

The Catholic Community of Bradford

*Pentecost Sunday
May 24, 2026*

*Rev. John Jacquell
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.

St. Bernard of Clairvaux
95 East Corydon Street, P.O. Box 2394
Bradford, PA 16701-5394



St. Bernard Masses

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

Divine Mercy Chapel Masses

Monday & Thursday — 9:00 am & 12:10 pm
Tuesday — 9:00 am Wednesday — 12:10 pm
Friday — 12:10 pm Saturday — 9:00 am

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A WORD
FROM THE
PASTOR

As we celebrate Pentecost this weekend, we celebrate the birthday of the Church. It came to life when its members were infused with the Holy Spirit! So, let's talk about other **anniversaries**.

This year marks the 250th birthday of our **nation** – the promulgation of the Declaration of Independence! Since July 4th will be a national celebration, Bradford will anticipate that locally with events and a parade – which will happen Saturday, June 20th. You can see the decorations already being displayed for the Semi Quincentennial (“half of 500”).

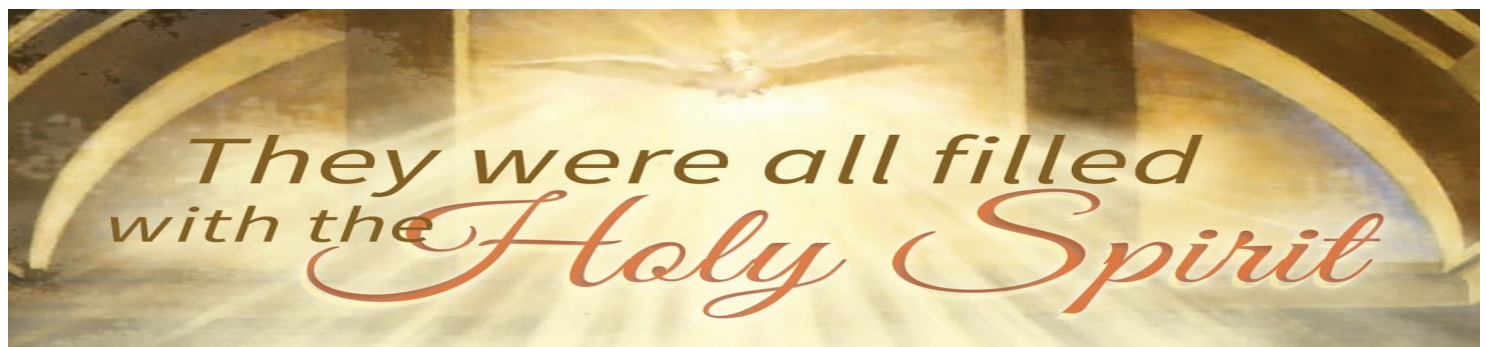
This year also marks the 150th birthday of **St Bernard** Church. In 1876, the first church building was initiated (a refurbished old schoolhouse). The first baptism was recorded on Christmas Eve. And a better wooden church was planned and built, which was replaced by the “new” brick church in 1892. Bishop Persico is coming to celebrate with us on Sunday, August 23rd. We are finalizing other family and social activities (family picnic on the 16th, scavenger hunt, refreshments, music) prior to that. Save the date! It's our “Sesquicentennial” (150).

We have couples celebrating milestone anniversaries of their **marriage** vows also this year. There will be a regional celebration at St Leo Church, Ridgway, on the following Sunday, August 30th at 2 pm. As soon as we get the information, we'll publish the contacts for registration. But this will be a wonderful way to remember the outpouring of the gifts of grace upon our married members! There is much to celebrate!

Fr John

PENTECOST

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As we close out the Easter season we would like to extend a big thank you to all of the volunteers who helped to make the 2026 Lenten fish dinner a great success! A total of 768 dinners were served! Thank you to all who came to dine-in, ordered take-out, or called for delivery. It was a great time for parishioners to visit with one another as well as make new friendships with others in the community, all while breaking bread together. With everyone's help and support this event continues to be a great fundraiser for our parish. We are looking forward to seeing you all again next Lenten season!

