

# The St. Isidore Addition

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## August

In these five weeks, the Psalms express joy in God's providence and gratitude for God's kindness to us. We are reminded that our deepest thirst is for God, who answers all our needs. These psalms challenge us to always trust in God's eternal love, in God's justice and fairness, and in God's care for humankind. We can revel in knowing that God provides for us, and this knowledge leads us to be people of hope and joy.

Week One: Psalm 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18

Week Two: Psalm 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14

Week Three: Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8

Week Four: Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8

Week Five: Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

## Becoming Disciples

Discipleship is both the beginning and the end of evangelization. In order for us to be effective messengers of the Good News, we first have to be sure of what we believe. — From [John Paul II and the New Evangelization](#)

August is often considered the transitional month in our seasonal calendar. It is the time of the year we begin to wind-down from our summer travels and vacations and prepare for Autumn — back to school, fall festivals, harvest time, etc. The Church in her holy wisdom has provided a cycle of events in its liturgical year which allow the faithful to celebrate the major feasts in the life of Christ and Mary. Most notably, during August, we celebrate the feast of the **Transfiguration** (August 6) and the feast of the **Assumption** (August 15).

The other main feasts of this month are **St. Alphonsus Ligouri** (August 1), **St. John Mary Vianney** (August 4), **Dedication of St. Mary Major** (August 5), **Transfiguration of the Lord** (August 6), **St. Dominic** (August 8), **St. Teresa Benedicta** (August 9), **St. Lawrence** (August 10), **St. Clare** (August 11), **Jane Frances de Chantal** (August 12), **Sts. Pontian and Hippolytus** (August 13), **St. Stephen of Hungary** (August 16), **St. John Eudes** (August 19), **St. Bernard** (August 20), **the Queenship of Mary (August 22)**, **St. Bartholomew** (August 24), **St. Louis of France** (August 25), **St. Monica** (August 27) and the **Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist (August 29)**

The feasts of **St. Sixtus II and Companions** and **St. Cajetan** (August 7), **St. Maximilian Kolbe** (August 14), **St. Pius X** (August 21) and **St. Augustine** (August 28) fall on a Sunday so they are suppressed this year.



*St. Isidore Faith Formation 101*

*August 18, 2011 at 6:00*

*Join us in discussion and fellowship*

*Music of the Liturgy*

*Parish potluck*

*All parishioners welcome to share and grow in our faith.*



With summer slowly fading away and the return of vacationers and students to the routine of daily life, the RCIA team of St. Isidore's would like to welcome all to remember that there is a place for everyone at the table of Christ.

Throughout the year, individuals come forward seeking to learn more about the Catholic faith. You may have a friend who is Catholic... you may be dating, engaged, or married to a Catholic...or you may just be seeking information on your own. You may have even been baptized a Catholic but never completed your initiation.

If you are such a seeker, we welcome you! The St. Isidore community invites you to check out the adult initiation process here at the parish with the hope that you will find an opportunity to grow closer to God at this time in your faith community.

The adult initiation process is a process of prayer, reflection, and learning that allows for the continual discernment of God's will in our lives. **No matter where you are on your faith journey, there is a place for you at St. Isidore.**

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### *Prayer Intentions for August*

"That World Youth Day in Madrid may encourage young people throughout the world to have their lives rooted and built up in Christ".

"That Western Christians may be open to the action of the Holy Spirit and rediscover the freshness and enthusiasm of their faith".



*the  
Assumption  
of the  
Blessed Virgin  
Mary*

### **Novena Prayer for the Assumption of the Virgin Mary**

This novena should be started on August 7th to finish on the Solemnity of the Assumption.

Mary, Queen Assumed into Heaven, I rejoice that after years of heroic martyrdom on earth, you have at last been taken to the throne prepared for you in heaven by the Holy Trinity. Lift my heart with you in the glory of your Assumption above the dreadful touch of sin and impurity. Teach me how small earth becomes when viewed from heaven. Make me realize that death is the triumphant gate through which I shall pass to your Son, and that someday my body shall rejoin my soul in the unending bliss of heaven. From this earth, over which I tread as a pilgrim, I look to you for help. I ask for this favor: (Mention your request).

When my hour of death has come, lead me safely to the presence of Jesus to enjoy the vision of my God for all eternity together with you.

Prayer Source: *Prayers from Various Websites*

## *Parish Happenings*

### **Aug. 8 - 26 Painting the interior of the church.**

Volunteers please call Fred Bruso on 517-507-3651

### **Aug. 18 Faith Formation 101-Music of the Liturgy**

Parish Potluck 6:00 pm

### **Aug. 28 Holy Family Fun Day.**

Let's support our sister parish in Ovid. (Details will be published in the bulletin)

### **Sep. 10 Knights of Columbus Yard Sale.**

Remember to bring your donations to church or call for a pick up. (See the bulletin for details).