

The Catholic Community of Bradford

*Twenty-Second Sunday in
Ordinary Time
August 30th, 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.

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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22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father's glory, and then he will repay all according to his conduct." - Mt 16:26-27

A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

I don't know about you, but I was quite touched by the participation in the many activities of our Sesquicentennial! The events of the parish's 150th Anniversary during the week of the feast day (August 20th) were quite edifying.

The weather, at first, threatened the Sunday picnic, but the Lord seemed to manage the needed rainfall and the desired outdoor time together. The kids' games and scavenger hunt were engaging, although the "Bubba Bocce" didn't work as well. Food trucks and outdoor socializing were super.

Monday's Main Street and Tuesday's campus rosary walks were not too physically demanding and the hot dogs and ice cream would always get thumbs up. Monday's trivia contest was quite thoughtful and fun and Tuesday's history presentation very well-composed. Goes to show you that learning can also be very enjoyable.

The Lord opened up rainless windows on Wednesday (Eucharistic Procession) and Thursday (rosary at the high school). Each of these prayer services drew us in to a greater closeness to our God and one another. Pizza and bingo was also a hit.

On Friday a dozen or so of us gathered to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 pm. It was good to add this dimension to our week in the Divine Mercy Chapel. Saturday evening's Soiree was quite amazing and memorable – lots of people – Fr Leo Gallina and Fr Ray Gramata joined in the fun – with food, music, photos, drinks, and the best people.

Bishop Persico dodged raindrops on the way down, and the skies opened up at the end of the 11 am Mass. What a fabulous opportunity to worship together and wrap up the week with a perfect reception. As we priests say on anniversaries, *"Ad multos annos!" (To many more years)*

Fr John

Not shown Fr Ed Walk



Pope Leo XIV

Fr John Jacquel

Fr Leo Gallina

Bishop Lawrence Persico

Fr Ray Gramata



EUCCHARISTIC
Adoration

FIRST FRIDAY AT ST. BERNARD

We will have **Confessions on Thursday, September 3rd** beginning at 4:30 pm at **St. Bernard**. If we need to stretch that beyond 5:00, that's okay. God's mercy knows no boundaries. **First Friday morning, September 4th** we will have Eucharistic Adoration at 9:00 in the Divine Mercy Chapel. We will need to ensure someone will be able to remain in the Chapel, thus there will be a sign-up list near the chapel door. 12:10 Mass will follow in the Chapel.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Rosary Altar Society: Wednesday, September 9th @ 6:00 pm. Officer Installation Dinner @ Bradford Club. Social hour @5:30pm.

Widow's Group: Wednesday, September 16th—Mass in the Chapel at 12:10 followed by meeting in Gallina Hall. Bring your lunch. All widows welcome!

K of C #403 : Tuesday, September 8th @ 7:00 pm

Cemetery Board: Wednesday, September 9th @ 11 am

Pastoral Council: TBA

Finance Council: TBA

SF 50+ Club: Summer Break until September

Liturgy Committee: Tuesday, September 1st @ 6:30 pm

Catholic Women's Club: Sunday, September 13th—10 am Mass followed by Brunch @ Togi's. \$20 per person. RSVP to Alicia 814-598-5076. Board Meeting, Tuesday, September 15th @5:45pm followed by General Meeting. All are welcome!

NOTE: If you have your first September meeting scheduled let us know ASAP so we can update this.



**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 September 8th.** Council members are urged to attend, and new members are most welcome.



*St. Bernard Sanctuary Candle
will be burning this week in
Memory of
Mary Costello*

COLLECTIONS

Total Collection - Needed Weekly: \$ 8,757

August 23..... \$ 7,423

Assumption of Mary (Final).....\$ 876

Church in Latin America (Final).....\$ 2,383

2026 Combined CSA Assessment \$ 99,059

CSA 2026 Collected \$ 63,768

Checks for CSA must be made out to St. Bernard. Please do not COMBINE CSA or Second/Special Collections with weekly payments.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

REGISTER FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

REP will begin September 13th. Registration packets are now available in the church or the parish office. You can also register online on the parish website. Packets include a schedule which is also available online. Please note grades 1-5 will meet on Sunday morning and grades 6-9 will meet Sunday evening. Confirmation will take place in 9th grade with a mandatory retreat on November 7, 2026, in Clarion, PA. Emails will be sent to parents of confirmation students with more information. Please mark your calendar for this important date.

