

Obscure Saint of the Week

Saint Julia Billiard (1751-1816; France, Belgium)

Feast Day: April 8

Patronage: against poverty, against sickness, for sick people

She was born Mary Rose Julia Billiard, the sixth of seven children of peasant farmers in Cuvilly, France. Though she was poorly educated, she knew her Catechism by heart by the age of 7 and would teach it to other children. At 14 she took a private vow of chastity and wished to give her life to the poor. She was known for her embroidery and lace and was called "the saint of Cuvilly."

When she was 22, she witnessed the shooting of her father, a shock that left her with a "mysterious illness." By 1784 she was paralyzed and confined to her bed as a cripple. Despite this, she continued to pray, was able to make lace and linens, and still was able to teach the faith. During that time, the French Revolution ravaged the country. She and others loyal to the Church had to hide at various points. Despite that, some of her friends helped to organize a community to help the poor. She was miraculously healed of her paralysis on June 1, 1804, and she was able to continue her work.

This organization became the Congregation of the Sisters of Notre Dame (Institute of Notre Dame; Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur), which was dedicated to the education of girls (not to be confused with the School Sisters of Notre Dame who are prevalent in Milwaukee). It was formally founded in Amiens, France, when Julia and two others made their first vows on October 15, 1804.

Julia died on April 8, 1816, while praying at their motherhouse in Namur, Belgium. At the time of her death, the Institute had 15 convents. She was canonized by Pope Paul VI on June 22, 1969. The Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur continue to serve around the world, especially in Japan, the United Kingdom, and the United States East Coast and California.

"Do what you can and don't waste time lamenting over what you can't do."



Pray For!

Our Church, the Pope, our Diocese, Bishop Hying, Priests, Conversions, the Sick, the Suffering & Dying, Jobs for our area, Religious freedom, Judges, Healing of abortion, Family & children, Mary's Intentions, Valley of Our Lady.

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Holy Thursday <i>April 6</i> 7:00 pm Immaculate Conception, Blanchardville	Good Friday <i>April 7</i> 3:00 pm St. Joseph, Argyle	Easter Vigil <i>April 8</i> 8:00 pm St. Patrick, Hollandale Sunday April 9 8:15 am St. Joseph, Argyle 10:30 am Immaculate Conception, Blanchardville
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St. Isidore Parish

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

April 1-2, 2023

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Bulletin Announcements

Due by Tuesday evening.
Send to: stisidorebulletin@mhtc.net



"Ecce Homo"
(17th century) by Philippe de Champaigne

"He humbled Himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross." – Philippians 2:8

Welcome!

If you are new to our parish or just traveling through, welcome!

<https://www.stisidorecatholicparish.com/>
YouTube Channel: St. Isidore Catholic Parish – Hollandale, WI



From the Pastor's Desk

Dear St. Isidore Family,

This week is Holy Week, the most significant week of the year. We begin with Palm Sunday, the triumphal entrance of the King of Kings into Jerusalem, a week before He was crucified. Our Palm Sunday Mass includes the reading of the Passion (this year from Matthew) because it is a way of preparing us and making us think about what this week represents. We should all take some time in particular this week to meditate on Christ's Passion.

Holy Thursday begins in the morning with the Chrism Mass at St. Maria Goretti. There are two significant aspects of this Mass: the blessing of the oils to be used throughout the diocese for various Sacraments, and the priests renewing their promises. If you have never attended, I highly recommend joining us for this special Mass. Our Holy Thursday Mass will be at 7:00 pm in Blanchardville. This Mass especially commemorates the Last Supper and the institution of the Eucharist and the priesthood. On a liturgical note, the washing of the feet, which is optional, will not take place this year. We end with the procession of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration at the end of the Mass. All depart in silence.

Good Friday will begin with Morning Prayer prayed in Hollandale at 8:00 am. All are welcome to join; the prayers will be available for all. We continue with the Triduum with the Passion of the Lord at 3:00 pm in Argyle. We begin in silence as a reminder that this is a continuation of the single Liturgy that spans the three days. This Liturgy includes the Veneration of the Cross.

