



St. Isidore Catholic Parish

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

St. Celestine Church
6864 E. State Road 164
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

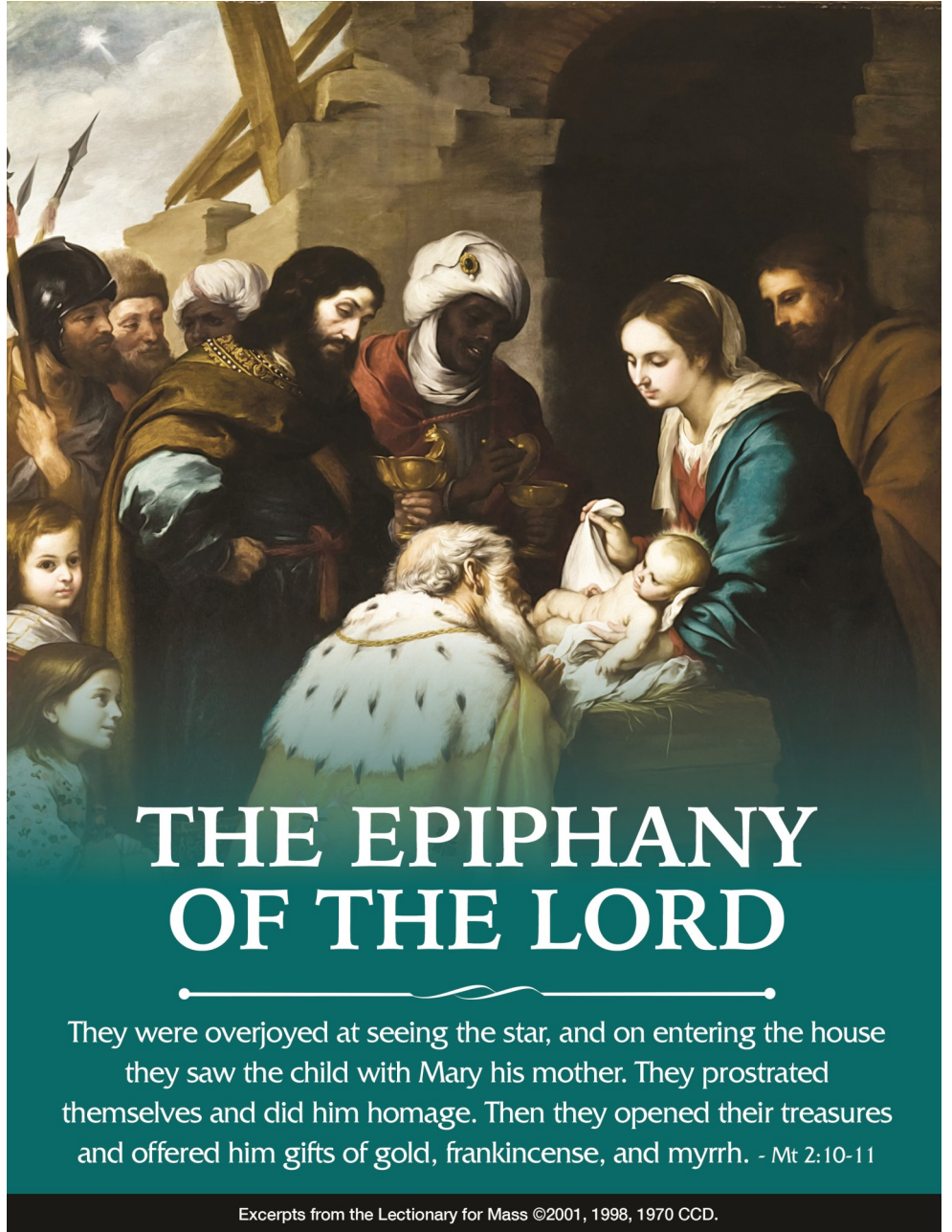
10:00am - SR

Tuesday 6:30pm - SC

Wednesday 8:00am - SR

Thursday 8:00am - SR

Friday 8:00am - SC



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

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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,
acts of service, and spiritual formation.

