

Church of Saint Bernard

A PARISH OF THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ERIE

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MEMBERSHIP: All Baptized Catholics should be registered, practicing and supporting members of a Parish. Only properly registered members appear on our parish list and are eligible to receive the benefits of parish membership for sacraments, and educational opportunities (including tuition assistance) at our Catholic School. Each parishioner is called upon to practice good stewardship of time, talent and treasure. If you are not currently receiving envelopes, you may not be registered. Call the Parish Office - we would love to meet you!

MARRIAGE: Couples need to contact a priest *at least six months before their wedding*. Registered and active participation needs to be considered before marriage.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office to request the Sacrament of the Sick for family members who are seriously ill. Communion for the sick is taken to the hospital, nursing homes, and the home-bound on a regular basis.

BAPTISM: Both parents must attend the Pre-Baptism Preparation Program. Baptisms are scheduled after completing the program. Call the Parish Office to schedule the class and baptism. Godparents must be at least 16, confirmed and active, registered members of their parish.

PRE-BAPTISM CLASSES: Please call the St. Bernard Parish Office for dates and times of upcoming class.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES OF TIME & TALENT

Religious Education: Grades 1-8, 9 am Sunday mornings at St. Bernard
Grades 9, 10 & 11(Confirmation), 5:45 pm Sunday evenings at St. Francis

Liturgical

Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors

Music Director	Kathy O'Mara	362-2902
Folk Group	Peggy Errera	368-3024
Resurrection Choir	Mariann Pascarella	368-5356
God's Housekeepers	Parish Office	362-6825
Liturgy Committee	Fr. Raymond C. Gramata	362-6825

Parish Community

St. Bernard School	Kim Mooney, Principal	368-5302
Parish Council	George Evans	362-3094
Catholic Women's Club	Joan Yohe	362-3929
Telephone Prayer Chain	Natalie Marasco	363-9110

**BULLETIN DEADLINE: FRIDAY BY NOON,
in writing, a week before insert date.**



PASTORAL STAFF:

Rev. Father Raymond C. Gramata, *Pastor*
Mrs. Kimberly A. Mooney, *Principal*

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 9 am to 4 pm
Tuesday - Friday: 8 am to 4 pm
Ms. Wendy Thomson, *Financial Manager*
Ms. Kathy Bryant, *Secretary*

MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday-Saturday: Please consult bulletin.
Weekend: Saturday (Vigil): 5:15 pm,
Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am
Holy Days: Please consult bulletin

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 8:30 am, 4 to 5 pm, Thursday before
First Friday: 4 to 5 pm. Private appointments may
be made by calling Parish Office.

ST. BERNARD ELEMENTARY / MIDDLE SCHOOL:

450 West Washington Street: serving students,
preschool through eighth grade. Open to
parishioners, Catholics from other parishes and
those of other faiths. Offering Extended Care
before, during, and after school. For complete
information, please call 368-5302.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (REP)

Students not attending Catholic school should be
enrolled in REP programs. St. Bernard, St.
Francis and OMPH Religious Education
programs are combining students. Grades
1 through 8 will meet on Sunday mornings at St.
Bernard Church and grades 9, 10 & 11
(Confirmation) will meet at St. Francis on
Sunday evenings. Both programs will begin in
September.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA):

We welcome all inquiries about the Catholic
faith. This process begins in the fall of the year.
Please call the Parish Office for further
information.



Today might be called "Vocation Sunday" because of the first reading from the Prophet Isaiah and the Gospel passage from Saint Luke. We are privileged to hear from Isaiah how he realized that he had a calling from God: "Woe is me, I am doomed! For I am a man of unclean lips....Then one of the seraphim flew to me, holding an ember....He touched my mouth with it, and said, '...your wickedness is removed your sin is purged'. Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?' Here I am, I said send me." In the gospel, Jesus said to Simon: "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men. They left everything and followed him." Both of them accepted their vocation and became followers of God. Both were willing to do all that God asked them to do.

As we approach Lent this Wednesday, like Isaiah and Peter we also have received a vocation - we are a sent people. That vocation is to follow Jesus. Lent is the time of year where we need to assess our record to see how faithfully we are following Jesus. Lent is more than just giving up things that we will go back to as soon as Lent is over. It is about living out our faith 24/7 - 365 days a year. Lent is about recharging our spiritual batteries. As we know from the Scriptures, Jesus went to the mountain to pray. He knew that He had to be focused on His relationship with His Father. Just as we have to be focused on our relationship with Jesus. It is so easy to lose our concentration and be caught up in worldly activities.

On Ash Wednesday, when receive ashes, you will hear either the traditional or the new saying as ashes are placed on your forehead. The traditional saying is "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return." The new saying is "Repent, and believe in the Gospel." Both remind us that we were not created to live forever here on earth and that our lives have to be geared around our relationship with our God. It is not just enough to say I am a faithful follower of Sunday Mass. Like Isaiah, we are a sent people called to live out our faith on a daily basis. Let us recall the old Latin phrase for the conclusion of Mass: "Ite, missa est." It means that we are sent. Today we say: "The Mass is ended. Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord." May our God bless whatever activities you choose to celebrate this Lenten season.

