



# 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**

**Mailing address:**

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Celestine, IN 47521

**Email:** [stisidore@evdio.org](mailto:stisidore@evdio.org)

**Office Hours:**

Mon: 8-12  
Tues. Weds. Thurs. 8-4  
**Friday: Closed**

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

Scan the QR  
Code to join.



**SCAN ME**



## EASTER SUNDAY

Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had  
arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. - Jn 20:8

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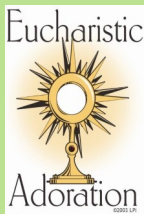
### Mission Statement

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.

## Weekly Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays: 6am - 9pm St. Raphael  
Fridays: 4pm - 9pm St. Celestine

We invite you to spend an hour  
(or any time you have) with Jesus!



# HAPPY EASTER!

From the office staff of  
St. Isidore Catholic Parish

Fr. John Pfister, Deacon Mike Seibert,  
Glenda Reckelhoff, Brooke Atkins,  
Craig Gehlhausen, Angie Mundy,  
Kristy Buechler, Clarence Reckelhoff, Joe DeKemper



## Mark Your Calendars:



Ordination of Caleb Scherzinger

Sat., June 22 ~ Ordination—St. Benedict Cathedral

Sun., June 23 ~ First Mass at St. Celestine

More details coming soon.

## St. Isidore Weekly Schedule

Saturday, March 30

- ◆ 9pm— Easter Vigil Mass— SC

Sunday, March 31

- ◆ 8am - Easter Sunday Mass - SC
- ◆ 10am - Easter Sunday Mass - SR

Monday, April 1

NO MASS

- ◆ 6am-9pm Adoration -SR

Tuesday, April 2

- ◆ 6pm— Stephen Ministry— SR
- ◆ 6pm— Reconciliation— SC
- ◆ 6:30pm- Mass-SC
- ◆ 7:15pm— K of C Officer Meeting— SC

Wednesday, April 3

- ◆ 7:30pm— Reconciliation— SR
- ◆ 8am— Mass— SR
- ◆ 5:30pm— Youth Ministry HS Dinner-SC
- ◆ 6pm- Youth Choir Practice -SC
- ◆ 7-8pm— Rel. Ed class 7-12th grade
- ◆ 8pm— Youth Ministry HS Youth Group-SC

Thursday, April 4

- ◆ 8am— Mass— SR
- ◆ 6:30— First Reconciliation-SR

Friday, April 5

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

Saturday, April 6

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

Sunday, April 7

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

## Celestine Elementary School Things



There is a photobook being put together from the Celestine Elementary School. If you have a picture of your family, class, or children that you would like to be in the photobook you can have them added. Any photos or questions can be sent to Valerie Schmitt at [schmittphotography@yahoo.com](mailto:schmittphotography@yahoo.com)

## EUCHARISTIC MINISTER AND SACRISTAN HELP



We are in need of Eucharistic Ministers, especially at St. Celestine Church due to the number required for each Mass. We are also in need of Sacristans at both St. Raphael Church and St. Celestine Church. If either of these is a ministry you would be willing to consider, please call the parish office and Father John would be happy to meet with you and give you further instructions.

# MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 30/Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil  
9:00pm St. Isidore @ SC

Sunday, March 31/Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord  
8:00am St. Isidore Flower Memorials @ SC  
10:00am St. Isidore Flower Memorials @ SR

Monday, April 1/Monday within the Octave of Easter  
NO Mass  
6am-9pm Adoration @ SR

Tuesday, April 2/Tuesday within the Octave of Easter  
6:30pm † Keith Thewes @SC

Wednesday, April 3/Wednesday within the Octave of Easter  
8:00am Jim & Mary Jane Pfister @ SR

Thursday, April 4/Thursday within the Octave of Easter  
8:00am Kenny & Joy Hoefling @ SC

Friday, April 5/Friday within the Octave of Easter  
8:00am † Roman & Leona Schepers @ SC

