

March 10, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Lent

Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday, Mar. 11 8:00 am	<u>Intention</u> Happy repose of the soul of William Kelly, Jr.
Wednesday, Mar. 13 8:00 am	Mary Gabrielle Luka Bday
Thursday, Mar. 14 8:00 am	Joseph A. Mudd
Friday, Mar. 15 8:00 am	Grant family deceased and descendants
Sunday, Mar. 17 10:00 am	Andrew Karasch Bday

St. Isidore Weekly Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Mar. 12 8:00 am	<u>Intention</u> Gerald Cobb
Thursday, Mar. 14 5:30 pm	Celebrant's Intention
Saturday, Mar. 16 8:00 am Latin	Celebrant's Intention
Sunday, Mar. 17 8:00 am	All Parishioners

Our Gifts to God and Our Parish

Thank you for your blessings to our parishes

Our Lady of the Holy Spirit

Regular collection	\$ 5,028.
Diocesan collection	\$ 95.
Preschool	375.
Easter Offering	50.
Online total for Feb. \$2,913 general, \$603 preschool	

<u>St. Isidore</u> for week	2/18	2/25	3/3
Regular collection	\$676.	\$725.	\$1,155.
Diocesan collection	120.	25.	250.

MAKE A NOTE OF IT! We are dropping the pastor@mtzolhs.org email. Any emails to Father can be sent to pchineke@dio.org. Please change in your contacts to such. Thank you.

2024 Change for Life Baby Bottle Campaign

BABY BOTTLES ARE DUE BACK MARCH 10th. Please return to the parishes and thank you for your donation to New Life Pregnancy.



Stations of the Cross at St. Isidore:

Please join us Every Thursday for stations at 5:00 pm followed by 5:30 Mass. We are looking for Mass Intentions for these Thursdays.

Stations of the Cross at OLHS:

Please join us every Friday for stations at 6:30 pm followed by Holy Hour that includes exposition, rosary, a quick quiet reflection, and ends with benediction. We encourage you to bring the kiddos.

Easter Triduum and Easter Sunday Schedule

Thursday:

St. Isidore – 5pm Holy Thursday Mass of the Last Supper

Our Lady of the Holy Spirit – 7pm Holy Thursday Mass of the Last Supper

Friday:

St. Isidore – 3pm Good Friday Service

Our Lady of the Holy Spirit – 6:30 pm Good Friday Service

Saturday:

St. Isidore – 5pm Easter Vigil Mass of the Resurrection

Our Lady of the Holy Spirit – 8:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass of the Resurrection

Sunday:

St. Isidore – 8am Easter Sunday Mass

Our Lady of the Holy Spirit – 10 am Easter Sunday Mass

The Decatur Area Youth Group that meets at Holy Family dates are: March 24th, April 7th, and the retreat is April 20th & 21st. Questions? Deena 217-855-9845.

Don't Forget Catholic Radio
Listening during Lent and
Save the Date for the Annual
Radio Dinner on April 25th.



CCW invites you to our St. Patrick's Day Lunch

after Mass on March 17th!

We ask that you use the sign-up sheet in the vestibule
in order to give us an approximate number
of attendees to account for food.

If you don't get it signed, no worries as all are welcome!

We can't wait to see you all on the 17th and wear your green!

What can you bring?

Nothing, just yourselves!

The CCW of OLHS would like to provide this fun event for our parish family.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend for food and fellowship.

Scholarship opportunities

2024 Diocesan Council of Catholic Women are offering 4 \$2000 Education Scholarships to four outstanding Senior young ladies within our Diocese.

Applications for this scholarship are available in the parish office, or by emailing secretary@mtzolhs.org.
Deadline to be considered for Scholarship is March 30th

The Mt Zion Knights of Columbus is offering 2 \$1000. scholarship towards college tuition. Qualifications include: must be a High School student graduating this year, son or daughter of a registered OLHS or St. Isidore parishioner, and submit form by April 15th. Forms are available in the office or email secretary@mtzolhs.org. Return your form to the office via mail or the brown locked box outside the parish office by April 15th.

OLHS Parish CCW is offering one

\$1,000 educational scholarship for a qualified individual. All submissions are due by May 6th, 2024. For details on qualifications and submission process, please send email to secretary@mtzolhs.org. Copies of scholarship forms are also available in the vestibule.

Please note this scholarship is at the Parish level and the other CCW scholarship is at the Diocesan level and they are separate requirements and submissions. You can reach out to Kati Ledbetter for further details (217-767-7750).

Mobile App: Our Lady of the Holy Spirit

Website: www.mtzolhs.org

Facebook: Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Catholic Church and St. Isidore Catholic Church – Bethany

Email: Father: pchineke@dio.org Carol: secretary@mtzolhs.org

PSR: faithformation@mtzolhs.org

ONLINE GIVING Go to www.mtzolhs.org and click on the link under the Online Giving button.

FORMED.org The Catholic Faith on Demand. Sign up as a parishioner, it's free! Go to formed.org to get started
Life threatening emergencies please call 217-864-3467
Remember your church in bequests and insurance policies.

Parish Council serves to advise the pastor/council about parish issues that arise.

Adoration at St. Mary's Hospital Chapel . Call Jan Mudd 217-864-5175

A locked dropbox is located by the parish office door for 24/7 drop of paperwork, registrations, collection envelopes, etc.

Traveling? In need of an area Mass times and place? Go to masstimes.org to find location and times.

SAVE THE DATE...AND YOUR STUFF!

OLHS CCW Annual Rummage Sale is coming up
April 18, 19, 20th.



Luck of the Irish at St. Isidore

Come join us next Sunday, March 17 after 8:00 am Mass for coffee and donuts and a bit of Irish Cheer!



Training for Altar Servers and Liturgical Ministers

Recently, we had a training meeting for altar servers, Eucharistic ministers, and lectors at our Lady of the Holy Spirit. Some people have already noticed the developments in our liturgical services. The uniformity of the liturgical actions of the servers and the liturgical ministers, their liturgical decorum and sacred gestures, and the increased number of servers at the Masses. These developments make our liturgical life and celebrations more elegant and liturgically inviting. They also improve a sense of obligation to the parish while creating more opportunities for our children who long to serve at the altar. As I always say – we cannot expect an increase in the priesthood and religious vocations when we give little or no opportunities for young people to take active part and increased participation in our liturgies. Catch them young for Christ and His Church!

We have also conducted these trainings at St. Isidore earlier in late January. For those unable to attend either parish, we will have another training meeting for both churches the week before Holy Week. I would encourage new members and old members to participate in these meetings. It is always beautiful to have more opportunities to learn what we do and do it even better. Seeing how committed, enthusiastic, and joyful our altar servers and liturgical ministers are, is always a pleasure.

Finally, I have an earnest request to make. In our two parishes, we need Eucharistic Ministers who will visit our homebound homes or health facilities where they are at least twice a week to administer the Holy Communion to them. I plan to continue taking part in this ministry. However, given my other responsibilities, I do not have enough time to do this ministry alone. And I do not want to neglect it because these men and women were once the pillars of our dear parishes and will always deserve our love and support in action. If you are interested in this ministry, let me know or contact Carol, our administrative assistant, at the parish office. ~ Fr. Peter