

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

Rosary	Dolores Ziliak
Sacristan	John Spindler
Gifts	Harrison & Annie Obert
Lector	Dennis Titzer
Servers	Spencer & Abby Heichelbech
Greeters	Robert & Jenny Fuhs
Cantor	Emily McDaniel, Hannah Rodgers
Money Counters	Klint Obert
	Mike Smith
EM to Homebound	Steve Obert
Traveling Chalice	Melvin & Terri Ziliak

SUNDAY, JULY 2


Rosary	Lori Spindler
Sacristan	Dennis Titzer
Gifts	Isaac & Grace Ivy
Lector	Allison Spindler
Servers	Adam Spindler, Harrison Obert
Greeters	Jim & Jan Schmitt
Cantor	Sarah Reising
Money Counters	James Silva
	Melvin Ziliak
EM to Homebound	Rena Schleter

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, June 25 - 11:15 a.m.
+ Darlene Reising Turner
Mara Beth Reising Helsley

Thursday, June 29 - 6:00 p.m.
NO MASS

Sunday, July 2 - 11:15 a.m.
+ St. Bernard & St. John Parishes

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

June 18 Collection	\$2,134.00
Needed for weekly budget	\$1,804.98
YTD Collection	\$109,127.04
Needed to meet budget	\$92,053.98
YTD Variance	\$17,073.06
Children's Collection	\$7.00

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

St. Augustine of Hippo famously said of the spiritual life, “Only three things are necessary for holiness: humility, humility, and humility.” Truer words have never been spoken. This makes sense theologically of course. The first and greatest sin was committed by Satan, and it was his prideful rebellion against the will of God that led to the invention of sin. And the opposite of sin is holiness. Satan could not trust that God’s plan for the incarnation of the Son of God was the highest good. He thought he knew better, that God becoming man was insulting because of our lowliness, but in becoming man, Jesus shows God’s radical humility, which shows it to be the highest virtue.

For us, however, humility is not automatic in us. It usually has to come about through patient suffering and by *humiliation*, which we do very reluctantly. *The Imitation of Christ* shares the following thoughts on this:

“Be not troubled about those who are with you or against you, but take care that God be with you in everything you do. Keep your conscience clear and God will protect you, for the malice of man cannot harm one whom God wishes to help. If you know how to suffer in silence, you will undoubtedly experience God’s help. He knows when and how to deliver you; therefore, place yourself in His hands, for it is a divine prerogative to help men and free them from all distress.

It is often good for us to have others know our faults and rebuke them, for it gives us greater humility. When a man humbles himself because of his faults, he easily placates those about him and readily appeases those who are angry with him.

It is the humble man whom God protects and liberates; it is the humble whom He loves and consoles. To the humble He turns and upon them bestows great grace, that after their humiliation He may raise them up to glory. He reveals His secrets to the humble, and with kind invitation bids them come to Him. Thus, the humble man enjoys peace in the midst of many vexations, because his trust is in God, not in the world. Hence, you must not think that you have made any progress until you look upon yourself as inferior to all others.”

In short, we place our trust even (and maybe *especially*) in the hard and humiliating experiences of our lives. God is *always* at work providing for us, even if the providence seems to be the opposite. Jesus, I trust in You!!!

Peace to you,
-Fr. Chris

ST. BERNARD PARISH NEWS

THERE WILL NOT BE MASS THIS THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE 29

Fleas

All gently used items can be placed in the rectory basement. If you have any questions, please see Sarah Spindler or Jess Anderson. Help is also needed with sorting and pricing. If you can help, please let them know!

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, Parish Council President..

You Are Invited

Jerry and Betty Brown were married 50 years ago on July 7, 1973 at St. Bernard Catholic Church Snake Run. The parish family is invited to celebrate with them on Sunday, July 9 after Mass from 12:30-3:30. Lunch will be available at 1:00. BYOB. Casual dress. No gifts, but cards are welcome. Please sign up in the church vestibule by July 2 to have an accurate count for food.

Parish Picnic

The parish picnic has been changed to Sunday, August 20. This is also the feast day of St. Bernard! Mark your calendar!

Altar Society


The next Altar Society Meeting will be July 9 at 10:15 a.m. before Mass.

Brute Award

Brute Award nominations are now being accepted which recognizes outstanding models of Christian stewardship. Nominations should be submitted in letter form with a short description of who you are nominating and why. You may put it in the collection labeled “Brute” or give to the Parish Council President, Dennis Gress.

