

Dear parish family,

Blessings of peace and joy to each of you.

Welcome to the third week of advent. The past week was a great one for both St. Isidore. We had a parish reconciliation service with individual confessions at St. John. You know this has not happened here in a long time. I sincerely thank the parishioners who attended, as well as the seven priests that assisted with confessions.

Again, on Tuesday, by the kind courtesy of Think Save and Mercy Hospital, St. Isidore proudly received a HeartSine Samaritan 350P PAD Automated Defibrillator Package. This was completely given as a grant.

Please note that there are steps to follow to use the device effectively. Thankfully, the device walks the user through the steps. We hope that the need doesn't arise for its use, but if it does happen, we hope it accomplishes its purpose of saving lives. We will send more information and instructions about the device and its use too you.

We sincerely thank Mercy Hospital and Think Safe for the AED. We also thank Melissa Cullum, Director of Community Benefit and Patient Relations, Mercy Medical Center and Liz Efting, VP of Staff and Company Relations, ThinkSafe, who came to present the AED to St. Isidore's parish, as well as the media houses that came to cover the eventful story. I sincerely thank Melissa Janssen and Cheryle Machovec, for taking a lead in the process that led to the acquisition of the device. And, finally, I say thank you to all parishioners who were present to make the presentation a grand one.



Sincerely,

Fr. Andrew