

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

SUNDAY, JULY 30
Rosary Diane Hasenour
Sacristan John Hasenour
Gifts Alex Wilson, Maverick Reising
Lector Madelyn Spindler
Servers Allison Spindler, Kaleb Sterczer
Greeters Bob & Rena Schleter
Cantor Leroy Seib
Money Counters Klint Obert, Mike Smith
EM to Homebound Dennis Titzer
Traveling Chalice Jim & Jan Schmitt

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6
Rosary Dennis Titzer
Sacristan Chris Fuhs
Gifts Kohlman & Kaleb Sterczer
Lector Elizabeth Ivy
Servers Maverick Reising & Lucas Ivy
Greeters Mary McKinney & Vicki Page
Cantor Emily McDaniel & Hannah Rodgers
Money Counters James Silva
Camy Davis
EM to Homebound Terry Fuhs
Traveling Chalice Dennis & Deann Gress

MASS INTENTIONS
Sunday, July 30 - 11:15 a.m.
+ Gerald & Mary Allen
Thursday, August 3 - 6:00 p.m.
+ Ed and Alice Fuhs
Sunday, August 6 - 11:15 a.m.
+ St. Bernard & St. John Parishes

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE	
July 23 Collection	\$1,121.00
Needed for weekly budget	\$1,795.38
YTD Collection	\$9,391.00
Needed to meet budget	\$7,181.52
YTD Variance	\$2,209.48
Children’s Collection	\$11.00

Thank You for Your Generosity!

Have you ever considered how our Catholic faith in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist developed and spread so quickly in the early Church? The early Christians, including the apostles, and St. Paul, who were devout Jews of the first century, enthusiastically converted and went from the prohibition and abomination detailed in Leviticus of drinking blood to the participation of eating and drinking the body and blood of Christ in the Eucharist. Dr. Brant Pitre describes in his book Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist that it was precisely their Jewish faith that laid the foundation of their and our Catholic faith in the Real Presence, body, blood, soul, and divinity. Looking at God’s plan for our salvation through the lens of the Old Testament and Jewish tradition, Jesus manifested and fulfilled the Jewish hope and expectation of the Messiah. Pitre focuses on three critical elements in the Jewish faith: the Passover, the Manna from Heaven, and the Bread of Presence kept in the Temple Tabernacle. These three elements forge a path from the First Exodus led by Moses out of the slavery of Egypt to the Promised Land and the building of the Temple in Jerusalem, to Jesus the Messiah and New Exodus deliverer, who frees us from the slavery of sin and death, who is the New Temple and leads us to the New Jerusalem, and the salvation of a Heavenly Promised Land. I can only scratch the surface of the first element, The Passover, in this article for brevity. In the traditional Jewish Passover, the Jews focused on God’s command of sacrificing an unblemished lamb to escape the Angel of Death that struck the firstborn of Egypt. The father of each household acted as the priest of his family and spread the lamb’s blood on the house doorposts. Then, the family consumed the lamb. Eating the sacrificed lamb was not optional, as it was part of the command of the Lord, repeated every year by all Jews as before the exodus from Egypt as a meal of thanksgiving for all God had done for them. The Passover of the Last Supper of Jesus differs in that while there is a meal, the lamb is not the focal point. The focal point of the Last Supper shifts to Jesus, who is to suffer and be put to death and becomes the New Lamb of Sacrifice, transforming the old Passover into a divine feast of redemption. Jesus offers his body and the pouring out of his blood for the forgiveness of sins with the sacrifice of unleavened bread and wine. He shares it with his twelve apostles, who represent the twelve tribes of Israel. The gift of the institution of the Eucharist celebrated then and now is a participation in the Passover of Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. As with the old Passover, eating the body and drinking the blood is not to be omitted but commanded to be consumed by Jesus, who gave his life so that we may have eternal life. It is not a symbolic meal. Early Christians realized the Mass made the paschal mystery ever-present every time it was celebrated. And it is still present. In the words of St. Paul, “Christ is our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed. Therefore let us keep the feast!”(1 Cor 5:7-8). Later articles, or a bible study, could further develop this profound truth of our Catholic faith.

Peace,
Deacon Lonny

ST. BERNARD PARISH NEWS



Thursday, August 3 - Join us for Mass at 6 p.m. followed by Fr. Chris giving a short talk about our Catholic faith! Everyone has enjoyed his talks so plan to join us!
Friday, August 4 - First Friday - ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament is this Friday from 8 to 3. Everyone is encouraged to come and spend time with our Lord. Thank you to everyone who commits to an hour each month!

Mission Speaker This Weekend

Marilyn Wassmer, from Mary Mother of God Mission Society will visit our parish **TODAY** to speak about the Roman Catholic Mission Churches in Eastern Russia. A second offering will be taken for the missions. In the early 1900’s, the Russian Far East boasted a thriving Roman Catholic population. Many Russians, Poles, Lithuanians, and other groups inhabited the area and had built schools, hospitals, and beautiful churches. After the revolution of 1917, Russia became an emblem of the Communist era, a land without churches and without God. Under Stalin, all Catholic churches were confiscated and Dioceses closed. Most churches were desecrated or destroyed. Catholics were murdered by the hundreds of thousands and their bodies dumped into mass graves. Our two American priests, Fr. Myron Effing, CJD, and Fr. Daniel Maurer, CJD, arrived in Vladivostok in 1992 to help re-establish the Church in this region and provide charitable assistance to the many poor. Now that the foundations have been laid, additional priests and sisters are joining the work, and parishes are growing and multiplying, very slowly, but surely. For the latest news on activities of the mission and the Catholic Church in Russia please visit the website at www.vladmission.org. Please be generous and support this worthy cause.

