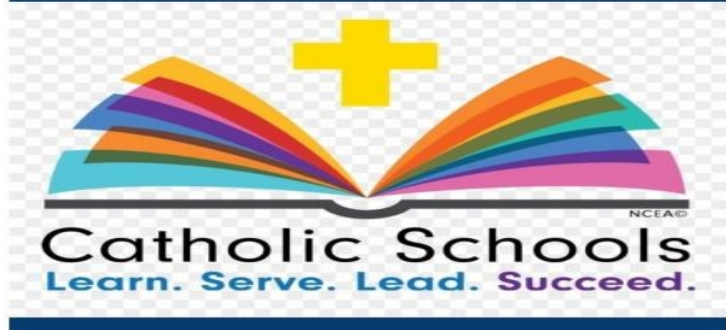


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 Thorp Catholic School is now enrolling for grades 3K-8th grade!  
 Call to set up a tour at 715-669-5530  
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**Attention St. Bernard- St. Hedwig parishioners.**  
 During our recent Liturgy committee meeting, the members expressed a desire to create an opportunity for our St. Bernard-St. Hedwig parish members, to gather at our church to pray the rosary in the event of a natural disaster, mass attacks, school shootings, or catastrophes such as the recent loss of lives in the airway mishaps. If you are interested in being contacted to gather in prayer for such emergencies as the ones mentioned above, please leave your phone number and name by calling: 715-512-0884. In addition, please indicate if you prefer to receive a text or a call. You will then be notified by a member of the liturgy committee when a need arises. Thank you for participating in this prayer ministry.

March 14-Fish Boil and Fish Fry by Colby Knights of Columbus at the Colby Lions Shelter. Serving 4:30pm-7:00pm. Eat in or carryouts by drive-through 4:30pm-6:00pm. Boiled fish, deep fried fish, fish tacos. 1 piece \$8, 2 piece \$11, 3 piece \$12, 4 piece \$13

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**Lent** began on Wednesday, March 5. Step out of your comfort zone and “Unplug” for 15 minutes! During the season of Lent, we are called to become less attached to the things of this world. In “giving up” 15 minutes on the phone each day, this time becomes available for quiet reflection. A compelling way to deepen your friendship with Christ is to read one chapter from sacred Scripture each day. How about starting with the Gospel of Luke, which includes the full life of Jesus? Read from your Bible or search Luke 1 Bible Catholic or [bible.usccb.org/bible/luke/1](http://bible.usccb.org/bible/luke/1)

**Jubilee of Hope 2025 - An Opportunity for a Deeper Experience of God’s Presence** You are encouraged to participate in this Jubilee of Hope to receive God’s gifts and experience His presence in a much deeper way. The gift of hope is especially important for us. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* defines hope as “the theological virtue by which we desire the Kingdom of Heaven and eternal life as our happiness, placing our trust in Christ’s promises and relying not on our own strength, but on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit” (CCC 1817). Ask God to increase the gift of hope in you. Further, make simple acts of hope by saying, “Jesus, I trust in You.” For further details, visit [diolc.org/jubilee-2025-pilgrims-of-hope](http://diolc.org/jubilee-2025-pilgrims-of-hope)

Registration Open: **“Still the Answer”** Eucharistic Rally. You are invited to join faithful from across the diocese on Saturday, August 9, 2025 at the Pablo Center in Eau Claire for a new opportunity to pause, reflect and renew our embrace of the gift of the Eucharist, as Jesus continues to give us His body and blood, strengthening us through life’s joy, sorrows and challenges. The day’s events will include a river walk procession, Mass, engaging speakers, live music and Eucharistic adoration. Take this time to remember how much you need Jesus - and that He is *Still the Answer* for you, your family, your parish and the world. Visit [diolc.org/still-the-answer](http://diolc.org/still-the-answer) for details and to register.

