



**ST. ISIDORE'S**  
**CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER**  
 Kansas State University

***Mass Times***

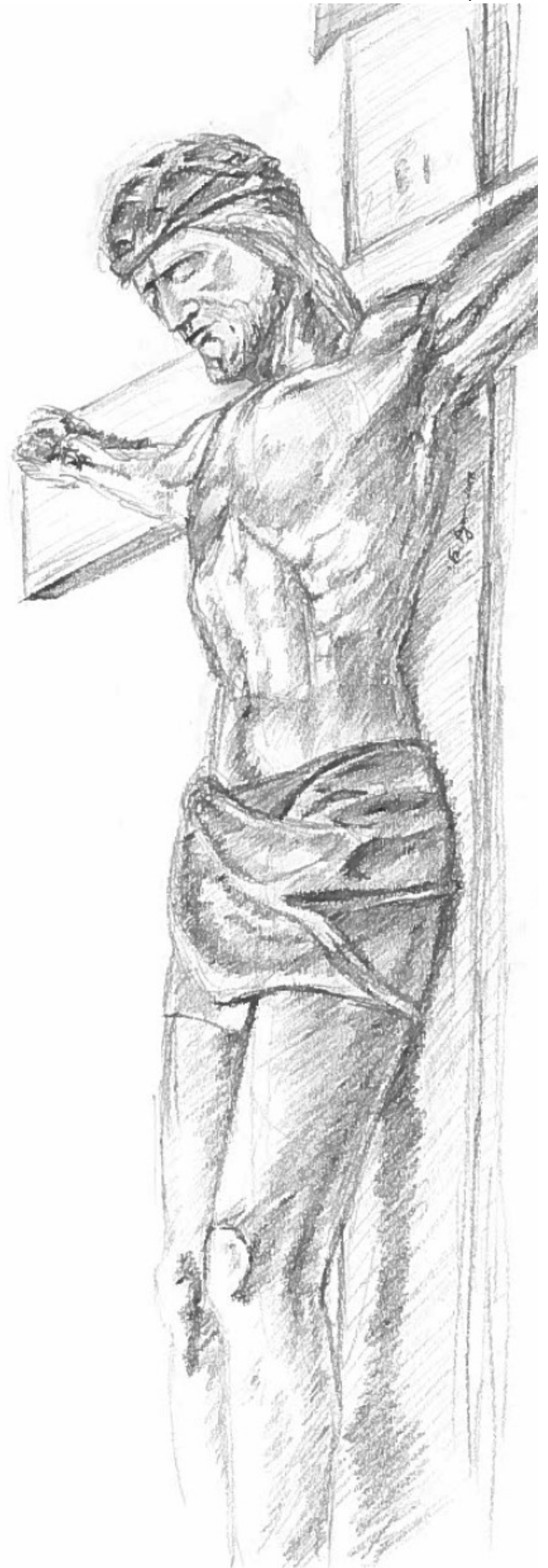
SATURDAY 5:00 pm  
 SUNDAY 9:30 am / 11:00 am / 5:00 pm / 9:09 pm  
 Livestream -Sunday 9:30 am Mass Facebook - St. Isidore's Catholic Student Center  
 MON/TUE/WED/THU: 9:09 pm  
 WED/FRI 12:10 pm

***Sacrament of Reconciliation***

MON/TUE/WED/THU 8:00 pm

***Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament***

Week day mornings when KSU is in session.  
 MON/TUE/THU until 1:00pm  
 WED/FRI until 12:00pm



**Sacrament of Baptism:** An instruction class is required for the baptism of the first child. Contact Diane Mack for information at [dmack@stisidores.com](mailto:dmack@stisidores.com).

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Six-month preparation period is required. Contact Diane Mack at [dmack@stisidores.com](mailto:dmack@stisidores.com) for information at least six months prior to your intended wedding date.

**RCIA:** If you, or someone you know, are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, please contact Andy Brandt at [abrandt@stisidores.com](mailto:abrandt@stisidores.com) to register. Class begins in September and ends in April of each year.