Saturday, April 6/Saturday within the Octave of Easter  
4:30 pm † Matthew Harris @ SC

Sunday, April 7/Second Sunday of Easter  
8:00am St. Isidore @ SC  
10:00am † Tim Terwiske/Alec Terwiske @ SR

## Diocese Fiscal year begins July 1, 2023

Year-to-Date Budget..... \$369,223  
Year-to-Date Actual..... \$340,662  
Year-to-Date Difference..... **\$28,560**  
Weekly Goal..... \$9,979

*Due to early bulletin submission, mass counts and financials will be delayed.  
(Above numbers as of March 17)*



## 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.

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|------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Sandy Heeke      | Cecilia Betz       | Kenny Hochgesang |
| Kelly Friedman   | Ray Lueken         | Keith Kluesner   |
| Mary Ann Rasche  | Marie Beckman      | Bill Leistner    |
| Ardella Pieper   | Keith Freyberger   | Mike Tubbs Sr.   |
| Clyde Melton     | Annette Schepers   | Edward Hopf      |
| Ed & Anna Knebel | Gerald Vonderheide | Glenn Collon     |
| Frances Knies    | Gerry Heeke        | Jane Schroeder   |
| Jiggs Pieper     | Alisha Gehllhausen |                  |
| Jack Goodman     | Kathy Messmer      |                  |
| Betty Beckman    | Connor Roberts     |                  |

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

# For Your Information

Pastor: ..... Father John Pfister-812-634-1875  
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Deacon:..... Deacon Mike Seibert- 812-482-1886  
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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.

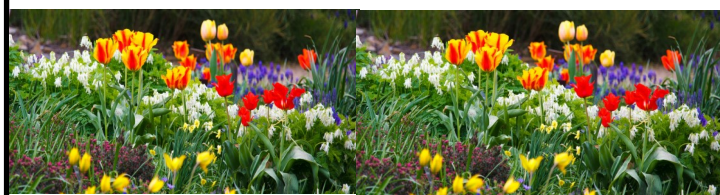
## **Reconciliation:**

Please see weekly schedule for times.

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

## **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**

The parish office will be closed on  
Good Friday and Easter Monday





## CELESTINE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT. SHOOT

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

FOOD SERVING BEGINS AT 6PM

CLOSED MATCH BEGINS AT 8PM

COME OUT AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT TO OUR GREAT FIREMEN!

### **Stephen Ministry**

#### Happy Easter!

From all of our Stephen Ministry team, we wish everyone a Happy Easter. Hopefully our journeys through Lent have helped us to recognize more intimately what Jesus Christ has done for each and every one of us as he died for our sins. This truly is a time for celebration. Now that we are raised with Christ we are invited to enter into His joy (Colossians 3:1). If finding joy seems impossible because of troubles, burdens, health issues, family strife, know that our Stephen Ministers are waiting to walk with you through your times of darkness until you can again find the joy our Lord has promised to you.

For more information, contact any of our Stephen Ministers or call one of these leaders:  
Deacon Mike Seibert 812-482-1886  
Carla Buechler 812-630-6217  
Brenda Ferguson 812-639-1201

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2024

June 4—June 7

Registration will be sent out in April along with Religious Education forms.

Countdown to a fun week at VBS!



# DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

ADORATION · DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET · CONFESSION

"ON THAT DAY THE VERY DEPTHS OF MY TENDER MERCY ARE OPEN. I POUR OUT A WHOLE OCEAN OF GRACES UPON THOSE SOULS WHO APPROACH THE FOUNT OF MY MERCY."



"I DESIRE THAT THE FEAST OF MERCY BE A REFUGE AND SHELTER FOR ALL SOULS."

