SS. Isidore and Maria Parish



June 23, 2024

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time



"He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Quiet! Be still!' The wind ceased and there was great calm." -Mark 4:39

Collections and Parish Finance

We are grateful for your generous support of our Sacrificial Giving Program.



Report for the week of 6/16/2024:

Weekly collection:	\$ 8,323.95
Online Giving:	\$ 3,448.00
Total	\$ 11,771.95

Annual Chancery Assessment for fiscal year 2024: \$ 94,171.00

For a more detailed report please visit our website under the **ABOUT** tab. The monthly accountability reports can be found in the Financial Accountability folder.

Check donations should be payable to: **Saints Isidore and Maria.** For online giving, go to our website and click on the **DONATE** tab. Thank you.



Through the generosity of the SS. Isidore and Maria Parish community, \$129,577 has been pledged to this year's effort; this is 72% of our financial

target. All are encouraged to consider a gift that is appropriate for them; let's work together to exceed our parish goal. Every gift makes a difference and has an incredible impact. Donation packets are at the doors of the church, or you may make your donation online at

https://archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal/. Thank you for your consideration.

MEN'S MINISTRY

June 22 & 23: Men's Ministry Weekend

This weekend (June 22 & 23), the men of SS. Isidore and Maria Parish will be able to learn more about Men's Ministry at each Mass. At that time, a member of the Men's Ministry will share a little bit more about the impact it has made on them and provide an opportunity for anyone interested to ask questions of current Men's Ministry members.

Men's Ministry is about helping men better understand how to connect their faith life to their daily lives. There is no homework. This is an invitation without expectation! Meetings occur every Saturday from 7 a.m. (sharp) to 8:30 a.m. at Father Bannon Hall in the back of St. Dunstan Church, 1345 Manchester Rd., Glastonbury.



June 2024 Pastoral Council Snapshot

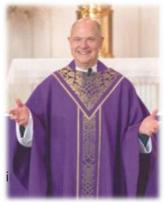
The SS. Isidore and Maria Parish Pastoral Council met on Mon., Jun. 10. Get a snapshot of what they discussed by visiting <u>http://isidoreandmaria.org/</u> <u>snapshotjun2024</u>

Inspiration for the Week

by Rev. Mark Suslenko

Do we trust that God will take care of us and has things under control? When life gets difficult, shaky, or painful, we may find ourselves wondering what we may have done to deserve this fate. Often, we go to great lengths to explain suffering away, as if it has no purpose and ought not to exist. To get God on our side in our battle against suffering, our prayer can mirror a question asked by the disciples: do you not care that we are perishing? As we are asking that question of God, God is asking of us: do you not yet have faith? It is for sure that God does not intentionally inflict pain upon us. God has no sinister plot to test our faith or trip us up. Instead, the unconditional, restorative, and rejuvenating power of God's love can bring light out of the greatest darkness and give hope amid deep despair. We must be patient and ride out the storm. Our task is to deepen our faith that God will calm the wind and draw meaning out of what seems senseless.

"My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think that I am following Your Will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please You does in fact please You. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing." ~ *Thomas Merton*



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY, FATHER MARK!

June 28, 2024, marks the 38th anniversary of the priestly ordination of our Pastor, Father Mark Suslenko. Oliver and I join the parish family of SS. Isidore and Maria congratulating our Dad. Our community, family, and

friends offer love and gratitude to him and to God for the gift of his priesthood. May God continue to bless you, Father Mark, and prosper the work of your ministry.



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If you are offering a Mass Intention and you and your loved ones would like to bring up the gifts, please see the greeters prior to the start of Mass. One of them will be happy to assist you..

We welcome parishioners to add prayer intentions for family members free of charge in the bulletin for one (1) month. To do so, please contact the parish office at 860-633-9419 or contact@isidoreandmaria.org. We cannot publish the names of friends. Thank you for your understanding.



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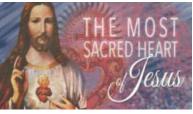
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Peter Savidge Frank Schultz Garland Taylor John Vroblick Mary E. Wallace Roger Yost

Altar Flower Offerings

June 22 - June 28, 2024 In Loving Memory of





"Do not be afraid to present to him (Jesus) all the intentions of our suffering humanity, its fears, its miseries.

May this Heart, full of love for men, give everyone hope and trust."...I invite you to discover the riches that are hidden in the Heart of Jesus."





As we look at our lives and world events, do we ever find ourselves wondering if God is sleeping? Maybe God's patience and unconditional love have run their course,

and he is finally fed up with humanity's reluctance to accept the truth about who we are. God really cannot be that patient! Throughout human history, many have prayed to God for intervention or particular needs. Because their prayers were not answered in the way they wanted or anticipated, they felt that God may have abandoned them. Were they right? We are continuing, at a rapid rate, down the path of destruction. Do you not care, God, that we may be perish- ing? When the boats of our lives are rocking and the seas tumultuous, we want to know that we have God's attention. Even more so, we want God's intervention.

The storms and the waves are necessary. If we listen, they can teach us valuable lessons. Without them, we would never learn that we have the strength to endure, understand the uselessness of fear and worry, or develop the ability to trust. If God immediately rushed in and calmed things down before they got difficult, what good would that be? We would miss opportunities to learn how to drink more deeply from life, treasure its complexity, irony, and beauty, and fully engage ourselves in surrendering to the love of our Creator. It is easy to walk on the surface of life without immersing ourselves in its messiness. Life must burn through us to bring us to a place of secure trust. Unfortunately, some prefer a shallower journey.

That is the balancing act that comes with faith. It is not God's job to prevent us from encountering the torrential rains and winds of life. Many believe that God will provide for smooth sailing if faith is done correctly. That is not how it works. God permits us to ride out the complicated stuff, knowing that the storm will eventually be calmed. Do we not have faith that God will do this? True faith trusts in the steadfastness of God's love when the seas are calm and when they are choppy. God's unconditional loving presence shines through all of it and endures forever. Knowing this allows us to put our boats out into uncharted waters without hesitation. Knowing that we prefer the comfort and safety of what we know to be still waters, how do we feel when Jesus says: "Let us cross to the other side."

~ Rev. Mark Suslenko

A Town of Glastonbury Thank You

SS. Isidore and Maria Parish received the following thank you note from Theresa Buckson, Glastonbury Human Services Outreach Social Worker regarding the recent diaper drive:

To the Parish of SS. Isidore and Maria,

The Town of Glastonbury Social Services sends a big THANK YOU to you for your donation to the Food Pantry! Your collection of diapers and wipes provided the Food Pantry with very useful items. Particularly well received were the larger sized diapers. The families who need those sizes were excited to find them in the Pantry.

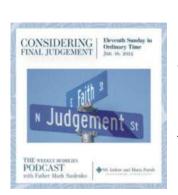
There are approximately 200 Glastonbury families a month who come to the Food Pantry and everything that is available to them, comes from donations like yours. Thank you for being part of the community effort to help one another!



Regina's Writings: Ice Puddle A winter's

adventure goes awry, and Regina turns to God to help the family emerge unscathed. It's the latest from M. Regina Cram in her column, *Regina's Writings*, now available here:

http://isidoreandmaria.org/icepuddle



PODCAST: Considering Final Judgement

"How much thought and serious reflection do we put into contemplating our final judgment? If we listen carefully to St. Paul's theology, it is very clear that this is a definite future reality for us all."

~ Father Mark Suslenko

Listen now to Father Mark's podcast homily on the topic. It's available at <u>http://isidoreandmaria.org/podcasts</u>.

Immacare Thanks You

Thank you to those who donated items and served for this month's ImmaCare dinner held on Jun. 14. **The next ImmaCare dinner is on Fri., Jul. 12**. All are welcome to participate by preparing food or helping to deliver and serve our meals at the shelter.

In addition, ImmaCare's Outreach Program continues to seek food to supplement its street outreach program, which provides nourishment five days each week to the un-housed living on the street, in abandoned buildings, or wherever shelter can be found. A list of needed items is available on the parish website. **Our parish's next pickup is on Thurs., Jul. 11.** Items may be left at either St. Augustine Church or St. Paul Church. For more information, please visit <u>https://isidoreandmaria.org/immacare</u>.

Coming in September

Sept. 10: SS. Isidore and Maria Golf Tournament and Fundraising Dinner



With golf season in full swing, it's time to register for the annual **SS. Isidore and Maria Golf Tournament and Fundraising Dinner**. It's happening on Sept. 10 at Glastonbury Hill Country Club.

Proceeds from this tournament support teen activities, faith formation scholarships, and other initiatives that Esupport our parish youth. Get the details on registering to golf, attend the dinner or become a sponsor at http://isidoreandmaria.org/golf2024.





Pray for Those Who Are Serving

God, keep special watch over these men and women serving in the Navy, National Guard, Army, Marine Corps., Air Force, Coast Guard and keep them safe:

Tammy Breiner Oliver Cary Beau Douglas Celia Fajardo Brandon Farrell Gabe Forthofer Kevin Gamache Chris Gibb Michael Hitzer Peter Kamianowski Madeline Lanzi Mark J. Lord Samuel MacDonald Alexis Maher Michael Scott Mullin John W. Murphy Drew Scarfone Timothy Sullivan Jack M. Zaremba



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Our Sponsor Spotlight this week: GRAVER TREE INC.

SAVE THE DATE: Sept. 15 is the Glastonbury Catholic Parishes Fall Festival!



The 2024 Glastonbury Catholic Parishes Fall Festival takes place on Sun, Sept. 15 at The Elk's Club, 98 Woodland St., South Glastonbury from 1-4 p.m. Join us for an afternoon of food, fun, friendship, activities for the kids, raffle and more. Anyone interested in volunteering for this event should email Erin Sullivan at

eireann21@hotmail.com or call Damien Walsh 860-430-9608.

Most of us were taught that God would love us if and when we change. In fact, God loves you so that you can change. What empowers change, what makes you desirous of change is the experience of love. It is that inherent experience of love that becomes the engine of change. \sim *Richard Rohr*



Scripture Readings for the Week

- SUN 6/23/24 Jb 38:1, 8-11/Ps 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31 (1b)/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41
- MON 6/24/24 Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/ Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80
- **TUE 6/25/24** 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11/Mt 7:6, 12-14
- WED 6/26/24 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Ps 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40/Mt 7:15-20
- **THR 6/27/24** 2 Kgs 24:8-17/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/ Mt 7:21-29
- FRI 6/28/24 2 Kgs 25:1-12/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/ Mt 8:1-4
- SAT 6/29/24 Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19 Day: Acts 12:1-11/34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19
- SUN 6/30/24 Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 (2a)/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43



2024 Scholarship Winners Announced

The SS. Isidore and Maria Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce the 2024 recipients of the Joseph J. Melzen Sr. Memorial Scholarship:

Anna Chomick, the daughter of *Katherine and Jonathan Chomick*, will attend Franciscan University to study biology/exercise science.

Robert Zdrojeski, the son of *Kara and Robert Zdrojeski*, will attend Endicott College to study Education.

We wish them both the very best in their academic endeavors.

When I trust deeply that today God is truly with me and holds me safe in a divine embrace, guiding every one of my steps I can let go of my anxious need to know how tomorrow will look, or what will happen next month or next year. I can be fully where I am and pay attention to the many signs of God's love within me and around me. ~ *Henri Nouwen*

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Weekend Masses

St. Paul Church Sat. Vigil: 4 p.m. Sun.: 8 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:15 a.m.

Daily Mass

St. Paul Church Mon., Tues., Wed.: 7:30 a.m. Fri.: 12:15 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions at St. Paul Church Sat. 2:30 p.m.

