

The Catholic Community of Bradford

*First Sunday of Lent
March 9, 2025*

*Rev. John Jacquel
Pastor*

*Rev. Edward Walk
Senior Associate*

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St. Bernard of Clairvaux



WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:30 am

LENTEN SCHEDULE FOR DAILY MASSES

Divine Mercy Chapel: Saturday at 9:00 am
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday at 9:00 am
St. Bernard Church: Monday, Wednesday,
Thursday & Friday at 12:10 pm

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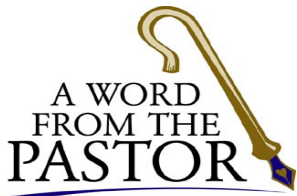
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LIVE STREAMING SUNDAY 10 AM

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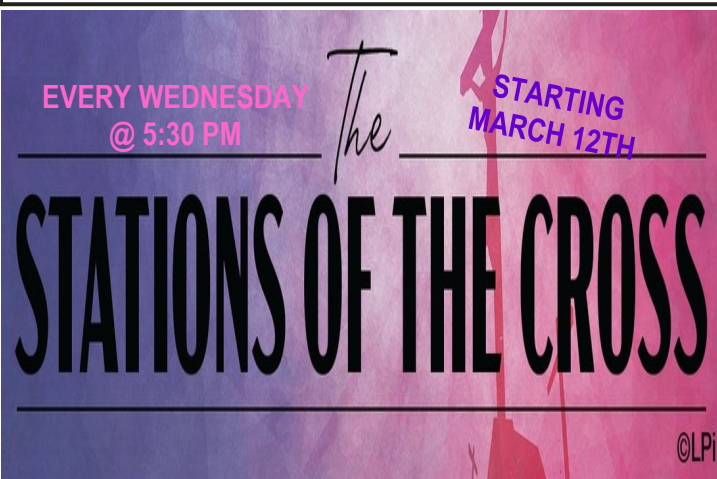
First of all, thank you for the many cards, prayers, and support you sent me during my recovery from very successful hip replacement surgery. Within 17 days, I was walking without even a cane (except for longer hikes) and my knee can touch the floor after 20 days. Amazing what they do today! But you definitely helped!

As we continue to participate in the Catholic Services Appeal – for all of the many wonderful services our Diocese provides for us and people in need – keep in mind that we want to utilize our “above and beyond” monies for a couple projects around the parish. Specifically, we need to upgrade our accessibility with some electric door openers for those using walkers and wheelchairs to get around. These devices are not cheap, but can help our parish to be even more welcoming to all who wish to join us for prayer.

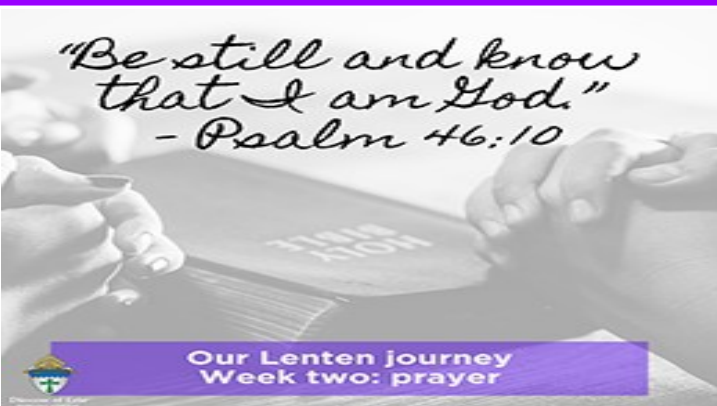
And, speaking of joining us – we welcome Dan Yeager (catechumen), Jordan Mongillo and Devon Poe (candidates) who will meet Bishop Persico this afternoon at St Peter Cathedral for the Rite of Election. We also have a couple of adolescents, Charlotte and Matthew Simmons, who have been receiving instruction and formation in preparation for their baptism, too, at the Easter Vigil Liturgy. They plan to attend the Rite of Election in DuBois next Sunday. This will make Dan, Matt, and Charlotte officially “The Elect” in anticipation of their baptism!

There is good news everywhere, it seems.

Fr John



MARCH 10-16—This week, we turn our focus to prayer. Prayer is more than words—it’s a conversation with God, a way to deepen our relationship with him. Whether in silence, scripture or worship, prayer transforms us. What prayer brings you the most peace? During this Lenten journey together, I invite you to set aside time each day to pray intentionally.



CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2025

A sincere thank you to all who made a pledge and/or gift to the Catholic Services Appeal. United as *One Faith, One Family*, your faithful commitment allows us to live out the mission of the Church. As your pastor, I am inspired and grateful for your support. If you have not yet made a commitment, it is not too late. Just drop your pledge card or envelope marked “CSA” in the collection basket or turn it in at the parish office. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. As a reminder, anything over goal will be used there at St. Bernard.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR: Sr. Kathleen Dietz will be here on Saturday, March 15th for a Lenten Program at 10:00 am in Gallina Hall. All are welcome.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Rosary Altar: TBA
 Widow's Group: Wednesday, March 19th @ 12:10 Mass
 Followed by lunch (bring) in Gallina Hall
 K of C #403 : Tuesday, March 11th @ 7 pm
 Cemetery Board: Thursday, March 13th @ 11:00 am
 Pastoral Council: Tuesday, April 15th @ 6:00 pm
 Finance Council: Wednesday, March 19th @ 4:30 pm
 SF 50+ Club: Wednesday, March 12th @ 11:00 am
 Liturgy Committee: Tuesday, March 18th @ 6:30 pm
 Catholic Women's Club: Tuesday, March 18th @ 6:00 pm



Catholic Women's Club Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 18th at 6:00 pm in Gallina Hall followed by regular meeting at 6:30 pm. Theme is Irish Blessings with guest speaker Christine Geary. Evening will include interactive messages. All are welcome. If you are interested in joining Catholic Women's Club please contact Joan Yohe at 814-362-3929 or Alicia Hill at 814-598-5076.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Question: What is the name of the first book of the New Testament?

Answer: Matthew.

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Liturgical Committee

- Rita Bennardi
- Bro. Michael Hicks
- Tammy Black
- Chris Pehonsky
- Francis "Tubby" Colella
- Joan Raabe
- Jean Truman
- Fr. Ed Walk
- Fr. John Jacquel



The Bradford Council #403 of the Knights of Columbus
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 11th

Council members are urged to attend, and new members are most welcome.



GRADES 1-5 will meet in Gallina Hall on Sunday, March 9th at 11:00 am. **GRADES 6-9** will meet in Gallina Hall on Sunday, March 23d at 5:45 pm.

First Reconciliation for 2nd Grade will be on Sunday, March 30th in the Divine Mercy Chapel at 11:00 am. Information will be coming home soon.

NOTE: All students taking home Rice Bowls, please place them in the offertory basket during Holy Week.

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments-

Pledge to Heal: The Diocese of Erie remains committed to helping survivors of clergy sexual abuse heal and recover. The diocese will provide counseling assistance for those who have been abused by a member of the clergy. For more information, please contact Dr. Gerard Tobin, our Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 814-451-1521. *The diocese encourages anyone who has experienced abuse or misconduct by a member of the clergy or any employee or volunteer of the church to contact their local law enforcement. To report abuse to the independent investigators retained by the diocese, email ErieRCD@KLGates.com. Victims/survivors or concerned individuals can report abuse directly to the diocese by calling 814-451-1543.*



MARRIAGE MOMENT

With our country and world amuck in political disharmony, what have you learned through working through marital differences or squabbles about making peace? How might you share this insight with society?

CRS Rice Bowl - A Recommitment to End Hunger



Since 1975, Catholics across the United States have come together each Lent to respond to global hunger through the CRS Rice Bowl program. Learn how people like you have made a local and global impact on the lives of our sisters and brothers in need and why our prayers and almsgiving are still needed today. During this holy season, let us recommit to sharing bread for life with our global family so that all people can reach their God-given potential. Visit crsricebowl.org/week-1 to read this week's Story of Hope.

RICE BOWL LOCAL—Join our faith community in a transformative Lenten journey through CRS Rice Bowl. In addition to working with our brothers and sisters worldwide to overcome the challenges of hunger and climate change, a portion of your contribution remains in your area and will assist the Kane Area Food Pantry, the Christian Food Bank, the Saint Joseph Soup Kitchen, the Friendship Table, and Destinations Bradford Community Outreach Center. These organizations fight hunger in our communities and help our neighbors thrive. **Rice Bowl envelopes are in your offering envelope packets for your convenience or you can mark "Rice Bowl Donation" on a plain envelope any time during Lent. There are also Rice Bowls in the back of the church if you wish to take one home.**

PARENTING POINTERS

Although we should respond to those in need all year round, Lent can be a time when parents teach their children about the 7 Corporal Works of Mercy. The first two are to feed the hungry and give drink to the thirsty. Of course, as parents you do this for your family every day, but what about eating more simply during Lent?

