

# The Catholic Community of Bradford

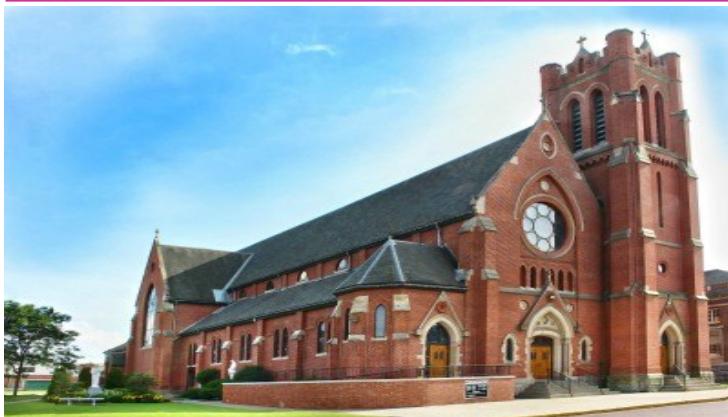
*Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 15, 2026*

*Rev. John Jacquel  
Pastor*

*Rev. Edward Walk  
Senior Associate*

*Our Mission: We are a Catholic Christian community committed to being welcoming, outreaching to the homebound and forgotten, while strengthening the faith formation of our youth and adult members in their faith journey.*

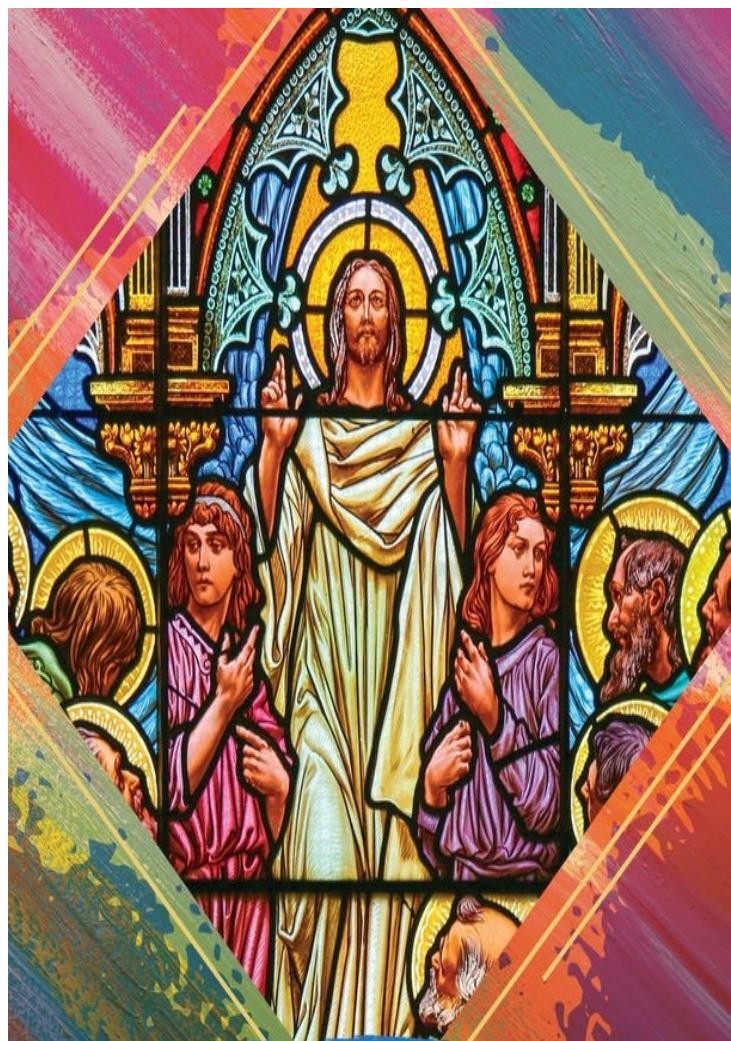
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**PLEASE SEE THE LENTEN  
SCHEDULE INSIDE FOR MASS TIMES  
AND LOCATIONS**

