

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Rosary Elizabeth Ivy
Sacristan Dennis Titzer
Gifts Harrison & Annie Obert
Lector Michael Smith
Servers Lydia Sickman, Abby Heichelbech
Greeters Robert & Rena Schleter
Cantor Sarah & Maci Spindler
Money Counters Dennis Gress
Klint Obert
Homebound Communion Dennis Titzer
Traveling Chalice Melvin & Terri Ziliak

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

Rosary Leroy Seib
Sacristan Bob Fuhs
Gifts Spencer & Abby Heichelbech
Lector Dennis Titzer
Servers Isaac Ivy, Jack Anderson
Greeters Mary McKinney, Vicki Page
Cantor Sarah Reising
Money Counters Jenny Fuhs
Kirk Peterson
Homebound Communion Dennis Gress
Traveling Chalice Dolores Ziliak

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, November 26 - 11:15 a.m.

+ Angie Folz & Mary Jo Barnard

Thursday, November 30 - 6:00 p.m.

+ Fred Fuhs

Sunday, December 3 - 11:15 a.m.

+ St. Bernard & St. John Parishes

Stewardship of Treasure

November 19 Collection	\$3,620.00
Needed for weekly budget	\$1,795.38
YTD Collection	\$44,498.96
Needed to meet budget	\$37,702.98
YTD Variance	\$6,795.98
Children's Collection	\$5.00

Thank You!



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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In the Diocese of Evansville, we are blessed that, as a capstone of our observance of the National Eucharistic Revival, we will be having a Diocesan Eucharistic Congress, Saturday, January 13, 2024, at the Old National Events Plaza Auditorium in Evansville. I strongly encourage you to attend this event.

The Eucharistic Congress is intended to be a uniquely powerful manifestation of the unity of our Diocesan Church, rooted in the Holy Eucharist. It is hoped that Catholics from around the Diocese - clergy, religious and laity - will gather to celebrate the Lord's great gift of the Eucharist, the source and summit of our Catholic faith, and to bear witness to our belief in the Real Presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. Along with the celebration of the Mass and opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration, there will be presentations by well-respected speakers, including Msgr. James Shea, Dr. Edward Sri, Dr. Andrew and Sara Swafford and musical offerings by John Michael Talbot and PJ Anderson.

This Eucharistic Congress is intended to stoke the fires of faith and evangelization in our Diocese. It is about an encounter with the Eucharistic Lord in worship, prayer and formation, and then being sent forth to fulfill the mission He gave us to live and share our faith and to be of service to those in need. It is my hope that, inspired by the Holy Spirit, Catholics who gather for our Eucharistic Congress, will experience a transformative encounter with our Eucharistic Lord.

Let us pray that through a deepened love, understanding and celebration of the Eucharist, God may revive our hearts, our families, our parishes and our Diocese, launching us into a new chapter of missionary faith in Southwest Indiana. I look forward to seeing you on January 13th.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Joseph M. Siegel
Most Rev. Joseph M. Siegel, DD, STL
Bishop of Evansville

Catholic Ministries

Appeal

Assessment - \$31,828
Amount Collected - \$26,098.13
% of Goal Collected - 82%

ST. BERNARD PARISH NEWS

Adoration this Friday, December 1 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Come and spend time with the Lord!

Parish Council

The next meeting is THIS Thursday, November 30 after evening Mass..

St. Bernard Christmas Party

It's time to jingle and mingle at the annual St. Bernard men and women's Christmas party! This magical evening will take place at R'z in Fort Branch on Sunday, December 3. Doors open at 4:30 pm with a delicious meal of fried chicken and all the fixings served at 5 pm. There is no cost to attend, so make sure to sign up in the back of church **TODAY!** For any questions, contact Jess Anderson 664-7280.

The Angel Giving Tree is Now Up

Please pick an angel from the tree in the back of church. This year's gifts will go to the True Hope Pregnancy Center in Princeton. The angel will let you know what needs to be purchased. **Items are due by December 17. No need to wrap items.** Thank you for your support!

Advent Booklets

There are Advent Word Among Us booklets in the back of church along with Advent books from the K of C for every family. Please take advantage of these spiritual meditations during the Advent Season and remember what Christmas is all about!!

Immaculate Conception Holy Day

There will be Mass at St. Bernard on Thursday, December 7 at 6 p.m. There will NOT be a Q & A with Father this month since it falls on a Holy Day. We will resume next month.