The Lenten Fish Dinner Organizers

INTERNATIONAL NEEDS COLLECTION

(Combined Collection for Catholic Relief Services, Church in Central and Eastern Europe, and Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa.)—This week we take up the Catholic Relief Services Collection to **reveal Christ's love** to our brothers and sisters in need. This collection makes grants to six Catholic agencies that provide relief and support for struggling communities and work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters, both here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief. iGiveCatholic also accepts funds for this collection if you prefer to donate online.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Rosary Altar Society: TBA
Widow's Group: Summer break until September.
K of C #403 : Tuesday, June 9th @ 7:00 pm
Cemetery Board: TBA
Pastoral Council: Tuesday, June 16th @ 6:00 pm
Finance Council: Thursday, June 18th @ 4:30 pm
SF 50+ Club: Summer Break
Liturgy Committee: Tuesday, September 1st @ 6:30 pm
Catholic Women's Club: TBA



MOVIE ALERT—on Monday, June 8th after the 9 am Mass ends, there will be a showing of a movie in Gallina Hall, about Mary's appearances to three children at Fatima in 1917. The movie will end in time to attend the 12:10 Mass if interested. If you have any questions you may contact Don Konwinski at 814-368-7971.

Pregnancy Loss—Did you know that “10 to 20 percent of known pregnancies end in miscarriage” (Mayo Clinic)? Couples mourning the loss of a child before or at birth are in our families, among our friends, and in our pews. They need to know that the life of their child (or children) matters, and that they have the support of their parish community during this time of mourning. Show these couples your support by listening to them, praying for them, bringing them a meal, reminding them that God is with them, and that they are not alone. For more resources and support, visit www.springsinthedesert.org.



St. Bernard Sanctuary Candle will be burning this week in Memory of Loughlin & DeFrank Families



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 9th.** Council members are urged to attend, and new members are most welcome.



THANK YOU TO OUR ADVERTISERS

BRADFORD MANOR

CATHOLIC TRIVIA – Question: When is Trinity Sunday celebrated?

Answer: Trinity Sunday is celebrated on the Sunday after Pentecost.

NOTICE: If you didn't get a baby bottle for the Bright Alternatives fundraiser there will be some at the Parish office for pickup. The bottles will be collected Father's Day weekend, June 20th-21st.

COLLECTIONS

Total Collection - Needed Weekly: \$ 10,454

May 17..... \$ 7,086

Ascension \$ 1,469

2026 Combined CSA Assessment \$ 99,059

CSA 2026 Collected \$ 47,899

Checks for CSA must be made out to St. Bernard.

Plase do not COMBINE other payments with CSA or second collections.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

You're Invited!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A **RECEPTION** IN HONOR OF

ALTAR SERVERS | RECENT CONFIRMATION STUDENTS | SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

PANCAKE BREAKFAST & Recognition Ceremony

MAY 31ST
 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Recognition Ceremony begins immediately following the 10:00 AM Mass.

FATHER LEO GALLINA HALL
 ENJOY A DELICIOUS BREAKFAST!

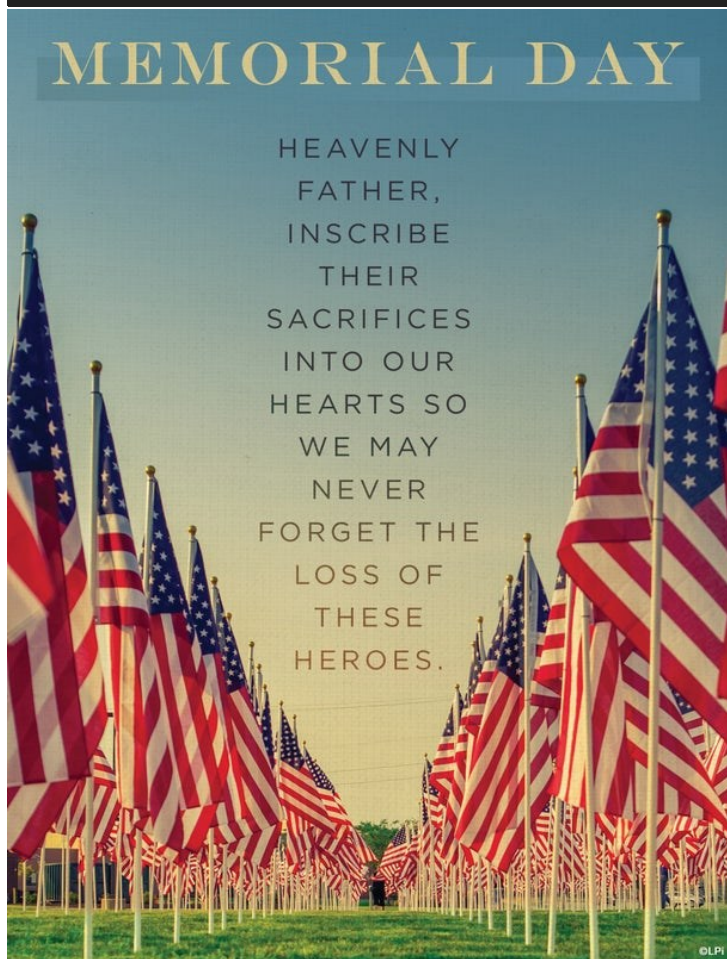
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 SCRAMBLED EGGS
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BREAKFAST PRICING