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

Baptismal Congratulations to:

✠ Ignatius James Seger,
who was baptized on
January 1, 2024

Godparents are Crystal Seger and
Mike Seibert

✠ Nora Mae Switzer, who will be baptized on
January 7, 2024

Godparent is Krystal Moon
and Witness Brandon Moon



May God Bless Ignatius and Nora
and their families

Stephen Ministry

You might be a person who needs to talk. If you or someone you love would benefit from focused care, encouragement, or just a listening ear, a Stephen Minister can help. Any of our current Stephen Ministers or Leaders can talk with you about how to connect you or the person for whom you care to our Stephen Ministers.

Deacon Mike Seibert 812-482-1886

Carla Buechler 812-630-6217

Brenda Ferguson 812-639-1201

More information visit the parish website.

2023 St. Isidore Christmas Flower Memorial additions ~ In Memory/Honor of ~

John & Elizabeth Zehr

Curt & Kyle Goffinet

Doris Zehr

Linus & Joann Kluemper

John & Ruby Jones

Otto Zehr

Tony & Alma Friedman



St. Isidore Weekly Schedule

Saturday, January 6

- ◆ 3:45pm - Reconciliation - SC
- ◆ 4:30pm - Mass - SC

Sunday, January 7

- ◆ 7:30am - Reconciliation - SC
- ◆ 8am - Mass - SC
- ◆ 9:30am - Reconciliation - SR
- ◆ 10am - Mass - SR
- ◆ 11am - Baptism - SR

Monday, January 8

- ◆ 6am-9pm Adoration - SR

Tuesday, January 9

- ◆ 6pm - Reconciliation - SC
- ◆ 6:30pm - Mass - SC
- ◆ 7pm - SVDP - SR
- ◆ 7:15pm K of C meeting - SC

Wednesday, January 10

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

Thursday, January 11

- ◆ 8am - Mass - SR
- ◆ 6:30pm - Parish Council meeting - SR

Friday, January 12

- ◆ 7:30am - Reconciliation - SC
- ◆ 8am - Mass - SC
- ◆ 4-9pm - Adoration - SC

Saturday, January 13

- ◆ 3:45pm - Reconciliation - SC
- ◆ 4:30pm - Mass - SC

Sunday, January 14

- ◆ 7:30am - Reconciliation - SC
- ◆ 8am - Mass - SC
- ◆ 9am - St. Vincent DePaul - SC
- ◆ 9:30am - Reconciliation - SR
- ◆ 10am - Mass - SR
- ◆ 11am - Baptism - SR

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.



MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 6/Christmas Weekday
4:30pm St. Isidore @ SC

Sunday, January 7/Epiphany of the Lord
8:00am † Larry Beyke @ SC
10:00am † Doris "Dot" Schnarr @SR

Monday, January 8/The Baptism of the Lord
NO Mass
6am-9pm Adoration - SR

Tuesday, January 9/Weekday in Ordinary Time
6:30pm † Melissa Barthel @ SC

Wednesday, January 10/Weekday
8:00am † Vic & Loretta Humbert @ SR

Thursday, January 11/Weekday
8:00am † Donna Rae Wessel @ SR

Friday, January 12/Weekday
8:00am † Michelle King @ SC

Saturday, January 13/Weekday
4:30pm † Janice Burke @ SC

Sunday, January 14/
8:00am St. Isidore Parish @ SC
10:00am † Hilmar & Rosemary Denu @SR

Diocese Fiscal year begins July 1, 2023

Year-to-Date Budget \$259,454
Year-to-Date Actual.....**\$241,339**
Year-to-Date Difference..... **\$18,114**
Weekly Goal.....\$9,979

Dec 24/25 Direct Deposit \$ 550.00
Dec 24/25 Envelopes/Loose \$ 3,055.56
Dec 24/25 Total Collection \$ 18,426.12

Dec. 23, 2023
4:30pm.....242
Dec. 24-25, 2023
8:00am170
10:00am.....101
4:00pm520
6:00pm.....159
12:00am.....138
9am160



