



ST. ISIDORE'S

CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER

Kansas State University

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY: 5:00 pm

SUNDAY: 7:30am/9:30am/11:00am/5:00pm

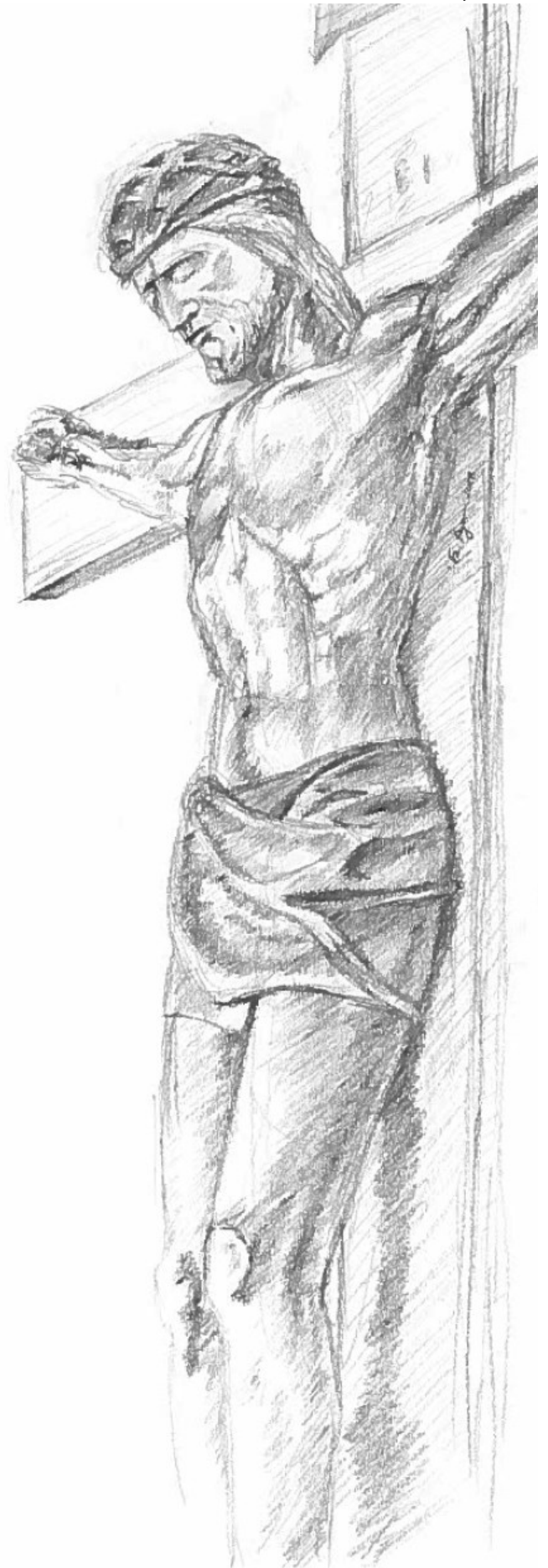
Livestream -Sunday 9:30am Mass on Facebook - St. Isidore's Catholic Student Center

MON/TUE/WED/THURS: 9:09pm

WED/FRI: 12:10pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Mon/Tue/Wed/Thu: 8:00 pm



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

Sacrament of Marriage: A six-month preparation period is required. Contact Diane Mack for information at least six months prior to your intended wedding date at dmack@stisidores.com.

OCIA: If you, or someone you know, are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, please contact Ridge Pinkston at rpinkston@stisidores.com to register. Class begins in September and ends in April of each year.

St. Isidore's Staff

Fr. Gale Hammerschmidt	Pastor, Chaplain
Fr. Trevor Buster	Parochial Vicar
Ridge Pinkston	Assistant Pastoral Administrator
Frank Schmeidler	Director of Worship
Jeanae Brungardt	Director of Stewardship
Robert Jennings	Director of Evangelization
Ron Ratliff	Theology Instructor
Diane Mack	Sacramental Coordinator
Heather Gritton	Finance Manager
Quenten Troyer	Facilities Manager

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00am-3:00pm

phone: 785-539-7496 email: stisidores@stisidores.com

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 for students or permanent community.

THIS WEEK

Monday, Dec 8

7:00 am— Mass
12:10 pm— Mass
5:30 pm- Mass
8:00 pm Confession
9:09 pm—Mass

Tuesday, Dec 9

8:00 pm— Confession
9:09 pm—Mass

Wednesday, Dec 10

12:10 pm—Mass
8:00 pm—Confession
9:09 pm—Mass

Thursday, Dec 11

8:00 pm—Confession
9:09 pm —Mass

Friday, Dec 12

12:10 pm—Mass

Saturday, Dec 13

5:00 pm—Mass

Sunday, Dec 14

7:30 am— Mass
9:30 am— Mass
11:00 am- Mass
5:00 pm— Mass
9:09 pm— Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Dec 6

5:00 pm— + Duane Elsasser

Sunday, Dec 7

7:30am+ Mary Margaret and John Murry
9:30 am + Doris Ast
11:00 am Joe Ney
5:00 pm + Crystal Maguire
9:00pm St. Isidore's Community

Monday, Dec 8

7:00 am— Priest's Intention
12:10 pm— Priest's Intention
5:30 pm— Priest's Intention
9:09 pm— Priest's Intention

