

WELCOME TO THE
CATHOLIC PARISHES OF

ST. JOSEPH & ST. BERNARD



ST. JOSEPH

410 S. Race, Princeton, IN 47670

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 School Website: stjosephprinceton.com

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday 10:30 a.m.
 Tuesday 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday & Thursday 7:00 a.m.
 Friday 8:15 a.m.
 Adoration: Second Friday of month (24 hrs) 9 a.m.–9 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesdays 5:00-5:45 p.m. Saturdays 3:00-3:45 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Call the parish office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Call the parish office at least six months in advance of wedding date.

Sacrament of the Sick:

Administered annually and by appointment.

ST. BERNARD

5342 E. State Road 168, Ft. Branch, IN 47648

Pastor: Fr. Brian Emmick
 Catechetical Leader: Rose Obert
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 Bulletin Editor: Terri Ziliak 812-677-0511
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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:30 a.m.
 Thursday 7:00 p.m.
 Monday—Friday Communion Service 8:00 a.m.
 Adoration First Friday of each month 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sundays 8:00-8:15 a.m.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Call the parish office to make arrangements.

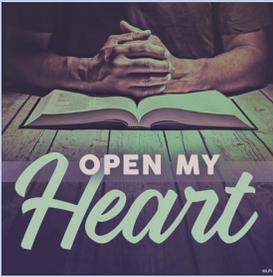
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April 19, 2020 ~ 2nd Sunday of Easter



As we age, we come to expect letdowns and disappointments. Because of so many unfulfilled promises and unmet expectations, we become cynical of anything that can seem too good to be true. Our hearts grow calloused to protect us from future disillusionment. And so, we come to demand proof and assurances before committing ourselves to anything. Such is the case with Thomas and the other apostles in today's gospel. They had set all their hope on Jesus. And it all came to a horrifying and humiliating end with the crucifixion. Now, they were reduced to hiding behind a locked door for fear that the authorities would do to them what they had done to Jesus.

While they were cowering in fear, Jesus appeared to them. John tells us that Jesus shows himself to them, "despite the locked doors." John is not just referring here to the heavy wooden doors of their hiding place. He is talking about the closed doors of their hearts. Jesus doesn't wait until they calm down or get perspective on the situation. Rather, he breaks through the door of their fear announcing the good news that he is alive.

Just as Jesus is not shut out by the closed doors of the apostles' fear, neither is he shut out by the closed door of Thomas' doubt. Instead, taking up Thomas' challenge, Jesus appears to him so that he can put his doubt aside. The nail marks on his hands, feet, and side dispel any doubt that this is truly the risen Jesus standing before him.

All of us have times when we approach God with a closed heart. We might fear that He will take from us more than we're willing to give. Or, we might fear that we'll be made fun of if we live His message in a total and radical way. Our hearts may also be hardened by doubt. With so many different religions and so many different opinions, we might wonder, who's to say which is the right way?

No matter where we are with our faith — no matter how closed our hearts may seem — Jesus can break through that closed door and reveal himself. If you can only go so far, Jesus can meet you there. If you can only believe so much, Jesus can take your hand and lead you a little further along. There is no doubt, fear, or weakness that Jesus, through the power of his resurrection and the power of his Holy Spirit, cannot surmount.

Thomas is an example for us here. He is famous for his doubt — but his story doesn't end there. Tradition tells us that he went on to preach the Gospel in India. He is often pictured with a spear, because he was run through with a spear and killed. Doubting Thomas was martyred for his witness to the good news of Jesus' resurrection. Jesus broke through the closed door of Thomas' doubt and filled him with the faith which enabled him to eventually give his life for Jesus. The same is true for us. On Divine Mercy Sunday, Jesus wants nothing more than to reveal himself to us, dispel our doubts, and lead us to freedom and peace.



Parish Mission:

*Reborn In Baptism;
Transformed Into Disciples*

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



April 5, 2020 Collection	\$ 4,601.00
Online Giving for the week of April 5 2020	\$ <u>2,726.36</u>
Total Collection for April 5, 2020	\$ 7,327.36
April 12, 2020 Collection	\$ 6,952.30
Online Giving for the week of April 12, 2020	\$ <u>2,030.00</u>
Total Collection for April 12, 2020	\$ 8,982.30
Needed for weekly budget	\$ 8,899.21
Variance for April 5, 2020	(\$ 1,571.85)
Variance for April 12, 2020	\$ 83.09
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YTD Collection (July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020)	\$329,311.35
Needed to meet budget	\$364,867.61
YTD Variance	<b>(<u>\$ 35,556.26</u>)</b>
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Pathways Scholarship Fund	\$ 5,958.98

Thank you!

