

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

August 18, 2026 - Brett Baehr, Withee
Savage Axis XP 30-06 *or* \$325.00

August 20, 2026 - Terry Maier, Thorp
Mossberg 500 410 ga *or* \$325.00

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.



From the desk of Deacon Pat:

Good news!

Our one-day pilgrimage for Holy Rosary and Saint Bernard-Saint Hedwig to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse is set! Online Registration is now available! Here's the tentative schedule for the day:

7:00 am – Depart SB-SH parking lot
9:15 am - Arrival at Shrine
9:30 am - Ascent Pilgrimage
10:15 am - Church Pilgrimage
11:00 am - Talk (Crypt)
11:30 am - Break
11:45 am - Rosary/ Confession
12:15 pm - Mass
1:00 pm - Boxed Lunch (Crypt)
2:00 pm - Devotionals
3:15 pm - Gift Shop/ Bookstore
4:00 pm - Depart Shrine
4:30 pm - Anticipatory Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph the Workman
8:00 pm - Arrival at Saint Bernard-Saint Hedwig

The cost is a suggested donation of \$35 per person. The shrine and its grounds are handicapped accessible. Lunch is included, a stop will be made on our way home for purchasing snacks (not included).

Register online at
<https://tinyurl.com/OCT24PILGRIMAGE>
or by scanning the QR code:



For registration assistance or with any questions, please contact:

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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](#)



“Upon this rock I will build my church.”

- Matthew 16:18

Who or what is “the rock” that Jesus mentions? The immediate context in today’s Gospel contains a question that Jesus put to His disciples: “Who do you say I am?” (*verse 15*). Peter answers, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God” (*verse 16*), to which Jesus replies, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.” (*verses 17-18*).

Is “this rock” on which Christ promised to build His church Peter? Is it Peter’s faith? Is it the truth of Peter’s statement? Or is the rock Jesus Himself?

How do YOU interpret “Upon this rock, I will build my church”?

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

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 23, 2026

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

SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

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

Monday, August 24
8:15am **TCS** † No Communion Service
Tuesday, August 25
8:30am **HR** † Thomas & Robert Kotecki,
by Janice & Chris Pechacek

Wednesday, August 26 - Our Lady of Czestochowa
8:15am **SBSH** † John & Carol Sopiartz, by Family
Thursday, August 27
8:30am **HR** † Tom, Laurie & Mary Ann Osowski,
by the Osowski Family

Friday, August 28
8:15am **SBSH** † Sandy Ciolkosz (aka)
Alexandra Badzinski

Saturday, August 29
4:00pm **SBSH** † Frank & Helen Drzal,
by Daughters Pat & Deany
7:00pm † Mike, Chris & Andy Niedzwiecki, by Family

Sunday, August 30 - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am **HR** † In Loving Memory of
Millie Gehrke-Lindgren, by Ken & Sue Koltis
10:00am **SBSH** † Jerry & Maryann Wnek,
by Bubba & Max Wnek

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
St. Bernard-St. Hedwig 715-669-5526

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 10, 2026 thru August 16, 2026		
Inspired by the Spirit:	SB-SH	HR
Goal	\$285,000.00	\$70,000.00
Pledged	\$187,885.00	\$100,039.75
Paid In	\$152,635.00	\$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:	\$1,995.00	\$438.00
Offertory:	\$284.00	\$143.00
ACH Adult Envelopes:	\$975.00	
Building & Maintenance:	\$75.00	\$30.00
Air Conditioning:	\$200.00	
Assumption:	\$162.00	\$80.00
Mission Appeal:	\$2,338.10	\$860.32
Candles:		\$23.50
Total:	\$6,029.10	\$1,574.82

Holy Rosary PCCW 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.

Holy Rosary PCCW News:
There will be a **Holy Rosary PCCW meeting** on Monday, August 31st in Marian Hall at 1:30 pm. The serving circle will be St. Angela. All are welcome.

Thank you to St. Angela and other circles that helped bake bars, set up, and serve for Pat Dowden’s funeral. RIP Patricia.