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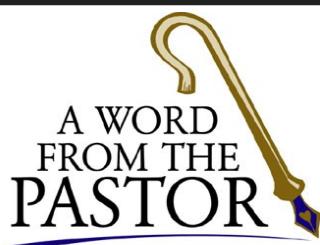
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**6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**"I say to you, whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment." - Mt 5:22a**

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We begin our Lenten observance on Wednesday (Ash Wednesday). We'll have Masses at 8 am & 12:10 pm in the church, as well as a shorter Liturgy of the Word at 5:30 pm. Ashes are distributed after the Gospel and homily – not at the end of Mass. On the following Wednesdays, we'll have Way of the Cross (Stations) at 5:30 pm in the church.

With Lent, the 8 am Daily Mass (M,W,Th) becomes 12:10 pm. We had this Mass in the church before, but the last two years, we never saw 30 people, except perhaps once. For consistency's sake, we'll have all the weekday Masses in the Divine Mercy Chapel. Thus, it will be: Monday 9 & 12:10, Tuesday 9, Wednesday 12:10, Thursday 9 & 12:10, Friday 12:10. This preserves the growing popularity of brunch after the Tuesday and Thursday 9 am Masses. Weekend Masses will remain the same.

With bringing over the St Francis 9 am Daily Masses into the Divine Mercy Chapel, we realize that 8 am Mass has fewer attendees. Therefore, we may well keep the Lenten schedule as our long-term Daily Mass schedule. I've been surveying Daily Mass participants and more seem to like this approach, compared to "keeping as is" or other alternatives.

But with damage, trash, and small thefts, we will begin limiting hours of church being open for prayer. We will open church around 11 am and closing at 1 pm on a daily basis except Wednesdays in Lent. It'll be open on Saturday afternoons prior to Confessions and Mass. The Divine Mercy Chapel will continue to be open during office hours (until 4) Monday-Friday.

We're also going to tighten up office entry, since we've had a few surprising moments with strangers. This will eventually mean that we'll have an ID fob and doorbell / buzzer system – as other local churches have. I had been hoping to keep everything super accessible, but realize that's not being smart in the times we find ourselves.

And, we realize that "no one likes change, except a wet baby."

Fr John

## PREPARE FOR LENT

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### God of goodness and mercy,

Hear my prayer as I begin this Lenten journey with you. Let me be honest with myself as I look into my heart and soul, noticing the times I turn away from you. Guide me as I humbly seek to repent and return to your love. May humility guide my efforts to be reconciled with you and live forever in your abundant grace. Transform me this Lent, heavenly Father. Give me the strength to make myself 100% available to you every day as I prepare for Easter.

Amen

## In Christ, We Are One

Help support our parish through the 2026 Catholic Services Appeal! Every dollar raised over our CSA goal stays in our parish.



**COMMITMENT WEEKEND**—Today is Commitment Sunday for the 2026 Catholic Services Appeal *In Christ, We Are One*. The CSA is essential to carrying out the Church's mission to evangelize, educate, serve, proclaim the Word, celebrate the sacraments, and provide hope to people in need, beyond what any parish can provide on its own. As baptized Catholics, Christ calls each one of us to share His love and build up His Church. Through our gifts to the CSA, we carry out His life-giving mission. Thank you for your faithful generosity and prayers for the CSA.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

**Rosary Altar Society:** TBA**Widow's Group:** Wednesday, February 18th @ Noon for Rosary, followed by social hour in Gallina Hall. Bring your lunch.**K of C #403 :** Tuesday, March 10th @ 7:00 pm**Cemetery Board:** Wednesday, March 25th @ 11:00 am**Pastoral Council:** Tuesday, February 24th @ 6:00 pm**Finance Council:** Thursday, February 19th @ 4:30 pm**SF 50+ Club:** Wednesday, March 11th @ 11:00 am**Liturgy Committee:** Tuesday, March 24th @ 6:30 pm**Catholic Women's Club:** Tuesday, March 17th @ 6:00 pm

Board Meeting followed by Regular Meeting at 6:30 pm



*St. Bernard Sanctuary Candle will be burning this week in Memory of Louis & Loretta DeSantis*

Sanctuary Candles are \$15 each. Call the office if you're interested in reserving one. Reservations go quickly.