**St. Isidore's Staff**

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**Office Hours**

**Monday - Thursday** 9:00 - 5:00 **Friday** 9:00 - 3:00  
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*We extend a sincere welcome to all K-State students, faculty and staff, visiting parents, alumni, and friends. It is great to have you here! Registration is available online at [www.stisidores.com/contact/register](http://www.stisidores.com/contact/register) for students and permanent community.*

## ***THIS WEEK***

### ***Sunday, December 3***

Mass - 9:30am/11:00am  
5:00pm/9:09pm  
6:00 pm - Dollar Dinner

### ***Monday, December 4***

6:30 pm - OCIA (formerly RCIA)  
7:00 pm - Christmas Choir Rehearsal  
8:00 pm - Confession  
9:09 pm - Mass

### ***Tuesday, December 5***

5:30 pm - Choir Rehearsal  
8:00 pm - Confession  
9:09 pm - Mass

### ***Wednesday, December 6***

12:10 pm - Mass  
7:00 pm - Choir Rehearsal  
8:00 pm - Confessions  
9:09 pm - Mass

### ***Thursday, December 7***

8:00 pm - Confession  
9:09 pm - Mass

### ***Friday, December 8***

**Office Closed**  
7:30 am - Mass  
12:10 pm - Mass  
5:30 pm - Mass

### ***Saturday, December 9***

5:00 pm - Mass

## ***MASS INTENTIONS***

### ***Sunday, December 3***

9:30 am – The Cramer & Tran Family  
11:00 am – Henry Kuhlman Family  
5:00 pm – St. Isidore’s Community  
9:09 pm – Kaley Coffman

### ***Monday, December 4***

9:09 pm – Chi Rho

### ***Tuesday, December 5***

9:09 pm – † Susie Reyes

### ***Wednesday, December 6***

12:10 pm – † Janet Hearne  
9:09 pm – Florianne Woods

### ***Thursday, December 7***

9:09 pm – Joseph Thao

### ***Friday, December 8***

7:30 am – St. Isidore’s Community  
12:10 pm - † Maria Riem  
5:30 pm - Ryan & Allison Bednar

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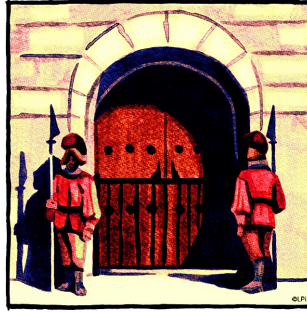
5:00 pm – † Mark Hearne

### ***Sunday, December 10***

9:30 am – † Ron Forkenbrock  
11:00 am – Jerry Ney  
5:00 pm – † Michael Kelly  
9:09 pm – St. Isidore’s Community

## **1st Sunday of Advent**

December 3, 2023



### **SUNDAY READINGS**

Is 63:16B-17, 19B; 64:2-7  
Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19  
1 Cor 1:3-9  
Mk 13:33-37

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Father John Muir  
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### **Mass Intentions**

Praying for our loved ones, living and deceased, is a spiritual work of mercy and an important component of our Catholic faith. At each Mass, the priest-celebrant offers the Mass for a particular intention. That intention can be for a living person’s health, well-being, or needs. A Mass intention can also be offered for the eternal rest of a deceased person. Please consider requesting Masses to be said for your special intention. An offering of \$10 is requested for each intention. You may send your intention and your offering by mail, bring it to the St. Isidore’s office, or contact Traci or Bryson at 785-539-7496 or [stisidores@stisidores.com](mailto:stisidores@stisidores.com).

## Career Opportunity: CEO Catholic Foundation

The Foundation will begin a search for a new CEO. Katie Platten, current CEO, will be retiring this coming summer. This Executive role is hired by the Diocese and works at the direction of the Board of Directors of the Foundation. The CEO is the principal advisor to the Bishop. Motivated by enhancing the mission of the Church, the executive will work to set the strategic direction for development efforts, cultivate major relationships and offer planned giving opportunities, as well as managing foundation operations and foundation employees. This person is an active practicing Catholic living a life in accord with Church teaching. If you know someone who may be interested or you'd like more information about this exciting opportunity, please call Kim Hoelting, HR Director, Diocese of Salina at 785-342-0819 or email at [kim.hoelting@salinadiocese.org](mailto:kim.hoelting@salinadiocese.org) for a copy of the job description or other information.

## Catholic Charities

We've been graciously blessed with overwhelming support and response this year for the Adopt-a-family sponsorship program. With the sponsorship application window closed, we're providing another opportunity for sponsors and donors to give back to our community this Christmas. We noticed on a lot of our Adopt-a-Family applications that there is a huge need for winter accessories such as gloves, socks, winter hats, beanies, and scarves. This year, we will be doing a "Give Gloves this Christmas" drive! We are collecting brand new gloves, winter hats, scarves, and socks for adults and children in need in our community. Please drop off your donations at **212 S 4th St. Suite 120, Manhattan, KS by December 8.** For more information, please email [manhattan@ccnks.org](mailto:manhattan@ccnks.org).



Scan the QR code and submit a prayer request for our students to pray for!

## Snacks for Finals Week

Our students always enjoy the snacks provided by the permanent community during finals week. If you are able to donate a snack for **Sunday, Dec. 10–Wednesday, Dec. 13.**, please drop them off at the welcome desk in the Student Center. Thank you for everything you do for our St. Izzy's students!

