



SAINTS ISIDORE & MARIA

**FOLLOWING THE EXAMPLE
OF ISIDORE AND MARIA
WE WILL HONOR GOD
AND SERVE OTHERS**

BE A MISSIONARY DISCIPLE PLANTING SEEDS OF FAITH

SPIRITUAL CHARISM OF ISIDORE & MARIA MISSIONARY DISCIPLES

Isidore and Maria practiced every virtue and Christian duty. As poor peasants, they lived a life of simplicity and humility and embodied piety and charity. They exhibited patience in enduring hardships and responded to everyone with kindness. They were hard workers and obtained control over their passions. Their sacrificial sufferings were offered to their Creator in a penitential attitude. They lived in a continual prayer with a spirit of cheerfulness. They knew the pain of grief and were steadfast in their confidence in God. They had a great love for the poor and performed good works. Isidore & Maria Missionary Disciples will strive to follow their example and engage in activities of spiritual growth with emphasis on the Eucharist.

RESTORATIVE CHARISM OF ISIDORE & MARIA MISSIONARY DISCIPLES

St. Isidore is known for miracles before and after his death. His intercessory prayers bring cures for physical illnesses, assist those in danger, and bring peace to those in need of emotional healing. He had Divine intervention getting chores done while he prioritized going to Mass. Angels were seen plowing the fields for him while he prayed! He and his wife could miraculously feed those who were hungry with food that appeared to multiply! He is one of the saints we know who has an incorrupt body after death. Isidore & Maria Missionary Disciples strive to follow their example and engage in activities of healing ministry and share their harvest with food pantries to feed the hungry.

INSIGHTFUL CHARISM OF ISIDORE & MARIA MISSIONARY DISCIPLES

Isidore was born to parents who were very devout, but also quite poor. They were unable to provide a formal education for him, but they infused into his spirit a great desire for virtue and distain for all sin. His devotion to prayer, especially daily mass, and charity were the foundations of all his decisions in life. Isidore and Maria were known for their piety toward the poor and animals. They addressed intimacy issues with deep faith and commitment. Isidore & Maria Missionary Disciples will strive to follow their example and engage in activities of educating people in the Catholic faith with emphasis on virtues.

CREATIVE CHARISM OF ISIDORE & MARIA MISSIONARY DISCIPLES

St. Isidore was a farmer who was a hired hand and worked for the same landowner his whole life. His dedication to his labors led him to some creative ways to gain the respect of his boss. He and his wife, Maria are witnesses to the fact that poverty, hard work, and sorrow (their only child died as a boy) cannot destroy a person's happiness when they accept life's challenges with faith united to Jesus Christ. Isidore and Maria were known for their love for those in poverty. They fed the hungry and prayed for them. Through simple lives of hard work and charity they found very creative ways to do God's will. Isidore & Maria Missionary Disciples will strive to follow their example and engage in activities of creative missionary efforts.

PLANT SEEDS OF FAITH