

The Catholic Community of Bradford

*Pentecost Sunday
June 8, 2025*

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St. Bernard of Clairvaux



ST. BERNARD MASSES

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:30 am

DIVINE MERCY CHAPEL MASSES

Monday & Thursday — 8:00 am & 9:00 am

Tuesday — 9:00 am Wednesday — 8:00 am

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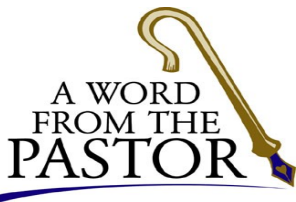
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Today is **Pentecost** Sunday – the culmination of Easter. The season began with an empty tomb revealing life after death and ends now with the Holy Spirit who made it happen in the first place – filling Jesus' disciples. If we have the *ruah* or “breath” or “spirit” (same word) of God in us, we'll live always and be forever united with Christ and Christ's people. Jesus breathed on his disciples and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit!” (John 20:22) How do we know we have that Holy Spirit?

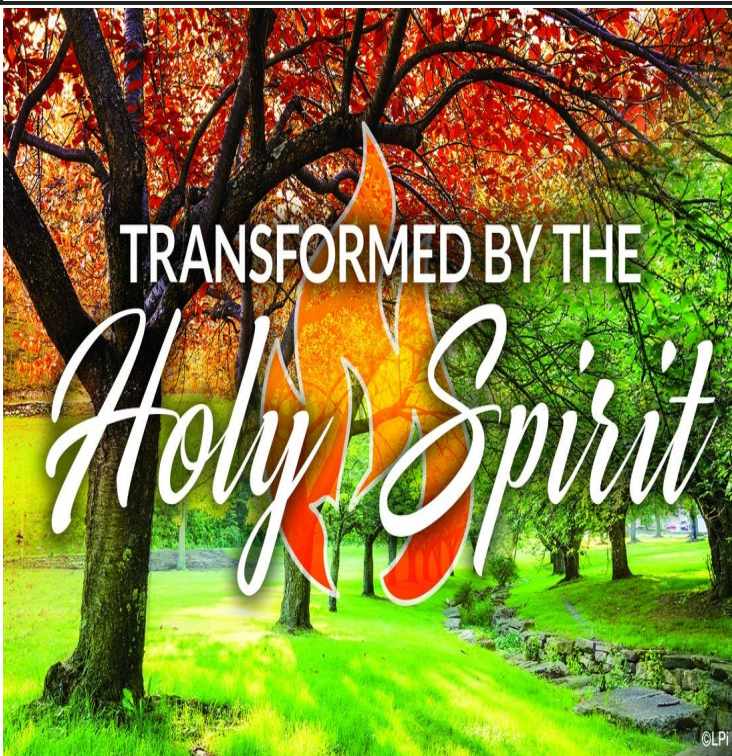
I remember as a teenager, after many months of a *Life in the Spirit* seminar, gathering in the Sisters of Mercy Motherhouse chapel in Erie on a windy night. It sounded very much like Acts 2:2 when the apostles were all gathered together in one place. Some of our number started gibbering away in what seemed to us unintelligible speech. It didn't happen to me, though they prayed over me for this particular gift. I was OK with that, remembering something they taught us from 1 Corinthians chapter 14, that “the gift of tongues” is *not* one of the greater gifts. Prophecy or preaching would be higher up the scale. I didn't realize that these gifts had been given to me until I had opportunities to practice them – about seven years later when I was ordained a deacon.

People often ask me about this “speaking in tongues” that can be experienced at a charismatic or Pentecostal-style prayer meeting. Well, there are two kinds – “intelligible” and “unintelligible” speech. The first is exemplified in Acts of the Apostles, chapter 2, when Peter and the others speak a variety of tongues, but people gathered in Jerusalem from around the Mediterranean world understand what they are saying – they are using their own languages (even though the apostles didn't know them). The second “unintelligible” speech could be understood as ecstatic – in other words, a person becomes so overwhelmed (or as the Easter Preface says, “overcome with Paschal joy”) that nonsensical words just spill out. In the heat of the frenzy, babbling occurs – but it's indicative of being caught up in the spirit of the moment / the Holy Spirit. What amazes me is how the babbling ends in a joyful, harmonious singing that is utterly spontaneous and exquisitely beautiful. You feel like you're in heaven, and in effect, you are! You are joined to heavenly realities for this mystical moment of time.