Past recipients are:

1997 - Alfred & Mary Reising, 1998 - Steve & Pat Hall, 1999 - Marlene Obert, 2000 - Walter & Lorine Nurrenbern, 2001 - Paul & Jeanne Vieke, 2002 - Marcia Reising, 2003 - Jeff & Tammy Meny, 2004 - Mary Ealine Lefler, 2005 - Greg & Rose Obert, 2006 - Mary McKinney, 2007 - Herlinda Weber, 2008 - Winfrid & Marian Obert, 2009 - Frank & Roberta Silva, 2010 - David & Dolores Ziliak, 2011 - Tony & Janet Sevier, 2012 - Fred and Kathryn Fuhs, 2013 – Carl and Marge Weber, 2014 – John Moll, 2015 – Steve and Kelly Obert, 2016 - Gerald & Mary Allen, 2017 - John & Diane Hasenour, 2018—Leroy & Sauny Seib, 2019 - Gloria Sterczer, 2020 - Bernie & Lori Spindler, 2021 - Jim & Jan Schmitt, 2022 - Melvin & Terri Ziliak.



Upcoming Youth Events

June 28 – Adoration & Worship Music
June 30 – VBS After-Party
July 8-9 – HS “Shantytown” Throwback



Ablaze! Adoration, Praise & Worship Music for High School youth and Young Adults

In the spirit of the Source + Summit Retreat, some of our young people are looking to start having Adoration and praise & worship music on a monthly basis for HS youth & young adults in our community to connect with Jesus! The first night will be Wed. June 28th starting at 7:30 right after the MS Bible study at Sts P&P. Afterward we will have Sandy's Pizza and just a casual relaxed hangout and games in the youth room. Ends at 10:00pm. **Any HS youth or Young Adults interested in being a part of the worship music (to sing or play instrument) please contact Bryan Macke.*

MS & HS VBS After-Party

On Friday, June 30 after the conclusion of VBS we're going to have a party for all middle and high school youth! It'll be in the youth room (and maybe gym) at Sts. Peter & Paul from 12:00 noon to about 3pm. First we'll help cleanup VBS, then have Sandy's Pizza and games and just hang out! We also have Nathan Seiler as a guest speaker!

(Nathan is a former student at St. James and Mater Dei, recent graduate from Univ. of Wisconsin, and now becoming a FOCUS Missionary). Bring a waiver and a friend!

“Shantytown” Throwback for High School

For the first time, we're doing a Shantytown type campout and service day for high school! During Cov*# 2 back in 2020 and 2021 we couldn't have some of these events so we're doing a fun throwback! It'll be held at St. Bernard on July 8th -9th. We'll be making & serving a meal at Evansville Rescue Mission and then come back to St. Bernard to campout, eat a campfire meal, hear a guest speaker, and have some fun and reflect on life. Check-in between 1:00-1:30pm on Saturday. Event ends at St. Bernard at 8:00am on Sunday. We'll have Mass for the youth on Sat. night at St. Bernard.

To sign up turn in waiver to any of our parish offices by Wed. July 5th.

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. 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 TICKET 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 PURCHASE TICKETS THROUGH THE OFFICE. WE WILL HAVE TICKET CALL AT THE DOOR. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS PLEASE EMAIL MSHETLER@EVDIO.ORG OR CALL (812)867-3718

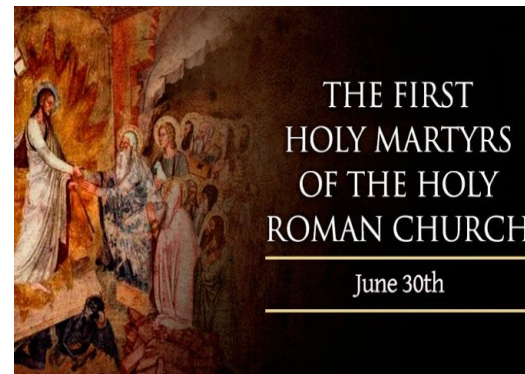


MASS SCHEDULE - ST. BERNARD

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



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 Rynkiewicz, Tony Sevier, Dana Seninger, Diane Gress, Herb Bethe, Greg 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. Please help up to keep this list up to date. Let us know when someone can come off the list. Thank you.

June 25, 2023 ~ 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time