# LITURGICAL MINISTRY

SATURDAY, MA	Y 11	
Rosary	Leroy Seib	
Sacristan	Nick Ivy	
Gifts		
Lector	May Crowning	
Servers	Participants	
Greeters		
Cantor		
<b>Money Counters</b>	Kirk Peterson	
	Matt Obert	
Homebound EM	Dennis Titzer	
	Bernie & Lori Spindler	
SATURDAY, MAY	Y 18	
Rosary	Terri Ziliak	
Sacristan	Dennis Gress	
Gifts Bailey	Spindler, Miles Obert	
Lector	Rena Schleter	
Servers Blake	,	
Greeters Mary M	IcKinney, Jess Anderson	
Cantor	Sarah & Maci Spindler	
<b>Money Counters</b>	Dennis Gress	
	Holly Heichelbech	
Homebound EM		
Traveling Chalice	Jess & Dan Anderson	

# MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 11 - 5:30 p.m.
+ Tony Sevier, Floyd & Mildred Georges and Bill & Delores Sevier
Thursday, May 16 - 6:00 p.m.
+ Mary Ann & Brian Riley
Saturday, May 18 - 5:30 p.m.
+ Linda Folsom

<u>Stewardship of Treasure</u>		
May 4 Collection	\$1,842.00	
Needed for weekly budget	\$1,795.38	
YTD Collection Needed to meet budget YTD Variance	\$103,594.71 \$80,792.10 <b>\$22,802.61</b>	
Children's Collection	\$2.00	
Thank you for your generosity!		

#### Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Happy Mother's Day to all mothers!! We literally owe everything to you. Thank you for all you have done for each of us! This is also a fitting time to talk about our universal and heavenly Mother! Since it is the month of Mary, I wanted to focus once again on one of the great Marian apparitions that have received the endorsement of the Church. This week on May 13<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate once again the Memorial of Our Lady of Fatima, and the 107<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the apparition of Our Lady to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal.

This amazing and miraculous apparition of Mary to these simple children is one of the greatest Church approved apparition sites in the world. When she appeared to them six times between May 13<sup>th</sup> and October 13th of 1917, she also relayed to them a series of messages and warnings for the Faithful of the world. The thrust of the messages was that the Faithful were to devote themselves to prayer and penance for the conversion of sinners and to atone for the immorality and indifference shown to Jesus and His great Sacrifice. A particular emphasis was placed on the prayer of the Rosary for world peace.

Encompassed in the apparitions to the children were three socalled 'secrets' that were to be revealed at a later time, as well as a request for the peace and well-being of the world. The first of these was a vision of the souls in hell. It served as a warning for the living to stay close to the grace of God. It was also an encouragement to those with faith to pray for the conversion of sinners so that they would not have to endure the torment of eternal separation from God and His love.

The second secret was a prediction of the coming of World War II, and a plea for the consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. She told them that if the consecration was not done, that the errors of Communism would spread and that many evils would come forth that would plunge the world into war, strife, and unspeakable human suffering, and the Church and particularly the Holy Father would have many difficulties. If however, the consecration were to be done with the Holy Father in union with the bishops of the world, then Russia would be converted and a period of profound peace would descend upon the world. The Third secret was a particular vision that was received concerning the possible martyrdom of many of the Faithful along with the Holy Father, with an unspecified timeline. Perhaps my favorite aspect of Our Lady's apparitions there, and the greatest proof of its authenticity, is what happened on October 13th at her last apparition: the miracle of the sun. It is perhaps the miracle seen by more eyewitnesses than any other in the history of the world. The best part of it is that many skeptics and atheists, many of whom were journalists, came to show that the whole event was a hoax. Instead, nearly all of the 70,000 people gathered there saw the sun make wild and unnatural gyrations, dance, and at one point seem to fall to the earth. The result was that many of those same disbelievers became Catholic.

God the Father chose to bring Christ to earth through Mary. He also chooses to bring the world to Christ, especially in this modern age, through Mary. Let us always have recourse to her for all our needs and for the purification of the world. Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us! Sincerely in Mary's Immaculate Heart, -Fr. Chris

# **ST. BERNARD PARISH NEWS**

#### Work Day

In preparation for painting and new floor to be completed in June in the rectory, we are asking for some help. We will need all available men to help remove the carpet from the rectory on May 18 beginning at 8:30 a.m. We could also you some women and high-school aged children to help. Please bring any tools you think would be helpful. We plan to be done before lunch by around 11 a.m. with enough help! Thank you!