Charismatic style prayer is not everyone's cup of tea, but quiet contemplative stillness has many similarities. We “lose control” and God takes over – and we become very much one with all that is around us. We enter into a silence “too deep for words.” (see Romans 8:26)

So, as we celebrate Pentecost – it might be splashy and it could be mighty stillness – but the Spirit will be moving, one way or the other! And, if you live in love – you've caught the Spirit.

Fr John



PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

Holy Spirit, fan into flame the gifts
I received in my Baptism and Confirmation.
I want to receive the fire of Your love
as Your disciples did at Pentecost.
Come with wonder and awe,
with wisdom, understanding, and counsel,
with courage and faith in You.
Holy Spirit, may my actions witness
to Your presence in my life.
Help me to see the ways my strengths
can serve others in their weakness.
In all my interactions, I want to radiate
love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,
generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.
Breathe new life into the world through me.
Amen.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Rosary Altar: Installation of Officers, Wed., June 11th @ 5:30 pm @ The Bradford Club

Widow's Group: Wednesday, June 18th @ Noon—Chapel

K of C #403 : Tuesday, June 10th @ 7:00 pm

Cemetery Board: Wednesday, June 18th @ 11 am

Pastoral Council: Tuesday, June 17th @ 6:00 pm

Finance Council: Wednesday, July 23rd @ 4:30 pm

SF 50+ Club: TBA

Liturgy Committee: TBA

Catholic Women's Club: Summer Break until the August picnic

ATTENTION WIDOWS! We will meet on Wednesday, June 18th at Noon in the Chapel for rosary. We will go out for lunch after. All widows welcome!



FEED THE HUNGRY

We have a temporary unit in the vestibule of the church to serve as a food pantry until a permanent cupboard is finished. If you would like to contribute to the food pantry please bring **NON-PERISHABLE** items only. Cans with easy open lids are appreciated. There are two bins at the bottom where you can deposit **SMALL** toiletries, if you wish, such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, hand cream, etc. Please **NO LARGE ITEMS**. Thank you!

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments-

Listen: This summer, when children are out of school, meeting new people and going to new places, make sure that you talk to them often about their experiences and the people they've met. Listen carefully to your children. If possible, observe and get to know the other children and adults who are part of your children's summertime fun. Above all, communicate your safety concerns to your children. Make sure your children know they can come to you with any concerns they may have about the people they interact with. And if you hear of or observe behaviors that may be inappropriate, make sure to communicate your feelings to people who are in a position to intervene. Communication is key in creating and maintaining a safe environment all year round. For additional resources visit: www.eriecd.org/childprotection/



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 June 10th** Council members are urged to attend, and new members are most welcome.



Rosary Altar members will hold their Installation of Officers on Wednesday, June 11th at the Bradford Club at 5:30 pm.

CHOIRS —We are always welcoming new people to join our choirs. The PEOPLE'S CHOIR gathers for the 4 pm Saturday Mass and leads the congregation in singing hymns and Mass parts. A new PEOPLE'S CHOIR could form to assist at the 8 am Sunday Mass. All are welcome. We will meet in the music area on the main floor. Please consider sharing your voice. The Senior Choir also extends an invitation to new members, young and old. They will resume rehearsals in September 2025.

MARRIAGE MOMENT Research suggests that communication is about 50% non-verbal, 40% tone of voice, 10% words. Have you ever been off base in reading your spouse's non-verbals? It's not precise language but don't just guess. Check it out verbally.

Has your MARRIAGE become difficult?

Are you making plans to move out, considering separation or even divorce? Don't give up -- Give Retrouvaille a try. The next Pittsburgh program begins on June 20th. Please contact Retrouvaille by calling 412-277-3434 or emailing our registration couple at 3041R@HelpOurMarriage.org. You can also check us out at helpourmarriage.org.