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.

Characteristics of a Disciple of Jesus Christ:
Identity (July 19th Bulletin)
Prayer (August 2nd Bulletin)
Receives the Sacraments

The third characteristic is that a disciple prayerfully encounters Jesus on a regular basis through the sacraments of the Church and lives in the power of the grace they have received through them. A Catholic disciple of Jesus Christ understands that sacraments are “the” way of receiving God’s grace.
We are made children of God through Baptism. We are forgiven of our sins through Reconciliation. We receive the Body and Blood of Jesus through the Eucharist. Jesus also instituted the Sacraments of Confirmation, Matrimony, Holy Orders, Anointing of the Sick for the sake of our salvation, so that the power He displayed in His public ministry would continue through the sacraments He gave to the Church. A disciple of Jesus frequently receives and cooperates with the graces he or she has received through the sacraments.

THE MEANING OF LIFE ...
Longing for God is Written on Your Heart (*conclusion*)
Start fresh today in your desire to go deeper in your relationship with God - Jesus. Take five minutes each day this week. Sit quietly with the Lord. Speak to Him from your heart. Listen to His Word. Let Him remind you that you are His beloved son or His beloved daughter. It is essential that you be “fed” every day with a steady diet of the truth of God’s unconditional love for you. The reason is because this truth gets “crowded out” through the busyness of life and the contradictory messages of the culture.

The meaning of your life—the answer to your restless searching—can be found in God. And the good news is, not only did He create you and want you, He has been seeking you, and will never stop seeking you, to be in the deepest friendship with Him.

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

SCRIP GIFT CARDS:
Support St. Bernard-St. Hedwig Parish and the Thorp Catholic School by purchasing SCRIP gift cards. While school is out over the summer, call or visit the Rectory (715-669-5526) or stop by the Scrip table after Mass when a volunteer is available to sell.

Attention men!
Deacon Pat invites you to attend a three-day, silent, Ignatian men’s retreat with him this Labor Day weekend! It’s a great way of getting away with the Lord and growing in faith! The retreat is from Thursday evening, September 3rd, to Sunday evening, September 6th, at Demontreville Retreat Center in Lake Elmo, Minnesota. Private room. Free-will offering. Accessible rooms available. For more information, contact Deacon Pat and visit demontrevilleretreat.com.

St. Mary's Fall Festival (Colby) will be Sunday, September 13, 2025. Mass will be celebrated at 8:00am and 10:30am. Grounds open at 10:30am. Dinner is from 10:30am-1:00pm and includes chicken, ham, dressing, potatoes, carrots, rolls and homemade pie. Adults \$12; children (12 & under) \$5; preschool free. Indoor and outdoor seating. Handicap parking on 2nd Street. Drive up is available (call 715-223-3033 for drive up orders). Beer and pop stand all afternoon, other activities include Treasures Galore, Kountry Kitchen, Pie-in-the-Face, face painting, corn pit, carnival games, petting zoo, and a children's silent auction (in a school classroom). Outdoor auction at 1:00pm and cash raffle drawing at 3:45pm.

Sacred Heart (Cassel) **Charcoal Chicken Dinner**
September 20th, 11:00am to 3:00pm, 222761 Cty. Rd S, Marathon. The dinner includes 1/2 chicken, mashed potatoes, stuffing, corn, roll, dessert and drink - \$14.00. There will be a beverage tent, live music, bingo, basket raffles and 50/50 drawing. Free kids activities.

Unveiling the Mysteries of Marriage
One Day Retreat
Saturday October 17, 2026
8:00am-2:30pm
St. Joseph Parish, Stevens Point
“*God destined us to experience communion with our spouse as an expression of our communion with him. This is what we vowed when we married and what it means to be devoted.*” (Schuchts 171).
All ages and stages of **married, engaged, and dating couples** are encouraged to attend. More information and registration information at tinyurl.com/5n99zzhk. Additional questions can be emailed to Dan or Christy: region7.couple@domesticchurchfamilies.com