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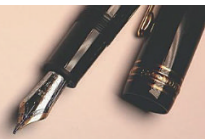
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23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

My Dear Parish Family,

I am enjoying a television program that is all about the developing of one of New York's first hospitals. The series takes place in the last half of the nineteenth century and the beginning of the twentieth. Times, and the technology of medicine, have surely changed and I must say for the better. This month we continue reflecting upon our Bishop's letter. Bishop Malesic takes from the wisdom of Pope Francis that the church in modern times must be "like a field hospital." That means that we must take the healing and the gift of faith beyond the church doors. Where one is suffering, another feels isolated and many misunderstand the teaching of Christ and the church which comforts both body and soul. During the month of September, let us continue to learn about the Mass, to love it, but in particular, to live it. The last words that often are proclaimed by the deacon instruct us to live our faith. The response "thanks be to God" needs to be lived in every situation and with every encounter, sharing our faith in a way that invites others to come and see.

*From the
Pastor's Pen*



On September 16th, we will have our first session of the OCIA process. Now is the time! If you have a question or have been contemplating the idea of becoming Catholic, please join us at 7:00PM at the Parish Office. Your attendance is welcome. We will begin by reflecting upon the person of Jesus who we know to be the Word made flesh.

Let us look forward to the Festival, which celebrates the heart of this parish, her love of God and the concern and support of so many faithful parishioners. As in the past, we can presume that both evenings will be filled with fun, good food, and a family atmosphere. In our 75 years of parish life, the Lord has gathered a great harvest of committed parishioners, many who have returned home to the Lord. This fall festival celebrates the work of God in the past and the purpose of our presence in Westlake in the years to come.

God Bless, Father Philip

I recommend this prayer to you:

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O, Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love; For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; it is in dying that we are born again to eternal life. Amen.



Prayers of the congregation are requested for the repose of the souls of: **Edward Presley and David Nickels.**

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And may perpetual light shine upon them.

+ Intentions for the Week +

Monday, September 8, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 Carole Tagg

Tuesday, September 9, Saint Peter Claver, Priest

8:00 Yolanda Delgadillo

Wednesday, September 10, Weekday

9:00 Richard A. Jenkins

Thursday, September 11, Weekday

8:00 Listeners and Donors of AM 1260 The Rock and Their Intentions

Friday, September 12, Weekday

9:00 Brian McLaughlin (Anniv)

Saturday, September 13, Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00 Bernadette Andrews

5:00 For the Parish

Sunday, September 14, The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:00 All Souls Intentions

9:45 Mary and Ted Cahill

11:30 Victoria Mendoza

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



Please pray for: 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.

Bulletin Sponsor of the Week

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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!

EDGE Kick-Off!!

EDGE, St. Bernadette Middle School Youth Group begins Monday, September 8th from 6:00-7:30PM at the outdoor basketball court. Check the website to register and see the full schedule. We can't wait to see you there!



The next Baptism Class will be held on Sunday, September 14, 2025 at 1:00PM in the Community Room in the church. Call the Parish Office to register.

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

St. Ladislav Growing Through Grief

St. Ladislav Church invites those grieving the loss of a loved one to join an 8-week support program beginning Monday, September 8th through Monday, October 27th, at 7:00 p.m. Sessions offer a caring, faith-filled space to share, heal, and find hope together. Mass is at 6:30PM followed by the 7:00PM Bereavement sessions. St. Ladislav is located at 2345 Bassett Road, Westlake. For more information or to register, contact Carol Burtnett at 440-835-2300 or email at cburtnett@stlads.org.

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Thanks to you and Diocesan, the bulletin is published weekly at no cost to the parish!

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!

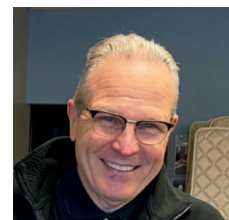


Given limited spacing, reservations are necessary. Our maximum capacity is 30 – this number includes couples and individuals.

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

Christ Present in Action Committee (CPA) Sandwich Making We start our activity at 1:30PM in Dempsey Hall. You may bring sandwiches from home nothing their contents. ***Our next sandwich making days are September 10 and September 24.***



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! 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!

The Cake Walk is back 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, scan the QR code, visit the Parish Office or visit the parish website to sign-up.



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.**

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
Natalie Stolph at NATSTOLPH@GMAIL.COM.

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