Congratulations to the newly baptized child
Leo Donald Pszeniczny
with his Parents (from the right) Kali Milner, David Pszeniczny
and Godparents Halle Pszeniczny, Jonathan Milner.



Add it to your calendars!



From the Desk of Deacon Pat:

PLEASE JOIN US
Wednesday
September 23rd
5:00-7:00pm



Visit with other CCD families at **Cindy's in Thorp** for a fun CCD kick-off party! At that party:

- **Registration** Forms
- Explanation of the exciting plan for the new year.

There will be:

- Food
- Drink
- Live Music
- A fun Trivia Game with **CA$H PRIZES**!

This meeting is for ALL CCD families—moms, dads, and kids from 1st grade through the 11th grade. Please come and celebrate the kickoff to the CCD year!

Also, we could use one or two more **CCD teachers** and/or aides this year. If you have interest or would like to know more, please contact me!

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Pilgrimage update: Thanks to all who have signed up for our one-day pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse on October 24th! There's still plenty of room left. Please sign up before the end of September!

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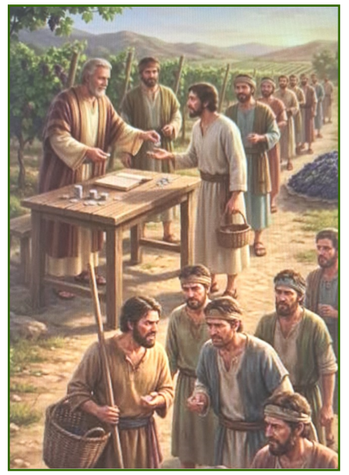
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PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS
Owen Rectory: Tuesday & Thursday: 9:00AM–12:00PM
Thorp Catholic School: Wednesday: 9:00AM–12:00PM
Thorp Rectory: Friday: 9:00AM–12:00PM
For Baptism, Marriage, Anointing and Funeral preparation, Confessions and Counseling, you may approach the Pastor during these office hours. For any emergency and other urgent matters, you may call at any time.



"The last will be first, and the first will be last."
- Matthew 20:1,16a

Today's Gospel included the parable about workers in a vineyard. In what way does this parable fit into our lives?

People enter into the vineyard (faith) at different times. Some people are lifelong disciples of Jesus and others convert at various times during their life. The reward: Entry into His Kingdom. Whenever anyone entered His vineyard, all of us are treated the same. Some feel this is unjust.

Rather than comparing ourselves to others, rejoice in God's generosity and remember the privilege we have been given by being called to work in His vineyard. Jesus points out that the reward (heaven) for our discipleship is fair and the reason others receive the same reward is because of his generosity. As the vineyard owner, that is His right.

As a modern-day worker in God's vineyard, we participate in His mission: To help carry forward the Gospel, strengthen our parish community and share in Christ's love toward others. Be thankful we've been called to participate in His mission and respond by being a faithful worker.

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

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 20, 2026

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

SCHEDULE/INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Saturday, September 19
2:00pm **SUNLIGHT** † Marvin Verkuilen, by Thorp PCCW
4:00pm **SBSH** † Kristine Rudnick, by Dave & Pauline Haas

Sunday, September 20 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am **HR** † Janet Krause, by the Janet Krause Memorial Fund
10:00am **SBSH** † Marvin & Diane Verkuilen, by Catholic Order of Foresters

Monday, September 21
8:15am **TCS** † No Communion Service

Tuesday, September 22
8:30am **HR** † Anthony & Evelyn Kotecki, by Janice & Chris Pechacek

Wednesday, September 23
8:15am **TCS** † Living and Deceased Members of the Wall, Pajak, Schafer and Stevens Families, by Family

Thursday, September 24
8:30am **HR** † In Loving Memory of Virgie Miller, by Ken & Sue Koltis

Friday, September 25
8:15am **TCS** † Anniversary of Bob & Jackie Walters, by Jackie Walters

Saturday, September 26
4:00pm **SBSH** † Donors to the Air Conditioning Project
7:00pm **CZESTOCHOWA** † Deceased Members of the Rudawski & Urban Families, by Mary Ann Urban

Sunday, September 27 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am **HR** † Jean Pabich, by Lynn Verdieck
10:00am **SBSH** † Living & Deceased Members of the Casper & Loretta Haas Family, by Family

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 31, 2026 thru September 6, 2026

	SB-SH	HR
Inspired by the Spirit:		
Goal	$285,000.00	$70,000.00
Pledged	$187,885.00	$102,039.75
Paid In	$153,295.00	$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:	$1,630.00	$686.00
Offertory:	$253.00	$125.00
ACH Adult Envelopes:	$45.00	
TCS:	$10.00	
Building & Maintenance:	$160.00	$100.00
Candles:	$78.75	$20.00
Total:	$2,176.75	$931.00

Holy Rosary PCCW News:

There will be a **PCCW meeting** Monday, September 28th, in Marian Hall at 1:30pm. St. Catherine will be the serving circle.

Thank you to Mauel's Dairy for donating the ice cream served at the PCCW Pie & Ice Cream Stand during the Owen Fair on Sunday, September 13th. Thank you to all the ladies who contributed the great pies, as well as those who donated cash. Thank you to the ladies who volunteered their time to work at the stand. All is greatly appreciated!!