Holy Saturday will also begin with Morning Prayer prayed in Hollandale at 8:00 am. The Easter Vigil, the most important Mass of the year, will take place at 8:00 pm in Hollandale. Again, if you have never attended, every Catholic should at least once. The Easter Vigil represents what all other Masses look up to. Please remember the location change for Easter Sunday 10:30 Mass in Blanchardville.

I pray we all have a contemplative, prayerful Holy Week.

God Bless, and please know you are in my prayers,
Fr. Michael

Announcements:

Please join the parish for Morning Prayer on both Good Friday and Holy Saturday at 8:00 am in Hollandale. The order of worship will be provided. Morning Prayer lasts around 20 minutes.

Starting the weekend of February 25th and February 26th and ending Easter weekend, April 8th and 9th, St. Isidore Parish will be having a food drive for the Argyle Food Pantry and Ole's Food Cupboard Backpack Program and the Pecatonica Schools' Backpack Program. Any items you can donate are greatly appreciated. Thank you for supporting these organizations.

Argyle's Ole's Food Cupboard Backpack Program needs: canned fruits and vegetables, canned chicken, peanut butter, SpaghettiO's, ravioli, and macaroni and cheese

Argyle Food Pantry needs: toiletries and condiments

Pecatonica Schools' Backpack Program needs: fruit snacks, granola bars, cereal bars, small cereal cups, Pop Tarts, mac & cheese cups, peanut butter/crackers, crackers/cheese, fish crackers, Jello and pudding cups, small applesauce, small raisins, trail mix, animal crackers, veggie straws, mini muffins

"Whatever you do, think not of yourself, but of God." – St. Vincent Ferrer (Feast: April 5), Priest

Readings for next Sunday

Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Colossians 3:1-4
Matthew 28:1-10



Reconciliation is available:

Immaculate Conception,
Blanchardville
Saturdays: 3:15-3:45
St. Joseph, Argyle
Tuesdays: 3:15-3:45
Sundays: 7:45-8:00
St. Patrick, Hollandale
Wednesdays: 5:30-6:30
Fridays: 8:30-9:00 am
Saturday after Mass
Sundays: 10:00-10:15
Also available anytime upon request
Just call 608-967-2344
Email: stisidorepastor@mhtc.net

Getting Married: Please contact 6 months before the date.

New baby: Please call to schedule the baptism.

In case of serious illness or imminent death:

Call Fr. Michael any time.

First Friday Communion: For Communion to the homebound, please contact Fr. Michael.

Parish Membership:
To join St. Isidore Parish, please contact Fr. Michael.

Masses for the Week

Monday, April 3rd
No Mass

Tuesday, April 4th
4:00 pm – Argyle
+ Dean Flannery

Wednesday, April 5th
8:00 am – Blanchardville
+ Bernie Koch

Thursday, April 6th
Holy Thursday
7:00 pm – Blanchardville
+ Mark Murphy

Friday, April 7th
Good Friday

3:00 pm – Argyle

Saturday, April 8th
Easter Vigil
8:00 pm – Hollandale
+ Mark Murphy

Sunday, April 9th
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
8:15 am – Argyle
+ Ralph and Audrey Wilhelmson
10:30 am – Blanchardville
St. Isidore Parishioners

Financial Outlook

	Week Ended 2/19/23
Actual Parish Envelope & Offertory Collection	\$3,641.00
Catholic Herald	\$20.00
Collections – Fiscal Year to Date	\$84,984.86
Amount Needed – Fiscal Year to Date	\$91,800.00

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, April 8th
St. Patrick
Lector: Jason Lawinger
Eucharistic: Jim Sigg

Sunday, April 9th
St. Joseph
Lector: Peg Rasch
Eucharistic: Diana Pederson

Immaculate Conception
Lector: Bev Ryan
Eucharistic: Pat Hardyman

Please give generously to the Pontifical Good Friday Holy Land Collection

Helping Christians in the Holy Land

It is critical that we continue to support the Christians who are living in the land of Jesus' birth, life, crucifixion and resurrection. These faithful Christians are surrounded by a majority Jewish and Islamic population. With your support, we can help to ensure that Christians living in the Holy Land now, and that future generations of Christians will have a place to live and thrive. Please help the Christians in the Holy Land with your contribution to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection.