SS. Isidore and Maria Parish

2577 Main Street - Glastonbury, CT 06033



Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time 400000PM

"You shall love your neighbor as you love yourself." Mark 12:31

Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: Election Guidance from the U.S. Conference of **Catholic Bishops**

The Catholic bishops of the United States are pleased to offer to the Catholic faithful Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, their teaching document on Catholics' political responsibility. This statement represents guidance for Catholics in exercising their rights and duties as participants in our democracy.

The statement and its supporting information come from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). This information is designed to help each of us form our consciences. contribute to civil and respectful public dialogue, and shape political choices in the coming election in light of Catholic teaching. The statement lifts up our dual heritage as faithful Catholics and American citizens with rights and duties as participants in the civil order. Find out more on the USCCB website. https://www.uscbb.org/sip/formingconsciences-faithful-citizenship

Don't Forget to Vote! Nov. 5th

NEXT WEEKEND

Nov. 9 &10: Blood Pressure Screenings

The Parish Wellness Ministry is conducting its monthly FREE blood pressure screening after the 4 pm Mass on Sat., Nov. 9, and after the 8 am and 9:30 am Masses on Sun., Nov. 10. Screenings are held in the conference room of the South Wing at St. Paul Church.

Nov. 9 &10: Hospitality Weekend! Join your fellow parishioners as our all-parish Hospitality Weekend events. We'll have a wine and cheese social following the 4 p.m. Mass on Sat., Nov. 9, and a noon get-together on Sun., Nov. 10, after the 11:15 a.m. Mass. Both events will be held in the south wing of St. Paul Church.

Nov. 3 - 9: National Vocations Awareness Week



What's YOUR vocation story?

National Vocation Awareness Week will be celebrated in our country Nov. 3-9, 2024. Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons, consecrated men and women, and marriages. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of vocation. Learn more at https://isidoreandmaria.org



Daylight Savings Time ends at 2 a.m. on Sun., Nov. 3.

Collections and Parish Finance

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

Report for the week of 10/27/2024:

 Weekly collection:
 \$ 10,578.14

 Online Giving:
 \$ 3,685.50

 Total:
 \$ 14,263.64

Parish Annual Collection: \$118,737.00

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.



2024 Parish Annual Collection Now Underway

The 2024 Parish Annual Collection is now underway. Please read Father Mark's letter on this effort and make your online donation at

http://isidoreandmaria.org/annualcollection24.

DONATE TO THE ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Through the generosity of the SS. Isidore and Maria Parish community, 72% of our financial target has been met. All are encouraged to consider a gift that is

appropriate for them; let's work together to exceed our parish goal. Donation packets are at the doors of the church, or you may make your donation online at <u>https://archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal/</u>. Thank you for your consideration.

Volunteer Opportunities

Our parish ministries and community efforts run on volunteer power! Your help is needed in a variety of areas, including:



Nov. 9 & 10: Hospitality Weekend Volunteers

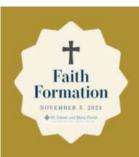
Help make our next Hospitality Weekend a success! Volunteers are needed to set up, serve and clean-up for Hospitality Weekend events after the 4 p.m. Mass on Nov. 9 and the 11:15 a.m. Mass on Nov. 10. For more information or to sign-up to help, visit

http://isidoreandmaria.org/hospitalityvolunteers

Inspiration for the Week by Rev. Mark Suslenko

It is so easy to cast judgment upon the thoughts and behaviors of others. We have heard the phrase: practice what you preach. If we really believe in Jesus, we will put great effort and care into following his example and living his message. Humility is our goal. True humility begins when I see myself as one among many wounded, searching souls striving to find a place in life and discover who God is and how God acts. We are here today because we need to taste and feel the God who reveals himself fully in the Eucharist....the God who is our strength, hope, and salvation. We are not here because we are better or wiser than anyone else, for we are humble sinners in need of mercy.

Faith Formation Schedule



- Sun., Nov. 3
- Grades 4-6 Mass: 9:30 a.m. at St. Paul Church (children bring your donation of dish soap for the Glastonbury Food Pantry to Mass)
- Grade 1: 10:45 a.m.-12 p.m. meet in the Parish Center
- Grade 2: 10:45 a.m.-12 p.m. meet in the Classrooms
- Grade 3: 10:45 a.m.-12 p.m. meet in the Library
- Grades 4-6 Family Program: (4:30 p.m.-5:45 p.m. or 6 p.m.-7:15 p.m.) meet <u>with a parent</u> at your designated time and location
- Grades 4-8 Online Program: regular weekly submissions due by Friday
- Grade 9/Year1 4:30 p.m.-5:45p.m. meet in the South Wing
- Grade 10/Year 2 6 p.m.-7:15 p.m. meet in the South Wing
- All children bring donations **to their session** for the Thanksgiving Holiday Basket Drive
- Weds., Nov. 6: Save the Date Family Service Event from 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. in the South Wing, Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Event.
- Sat., Nov. 9: Save the Date Grade 10/Year 2 Confirmation Retreat – 1 p.m.-5 p.m. at the Pastoral Center (467 Bloomfield Avenue Bloomfield, CT)

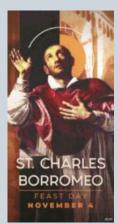
Thank you to our grades 1-3 Faith Formation

students Thank you to the children in Grades 1 - 3 of our parish Faith Formation program for their canned good donations at the October 20 Mass. Your generosity will go a long way toward feeding the hungry in our community.

"We are pilgrims because we have been called: called to love God and to love one another. Our pilgrimage on this earth is far from a pointless journey or aimless wandering; on the contrary, each day, by responding to God's call, we try to take every step needed to advance towards a new world where people can live in peace, justice and love. We are pilgrims of hope because we are pressing forward towards a better future, committed at every step to bringing it about. ..."

~ Pope Francis

Liturgical Schedule and Intentions			November. 3, 2024
Date	Time	Intention	Requested by
Saturday, Nov. 2 All Souls Day	4 p.m.	All Souls	
Sunday, Nov. 3 Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time	8 a.m.	Joan L. Humphrey	Family
	9:30 a.m.	Richard B. Grace	Wife
	11:15 a.m.	Roland Eckstrom	Family
Monday, Nov. 4 St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop	7:30 a.m.	Ernesto Guardia	Children
Tuesday, Nov. 5 Weekday	7:30 a.m.	Joseph Gauches (Birthday)	Wife, Kathy Gauches
	7 p.m.	Rosary (St. Augustine Church)	
Wednesday, Nov. 6 Weekday	7:30 a.m.	Phoebe Palmer	Bill Keefe & Cecilia Roehl
Thursday, Nov. 7 Weekday		NO MASS	
Friday, Nov. 8 Weekday	12:15 p.m.	Dr. Margaret Vacek	Elaine Henry & Family
		<u>NO</u> Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Saturday, Nov. 9 Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time	4 p.m.	Amelia & Lucien Daignault	Family
		Wine & Cheese Social following 4 p.m. Mass	
Sunday, Nov. 10 Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time	8 a.m.	D. Joon Yoo	Family
	9:30 a.m.	Cecile & Anthony Senna	Family
	11:15 a.m.	Ray & Katherine Faith	
		Zielinski	Geraldine Zielinski & Family
		Coffee Social following 11:15 a.m. Mass	
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"If we wish to make anv progress in the service of God we must begin every day of our life with new eagerness. We must keep ourselves in the presence of God as much as possible and have no other view or end in all our actions but the divine honor."



Ellona Bilotta James Bilotta Diane Varni Caisse Sandra Cavanna Thomas Cavanna Chris Delissio Robin DiTarando Brian Faxon Fred Forthofer Jennifer Graham Rita Henson Sheila Kimball Julia Miller

Gilbert Morin Irene Papaleo George Pappas Peter Savidge Frank Schultz Garland Taylor Barbara Thurz Bill Vassar, Jr. Andrea Villegas John Vroblick Mary E. Wallace Roger Yost

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 <u>contact@isidoreandmaria.org</u>. We cannot publish the names of friends. Thank you for your understanding.

Mass Intention Policy Update

Due to our growing community and the limited number of Masses, we have updated our policy to the following:

 Masses will be booked no more than one (1) year in advance.

• No more than two (2) Masses at a time can be booked. Thank you for understanding. We want all parishioners to have the opportunity to have a Mass Intention for their loved ones.



SS. Isidore and Maria Parish sincerely thanks the sponsors whose generosity makes our bulletin possible.

Our Sponsor Spotlight this week: PUTNAM PLAZA SUPER LIQUORS

I LOVE YOU, LORD, MY STRENGTH. (PS 18)



Centuries of God's devoted people have found this prayer on their lips: "Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone!" The fundamental prayer has been laid as the

cornerstone of many spiritual lives. Where did you learn how to pray, or did you? Maybe a wisdom figure in your life inspired and guided you by their life's genuine, holy simplicity. Their example may have led you to God and taught you how to pray. Or perhaps you discovered this art on your own after stumbling over yourself enough and finally realizing it was time to reach out to Someone greater than yourself. There is a timeless truth that we tend to forget and may have never learned: there is only one God, the Lord alone! As a result, we often worship other gods rather than the One true God. Everything in our lives gets distorted, and we find ourselves lost and off-center.

If we have yet to learn it, there is a life lesson at the top of all of the possible lessons to be learned. There is One True and Eternal God who alone has a solitary claim on us and must be loved with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Until we learn this primary lesson, we risk getting distracted and sidetracked. We will also never really figure out what is at the heart of the relationships we share with the other human beings on this planet with whom we share life. That one primary lesson will teach us the second most valuable lesson: that we must love our neighbor as ourselves. You cannot have one without the other. The presence of God in each one of us's core souls requires that all of our relationships work together. This truth is at the heart of the Gospel.

If every human being, each in their own way, could stumble upon and genuinely embrace this truth, look how different life would be! Our priorities will immediately shift from "I and me" to "us and we," and we will develop a more inclusive vision for our brothers and sisters. Concerned not only about my well-being and happiness but also that of our brothers and sisters, humanity stands a chance at succeeding in the struggle with injustice, abuse, inequity, violence, war, entitlement, and privilege. It seems that getting to this point has been at the heart of the Gospel and the kingdom of God from the moment Jesus first started to preach. It's a wonder why, then, so many centuries later, we have still failed to achieve his vision. Maybe we just haven't learned our primary lessons yet.

~ Rev. Mark Suslenko



PODCAST: Pivotal Questions -Through the Eyes of Bartimaeus

Humans consider four pivotal questions about existence throughout their lives. Whether we realize it or not, we ask them and answer them through our actions. Through his

actions, Bartimaeus - the blind man whose sight Jesus restores - clearly understood that the answers to those pivotal questions are found in the ability to remain laser -focused on the voice of Jesus as the source of all truth. Father Mark tackles this subject in his latest podcast, now available at <u>https://isidoreandmaria.org/podcasts</u>.

Nov. 13: NAMI Family Support Group Meeting

The SS. Isidore and Maria Wellness Ministry and the Connecticut Chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) welcome all to a free, confidential, peer-led family support group for any adult with a loved one who has experienced symptoms of a mental health condition. The group will take place on Wed., Nov. 13, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the classroom wing of St. Paul Church.



Hoodie Sale to Benefit Glastonbury Food Bank

SS. Isidore and Maria Parish is holding a hoodie fundraiser! These warm, comfortable navy-blue hoodies are embroidered with the parish logo, allowing wearers to express their connection to their faith community.

Available in small, medium, large, and extra-large, these hoodies make great gifts, too! The cost is \$50 per hoodie, with proceeds from this sale benefiting the Glastonbury Food Bank. *Arrival is expected before Christmas!* For more information or to order yours, visit

http://isidoreandmaria.org/hoodies2024.

ImmaCare update

The schedule of ImmaCare events for November is as follows:

- Thurs., Nov. 7: ImmaCare Outreach Program pick-up
- Fri., Nov. 8: ImmaCare Dinner Night

For **ImmaCare Dinner Nights**, anyone is welcome to participate by preparing food or helping to deliver and serve our meals at the shelter.

Sign up at https://isidoreandmaria.org/immacare to take part.

ImmaCare's Outreach Program continues throughout the month, and seeks food to supplement ImmaCare's street outreach program. A list of needed items is available at <u>https://isidoreandmaria.org/immacare</u>.

Nov. 12: Parish Wellness Ministry Meeting

The Parish Wellness Ministry will meet on Tues., Nov. 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the education wing of St. Paul Church. *Please note the new time!* Any one interested in the health and wellness of our community is invited to attend. For more information, please contact Sue at <u>wellness@isidoreandmaria.org</u>.



November is traditionally the time of year when we remember those from our parish community who have been lost in the last 12 months and all souls who have departed this life. This time of prayer helps us remember that we are still connected with them and united to God who desires all of His children to be with Him in heaven. The Church teaches that those who have died are in need of our prayers as well.



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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 Carey 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



Scripture Readings for the Week

SUN 11/3/24	Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 (2)/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34
MON 11/4/24	Phil 2:1-4/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:12-14
TUES 11/5/24	Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30c, 31-32//Lk 14:15-24
WED 11/6/24	Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 14:25-33
THR 11/7/24	Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 15:1-10
FRI 11/8/24	Phil 3:17—4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/ Lk 16:1-8
SAT 11/9/24	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
SUN 11/10/24	1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/ Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44





Oct. 2024 Pastoral Council Snapshot

The SS. Isidore and Maria Parish Pastoral Council met on Mon., Oct. 21, 2024. For a snapshot of what they talked about visit

http://isidoreandmaria.org/snapshotoct2024

Do You Have Historic Photos of our Churches and Rectories?

The two churches that form our parish -St. Paul and St. Augustine - have long histories in the town of Glastonbury. We are currently seeking your help in sourcing photos of our church buildings and rectories! If you have such photos that you can loan for a short period so we may scan them into our records, we would be most appreciative. We are particularly interested in photos of the St. Paul rectory from the time when it was a private residence. If you have photos to loan, please contact Carol Vassar, who can help facilitate this process. Many thanks in advance for your assistance.



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This Day in History - Nov. 6, 1928



Colonel Jacob Schick

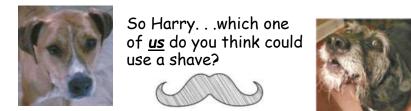
The Father of Electric Razors

American-born Canadian inventor. Known as "The Father of Electric Razors," he patented his electric razor (1928) and formed the Schick Dry Shaver, Inc. razor



Jacob Schick

company. The patent application stated, "The invention is designed to provide a shaving implement that does not require the usual prior application of lather, or its equivalent to the face as the cutting of the hair can be done while the face and hairs are comparatively dry."



Harry & Oliver's Corner

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jacob_Schick

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SS. Isidore and Maria Parish Directory

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

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

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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