The annual **"America Needs Fatima" Rosary Rally** will be held on Saturday, October 10th, at Noon, in Yellowstone Park, Thorp. The Rosary, Litany and Hymms will be offered for repentance and conversion in America. Please join us at this special event!

Candy for the Kids -- Let's Make Sunday Sweeter!

Our parish children light up our Sundays with their laughter and faith. Let's make our children's hearts and hands a little sweeter. We invite parishioners to bring candies to share with kids after Mass. Together, we can sprinkle a little extra sweetness on their day. Your kindness will be a small but meaningful way to show them the sweetness of God's love. Please drop your candies in the sacristy or at the church office.

myParish Classic App: Be in-the-know! Use **myParishClassicApp** to know what's happening in the SBSH parish and school. Please download and install the app, choose "St. Bernard-St. Hedwig Parish" as your parish, and approve notifications from the app.

Pastor writes…

Air Conditioning Project Update

Dear SBSH Parish family,

St. Bernard–St. Hedwig Parish would like to express its sincere gratitude to all its parishioners and benefactors who have generously supported the installation of the new air conditioning system in the church. Your generosity is helping to create a more comfortable and welcoming environment for prayer and worship.

SBSH also expresses its heartfelt gratitude to the Finance Council for approving this project and the Parish Council for monitoring this project.

SBSH Parish extends special thanks to **Marvin Mengel** and the **Building and Grounds Committee** for their dedication, leadership, and countless hours of service in overseeing this project.

SBSH Church is also grateful to **Joe's Refrigeration** for installing the air conditioning system, **Alger Electric** for completing the electrical work, and **Bill Henke** for his work in painting and attending to many other maintenance and repair needs throughout the church. Their generosity of time, talent, and expertise has been a tremendous blessing to our parish community.

The total cost of this project is approximately **$65,000**. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, we have already received about **$28,000** in contributions. However, a significant balance still remains to be paid.

We kindly ask those who are able, to prayerfully consider making a donation toward this important project. Every gift, no matter the size, will help us meet the remaining expenses and ensure that our parish continues to be a welcoming place for all.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support. May God bless all who have contributed their time, talent, and treasure to this project.

- Father Stan

Local Events:

September 20th - **Sacred Heart Charcoal Chicken Dinner** (Cassel) 11:00am-3:00pm, 222761 Cty. Rd S, Marathon.

September 25th - St. Michael's **Ponczka Pre-Order Sale** (Junction City). PCCW is taking pre-orders for ponczkas. Call Brionna at 715-540-0327 or Kylee at 715-457-5265.

September 27th - **Colby Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast**. Buttermilk & Potato. Colby Lions Shelter 8:00am - Noon.

October 4th - **St. Wenceslaus Parish Chicken Dinner** (Milladore). DRIVE THRU ONLY. 11:00am to 1:00pm.

October 4th - **St. Anthony Fall Festival** (Loyal). Mass at 10:30am. Sit Down, Drive-Thru or Carryout Meal 10:30 to 1:00pm.

ORIGINAL SIN
and God's Unfailing Gift of Mercy
(Part I)

It is magnificent that God has revealed to us that He is one God in three Persons: The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. He has also revealed that He is love. Out of His perfectly generous love, God created man and woman, not because He needed us. Rather, God created man and woman for the sake of their (and our) happiness, to share in His divine life. Our heavenly Father's plan has always been to draw each of us into a loving relationship with Him; a relationship that begins here on earth and continues to grow.

God created man and woman in His image, giving us a soul capable of reasoning, choosing good over evil, and able to enter into a relationship with other persons. Adam and Eve lived in the Garden of Eden in a state of perfect harmony: With God, with each other, and with creation. Our first parents were also created in His likeness, being united with God through grace. Sanctifying grace in the soul is a share in God's life.

God, in His infinite love, also gave humanity freedom. And it was precisely in this freedom that the test of trust and obedience was placed. Our story is not just about creation and life, but also about the reality of our harmful choices – sin – and its consequences. Through pride and disobedience, Adam and Eve turned away from God, committing the Original Sin. Through the deceit of the devil, Adam and Eve let their trust in their Creator die in their hearts and disobeyed His command. They chose their own will over God's, and in doing so, they lost the sanctifying grace that had united their souls with God. Separating themselves from God, fear entered the human heart, humanity became subject to ignorance, suffering, and death, and the harmony of human nature was wounded, but not destroyed. The human person remained capable of good yet inclined to sin, being prone to selfishness and easily tempted to turn away from God.

(continued next week)

CELEBRATE Rural Life Day!
September 23, 2026 - Creamery Creek in Bangor

Join us for the 45th Annual Rural Life Day Celebration at Creamery Creek, hosted by the John and Donna Hansen family and the Justin and Louisa Peterson family. Rural Life Day is a beautiful diocesan/deanery event that brings together several hundred members of the faithful to honor rural life in our communities. Our celebration begins with Mass at 10:00am, celebrated by Bishop Gerard Battersby, together with many priests and deacons of the diocese. This is followed by special awards and the blessing of crops, animals, and machinery of the farm. We conclude the celebration with a delicious lunch and a freewill offering to benefit Project Milk. Creamery Creek is located at W1250 County Road U, Bangor, WI 54614.