

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, NOVEMBER 17, 2024

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

SECOND & FOURTH
SUNDAYS
1:15 PM ENG
2:15 POLISH

Please arrange the date of baptism through the Rectory office after the birth of your child

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please call the Rectory for an appointment at least **six months** prior to the desired date.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS
4:00 to 4:45 PM
and
THURSDAYS BEFORE
FIRST FRIDAYS
4:00 to 5:00 PM

Other times by appointment.



LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

WEEKDAYS 7:00 AM
SATURDAYS 8:00 AM
SATURDAY EVENINGS
VIGIL MASS 5:00 PM
SUNDAYS
8:00 & 9:15 AM
10:30 AM (Polish)
12:00 Noon

RECTORY HOURS WEEKDAYS

9 AM to 12 Noon
& 1 PM to 4 PM

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

TUES. 12 to 1 PM

MILLIONS OF MONICAS

TUES. 1 to 2 PM

PL PRAYER GROUP W/ ADORATION

2ND THURSDAYS 7 PM

LAY CARMELITE CHAPTER –1ST SAT.

AFTER 8 AM MASS

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY

1ST WEDNESDAYS 6:30 PM
(APRIL, MAY, JUNE,
SEPT., OCT. & NOV.)

Our Mission Statement

*Lord, God, all creation is yours, and you call us to serve you by caring for the gifts that surround us. May the example of St. Isidore urge us to share our food with the hungry and to work for the salvation of mankind. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.
Saint Isidore, Pray for Us.*

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2024

5:00 pm The People of the Parish, Living and Deceased
+ Stefania Swiderek
Birthday Blessings for Sylvia Bonilla-Ramirez
+ Theresa Rychlinski

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8:00 am + Arthur, Lottie and Stanley (A) Bullock
9:15 am + Peter Kruszon (1st A)
10:30 am + Wieslaw Luniewski
(PL) + Tadeusz Cichy (A)
+ Jerzy, Irene (5th A), Margaret i Zbigniew
Aleksandrowicz & Family
+ Stefania i Jozef Zaniewski & Family
+ Mary i John Zmyslony
+ Stanislaw Andrychowski
+ Jadwiga i Jan Zawadzki
+ Elzbieta Zacharewicz (A)
+ Tadeusz Cichy (1st A)
12 Noon + Lorraine Berry

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2024

7:00 am + Christopher Respol

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2024

7:00 am + Frank Lettieri

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2024

7:00 am + Marguerite Parks

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2024

7:00 am + Joseph Czulada Jr. / + Anne Kruel

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2024

7:00 am Birthday Blessings for Msgr. Peter Vaccari
Intentions of the Bonocore and Weiss Families

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2024

8:00 am + Antone and Francis Zambrzycki & Family
5:00 pm + Estelle Rykaczewski (A)
+ Michael Sulli (13th A)
+ Michael Van Houten

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, NOV. 24, 2024

8:00 am + Scott Bugdin
9:15 am + Charles and Dolores (A) Van Rossem
10:30 am The People of the Parish, Living and Deceased
(PL) Birthday Blessings for Katarzyna Wasilewski
+ Jadwiga and Vincent Suchta
+ Anna, Ignacy (A) i Jozef Mackiewicz
Za Zmarlych z rodziny Czarnieckich i Przystrelskich
O Boze Błogosławieństwo dla Barbary i Adama
Bledrzycki z okazji i 20 Rocznicy Slubu
+ Zdislawa Polkowska
+ Tadeusz Cichy (1st A)
12 Noon + Edythe and John Kujawski

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 19:41-44

Friday: Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 20:27-40

Next Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/Ps 91:1, 1-2, 5 (1a)/Rv 1:5-8/
Jn 18:33b-37



PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Patrick Vaughan

Helena Sfogliano

THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday, November 19, 2024

Adoration 12:00 PM—1:00 PM
Millions of Monicas 1:00 PM—2:00 PM

Thursday, November 21, 2024

Altar Server Meeting 7 PM

FOOD PANTRY NEWS

Thanksgiving food is needed!

