

# Church of Saint Bernard

A PARISH OF THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ERIE

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## AUGUST 21, 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.



As the Presidential election gets closer, we have become a very impassioned people - either for or against a particular candidate. Some may just feel betrayed. One thing for sure, we are very eager to give our opinion, whether or not the person wants to hear it.

Let us listen to a passage from today's Gospel: "After the master of the house has arisen and locked the door, then will you stand outside knocking and saying, 'Lord, open the door for us.' He will say to you in reply, 'I do not know where you are from.' And you will say, 'We ate and drank in your company and you taught in our streets.' Then he will say to you, 'I do not know where you are from. Depart from me, all you evil doers!'"

What is the meaning behind this parable? It is Jesus warning us that it is not easy to be saved and the opportunity will diminish over time. The choices we make can change us into someone unrecognizable. As Catholic Christians, we are committed to living out our faith. Our actions/deeds should reflect our commitment to God.

Let me use the example of what I call "Parking Lot Catholics". In church, these people do everything right and may look holier than you. But as they are leaving church, you have to be careful lest they run over you because you are holding them up from shopping at a mall, grocery shopping, or some other activity important to them.

Jesus does not want us to live a double standard - to act one way in church and another way outside of church. What we learn in church we must take with us and not only live it out, but share it with others. Just as we are so involved with our political candidate of choice and actively campaign for that person; so we must also actively campaign for our God. Let us put more effort into living out our faith on a daily basis, than what we put into this year's political campaign

P.S. We found a set of keys in the church. Please call the office .

God Bless, *Fr. Ray*

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION**

Anyone interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic Faith is invited to attend the R.C.I.A. class-es beginning Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at Noon in the parish conference room. Please contact the office at 362-6825 for more information.

**MARRIAGE MOMENTS**

"Love is work. It's good work, if you can get it. But it's work, nevertheless." (Benjamin Cheever) Name one thing your beloved has done for you that you know took extra effort on their part.

**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.*

August 14, 2016 Collection.....\$ 5,629  
 Avg Wkly Operating Exp (FY 15-16).....\$ 11,062  
**THIS WEEK'S DEFICIT.....\$ 5,431**  
 Latin America Collection.....\$ 945

2016 CSA Pledged.....\$ 46,329  
 2016 CSA Paid.....\$ 37,854

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



**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**Parish Council:** September 14 @ 6:30 pm  
**Catholic Women:** Breakfast, Sept 11 at Togi's  
**Widows Group:** TBA

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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2016-17**

St. Bernard, St. Francis and OMPH Religious Education programs will continue to combine students.

**Grades 1-8 will meet at St. Bernard Social Center on Sunday mornings at 9 am beginning on Sunday, Sept 18<sup>th</sup>. Registration packets for Grades 1-8 will be available Sept 3/4 and Sept 10/11 after masses at St. Bernard.** Return registration to the parish office or at the first class. For questions concerning grades 1-8 contact St. Bernard Parish office with @ 362-6825.

**Grades 9-10-11 (Confirmation Class) will meet at St. Francis' Fr. Ritchie Hall from 5:45-7:15 pm on Sunday evenings BEGINNING ON SUNDAY SEPT 11<sup>th</sup>. Registration for Grades 9-11 will be at the time of class on Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>. For questions concerning grades 9, 10 & 11 contact the St. Francis/OMPH office @ 368-6959 .**

**ST. BERNARD SCHOOL**

REGISTRATION for the 2016-2017 school year is still open for all grades. Call 368-5302 or stop by the school office:  
**10am - 1pm August 21, 22 & 23<sup>rd</sup>**

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



**Classes will start Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**Office hours return to 8am-5pm, M-F**

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

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION** **TEACHERS NEEDED**  
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We are in need of teachers in the 1-8 grade REP program which will meet here at 9 am Sundays in the St. Bernard Social Center starting September 18<sup>th</sup>. Contact the office (362-6825) for more information.

