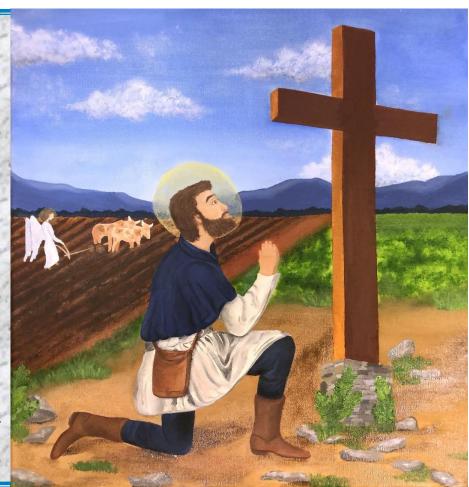
# Parish of Saint Isidore the Farmer

St. Andrew's Church, Jobstown 합 Assumption Chapel, New Egypt 합 Assumption Church, Wrightstown 합

New Jersey





#### Welcome to the Parish of St. Isidore the Farmer

We are a merged community of St. Andrew's Church and Church of the Assumption with three worship sites. We welcome all parishioners, family and friends to worship together at any of our locations and share the Banquet of the Lord.



# Easter Sunday ~ March 31, 2024

Easter stands at the pinnacle of the Christian liturgical year, celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, a cornerstone of faith promising redemption and eternal life to humanity. At the heart of this jubilant time is Easter Sunday, a day brimming with the joy of the Risen Lord, which also begins the Easter Octave—eight days of unbroken celebration, each treated as though they are one and the same day. This period invites us into deep reflection and joy over the life-giving mysteries of Christ's triumph over death.

The Octave of Easter is an extended season of joy, underscoring the central truth of Christian faith: Christ's victory over death and sin. Throughout this time, the faithful engage in daily Masses that resonate with Easter's hopeful and renewing message, culminating on Divine Mercy Sunday. This special day highlights God's endless mercy and love.

Easter and the ensuing Octave are not just remembrances of a past event but are invitations into a more profound, personal encounter with the Risen Christ today. This season ushers in a time of new beginnings and divine grace, offering a pathway to spiritual renewal and deeper connection with the essence of our faith. https://young-catholics.com

SAVE THE DATE: Our Annual Golf Outing has been moved to the Spring due to the complexity of the Parish Calendar in the Fall. This years date will be: MONDAY, MAY 20th @ Cream Ridge Golf Course. Brochures will be available soon at all churches, the parish office, and on our website. Scan the QR Code to register.

Registration & Bagel Breakfast: 8:00 am | Shot Gun Start: 9:00 am | Individual Golfer (\$150) includes breakfast, lunch, golf cart, golf balls, tees & gift | Non-golfer lunch is only \$50



Anyone who would like to donate to the Gift Baskets, please contact the Parish Office. Last year we were blessed with Gift Cards, Beverages, and Golf Items that helped raise and additional income for the church!



**♦ K of C Council 10900 Scholarship Application** for 2024 Requirements: Graduating High School Knights of Columbus 10900 Senior attending a college or trade school. Member of St. Isidore Parish or the legal dependent of a Council

10900 Brother Knight. Application: List applicant's name, address, phone number, and the college or trade school applicant will attend. List school, church, community, or other activities you want the K of C Council to consider during the application review. Write a concise, onepage essay on: "What your Catholic faith means to you." Due 5/12/2024 (Mother's Day), via e -mail to rglapion@comcast.net and ljagrillo@yahoo.com or mail/deliver applications to Russell Glapion, GK, 147 Juliustown Road, Browns Mills, NJ 08015.

Pasta Dinner on Friday 4/19: Brad Zip Hall. \$15 ages 16 and up/\$10 ages 6 to 15/Under 6 free. Tickets available after mass. Supports the work of the K of C including our Scholarship Fund.





609-362-2086

A Food Pantry for those who need assistance.

Our community is very appreciative of being able to have so many caring people offering assistance.

Thank you to ALL who contribute to the Loaves & Fishes ministry: Your kindness and generosity, both financial and food contributions, is greatly appreciated! Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry was able to provide 55 families with an Easter dinner this year and is currently assisting more than 50 families with groceries twice a month through our pantry.

Special thanks our volunteers who continually give of their time to serve this ministry!

Our Food Pantry is OPEN every 1st & 3rd Wednesday from 10 am to 12 pm Next Pantries: \* April 3 & 17 \* 76 Evergreen Road, New Egypt, NJ

If you are in immediate need of food please call so arrangements can be made to assist.

# "HE HAS BEEN RAISED!"

The Easter 2024 message from Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M.