\$10 ADULTS AND CHILDREN OLDER THAN 10 YEARS OLD | **FREE** CHILDREN 10 AND UNDER

FUNDRAISER FOR **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 403**

Come enjoy good food, great fellowship, and celebrate their achievements!



2ND Marriage & Banns

EMILY BARNETT & JACOB BLEIER

MARRIAGE MOMENT (Memorial Day) To serve country, spouse, or God is to give your life because of your love. Dying for country, spouse, or God is a great sacrifice, but sacrificing time and spending energy in the service of your beloved counts too. Serve your spouse in an unexpected way today.

Pentecost Prayer Come Holy Spirit, Descend upon us and fill us with the fire of Your love! Remind us of Your dreams for us, ignite us with new zeal, place new visions on our hearts, and the grace to work alongside You. Amen.

PARENTING POINTERS “Jesus did many other things as well. If every one of them were written down, I suppose that even the whole world would not have room for the books that would be written.” (Jn 21:25) Many parents keep a log of their kids’ accomplishments – especially for the first child and during the first year of life. If you haven’t done this for awhile, jot down a few milestones for posterity this week.



A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE Like the disciples in today's gospel, there are times when we shut the doors of our hearts to people or events, creating emotional distance. However, permanent distancing is harmful and prevents us from experiencing the PEACE that Jesus offers us today.

**St. Bernard Bell Choir Spring Fundraiser
Win a beautiful potted floral arrangement!**

Two chances to win with each ticket purchased. There are two separate pots to be given away. Cost is \$5 per ticket or \$20 for five tickets. Tickets can be purchased from any Bell Choir member or at the church office.

The pots will be created by Graham's Greenhouse and Landscaping — a \$60 value!

The winner will be chosen on Sunday, May 24, 2026.

Proceeds from the fundraiser will be used for general repair and maintenance of the bells.

Thank you for your support!

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION—Fr. Justin Pino is hosting a Wedding Anniversary Celebration for the Eastern Vicariate this summer. We are grateful for the way he has stepped in to help honor and recognize our diocese’s milestone anniversary celebrants in a meaningful way. Parishioners from the entire Eastern Vicariate are welcome to attend an in-person celebration at St. Leo Parish, Ridgway on Sunday, August 30, beginning at 2:00 pm. Registration links and details will be shared shortly. Save the date!



SAINT BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX

St Bernard of Clairvaux Catholic Church

Good Seeds

Monthly REP News

"Because of the Eucharist, God prepared Heaven for us." - St Bernard

May 2026



It's a Wrap!

What an amazing way to finish our 2025-2026 REP year with nine of our young Catholics receiving our Eucharistic Lord for the first time in the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on Sunday May 3rd!

Congratulations to Isabelle Cox, Gawen Kramer, Callan Means, Mattie Monago, Emily Nelson, Scarlet Rosenberger, Reese Strotman, Gino Vinelli and Bryce Yohe on making this most grace-filled sacrament! May they stay close to our Lord throughout their lives by frequent reception of the Holy Eucharist.

A world of thanks to Pat Eckstrom for her love and dedication in preparing this class to joyfully receive our Lord!

A reminder to always stay close to Jesus in his sacraments!

God's Peace and blessings to all!

Cindy Greek – REP Coordinator

What we are learning

Grades 1-5 and grades 6-9 both had year end parties on Sunday April 26th.

It was a day full of fun and laughter together with some delicious snacks and a bit of Scripture mixed in.

Both groups played several Bible "Minute to Win It" games. A couple of favorites were "Healing A Leper" from Matthew 8:1-4 where teams of two had to wrap their partner in a full roll of toilet paper. The first team to finish was the winner. "Shaking The Heavens" from Haggai 2:6 where two students strapped a tissue box full of ping pong balls around their waist and the first to shake all the balls out of the box won. Great fun! 😊

Parishioners – please pray that our students and catechists have a safe and happy summer!