## Knights of Columbus Job Opening

Are you or someone you know interested in a professional career protecting fellow Catholics as a Knights of Columbus Field Agent? This position has an assigned territory with significant earnings potential. If interested, please reach out to General Agent, Darin Reed, at [darin.reed@kofc.org](mailto:darin.reed@kofc.org) or call our regional office at (785) 726-4899.

## Immaculate Conception Mass Times

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation and will take place on Friday, December 8. St. Isidore's will have a vigil Mass **December 7 at 9:09 pm**, and Mass on **December 8 at 7:30 am, 12:10 pm, and 5:30 pm.** The office will be closed on Friday, December 8.

## St. Isidore's Knights of Columbus

The Knights will holding their monthly meeting this Sunday at 7 pm, where new officers will be elected. All interested men are welcome to attend in the JP II Loft.



**The Sword** KSWZLP.com  
105.3FM online

### Family Rosary for Peace

7 pm Weeknights

**LEADER SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK**

Mon	Dec 4	Dcn Ed Sousa	Seven Dolours of the BVM
Tue	Dec 5	Fr Michael Peterson	St Bernard, Wamego
Wed	Dec 6	Dcn Larry Erpelding	St Thomas More
Thur	Dec 7	Fr Gale Hammerschmidt	St Isidore's CSC
Fri.	...Dec. 8 ...	Fr. Justin Hamilton	..... Immaculate Conception

Parish News from your's & neighboring parishes, 3:20 pm weekdays.  
The 3:20 Forum with Brad Fagen and Jhoe Stonestreet on **Sword**

## Ministry Schedule

December 9-10

### Saturday, December 9

5:00 pm **Altar Server** - Bobby Ramming  
**EMHC** - Amy Bayer / Sophia Schmidt  
Katie Schmit  
**Hospitality** - Geneva Jahnke / Brianna Nece  
**Lector** - Jhoe Stonestreet

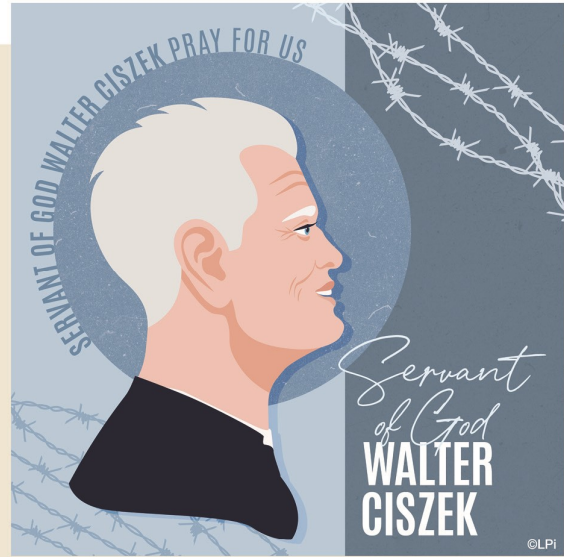
### Sunday, December 10

9:30 am **Altar Server** - Garrett Hageman / Trey Schaefer  
**EMHC** - Mackenzie Anderson / Will Biby  
Kurt Dillon / Kasen Fudge  
Abigail Russell / Brad Starnes  
**Hospitality** - Clara Buessing / Peter Gorges  
Emma Johnson  
**Lector** - Chloe Lamb

11:00 am **Altar Server** - Connor Fisher / Ben Rogers  
**EMHC** - Marie Connelly / David Cramer  
Madelyn Engel / Ben Jensen  
Ashtin Klepper / Tara Olinger  
**Hospitality** - Kristi Liebe / Chloe Meredith  
Kim Ross  
**Lector** - Cindy Quinlan

5:00 pm **Altar Server** - Wyatt Lindsey  
**EMHC** - Samuel Hermes / Diane Mack  
Pat Strathman  
**Hospitality** - Wally Mack / Martin Martinez  
**Lector** - Theresa Burg

9:09 pm **Altar Server** - Carl Hathaway  
**EMHC** - Aiden Bourman / Grace Schieferecke  
Bradyn Tacha  
**Lector** - JP Cardenas



## Saint of the week

Servant of God Walter Ciszek was a Jesuit priest and theologian who spent 23 years as a prisoner of war during the World War II and the Cold War. His endurance of suffering for his beliefs and his writings reminds us of the importance of religious freedom and the power of faith.

## Prayer

We adore You, Most Holy Trinity, and we thank You for the exemplary life of Your Servant, Father Walter Ciszek. We pray that his strong faith in Your loving providence, his great love for You, and his kindness to all people be recognized by the Church. If it be Your will, may he be given to us as a saintly model of these virtues so that we too may be better motivated to dedicate our lives to Your greater honor and glory. We commend our petition through the prayers of the holy Mother of God. For to You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, is due all glory, honor, and worship, now and forever.  
Amen.