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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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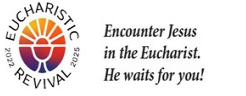


**NOTE: Online bulletins available [stbernardsthedwig.org](http://stbernardsthedwig.org) and [myParish app](#)**



“Take care not to perform righteous deeds in order that people may see them; otherwise you will have no recompense from your heavenly Father.”  
 (Matthew 6:1-6)

**Eucharistic Revival-week of March 9, 2025 - First Sunday of Lent. A Minute with Jesus.** As you take “steps forward,” your faith in Jesus’ true presence in the Eucharist will grow. We cannot simply convince ourselves through reason that Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist. One of the best ways to grow in this faith is to spend some time in conversation with Jesus, truly present in a Catholic Church. Go there and share something with the Lord that is on your heart. You will notice that probably without saying or feeling anything special, you will leave with a quieted heart. Let’s pray this right now and every day this week: Jesus, help me commit to spending some time in conversation with you in Church. This week, read about how we can always find Jesus in His Father’s house in Luke 2:41-51.



**MASSES:**  
 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

**First Sunday of Lent - March 9, 2025**



**MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:**  
**Saturday, March 8 -**  
 4:00pm **SBSH** † Lorraine Ebben, by Jeanne & Holly Frenette  
**Sunday, March 9 - First Sunday of Lent**  
 8:00am **HR** † Walter & Angela Bonk, by their Daughters  
 10:00am **SBSH** † Living & Deceased Members of the Casper & Loretta Haas Family, by Family  
**Monday, March 10 -**  
 8:15am **TCS** † Communion Service  
**Tuesday, March 11 -**  
 8:30am **HR** † In Memory of Debbe Kassie, by Lana Ciszewski  
**Wednesday, March 12 -**  
 8:15am **TCS** † Herbert & Jean Hermsen, by Family  
**Thursday, March 13 -**  
 8:30am **HR** † Bill Strohkirch, by Holy Rosary PCCW  
**Friday, March 14 -**  
 8:15am **TCS** † Betty Grendzinski, by Family  
**Saturday, March 15 -**  
 2:00pm **Traditions** † LaNore Anderson, by Thorp PCCW  
 4:00pm **SBSH** † Leon & Frances Marek and Paul & Mason Marek, by Allen & Renee Marek  
**Sunday, March 16 - Second Sunday of Lent**  
 8:00am **HR** † In Memory of Joe, Chet & Stanley Sniegowski, by Randy & Chriss Plautz  
 10:00am **SBSH** † Cora Kosik, by Ed Kosik

**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, Thursday, Friday 7:30am-3:30pm

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

**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 en Español. Nuestros Hispano hablantes los pueden encontrar en la entrada de la iglesia.  
 Holy Rosary and St Bernard-St Hedwig

Offerings from the week of Feb. 23, 2025 thru Mar. 2, 2025		
	SB-SH	HR
Inspired by the Spirit:		
Goal	\$285,000.00	\$70,000.00
Pledged	\$197,085.00	\$100,012.75
Paid In	\$104,720.00	\$69,510.20
Received Back	\$49,715.82	\$41,107.56
Diocesan Appeal:		
Goal	\$35,120.00	\$11,915.00
Pledged	\$16,770.11	\$9,245.00
Adult Envelopes:	\$2,788.00	\$975.00
Offertory:	\$264.50	\$118.50
ACH Adult Envelopes:	\$200.00	
TCS Envelopes:	\$45.00	
Building & Maint.:	\$170.00	\$610.00
Casa Hogar:		
Candles:	\$111.31	\$3.00
Total:	\$3,578.81	\$1,706.50

**Job Opportunity** - St. Bernard-St. Hedwig Parish is looking for 1 or 2 persons to fill the jobs of parish secretary and bookkeeper. If interested call the rectory office at 715-669-5526 or send a letter to St. Bernard-St. Hedwig Parish, PO Box 329, Thorp, WI 54771.

The St. Bernard-St. Hedwig PCCW will be making fleece tie blankets on Thursday, March 13 at 1:00pm in the church basement. The blankets will be gifts for our parish 2025 high school graduates. Please bring your scissors. Everyone is welcome to join us, and we look forward to seeing you. If you have questions, call or text Cheryl Broda at 715-306-0074.

**Holy Rosary News:** Holy Rosary's Bible Study group resumed on Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> following the 8:30am Mass. We started with the Gospel of Luke. All study materials are provided and all are welcome to join us

Refreshments and fellowship will once again be offered next weekend, Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup> after the 4:00pm Mass and Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup> after the 10:00am Mass. In the St. Bernard-St. Hedwig Church basement.

Catholic Order of Foresters. Meeting Notice. The Catholic Order of Foresters #1338 will meet on Wednesday, March 19, 2025 at the home of Gib and Betty Voelker at 7:00pm.

