



St. Isidore

Catholic Parish

St. Raphael Church
5564 E. St. Raphael St.
Dubois, IN 47527

St. Celestine Church
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Celestine, IN 47521

**Parish office is located at
the Celestine campus**

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Office Hours:

Mon: 8-12

Tues. Weds. Thurs. 8-4

Friday: closed

Regular Mass times are listed.

Check Mass Intentions for any changes.

Saturday	4:30pm - SC
Sunday	8:00am - SC
	10:00am - SR
Tuesday	6:30pm - SC
Wednesday	8:00am - SR
Thursday	8:00am - SR
Friday	8:00am - SC



**“FOR TODAY IN THE CITY OF DAVID A SAVIOR HAS BEEN
BORN FOR YOU WHO IS CHRIST AND LORD.” — LK 2:11**

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

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Mission Statement

We, the parish of St. Isidore,
witness to the world the love of Christ
we have received in the Sacraments,
and we invite others to personally
experience the Grace of God through prayer,

Mass cancellations are made by Flocknote -
the St. Isidore text and email service.

MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 23 / Late Advent Weekend

4:30pm † Linus & Darlene Hassfurther @ SC

Sunday, December 24/Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00am @ SC Memorials & 4:00pm @ SC Memorials

10:00am@SR Memorials & 6:00pm @ SR Memorials

Monday, December 25/Nativity of the Lord

12 midnight @ SC Flower Memorials

9am @ SR Flower Memorials

Tuesday, December 26/St. Stephen, The First Martyr

6:30pm † Jerry Haase @ SC

Wednesday, December 27/ St. John, the Apostle

8:00am † Clarence Nordhoff @ SR

Thursday, December 28/ The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

6:30pm † The Holy Innocents @ SR

Friday, December 29/ Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

8:00am † Sharon Verkamp @ SC

Saturday, December 30 /Sixth Day with the Octave of The Nativity of the Lord

4:30pm † Charlie Glendening @ SC

Sunday, December 31/The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8:00am † Deceased members of the Joe Betz Family @ SC

10:00am St. Isidore Parish @SR

4:00pm † Mary Lou Tretter @SC

Monday, January 1/ Solemnity of Mary

10:00am † Phyllis Fischer @ SR

Diocese Fiscal year begins July 1, 2023

Year-to-Date Budget\$239,496.

Year-to-Date Actual.....\$210,817

Year-to-Date Difference..... **\$28,679**

Weekly Goal.....\$9,979

Dec 10 Direct Deposit \$ 550.00

Dec 10 Envelopes/Loose \$ 6374.25

Dec 10 Total Collection \$ 6924.25

Dec. 9, 2023

4:30pm.....185

Dec. 10, 2023

8:00am181

10:00am.....213



PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like to submit a name please call the Parish Office or Patty Englert. Names will be removed after 2 months unless resubmitted. If you or a loved one would like a sick visit while in the hospital or at home, please call the Parish Office.

Ethan Brown
Sandy Heeke
Kelly Friedman
Mary Ann Rasche
Ardella Pieper
Clyde Melton
Stan Stetter
Ed & Anna Knebel
Frances Knies
Jiggs Pieper

Jack Goodman
Betty Beckman
Cecilia Betz
Fred Lindauer
Kade Mundy
Logan Steckler
Ray Lueken
Marie Beckman
Keith Freyberger
Annette Schepers

Gerald Vonderheide
Gerry Heeke
Tom & Shirley Welp
Nancy Bolte
Marilyn Jahn
Alicia Gehlhausen
Kathy Messmer
Jim Leistner

Prayer Line Contact: Patty Englert @ 630-3548 or tpcmenglert@frontier.com

For Your Information

Pastor: Father John Pfister-812-634-1875

jpfister@evdio.org

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St. Isidore Parish

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Child Protection Services(800)800-5556

Victim Assistance Coordinator Diocese(866)200-3004

Baptism:

Anyone wishing to baptize their first child must first attend a baptismal class offered by the parish. Arrangements can be made by calling the parish office. This can be done anytime during the pregnancy. IMPORTANT! Before choosing your godparent, please call the office and learn about the qualifications of a godparent.

Marriage:

Please call the parish office as soon as you have a date you would like considered. The couple must call at least 8 months prior to the date to set up marriage preparations.