Marriage & Banns ^{3rd}

NOEL MILLER & ANDREW BROOKS



Milestone Anniversary Celebrations

Couples celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or more wedding anniversaries are invited to attend the annual Diocesan Anniversary Celebrations on Sunday, August 3 at Our Lady of Peace, Erie at 2:00 pm or Sunday, August 24 at St. Tobias, Brockway at **3:00 pm**. Celebrations include Mass with Bishop Persico followed by a light reception. To register for either event or to receive a certificate by mail, complete the online registration at <https://www.eriecd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html>, contact your parish office, or contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at (814) 824-1210. Registrations are being accepted until July 24 for the Erie celebration, until August 14 for the Brockway celebration or until September 11 to be mailed to you.

Parish Care and Concern Ministry Presentations

Parish Care and Concern: Are you looking to start or breathe new life into your parish social ministries and connect with fellow parishioners in renewed service? Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Erie invites you to attend an information session to learn more about how Parish Care and Concern can help you use your gifts and talents as a parish family to serve your neighbors in need. On Thursday June 26th at 12pm and again at 5pm, there will be a presentation at St. Mark Catholic Center, 429 E. Grandview Blvd., Erie. Register at <https://bit.ly/PCandC> or contact Diane Gallagher at dgallagher@ccincerie.org or 814-824-1251 for more information. All are welcome.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA Question: What year marked the first time that Catholics in the United States were allowed to receive the Eucharist in their hands?

Answer: 1977

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Quo Vadis Days Do you know someone who has thought about priesthood – and becoming one? The Diocese is sponsoring a couple days of camp for young Catholic men (after 8th grade up through 12th grade) who would like to explore this possibility. The camp is held June 29-July 2. “Quo Vadis” is translated “Where are you going?” and it was the message St Peter received upon leaving Rome one time. There’s a poster in the vestibule of St Bernard Church – or for more information, contact Fr Scott Jabo at 814-824-1198. You can register at www.erievocations.org

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE Today’s gospel tells us that God wants to be with us always and in all ways. Every family is called to be a tabernacle where God dwells. Is Jesus a permanent member of your family or a temporary guest? Today, the promise is given. The choice is yours.

The Baby Bottles that the **Knights of Columbus** distributed last month will be collected at Masses on Father’s Day weekend, June 14-15. All monies collected go to helping **Bright Alternatives** continue their excellent work in caring for children and families. Please be as generous as you can! Thank you.

“What did the Apostles receive after eating spicy food?”



“Tongues of fire!”



Nine days after Jesus ascended into heaven, the Holy Spirit descended upon Mary and the Apostles in the form of fiery tongues. From this grace, the Apostles were able to speak in a way that anyone could understand them!

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*St. Bernard Sanctuary
Candle will be burning this
week in Memory of
John & Mary Curcio*

DAILY MASS ATTENDEES — COFFEE FELLOWSHIP



Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus



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

PLEASE NOTE: ST. FRANCIS CHURCH will now be open **ON FRIDAYS ONLY** from 8 am until 3 pm for visitation and prayer.



