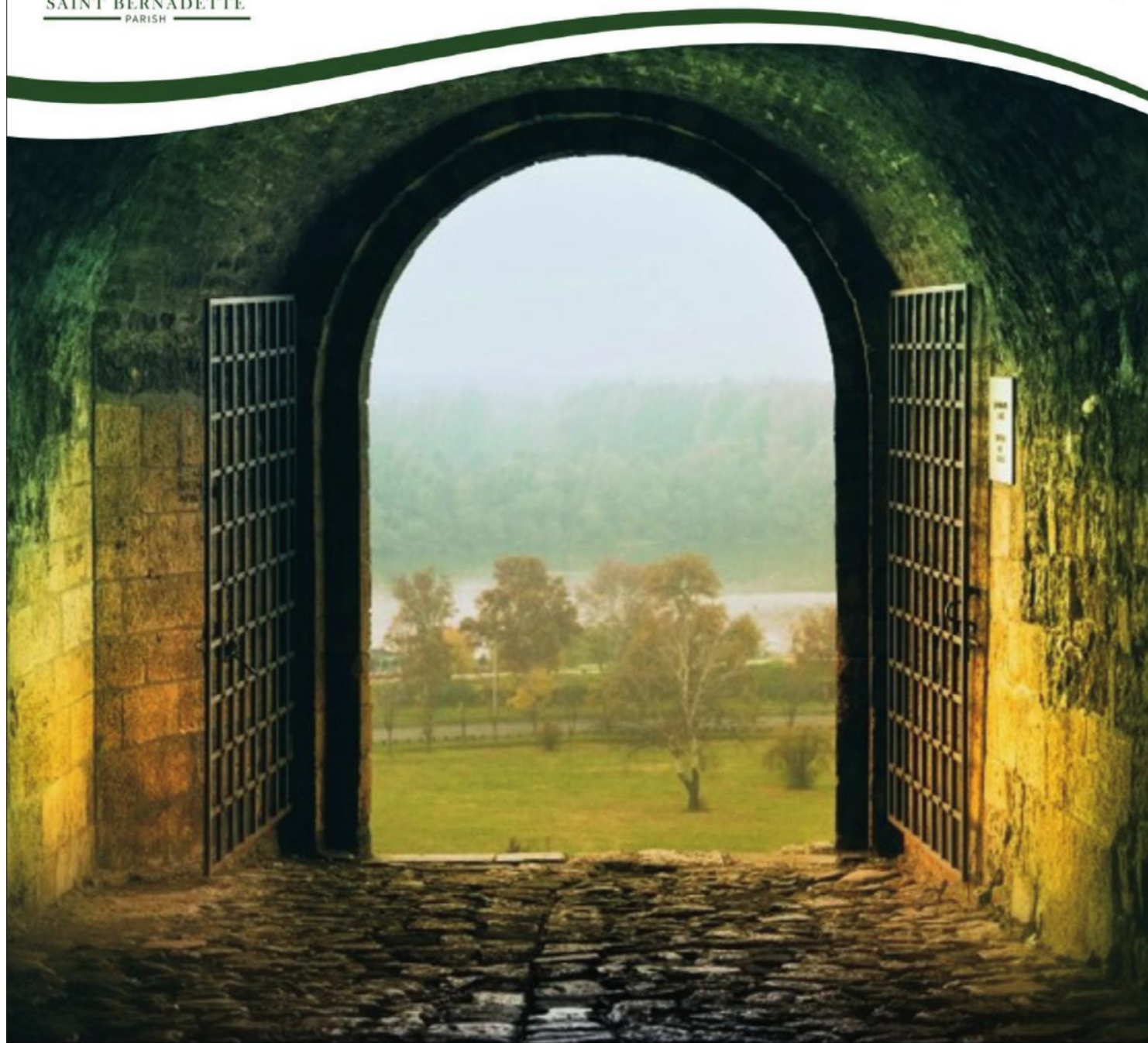




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21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | AUGUST 24, 2025

STRIVE TO ENTER THROUGH THE *narrow gate.*

LUKE 13:22

Dear Parish Family,

This weekend's Responsorial Psalm 117 is commanding if your Christian heart is working! *Go out to ALL the world and tell them the **GOOD NEWS**.*"



To ALL -- TELL -- GOOD NEWS

Seriously? To whom? The homeless family who hopes Habitat for Humanity will provide safe dwelling? The hungry who stand in line for a sandwich? Anxious children afraid to go to school for fear their mother or father will be spirited away? The elderly who forego meds because of cost? Suburban families who struggle to make the mortgage? The person who feels lonely and adrift in life, etc. The list goes on...

Where is this **Good News** to offer those who seek peace, acceptance, and healing justice today? Is it really wrapped in the witness of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus? Absolutely! That's the plan! **Know the Word!** The Message of Jesus must be revealed by **the Words and Deeds of those who believe!** No Catholic gets a pass from **speaking and doing the truth** - that this Jesus came to bring peace, forgiveness, healing and justice for all peoples. **In His Name**, reaching out to others is never a "*feel good activity*" – it's a commitment of heart, mind and body to the God who calls all of us "sons and daughters."