Reconciliation:

You can celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation:

Weekend: 3:45-4:15pm Saturday at St. Celestine

7:30-8:00am Sunday at St. Celestine

9:30-10:00am Sunday at St. Raphael

Weekday: 6:00-6:30pm Tuesday at St. Celestine

7:30-8:00am Wednesday at St. Raphael

7:30-8:00am Friday at St. Celestine

The bulletin will be submitted to the printer on the Monday afternoon prior to the weekend. All items must be to the parish office by 10am on Monday.

If you have a change of address or phone number, or would like to join our parish, please let us know!

Pope Francis' thoughts on the Nativity

God's ways are astonishing, for it seems impossible that he should forsake his glory to become a man like us. To our astonishment, we see God acting exactly as we do: he sleeps, takes milk from his mother, cries and plays like every other child! As always, God baffles us. He is unpredictable, constantly doing what we least expect. The nativity scene shows God as he came into our world, but it also makes us reflect on how our life is part of God's own life. It invites us to become his disciples if we want to attain ultimate meaning in life.

Christmas Masses

Sunday, Dec. 24

4 PM SC Children's Mass (Play at 3:30PM)

6 PM SR Mass

Monday, Dec. 25

12 AM SC Midnight Mass

9 AM SR Mass

Sunday, Dec. 31

4 PM SC Holy Family Mass

Monday, Jan 1

10 AM SR Solemnity of Mary



~ Thank you! ~

St. Isidore would like to thank Fr. Ackerman and Fr. Tenbarga for their assistance in the Masses they chose for the seven Christmas weekend services.

Parish Office Closed

December 22 thru January 2

Email to stisidore@evdio.org
or leave a voice mail message

St. Isidore Weekly Schedule

Saturday, December 23

- ◆ 7-11am - Advent Adoration - SC
- 9am Rosary of the Blessed Mother
- 9:30am Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 10am Reading & commentary—Benediction
- ◆ 3:45pm - Reconciliation - SC
- ◆ 4:30pm - Mass - SC

Sunday, December 24

- ◆ 7:30am - Reconciliation - SC
- ◆ 8am - Mass - SC
- ◆ 9:30am - Reconciliation - SR
- ◆ 10am - Mass - SR
- ◆ 3:30pm Children's Christmas Play SC
- ◆ 4pm Children's Christmas Vigil Mass SC
- ◆ 6pm Vigil Mass SR

Monday, December 25

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

- ◆ 12am Midnight Mass SC
- ◆ 9am Christmas Mass SR

Tuesday, December 26

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

- ◆ 6pm - Reconciliation - SC
- ◆ 6:30pm - Mass - SC

Wednesday, December 27

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

- ◆ 7:30am - Reconciliation - SR
- ◆ 8am - Mass - SR

Thursday, December 28

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

- ◆ 8am - **NO Mass** SR
- ◆ 6:30pm - Holy Innocent Mass SC
- ◆ 7:15pm Religious Ed. Commission @SC

Friday, December 29

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

- ◆ 7:30am - Reconciliation - SC
- ◆ 8am - Mass - SC
- ◆ 4-9pm - Adoration - SC chapel
- ◆ Wedding Rehearsal 6pm SC

Saturday, December 30

- ◆ 2:00pm Wedding - SC
- ◆ 3:45pm - Reconciliation - SC
- ◆ 4:30pm - Mass - SC

Sunday, December 31

- ◆ 7:30am - Reconciliation - SC
- ◆ 8am - Mass - SC
- ◆ 9:30am - Reconciliation - SR
- ◆ 10am - Mass - SR
- ◆ 4:00pm - Mass - SC Holy Family

Monday, January 1

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

- ◆ 10:00am - Mass - SR Solemnity of Mary

From the desk of Father John:

How do rumors get started? Once the ball gets rolling, how is it stopped? The rumor mill has been churning; We can ignore some rumors while others need to be stopped dead in their tracks. The Diocese has voiced no inclination that St. Peter Celestine Church or St. Raphael Church is going to be closed. This insidious lie stops right now. Our churches are vital to the mission of our bishop and the Diocese of Evansville. Jesus warns us about the sin of idle chatter, muckraking, and outright falsehoods, "I tell you that on the day of judgment, people will have to render an account for every careless word they utter." Please be sure you ask others not to spread harmful rumors.

Please be sure you are signed up on Flock notes with either your cell phone or your email address in case Mass is cancelled for inclement weather or a funeral. Call the office if you need help signing up and we would be glad to help you.