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

We may often feel like the Prodigal Son, but the gospel encourages us to focus on the father who was forgiving and understanding. We all make mistakes and need forgiveness. Who in your family needs your forgiveness and acceptance this Lent?



Say Yes!
to the tenth annual
1:38 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE
SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 2025

PLACE: ST. JUDE PARISH, 2801 West 16th Street, Erie

TIME: 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

REGISTRATION & REFRESHMENTS:

8:00 - 8:45 AM in the Church

COST: \$25

College students, High school students & Religious - FREE!

Conference includes: Two talks, Adoration, Confession, Mass, Basket Raffle, Book/Media Sales, and 138 Women atire for sale.

ATTENDANCE: Live in-person, Live-streamed to a satellite parish or your home



Danielle Bean

Danielle is a Catholic writer and speaker. She helps women to know their dignity and worth so they can find peace, balance, and joy in faith and family living.



Sister Mary Gabriel, SV

Sister Mary Gabriel is a member of the Sisters of Life, a religious community dedicated to the protection and enhancement of the sacredness of human life.

MORE INFO

www.138women.com or 814-455-7364

ALL FAITHS WELCOME!



Tenth Annual Catholic Women's Conference in Erie is less than one month away!

Be a part of it! The name 1:38 Women is based on the scripture verse, Luke 1:38: *"Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word."*

The conference will be held on Saturday, April 5th, from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM, and the women from our diocese will gather to pray, reflect, and be inspired in three different ways:

1. Live in-person at St. Jude Church in Erie.
2. Live-streamed to hosting parishes: participating parishes are listed on the website at www.138women.com.
3. Live-streamed to your home.

The morning program features two national speakers. If you attend at St. Jude's or a satellite parish, you will enjoy two of our life-giving Sacraments: Holy Eucharist and Reconciliation. The conference is just \$25. For more information or to register, visit www.1:38women.com or call (814) 455-7364.

DAILY MASS ATTENDEES — COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

Coffee & Lite Breakfast after the 9:00 am Mass on Tuesday & Thursday Only in Gallina Hall
Enjoy refreshments with your fellow parishioners.



Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus



St. Bernard Church Fish Fry

CATCH OF THE DAY
 Deep Fried Fish
 or
 Shrimp Dinner
 \$15
 includes fries, bread, slow & dessert

March 7
 March 21
 April 4
 April 18
 from 4pm-7pm in Gallina Hall

Eat in, take out or delivery!!!
 Call (814)362-6825 after 3:30pm
 to place your order. Please do not
 leave a message.
 Proceeds benefit The Bradford Catholic Community

COMING AGAIN SOON

LENTEN DISCIPLINES OF FASTING & ABSTINENCE



Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.

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*St. Bernard Sanctuary
 Candle will be burning this
 week in Memory of
 Madeline Doriguzzi*



Saturday, March 15, 2025 | 7:00 to 11:00pm
 At Southern Tier Catholic School | 921 N. Union, Olean

\$25,000+

GRAND PRIZE
\$20,000
OTHER CASH PRIZES
 \$2,500 - \$1,000
 \$250 (4) - \$100 (5)
PLUS
 50/50 GAMES RAFFLES

ALL PROCEEDS TO SUPPORT SOUTHERN TIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL
NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN.

TICKET PRICE \$100
 EACH TICKET ADMITS TWO PEOPLE (21+) TO THE PARTY
 FREE FOOD, DRINK, BEER & WINE FOR ALL TICKET HOLDERS
 FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE
 LIMITED SUPPLY

PRE-PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS AT THE SCHOOL OR FROM ANY SACS STUDENT/FACULTY.



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LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

Total Collection - Needed Weekly: \$ 10,072
 March 2.....\$9,017

2025 Combined CSA Assessment \$ 94,414

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS



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

PASTORAL STAFF:
 Rev. John B Jacquel, *Pastor*
 Rev. Edward Walk, *Senior Associate*

LIVE STREAMING SUNDAY 10 AM:
 You Tube, *St Bernard of Clairvaux Bradford*

WEBSITE: <https://stbernardcatholic.org/>

FACEBOOK: *St Bernard of Clairvaux - Bradford Pa*

MAILING ADDRESS: PO Box 2394
 Bradford, PA 16701

OFFICE HOURS:
Monday thru Friday: 8:30 am to 4 pm
 Gina Davidson, *Business Manager*
 Elaine Doriguzzi, *Administrative Assistant*

CONFESSIONS:
St. Bernard — Saturdays from 3:00 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: Kim VanHorn
 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.

