

# Church of Saint Bernard

A PARISH OF THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ERIE

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Bradford, PA 16701-5394**

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## AUGUST 7, 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.



From  
the  
Pastor

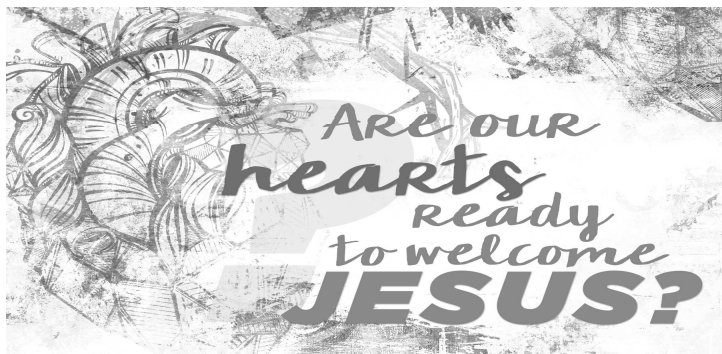
If you watched either of the National Conventions, you would have to be impressed by what took place, or what did not take place. Did the unity come about that they had hoped for? How did they handle the disappointments that resulted? How did they regroup to get their message across? Was it positive or more of the negative? In the months ahead, we will hear about the candidate's plans of action. We will have to wait until November to see who gets elected.

Today's Gospel reading tells us both the plan of action and the results; we don't have to wait till November. From the Gospel we hear these words of Jesus: "For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." To understand this much better, let us go back to the Aesop Fable of King Midas. Remember that he loved gold and was never satisfied with what he had. He wanted more. One day he prayed to his gods and his wish was fulfilled to have the golden touch. So whatever he touched turned to gold. He was so happy. But soon he found out the downside of that wish. He could no longer eat; for as soon as he touched the food, it turned to gold. He was found crying by his daughter, who rushed to comfort him, and as soon as she embraced him, she too turned to gold. He immediately realized that his gift was now a curse - for the person that he had loved more than gold, was now a statue of gold. He prayed to the gods again asking for the gift to be removed. He had learned his lesson and so it was removed.

Our possessions can never give us the love that another person can give to us. Nor can they give us comfort when we are in pain. In the gospel, Jesus encourages selling possessions and storing up treasures in heaven. He lays out a simple plan then - light your lamps and be faithful and vigilant while waiting for His return.

Just a reminder that Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, *The Assumption of the Blessed Mother Mary*, is **NOT** a Holy Day of Obligation.

God Bless, *Fr. Ray*



## 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.*

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| July 31, 2016 Collection.....          | \$ 5,439        |
| Avg Wkly Operating Exp (FY 15-16)..... | \$ 11,062       |
| <b>THIS WEEK'S DEFICIT .....</b>       | <b>\$ 5,623</b> |
| July total for St. Bernard School..... | \$ 582          |
| July On-Line Giving total.....         | \$1,815         |
| 2016 CSA Pledged.....                  | \$ 46,053       |
| 2016 CSA Paid.....                     | \$ 36,778       |

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

*Thank you*



## UPCOMING MEETINGS

**Parish Council:** TBA

**Catholic Women:** TBA

**Widows Group:** TBA

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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

This 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!*



### SINGERS NEEDED

Our resurrection choir, which sings when requested at St. Bernard funerals, is in desperate need of additional voices. If you are available mornings or afternoons and would be willing to add your voice to theirs, please call Mariann at 368-5356.

**Cemetery Clean-up—Help Needed**  
The Bradford Christian Youth Corps has announced **Saturday, August 20, 2016** as a work session day at St. Bernard Cemetery. All area youth (12 and over) and adults, especially area Catholics, are encouraged to volunteer. Come for the whole day or just a few hours. All hands are needed. Call the Parish office for more information or to register.

**EMBRACING LIFE'S CONTRADICTIONS**  
Catholic Rural Ministry Center, 472 Sartwell Creek Rd, Port Allegany, PA is sponsoring a retreat opportunity on Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup> to reflect on the depth of darkness and light in the journey of life. Reservations are due by Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. Call Margaret French (814-945-6245) or Sister Phyllis Schleicher (814-544-8017) or email sisterphy@gmail.com

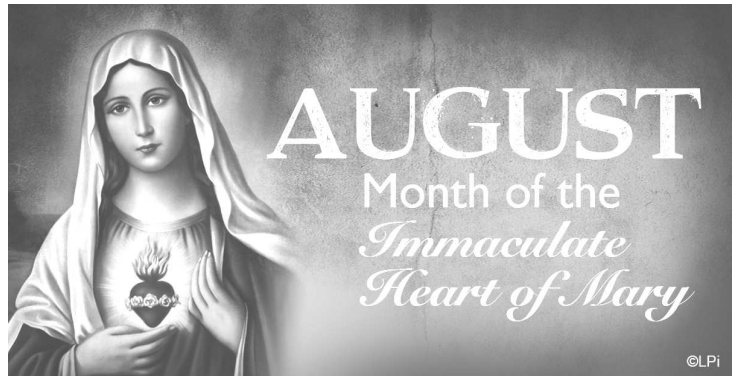
19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Today Jesus warns us his Word will create conflict between parents and children. In a permissive society which advocates individualism and consumerism, parents must continue to teach and live the gospel values of respect, service to others, forgiveness, generosity and compassion. A Christian family is a counter-cultural family.