Stuffing
Gravy
Mashed potatoes
Cranberry sauce
Corn muffin mix
Canned yams
Canned vegetables
Pancake mix and syrup
Cereal
Chicken broth
(No perishables)

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Benedict Gargulinski * Miguel Angel Castrillon * Nicholas Steinkamp * Peter Pece * Teresa Muenkel * Ron Danowski * Peter Kraljic * Mary Mader * Carson Whible * Dave Zazeski * Faye Anderson * Hana Cutler * James Gibson * Jim Kenna * Daryl Alec * Paula George * Christina Donovan * John Giordano * Richard Francis Harrison II * Ursula Mocniak * Joan Zaleski * Catherine and Charles J. Sehy * Grazyna Pawlak * Gillen Family * Blythe Fickenwirth * Jody Breitfeller * Benjamin Gonzalez * Dominique Tirado * Diana Perniciaro * Sammy * Brodie * Dolline Welch * Cathleen Mickaliger * Joseph Stepnoski * James Kenna * Douglas Clark * Jan Suchta * Justin * Dakota Harmon * Cole Faller * Claire Latour * Halikias Family * Liana Forstein * Rosemary & Daniel Ambrosini * Thomas Ryall * Anne Marie Donlon * Dorothy Sousa * Anthony Naglieri * Thomas McEnany * Mary Khulman * Michael Alperti * Roseanne Murphy * Barbara Kozlowski * James West * Elizabeth Farruggia * Kelly Wine * Mary Van Duesen * Thomas DeGirolamo * William Berenger * Daria Quarlena * Eileen Borchart * Sheila Nolan * Tom Wisniewski III * Jeffrey Clark * James, George and Barbara Jaeger * Ernest and Alex Aponte * Helen Long * Michael Miglionico * Ralph Conforti * The Barauskus Family * Hope & Brittany Williams * John Marion * Emilia Andrychowski * Augie & Georgianna Lucente * Johanna Benthal * Michelle Giaccone * Gloria Keller * Howard Seifert * Ed Kennedy * Kit Z. * Dolores Contino * Agnes Brown * Krzysztof Olszowski * Anders Ryden * Kevin C. Cook * Anita Costi * Doriane Bay * David Vallone * Brittany Schacor * Karen and Kim Finocchiaro * Eleanor Koller * Grace Mary Schulteis * Victor Sechyshyn * George Angle * Marta Andreotta * Melissa Alexandra * Christian Vidal * Suzanne Thompson * Anna Grefe * Anthony Mannino * Marcella Frisen * The Huntley Family * Theresa Puglia * Brian Darmody * Leigh Anne Brown * Dan Modjeska * Judy Zakorski * Marie Miley * Marcjanna Stolarzewicz * John Shuot * Patrick Murphy * Brian Crowley * Louise Pampinello * Barbara Fenn

Please keep all those serving in the military and their families in your thoughts and prayers especially:

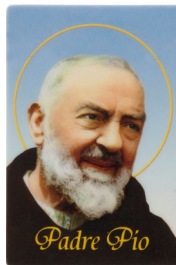
1st Lt. Nicholas Santorelli, Nicholas Pelosi, Christopher Drowns, Jeffrey Heppner, James Fleming, Thomas V. D'Auria, Mateusz Marzec, Andre DeRosa and Garrett Bracht

MEMORIALIZE YOUR LOVED ONES

The Bread and Wine (\$25) and the Sanctuary Lamp (\$25) may be donated in memory of a deceased family member for the week.

In addition, the Missalettes (\$100) may be donated for a month in memory of a deceased person.

Flowers for the altar may also be donated in a loved one's memory (\$100).



Padre Pio's Spiritual Direction

"While this trial lasts, I know that you...do not understand the reason for it and do not have the experiential comfort of this great truth (that the Lord is pleased with you). However, obey the voice of the one who loves your soul before God as much as his own soul, and let that be sufficient. God told the holy virgin Gertrude one day that He wanted His elect souls to be convinced of the truth that he was very pleased with their prayers and good deeds when they served Him at their own expense. Serving Him at a cost consists in faithfully saying one's prayers and doing devotions to the best of one's ability while not sensing any feelings of delight in devotion whatsoever and trusting that the Lord in His goodness will accept all of it gladly.