Tuesday, Dec 9

9:09 pm - Kristy Ast

Wednesday, Dec 10

12:10 pm- Benjamin Johnson
9:09 pm - + Cheryl Nalette-Taylor

Thursday, Dec 11

9:09 pm- + Rosemary Werth

Friday, Dec 12

12:10 pm- + John Pham

Saturday, Dec 13

5:00 pm- + David Shipman

Sunday, Dec 14

7:30am- Katie Cummings
9:30am- + John Juenemann
11:00am- + David Magette
5:00 pm— Living & Deceased members of the Charles Ebert Jr. Family
9:09 pm- St. Isidore's Community

2nd Sunday of Advent

December 7, 2025



This Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 11:1-10
Psalm 72:1-2,7-8,12-13,17
Romans 15:4-9

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

December 7, 2025 2nd Sunday of Advent Matthew 3: 1-12

This week we hear that John the Baptist is out in the wilderness eating **“locusts and wild honey” (Mark 1:6)**. It’s not just a strange historical detail. It’s a symbolic expression of a healthy spiritual diet. The path to Christ includes both the hard and the beautiful, the gritty and the sweet. We have to learn to gulp the locusts and savor the honey.

I remember working with a young couple preparing for marriage. They were sincere, but raw — barely beginning to discover faith. Part of me wanted to rush them ahead, to fill in all the gaps, to bombard them with scripture and church documents. I swallowed that instinct. It was like eating locusts.

But I also recall them light up as they spoke about each other, about their first child, then their second. And they wanted to be close to God. Something innocent and beautiful was unfolding. That was the honey. I knew God was asking me to savor it.

This Advent, maybe we’re each being invited to accept both locusts and honey. Maybe it’s time to stop avoiding the difficult parts of faith — prayer that feels dry, the call to repentance, the patience with the troublesome. It’s time to eat some locusts.

But we also need to notice the small gifts God gives us: a peaceful moment, a good conversation, the joy of serving someone else, new life, good intentions of our friends. That’s the honey. Savor it!

John didn’t avoid either. He took it all in. And so can we. What are your locusts? Your honey? If we let God feed us with both, we’ll be ready — really ready — for the coming of Christ.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass Times

Mass for the Immaculate Conception on December 8th, a holy day of obligation, will be at 7 am, 12:10 pm, 5:30 pm, and 9:09 pm.

New Men's Group for Permanent Community

We're excited to announce the meeting of Kapaun's Men. This is a ministry that unites men in prayer, formation, and discussion, modeled after the selfless life of Father Emil Kapaun of Pilsen, KS. Our goal is to help men become better husbands, fathers, community and business leaders, and friends by fostering fellowship, faith and accountability. Join the group every Wednesday morning, from 6:30-7:30 am in Newman Hall. Coffee in copious quantities will be provided.

Manhattan Catholic Young Adult Group

The Manhattan Catholic Young Adult group usually meets on Tuesday evenings and occasional weekends. If you are looking at meeting new young adults that share your Catholic faith, you've found the right place! You are welcome to call/text Anna Jirak at 913-426-0711 or find us on Facebook and Instagram at Manhattan Kansas Catholics for more information.

Parish Administrator St. Xavier's Parish

If you are looking to fill your days with meaningful work and giving back to our Catholic community, look no further. Consider joining our team in Junction City at St. Xavier's Parish—a home dedicated to welcoming all who enter. Please call Kim Hoelting in Human Resources for more information or to receive the full job description at 785-342-0819 or email your resume to kim.jhoelting@salinadiocese.org.

Kansas Mission of Mercy Dental Care Event

The Kansas Dental Association and the Kansas Dental Charitable Foundation have partnered to provide free dental care to Kansans in need. At this year's clinic, January 30-31, 2026, dentists and volunteers will offer free cleanings, fillings, and extractions to patients of all ages. There are no income, residency, or legal status requirements. Doors open at 5:30 a.m., and children up to age 13 may make advance appointments at <https://KMOMKIDS.as.me/>. Volunteers are also needed to make this event successful. Reach out to Dr. Jill Ellner at markjil-ellner@gmail.com with questions.

Advancement Director

Manhattan Catholic Schools (MCS) is seeking a full-time Advancement Director to lead and grow its development and fundraising efforts. For a confidential inquiry, call Principal Mike Hubka at 785-565-5055 or email Kim Hoelting at Kim.hoelting@salinadiocese.org or by calling 785-342-0819.

St. Joseph Perpetual Adoration Chapel

Don't miss a wonderful opportunity to spend a quiet hour in the Real Presence of Our Lord at the St. Joseph Perpetual Chapel, 731 Pierre St. Public hours are from 7am to 9pm daily. You can participate in different ways: 1) Take one of our vacant hours. 2) Be a prayer partner on an hour of your choice. 3) Be a substitute when needed. Please text or leave a message for Mary Knapp, 785-537-2814. STUDENTS WELCOME! God bless you!

Silent Retreat Saturday, December 20th

If you feel restless and need some time for yourself to rejuvenate your soul, consider attending the Silent Retreat on December 20th from 10:30 am-5:00 pm. The theme for this year's retreat is *Preparation for Christmas*. The retreat will consist of 10 minute reflections at the top of the hour while the remainder of the retreat will be intentional silence on your own. Various activities will also be provided. Also, take time to visit Jesus in Adoration. If interested, please sign-up by contacting Robert Jennings at rjennings@stisidores.com. This retreat is open to **students** and **permanent community** members. Max capacity is 15.