APRIL 7TH, 2024

ST. MARY, IRELAND

CONFESSIONS BEGIN AT 2 PM (EST)

SERVICE BEGINS AT 3 PM (EST)

- ADORATION
- A BRIEF HOMILY
- CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

### Community Club of Dubois Spring Shooting Matches

Sunday, March 24th & Sunday, April 7th

- Gates open 10am
- Ham shoot starts 12pm
- Boards taken 11am-3pm for regular shoot.
- First round of regular shoot starts at 3pm.
- Kitchen opens at 11am.

First Prize- \$750 Merkley's Gift Certificate

### **CELESTINE COMMUNITY SPRING YARD SALES**

The Celestine Community Spring Yard Sales will be held **April 25-27**.

If planning to having a sale, please contact Kristy Buechler at 812-481-2251 no later than Monday, April 22 in order to get your location on the map. Thanks!

# Father John's Reflection

Jesus suffered and died for us, opening the gates of heaven. We celebrate his Resurrection as proof positive of what awaits the faithful. The fact remains, that we will suffer in mortal life, and how we carry the Cross, and how we help others carry the Cross, truly matters to how we will spend eternity.

Now more than ever, we must protect the young and the suffering, and educate them to the dangers of this world. Part of this is having uncomfortable conversations with those you love. We cannot, in good conscience, be silent in the face of human misery.

According to the Indiana Department of Health, in 2021 over 2,500 overdoses resulted in death in 2021, and nearly 2,000 resulted from the scourge of fentanyl.

Evil people are adding to other compounds to illegals, making drugs cheaper, more powerful, more addictive, and more dangerous. This makes taking anything from the streets extremely dangerous: heroin, cocaine, meth, pills thought to be painkillers, synthetic marijuana, and even marijuana.

According to the Indiana Government Agency Task Force, around 20% of Hoosier High School Students have tried marijuana. Most with no idea that it might be laced with other drugs. **If this makes you uncomfortable, it should!** What kids think of as harmless could ruin or take their life.

We think of ourselves as rural and not subject to the same dangers as city places, but it's just not true. Dubois County had fentanyl deaths last year, and even our members have had their lives shattered by the effects of illegal drugs.

No illegal drug is safe, EVER. Do not wait; choose this time to talk plainly to your child, your spouse, or your friends. Let us do our part to proclaim this danger to whom we love.

*Easter is a holiday affirming a life in Christ.*

## Post Spring Break Youth Ministry Things

- April 3rd: Jr. High Dinner 5:30pm - Goosechase Scavenger Hunt
- April 3rd: High School Youth Group 8:15pm - Topic: Why Did Jesus Die?
- April 10th: High School Dinner 5:30pm - Topic: Why Did Jesus Rise?
- April 17th: High School Youth Group 8:15pm - Topic: Making a Commitment to Jesus
- April 24th: End of the Year Celebration 8:15pm - Mega Prize handed out



## Jr. High

Join us on April 3rd for a Goosechase Scavenger Hunt! We will be having Chicken Fingers and Fries at 5:30pm followed by our Scavenger Hunt on our campus! All Jr. High students (7th&8th grade) are invited to join us. (We will meet at the Celestine Park for the Goosechase Event.)

## End of the Year Celebration

With the school year coming to an end, please just us for an End of the School Year Celebration on April 24th. We will be enjoying some finger foods and giving away our Mega Prize which will include an all expenses paid trip to Catholic Heart Workcamp. **ALL Youth Ministry students 7th-12th are invited to attend!**



Youth Information

*Congratulations!*

Hearty Congratulations to Evan Mitchell for being pinned as an Eagle Scout on March 17, 2024 at St. Isidore—St. Raphael Church.

***What a great accomplishment, Evan!***



### ST. ANTHONY AMERICAN LEGION & AUXILIARY POST 493 FUNDRAISER DINNER

This will be held Sunday, April 7. Drive-thru dinners only. Serving starts at 10am till sold out. Meal consists of: Fried Chicken, German Fries, Slaw, and Baked Beans, all for only \$13/plate.