*St. Anne Holiday Party
Thursday, January 4
St. Celestine Hall*

Doors open at 6:00pm
With dinner served at 6:30pm

Potluck meal for all Couples

Saturday, Jan 6th after the 4:30 Mass at SC, we'll have a meal for couples. Fr. Simon, from St. Meinrad will be here and give a short presentation on "New Year's Resolutions: Reimagined for Marriage". Meat provided - please bring a side-dish or dessert to share.

ANGEL TREE

Thank you so very much for your amazing generosity for our area school children! Your response to kids in need was wonderful!! Thanks again for another great year!

Crystal Seger & Janet Wohlberg

Wedding

*Congratulations to
Nick Schmitt &
Kaitlyn Hoffman*



Christmas Eve Special Collection

After communion on Christmas Eve, there will be a special collection at each location to benefit the Volunteer Fire Departments of Celestine and Dubois

Confirmation 2024 - 9th & 10th grade students

Saturday, September 28, 2024 St. Celestine Church 6:00pm

"Why Be Confirmed" Wed, January 10, 2024, 7-8 pm in SC hall—all 9th & 10th grade students

ALSO: PARENT MEETING - Wed, January 10, 7:30-8:00pm in St. Celestine Church

Information will be mailed out soon, including Sacramental Enrollment/Sponsor information, which needs to be submitted by January 10, 2024.

January 2024 Birthdays

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Jazzmyn Cummins Jamie Deich Brad Gehlhausen William Schmitt Sherry Schnell	2 Kimberly Kerstiens Randy Neukam	3 Reid Haas Wade Lueken Donald Schroering Ashley Summers	4 Stella Buchta Jessa Englert Adalyn Helming Randy Linne Logan Mehringer Chase Wildman	5 Lauren Mundy John Neukam Evan Schnell Jace Wildman	6 Randy Baglan Barbara Brames Clifford Fleck Isaiah Goodman Stephen Schnell Robert Schulz Kevin Weisheit
7 Kristy Buechler Gavyn Gogel Jack Goodman Bryce Neukam Kinley Schnell Marcia Stetter Natasha Terwiske	8 Kelsey Hopf	9 Virginia Breitwieser Caleb Danhafer David Harrison Marcie Jacob Keely Merkel David Tretter	10 Landon Beck Lauren Betz Alexei Brinkman Maverick Clark Jase Kelley Cherri Oeding Kenneth Schnell	11 Abigail Hasenour Brea James Hope Marks Colt Mundy	12 Kendra Hasenour Timothy Lueken Bryson Seng Ian Thewes	13 Leroy Friedman Dean Fuhs Roy Gene Harder Nicholas Hasenour Patricia Hasenour Jared Knies Lisa Mehringer Greg Wineinger
14 Carla Buechler Bruce Gutgsell Kathy Lueken Karen Pund Judy Schnarr Hadyn Schnell Judith Schroering Tammy Schulthies	15 Cherie Hawes Jeanne Parsons Ben Rasche	16 Averi Bauer Janet Buechler Steve Haase Steven Jacob Bernard Pieper Robert Scherle Mary Seibert Kevin Thewes	17 Roman Ferguson Keasha Fromme Myra Fuhs Adam Glendening Carla Hall Connie Hall Paige Knies Shawn Lockard Dorothy Rasche Elin Sermersheim	18 Samuel Bowles Isaac Heeke Logan Knies Mary Lampert Ardella Pieper Debbie Schnell	19 Kelly Bayer Carol Gutgsell Iliza Poppe Christopher Sander Amanda Steckler	20 Denise Baglan Riley Beckman Brexley Hackney Leon Knies Katie Knight Nancy Schroering Dion Seufert Lawrence Thewes
21 Killian Deno Alaina Frank Agatha Hasenour Sara Kissel Dale Knies Demi Massey David Schmitt Myra Schnell	22 Taryn Friedman Brennan Schepers	23 David Ferguson Ryder Fuhs Jarod Hall Nicholas Hustedde Pam Lueken Kaddy Merkel Darlene Recker Holly Wyland	24 Emily Goffinet Toren Land	25 Madison Kalb Gavin Leinenbach Madelaine Massey Parker Zehr	26 Jesus Monarrez Linda Reuber Brinley Schmitt Audrey Theising	27 John Benton Kirby Gordon Gerald Hasenour Clyde Melton Connor Roberts Greg Vonderheide
28 Victor Beckman Breanne Hasenour Alan Hopf Jacqueline Nordhoff Sarah Petry Rita Schepers Therese Wessel	29 Sarah Beck Kimberly Butler Larry Hall Kurt Hassfurher Tami Knies Randy Seger	30 Jake Beyke Logan Clark Abrahm Meyer Nora Terwiske	31 Leroy Betz Victor Betz Ava Brosmer Roger Deich David Gudorf Michael Hasenour Brianne Knies Margaret Marks Donald Sander Ronald Sander Velma Sue Tuell			

