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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME · OCTOBER 4, 2026

The stone that the builders rejected

has become the cornerstone

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY.....4:00PM VIGIL

SUNDAY.....8:30AM & 10:30AM

MON. WED. & FRI. 9:00AM

TUES. THURS. & SAT. 8:00AM

LIVESTREAM: DAILY MASS & SUNDAY AT 10:30AM

CONFESSION TIMES

SATURDAY.....3:00 PM - 3:45 PM

CONFESSIONS ALSO AVAILABLE BY APPOINTMENT

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MONDAY - FRIDAY.....9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

SATURDAY.....9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

CLOSED FOR LUNCH 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM, MONDAY THRU FRIDAY

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PODCAST

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Happy October! It is always one of my favorite months of the year. The changing colors of the leaves and the warm, fall bonfires always bring me great joy. I hope and pray that this weekend's Eucharistic Devotions Weekend enflames your heart with the love of God and His healing presence.

A few things to share with you this weekend:

1. Mark your calendar for **November 9, 2026 at 7 PM in the Church**. I am excited to share with you that I will be presenting the first **State of the Parish Address**. After serving as administrator for about four months, I would like to share where we are at as well as where I believe the Holy Spirit is leading us as a parish community.
2. A few months ago, I shared that we are beginning new programs for our First Communion preparation and Confirmation preparation. So far, this process is going very well. However, **we are in need of volunteers** who would be willing to serve as facilitators for these programs. This would include 6-8 meetings during the school year where one would serve as a small group leader for a group of students. If you are available or interested, please contact myself or Maria Nicaise at [440-734-1300](tel:440-734-1300) or by email at mnicaise@stbern.net.
3. Please note that after consultation with Parish Council, the parish listening sessions, and review of the parish surveys, there will be two changes to the Mass schedule. **Starting October 3, 2026, the Vigil Mass will permanently be at 4:00PM**. We will not change to 5:00PM in the spring. Also, **starting on December 3, 2026, there will no longer be a Thursday morning Mass at the parish**. This is because we are now a one priest parish. Should we ever receive another priest, we will certainly reinstate this Mass.
4. Lastly, please keep me in your prayers! Over the next week, I will be at the Priest Convocation with all the priests of the Diocese of Cleveland (Because all the priests will be away, there will be no masses 10/7-10/9 but there will be Communion Services at the normal Mass times). Immediately following the convocation, I will be getting on a plane to spend a week on pilgrimage in Medjugorje, visiting the famous site where our Lady continues to appear. If you have any prayer intentions, please feel free to send them my way, and I will carry them with me while away.

Peace, Fr. Joe



Prayers of the congregation are requested for the repose of the soul of: **Richard Bodmann.**

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

+ Intentions for the Week +

Monday, October 5, Weekday

9:00 Frank and Inez Racco

Tuesday, October 6, Weekday

8:00 Jim McGrath

Wednesday, October 7, Our Lady of the Rosary

9:00 Communion Service

Thursday, October 8, Weekday

8:00 Communion Service

Friday, October 9, Weekday

9:00 Communion Service

Saturday, October 10, Weekday

8:00 Joanne Pucillo

4:00 Frances and Eugene Klingshirn

Sunday, October 11, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 For the Parish

10:30 Shirley Dellaflora

Please pray for: Jim Soden; Charlie Zak; Joyce Klotzbach; Mary Burich; Ron Monyak; Bev Pasko; Mickey Gallagher; Cailyn Wagner; Linda Mencke; Dan Curran; Fr. Lanning; Gerri Popovich; Nancy Thorn; John Dawson; Natalie (Partee) Hallis; Mackenzie Miles; James Tunney; 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; Rob Geszler; Betty Logue; Evan; Janice Thomas; McKayla Coyne; Tom Seltel; John Keys; Mary Mertus; Leslie Ann Kosenta; Greg Harrison; Carol Brown.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2027 will be accepted starting on Monday, October 5th. Due to a limited number of Masses, we must limit Mass intentions to **three per family**. Please coordinate intentions with other family members. Only **one** of your Mass requests may be on a weekend, no exceptions. Thank you for your cooperation.