**~ PLEASE HELP SUPPORT YOUR LEGION ~**

### *Prayer Group or Bible/Book Study*



If you are currently looking for a prayer group or want to do a bible/book study but don't know where to start, we are here to help! If you have room in your existing prayer/study groups or are looking to start your own group let us know!

Email Father John at [jpfister@evdio.org](mailto:jpfister@evdio.org), Brooke Atkins at [batkins@evdio.org](mailto:batkins@evdio.org), or Deacon Mike [mseibert@evdio.org](mailto:mseibert@evdio.org) to get linked up!

### Marriage Encounter Weekend

We would not expect a car, or a house heating/air conditioning system to run for years without any servicing, so why do we expect our marriage relationship to keep running smoothly without a little maintenance? The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives married couples the tools to keep their relationship in top running condition. Our Weekends in 2024 will be at Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House, Indianapolis, from 19-21 April and from 1-3 November. Visit [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) for further information. Quote from a couple who made a Marriage Encounter Weekend after 18 years of marriage: ***"We were blown out of the water after our Weekend. We didn't fully appreciate that our Sacrament was a vocation to be cherished and nurtured."***

# ThankYOU

We'd like to thank the group of men — Gene Eisenhut Excavating, Randy Neukam Trucking, Steve Sander, Bruce Heeke, Terry DeKemper, and Joe DeKemper — who donated their time, labor, and equipment to cut down and haul off the five dead trees between St. Raphael Church Cemetery and the NE Dubois Elementary School playground.

***Your help was greatly appreciated!***

**CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS...**

**CELESTINE ADOPT-A-HWY**  
**SUNDAY, APRIL 14 @ 10:00**

**MEET AT THE CELESTINE PARK**

**RESERVATIONS APPRECIATED FOR PLANNING AND SUPPLIES.**  
**PLEASE CALL OR TEXT 812.639.7205 BY 4/10**



## LITURGICAL ROLES ST. ISIDORE PARISH

|   | Eucharistic Ministers  | Ushers  | Greeters   | Servers                 | Lector          | Sacristan       | Music                                |
|---|--|---|--|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| <b>St. Celestine</b><br>Saturday<br>April 6<br>4:30pm | Denise Buechler<br>Lacey Fischer<br>Stan Goodman<br>David Gudorf<br>Mary Gudorf<br>Mike Vogler                     | Kelly Knies<br>Alex Pund<br><b>VOLUNTEER</b>                        | Edwin & Judy B.<br>Martha Goepfrich<br>Keasha Fromme                   | Zachary B.<br>Fenton F. | Jennifer Bieker | Teresa Betz     | Hannah Staub<br>Mary Grace<br>Wagner |
| <b>St. Celestine</b><br>Sunday<br>April 7<br>8:00am   | Angie Hochgesang<br>Eddie Reckelhoff<br>Sharon Reckelhoff<br>Emil Schroering<br>Nancy Schroering<br>Judy Senninger | Clarence<br>Reckelhoff<br>Kurt<br>Sermersheim<br><b>Ben Gessner</b> | Nathan Beyke<br>family<br>Fred & Therese<br>Wessel<br><b>VOLUNTEER</b> | Abram B.<br>Ty B.       | Grant Knies     | Judy Senninger  | Traci Catt<br>Choir                  |
| <b>St. Raphael</b><br>Sunday<br>April 7<br>10:00am    | Sarah Danhafer<br>Lisa Matheis<br>Lori Merkley<br>Kristina Schroering  | Joe DeKemper<br>Dennis Rasche<br><b>Michael Betz</b>                | Mallory Hall   | Elijah P.<br>Leo S.     | Elizabeth Seger | Crystal Merkley | Sherrie Knies<br>Lisa Wagner         |

**Weekend Homebound Minister:** Teresa Betz 812-827-3366

## Family of the Month

The Good Shepherd of the Hills K of C Council has selected Nick & Rachelle Hasenour for the Family of the Month for April to thank them for their continued service to our Parish and our local community.

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