

WEEKLY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Monday 5/22	Monday of the Seventh week of Easter Acts 19:1-8/ Jn 16:29-33 NO MASS
Tuesday 5/23	Tuesday of the Seventh week of Easter Acts 20:17-27/ Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday 5/24	Wednesday of the Seventh week of Easter Acts 20:28-38/ Jn 17:11b-19 NO MASS OR CONFESSIONS
Thursday 5/25	Thursday of the Seventh week of Easter Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/ Jn 17:20-26 NO MASS ADORATION ENDING WITH BENEDICTION FROM 10 AM to 8PM (IT)
Friday 5/26	Memorial of St. Philip Neri Acts 25:13b-21/ Jn 21:15-19 NO MASS
Saturday 5/27	Saturday of the Seventh week of Easter Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/ Jn 21:20-25 5:00 p.m. CONFESSIONS 6:00 p.m. MASS (IT):
Sunday 5/28	Pentecost Sunday Gn 11:1-9/ Rom 8:22-27/ Jn 7:37-39 9:00 a.m. MASS (PE): <i>Pro Populo</i> 11:00 am MASS (IT): <i>Pro Populo</i>

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Sat., May 27	6:00 pm Mass (IT): Joyce Raducha
Sun., May 28	9:00 am Mass (PE): Bob Stone
Sun., May 28	11:00 am Mass (IT): Sarah Mikulka

USHERS

Sat., May 27	6:00 pm Mass (IT): John Franich
Sun., May 28	9:00 am Mass (PE): Tim Donohue
Sun., May 28	11:00 am Mass (IT): Adam Patrick Todd Crawford

GREETERS

Sat., May 27	6:00 pm Mass (IT): Marty & Gary McDaid
Sun., May 28	9:00 am Mass (PE): Tim Donohue
Sun., May 28	11:00 am Mass (IT): Stacy & Dane LKonganbach

MAY ROSARY

Please remember that in the month of May we will pray the rosary 30 minutes prior to Mass

Dear Parish Family,

This past Monday (May 15) the Church celebrated the memorial of St. Isidore the Farmer. He was born in 11th Century Spain and died in 1135 AD. His parents were of humble means, and from the time he was able to pick up a farm tool he worked for a Spanish landowner as a hand. He was known to have a pious heart, and would often be late to the fields because of the time he spent in the church. Nevertheless, he completed all his tasks with due diligence. His devotional life did not end with time in a church, however, as he brought a prayerfulness to his daily labors. His piety attracted a pious wife, Maria de la Cabeza, who is also recognized as a saint of the Church. The two had one child together and suffered the loss of that child in his early years. Through all of it their faith remained.

Isidore was canonized in 1622 along with Saints Ignatius of Loyola, Francis Xavier, Teresa of Avila, and Philip Neri. These classmates of his were known for their courageous work in evangelization, their attempts to reform Church structures, or their work in contributing to the understanding of the faith. It can seem as though Isidore is out of sorts among them at first glance. In reality, he belongs with these holy ones as an example of how to live fully for the Lord in an ordinary existence. While Isidore did not traverse great oceans to bring the Gospel to those who never heard of Jesus, he did bring the life of Christ to simple farmers in Spain. He is a reminder to live for the Lord in the simplicity of our states in life. As G.K. Chesterton once said "The most extraordinary thing in the world is an ordinary man and his ordinary wife taking care of their ordinary family."

prayers,

Fr. Edwin C. Dwyer, JCL

**NO GIFT IS TOO SMALL OR TOO GREAT
WHEN GIVEN FROM THE HEART**
ST PAUL PARISH: 5/07/2023: \$4,726.96
LET US PRAY FOR ... THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

... **THE RECENTLY DECEASED**

... **THE MILITARY:**

Major Matthew Cary | Tony Bellinger

Remember those who have no one to pray for them.

PARISH SCHEDULE

Sun 5/23	CCW Meeting 2:00 in Ithaca Room 4
Wed 5/31	Café Mariant Consecration Ceremony
Sat 6/03	Living Rosary Changes Mystery
Sun 6/04	Rosary Before Mass

PILGRAME IN ITALY

Fr. Marcel Portelli invites you to join him on a memorable pilgrimage through the heart of Italy this October. Pray at the mountain-top monastery of St. Benedict, the tombs of saints Francis and Clare in Assisi, the tomb of the incorrupt body of St. Padre Pio, and the grotto of St. Michael the Archangel. Tour magnificent Florence and the Amalfi Coast. In Rome, we'll venerate the relics of St. Paul, visit St. Peter's Basilica and the Vatican museums, then attend an audience with Pope Francis. Call (989) 426-7154 or download full brochure here:
<https://bit.ly/3SxegQw> <<https://bit.ly/3SxegQw>>

JAIL & PRISON MINISTRY

In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus says, "I was in prison, and you came to me." Those who are incarcerated have many different and individual needs, including the need to continue, strengthen, or renew their relationship with God. Right now, someone is waiting for a visit to receive Holy Communion, a Bible, or for someone to listen and provide spiritual care. Within the Diocese of Saginaw there are eleven county jails and two prisons in need of clergy and laity minister visits. Currently, there are not enough ministers and clergy to meet those needs. If you feel that Jesus is calling you to this vital ministry, we invite you contact Lori Becker, Coordinator of Diocesan Outreach, at 989.797.6652 or lbecker@diosag.org for more information. Training and mentoring are provided at no cost. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

WHOLE FAMILY CATECHESIS

This Sunday is the last meeting for the Whole Family Catechesis groups at both churches. God bless you all as you move into the last months of the school year and the summer months. It has been a great year and we appreciate all the participation. Next year, there will be a new facilitator for the Religious Education Program. Look for updates in the bulletin and online. Know you will continue to be in my prayers and thoughts as time goes on. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your children's religious education.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Please pray for Jackson, Alaina, Aliyah, Aiden, Brooks, Gracyn, and Shayla as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist. *First Communion will take place at both churches during the Sunday Masses on June 4th.* **The last meeting of Sacramental Prep will be on May 11th at 6:30 p.m.in Ithaca room 5. This is a required meeting. Please plan to attend.** Mark your Calendars!

CHRIST'S MISSION APPEAL

As of now, we are behind last year's benchmark for Christ's Mission Appeal. We have collected \$20,133.34. **That means we owe \$14,383.66** to the Diocese of Saginaw *before July 1st.* Although we have made great strides in developing programs in the parish in the last year, paying back this amount will make a huge dent in our ability to keep developing programs that benefit our evangelization outside and inside our parish. Please consider giving to this appeal today!

EMMAUS GRIEF RETREAT FOR PARENTS

The death of a child is a deep and tragic loss for parents, their hopes, dreams, and future. No matter the age, cause of death, or how much time has passed, the intense grief over child loss weighs heavy on the hearts of parents. On Saturday, June 3rd, an Emmaus Grief Retreat for parents will be offered at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish in Midland. There is no cost to attend. The day begins at 9:30a.m. and ends at 7:30p.m. Lunch and dinner are provided. The day will allow parents time to reflect, fellowship, receive support, and draw from the strength of God's Word in the company of other parents who understand the journey of grief. To register, please contact Beth Bauer at bbauer@diosag.org or call 989.797.6655