

### Give Thanks to God at Mass on Thanksgiving Day

Mass is available at both St. Bernard and Our Lady of the Snow at **9:30 a.m.** on November 24.

### Gems of Wisdom from the *Diary* of Saint Faustina

**894.** Today the doctor decided that I am not to go to Mass, but only to Holy Communion. I wanted very much to assist at Mass, but my confessor, in agreement with the doctor, told me to obey. “It is God’s will, Sister, that you should get well, and you must not undertake mortifications of any kind. Be obedient, Sister, and God will reward you for it.” I felt that the confessor’s words were Jesus’ words, and although it made me sad to miss Holy Mass, during which God had been granting me the grace of seeing the Infant Jesus; nevertheless, I placed obedience above everything else.

I became absorbed in prayer and said my penance. Then I suddenly saw the Lord, who said to me, **My daughter, know that you give Me greater glory by a single act of obedience than by long prayers and mortifications.** Oh, how good it is to live under obedience, to live conscious of the fact that everything I do is pleasing to God!

### Praying Unceasingly: Devotions are Treasures

In 1 Thes 5:17-18, God says: “Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus.”

Thanks to all of you who have been praying unceasingly. Outside of Mass, we are called to pray throughout the day. Devotions are little treasures that help us to pray constantly and stay connected to God and appreciate His angels and His saints.

My father taught me how to pray devotions; I want to teach you about devotions. Also, we have always wanted to follow the mind and heart of the Church. The Church proclaimed June 2009 to June 2010 the Year of the Priest. We therefore prayed a prayer for priests after every weekend Mass. The Church proclaimed October 2012 to November 2013 the Year of Faith. We therefore prayed an Act of Faith after each weekend Mass. The Church proclaimed December 2015 to November 2016 the Year of Mercy. We therefore prayed the Divine Mercy Chaplet almost every weekend, except for the months of May and October when we prayed two decades of the Rosary in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We also prayed the Chaplet because of the increase in terrorism throughout the world, and many parishioners asked us to do so. God will reward us for doing this.

After this weekend, we will finish out the calendar year with the singing of hymns after Mass.

For 2017, we will give great honor to the Queen of Heaven and Earth, the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the apparitions at Fatima, Portugal. More details are coming. For now, be prepared to pray three Hail Mary’s after Mass most weekends and then sing a closing hymn. We will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet in Lent and two decades of the Rosary in May and October.

### The Mass Schedule is on the Website for Holy Days—Immaculate Conception and Christmas

### Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

#### Holy Day of Obligation

**Thursday, December 8**

-St. Bernard, 8:30 a.m.

-St. Anne, 5 p.m.

-Our Lady of the Snow, 6:45 p.m.

-St. Ignatius, 4:30 p.m.

-St. Peter, 7:30 p.m.

#### Second Collection for Christmas Families

We will take a second collection on Thanksgiving weekend in order to sponsor 4 or 5 poor local families for Christmas.

Is there anyone who will help Mary Pat Himes with the shopping for these families? Please call her at 970.531.1935.

#### US Air Force Academy Cadet Choir Coming

On Martin Luther King weekend, the cadets will sing at St. Bernard, Sat, 7:30 p.m. and St. Peter, Sun, 10 a.m.

#### Calendar of Events

**-Dec 8 (Thu).** Immaculate Conception—Holy Day

#### Mass Collections, November 12 – 13

St. Anne	\$ 1406
St. Bernard	1272
Our Lady of the Snow	1615
St. Peter	371
St. Ignatius	299
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4963</b>

#### Vocations Prayer Calendar

*Please pray for our seminarians every day.*

**Sat**--Miguel Mendoza & Samuel Munson

**Sun**--Red Braz & Joe Bui & Luis Mendes

**Mon**--Sean Conroy & Anthony Davis

**Tue**--Ryan Kent & Sile Kone

**Wed**--Carlos Velasquez & Peter Srich

**Thu**--John Stapleton & Patricio Chuquimarca

**Fri**--Increase in vocations to priesthood/religious life

#### Mass Intentions and Schedule for StA, StB, and OLS

**KEY:** StA = St. Anne; StB = St. Bernard;

OLS = Our Lady of the Snow

-Sat, Nov 19, StA, 5 p.m., Jim and Jeri Moat

-Sat, Nov 19, StB, 7:30 p.m., Repose of Souls

-Sun, Nov 20, StB, 7 a.m., Parishioners and visitors

-Sun, Nov 20, OLS, 9:30 a.m., Repose of Souls

#### Weekday Masses

-Mon, Nov 21, StA, 8:30 a.m., Zeb Imm

-Tue, Nov 22, OLS, 7:30 a.m., Ken and Trudy Rozas

-Wed, Nov 23, StB, 8:30 a.m., Lynn/Jeff Klopstad, Shawn

-**Thu**, Nov 24, **OLS, 9:30 a.m.**, Fr. Joseph’s intention

-**Thu**, Nov 24, **StB, 9:30 a.m.**, Fr. Michael’s intention

#### Mass Intentions and Schedule for StI and StP

**KEY:** StI = St. Ignatius (Walden); StP = St. Peter

-Sat, Nov 19, StI, 4 p.m., Parishioners and visitors

-Sun, Nov 20, StP, 10 a.m., John and Julie Kleinhenz