



Parish Picnic – 2026

We are deeply grateful to all who made our parish picnic a grand success. We extend our sincere gratitude to the Knights of Columbus and the Parish Council for their hard work, dedication, and countless hours of service in making our Parish Picnic a great success. Your careful planning, generous spirit, and willingness to serve helped create a wonderful day of fellowship and celebration for our parish family.

A special word of thanks to all our dedicated volunteers, donors and the many parishioners who contributed their time, energy and generosity. Your dedication, kindness, and generosity brought joy, community, and lasting memories to all who attended.

Thank you to all our parishioners who participated in this year's Parish Picnic. Your presence, fellowship, and joyful spirit made the day truly special and helped strengthen the bonds of our parish family. We are grateful for your support and enthusiasm, which contributed greatly to the success of this wonderful event. May God bless each of you for helping make our parish community a vibrant and welcoming place.

- Fr. Stan

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St. Bernard of Clairvaux

Feast Day: August 20th

Bernard was born in 1090 to a wealthy noble family in France. He had status, education, opportunity -- yet his heart was set on something greater.

At age 22, Bernard entered the newly founded Cistercian Order, a branch of the Benedictines focused on simplicity, silence, and prayer. He later founded the monastery of Clairvaux. Despite his desire for a quiet life, he was called upon to preach, advise popes and settle theological debates.

His preaching was known for being powerful, poetic, and centered on Jesus. He had a profound love for Scripture and wrote extensively about the personal, intimate love between the soul and Christ. One of his most famous lines: "The measure of love is love without measure."

St. Bernard died in 1158 and was canonized just 21 years later.

Our Lady of Czestochowa

Feast Day: August 26

All who wish to join in praying the 9-day Novena to Our Lady of Czestochowa, please pray the prayer below in her honor starting on August 18th and ending on her feast day, August 26th.

Prayer:

Holy Mother of Czestochowa, Thou art full of grace, goodness and mercy. I consecrate to Thee all my thoughts, words and actions--my soul and body. I beseech Thy blessings and especially prayers, for my salvation. Today, I consecrate myself to Thee, Good Mother, totally -- with body and soul amid joy and sufferings to obtain for myself and others Thy blessings on this earth and eternal life in Heaven. Amen.



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PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS

Owen Rectory: Tuesday & Thursday: 9:00AM-12:00PM

Thorp Catholic School: Wednesday: 9:00AM-12:00PM

Thorp Rectory: Friday: 9:00AM-12:00PM

For Baptism, Marriage, Anointing and Funeral preparation, Confessions and Counseling, you may approach the Pastor during these office hours. For any emergency and other urgent matters, you may call at any time.

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NOTE: Online bulletins available stbernardsthedwig.org and [myParish Classic App](#)



"Great is your faith."

- Matthew 15:28

In today's Gospel we are reminded to trust the Lord even when it seems He is not answering our prayers.

Jesus certainly challenged the Canaanite woman who cried out to Him on behalf of her daughter. At first, He did not say a word in answer to her. Undeterred, she continued to seek Him, and He continued to test her faith. This reminds us that perseverance in faith is vital, and we need to trust our Lord even when answers seem delayed or when it seems he is not hearing us.

Our trust in God is tested at times – but those are often the moments He is doing His greatest work within us.

Let us persevere in faith, trusting that His plan is always leading us toward the joy He has prepared for us, and that trusting in His plan deepens our faith and spiritual growth.

MASSSES:

Weekends: Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm St. Bernard-St. Hedwig

Sunday: 8:00am Holy Rosary

10:00am St Bernard-St Hedwig

Weekdays: Tuesday & Thursday: 8:30am Holy Rosary

Wednesday & Friday: 8:15am TCS

PLEASE CONSIDER OUR BULLETIN ADVERTISERS' SERVICES FOR YOUR NEEDS

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 16, 2026

HR = Holy Rosary, Owen / **SBSH** = St Bernard-St Hedwig, Thorp/ **TCS** = Thorp Catholic School Chapel, Thorp

SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Saturday, August 15 - Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary
4:00pm **SBSH** † Kristine Rudnick, by Dave & Pauline Haas
Sunday, August 16 - 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am **HR** † In Loving Memory of Sister Mary Jean Etten,
by Ken & Sue Koltis

10:00am **SBSH** † Jeanette Van Ert, by Family
Monday, August 17
8:15am **TCS** † No Communion Service

Tuesday, August 18
8:30am **HR** † Clyde & Beverly Peissig, by Neil Krause

Wednesday, August 19
8:15am **SBSH** † Craig Osowski, by Friend
10:00am **CCLRC** † Special Intention for Healing for
Roseanne Suda, by Lana Ciszewski

Thursday, August 20 - St. Bernard
8:30am **HR** † Janet Krause, by Janet Krause Memorial Fund

Friday, August 21
8:15am **SBSH** † Special Intention
2:00pm **SUNLIGHT** † Edward Hempleman, by Thorp PCCW

Saturday, August 22
4:00pm **SBSH** † Paul and Mason Marek & Brian Heiser,
by Allen & Renee Marek

Sunday, August 23 - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am **HR** † In Loving Memory of Don Schindler,
by Theresa Schindler
10:00am **SBSH** † Nellie Purkapile, Ray Purkapile and
Duane Draeger, by Roger & Arlene Straskowski

IMPORTANT NOTICE - OPEN HOURS
SBSH Church: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 7am-4pm
Saturday 7:00am-5:00pm Sunday 7:00am-11:30am
TCS Chapel: Wednesday 7:30am-Thursday 2:00am
Monday, Tuesday, & Friday 7:30am-3:30pm

CZESTOCHOWA MASS—Last Saturday of the month 7:00pm.
ST. BERNARD-ST. HEDWIG Eucharistic Adoration
TCS—Every Wednesday 9:00am-Thursday 2:00am

CONFESSIONS:
TCS: Wednesday 7:50am to 8:10am
SBSH: Saturday 3:30pm to 3:55pm
HR: Thursday 8:05am-8:25am & Sunday 7:30am-7:55am

Pastoral Anointing of the Sick, Baptism, Confirmation, Marriage:
Fr. Stan 608-881-9265
Parish Office: Holy Rosary 715-229-0606 or
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Ahora tenemos misales in Espanol. Nuestros Hispano
hablantes los pueden encounter en la entrada de la iglesia.
Holy Rosary and St Bernard-St Hedwig

Offerings from the week of August 3, 2026 thru August 9, 2026		
Inspired by the Spirit:	SB-SH	HR
Goal	\$285,000.00	\$70,000.00
Pledged	\$187,885.00	\$100,039.75
Paid In	\$152,455.00	\$82,949.75
Received Back	\$85,840.48	\$57,820.06
Diocesan Appeal:		
Goal	\$30,165.00	\$10,905.00
Paid In	\$21,265.00	\$11,430.00
Adult Envelopes:	\$3,509.00	\$713.00
Offertory:	\$336.00	\$192.00
ACH Adult Envelopes:	\$45.00	
TCS	\$280.00	
Building & Maintenance:	\$76.00	\$1,170.00
Assumption:	\$60.00	
Candles:	\$123.50	\$23.00
Total:	\$4,429.50	\$2,098.00

Holy Rosary News:

Holy Rosary Parish is looking for faith-filled individuals to enrich our **Religious Education Program**. We have two key openings:

- 1) Evening Religious Education Teacher (Grades 6-8): Guide our middle school youth in their faith journey. We're seeking someone with a strong Catholic faith and a passion for teaching, able to create an engaging learning environment during weekly evening classes.
- 2) Substitute Religious Education Teachers: Join our team to provide flexible support across all grade levels, ensuring continuous faith development for our children and youth.

This is a wonderful chance to serve our parish community and contribute to the spiritual growth of our youth.
For more details or to express your interest, please contact Cindy Frese or the parish office.

A **\$300.00 donation** was given to the Holy Rosary Choir in honor and memory of Joe & Margaret Hiebsch, Mathew Lukowicz, Mary Jane & Bob Eckert, Stan Greschner, and Gerald Hiebsch. Thank you so much for this generous donation. It is greatly appreciated!!