*The chapel entrance of the church will be unlocked
between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
seven days a week
for anyone who would like to come and pray.*

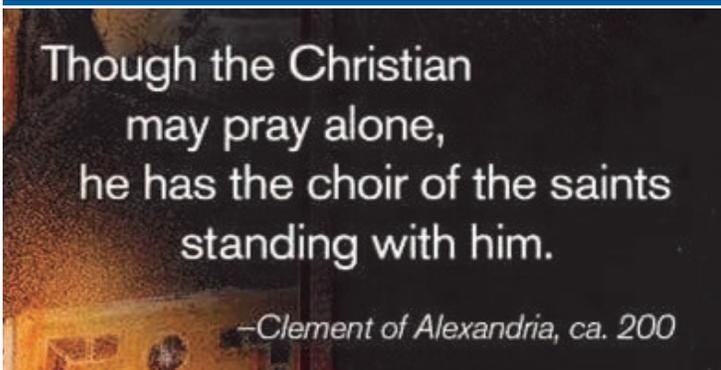
With senior citizens and those with compromised health being the most vulnerable to Covid-19 (Coronavirus), the Evangelization and Outreach Commission would like to offer assistance to anyone who needs help in getting their groceries or needed supplies. We understand that one of the main ways to prevent getting this illness is to stay home and isolated, so we want to help anyone we can in their efforts to stay well! Please call the parish office to set up arrangements.



A big **THANK YOU** to all who have signed up for online giving or are returning their collection envelopes by mail. Weekly stewardship is vital for the continuing existence of our parish. We expect to lose substantial income due to the stay-at-home order. Please continue to prayerfully consider supporting the parish in this uncertain time. You can support our parish in the following ways:

- Sign up for online giving via our website or mobile app.
- Have your bank send a check to the parish. It works just like paying bills through your bank.
- Send your contributions in the mail to the parish office.

If you have questions or need assistance setting up online giving, please contact Angie in the parish office.



We encourage our parishioners to patronize our sponsors. It is through their generosity that our weekly bulletin comes to you at no cost to the church. Our sponsor this week is:

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Mass Intentions

Fr. Brian will continue to offer a private daily Mass for our scheduled intentions.

Monday, April 20, 2020	Sister Ida Otto
Tuesday, April 21, 2020	Matt & Rose Fuhs
Wednesday, April 22, 2020	Lonnie Greenwell
Thursday, April 23, 2020	Jean Riedford
Friday, April 24, 2020	Bob Schmitt
Saturday, April 25, 2020	St. Joseph & St. Bernard
Sunday, April 26, 2020	Bill & Jean Lutz



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Dear Family,

This weekend is Divine Mercy Sunday. Both parishes have the Divine Mercy image in the church. This sacred image is of the Risen Lord who meets us with His mercy.

On the bottom of the image are the words, “Jesus, I Trust in You.” These are words we need more than ever.

We are called as disciples to trust in Jesus. This is easy when times are better. This can be tougher to do when times are rough. It is tougher because we are in the midst of the trial. All we feel is the suffering.

It would be nice if we could take a time machine and visit ourselves when we were trusting in God during a rough trial. We would tell ourselves that like all trials, they will pass with time.

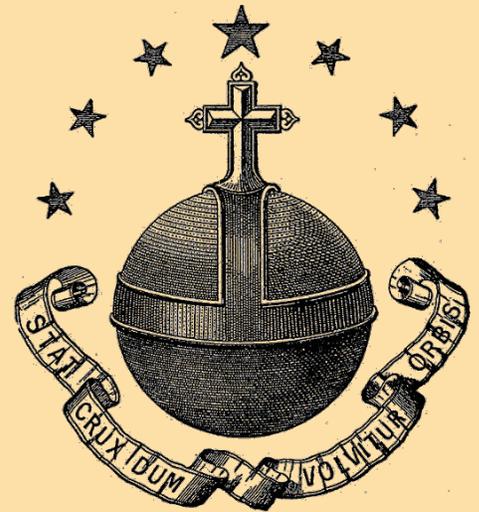
Our suffering self might not believe this, but it is true.

In good times, and in rough times, trust in the Lord.

Jesus, I Trust in You

Christ’s Peace,

Fr. Brian



Divine Mercy Sunday

The feast of Divine Mercy has not always been celebrated in the Church. In the early 1900s, a young Polish nun began receiving private revelations. Jesus appeared to her during her times of prayer, speaking a message of mercy and love for the world. She received a set of prayers — the Divine Mercy Chaplet — and the request to have a feast day established to remind the Church of the mercy of God. St. Faustina died in 1938, on the cusp of war and in the midst of one of the most violent centuries in the history of the world.