(Prayer Source: <https://www.ciszek.org/Prayers.html>)

### LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

available for those with gluten intolerance

Ask for a low gluten host from the presiding priest when receiving holy Communion.



**St. Joseph Eucharistic Adoration Chapel**  
731 Pierre St.

Current hours needed are  
Sunday 1 am and 2 am,  
Wednesday 11 pm, Saturday  
11 am, noon, and  
6 pm. Please text or call  
Linda Lake 785-341-2574 to  
sign up for an hour.

# Worship & Meditation

## Readings for the week of December 3, 2023

### Sunday:

Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16,  
18-19 (4)/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

### Monday:

Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/  
Mt 8:5-11

### Tuesday:

Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24

### Wednesday:

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/  
Mt 15:29-37

### Thursday:

Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/  
Mt 7:21, 24-27

### Friday:

Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/  
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

### Saturday:

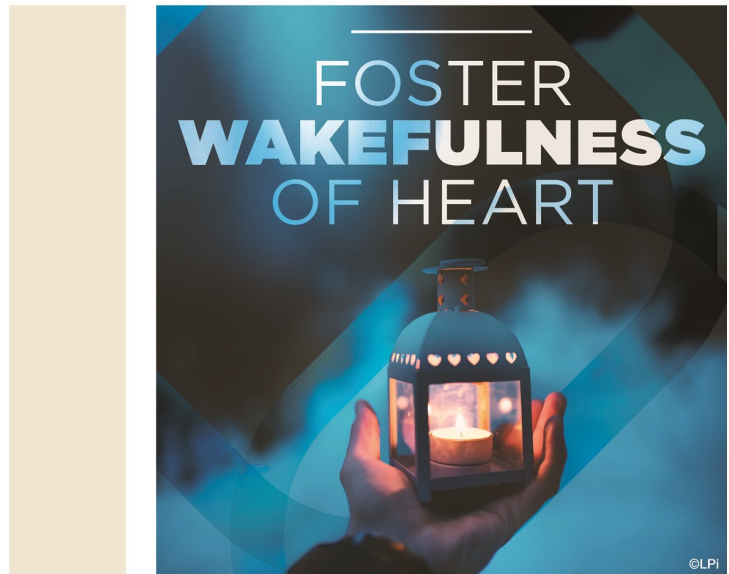
Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/  
Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

### Next Sunday:

Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14  
(8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

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## ( PRACTICING ) CATHOLIC

### Memento Mori

Just this week, my husband and I signed our wills, and the lawyer was careful to couch our transaction in gentle, abstract language: “When we lose you” she kept saying, instead of “When you die.”

It’s very uncomfortable to dwell on our death. But the Christian life does not just encourage us to do so: it demands that we do.

I once came upon a prayer consecrating the last two hours of life to the Blessed Mother. I have since found variations of the prayer online with different phrasing, but the sentiment of them all is the same: let me not be caught sleeping. Let me be ready.

“You can’t do all your homework at the end,” a deacon who ministers to the dying once told me. “Good Friday is waiting in the wings for all of us.”

I think of that a lot when I don’t particularly feel like praying, when I think I’m too busy to go to confession or when feelings of resentment fester inside me on Sunday mornings as I pack my family off to church. All our good deeds are like polluted rags, says the prophet. We have all withered like leaves.

You can’t do all your homework at the end. God is faithful. Are we?

*“May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to all: ‘Watch!’”*  
— Mark 13:36

*Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman*

## Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

### Question:

Why haven’t Catholic Churches gone the way of disposable cups for wine distribution?

### Answer:

If a Catholic has ever attended a Protestant worship service and saw the communion service that was offered for that community, one of the things that might have stood out was the use of small, disposable cups for distributing the wine or grape juice. This is in stark contrast to the precious metal chalices used in Catholic churches during the Mass.

Although practices for Protestant Christians can vary (ranging from large shared chalices, to personal-use cups, to dipping the bread in the wine/grape juice), the norms governing Catholic practices are fairly direct: “Sacred vessels are to be made from precious metal. If they are made from metal that rusts or from a metal less precious than gold, then ordinarily they should be gilded on the inside. In the Dioceses of the United States of America, sacred vessels may also be made from other solid materials that, according to the common estimation in each region, are precious ... they are to have bowls of nonabsorbent material” (nos. 328-330). Rather than being a commentary on the beliefs or practices of those other communities, these rules are intended to highlight the reverence that Catholics have for the bread and wine consecrated at Mass, which become the Body and Blood the Lord.