~To Maria Gargani, March 30, 1917

OUR COLLECTIONS

Today, November 17: Sunday and Campaign for Human Development and Home Missions

Next Week, November 24: Sunday and Catholic Ministries Appeal

Thank you for your generosity!

ADVENT RETREAT

**With Fr. Michael Flynn
(December 1st through December 4th)**

Fr. Michael Flynn has been helping with celebrating the Mass here at St. Isidore's for the past few months. He is a retired priest of the Diocese of Rockville Centre where he served for 53 years. He went to St. John's University and St. John Vianney Seminary. He is versed in Scripture, Liturgy, and Moral Theology.

The Retreat's Theme is:

"The Characters of Advent"

(Elijah, St. John the Baptist, Joseph & Mary)

Fr. Flynn will speak at all of the masses and begin the retreat on Sunday evening (Dec. 1st) from 7:00—8:00pm. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday he will speak from 1:00-2:00pm and again from 7:00-8:00pm.

Lesson of the widow's mite



The **lesson of the widow's mite** or the **widow's offering** is presented in the Synoptic Gospels (Mark 12:41–44, Luke 21:1–4), in which Jesus is teaching at the Temple in Jerusalem. The Gospel of Mark specifies that two *mites* (Greek *lepta*) are together worth a *quadrans*, the smallest Roman coin. A *lepton* was the smallest and least valuable coin in circulation in Judea, worth about six minutes of an average daily wage.

Biblical narrative

"He sat down opposite the treasury and observed how the crowd put money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, '*Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood.*'"

Interpretation

The traditional interpretation of this story tends to view it as contrasting the conduct of the scribes with that of the widow, and encouraging generous giving; often read with 2 Corinthians 9:7, "*... for God loves a cheerful giver.*"

The account of the widow's offering is often used by some churches to encourage the faithful to follow her example and make large offerings, despite a precarious situation. Various theologians have criticized this interpretation. They connect this story with Jesus' condemnation of religious leaders devouring the houses of widows in the preceding verse (Gospel according to Luke, chapter 20). Thus Jesus would not have wanted to show the example of a generous donor, but rather to denounce a case of injustice.

In the passage immediately prior to Jesus taking a seat opposite the Temple treasury, he is portrayed as condemning religious leaders who feign piety, accept honor from people, and steal from widows. "*Beware of the scribes, who like to go around in long robes and accept greetings in the marketplaces, seats of honor in synagogues, and places of honor at banquets. They devour the houses of widows and, as a pretext, recite lengthy prayers. They will receive a very severe condemnation.*" (Mark 12:39-40)

The same religious leaders who would reduce widows to poverty also encouraged them to make pious donations beyond their means.

A common moral lesson from the widow's mites:

Good Intentions. From the words of our Lord spoken in praise of the poor widow, we learn that in our good works everything depends upon the intention. The widow had given more than all the rich; for she parted with her whole fortune. She intended to give all she had to God. This was an act of perfect love and sacrifice.



A bronze mite, also known as a Lepton (meaning small), minted by Alexander Jannaeus, King of Judaea, 103–76 BC and still in circulation at the time of Jesus[



The Feast of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, celebrated annually on November 21st, dates back to the 6th century in the East and the 15th century in the West. This feast commemorates the presentation of the Blessed Virgin as a child by her parents in the Temple in Jerusalem.

Before Mary's birth, her parents received a heavenly message that they would bear a child. In thanksgiving for God's gift of Mary's birth, they brought her to the Temple at the age of 3 to consecrate their only daughter to The Lord. What we celebrate on this day is the fact that God chose to dwell in Mary in a very special way.

The celebration of the Feast of the Presentation is first documented in the 11th century within the Byzantine Catholic Church. It was introduced into the Roman Catholic Church in the 15th century by Pope Gregory XI, then removed from the calendar by Pope Pius V in the mid 16th century. Pope Sixtus V later reestablished the feast in 1585, and it is still celebrated today commemorating the faith of her parents, Joachim and Anne, and the purity of Mary.