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	Jack Goodman	Gerald Vonderheide
Sandy Heeke	Betty Beckman	Gerry Heeke
Kelly Friedman	Cecilia Betz	Tom & Shirley Welp
Mary Ann Rasche	Fred Lindauer	Nancy Bolte
Ardella Pieper	Kade Mundy	Marilyn Jahn
Clyde Melton	Logan Steckler	Alisha Gehlhausen
Stan Stetter	Ray Lueken	Kathy Messmer
Ed & Anna Knebel	Marie Beckman	Jim Leistner
Frances Knies	Keith Freyberger	
Jiggs Pieper	Annette Schepers	

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

For Your Information

Pastor: Father John Pfister-812-634-1875
jpfister@evdio.org
Deacon:..... Deacon Mike Seibert- 812-482-1886
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St. Isidore Parish

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Director of CommunicationsCraig Gehlhausen
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Parish Council Chairman..... Dave Schmitt
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Finance Chair Kelly Knies
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Parish Nurse Keri Witte (812)661-2328

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!

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*St. Isidore the Farmer Parish
REVERSE RAFFLE EVENT*

Saturday, February 2, 2024

**LAST TICKET DRAWN WINS
\$10,000**

**\$50.00 DONATION PER TICKET
Dinner tickets sold for \$15.00/plate**

Join us for a casual night of fun, cash prizes, games, silent auction items, & fellowship. Fried Chicken and the fixin's served at 6:30pm with a meal ticket purchased. Call office to purchase meal tickets

Tickets sold till 400 tickets sell
Forms are at church entrances, tickets will be mailed to you. Or you can purchase on our website.

Benefits Religious Education & Youth Ministry

Director of Religious Education Job Opening March 1, 2024

This role directs an array of parish-wide religious education programs for our youth. Among the area that this position leads and engages will include: Parish Religious Education of 300 students for Preschool through Grade 12; Sacrament Preparation for 2nd graders and Confirmation this will be in collaboration with our parish catechists; Involvement with youth ministry for grades 5th through 12th, Rite of Christian Initiation for children, older-child preparation through adults entering the church. This full-time position includes full benefits of medical, dental, vision and 403(b) matching, A full job description is available upon request.

Successful candidates will need to be a practicing Catholic, committed to upholding Catholic teachings, and posses:

- Bachelor's degree in religious education, theology or related area or a combination of education and experience and a plus of at least two years of related experience.
- Supervisor, administrative, and organization leadership with program planning experience.
- Strong organizational skills, time management/work prioritization, independent worker (self-directed), and ability to meet deadlines.
- Great people skills in the ability to listen, communicate and relate to other on a personal or professional level. Extending to problem-solving, empathy for others and a willingness to work together. Maintaining high level of confidentiality around sensitive interactions.
- Parish and/or diocesan experience desired.
- Computer skills including Microsoft word, publisher, and excel a plus.
- Candidates should submit a cover letter, resume and a completed application found on our website to Fr. John Pfister
at jppfister@evdio.org or mail to
P.O. Box 1 Celestine, IN 47521

Sign up for Flocknote to receive group and ministry communications, updates about the renovation, special events, announcements, cancellations, etc. Text [SIP](tel:84576) to 84576 or connect online at: saintisidoreparish.flocknote.com



COUPLES to COUPLES

Saturday, Jan 6th after the 4:30 Mass at SC, we'll have a potluck meal for ALL 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. RSVP to Deacon Mike mseibert@evdio.org so we have enough food and childcare.



ST. ISIDORE

For your donations of \$3,636 to the Volunteer Fire Departments during the Christmas Masses .

God Bless You All

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of January 7, 2024

Sunday:

Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13
see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday:

Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 (3)/1
Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

Tuesday:

1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/
Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday:

1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a,
8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday:

1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/
Mk 1:40-45

Friday:

1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/
Mk 2:1-12

Saturday:

1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/
Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday:

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4 7-8, 8-9, 10
(8a, 9a)/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

A stranger in a foreign land, I was exhausted and homesick as my summer Spanish immersion ended in Guatemala. The rusty minivan arriving outside my small residence filled me with joyful hope. I was flying home to the U.S. and would be, at long last, completely happy. Or so I thought. After about half an hour of being home, I thought to myself, “This place is boring. I want to go somewhere.” So, I hopped in my car and left to see my friends. As I drove, I wistfully wondered, “Where am I truly at home?”