God Bless *Fr. Ray*

ATTENTION WIDOWS

We will meet at the Divine Mercy Chapel parking lot at 12:30 pm on February 16th and carpool to the Derrick City Diner.

OUR PARISH THANKS YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION

What we sacrifice and return to God through His church will be returned to us many times over.

January 31, 2016 Collection.....	\$ 6,253
January St. Bernard School.....	\$ 523
<i>Average Weekly Operating Expenses.....</i>	<i>\$ 11,053</i>

Please do not staple or tape your envelopes closed!
Thank you



UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Parish Council:** Tues, Feb 9th in the conference room
- Catholic Women:** March 8th @ 6:30pm (Board @ 6pm)
- Widows Group:** Feb 16th, 12:30 pm Chapel parking lot
- RCIA:** Classes to be held on Feb 7th, 14th (trip), 21st, 28th
- REP: Gr.1-8:** Classes to be held on Feb 7th, 21st, 28th
- Gr. 9-11:** Classes to be held on Feb 7th, 21st

Online Giving is easy, safe and convenient

Check it out: www.osvonlinegiving/1845



LAST YEAR'S PALMS

Last year's palms can be deposited in the labeled box at the back of the Church or in the Parish Office.

ASH WEDNESDAY **February 10, 2016**
There will NOT be an 8 am mass this day.

Masses will be at 10 am, 12:10 pm & at 5:15 pm. Ashes will be given after each mass.

DAY of FASTING and ABSTINENCE

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE
In honor of the Feast of St. Blaise which is on Wednesday, February 3rd this year, Father will be blessing throats after the 5:15 pm, February 6th and the 8:00 am & 10:00 am masses on February 7th.

St. Bernard Elementary/ Middle School
Please Support St. Bernard School with your monthly School envelope

Check our website, www.stbernardschool.net
Wed. Feb 10—ASH WEDNESDAY – MASS AT ST. BERNARD CHURCH @ 10 am ALL ARE WELCOME



NEW VENUE!!
Rotary Club
ANNUAL PANCAKE
& SAUSAGE BRUNCH
Sunday, February 7
8 am to 1 pm
***** Fr. Leo Gallina Social Center *****
95 East Corydon Street
Adults - \$8, Children under 12 - \$4
Family max - \$20
 Tickets at the door
 Proceeds benefit the Bradford Rotary Club
 Community Projects
“All the pancakes you can eat!”

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

Mardi Gras allows us a last fling before the Lenten penitential season. Do something frivolous together today. Eat something decadent, give each other a massage, wear wild make-up, enjoy being foolish. If you're the uptight type, let go. You'll have six weeks to exercise your over-responsible side.

PRE-CANA 2016

The next area Pre-Cana session will be at St. Bernard on **February 21, 2016** beginning with Mass at 8:00 a.m. and running until 5:30 p.m. A lunch will be provided. All persons planning a 2016 wedding should make plans to attend. To register contact Kathy Durner at 362-7733 or the parish office at 362-6825.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

Each Lent, the Church calls us to conversion through Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Many people throughout our Diocese choose to give alms through Operation Rice Bowl. This program helps to provide families around the world with the tools they need to rise above poverty and provide for themselves.

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) offers Operation Rice Bowl as a resource to bring Lenten spirituality to life for families, parishes, and school communities. Use the Rice Bowl envelope in your packets to help support this effort throughout the Lenten season.

LENTEN RETREAT

Join us at Villa Maria Education and Spirituality Center in Villa Maria, PA, for a Lenten retreat entitled *Seeking and Finding God in the Ordinary*. The retreat will be held February 26-27 from 7 p.m. Friday to 4 p.m. Saturday. The presenter will be Sister Margaret Marszal, HM. For more information go to vmesc.org or call 724-964-8886.

LENTEN REFLECTION
POPE FRANCIS AND THE YEAR OF MERCY
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2016
1:00 – 3:30 PM

ALL ARE WELCOME
 St. Callistus Parish Hall
 342 Chase Street, Kane, PA
 Presenter: Sister Anne McCarthy, OSB
Reservations due by Thurs, Feb 25
 Margaret French 814-945-6245 or
 Sister Phyllis Schleicher, OSB
 814-544-8017, sisterphy@gmail.com

Sponsored by the Benedictine Sisters of Catholic Rural Ministry

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

In today's gospel Jesus asked Simon to start by "going a short distance." Later he asked Simon to "go into deeper water." The first step toward reconciliation is usually a "short distance" which gives us the courage to further "into deeper water." Reconciliation starts with the first short step!

2016 CSA COMMITMENT SUNDAY

“Be Lights of Hope Through Giving”

This is **Commitment Weekend** for the 2016 Catholic Service Appeal. Our parish goal this year is **\$39,678**, and we would like to see all members of our parish make a gift to support this Appeal.

Over the next few weeks, the various activities that are supported by your CSA contributions will be highlighted. These are the reasons why it is important for us to support the CSA yearly.

Please take the time to prayerfully consider what you are able to give and remember, the parish will retain the monies collected over the goal.