What a shame to miss the whole point of the Gospel...and life.

Sister Donna Marie

If interested in learning about the Catholic faith or desiring baptism, now is the time! Please call the Parish Office for more information!



WEDDING BANNES

III Timothy Halsmer and Veraniz Vazquez

+ Intentions for the Week +

Monday, August 25, Weekday

9:00 Emery Feyes

Tuesday, August 26, Weekday

8:00 Barbara and Emil Haag

Wednesday, August 27, Saint Monica

9:00 Living and Deceased Members of the Keane and McKenna Families

Thursday, August 28, Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00 Jackie Lewis (Anniv) and Mary Bunch (Anniv)

Friday, August 29, The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

9:00 Stephanie Minisall

Saturday, August 30, Weekday

8:00 Special Intention— Marc Bialas and Candace Davies

5:00 Joseph and Carole Bartko

Sunday, August 31, Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 For the Parish

9:45 Special Intention— Paul O'Donnell

11:30 Living and Deceased Members of the Presti Family

St. Bernadette Liturgical Choir resumes on Thursday, September 4th at 6:45pm in the Community Room of the church. If you are interested in joining, please contact Brook Benedict at 440-734-1300.

Christ Present in Action Committee (CPA) Sandwich Making We start our activity at 1:30PM in Dempsey Hall. You may bring sandwiches from home noting their contents. ***Our next sandwich making day is August 27th.***

Attention Lectors: Lector books for 2026 are available for pick-up in the Parish Office.

Please pray for: David Nickels; Linda Mencke; Dan & Jane Curran; Fr. Lanning; Gerri Popovich; Bruce Betz; Frank Stepic; Tom Howard; Nancy Thorn; Bobbie Corrigan; John Dawson; Natalie (Partee) Hallis; Mackenzie Miles; James Tunney; Eileen Jamieson; Mandi Petonic; Mercedes Aemilia Scullion & her Da; Bernadette Andrews; Roberta Werner; James Faddoul; Herbert Hastings; Lynda Arth; The Bartko Family; Vicki Gannon; Lydia Caroline Milligan; Ellen Burch; Barbara Waitkus; Rob Geszler; Betty Logue; Evan; Janice Thomas; Mary Burich; Michael Coyne; McKayla Coyne; Tom Seltel; John Keys; Mary Mertus; Bob Becker; Leslie Ann Kosenta; Greg Harrison; Carol Brown; Edward Presley.

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BACK TO SCHOOL

MASS & COOKOUT

SUNDAY • AUGUST 24TH • 5PM

Outdoor Mass - Bring your own chair or blanket!

Cookout and Fellowship to follow!

Backpack Blessing - bring yours to Mass!

Let us know you are coming!

RSVP



Topic:

First Epistle of James; First, Second, Third of John

SCRIPTURE SESSIONS FOR ADULTS

Monday evenings starting on September 8th from 7:00-8:30PM, repeated on Tuesday mornings starting September 9th from 9:15-10:45AM.

The content for both sessions is the same. Choose one for your convenience. Scripture Sessions take place in the Community Room. Adult parishioners and their friends are welcome! Bring your bible! Notes are provided. No fee, just a desire to learn God's Holy Word!

Attention PSR Families Registration is open and ongoing through September 15th. Please make sure that you register your child by this time so we can make arrangements for materials necessary for the school year. There will be no homeschooling offered this school year. Registration forms are available on the parish website or in the Parish Office. The first day of PSR will be Monday, September 15th. Contact Liz Hajduk at psrprincipal@stbern.net with any questions.

St. Ladislav Bereavement Support Group
Growing Through Grief

is designed to help individuals navigate the grieving process after the loss of a loved one. These sessions provide a compassionate and supportive environment that allows participants to share their experiences, receive emotional support, and grow through their grief. Sessions will be held at St. Ladislav Church. Mass at 6:30PM; 7:00PM Bereavement

Week 1	Sept. 8	7:00PM	Symptoms and Safety
Week 2	Sept. 15	7:00PM	The Grief Shield
Week 3	Sept. 22	7:00PM	The Story
Week 4	Sept. 29	7:00PM	The Stages
Week 5	Oct. 6	7:00PM	Shared Emotions
Week 6	Oct. 13	7:00PM	Coping and Skills
Week 7	Oct. 20	7:00PM	The Story Retold
Week 8	Oct. 27	7:00PM	Strength and Solace



Faith with Fire

will be on Friday, August 29th at 7:00PM behind the Rectory. We will be reflecting on the Bishop's letter, *A Flourishing Apostolic Church*. All men are welcome!

One Wednesday a month, from Noon until 1:30 PM, all those who are **"YOUNG AT HEART" and over 50 (!)** are invited to attend a gathering in the Community Room. The purpose is to join with other parishioners, meet some new friends, enjoy lunch together, a short presentation of various kinds, and a time to chat together!