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Grades 1-5** meet Sundays in Gallina Hall(11:00 am—12:15) Feb 22nd & March 8th (First Reconciliation-Gr 2)

**Grades 6-9** meet Sundays in Gallina Hall (5:45—7:15 pm) Feb 15th & Feb 22nd—Confirmation Class only—Letters to the Bishop



**Catholic Women's Club:** will be hosting a Women's Retreat on Saturday, April 18th in Gallina Hall. Save the date and watch for more details.



**The Bradford Council #403 of the Knights of Columbus**  
[www.koc403.com](http://www.koc403.com)

Meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the parish office. **Please Note: Next meeting on March 10th.** Council members are urged to attend, and new members are most welcome.

**PARENTING POINTERS**—This coming Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and thus you may be considering what to give up or do differently for Lent. Perhaps giving up a favorite drink or desserts can be a prayer prompt as we act in solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Haiti who do not have a choice.

## LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

**Total Collection - Needed Weekly: \$ 10,072**

February 8..... \$ 6,807

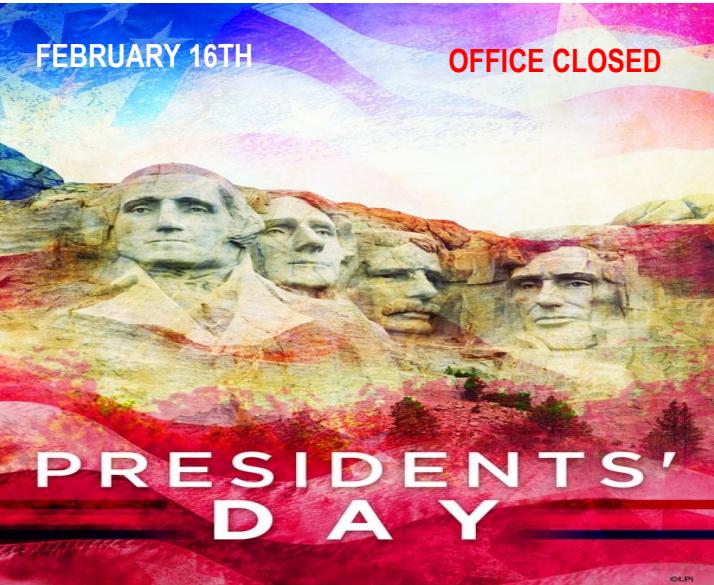
**2026 Combined CSA Assessment \$ 99,059****2025 CSA Collected (Final) \$113,589**

Checks for CSA must be made out to St. Bernard.  
Please do not COMBINE other payments with CSA.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS****MAMA JANE'S EATERY**

FEBRUARY 16TH

OFFICE CLOSED



**SPECIAL PRAYER FOR A NEW BISHOP:** O Almighty God, Pour forth the Holy Spirit upon the Holy Father and those who assist him in the discernment of our new bishop. May the one chosen have the strength to be a compassionate leader, who models humility and joy. Grant him the wisdom of Solomon, the courage of the apostles, and the tenderness of your Son, the Good Shepherd. We also pray for the Diocese of Erie that he is called to serve. May we welcome him with open hearts and work with him in a spirit of synodality, called to listen, collaborate, and build unity. Through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, St. Joseph, the protector of the Church, and St. Patrick, the patron of our diocese, may we journey the path of life with an unwavering focus on the hope we have in Christ. For he lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.