Live streaming of weekend Mass

SS. Isidore and Maria Parish live streams the 4 p.m. Vigil Mass each Saturday from St. Paul Church. Please join us on Facebook, YouTube or the parish website to view the stream. Rebroadcasts of the 4 p.m. Vigil may be found at <u>https://www.youtube.com/@</u> <u>SSIsidoreandMariaParish</u>.

Announcements about additional live streamed liturgies may be found on the parish website, e-newsletter, bulletin and/or St. Paul Church bulletin boards.

Bulletin submission deadline is

Friday. All bulletin submissions must be received no later than each Friday, nine days before the requested bulletin publication date. Please submit your request at http://isidoreandmaria.org/commform.

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place each Fri. following the 12:15 p.m. daily Mass (approximately 12:45 p.m.) at St. Paul Church. It concludes at 2 p.m.

Rosary

2024/2025

FAITH FORMATION

ISIDOREANDMARIA.ORG

REGISTRATION

OPENS ONLINE

<u>ULY 15</u>

Pray the Rosary each Tues. evening at 7 p.m. at St. Augustine Church.

How to Report an Incident of Sexual Abuse to the Archdiocese of Hartford

If you have knowledge or suspect that a minor or vulnerable adult (an adult with an intellectual disability) has been sexually abused, in any manner, by personnel of the Archdiocese of Hartford, you are urged to report this information to:

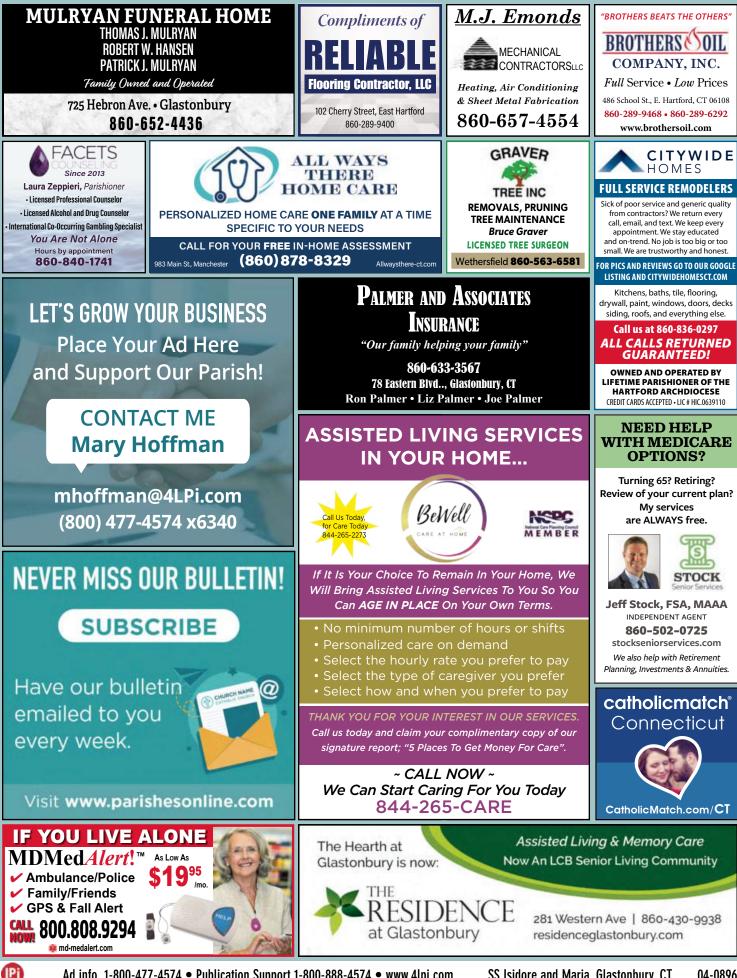
Faith Vos Winkel, MSW

Victim Assistance Coordinator 860-541-6475 faith.voswinkel@aohct.org



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