**Pastor writes...**  
**Grace filled season of Lent**  
 My dear people,  
 We have just begun the season of Lent. It is a preparation for commemorating the death and **resurrection** of Jesus at Easter. Lent is meant to be a time of repentance. The purpose of Lent is to fully recognize our brokenness as humans and the need for a Savior. These 40 days help us to reflect and open our hearts to Jesus.  
 God formed the man out of the dust of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being, so man receive his body from the earth and his breath of life from God. This tells us that we are all mortal beings, and our life span is very brief and unpredictable. Once we die our bodies will become dust when buried and ashes if cremated.  
 Lenten Season remembers us that before the dust returns to the earth from where it came from, before the life breath returns to God who gave it, think of God for ever. It gives us a strong warning that we will suffer eternal misery if we do not repent of our sins, become reconciled with God, asking His pardon and forgiveness, and do penance. It also extends to us a loving invitation to realize and acknowledge our sinful condition and return to our loving and forgiving God with true repentance and a renewal of our life as the prodigal son did.  
 During this season of Lent in all Sundays there will be the Stations of the Cross before mass at 7.30am in the Holy Rosary Church, Owen and immediately after the 10:00am mass in St. Bernard-St. Hedwig Church, Thorp. I appreciate very much if you all take part in the suffering and death of Our Lord which leads us to celebrate Easter.  
 Wishing you all a grace filled Season of Lent.

Sincerely in Christ,  
 Rev. Stanislaus M Antony  
 stanymichael@gmail.com 608-881-9265

- The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>. Lenten regulations are as follows:
1. Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday.
  2. In addition to abstaining from meat, Catholics who have celebrated their 18th birthday, until they celebrate their 59th birthday, are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those who are bound to this regulation may eat only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Fundraiser for Thorp American Legion Auxiliary Veteran & Family Programs. Cash Bingo. Friday, March 14, 2025. Doors open at 5:00pm and bingo starts at 6:00pm. At the Thorp American Legion Hall.

**From the desk of the DRE**  
 Our Gospel for this Sunday, the First Sunday of Lent, is Luke's account of Jesus' temptation in the wilderness. This time through the narrative, I'm struck with the brazen audacity of the devil to tempt the Only Begotten Son of God in such ways. It's not as if Satan and God are two sides of the same coin, or that they are somehow rapt in a cosmic battle between good and evil. No, God's power infinitely overshadows that of Satan's. It's like a small rain puddle in comparison with the mighty ocean. No comparison.  
 So, what's different? Yeah, you guessed it: the incarnation. Now, the infinite power, knowledge, and wisdom of the Eternal Son is clothed in frail human flesh. Perhaps Satan now sees a change—maybe now things will be different. Perhaps *this* is just the opportunity he's waited for to exploit a weakness in the Godhead where there was not one prior.  
 And you know what? He's not wrong. Human flesh is weak. For evidence of its weakness, its frailty, its tendency to sin and corruption, most of us have only to look to our own experience. As St. Paul puts it, "Who will rescue me from this body of death?"  
 But St. Paul also knew well that it was precisely within his weakness that God's power was made manifest. And it was in the mortality of Jesus' human flesh that God accomplished the salvation of the world. Weakness is not the enemy of God. In fact, it is the prerequisite to the manifestation of divine power.  
 If this Lent does little more than exposing your weakness, then I would say it will be a phenomenal Lent. Perish the thought that you and I will white-knuckle it, running on our own willpower, through these 40 days only to arrive at Easter with a sense of pride and self-accomplishment. That would be a Lent not only wasted, but actually acting contrary to the very spirit of the Holy Season.  
 So, the invitation this week is: be weak with Jesus. Acknowledge your lack of power. Feel your hunger. And then cry out to God to make his divine power known in and through your weakness. Give your weakness over to him as a blank canvas for his wonderful creative works. ...and just see what he will do!

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Immaculate Conception Catholic Church 1712 Highland Ave, Eau Claire will be offering Mass and a healing service on Sunday, March 23. Mass at 10:30am, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 12:00 noon with the Sacrament of Reconciliation available throughout the afternoon. Healing service begins at 1:00pm. Do you have a need for healing - spiritual, physical, psychological, or emotional? Our clergy and prayer teams will pray over those who desire it.