

# Church of Saint Bernard

A PARISH OF THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ERIE

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## JULY 31, 2016

**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.



By now, both political conventions are on the record and whether we agree or disagree, encouraged or not encouraged - please don't waste your vote in November by not voting.

Today's Scripture readings remind us that you and I are a people that judge on first appearances. Consider the cosmetic industry and see how well they deal with the external appearances. We are no longer permitted to grow old; we have to look eternally young. In the past you have seen both men and women undergo plastic surgeries to look like Barbie and Ken and they think that they look beautiful. What about inside? It is amazing how powerful the words of Ecclesiastes are today when Qoheleth says: "Vanity of vanities! All things are vanity!" What truly makes a person beautiful is their relationship with God.

There is a wonderful Russian fable set in wintertime and it goes like this: There was a shoemaker who was told that God would visit him. So he prepared a most wonderful dinner. The man waited and waited. The first person he saw was an elderly man who had no shoes; so he beckoned him to come in and warm up by the fire. The shoemaker gave him a pair of shoes. Then outside he saw an elderly woman fighting with a young boy who had just stolen some food from her basket. The shoemaker went out and paid for the food. It was now getting close to supper time and still no God. He looked out his store window and saw a young woman carrying a child; he knew both were cold and so he took them in. The women said that she had not eaten for two days. So the shoemaker had her sit down at the table and she ate the meal along with her child. Later that night, as he sat in disappointment, Jesus came to him. The shoemaker said, "I waited for You all day, but You did not come." Jesus said, "I did come and you did take care of Me." At that moment Jesus transformed Himself into the man without shoes, the young boy and elderly woman, and the young woman with the child.

So our life cannot solely revolve around our possessions like Scrooge from the *Christmas Carol* story. We saw how money isolated him from family and friends. It was not until the visit from the three spirits that he learned what was truly important and began to live. So let us live the way that Jesus wants us to live and that is to see each other as truly brother and sister. Let us listen to how Saint Paul says it in today's reading: "Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave free; but Christ is all and in all." God Bless, *Fr. Ray*



**Congratulations!! Saturday, July 23, 2016**  
**Michelle &**  
**Daniel Scott Elliott**

## 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 24, 2016 Collection.....\$ 5,501

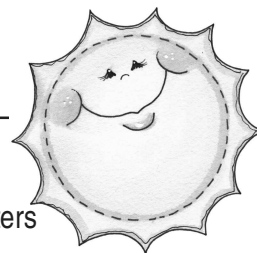
Avg Wkly Operating Exp (FY 15-16).....\$ 11,062

**THIS WEEK'S DEFICIT .....\$ 5,561**

2016 CSA Pledged.....\$ 45,726

2016 CSA Paid.....\$ 36,216

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



### UPCOMING MEETINGS

**Parish Council:** Tues, Aug 2<sup>nd</sup>  
@ 6:00 pm at Beefeaters

**Catholic Women:** TBA

**Widows Group:** TBA

### Online Giving is easy, safe and convenient

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Going on Vacation? Please use Online Giving to stay caught up on offertory. Go to [www.osvonlinegiving/1845](http://www.osvonlinegiving/1845) and click on the Online Giving link, it's quick and easy. Your support during summer months helps sustain our parish.

### CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA

Next week our second collection will be for the Church in Latin America. Proceeds going to the Church in Latin America will be distributed to dioceses, parishes, religious congregations, seminaries and other Catholic institutions in Latin America and the Caribbean. These funds assist in the formation of priests, religious, lay ministers, missionaries, catechists and youth ministers. Please give with a joyful and generous heart.



#### 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**

**Friday, August 12— Italian Festival**

We are manning the Italian Festival beer tent starting at 11 am, split into 4 3-hour shifts. Parents email me at [mooney@stbernardcatholic.org](mailto:mooney@stbernardcatholic.org) if you are able to help.

**OPEN HOUSE Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup> 6-8 pm**

The office will be Closed Wednesday, Aug 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Classes will start Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup>.**

For scholarship information visit our website,  
[www.stbernardcatholic.org](http://www.stbernardcatholic.org)

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



**MASS INTENTIONS  
WEEK OF AUGUST 1 – 7 , 2016**

**ST. BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX**

**Monday, August 1**

8:00 am Parishioners

**Wednesday, August 3**

8:00 am Bob McCann (*Pre-Cana Team*)

**Thursday, August 4**

12:10 pm Robert L McCoy (*Mary McCoy*)

4-5 pm *Confessions*

**Friday, August 5 — First Friday**

8:00 am Don Raabe (*Family*)

*Adoration until Noon*

**Saturday, August 6**

8:00 am Chicki Galbraith (*Family*)

5:15 pm Carla Zandi Shamblen (*Carl & Bunny Zandi*)

**Sunday, August 7**

8:00 am Thomas Hungiville (*Randy & Kathy Durner*)

10:00 am Harry Schreiber (*Connie Schreiber & Family*)

**ALL WEEKDAY MASSES HELD IN THE CHAPEL**

**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

**Monday, August 1**

9:00 am Mary Ann Gatesman (*Helena Mazur*)

**Wednesday, August 3**

9:00 am Fanny Vogg (*Family*)

**Saturday, August 6**

4:30 pm Eulalia Dempsey

**Sunday, August 7**

11:00 am Michael J. Zurat (*Lisa Zurat*)

**OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP**

**Tuesday, August 2**

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

**Thursday, August 4**

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

**Sunday, August 7**

9:00 am Deceased Members of A. Chohrach, W. Hamer  
& J. Manning Families (*Dorathy Chohrach*)



**PRAYER REQUESTS FOR PRIESTS**

*Please Pray for the Following Priests*

**Sunday, July 31 - Rev. Nicholas J. Rouch**

**Monday, Aug 1 - Rev. Msgr. Gerald J. Koos**

**Tuesday, Aug 2 - Rev. Michael Polinek**

**Wednesday, Aug 3 - Rev. Leo J. Gallina**

**Thursday, Aug 4 - Rev. Thomas M. Fialkowski**

**Friday, Aug 5 - Pray for Vocations**

**Saturday, Aug 6 - Rev. Stephen J. Schreiber**



# MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR MASSES AUGUST 6 - 7, 2016

## LECTOR SCHEDULE

### Saturday, August 6

5:15 pm Peggy Johnson

### Sunday, August 7

8:00 am Richard Frederick

10:00 am Jim Colligan



## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

### Saturday, August 6

5:15 pm Cindy Higley/ Cliff Ackley/ Mary Mongillo

### Sunday, August 7

8:00 am Candy Tingley/ Chris Pehonsky/ Ruth Dixon

10:00 am Kathy Howe/ Paul Curcio/ Kim Lance

**HOSPITAL/PAVILION:** J.E. O'Mara

## ALTAR SERVERS

### Saturday, August 6

5:15 pm Grace & Liam Frasier

### Sunday, August 7

8:00 am Noah Meyer/ Gabby Campogiani/ Jessie Kerr

10:00 am Tim & Clare Mulcahy



## GOD'S HOUSEKEEPERS

### August 1 - 5, Team 1:

L Hogue/ S. Madison/

R & J Geis/ P. Pyle

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 31, 2016

Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17/

Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

Monday: Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79-80, 95,

102/Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23/

Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10-13/Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:12-15, 18-19/Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35-36, 39, 41/Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/

Lk 9:28b-36

Next Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22/Heb 11:1-2,

8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40



### 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, Caro Simonds, 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.*