As you sign up for Mass intentions, please note that after consultation with Parish Council, the parish listening sessions, and review of the parish surveys, there will be two changes to the Mass schedule. Starting October 3, 2026, the Vigil Mass will permanently be at 4:00PM. We will not change to 5:00PM in the spring. Also, starting on December 3, 2026, there will no longer be a Thursday morning Mass at the parish. This is because we are now a one priest parish. Should we ever receive another priest, this will certainly be reconsidered.

Attention Lectors: Lector books for 2027 are available for pick-up in the Parish Office.

Blessing of Pets

Sunday, October 4th

12:15 pm
Front of Church

Following the 10:30 am Mass, spend time with our Lord in Adoration, then head home to get your feathered, furry, or finned pets for a blessing!

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October 4, 2026

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October is dedicated to Right to Life issues. St. Bernadette has chosen the Weekend of October 10 and 11 to sponsor a **DIAPER DRIVE** to assist pregnancy centers and shelters for mothers and children in need. The Community Room on this weekend will be ready to receive your donation of diapers of any size package or box ranging from sizes Newborn to Pull Ups! Please consider helping these Moms and Babies!

Rosary Rally Please join the Devotions Committee and the Knights of Columbus for the annual Our Lady of Rosary Rally on October 10th at 12 Noon by the Clague Road statue of Mary, weather permitting.

October 13, 1917 was the date of the 6th and final apparition of Our Lady at Fatima Portugal. This rally will commemorate that event and respond to Our Lady's call to pray the Rosary, do penance and pray for conversion and peace.

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Eucharistic DEVOTIONS

Please join us for 40 straight hours of Eucharistic devotion and activity from the evening of October 3rd through the morning of October 4th.

If you are available to sign up for one of the Holy Hours, please do so by scanning the QR code or call the parish office at 440-734-1300 and they can assist you in signing up.

Saturday OCTOBER 3

4:00 pm Opening
Mass

7:00 pm
Light of the World
Holy Hour

8:00 pm Evening
Prayer and
Benediction

9:30 pm
Night Prayer

Sunday OCTOBER 4

**12:00 am, 3:00 am,
6:00 am**
Rosary

7:00 am
Morning Prayer with
Benediction

8:30 am
Mass

9:30 - 10:00 am
Confessions

10:30 am
Mass

4:00 pm
Light of the World
Holy Hour

5:00 pm
Evening Prayer with
Benediction

7:00-8:30 pm
Family Holy Hour XLT

9:30 pm
Night Prayer

Monday OCTOBER 5

**12:00 am, 3:00 am,
6:00 am**
Rosary

8:00 am
Morning Prayer with
Benediction

8:15 am
Miraculous Medal
Novena with the Rosary
in the Community Room

8:30 am
Procession through the
School

9:00 am
Closing Mass



Sign up for a
Holy Hour



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!

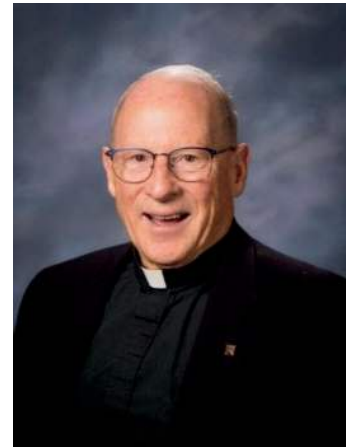
Given limited spacing, reservations are necessary. Our maximum capacity is 30 – this number includes couples and individuals.

Join us for Young at Heart on Wednesday, October 14th from Noon to 1:30PM in the Community Room.

Topic: Leo IV: American Pope Guiding a World-Wide Ministry

Presenter: Father Bob Sanson, JCD

Diocesan Marriage Tribunal, Teacher, Pastor, El Salvador Mission Ministry, Author, etc.