**ST. LEO'S SUMMER FESTIVAL**  
**August 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>**  
**Ridgway Fireman's Lot. Come join the summer fun!**  
**Sat Aug 13<sup>th</sup>—Festival opens at noon.** Saturday is The Boulder Dash (20 miles thru the woods), Chicken BBQ and the band "Trixx" playing at 6 pm.  
**Sun Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>—Car Show, Polka Mass** on the lot at 11 am with the Friday Niters, *Cash drawings, games, food, legal beverage booth, kids' playland and lots more! Something for everyone.*  
*Come enjoy some good times with friends and family!*  
For more information call 814.772.6487 or log on to [www.stleosfestival.com](http://www.stleosfestival.com) for a complete list of events.



**always FAMILIES MATTER**  
"We are called to acknowledge how beautiful, true and good it is to start a family, to be a family today; and how indispensable the family is for the life of the world and for the future of humanity."  
- POPE FRANCIS, February 20, 2014  
**Visit the Diocese of Erie Family website at:**  
<http://www.eriecd.org/fam.htm>  
**and discover why families always matter!**

### MARRIAGE MOMENTS

The Assumption. Through Mary, Jesus came into the world. She nurtured him, witnessed his passion, and stood by the apostles at Pentecost. Mary's life mirrors God's relationship with us during times of bliss and agony. Despite being the mother of God, she focused on those in need, the hungry, the poor, the lowly. Let go of your importance today and join Mary.

Wedding Banns  
*Alison Renee Armstrong & Frederick Malcolm Graham*

### Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments

**Online Safety Tips for Parents & Kids:** Be sure to talk to your kids about cyber bullying. Four out of ten kids have been bullied online and five out of ten have said mean things about others online. Cyber bullying continues to grow and the ultimate tragic result can be suicide. Most kids who suffer or experience cyberbullying do not tell their parents as they are afraid they will lose their online privileges. To see what the Diocese of Erie is doing to help create safe environments, check out <http://www.eriecd.org/protectyouth.htm>

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★ **UNIVERSITY** ★  
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**MASS INTENTIONS  
WEEK OF AUGUST 8 – 14 , 2016**

**ST. BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX**

**Monday, August 8**

8:00 am Parishioners

**Wednesday, August 10**

8:00 am NO MASS

**Thursday, August 11**

12:10 pm NO MASS

**Friday, August 12**

8:00 am NO MASS

**Saturday, August 13—both masses in church**

8:00 am Helen Platko (*Family*)

5:15 pm Mario Magnella (*Barb Irons & Family*)

**Sunday, August 14**

8:00 am Dorothy & Robert Geitner (*Family*)

10:00 am Deceased members of the Cuiffini Family  
(*Family*)



**ALL WEEKDAY MASSES HELD IN THE CHAPEL**

**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

**Monday, August 8**

9:00 am Kevin Gatesman (*Mr. & Mrs. John Recny*)

**Wednesday, August 10**

9:00 am Rosario Fabin Family

**Saturday, August 13**

4:30 pm Carla Zandi Shamblen (*Carl & Bunny Zandi*)

**Sunday, August 14**

11:00 am Marian B. Freaney (*Richard & Ann Cavallero*)

**OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP**

**Tuesday, August 9**

8:00 am Sue O'Connell Terry (*Dad & Mary*)

**Thursday, August 11**

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

**Sunday, August 13**

9:00 am Nick Schiappa (*Family*)

Correction July 31

George Hodak (*Barb Zamberlan and Family*)



**PRAYER REQUESTS FOR PRIESTS**

*Please Pray for the Following Priests*

**Sunday, Aug 7 - Rev. William R. Barron**

**Monday, Aug 8 - Rev. Matthew J. Ruyechan**

**Tuesday, Aug 9 - Rev. Thomas L. Tyler**

**Wednesday, Aug 10 - Rev. Casimir J. Wozniak**

**Thursday, Aug 11 - Rev. Robert I. Humenay**

**Friday, Aug 12 - Rev. William M. Laska**

**Saturday, Aug 13 - Rev. Daniel C. Wolfel, O.S.B.**



# MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR MASSES AUGUST 13 - 14, 2016

## LECTOR SCHEDULE

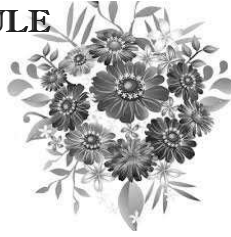
### Saturday, August 13

5:15 pm Stephanie Frederick

### Sunday, August 14

8:00 am Candy Tingley

10:00 am Tom Dalton



## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

### Saturday, August 13

5:15 pm Chuck Beattie/ Volunteer/ Volunteer

### Sunday, August 14

8:00 am Marcia Riley/ Ruth Dixon/ Joan Yohe

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

**HOSPITAL/PAVILION:** Rosemary Burke

## ALTAR SERVERS

### Saturday, August 13

5:15 pm Aliya & Emma Webster

### Sunday, August 14

8:00 am Danny Manion/ Tara & Tori Moonan

10:00 am Andy Truman/ Abby Coffman/ Erica Marshall



## GOD'S HOUSEKEEPERS

### August 9 - 12, Team 2:

D. Jadowiec/ C. Bennett/ P. Foote

V. Comilla/ D. & L. Williams

K. Smeal/ K. Colligan

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUG 7, 2016

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

Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-14/Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Ez 2:8--3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/  
Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-9/Jn 12:24-26

Thursday: Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-59, 61-62/Mt 18:21--19:1

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-6/  
Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/

Ps 51:12-15, 18-19/Mt 19:13-15

Next Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2-4, 18/

Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53



### 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.*