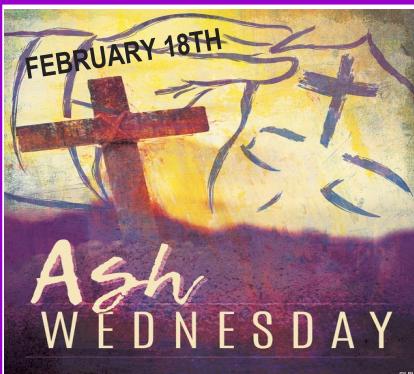


**HAND BELL CHOIR**—Practices resumed on Monday, February 9th and will continue on Mondays at 6:00 pm in the Church. New members are welcome!



**WELCOME**  
February 8, 2026

*Alice Moon Bennett*



Ash Wednesday—Good stewards realize they really don't own anything. It all belongs to God. It is not so much that God owns them, but they are not ours because we are called to offer them to him. The reality is that you and I were born naked and with nothing. We will die naked and with nothing. If we really could possess something material, there would be a way to take it with us. But alas, it all slips through our grasp and passes away. And even though all of us came from dust and to dust we will return, through Jesus Christ we will live forever in a perfect state. The only thing we can take with us? Our hearts and whether or not we loved.

**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**—To experience the peace Christ promises we must let go of grudges, jealousy and feelings of being misunderstood, unappreciated or ignored. Peace and anger don't mix. Today's gospel warns us that if you want peace in our hearts and homes, we must rid ourselves of anger. Anger is too costly.

**MARRIAGE MOMENT**—February 17 is Mardi Gras. Celebrate your love. Feel free to wear something silly. Don't be afraid to be a little foolish for, "God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong." (1 Corinthians 1.27)



**CATHOLIC TRIVIA** Question: What are the names of the three theological virtues of the Catholic Church?

**Answer:** Faith, Hope, and Love (Charity).

**LENLEN PRACTICES 2026**

Traditional Lenten practices of **PRAYER**, **FASTING**, and **ALMSGIVING**, and other forms of self-denial, are recommended most warmly by the Church. Daily Mass is particularly encouraged.

**ASH WEDNESDAY, ALL FRIDAYS IN LENT, and GOOD FRIDAY** are days of abstinence from eating meat for those 14 years of age and older.

**ASH WEDNESDAY AND GOOD FRIDAY** are also days of fasting for those ages 18 to 58 inclusive. (On those days, those bound by the law of fasting may take one full meal. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength according to one's needs, are also permitted. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or work is seriously affected, the law does not oblige.)

# 22:32 MEN

## 2026 CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, MARCH 7th

8:30 AM - 1:00 PM Event

At St. Jude Parish, Erie, PA and at

local parishes in NW PA and NE Ohio

*All Faiths are Welcome!*

Inspiring NATIONAL SPEAKERS including:



FATHER  
LARRY RICHARDS



BE RENEWED  
IN CHRIST!

\$20 Adult Early Registration  
(before February 1st)  
\$25 Adult Registration  
(after January 31st)  
\$20 Group of 8 or more  
\$15 Adult - first time attendee ONLY  
High School and College Students - FREE  
Please register beforehand.



"BUT I HAVE PRAYED FOR YOU  
THAT YOUR FAITH MAY NOT FAIL.  
AND WHEN YOU HAVE TURNED BACK,  
STRENGTHEN YOUR BROTHERS."  
LUKE 22:32



FATHER  
MATHIAS THELEN



MATTHEW LEONARD

*Our conference will be held live at St. Jude Parish in Erie and will also be live-streamed out to parishes in the Erie Diocese and others in surrounding areas. Our website has a list of those parishes.*

[www.2232Men.com](http://www.2232Men.com)  
[info@2232Men.com](mailto:info@2232Men.com)  
for more details and to register.