LITURGICAL ROLES ST. ISIDORE PARISH

	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Greeters	Servers	Lector	Sacristan	Music
St. Celestine Saturday Dec 30 4:30pm	Lacey Fischer Jordan Ferguson Lisa Matheis Judy Senninger Denise Buechler Angie Hochgesang	Joe Brosmer Maurice Pund Dave Schmitt	Teresa Betz Curt & Connie Matheis Marlene & Rick Vonderheide	Zachary B. Gavin W.	Debbie Beckman	Judy Senninger	Kendall Buechler
St. Celestine Sunday December 31 8:00am	Jennifer Bieker Margaret Gehlhausen Kay Schroeder Judy Senninger Volunteer Volunteer	Nathan Beyke Kur Sermersheim Ben Gessner		Kaden B. Kolton S.	James Summers	Michael Tretter	Lisa Wagner Traci Catt
St. Raphael Sunday December 31 10:00am	Sabrina Harris Jennifer Mendel Jim Merkley Crystal Seger	Dennis Rasche Leon Schroering Lori Merkley	Amberly Massey	Elijah P Levi P.	Becky Fleck	Tammy Mehring	Mary Grace Wagner Sherrie Knies
St. Celestine Sunday December 31 4:00pm Holy Family	Judy Senninger Eddie Reckelhoff Volunteer Volunteer Volunteer Volunteer	Volunteer Maurice Pund Mike Betz	Sharon & Joel Johnson Melinda Beyke Maurice & Karen Pund	Volunteer Volunteer	Glenda Reckelhoff	Teresa Betz	Mary Grace Wagner Kendall Buechler
St. Raphael Monday January 1 10:00am Solemnity of Mary	Volunteer Volunteer	Clara Fromme		Volunteer	Ashley Gessner	Brenda Ferguson	Lisa Wagner Kendall Buechler

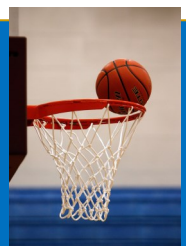
Weekend Homebound Minister: Fred & Therese Wessel 812-630-8361

K of C Free Throw Competition Sunday, January 14th

The Good Shepherd of the Hills Knights of Columbus council is hosting a Free Throw Competition on Sunday, January 14th, at the Northeast Dubois Intermediate School Gym.

Doors open for registration at 12:30 pm, with the competition set to start at 1 pm. Any boy or girl between the ages of 9 - 14 is eligible to compete (age is as of January 1st, 2024).

There will be divisions for each age group, with separate groups for boys and girls. Trophy for the winner, and they advance to the district K of C competition in February. Random drawing for attendance prizes. We have had past winners advance and win the state competition! There is no cost to participate; anyone in the local area may enter. Any questions can be directed to Jarrod Beck at 812-661-2530.



Youth Information



MARCH FOR LIFE

All high school students are encouraged to attend Indiana March for Life on January 22nd. This will be a one-day event. Details and signup coming soon. Adults are welcome and needed.



HOCKEY

Join us on January 26 for a trip to the Evansville Thunderbolts! All 6th-12th students are welcome to watch the Thunderbolts take on the Birmingham Bulls at the Ford Center. We will leave at 5:30pm from Celestine and return around 12am. Cost is \$20. Sign up on our website.

CATHOLIC HEART WORKCAMP

St. Izzy is headed to Knoxville, TN June 23-28, 2024 for our return trip to Catholic Heart Workcamp. All students entering 8th grade in the fall and up are encouraged to join us. Catholic Heart Workcamp is a mission week that is full of service work, prayer, games, music, food, and lots of free time. Registration for this year's trip opens January 3rd at 10am.



Family of the Month

The Good Shepherd of the Hills K of C Council has selected the Joseph & Stacy Helming family as Family of the Month for December to thank them for their continued service to our Parish and our local community.

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