Volunteers Needed!

We are looking for volunteers to take Pat Hall to and from church on Sundays. She would need picked up around 10:40. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church. Thank you!

Altar Society Elections

Altar Society elections will be held on August 6 after Sunday Mass.

Parish Council Nominations

Nominations for the Parish Council are needed. If you would like to be on a certain commission that you are not already on or an at-large member, please sign up in the back of church by **July 30**. We will have elections the first weekend in August. If you have questions, please contact Dennis Gress.

Happy Birthday!

Fred Smith will celebrate his 80th birthday on August 6. Cards may be sent to 903 Blackfoot Drive, Fort Branch, IN 47648.



St. Bernard Church Picnic

The St. Bernard Parish Picnic will be on Sunday, August 20 after the 11:15 am Mass. This is the Feast Day of St. Bernard! The Altar Society will be providing hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, drinks and dessert. Please bring a side dish. We will also be having a **Barbecue Cook Off** for anyone who would like to participate!! This can be any kind of BBQ. A prize will be given to the best one! Sign ups for both are in the back of church along with further details. Please sign up by **August 13**. Any questions please text Libby Ivy at 812-215-0298. Hope to see you there!

Upcoming Youth Events

Aug. 4-6 – HS Boys Retreat
Aug. 4-6 – HS Girls Retreat



HS Boys Summer Retreat

This year we're heading back to St. Bernard for our HS boys retreat from Aug 4-6. All HS boys (including incoming Freshmen & outgoing seniors) are invited to enjoy 3 days of fun and spiritual activities. We have a packed schedule that includes outdoor games, time for prayer and worship, guest speakers, etc. Cost is \$20 per person. Waiver & fee are due in any parish office by Tues., Aug. 1st.

HS Girls Summer Retreat

On Aug. 4-6, we're having our summer girls retreat on Sts. P&P campus. A 2-night stay over the weekend, it'll include fun activities, volunteer work, guest speakers, spiritual activities, and some good quality time relaxing with your sisters in Christ! This is open to all girls from incoming freshmen to outgoing seniors. Cost is \$20. Waiver and fee are due in any parish office by Tues, Aug 1st. Any question contact Jamie Baehl at 664-4955 or Bryan Macke 812-664-7992.

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.smg youth.co

Area Happenings:

- **St. James Church, Haubstadt, Summer Social** - Sunday, August 6. Join us from 10 am until festivities end for a fun filled day - includes silent auction, Chinese auction, Burgoon, chicken or beef dinner, paddle wheel, kids games, basket raffle, quilt raffle, cornhole tourney, wood shop and more! **See flyer in back of church!**

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A HALF-DAY CONFERENCE WITH
DR. SCOTT HAHN
AT ST. JOHN DAYLIGHT CATHOLIC CHURCH



THURSDAY AUGUST 17, 2023
8 AM - 12 PM CT

REGISTRATION & TICKET PURCHASE:
DR. HAHN WILL SPEAK ON THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:
THE ROAD TO EMMAUS: JOURNEY TO HOLINESS & CULTIVATING EUCHARISTIC AMAZEMENT



DR. SCOTT HAHN

PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER FOR THIS EVENT OR VISIT ST. JOHN PARISH OFFICE. SEATING WILL BE LIMITED. THE COST PER REGISTRATION WILL BE \$20 PER PERSON YOU CAN EITHER MAIL YOUR CHECK MADE OUT TO ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST. THE ADDRESS IS 5301 DAYLIGHT DR. EVANSVILLE IN 47725 OR REGISTER THROUGH THE OFFICE. WE WILL HAVE CHECK IN AT THE DOOR. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS PLEASE EMAIL MSHETLER@EVDIO.ORG OR CALL (812)867-3718

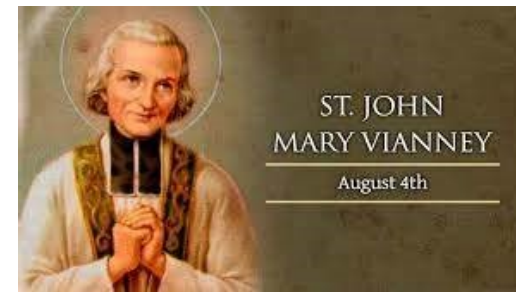


MASS SCHEDULE - ST. BERNARD

Sunday - 11:15 a.m.
Thursday - 6:00 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE - ST. JOHN (DAYLIGHT)

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday - 6:45 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.
Tuesday - 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday - 5:30 p.m.
Thursday - 8:00 a.m.
Friday - 9:00 a.m.
First Saturday - 8:00 am



Patron Saint of Priests. Pray for us and pray for our priests!

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: Dennis Gress

Altar Society President: Libby Ivy

School Hall Rental: Terri Ziliak/Lori Spindler

Table & Chair Rental: Jeff & Tammy Meny

Parish Website: stbernardsnakerun.org

Parish Office: 812-615-0201

Sacraments:

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

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.

PRAYER LIST

Kenny & Marcia Reising, Jim Lubbers, Ralph Elpers, Crystal Williamson, Diane Denton, Ace Turner, Julia Market, Frankie Rynkiewich, Tony Sevier, Dana Seninger, Diane Gress, Herb Bethe, Greg & Rose Obert, Doris Hagedorn, Leroy Seib, Stephanie Meny, Mike Folsom, Marge Weber, Graham Hosman, Kim Elpers, Karen Williamson McCloud, Jerry Brown

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

July 30, 2023 ~ 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time