The feast of Epiphany has a lot to do with our notion of home. Where is our origin? Where are we going? When is our wandering done? Saint Matthew tells us of the Magi, **“They were overjoyed at seeing the star.”** This star will bring them home, to a place where their questing will end, and they will be satisfied. Their real home is neither in the East nor in the earthly Jerusalem. Somehow, their home is wherever this boy and his parents are.

If you’re a teenager or older, you probably know by now that every physical home we have is temporary. So, we look up at the countless stars in our proverbial skies: things which bedazzle and beckon us to follow toward peace. The Gospel invites us to behold that — at long last — God has sent us a star to follow home, one that whispers, “Follow me! I will take you home!” Perhaps that star is your spouse. A friend. An opportunity. A cause. An intuition about a new direction. A prayer group. What is it for you? How will you know? It will lead you to Mary and Joseph and their son, and you will be home.

— *Father John Muir*

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2024 | THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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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

Registration is now open for our trip to Knoxville, TN June 23-28th. All students entering 8th grade in the fall through high school are encouraged to attend. Catholic Heart Workcamp is the perfect place to meet other students from around the country, play tons of games, listen to amazing music from musician Dana Catherine, and fulfill your service hour requirements for Confirmation, Beta Club, FFA, or any other club that requires service hours.

High School Seniors & Parents of the East Deanery Catholic Parishes

You are invited to a spaghetti dinner and program following dinner. Keynote speaker will be Mr. Jeremy Goebel, Director of the Diocesan Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry. The program will offer breakout sessions for parents and seniors with information, advice, and support about college life, entering the workforce, trade school, or the military. Invites were mailed with your registration form.

Who: All area high school seniors and their parents

When: February 21, 2024

Doors open at 6pm EST with registration.

Dinner at 6:30 pm EST.

Where: St. Joseph Parish Center Gym, Jasper

Cost: None!

Please respond by **Sunday, February 7, 2024**

Confirmation 2024—9th & 10th grade students

Will be held on Saturday, September 28, 2024 at 6:00pm, St. Celestine Church

“Why Be Confirmed” - Wednesday, January 10, 2024, 7-8pm in SC hall- all 9th & 10th grade students

PARENT MEETING- Wednesday, January 10, 2024, 7:30-8:00pm in St. Celestine Church

Information for 9th & 10th grades were mailed out on December 16, which includes: Sacramental Enrollment for student and sponsor information and their forms.

Please have all information submitted by January 10, 2024.

LITURGICAL ROLES ST. ISIDORE PARISH

	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Greeters	Servers	Lector	Sacristan	Music
St. Celestine Saturday January 13 4:30pm	Stan Goodman Karla Goodman Angie Hochgesang Denise Buechler Debbie Beckman Lisa Matheis	Kelly Knies Dale Knies Michael Betz	Joel & Sharon Johnson Rhonda Hohler Dallas Knies	Isaiah G. Gavin W.	Jill Krampe	Teresa Betz	New Spring
St. Celestine Sunday January 14 8:00am	Margaret Gehlhausen Jennifer Bieker Kay Schroeder Jordan Ferguson Ben Gessner Janell Pfau	Nathan Beyke Brian Thompson Sherry Schnell	Amanda Steckler Ben Merkel Renee Merkel	Avery S. Kaden B.	Jennifer Bieker	Sharon Reckelhoff	Choir Traci Catt
St. Raphael Sunday January 14 10:00am	Pat Seger Jennifer Mendel Lori Merkley Brenda Ferguson	Volunteers Dave Schmitt	Jenna Hagen	Chance H. Andy M	Crystal Seger	Audrey Denu	Mary Grace Wagner Sherrie Knies

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

Family of the Month

The Good Shepherd of the Hills K of C Council has selected the Terry & Denise Friedman family as Family of the Month for January to thank them for their continued service to our Parish and our local community.

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