Nursery Program The former Nursery Program is now a Kid’s Liturgy Program. During the 10 am Mass, during the Liturgy of the Word, volunteers will take the kids, ages 3-6, for a mini lesson. The lesson will be held in a small room off the Sacristy. They’ll return to the pews during the Presentation of the Gifts. We are excited for this new format!

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.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Liturgical

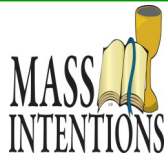
Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors

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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WEEK OF MARCH 10TH—MARCH 16TH

See Cover of Bulletin for Daily & Weekend Mass Schedule During Lent

Monday, March 10th

SBC 9:00 am In Honor of Mariann Pascarella (Doris Hungiville)

SB 12:10 pm Sandy Remington (Rosary Altar Society)

Tuesday, March 11th

SBC 9:00 am James Bushey (Joanie & Family)

Wednesday, March 12th

SB 12:10 pm Rocco Camas Jr. (Gerry & Tish Pehonsky)

SB 5:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Thursday, March 13th

SBC 9:00 am All Parishioners

SB 12:10 pm Beverly Cobb (Steven & Anne Campogiani)

Friday, March 14th

SB 12:10 pm Dan Costello (Catholic Women's Club)

Saturday, March 15th

SBC 9:00 am Hellen Burrell (Bob Burrell)

SB 4:00 pm John & Mary Curcio (Mary Lou & Vincent Iaderosa)

Sunday, March 16th

SB 8:00 am Wilhelm Potkovick (Family)

SB 10:00 am Maria Telese (Grace Telese)

SB 11:30 am Sylvio & Angelina Vecellio (Nellie Vecellio)

Weekly confessions: Saturdays after 9 am Mass and 3:00 to 3:45 pm before 4 pm Mass.

Readings for the week of March 9, 2025

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15
(see 5b)/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/
Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/
Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab,
2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12



Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/
Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/
Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36



MARCH 15TH, 2025

Saturday: St. Bernard 4:00 pm

Lector: Mary Anne Stauffer

EM: Peggy Johnson **CUP:** Dick Williams/Tammy Black

Servers: **VOLUNTEERS**

MARCH 16TH, 2025

Sunday: St. Bernard 8:00 am

Lector: Anne Frownfelter

EM: Patty Colosimo **CUP:** Cindy Greek/Dave White

Server: David Hill

St. Bernard 10:00 am

Lector: Joyce Geis

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

Servers: Abigail Carlson/Jaxon Eckstrom

St. Bernard 11:30 am

Lector: David Ditz

EM: Craig Cuthbertson

CUP: Carol Vinca/Charlotte Cuthbertson

Server: Dan Cuthbertson



Please pray for those who are sick or suffering

Thomas Ackley, Virgil Anderson, Arnold Family, Dianne Barr, Frank Barton, Mary Beth Behan, Nancy Black, Theresa Bond, Sue Bradley, Nancy Bukowski, Tim Burris, Michael Cagney, GiGi Carroll, Dominic "Frank" Cavallero, Dick Clark, Kelly Costello, Melissa Cox, Billie Cummins, Paul & Marianne Curcio, Charlotte Cuthbertson, Jennifer Smith Dawson, Josh Dawson, Christine DiStrola, Brady Dolan, Denise Douthit, Richard Douthit, James Drumm, Alliyson Feldman, Ferguson Family, Stepheny Franco, Robin Fuller, Pat Geary, Kate Geils, Chip Giordano, Pat Girard, Donna Gocella, Janet Goebel, 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, Bob Kuntz, Chris Lechner, Shirley Lerch, Elizabeth Lindemuth, Harold Little, Don Long, Paula Louk, Susan McCann-Piganelli, Pat McCormick, Marilyn Manion, Anita Magnetti, Mariana Militelo, Virginia O'Brien, Mary O'Connell, John Pockey, Dan Popiel, Courtney Prentiss, Donna Rail, Anne Reed, Virginia & Ed Reed, Sandy Rhodes, Steve Schmidt, Judy Signor, Steve Skaggs, Eileen Smith, Hailey Smith, Betty Soble, Alex Tingley, Molly Thompson, Carol Vinca, Damion Wasiewski, Philip Weese & Family, Matthew Whelan, Beckett Whitney, Lisa Zurat.

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