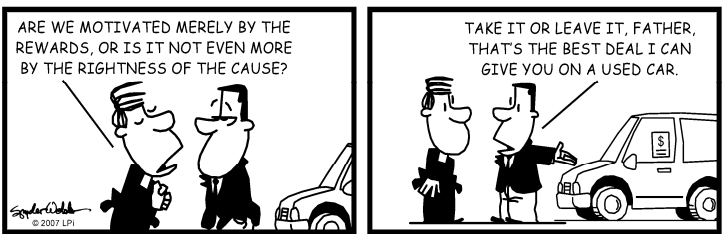
**WORD OF LIFE**

Human life must always be defended from its beginning in the womb and must be recognized as a gift of God that guarantees the future of humanity. – Pope Francis, Letter to Brazilian families for National Family Week, August 6, 2013

**“AMERICA...WE MUST NOT FORGET”**  
**Patriot Sunday, September 11, 2016**  
**@ 6:30 pm at St. Bernard Church**

This patriotic musical features **All 4 ONE** (over 30 local Christian singers from 15 area churches), and will honor area fire fighters, police officers, EMT's, and veterans. Come with family and friends to enjoy inspiring music and show support for those who serve us in times of need and keep us safe. *Free-Will Offering will benefit a local charity.*

**Attention!** St. Bernard Alumni who have not received their reservation letters for the upcoming dinner, please call Fran (Tubby) Colella A.S.A.P. at 368-8557.

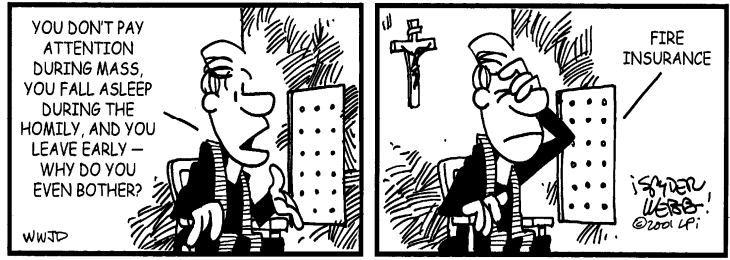


**ZABAWA IS COMING!**  
**Holy Trinity Parish 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Zabawa Polish Heritage Festival**  
 E. 23<sup>rd</sup> and Reed streets, Erie  
**Aug 26 from 5 to 10 pm, Aug 27 from 1 to 10:30 pm, & Aug 28 from noon to 6 pm**

The event includes Polka Masses on Saturday at 5 pm and on Sunday at 11 am Bishop Lawrence Persico will celebrate the Saturday evening Mass with Father Stanley Swacha. Admission is free and all activities are under cover and handicapped accessible. Free additional parking and shuttle service to and from the festival grounds is available at Ss. Peter & Paul Byzantine Catholic Church at E. 34th and Ash Streets. For more information, visit [www.holytrinityrc.org](http://www.holytrinityrc.org) or call 814-456-0671

Please Notice This **YOUR PARISH IS IN NEED**  
**Our parish ministries are in need of volunteers!!** Please consider becoming a **lector** or **Eucharistic minister** or **singing in the weekly** or **resurrection choirs** or becoming an **Altar server** — **ALL ARE NEEDED.** If you can help, even occasionally, contact the parish office at 362-6825.

21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**COMMUNITY BLOOD BANK**  
 The Blood Bank will be available in the St. Bernard Gymnasium Monday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> from 12:00 Noon until 5:30 p.m.

**always FAMILIES MATTER**

"As the family goes, so goes the nation and so goes the whole world in which we live." — POPE JOHN PAUL II, Dec. 7, 1986

**Visit the Diocese of Erie Family website at:**  
<http://www.eriercd.org/fam.htm>  
**and discover why families always matter!**

**FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**  
 The phrase in today's gospel, "I don't know where you come from," is often used by parents about children and children about parents. Change is so rapid one generation has little in common with another. We must depend on love, trust, and mutual respect to bridge this gap.