When Mary was asked to be the mother of the Savior (the Annunciation celebrated on March 25th), she was completely free to accept or reject the offer. Her response, "*Let it be done to me,*" was a great act of faith – her Fiat. She replied "yes" to the angel's announcement and agreed to become the mother of Jesus. The Church has declared Mary to be the Mother of God and the Mother of the whole Church.

Because she did not understand what was happening, she must have known that there would be difficulties ahead. In response, Mary placed her whole self at the service of God. Every moment since your Baptism, God invites you to be open to His grace and dedicate yourself to Him, as Mary did.

Which Catholic chaplain inspired “Saving Private Ryan?” (The Catholic Company – *Get Fed*)



When a couple of German soldiers raised their rifles to shoot American Army chaplain Fr. Francis Sampson, he was trying to say the Act of Contrition. But the only words he could manage to say were: “*Bless us, O Lord, and these, Thy gifts...*” These words would not be his last. They were interrupted, perhaps, by a stern “*Halt! Schiess nicht!*”

A Catholic German non-commissioned officer stopped the execution, recognizing Fr. Sampson as a priest. This German officer showed the priest a Catholic medal he wore and pictures of his infant child. Fr. Sampson would later recall that moment, noting the momentary brotherhood he had with an “enemy” who shared his faith.

Fr. Sampson was able to return to the wounded he had been tending: soldiers who had taken bullets when fighting their way up the beaches of Normandy. Fr. Sampson had jumped in with the 101st Airborne, and—after determinedly recovering his Mass kit which had fallen into a stream—had set about caring for the suffering soldiers.

The courageous Padre stayed with the wounded, even when the rest of the force had to pull out. After they were all evacuated to a division hospital, he continued his tireless care for them. He received the Distinguished Service Cross for his heroism on those days.

The inspiration for the film “Saving Private Ryan”—a 1998 film that portrays the search for a lone private whose three brothers had been killed in combat—came from an incident around this time.

Chaplain Sampson was approached by another paratrooper, Fritz Niland, who learned that his brother, Robert, had been killed on D-Day and buried nearby. Another brother, Edward, had been shot down over Burma a few weeks prior, presumed dead. The compassionate chaplain drove Niland around nearby cemeteries in order to locate Robert’s grave. But they made a terrible discovery during their search. They found the grave not of Robert at first, but of Preston—*another* brother whose death Fritz hadn’t heard about. One can only imagine the young paratrooper’s distress. Thankfully, he had Fr. Sampson with him.

The Chaplain knew that this soldier had seen enough, and that his family deserved to have at least one of their four sons back. So he began the paperwork to have Fritz sent home (which Fritz strongly objected to—to no avail).

The 1998 film takes its inspiration from this incident, but the connection is otherwise loose. Fritz wasn’t lost (he did have to jump early from his plane and ended up behind enemy lines for nine days, but he made it back).

And as God’s good providence would have it, he wasn’t the only Niland brother to come home. Edward also survived, freed after a year’s internment in a Japanese POW camp.

Fritz’s service was over, but Fr. Sampson’s was not. He later jumped into Holland and was captured trying to rescue trapped American troops during the Battle of the Bulge.

Over the following four months, Fr. Sampson continued his lifesaving work, caring for the imprisoned soldiers physically and spiritually. He chose to stay in the enlisted men’s barracks instead of the officers’ quarters. On Easter, he celebrated Mass alongside Dutch, Polish, and French Catholic chaplains for thousands of prisoners.

When the camp was liberated and the war ended, he still wasn’t done. He went on to serve in Korea, and, after being appointed Chief of Chaplains of the Army, spent Christmases visiting troops in Vietnam.

The Cherokee, Iowa native—who had spent nearly his whole priestly career as a chaplain—died on January 28, 1996. He wrote about his incredible experiences in “Look Out Below!” and “Paratrooper Padre” which chronicled his experiences as a chaplain in jump boots.

Whether you’re jumping into enemy territory or just fighting the daily battles of life, be sure to keep your prayer life in top shape with the timeless *Wartime Prayer Book*. Written by the great Fulton Sheen for soldiers in World War II, this compilation offers spiritual strength for both professional servicemembers and for the everyday spiritual warrior inside all of us.