**TOGI'S FAMILY RESTAURANT & CATERING
PLEASE GIVE THEM YOUR SUPPORT!**

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

Total Collection - Needed Weekly: \$ 10,072

June 1.....\$ 8,486

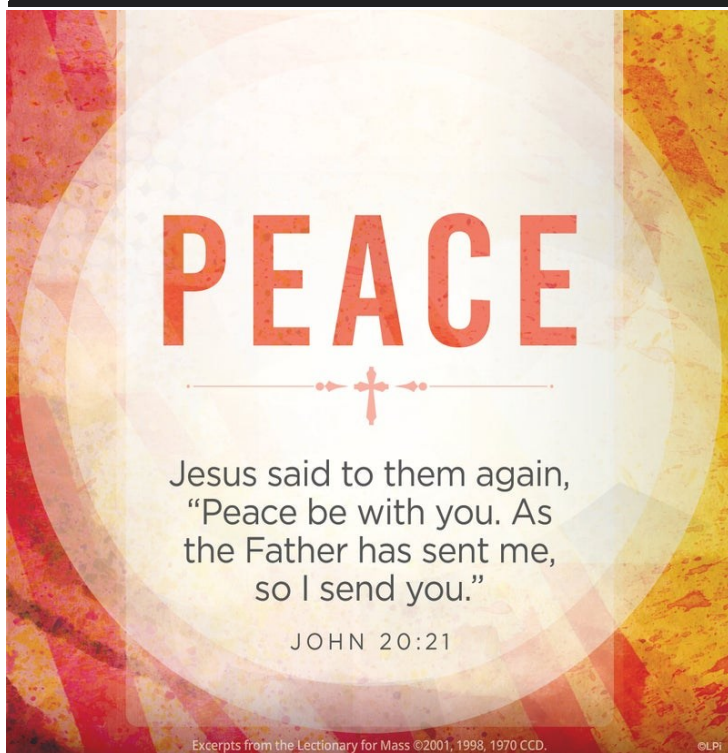
Ascension of the Lord.....\$ 1,250

2025 Combined CSA Assessment \$ 94,414

2025 CSA Collected \$ 44,670

*Thank you to all those who have turned in their CSA pledges.
Remember checks for CSA must be made out to St. Bernard.*

**THANK YOU
FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS**

**PASTORAL STAFF:**

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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.



**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.

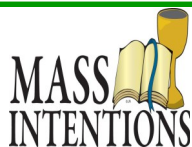
STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**Liturgical****Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors**

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

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 JUNE 9TH TO JUNE 15TH

Please note that all daily masses are in the Divine Mercy Chapel.

Monday, June 9th

SBC 8:00 am Francis "King" O'Connell (Tom & Mary O'Connell)

SBC 9:00 am Patsy "Baker" Piganelli & Amelia Piganelli (Patsy & Tom Arrowsmith)

Tuesday, June 10th

SBC 9:00 am Bob & Mary Cuthbertson (Family)

Wednesday, June 11th

SBC 8:00 am Adolf Verolini (Estate)

Thursday, June 12th

SBC 8:00 am Jean Everett (Catholic Women's Club)

SBC 9:00 am All Parishioners

Friday, June 13th

SBC 9:00-Noon Adoration/Benediction in Chapel

SBC 12:10 pm Richard Cavallero (Kathy Symington)

Saturday, June 14th

SBC 9:00 am Mary Rae (Nancy O'Donnell)

SB 4:00 pm Christopher Haas (Susan Haas)

Sunday, June 15th FATHER'S DAY

SB 8:00 am Barbara Matto (Family)

SB 10:00 am Living/Deceased Fathers

SB 11:30 am Harry Stoltz (Louise Stoltz & Family)

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



WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

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JUNE 14TH, 2025

Saturday: St. Bernard 4:00 PM

LECTOR: Mary Anne Stauffer

EM: Chris Pehonsky **CUP:** Peggy Johnson/Dick Williams

Servers: Bella & Giana Davidson

JUNE 15TH, 2025

Sunday: St. Bernard 8:00 am

LECTOR: Martha Torrey

EM: Dawn Kozminski **CUP:** Suzie Sperry/Dave White

Server: David Hill

St. Bernard 10:00 am

LECTOR: Andy Kearns

EM: Teri Everett **CUP:** Lynn Hogue/Beth Mongillo

Servers: Abigail Carlson/Jaxon Eckstrom

St. Bernard 11:30 am

LECTOR: David Ditz

EM: Sue Lee **CUP:** Kim Ditz/Carol Vinca

Server: Dan Cuthbertson



Pray For...

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, 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, Lisa Komidar, Bob Kuntz, Chris Lechner, Shirley Lerch, Elizabeth Lindemuth, Harold Little, Don Long, Paula Louk, Susan McCann-Piganelli, Pat McCormick, Anita Magnetti, Mariana Militelo, Virginia O'Brien, Mary O'Connell, Lois Pessia, John Pockey, Dan Popiel, Courtney Prentiss, Donna Rail, Anne Reed, Virginia & Ed Reed, George Rhodes, 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, Rick Wheaton, Matthew Whelan, Tina Whitford, Beckett Whitney, Lisa Zurat.

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

Readings for the week of June 8, 2025

Sunday: Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/Rom 8:8-17/Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22/Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135/Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3 (580)/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 116:10-11, 15-16, 17-18/Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 5:33-37

Next Sunday: Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (2a)/Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15