**Third Annual 1:38 Women's Conference**  
 Date: **October 1, 2016** at the Warner Theatre in Erie, PA  
 Price: \$40.00 (includes lunch)  
 Want to Register? Visit [www.138women.com](http://www.138women.com) or call 814-455-7364  
 Registration forms are available in the parish office.  
**Mailed registrations are due by SEPTEMBER 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016**

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**BRADFORD ECUMENICAL/ CHAPEL RIDGE**  
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**MASS INTENTIONS  
WEEK OF AUGUST 22 – 28 , 2016**

**ST. BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX**



**Monday, August 22**

8:00 am **NO MASS**

**Wednesday, August 24**

8:00 am Carmen & Alvira Pascarella (*Family*)

**Thursday, August 25**

12:10 pm Anna DeLucia (*Family*)

**Friday, August 26**

8:00 am Sandi Sullivan McArter (*Connie Schreiber & Family*)

**Saturday, August 27**

8:00 am Pat & Mike Pehonsky & Brandon Shurilla  
(*Pehonsky Family*)

5:15 pm Lorenzo Alviti Family (*Sylvia Vigliotti*)

**Sunday, August 28**

8:00 am Nora Kearns Martinez (*John & Debbie Place*)

10:00 am M/M Nick Costello & Steve Chicketti (*Ann Chicketti*)

**ALL WEEKDAY MASSES HELD IN THE CHAPEL**

**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

**Monday, August 22**

9:00 am Jack Alviti (*Norma Alviti & Family*)

**Wednesday, August 24**

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

**Saturday, August 27**

4:30 pm Deceased Members of the Tutokie Family  
(*Anna Hartle*)

**Sunday, August 28**

11:00 am Vivian Bottorf (*a*)(*Cindy Greek*)

**OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP**

**Tuesday, August 23**

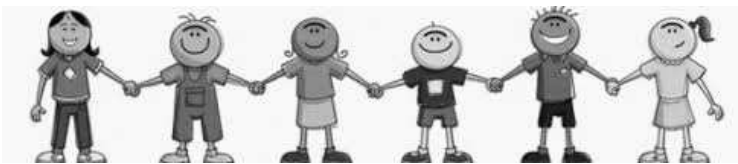
8:00 am Dan Rodgers Family (*James Sullivan*)

**Thursday, August 24**

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

**Sunday, August 28**

9:00 am James J. Montecalvo (*Family*)



**PRAYER REQUESTS FOR PRIESTS**

*Please Pray for the Following Priests*

**Sunday, Aug 21 - Very Rev. Richard J. Toohey, V.F.**

**Monday, Aug 22 - Rev. Matias M. Quimno**

**Tuesday, Aug 23 - Rev. Robert A. Manning**

**Wednesday, Aug 24 - Rev. David A. Perry**

**Thursday, Aug 25 - PRAY FOR VOCATIONS**

**Friday, Aug 26 - Rev. Msgr. William E. Beibel**

**Saturday, Aug 27 - Rev. Thomas E. Brown**



# MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR MASSES AUGUST 27 - 28, 2016

## LECTOR SCHEDULE

### Saturday, August 27

5:15 pm Mary Anne Stauffer

### Sunday, August 28

8:00 am Tom Dalton

10:00 am Andy Kearns



## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

### Saturday, August 27

5:15 pm Paul Curcio/ Cindy Higley/ Kitty Colligan

### Sunday, August 28

8:00 am Kathy & Randy Durner/ Joan Yohe

10:00 am Candy Tingley/ Celia Romanelli/ Doris Hungiville

HOSPITAL/PAVILION: J.E.O'Mara

## ALTAR SERVERS

### Saturday, August 27

5:15 pm Cara & Laryssa Webster

### Sunday, August 28

8:00 am Lauren & William Luther

10:00 am Christian Peterson/ VOLUNTEER



## GOD'S HOUSEKEEPERS

### August 22 - 26, Team 4:

B. Spadafore/ M. Block/

A. Frombach/ G. Ulyan/ G. Santora

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUG 21, 2016

Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1-2/

Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Ps 96:1-5/

Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10-13/

Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-13, 17-18/

Jn 1:45-51

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-7/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-21/Mt 25:14-30

Next Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-7,

10-11/ Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14



### **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 Fenstemaker, 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, 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.*