As always, communication will take place through the Remind app. Please use the new Remind codes listed below. Last years codes have been archived and are therefore no longer available. It is important that you register for Remind as that is the primary way I will communicate with you. You can reach me through the Remind app, by calling the parish office 362-6285 or emailing me at StBernardREP@outlook.com.

New Remind codes are:

Grades 1-5 send text to 81010 Code. In the message enter @grades152

Grades 6-9 text 81010 Code. In the message enter @grades692

Cindy Greek,
REP Coordinator

REP SCHEDULE

Grades 1-5 meet Sunday, September 13th from 11:00am-12:15pm in Gallina Hall (**Parents must attend first 15 minutes.**) **Grades 6-9** meet Sunday, September 20th from 5:45pm-7:15pm in Gallina Hall (**Parents of Grades 6-8 must attend first 15 minutes. Confirmation parents must attend the entire class.**)

PARENTING POINTERS—Bring a little laughter and understanding into your family this week. Try “changing places for a day.” If your kids are old enough, have them cook a meal and the parents can whine for ice cream. If they are too young to do any grown-up chores (or even talk), you can have fun pretending you’re the child for a day. I know you can’t go to class as your student, and they can’t do your job at the office but have fun with what you can do to feel what it’s like to be in their shoes.

September 2026

PRAY FOR PRIESTS CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 <i>Very Rev Nicholas Rouch, VG</i>	2 <i>Rev/ Vincent Cieslewicz</i>	3 <i>Rev John Malthaner</i>	4 <i>Rev Johnathan Schmolt</i>	5 <i>Rev Stephen Collins</i>
6 <i>Rev Msgr Daniel Magraw</i>	7 	8 <i>Rev Samuel Bungo</i>	9 <i>Rev Msgr Joseph Riccardo</i>	10 <i>Rev Cory Pius</i>	11 <i>Rev Gregory Passauer</i>	12 <i>Rev Kyle Seyler</i>
13 <i>Rev Cesar Segovia</i>	14 <i>Rev Mark Mastrian</i>	15 <i>Pray for Vocations</i>	16 <i>Rev Walter Packard</i>	17 <i>Rev. Stephen Schreiber</i>	18 <i>Very Rev Marc Stockton</i>	19 <i>Most Rev Lawrence Persico</i>
20 <i>Rev Thomas Brown</i>	21 <i>Rev. Lawrence Richards</i>	22 <i>Rev Benjamin Daghir</i>	23 <i>Rev Luke Daghir</i>	24 <i>Rev James Piszker</i>	25 <i>Rev Msgr Richard Siefer</i>	26 <i>Rev Robert Manning</i>
27 <i>Pray for Consecrated Life</i>	28 <i>Rev Christopher Beran</i>	29 <i>Rev Michael Scanga</i>	30 <i>Rev David Renne</i>			



Gift card (SCRIP) order forms are available in the back of the church. **Orders are due by Wednesday, September 23rd.** Please drop off order forms and payments to the Parish office.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA Question: According to Catholic tradition, what is the holiest night of the year?

Answer: The Vigil of Easter

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Milestone Anniversary Celebrations

Congratulation to all couples celebrating their **Milestone Anniversaries** today at St. Leo Magnus, Ridgway. Couples celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or more wedding anniversaries are still welcome to receive a certificate mailed to you. Registrations are accepted through September 13. Couples and/or Parish staff may complete registrations online at <https://www.eriecd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html>, calling their parish office or contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at (814) 824-1210.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE—Relationships exist in a delicate balance. When one person changes, it requires an adjustment in the relationship. In today's gospel, Jesus announced a change, and Peter resisted. Sometimes, those we rely on for support can become obstacles. Jesus told Peter, "You are an obstacle to me."



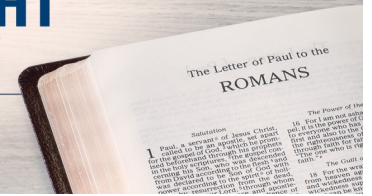


ARE YOU, OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of the Catholic Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for children or teens. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. **Classes begin the week of September 21.** For information please contact the church office.

MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY



Do you want to become closer to God and the Holy Spirit? The Catholic Women's Club is hosting a bible study titled "Living in the Power of the Holy Spirit". This study will meet for an hour in Gallina Social Hall on Monday evening from 6-7pm, September 14-November 16. All parishioners are welcome to join in the low key, exchanging experiences and learning environment of the Holy Spirit. The cost of the study book is \$15. If this invitation is calling your name, reserve your seat by calling Teri Everett 412-400-0544.

Enrollment deadline is August 30, 2026.

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Peter Clough
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Pclough@4lpi.com

When you donate blood in August, you'll receive our **ANNIVERSARY TUMBLER!**

COMMUNITY BLOOD BANK

BLOOD DRIVE

ST BERNARDS CHURCH
IN THE CAFETERIA
MON. AUGUST 31ST
12:00PM-5:00PM

WALK-INS WELCOME

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COMMUNITY BLOOD BANK

DONORS MUST:

- Be at least 17 years old or 16 with parental consent
- Weigh at least 110 pounds
- No tattoo or piercings in past 3 months
- Be in general good health and eat before donating
- PHOTO ID REQUIRED

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**YOU DON'T
CLIMB A
MOUNTAIN
IN LEAPS
AND
BOUNDS,
BUT BY
TAKING IT
SLOWLY.**

—ST. GREGORY THE GREAT

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PASTORAL STAFF

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OFFICE HOURS:

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



**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.

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	Lynne Kuntz
Rosary Altar Society	Dawn Kozminski
Telephone Prayer Chain	Natalie Marasco (598-5565)

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AUGUST 30TH-SEPTEMBER 7TH

Daily masses are in the Divine Mercy Chapel. Weekend Masses in the Church.

Monday, August 31st

SBC 9:00 am Roco Camas Jr. (Ron & Kathy Symington)
SBC 12:10 pm Virginia O'Brien (Bill Manning & Joyce Schaming)

Tuesday, September 1st

SBC 9:00 am Lea Miller (Kevin & Joanie Kelley)

Wednesday, September 2nd

SBC 12:10 pm Karen Stom (Louise, Joyce & Bunny)

Thursday, September 3rd

SBC 9:00 am Rose Remington (Joyce Schaming)
SBC 12:10 pm All Parishioners

Friday, September 4th **FIRST FRIDAY**

SB **9:00 am Eucharistic Adoration**
SBC 12:10 pm Karen Stom (Peggy Stom)

Saturday, September 5th

SBC 9:00 am Bob McCann Jr (Jessica Hervatin)
SB 4:00 pm Vicki Girard Cotillion & Son Joe Cotillion (Family)

Sunday, September 6th

SBC 8:00 am Thomas Black (Karen Getz)
SBC 10:00 am Sandy Remington (Roger & Joyce Geis)
SBC 11:30 am Patrick Geary (Kim & Dave Soble)

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



Readings for the week of August 30th



Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/
Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27
Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5/Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102/
Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab,
13cd-14/Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21/
Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23/ Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/
Lk 5:1-11
Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40/
Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21/
Lk 6:1-5
Next Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7b, 7c-9/
Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20



MASS SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 5TH, 2026

Saturday: St. Bernard 4:00 pm

LECTOR: Jim Long
EM: Dick Williams **CUP:** Chris Pehonsky/Tammy Black
Servers: Aidan & Sean Kramer



SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2026

Sunday: St. Bernard 8:00 am

LECTOR: Mike Kozminski
EM: Suzie Sperry **CUP:** Chris Pehonsky/Cindy Greek
Server: Dave Hill

St. Bernard 10:00 am

LECTOR: Greg Ulyan
EM: VOLUNTEER CUP: Gloria Scarano/Lynn Hogue
Servers: Luke Erickson

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 Bresnehan, Nancy Bukowski, Michael Cagney, GiGi Carroll, Dominic "Frank" Cavallero, Tami Charters, Dick Clark, Kelly Costello, Melissa Cox, Billie Cummins, Madison Cunningham, Mike Curcio, Paul & Marianne Curcio, Jennifer Smith Dawson, Gerry Davis, Josh Dawson, Judy Dilick, Christina DiStrola, Brady Dolan, Denise Douthit, James Drumm, Alliyson Feldman, Ferguson Family, John Fornataro, Stepheny Franco, Robin Fuller, Emma Fuhrman, Chip Giordano, Pat Girard, 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, 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, Suzie Sperry, 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.