Please submit your registration with the lunch fee to the PARISH OFFICE.

Do not use the Collection Baskets at Church.

Name(s): _____ Phone: _____

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

Scripture Sessions are conducted in the Community Room in the Church on **Tuesday and Thursday Mornings from 9:15AM -10:45AM**, beginning October 13 and again on October 15 as a repeat of the Tuesday session. **There are No Evening Sessions.** All parishioners and their friends are very welcome to attend! Just bring a bible. Notes are provided. Attendees are welcome to participate at the level of their own comfort – ask lots of questions or simply sit and listen. No Pressure! No Homework! No Tests!! **The scripture topic this year is: First and Second Peter, Jude.** For more information, contact Sister Donna Marie at 440-734-1300.

Reminder to PSR Families!! There are still First Communion and Confirmation pictures from this past spring needing picked up in the Parish Office.

Cooking Classes are Back!!

Join us for a special cooking demonstration on roasted pork tenderloin with blackberry sauce, pumpkin crunch squares and dill bread with cottage cheese!

Presented by: Mary Kay Wysong

**Saturday, October 17th in Dempsey Hall
from 10:00 AM – Noon**

Fee: \$10.00 – Lunch Included; Payable at Parish Office.
Reservations are a must as food is being served to the group. Register by Tuesday, October 13th. Capacity of 20!

Name: _____

Phone: _____

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Did you know St. Bernadette has a Devotions committee?

Yes, we do and we need help! The main goal of the devotions committee is to help parishioners to learn about and grow in various devotions to Jesus, Our Lady and the Saints. Through prayer, education and meaningful activities throughout the year, we seek to deepen our faith, strengthen our relationship with God and honor our Lady. The committee hopes to encourage greater participation and spiritual growth within our parish community by introducing parishioners to the rich traditions and devotions of our Catholic faith. Please consider joining this important ministry by contacting Maura Nicholas at maura.kilbane.mk@gmail.com.

New Wedding Coordinator Ministry

We are beginning a new Wedding Coordinator ministry and looking for volunteers who would be willing to be trained to assist the clergy of the parish with wedding rehearsals and wedding day activities. If you have a 6th-8th grade child, they are welcome to assist a parent with this ministry. Please contact Father Joe if you are interested. There will be a training session on November 11, 2026 at 7:00PM in the Church.

Christ Present in Action Committee Sandwich Making More Volunteers Needed— Please Join Us!

Our next sandwich making day is **October 14th at 1:30PM in Dempsey Hall**. We are looking for **additional volunteers to help make sandwiches**. All are welcome, and no special experience is needed—just willing hands and a desire to help others! You may also **make sandwiches at home and bring them with you**, clearly noting their contents.

Whether you can **make sandwiches, help deliver them, or do both**, your participation will help us put our faith into action and serve our neighbors in need. **Please consider joining us on October 14th!** For further information, please contact Felicia Madden at 440-225-3467.

October's Saint: Saint Francis of Assisi

St. Francis of Assisi's feast day is October 4th, (1181/82-1226). He was an Italian friar, who gave up wealth to follow Christ through prayer, poverty, humility and service to the poor. He founded the Franciscan Order. He was known for his deep love of God and all of creation. He created one of the first known Nativity scenes in 1223 to help people reflect on the birth of Jesus. He is the patron saint of Italy, animals and ecology. Saint Francis reminds us that true joy comes from loving God, caring for creation and living with humility.



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Questions?
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The next Baptism Class will be held on Sunday, November 8th at 12:00PM in the Community Room. Registration is available on the parish website by clicking on the 'Worship' tab and then 'Baptism' or call the Parish Office to register.



The St. Bernadette Parish Pastoral Council is an advisory body to the Pastor/Administrator, providing input, advice and feedback on matters pertaining to the effective administration of the parish. Parish Pastoral Council members are listed below. Parishioners are welcome to reach out at parishcouncil@stbern.net with questions, comments or feedback.

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