Jesus of Nazareth lived most of his life in obscurity without much notoriety or attention paid to him. The Gospels tell us about his birth in

Bethlehem and, later, about his appearance in the temple at age twelve. Other than that, the Gospels are largely silent about Jesus of Nazareth until he appears before John the Baptist in the Jordan and begins his public ministry around the age of thirty. Those hidden years of Jesus' life leave everything to the imagination and to speculation. And while that is true of Jesus of Nazareth, the Jesus of history, it is not true of Jesus the Messiah, the Christ of faith.

A thousand years or more of Old Testament writings and traditions kept the Messiah before the Jewish people's minds and in their hopes and expectations before the "Word became flesh and dwelt among us." They are not two different persons, no. They are one and the same. Jesus the Messiah, the Christ of faith is eternal but chose to live in a specific, identifiable, historic time period, hence the title, "Jesus of history." It is the New Testament, especially the Gospels, that connect all that was planned and foretold about the Messiah with Jesus of Nazareth. And the events of Holy Week have made that abundantly clear.

The week began with Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem and continued with his celebration of Passover with the Twelve Apostles. The week ended with his brutal crucifixion and death. The Church's liturgies for Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday and Good Friday painted the picture in a most dramatic way and led us to Jesus' tomb.

Although Jesus was an "unknown" for most of his life, he certainly attracted enough attention in his last three years of his earthly existence to lift people's hopes that the Messiah had come, and the Messiah was he! But when he died in a most humiliating way, the hopes of his followers that he was the Messiah were dashed ... But that was not the end of the story, as we know.

John's Gospel tells us that when the women came to the tomb in which Jesus was buried, the stone was already rolled back; his body was not there; the tomb was empty. "He has been raised; he is not here" they were told by the angel. Jesus of Nazareth is the Christ of faith, the Messiah --- everything that had been said and predicted about him had been fulfilled, had come true.

The Lord Jesus Christ has risen from the dead. That is what we Christians celebrate at Easter and that is what joins us with baptized Catholics throughout the world.

For all of us who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, Easter is the heart of our faith --- its life, its breath, its everything. There is no more significant human expression than faith in Jesus' resurrection. He didn't just die and come back to life. He was not revived or resuscitated. Jesus' resurrection is about new life, transformed life, a completely different order of existence. He rose from the dead leaving death behind him. The tomb is empty. This is about glory and triumph.

"Christ once raised from the dead shall never die again; death has no more power over him." And the source of our Easter joy is that he offers the same triumph and glory to us who believe in him. That is the meaning of our baptism when we say we die in Christ only to rise in him, new, changed, different, filled with grace and light and life.

Easter is that moment in human history when the world was changed forever: changed by an obscure Jesus of Nazareth who lived and died but who rose to new life, Jesus Christ the Messiah of God, the Christ of our faith! Amen! Alleluia! Happy Easter!









# **2024 Annual Catholic Appeal Progress:**

**Goal:** \$35,000.00 **Total Donors:** 75 **Pledged:** \$16,645.00 (48% of Goal) **Total Gifts:** 82

Paid: \$13,170.00 (38% of Goal) Average Gift: \$202.99

Please consider making a donation. Cards are available at all worship sites.



# Offering Envelope Information:

March 31 ~ 1 Collections (2 envelopes)

- Weekly Offering
- Easter Offering

April 7 ~ 2 Collections (2 envelopes)

- Weekly Offering
- Debt Reduction

By using envelopes, the parish is able to track your payments and offer a financial contribution statement for end of year tax purposes.

Temporary envelopes and envelopes for visitors to our parish are available at the entrances to our churches. Please fill out the information on the envelope and place in the collection basket.

# Readings for the Week of March 31, 2024

**Sunday, March 31, 2024:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 Col 3:1-4 Jn 20:1-9

**Monday, April 1, 2024:** Acts 2:14, 22-33 Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 Mt 28:8-15

**Tuesday, April 2, 2024:** Acts 2:36-41 Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22 Jn 20:11-18

**Wednesday, April 3, 2024:** Acts 3:1-10 Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 Lk 24:13-35

**Thursday, April 4, 2024:** Acts 3:11-26 Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 Lk 24:35-48

**Friday , April 5, 2024:** Acts 4:1-12 Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a Jn 21:1-14

**Saturday, April 6, 2024:** Acts 4:13-21 Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21 Mk 16:9-15

**Sunday, April 7, 2024:** Acts 4:32-35 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 1 Jn 5:1-6 Jn 20:19-31

# **Call for Prayer**

If you would like to add a parishioner's name to our prayer list for the sick or our military list, please provide name, (title and branch for military) by email <a href="mailto:information@saintisidoreparish.church">information@saintisidoreparish.church</a> or call the parish office at 609-758-2153.

We kindly request that the person added has knowledge and approval prior to a request to add to a prayer list.