Holy Rosary PCCW: Thank you to St. Catherine and many other circles that baked, set up, or served for Virgie Miller’s funeral. RIP Virgie.

Beware! If you get a text or e-mail “supposedly” from Fr. Stan asking for gift cards, money or any other donation, it is most likely a scam. Please ignore the request and make sure such communication from anyone is legitimate.

Pastor writes...

MISSION COOPERATION PLAN - 2026

Let us all welcome Father Kabiriyal, a Franciscan Capuchin missionary from India who will celebrate all the weekend masses and make an appeal for the missionary work of the Franciscan Capuchins of the Mary Queen of Peace in Tamil Nadu, India.

Let us generously help and support their missions through our financial assistance and continue to pray for their successful missions in India, Zimbabwe, Sri Lanka, and other mission areas.

This Weekend, I am celebrating all the weekend masses and making an appeal to the parishioners of St. Joseph Parish, Arkansaw, and St. John the Baptist Parish, Plum City, Wisconsin, for my diocese back in India. Hence, I earnestly request your fervent prayers for the success of my mission.

- Father Stan

SBSH PCCW News:

Thrift Sale and Chicken Dinner Sales

Words cannot express how thankful we are for all your help at the Summer 2-Week Thrift and Chicken Dinner Sale. We are so grateful for your time, talent and treasures provided. Your hard work made the sale a great success.

After the sale, many items continue to help others. We donated lots of useful items to several other organizations.

Our gross profit from the thrift sale was \$5,637.00, and the gross profit from the chicken dinners was \$1,500.00. The funds raised from all these sales during the year help to repair or replace items at the Quonset Hall and also help the Thorp Catholic School.

(Since we are done with the thrift sales for this year, DO NOT drop donations off at the Quonset Hall. We would appreciate it if you would hold your items until next year. Thank you.)

**Holy Rosary & St. Bernard-St. Hedwig Parishes
Cash/Sportsmen Calendar Raffle - 2026
WINNERS!**

August 11, 2026 - Ray Luzinski, Thorp
G-Force RPX9 Exodus 9mm *or* \$325.00

August 13, 2026 - John Smoczyk, Stanley
Glenfield Model A 308 win *or* \$325.00

The **American Red Cross Bloodmobile** will be at the Fire Hall in Thorp on Tuesday, August 25th, from 11:00am to 5:00pm.

TCS Times

Where has the summer gone? Students will be back in school on September 1st. Hopefully the street-work in front of TCS will be wrapping up soon so we can resume some level of normalcy. Marvin has been making the floors shine again and Carolyn continues to do a wonderful job cleaning every surface she finds! We are so blessed by the work of these two (and several other volunteers) to get our building ready for students this fall.

Most of our staff are continuing on in their current positions, but Zuleyka Nowobielski will be in a new role working with our 1st/2nd graders and Gabriella Jaramillo will be working with our 3-year-old Kindergarten program. We are delighted to welcome Miss Jaramillo to our TCS family.

For anyone wishing to volunteer this year with TCS or CCD, the annual Safe Environment Training will be on Tuesday, August 25th at 1:00pm at TCS Chapel or 6:00pm at All Saints Parish Hall in Stanley. The Thorp Catholic School Education Committee is meeting Wednesday, August 26th, at 6:00pm at TCS. Any parishioners interested in learning more about things happening at the school or with our parish faith formation are welcome to attend. Please pray for our staff and students as we prepare to begin another year.

In Christ,

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THE MEANING OF LIFE ...

Longing for God is Written on Your Heart *(Part III)*

God really wants us – you and me, and the “Good News” is: God never stops calling you. Never! Even when we wander away from Him, He pursues us. Even when we close our hearts to Him, He knocks gently at the door. Even when we feel farthest from Him, He is closer than our very breath.

This is why Jesus came – to reveal the face of the Father, to draw us back into that relationship of love. He – Jesus – is not just an idea, not just a teacher, but a Person. And when you encounter Him, your life cannot remain the same.

Think about your own life. Be encouraged to listen to that desire in your heart. Look back over your life – those times when God felt close, those times when you wondered where He was. See how His hand has been guiding you, even in ways you didn’t notice at the time.