Her story and her diaries began circulating in Poland and beyond. It quickly became apparent that this was a holy young woman, and the cause for her canonization opened. In the year 2000, she was canonized by the first-ever Polish pope, St. John Paul II. On her canonization day, he established the second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday, “a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face, with confidence in divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that mankind will experience in the years to come.”

ST. BERNARD PARISH NEWS

Bulletins

The bulletins will be in the mailbox on the east side of church for anyone who wants to pick up at the curbside. Remember you can see the bulletin on the website too at

www.stbernardsnakerun.org

There is also a link on our website to the Catholic Diocese. It has many different resources to live Mass and prayers.

Summer Mission Trip to Appalachia, KY for HS Youth

Come live out the Gospel in a very real way! Share your time, talent and open your heart to people in need. This year we will return to St. Vincent Mission in David, KY in the heart of Appalachia. Types of work have included demolition, drywall, painting, building wheel chair ramps, yard work, replacing floors & porches. The dates for the mission are **July 12-17**. We have reserved 20 spots. **We need a few skilled adult chaperones.** Reservations for this trip are first come, first serve so don't put this off!! **Turn in a \$25 deposit to reserve your spot.** Cost for each youth is \$100 for the trip. We will have a fundraiser to help with deferring the cost (actual cost per person about \$300). Trip will include a day of mountain fun on the way home! Any questions/concerns about youth events please contact Bryan Macke at 664-7992 or bmacke@evdio.org.

PRAYERS

Eli Weisheit, Michelle Ziebel, Gwen Graber, Crystal Williamson, Kenny & Marcia Reising, Wilma Miley, Katie Bender, Elvira Meny, Retta Woodruff, Julia Market, Carl Michel, Betty Thompson, Jim Lubbers, Herb Bethe, Mary Like, Dianne Gress, Stan Phillips, Ralph Elpers, Susan Williamson, Tom Vaal, Deven Pohl, Connie Hill, Will Adcock, Jeff Corn, Genevieve Weber Lubbers, Diane Denton

Please call Terri to add or remove someone 677-0511

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



April 5, 2020 Collection	\$ 1,402.00
April 12, 2020 Collection	\$ 925.00
Needed for weekly budget	\$ 1,585.52
Variance for April 5, 2020	(\$ 183.52)
Variance for April 12, 2020	(\$ 660.52)
YTD Collection	\$ 64,250.20
Needed to meet budget	\$ 65,006.32
YTD Variance	(\$ 756.12)
Church Renovation Fund	\$ 95,375.00

In order to keep our Church functioning, we need your Sunday donations to continue. Please prayerfully consider what you can give and mail to St. Bernard Church. Now is a good time to consider electronic giving. This can be set up with your bank weekly or monthly.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Today, Sunday, April 19 is Divine Mercy Sunday! **Divine Mercy Sunday** is a very special Sunday when the Divine Floodgates from Heaven are wide-opened and Jesus offers us the total forgiveness of all sins and punishment to any soul who goes to Confession, receives Him in Holy Communion, and recites the Divine Mercy Chaplet on that day. With the restrictions of Communion and Confession at this time, you must receive as soon as it is available again. There will be a special service on South Gibson Live at 3 pm or you may watch EWTN for a special service.



Thank You

Many thanks to Leroy and Sauny Seib for repainting the Stations of the Cross that were donated to us by Mary Ann Wehmer. They are located across from the Rosary Garden. The Stations of the Cross are a wonderful devotion dating back to 1342 by the Franciscans. The devotion continued to grow in popularity when the church "reproduced" the holy places in other



areas so pilgrims who could not actually travel to the Holy Land could do so in a devotional, spiritual way in their hearts. In 1686, Pope Innocent XI, realizing that few people could travel to the Holy Land granted the right to erect stations in all of their churches.

Please take time to pray these devotions at your leisure. There are many promises attached to praying the Stations of the Cross. They are a beautiful and treasured addition to our parish!!!

Renovation Updates

The painting at church continues.....We will post pictures on the church website on the renovations taking place in church. Check it out!



Statues of the Saints

On the website is a list to adopt a statue. Adopting a statue will require a donation of \$1,500 which goes toward the refurbishing of the statue. If you have adopted a statue, you may drop your check in the collection basket or mail to St. Bernard. If you have interest in adopting a statue, you may call the office at 812-385-2617 or email Fr. Brian at bemmick@evdio.org.