

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.



Listening to the EWTN News and Planned Parenthood, I have heard two different perspectives about the rights of woman's health. One is right and the other is morally wrong. Yes, women have rights regarding their health issues and how they are properly taken care of. But it is interesting to hear the followers of Planned Parenthood include abortion as a women's health right. Basically abortion has little to do with women's health.

So, there is all this talk about women's rights, but what about the right of the unborn child to be born? Why is the unborn baby's right taken away (or not respected) as if the unborn child was not a living being? The term "fetus" is used to sooth our conscience, and there are even suggestions that if the child in the womb has some "defect" it should be done away with. But the truth is - this is a living being.

Just because something may sound great, doesn't mean it is good or right. Look at how Satan tricked Adam and Eve in the garden by making the fruit of the Tree of Good and Evil sound great. We have to look at its starting point and ending point. Many of us get upset about the death penalty and want to abolish it because it seems cruel and unjust. What then about abortion? Why is one okay and not the other?

Bishop Lawrence Persico has designated July 24-30, 2016 as **NATIONAL FAMILY PLANNING AWARENESS WEEK**. Natural Family Planning (NFP) is a way for couples to recognize the signs of fertility and infertility. Through a shared responsibility, couples use this knowledge to either plan or postpone pregnancy. **NFP is NOT the rhythm method.** NFP focuses on each individual woman's specific physical signs of fertility and is 98% effective in spacing or limiting children. Many couples have found that after they learn about the beauty of their sexuality and the blessing of married love, their relationship is strengthened.

On Sunday, July 24th, Bishop Lawrence Persico will celebrate the 11:00 am Mass at St. Peter Cathedral as part of NFP Awareness Week. He will take the opportunity to highlight the importance of the Church's teaching on the dignity of human sexuality and the beauty of marriage, family life, and children. There are also seminars available throughout the Diocese from July through December. More information is available at <http://www.eriecd.org/nfp.htm> or the parish office. God Bless, *Fr. Ray*

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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.

July 3, 2016 Collection.....	\$ 8,165
Peter's Pence Collection.....	\$ 1,467
July 10, 2016 Collection.....	\$ 7,835
Average Weekly Operating Expenses.....	\$ 10,936
This Week's Deficit.....	- \$ 3,101

2016 CSA Pledged.....	\$ 45,664
2016 CSA Paid.....	\$ 35,959

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

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Parish Council: Wed Aug 10th @ 6:30 pm

Catholic Women: TBA

Widows Group: TBA



KIDS & CANCER MASS

A special mass is being held at St. Bernard Church on July 23, 2016 at 8 am for the intention of families who have been affected by all forms of cancer. The mass will kick-off the annual Kids & Cancer Motorcycle Benefit Run. Father Ray will bless the bikes at Noon in the Zippo/Case parking lot on Congress Street prior to the run.

NATIONAL NEEDS THANK YOU

Thank you for your generosity to last week's collection for the Diocesan National Needs. This collection combines the Catholic Home Mission Appeal and the Black and Indian Home Missions Appeals. It's purpose is to **strengthen the Church at home** through supporting the funding of essential ministries in these mission areas such as seminary education and lay ministry training.



ST. BERNARD SCHOOL

REGISTRATION for the 2015-2016 school year is open for all grades. Call 368-5302 or stop by the school office during summer hours:

11am - 1pm Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday

Saturday, July 23rd - St. Bernard School is selling refreshments from 8am-noon during registration for the Kids & Cancer motorcycle run in the Zippo parking lot. 10-15 students and some adults are needed. **ALL PROFITS WILL GO TO THE SCHOOL!** Call 368-5302 if you can help, leave a msg.

For scholarship information visit our website,
www.stbernardcatholic.org

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

While school is out, order your gift cards through St. Bernard Church!

**MASS INTENTIONS
WEEK OF JULY 18 – 24 , 2016**

ST. BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX

Monday, July 18

8:00 am NO MASS

Wednesday, July 20

8:00 am NO MASS

Thursday, July 21

12:10 pm NO MASS

Friday, July 22

8:00 am Mary Lou Woods (*Larry Woods & Family*)

Saturday, July 23 (both masses in church)

8:00 am Families Affected by Cancer — Living & Deceased (*Kids & Cancer*)

5:15 pm Andrew Sapko (*Bob & Sue O'Rourke*)

Sunday, July 24

8:00 am Lindstrom & Bator Families (*Family*)

10:00 am Paul & June Nickel (*Family*)

ALL WEEKDAY MASSES HELD IN THE CHAPEL



ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Monday, July 18

9:00 am Alfonse Vogg (*Dan Beeman*)

Wednesday, July 20

9:00 am Lawrence & Theresa Pace and Family

Saturday, July 23

4:30 pm Pete & Jerry O'Connell (*Greg, Becky, Joe and Brandon*)

Sunday, July 24

11:00 am Mass of Thanksgiving to Our Blessed Mother (*Mary Brzenski*)

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

Tuesday, July 19

8:00 am Margaret Schweinberg (*Barb, Gordon, Brian, Jill, Stacie & Rory Tierney*)

Thursday, July 21

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

Sunday, July 24

9:00 am Tina Wood (*Christine, Pat, Sinead, Deidre and Eamon Geary*)

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR PRIESTS

Please Pray for the Following Priests

Sunday, July 17 - Rev. Eldon K. Somers

Monday, July 18 - Rev. Richard C. Tomasone

Tuesday, July 19 - Rev. John M. Schultz

Wednesday, July 20 - Rev. Johnathan P. Schmolt

Thursday, July 21 - Rev. Msgr. Richard J. Stack

Friday, July 22 - Rev. William E. Sutherland

Saturday, July 23 - Rev. Msgr. Joseph V. Wardanski



MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR MASSES

JULY 23 - 24, 2016

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 23

5:15 pm Mary Anne Stauffer

Sunday, July 24

8:00 am Ed Konwinski

10:00 am Andy Kearns



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, July 23

5:15 pm Cliff Ackley/Cindy Higley/ Paul Curcio

Sunday, July 24

8:00 am Chris Pehonsky/ Ruth Dixon/ Marcia Riley

10:00 am Celia Romanelli/ Doris Hungiville/ Lynn Hogue

HOSPITAL/PAVILION: J.E. O'Mara

ALTAR SERVERS

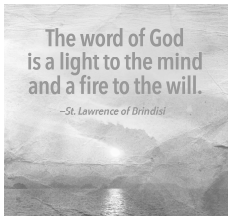
Saturday, July 23

5:15 pm Cara & Laryssa Webster

Sunday, July 24

8:00 am Lauren & William Luther

10:00 am Dominique & Christian Peterson



GOD'S HOUSEKEEPERS

July 18 - 22, Team 3:

M. & P. Curcio/ A. Campogiani/

T. Orris/ P. Curcio

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 17, 2016

Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-5/Col 1:24-28/

Lk 10:38-42

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9,

16-17, 21, 23/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-8/Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10/Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-11/Mt 13:10-17

Friday: Jer 3:14-17/Jer 31:10-13/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Saturday: Jer 7:1-11/Ps 84:3-6, 8, 11/Mt 13:24-30

Next Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-3, 6-8/Col 2:12-14/

Lk 11:1-13



Please pray for those who are sick or suffering:

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

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