A world of thanks to all those involved in the REP program!

I cannot give enough thanks to all those who contributed to a successful REP year! Certainly, to our group of dedicated catechists who devote so much of their time in preparing for the classes they teach and the love that is visible as they instruct our kids about Jesus, Mary, the sacraments the awesome gift of our Catholic faith! I thank our parents and students for consistently coming to class even when they have so many other things on their plates. Thanks to Catholic Women's Group for Advent wreaths and Easter baskets. Thanks to Kim VanHorn for answering all my questions throughout this first year in my coordinator role. Thanks to Gina Davidson and Elaine Doriguzzi for helping with forms, newsletters etc. Thanks to Fr John and Fr Ed for their great support of the program and finally, thanks to all the parishioners for their continued prayers for the program! See you in a couple of months! God's Peace!



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

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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Monday thru Friday: 8:30 am to 4 pm

Gina Davidson, *Business Manager*

Email: business@stbernardcatholic.org

Elaine Doriguzzi, *Administrative Assistant*

Email: office@stbernardcatholic.org

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 or email Cindy Greek @ StBernardREP@outlook.com

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.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS: We welcome all inquiries about the Catholic faith. This **OCIA** 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	Doug Kuntz
Catholic Women's Club	Joan Yohe
Rosary Altar Society	Dawn Kozminski
Telephone Prayer Chain	Natalie Marasco (598-5565)

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MAY 25TH-MAY 31ST Daily masses are in the Divine Mercy Chapel. Weekend Masses in the Church.

Monday, May 25th MEMORIAL DAY

SBC 9:00 am Michael Reese (Ann & Wesley Miller)

Tuesday, May 26th

SBC 9:00 am Jean Everett (Keith & Mary Anne Stauffer)

Wednesday, May 27th

SBC 12:10 pm David Tominez (Rita Stark)

Thursday, May 28th

SBC 9:00 am All Parishioners
SBC 12:10 pm Arthur Slike (Christine Yeager)

Friday, May 29th

SBC 12:10 pm Louis Pascarella (Mariann Pascarella)

Saturday, May 30th

SBC 9:00 am Mary Ann Roney (Dave & Barb White)
SB 4:00 pm L.A. Drumm (Kay Sirvet)

Sunday, May 31st

SB 8:00 am John, Margaret & Paul Andrew Platko (Family)
SB 10:00 am John Iaderosa (Vince & Mary Lou Iaderosa)
SB 11:30 am Judy Rose (Pehonsky Family)

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

GOD Bless AMERICA



MAY 30TH, 2026

Saturday: St. Bernard 4:00 pm

LECTOR: Tammy Black

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

Servers: Bella & Giana Davidson



MAY 31ST, 2026

Sunday: St. Bernard 8:00 am

LECTOR: Lynne Kuntz

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

Server: Dave Hill

St. Bernard 10:00 am

LECTOR: Jody Randolph

EM: Gloria Scarano **CUP:** Beth Mongillo/**VOLUNTEER**

Servers: **VOLUNTEERS**

St. Bernard 11:30 am

LECTOR: Carol Vinca

EM: Craig Cuthbertson **CUP:** Kim Ditz/Sue Lee

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 Bresnehan, 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, Judy Dilick, Christine DiStrola, Brady Dolan, Denise Douthit, James Drumm, Alliyson Feldman, Ferguson Family, John Fornataro, Stepheny Franco, Robin Fuller, Emma Fuhrman, Chip Giordano, Pat Girard, Donna Gocella, 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, Ann Miller, Virginia O'Brien, Mary O'Connell, Chris Pehonsky, John Pockey, Joan Pointon, Dan Popiel, Courtney Prentiss, John Pupo, Linda Rabineau, Donna Rail, Anne Reed, Virginia & Ed Reed, 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.



Readings for the week of May 24th



Sunday: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1 and 24, 29-30, 31 and 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23
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: 1 Pt 1:10-16/ Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25/ Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/ Mk 10:32-45
Thursday: 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12/ Ps 100:2, 3, 4, 5/ Mk 10:46-52
Friday: 1 Pt 4:7-13/ Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/ Mk 11:11-26
Saturday: Jude 17, 20b-25/ Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6/ Mk 11:27-33
Next Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18