## LENT SCHEDULE

### ASH WEDNESDAY

8AM ST. BERNARD CHURCH

12:10 ST. BERNARD CHURCH

5:30 WORDS AND ASHES

### SUNDAY

8AM, 10AM, 11:30AM

ST. BERNARD CHURCH

### MONDAY

9AM DIVINE MERCY CHAPEL

12:10PM DIVINE MERCY CHAPEL

### TUESDAY

9AM DIVINE MERCY CHAPEL

### WEDNESDAY

12:10PM DIVINE MERCY CHAPEL

5:30PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS

### THURSDAY

9AM DIVINE MERCY CHAPEL

12:10PM DIVINE MERCY CHAPEL

### FRIDAY

12:10PM DIVINE MERCY CHAPEL

### SATURDAY

9AM DIVINE MERCY CHAPEL

4PM ST. BERNARD CHURCH

**22:32 MEN 2026 CONFERENCE**—Enjoy a dynamic experience with men from around the Diocese of Erie and beyond! The 13th Annual 22:32 Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, March 7th from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm, and you may attend as follows:

1. Live in-person at St. Jude the Apostle Parish in Erie;
2. Live-streamed to hosting parishes; participating parishes are listed on our website, [www.2232men.com](http://www.2232men.com)
3. Live-streamed to your home.

Don't miss this opportunity to grow in your relationship with the Lord through inspiring national speakers and opportunities for prayer, Reconciliation and Mass. All you need to have is an open heart!

The event is just \$25 and there are discounts for groups. High School and College students are FREE. For more information and to register, visit [www.2232men.com](http://www.2232men.com) or call (814) 455-7364.

# TO DUST YOU SHALL RETURN...



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## PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. John Jacquel, Pastor  
Rev. Edward Walk, Senior Associate

## LIVE STREAMING SUNDAY 10 AM

[You Tube, St Bernard of Clairvaux Bradford](#)

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**FACEBOOK:** St Bernard of Clairvaux - Bradford Pa

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## OFFICE HOURS:

**Monday thru Friday: 8:30 am to 4 pm**

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Elaine Doriguzzi, *Administrative Assistant*

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## CONFessions:

**St. Bernard** — Saturdays from 3:15 to 3:45 pm before 4:00 pm mass; Thursday before First Friday from 4:30 to 5 pm; After 9 am mass on Saturdays.

Private appointments may be made by calling the Parish Office 362-6825.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (REP)

**REP Coordinator:** Cindy Greek

Students not attending Catholic school should be enrolled in REP programs. The Bradford Catholic Community Religious Education program is Grades 1—5 & Grades 6—9 (Confirmation). Please call the parish office for more information.



BULLETIN INFORMATION MUST BE RECEIVED IN WRITING BY NOON ON FRIDAY 2 WEEKS PRIOR TO BULLETIN DATE.

**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. 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.

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS:

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

**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. Please call the St. Bernard Parish Office for dates and times of upcoming class. 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.

## STEWARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### Liturgical

#### *Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors*

Organist St. Bernard	Rita Bennardi
	Michael Hicks
Resurrection Choir	Joan Raabe
God's Housekeepers	Parish Office
Liturgy	Fr. John B Jacquel

### Parish Community

Pastoral Council	Craig Cuthbertson
Catholic Women's Club	Joan Yohe
Rosary Altar Society	Dawn Kozminski
Telephone Prayer Chain	Natalie Marasco (598-5565)
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**FEBRUARY 16TH-FEBRUARY 22ND.** Daily

masses are in the Divine Mercy Chapel  
Weekend Masses in the Church  
(See Lenten Schedule)

**Monday, February 16th (President's Day)**

SBC 9:00 am Bonnie Buccolini (Donald & Anna Simon)

**Tuesday, February 17th**

SBC 9:00 am Henry & Margaret Satterwhite (Mary Ann Satterwhite)

**Wednesday, February 18th (Ash Wednesday)**

SB 8:00 am George Songer (Cindy Greek)  
SB 12:10 pm Roseanne Giordano (Rosemary Burke)  
SB 5:30 pm Words & Ashes

**Thursday, February 19th**

SBC 9:00 am All Parishioners  
SBC 12:10 pm Thomas Black (Karen Getz)

**Friday, February 20th**

SBC 12:10 pm Keith Morgan (Elnora Morgan & Family)

