

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Rosary Lori Spindler
Sacristan Dennis Titzer
Gifts Kohlman Sterczer, Mavrix Obert
Lector Rena Schleiter
Servers Audrey Spindler, Blakelee Obert
Greeters Nick & Libby Ivy
Cantor Sarah & Maci Spindler
Money Counters Dennis Gress
 Holly Heichelbech

Homebound EM Terri Ziliak
Traveling Chalice Dennis & Deann Gress

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Rosary Libby Ivy
Sacristan John Spindler
Gifts Eva & Alex Wilson
Lector Dennis Titzer
Servers Molly Schnarr, Maverick Reising
Greeters K of C
Cantor Leroy Seib
Money Counters Jenny Fuhs
 Mike Smith

Homebound EM Rena Schleiter
Traveling Chalice Dennis & Deann Gress

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 14 - 5:30 p.m.

+ Herb Bethe

Thursday, September 19 - 6:00 p.m.

+ Mary Lou Michel & her deceased family members

Saturday, September 21 - 5:30 p.m.

+ Christian & Mary Frances Wehmer family

Stewardship of Treasure

September 7 Collection **\$2,119.00**
 Needed for weekly budget \$1,820.96

YTD Collection \$21,990.00
 Needed to meet budget \$18,209.60
 YTD Variance **\$3,780.40**

Children's Collection \$3.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

What a great weekend we had last weekend for our Social and Chicken dinner! I truly am thankful for you all for putting in such a huge amount of work to make it all possible! Getting to talk to folks who were visitors, there were so many who complimented the parish on what a great event it was. And of course everybody loved the chicken!!!! Again, I'm so grateful and thankful for you all at St. Bernard. Much love, and thank you!

On Saturday, September 14, we will celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, and the next day, September the 15th, is the memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows. Obviously these are two celebrations on the Church calendar that are closely linked.

The Feast of the Holy Cross was first celebrated in Rome in the 600s, and later spread throughout the Universal Church. It was St. Helena, the mother of the emperor Constantine, who had found the cross due to a vision, in a cave near the tomb of Christ in Jerusalem. Portions of it remained in the care of the bishop of Jerusalem until the Sasanian Persians invaded in 614, carrying off the relic as a trophy. The Byzantine Roman Emperor Heraclius eventually retook both Jerusalem and the Cross in 629. It is this victorious event that this feast celebrates.

The second celebration, Our Lady of Sorrows, has been in more or less universal celebration for the past 500 years. The Servites of Mary are responsible for spreading the Seven Sorrows rosary, or the Seven Sorrows Chaplet (a rosary-like chaplet that consists of 7 sets of 7 Hail Mary beads, with Our Father beads in between). This feast recalls the great sufferings that Our Lady endured in raising

her beloved Son and seeing Him die such an ignoble and brutal death. The Seven Sorrows are based on various accounts from the Gospels, and are as follows:

- 1.) The Prophecy of Simeon ("and your own heart a sword shall pierce.") (Luke 2:34-35)
- 2.) The Flight into Egypt (Matthew 2:13)
- 3.) The Loss of the Child Jesus in the Temple (Luke 2:43-45)
- 4.) Mary meets Jesus as He carries His cross
- 5.) The Crucifixion of Jesus (John 19:25)
- 6.) Jesus' side is pierced with a lance and His body is taken down from the cross (Matthew 27:57-59)
- 7.) Jesus' burial (John 19:40-42)

We as Catholics always hold these sorrowful events in our salvation in dear memory. First of all, it is the sacrifice of Jesus and the fervent prayers of His mother that offer us salvation and that maintain us in our pilgrimage here on Earth. Also, by pondering the sufferings that Jesus went through for our good, it should make us love Him all the more and be willing to suffer in turn for His honor and glory.

In Jesus, Victory in sorrow,
 -Fr. Chris

ST. BERNARD PARISH NEWS

Parish Council

The Next **Parish Council Meeting** is Thursday, September 19 following the 6:00 pm Mass. August Parish Council minutes are available in the back of church.

Religious Education

Registration letters have been mailed out for religious education classes and are due September 14.. The first class begins on October 2. Please call/text Rose Obert (812-664-7745) if you did not receive a registration letter or would like to sign up your children.