Christmas Poinsettia Remembrances

If you would like to donate to the poinsettia decorations for Christmas in remembrance of a loved one, please either put your money in your labeled Christmas memorial envelope or one of your own envelopes. Please list the persons you want the memorial to go toward and put your donated amount in the Sunday collection or in the box in the back of church. We are asking for at least a \$10.00 donation for as many people as you would like. Any questions, please ask Dolores Ziliak. These are due by **Sunday, December 17.**



St. Bernard Christmas Program -

The religious education students invite you to the 2023 rendition of "Waiting for the Birth of Jesus" on Sunday, December 17 at 6 p.m. followed by cookies and a visit from Santa. All are invited!

Caroling - Please help us spread a little Christmas cheer to our parishioners!! We will begin with pizza in the school hall and then off to caroling on Friday, December 22 at 4:30 p.m. Please text Lori Spindler (812-664-2511) if you would like to join us so we can order pizza!!! It will be a fun evening!

Childrens
Christmas Program



Congratulations to Lucy Elizabeth Blankenberger, daughter of Brian & Andrea, who will be baptized after Mass at St. Bernard today. Welcome to our parish family Lucy!!

Upcoming Youth Events

Dec. 1 – MS Blacklight Event

Dec. 3 – Bingo w/ Elderly

Dec. 3 – Girl Time

Dec. 3 – Boys Open Gym

Dec. 3 – HS RockLife

Dec. 15 – HS Christmas Party & Caroling



MS Blacklight Dodgeball/Volleyball

Back by popular demand! For all middle school youth. When & where: Friday, December 1st at Sts. Peter & Paul from 6:00-9:00pm. We'll provide pizza. Bring your white/neon clothing and special gear so you'll GLOW! Also, bring a friend and a permission slip. Don't miss this hoopla!!

Bingo with the Elderly – Transcendent Healthcare Owensville

Sunday, Dec. 3rd any youth grade 6-12 is invited to visit the elderly at Transcendent Healthcare of Owensville. We'll play bingo and just share in the love and joy of Christ with them! We'll meet at Sts. P&P at 1:00 and arrive back to Sts P&P around 3:45pm. Please contact Bryan at least a day in advance if you'd like to go, and bring your waiver!

HS Girl Time (grades 9-12)

Next HS Girl Time is on Dec. 3rd. HS Girl Time is one Sunday of the month from 4:00-5:30pm in the youth room from Nov. thru March. We will go Christmas gift shopping for families in need! More details to come for following dates! Bring a waiver and a friend!

Open Gym for Boys grades 8-12

Next one is Dec. 3rd. Open Gyms will start for boys grades 8-12. It'll include a "halftime" to reflect on growing as Catholic young men! We'll mostly meet in the gym at Sts Peter & Paul from 4:00 – 5:30 pm typically 2 Sundays of the month (from Nov. thru March). Bring permission forms....and your "game".

HS Christmas Party & Caroling

Make "room" for Jesus in your heart this Advent season and have a ton of fun at the same time! It'll be on December 15th at Sts. Peter & Paul. We'll begin with check-ins between 5:00 and 5:30. We'll have Christmas caroling around town, games, prizes/presents, guest speaker, and much more! Cost is \$10. Ends at midnight. **Turn in your waiver & \$10 by Wed., December 13th. We need adult chaperones for different shifts!** Please contact Bryan to volunteer or if you have questions at 664-7992 or bmacke@evdio.org.

Community News

Adult Scripture Study

Lectio: Mary "The New Eve" with Dr. Brant Pitre

Why is Mary so important to Catholics, and why have so many people been devoted to her over the centuries? In this 8-part series, Dr. Brant Pitre examines what the Old and New Testaments, the life of Christ and the early Church fathers reveal about the life and identity of Mary. Classes begin in January at Sts. Peter & Paul on:

Jan. 7 for the Sunday at 8:15 am class

Jan 9 for the Tuesday at 6:30 pm class

Jan 10 for the Wednesday at 9 am class

Register on SPP website or contact Laura at

lgoedde@evdio.org

Cost is \$15 for a study guide

Breakfast at Holy Cross

Holy Cross Church Journey Men are hosting an "All You Can Eat Hot Breakfast" on Sunday December 3, 2023 from 7-10 am at the Holy Cross School Cafeteria in Fort Branch. Dine in and carry out available. Cost is \$10/adult \$5/kids.



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: Nick Ivy

Altar Society President: Jessica Anderson

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, Julia Market, Frankie Rynkiewich, Tony Sevier, Dana Seninger, Diane Gress, Herb Bethe, Doris Hagedorn, Stephanie Meny, Mike Folsom, Stan Elpers
Please call Terri to add or remove someone 677-0511. Let us know when someone can come off the list. Thank you.

November 26, 2023 ~ Feast of Christ the King