St. Isidore Parish

Bereavement Lunch Ministry

P.O. Box 1 Celestine, In 47521



St. Isidore Parish will arrange for a lunch for family and friends of a deceased member of the parish following the funeral Mass for St. Peter Celestine Church, Celestine & St. Raphael Church, Dubois. The lunch is served in the Parish Halls. The parish will order the chicken for the lunch and will be ordered by the parish after family gives us the number. The parishioner volunteers will provide the vegetables, potatoes, and the desserts. The parish will provide the plates, forks, cups, napkins, tea, coffee, and lemonade for the lunch. **If family members would ask if they can bring anything just state salads and desserts are needed.**

There is a funeral lunch fund set up to pay expenses for meals. If the family is able to do so at that time, a donation for the chicken would be accepted for the fund payable to "St. Isidore Parish" because all bills are paid through the parish. This is a donation and you will not receive a bill. Donation cost to the parish is an average of \$4.00 per person for our cost of chicken, tableware and drinks. This is an amazing ministry and ends up saving families from \$500.00 to \$600.00 in extra costs at this most difficult time. All the people who donate their time and food add up to so much for someone else. We live in a community where there are so many wonderful people who are willing to help when a family in the parish is in need or not capable, at the time to do so.

Members of our parish help set up and serve the lunch. For the luncheon, we usually serve 75 to 200 people, depending on the circumstance. Help is always needed to set up, serve lunch, and clean up. Food can always be dropped off at the campus locations kitchen 2 hours before the funeral Mass. Masses are usually held at 10:00am, clean up help is appreciated starting at 12:30 – 1:30. Clean up is 1 -2 hours, depending on help. We are in need of persons willing to bring a dessert or salad for every lunch. Empty dishes for the St. Celestine campus will be put on the shelves in the bathroom of church on the carport entrance (usher room bathroom). At the St. Raphael campus dishes are left on the table in the kitchen. If you would be willing to help with this parish ministry, please contact one of the following names to donate food or money for every lunch or assist with set-up or clean-up at your convenience.

ST. RAPHAEL CAMPUS/ St. Raphael Church

SET-UP/ SERVE: Contact Lisa Matheis (812-630-4796) Willing to bring salads, dessert, potatoes call Lisa.

Norma Hall (812-639-2909)

Clara Hall (812-631-1843)

ST. CELESTINE CAMPUS/ St. Peter Celestine Church

SET-UP / SERVE: Ramona Buechler (812-630-1538)

Would need to come and accept food ½ hour before the Mass and set up food for lunch. Serve drinks and package food left-over for the family. Clean up dishes from lunch.

POTATO DISHES: Contact Rose Glendening (812-630-3557)

Money is donated for every funeral lunch to pay for the expense of the potatoes for the lunch.

Are you willing to share with the cost for potatoes for lunch. Donation is no more than 5.00 per funeral.

SALAD DISHES: Contact Marge Kreilein (1-580-729-8994)

Willing to bring a salad for lunch of taco salad, deviled eggs, lettuce salads, jello salads or willing to donate no more than 5.00 per funeral to share with the cost of ordered vegetable medley for lunch.

DESSERTS: Contact Martha Goepfrich (812-634-1463)

Willing to bring dessert of pies, cakes, cherry delight, pudding desserts, and cookies & brownies for lunch.

CLEAN – UP: Contact Joel Johnson if willing to help (812-389-2745)

Sweep floors, clean tables off, haul trash off, load catering containers, and put chairs on tables.

You would need to come to the parish center to help, starting at 12:30pm (if 10:00 Mass) to clean up.

Clean would be for 1-2 hours, depending on how many help.