Pumpkin Sales

We'll be selling pumpkins after Mass on the weekend of **Sept. 21 & 22**. Profits go to help cover expenses for youth events throughout the year. Cost is \$8 each (large sized pumpkins).

St. Bernard Social

The results are in, and the social was a huge success surpassing all previous years! Many thanks to everyone who helped or donated. We could not have done it without everyone's help! Total profit was \$15,784.47. THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!

<u>STANDS PROFIT</u>	
Dinners	\$4,215.00
Carry-Outs	\$4,005.00
	\$8,220.00
Expenses	\$3,765.68
Dinner Profit	\$4,454.32
Flea Market	\$4,081.10
Country Store	\$783.00
Leftovers	\$255.00
Kid's Games	\$317.25
Drink Stand	\$30.00
Snow Cones	\$21.00
Money Raffle	\$1,207.00
Basket Raffle	\$1,284.00
Quilt	\$2,229.00
Sheep Splat	\$1,000.00
Bingo	\$272.80
TOTAL	\$15,934.47
Less Expenses	\$150.00
PROFIT	\$15,784.47

St. Bernard Chicken Dinner

September 8,
2024

Ticket Sales
 Adults - 563
 Children - 44

TOTAL - 607

<u>Prize Winners:</u>
Money Raffle - \$150 - Renee Wilson, \$100 - Camy Davis, \$50 - James Silva (gave money back)
Quilt Raffle - Sarah Spindler
Early Raffle Drawing (\$50) - Stan Elpers
Basket Winners - Fall - Rose Obert, Lilac - Steve Sevier, Summer Fun - Kim Elpers, Coffee - Michelle Wilson, Religious - Lisa Bittner, Wine/Cheese - Sue Miskovic, Pumpkin - Steve Sevier, Thrifting - Beth Allen, Bath/Hair - Susan Fischer, Christmas (Red) - Betty Brown, Baby - Brenda Smith, Pickle Ball - Whitney Meny, Candy - Betty Titzer, Family Games - Whitney Meny, Spa - Michele Siekman, Gift Cards - Renee Wilson, Gift Wrap - Susan Fischer, Christmas - Sarah Reising
Sheep Splat (\$500 Each) - Barb Dike, Dolores Ziliak

MAGNIFICATS

It is that time of year to place your order for the 2025 Magnificats. I will need your order for Magnificats no later than October 6. The price is the same as last year, **\$29.00** for a yearly subscription. **PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH.** Please sign up on the list in the back of church and give the money to Terri or put it in the collection basket. I cannot take orders after Oct. 6.

Church Cleaning Teams for September
Jenny Fuhs, Terry Fuhs, Jan Schmitt, Andrea Blankenberger, Brenda Smith
Men's Team
 Bob Fuhs' team

Upcoming Youth Events

Sept. 21 – MS Game Night
Sept. 21 & 22 – Pumpkin Fundraiser at all 4 parishes
Sept. 22 – HS RockLife
Sept. 29 – HS Diocesan Youth Day

HS Diocesan Youth Day

Sunday, Sept. 29 from 12:00-5:30pm at the Catholic Center in Evansville. Join Bishop Siegel, speaker Fr. Jonathan Meyer, musician Josh Goodman and a few hundred high school youth from around the Diocese for a great day. This event is totally free! We will have a cookout lunch, treats, music, several games available to play, as well as Eucharistic Adoration, Confessions and Mass with the Bishop. We have limited amount of spots on the mini bus. RSVP by texting Bryan (first come, first serve). We will meet at Sts. P&P at 11:15am and take the mini-bus to the Catholic Center. Return time is approximately 6:00pm. Waivers are due to parish offices (or submitted online Google form) by Mon., Sept. 16.

Pumpkin Sales

We'll be selling pumpkins after Masses at each parish (Holy Cross, St. Bernard, St. James, and Sts. Peter & Paul) on the weekend of **Sept. 21 & 22**. Profits go to help cover expenses for youth events throughout the year.

Cost is \$8 each (large sized pumpkins).

MS Game Night

Come to Holy Cross on Sat., Sept. 21, immediately following our Pumpkin fundraiser after 4:30 Mass. We'll have outdoor games and a faith discussion. Enjoy pizza, snacks, drinks, and lots of fun!! Start time is 6 pm and we'll end at 9 pm. Bring a friend & waiver!