#### The Holy Rosary-Monte Cassino Shrine-St. Meinrad

May is the month we honor Mary in the Catholic Church. The Rosary is a great way to do this. Consider adding it to your daily prayers. It is VERY powerful. We pray the Rosary at St. Bernard before every Mass. "There is no problem, I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot resolve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary." *Sister Lucia* 

The Shrine in St. Meinrad has a short service every Sunday in May starting at 2 pm with a short homily, song, prayers and Rosary. If you have never been, you are in for a treat. It is a beautiful service and place to visit!!

# SMG T-Shirt Sales

SMG Youth Group will be selling t-shirts next weekend, May 18 after Mass. Please see SMG on back page of bulletin for more details.

# Senior Mass and Party

Please join us to celebrate our high-school seniors on May 25. Dinner and dessert will be provided directly after Mass. **Everyone is welcome!** Please sign -up in the back of church if you can come.

Our graduating seniors are Anthony Gress, Lydia Siekman, Blake Silva, and Mia Strickland.

We want to wish every mother and grandmother and everyone who serves as a mother a very Happy Mother's Day. Please keep our Mother Mary in Heaven in your thoughts today too!



May Church Cleaners Lori Spindler, Madelyn & Audrey Spindler, Libby Ivy, Kathy Reising, Kristie Dubord Men's Team Chris Fuhs Team



# UPCOMING EVENTS

May 18-19 – New SMG T-shirts sales June 5 – Holiday World

#### New SMG T-shirt Sales

We'll be selling our fresh new Goretti t-shirts after Masses at each parish (Holy Cross, St. Bernard, St. James, and Sts. Peter & Paul) on the weekend of **May 18-19**. Profits go to help cover expenses for the National Eucharistic Congress July 17-21. We have 16 youth and 3 adults going. Cost is \$15 each.

#### Youth Day to Holiday World

Any youth from **incoming 6<sup>th</sup> thru outgoing 12<sup>th</sup>** grades are invited to attend our Holiday World outing Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. Again, we will be going the same day as all the Westside parishes! So contact those friends you know from Savio, Siena or Source & Summit and meet up! Mass will be offered at 9:30 at St. Nicholas Church in Santa Claus (which is right next door to Holiday World). After Mass we will meet at the front gate of Holiday World and hand out the tickets. For those that need a ride you can RSVP a seat on the mini-bus (first come, first serve). <u>Cost is \$25 per ticket</u>. Look in back of church for permission packets. Read the packet carefully. **Parents:** All youth need a chaperone. We need your help chaperoning to make this possible! <u>Forms and payment due by</u> <u>Tuesday May 28<sup>th</sup></u> in any parish office.

#### Bible Study for Middle School and High School

Middle School Bible Study starting May 13,2024 on Mondays night from 6-7pm. This study is for current 6th-8th graders. We will be studying Ephesians for 8 weeks. High School Bible Study starting May 13,2024 on Monday nights from 7-8pm. This will be for current freshmanseniors. Also a study on Ephesians for 8 weeks. Here is what to do if your child would like to join: 1. Text Kristy Kruger at (812) 455 -5370 that your child will be joining. 2. Fill out an event waiver and send it with your child on the first night. 3. Order the Ephesians workbook (On Ascension Press). They are about \$28.





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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 - 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.



# Welcome to St. Bernard

A Catholic Community Since 1877

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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 Ispindler@evdio.org or calling the parish office.

# PRAYER LIST

Kenny & Marcia Reising, Jim Lubbers, Ralph Elpers, Crystal Williamson, Julia Market, Frankie Rynkiewich, Dana Seninger, Doris Hagedorn, Mike Folsom, Ronnie Martin, Judy Schuth, Mary Lou Michel, Johnsie Michel, Fr. Bernie Lutz, Ed & Sue Miskovic, Mary Lou Wolf, Greg & Rose Obert, Haley Oing, David Weber, Jeff Williamson, Jeff Corn Please call Terri to add or remove someone 677-0511. Let us know when someone can come off the list.

Saturday, May 11, 2024 ~ The Ascension