Names will appear for 90 days with an option to extend.

#### WORD OF LIFE

"With great openness and courage, we need to question how widespread is the culture of life today among individual Christians, families, groups and communities in our Dioceses. With equal clarity and determination we must identify the steps we are called to take in order to serve life in all its truth" (The Gospel of Life 95).

For the month of APRIL we are asking for sleep & play bodysuits (sizes 3 months, 6 months, & 12 months) to assist pregnant and parenting mothers in need. Please place them in the box marked "Walking With Moms in Need" during weekend Masses at Assumption & St. Andrew's.

#### Sacred Heart St. Vincent de Paul Society

Serving residents of Springfield and Mansfield Townships, Mount Holly, Hainsport, Lumberton, Eastampton and Westampton: If you need help with food or financial aid, please call 609-267-9600 and leave your name and phone number.

Someone will return your call, intake is via phone only.

Please keep the following parishioners serving in the military in



your prayers: Sergeant First Class Jason D. DeRosa, US Army, 1LT Giacomo James Greco, ARNG; Captain Robert Spiegel, USAF; Major Lance C. Sutton, USMC.





Wrightstown, NJ

#### Saturday Vigil: Sunday: 8:00 am

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm Sunday: 8:00 am & 11:00 am

**Assumption Worship Site** 

Reconciliation: Saturday 5:00 pm

### St. Andrew's Worship Site

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm Sunday: 9:30 am

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30 pm



2489 Monmouth Road Jobstown, NJ

# Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Saturday, March 30, 2024

Assumption: 8:00 pm Vigil

2024 Easter Vigil

Of pm Vigil Brett Horno

Brett Hornor/ Bob & Helen Hardy

The Celebration of the Eucharist and Mass Intentions
For the Parish of Saint Isidore the Farmer

Doug & Debbie Tilghman/ Nancy & Jack Stephens

Sunday, March 31, 2024

Assumption: 8:00 am St. Andrew's: 8:00 am

Assumption: 9:30 am St. Andrew's: 9:30 am

Assumption: 11:00 am

Maria Bock/ Mary Holtz | Lane Marshall/ Rose Marshall

Deborah Looney/ Joe & Geri Gitto

Loretta Bardwell/ Penny & Tom Scacco | Barbara Woods/ Mary & Tom Hinger

Rev. Daniel Smilanic/ The Lomax & England-Hall Families

Dave DiPietro/ Nancy & Jack Stephens | Cheryl Szwed/ Katherine & Paul Hlubik

# **Daily Masses**

Monday, April 1, 2024

Chapel: 8:00 am

Tuesday, April 2, 2024 † Chapel: 8:00 am

Wednesday, April 3, 2024

Chapel: 8:00 am

Thursday, April 4, 2024 Chapel: 8:00 am

Friday, April 5, 2024

Chapel: 8:00 am

Cyndi Stauder/ Bob & Helen Hardy

Richard Ingram/ Roger & Jill Chaney

Fred Kniesler/ Ondrushek & Lowe Families

Christine Barton Quinn/ Bette Senker & Family

**Communion Service** 

# Second Sunday of Easter | Divine Mercy Sunday

Saturday, April 6, 2024

St. Andrew's: 4:00 pm Vigil

Assumption: 5:30 pm Vigil

Sunday, April 7, 2024

Assumption: 8:00 am

St. Andrew's: 9:30 am

Assumption: 11:00 am

Irene Horvath/ Bob & Linda Hendricks

Robert & Louise Lammey/ Carole McKiernan

Norman Sabroe/ Ellie & Tom Sabroe

Joseph Myslinski/ Kevin & Regina Hampson

People of the Parish

Vincent O'Neill/ Rich & Pat Grouser

Pat Rankl/ Roger & Jill Chaney

Leonard Wall/ JoAnn & Rich Cackowski

Ted Pettek/ Pettek Family



Assumption Chapel 76 Evergreen Road, New Egypt, NJ
Daily Mass: Monday - Thursday: 8:00 am Communion Service: Friday: 8:00 am
Miraculous Medal Novena: Monday after Mass \* Rosary: Tuesday after Mass †



#### PARISH OFFICE & MAILING ADDRESS:

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All donations and payments to the parish should be made payable to *St. Isidore the Farmer Parish*.

This includes payments for Religious Education tuition, parish contributions and Mass offerings to the parish.

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St. Vincent de Paul: 609-267-9600

Sacraments - Baptism, Marriage, Ministry To The Sick:

Contact the Parish Office



The Assumption Garden
Squad is seeking new
members to assist with
maintaining garden areas in
front of the church. If you
could give 2-3 hours a month
and enjoy gardening...we need
you!!! For more information,

call Cathy McQuade at 732-539-8125.





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