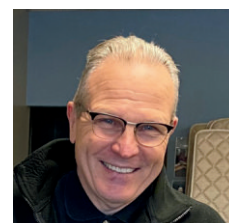


Given limited spacing, reservations are necessary. Our maximum capacity is 30 – this number includes couples and individuals.

Join us for Young at Heart on Wednesday, September 10th from Noon to 1:30PM in the Community Room.

Topic: The Catholic Community Today: Where's the Hope?

Presenter: Deacon Lou Primoic, Diocese of Cleveland



Deacon Lou is founder/CEO of Orion Consulting Co., a national consulting and financial firm. Ordained as a Permanent Deacon in 2005, he "switched gears" and used that expertise in his Diaconal Ministry by beginning the foundation, **I'M IN MINISTRY, a non-profit volunteer ministry** helping local families re-establish themselves after suffering homelessness, family displacement, low-income elderly, etc., **Catholic community service to the needy at its finest.**

Please submit your registration with the lunch fee to the **PARISH OFFICE. Do not use the Collection Baskets at Church.**

Name(s): _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Lunch fee: \$15.00 per person; tea, coffee, water included

Questions? Confidential Contact– Sister Donna Marie at 440-734-1300

____ Registration confirmed ____ Lunch fee enclosed



St. Bernadette's 12th Annual Heart and Harvest Festival

September 12 & 13, 2025

Schedule of Events

6:00 pm – 11:00 pm		5:00 pm – 11:00 pm	
6:00 – 11:00 pm	Grill Food Services (Pulled Pork)	5:00 pm	Outdoor Mass
6:00 – 11:00 pm	Great Lakes Beer Tent	6:00 – 11:00 pm	International Food Night (New)
6:00 – 7:00 pm	Playlist music	6:00 – 11:00 pm	Great Lakes Beer Tent
6:00 – 8:00 pm	Kids Games	6:00 – 10:00 pm	Bourbon & Cigar Tent
7:00 – 8:30 pm	Soubirous (Fr. Joe & Band of Priests)	6:00 – 8:00 pm	Cornhole, Pie-in-the-Face, BIG games
8:00 – 10:00 pm	Bourbon & Cigar Tent	6:00 – 10:00 pm	Caricature Artist (New)
8:30 – 9:15 pm	Rick Smith Jr. (Magician & Illusionist)	6:00 – 7:00 pm	Playlist music
9:15 – 10:00 pm	Soubirous (Fr. Joe & Band of Priests)	6:30 – 7:30 pm	Corn eating contest (New)
10:00 – 11:00 pm	Karaoke	7:30 – 9:00 pm	Dan Zola Orchestra
7:00 – 9:30 pm	Every 30 min \$500 Raffle Drawings	9:00 – 10:30 pm	Movie night
10:00 pm	\$3,000 Raffle Drawing	9:30 – 11:00 pm	Karaoke
10:30 pm	Raffle Basket Drawing	7:00 – 9:30 pm	Every 30 min \$500 Raffle Drawings
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Friday night will include our famous smoked pulled pork sandwiches! Saturday will be International Food night, new this year! A wonderful assortment of other food items and the Great Lakes Beer Tent will be available both days. A performance Friday evening by our own Fr. Joe and his Band of Brother Priests – “The Soubirous.” Saturday we will have the Dan Zola Orchestra! Popular magician/illusionist Rick Smith, Jr. will be back and as always we will have kids games and a cake walk! Also new this year will be a corn eating contest! Please see the schedule for a listing of all the events. We hope to see you there!



Raffle tickets will be available throughout the festival on Friday and Saturday. You may also purchase raffle tickets at the Parish Office during business hours. Each ticket provides 14 chances to win cash prizes! Each day we will hold raffle ticket drawings of \$500 (6 total) and an end-of-evening draw of \$3,000. Drawings will be every half hour starting at 7:00pm. Drawings for \$3,000 will be at 10:00PM. **Ticket price: \$10.00 each. Winners need not be present.**



The CAKE Walk is back at Heart and Harvest—and we’d love your help! We’re looking for donations of delicious goodies: cakes, cupcakes, cookies, brownies, or any sweet treats (homemade or store-bought welcome!). If you’d like to contribute, simply scan the QR code below, visit the parish website or stop by the Parish Office to sign-up. Thank you for adding a little extra sweetness to this year’s Heart and Harvest!

Heart and Harvest Festival Volunteers Needed!

We need many hands to help out at the festival! Scan the QR code or visit the parish website under ‘Quick Links’ to sign-up! Students can use this event for service hours. Thank you very much for volunteering your time to make this years Heart and Harvest Festival one to remember.



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Save the Date!

St. Bernadette Parish 75th Anniversary Gala will be held on Saturday, November 8, 2025 at Westwood Country Club! More information to follow.

St. Bernadette School's 17th Annual Holiday Mart

**November 8, 2025
from 10:00AM-3:00PM**

For more information or vendor inquiries, please contact
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