HS RockLife Nights

Our next RockLife is September 22nd. We'll meet in the youth room at Sts Peter & Paul from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. This will continue throughout the school year (usually twice a month). These nights focus on leading teens closer to Christ while meeting them where they're at. It helps youth get excited about their faith and more engaged! Not only will you find food for the soul, you'll also be served Sandy's Pizza!! Bring a friend and a waiver!

Any questions/concerns about youth events please contact Bryan Macke at 664-7992 or bmacke@evdio.org. Diocesan Event Waivers can be found in the back of each church or on our webpage at www.smyouth.com

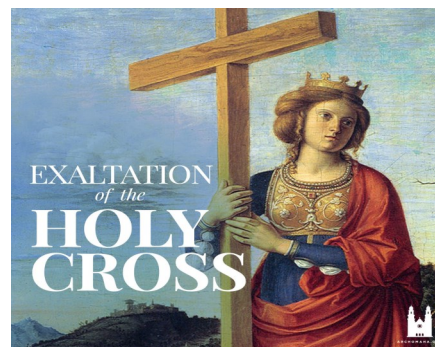


MASS SCHEDULE - ST. BERNARD

Saturday - 5:30 p.m.
Thursday - 6:00 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE - ST. JOHN (DAYLIGHT)

Saturday - 4:00 p.m.
Sunday - 7:15 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday - 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday - 5:30 p.m.
Thursday - 8:00 a.m.
Friday - 9:00 a.m.



The Feast of the Holy Cross is on September 14

Welcome to St. Bernard A Catholic Community Since 1877

5342 E. State Road 168
Fort Branch, IN 47648

Pastor: Fr. Chris Forler

Deacons: Vince Bernardin, Richard Leibundguth, Lonny Davis

Catechetical Leader: Rose Obert

Office Managers: Lori Spindler (lspindler@evdio.org)
Terri Ziliak (tziliak@evdio.org)

Maintenance: Jeff Meny (812-385-6861)

Parish Council President: Nick Ivy

Altar Society President: Ericka Obert

School Hall Rental: Terri Ziliak/Lori Spindler

Table & Chair Rental: Jeff & Tammy Meny

Parish Website: stbernardsnakerun.org

Parish Office: 812-615-0201

Adoration: First Friday of each month 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Sacraments:

Reconciliation: Before Thursday evening Mass starting at 5:15 p.m.

Baptism: Must sign up for Baptismal Class. Call the parish office to make arrangements.

Marriage: Call the parish office at least six months in advance.

Sacrament of the Sick: Administered by appointment.



Our parish invites you to join our church family! All new parishioners can register by emailing lspindler@evdio.org or calling the parish office

COMMUNITY NEWS

Knights of Columbus Weekly BINGO - Tuesday Evenings: Doors Open @ 6pm; First Game @ 7pm. 20 Regular Games - 6 Half Pot Special Games - One Lucky Number Game possibly worth \$1000 - Pull-Tabs, Snacks & Drinks available. **BRING A FRIEND!** PROCEEDS BENEFIT South Gibson Catholic Schools. BINGO resumes on September 3rd @ KofC Hall, 117 S. Main St. Haubstadt, Ind

Harvest Fest

St. James 2nd Annual Harvest Fest will be held at St James on Saturday, September 21. Doors open at 5:30 pm. Food, beer, wine and music by the Duke Boys. \$5.00 entrance fee. Lots of fun and entertainment.

Chicken Dinner

Holy Cross Parish, Fort Branch is hosting an "All You Can Eat Chicken Dinner" on Sunday Oct. 6, 2024, from 10:45am-1pm. Dine-In and Carry-Out options available. Cost is \$14/adult, \$5/child.

PRAYER LIST

Kenny & Marcia Reising, Jim Lubbers, Ralph Elpers, Crystal Williamson, Julia Market, Frankie Rynkiewich, Dana Seninger, Doris Hagedorn, Mike Folsom, Ronnie Martin, Mary Lou Michel, Johnsie Michel, Ed & Sue Miskovic, Mary Lou Wolf, Greg & Rose Obert, Jeff Williamson, Brenda Smith, Cindy Knotts, Ed Nurrenbern, Phyllis Schmitts, Bret Weber, Larry Pflug, Rita Hasenour, Jeff Hoffman

Please call Terri to add or remove someone 677-0511. Let us know when someone can come off.

Sunday, September 14, 2024 ~ 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time