PANCAKE BREAKFAST
SUNDAY, February 14, 2016
ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH CENTER
 Division St.
 Mt. Jewett, PA
9AM to 1 PM
 Adults \$6.00 & Children 12 and under \$3.00

 ★ **SUPPORT OUR SPONSOR OF THE WEEK** ★
 ★ **MILE HIGH PROMOTIONAL** ★
 ★ **PRODUCTS INC.** ★

**MASS INTENTIONS
WEEK OF FEB 8 - 14, 2016**

ST. BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX



Monday, February 8

8:00 am Parishioners

Wednesday, February 10 –ASH WEDNESDAY

10:00 am Betty Comilla (*Cathy Holzwarth*)

12:10 am Joseph Butler (*Ed & Dee Sayers*)

5:15 pm Mario & Mary Pais (*Family*)

Thursday, February 11

12:10 pm Honor of Lucy DiFrank (*Gene & Helen DeFrank*)

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Friday, February 12

8:00 am Rick Wareham (*Bill Peckham*)

Saturday, February 13

8:00 am Homer Everett (*Pat & Tony Pascarella*)

5:15 pm Bill & Mary Lou Cauley (*Mary Anne & Family*)

Sunday, February 14

8:00 am Sally Barnes Campbell (*Tom & Gayle Kochan*)

10:00 am Joseph Gigliotti (*Mary Lou & Tom Kirth*)

Pitt 7:00 pm David A. Jones (*M/M Anthony D. Mento*)

WEEKDAY MASSES WILL BE HELD IN THE CHAPEL

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Monday, February 8

9:00 am Joseph Butler (*Irma Lombardi*)

Wednesday, February 10

9:00 am Philip and Pauline Rose Family (*Ralph Rose*)

Saturday, February 13

4:30 pm Stephen Piscitelli (*K of C Fourth Degree*)

Sunday, February 14

11:00 am Victoria Taylor (*Ken & Lynn Hogue*)

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

Tuesday, February 9

8:00 am Parishioners of Our Mother of Perpetual Help
and Saint. Francis of Assisi

Wednesday, February 10 –Ash Wednesday

6:00 pm Parishioners of Our Mother of Perpetual Help
and Saint. Francis of Assisi

Thursday, February 11

8:00 am Parishioners of Our Mother of Perpetual Help
and Saint. Francis of Assisi

Sunday, February 14

9:00 am Mike Langianese, Sr. (*Family*)



PRAYER REQUESTS FOR PRIESTS

Please Pray for the Following Priests

Sunday, Feb 7 - Rev. William M. Laska

Monday, Feb 8 - Very Rev. Richard J. Toohey, V.F.

Tuesday, Feb 9 - Pray for Vocations

Wednesday, Feb 10 - John R. Neff

Thursday, Feb 11 - Rev. David A. Perry

Friday, Feb 12 - Rev. Lawrence R. Richards

Saturday, Feb 13 - Rev. Stephen J. Schreiber



MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR MASSES FEBRUARY 13 - 14, 2016

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 13

5:15 pm Stephanie Frederick

Sunday, February 14

8:00 am Tom Dalton

10:00 am Jim Colligan



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, February 13

5:15 pm Gene Cornelius/ Sheila Carlson/ Harold Wiley

Sunday, February 14

8:00 am Kathy & Randy Durner/ Marcia Riley

10:00 am Doris Hungiville/ Celia Romanelli/ Teri Everett

HOSPITAL/PAVILION: Rosemary Burke

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, February 13

5:15 pm Aliya & Emma Webster

Sunday, February 14

8:00 am Danny Manion/ Tara & Tori Moonan

10:00 am Nick & Abby Coffman/ Erica Marshall



GOD'S HOUSEKEEPERS

February 8 - 12, Team 4:

B. Spadafore/ M. Block/ A. Frombach/

G. Ulyan/ G. Santora

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEB 7, 2016

Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-5, 7-8/1 Cor 15:1-11 or
15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-10/Mk
6:53-56

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3-5,
10-11/Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20--6:2/Ps 51:3-6, 12-14,
17/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-6, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-6/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-15/Rom 10:8-13/
Lk 4:1-13



Please pray for those who are sick or suffering:

Thomas Ackley, Betty Baliski, Barb Bernheisel,
Shirley Black, Tom Burke, Dick Clark, Fr. Steve
Collins, Betsy Costello, Paul Curcio, Helen DeFrank,
Helen Ewell, Jim Fenstermaker, Tom Ewell, Rose Feldhaus
Family, Carolyn Gatesman, Kevin Gatesman, Pat Girard,
Pearl Harris, Brandon M. Henry, Sandy Holsinger, James
Kibby, Bill Kline, Dr. Edward Konwinski, Lori Kozlowski,
Colleen McNamara, Joe Monago, Lou Monti, Christy Moyer,
Cheri O'Mara, Courtney Prentiss, Lois Romanelli, Tim
Romanelli, Cindy Sayers, Kim Schuler, Steve Skaggs,
Sandy Spehar, Bonnie Swackhamer, Matthew Whelan,
Martha Williams

May they be strengthened by the healing presence of God's Spirit.