**Saturday, February 21st**

SBC 9:00 am Leona Fisher & Patti Fisher (Louise Stoltz)  
SB 4:00 pm Mike Kemick (Peggy & Sam Johnson)

**Sunday, February 22nd**

SB 8:00 am Michael Fay (Pehonsky Family)  
SB 10:00 am Kimberly Little Robinson (Family)  
SB 11:30 am Kay Henry (Brenda Mongillo)

**Weekly confessions: Saturdays after 9 am Mass & 3:15 to 3:45 pm before 4 pm Mass.**



**Readings for the week of February 15th**



**Sunday:** Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34/  
1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28,  
33-34a, 37

**Monday:** Jas 1:1-11/Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76/  
Mk 8:11-13 **Tuesday:** Jas 1:12-18/Ps 94:12-  
13a, 14-15, 18-19/Mk 8:14-21

**Wednesday:** Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and  
17/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday:** Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25

**Friday:** Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

**Saturday:** Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

**Next Sunday:** Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17/  
Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

**WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE**  
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**FEBRUARY 21ST, 2026**

**Saturday: St. Bernard 4:00 pm**

**LECTOR:** Jean Truman

**EM:** Dick Williams **CUP:** Tammy Black/Chris Pehonsky

**Servers:** Bella & Giana Davidson

**FEBRUARY 22ND, 2026**

**Sunday: St. Bernard 8:00 am**

**LECTOR:** Anne Frownfelter

**EM:** Cindy Greek **CUP:** Suzie Sperry/Chris Pehonsky

**Server:** Dave Hill



**St. Bernard 10:00 am**

**LECTOR:** Andy Kearns

**EM:** Teri Everett **CUP:** Gloria Scarano/Lynn Hogue

**Servers:** Claire & Teddy Henretta

**St. Bernard 11:30 am**

**LECTOR:** Carol Vinca

**EM:** Karen McClain **CUP:** Craig Cuthbertson/Kim Ditz

**Server:** Dan Cuthbertson



**Please pray for those who are sick or suffering**

Thomas Ackley, Virgil Anderson, Arnold Family, Dianne Barr, Mary Beth Behan, Nancy Black, Theresa Bond, Sue Bradley, Jenna Bresnahan, Nancy Bukowski, Michael Cagney, GiGi Carroll, Dominic "Frank" Cavallero, Tami Charters, Dick Clark, Kelly Costello, Melissa Cox, Billie Cummins, Madison Cunningham, Paul & Marianne Curcio, Jennifer Smith Dawson, Gerry Davis, Josh Dawson, Christine DiStrola, Brady Dolan, Denise Douthit, Richard Douthit, James Drumm, Alliyson Feldman, Ferguson Family, John Fornataro, Stepheny Franco, Robin Fuller, Emma Fuhrman, Chip Giordano, Pat Girard, Donna Gocella, Janet Goebl, Tonya Graves, Anthony Haller, Paul Hamer, Melissa Hannon, John Hart, Jill Henry, Joy James, Craig Johnson, Judy Keenan, Lilly Keesler, Mary Keesler, James Kibby, Bill Kline, Craig Kloss, Lisa Komidar, Chris Lechner, Don Long, Paula Louk, Judy Mazzeo, Susan McCann-Piganelli, Dan McCarthy, Pat McCormick, Anita Magnetti, Mariana Militelo, Virginia O'Brien, Mary O'Connell, Chris Pehonsky, Lois Pessia, John Pockey, Joan Pointon, Dan Popiel, Courtney Prentiss, John Pupo, Linda Rabineau, Donna Rail, Anne Reed, Virginia & Ed Reed, George Rhodes, Sandy Rhodes, Kathy Ryan, Jackie Schlegel, Steve Schmidt, Judy Signor, Steve Skaggs, Eileen Smith, Hailey Smith, Rosanne Strotman, Alex Tingley, Molly Thompson, Patricia Verelli, Damion Wasiewski, Heather Watson, Philip Weese & Family, Rick Wheaton, Matthew Whelan, Beckett Whitney, Jim Wineberg, Lisa Zurat.

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