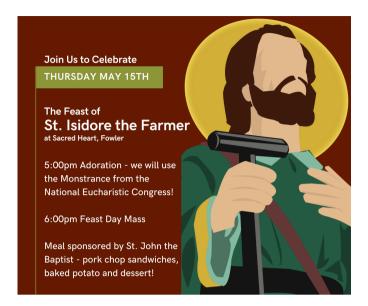
8:15am Mass: Sacred Heart, Fowler +Kenny Hofmeyer (Christine Hofmeyer)

# Saturday, May 17th

4:00pm CT (5:00pm: ET) Vigil Mass: St. Joseph, Kentland +Lee Senefelder (Henry Senefelder)

STEWARDSHIP	
	April 27th
SACRED HEART	\$3357.00
ST. MARY	\$195.00
ST. JOHN	\$350.00
ST. JOSEPH	\$978.00
ST. PATRICK	\$2222.00
ST. CHARLES	\$200.00

# St Isidore Feast Day



# The National Eucharistic Congress Monstrance





# HELP NEEDED



# **Office Volunteers Needed**

We're in need of caring and dependable volunteers to assist with light office work at the Pastorate Office

We are looking for multiple people to give 2 hours, One day a week to assist with the following:

- · Answering the phone and welcoming visitors
- · Running small errands
- · Stuffing bulletins
- · Assisting with basic administrative support

No special experience needed—just a friendly attitude and a willingness to serve. Your time and presence will be a great support to the Pastorate team and our parishioners. This is a volunteer opportunity to engage in the life of the pastorate. Pease reach out to

Fr. Sean directly: fr.saaron@dol-in.org

# **Pastorate Collection Counters:**

We are looking for collection counters following the 10AM Mass at Sacred Heart. Please contact Michelle Sarault 765–884–6042 or the Pastorate Office. Thank you in advance for your time and talent.

# **Chaperones June 15-20**

Life Teen is looking for 1–2 more chaperones to take 19 teens to Catholic Heart Workcamp June 15–20 in Milwaukee, WI. Chaperones need to be 20 years or older, physically able to complete the week of service, and complete the Diocesan Safe Environment training.

Anyone interested should contact Monica Lohmuller at <a href="mailto:bcteens4christ@gmail.com">bcteens4christ@gmail.com</a> for more details.