

The Catholic Community of Bradford

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
March 2, 2025

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Pastor

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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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LIVE STREAMING SUNDAY 10 AM

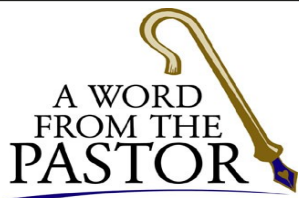
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8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." - Lk 6:43, 45



There are always opportunities for learning; and I'm not talking about classes, books, or seminars. During my convalescence after surgery, I admit to struggling to stay positive. I was "grounded" for two weeks – stuck in one place – and mostly indoors due to weather and mobility, where I am used to getting outdoors every day of the year, except when I'm sick.

The exercises and routines and therapies were not always so easy – but essential if I was to re-sume walking, even if not quite as much walking as I had done in the past. I am definitely guilty of taking my physical health for granted.

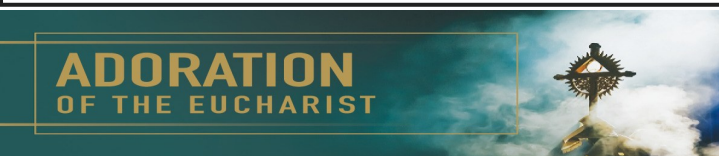
Oh, I would occasionally give voice to a prayer of thanksgiving for what I experienced, but I did not realize the half of it. As many of you already know, and I recently found out, when you get a new joint, your body is traumatized. You need to not only heal from the injury, but those connected and associated muscles, bones, and tendons now need special exercise to strengthen and become accustomed to the new situation. What took years during our earlier lives now will take many weeks and months to catch up. And you are just not able to walk as you had become accustomed. Why this is harder for me, I think, is because I had never had injuries or surgeries like this in the past. So, it also becomes an opportunity to grow in patience.

The good news is that it is happening, thankfully. Although stubbornness and boneheaded tendencies were rearing their ugly heads from time to time.

I think I'm beginning to understand. And Lent, which begins this Wednesday, is that annual opportunity for each of us to grow in appreciation of the grace and gifts that surround us, by our Lord's sacrifice – if we so allow that.

I didn't always feel grateful in the midst of this, but I think I'm coming around to that now.

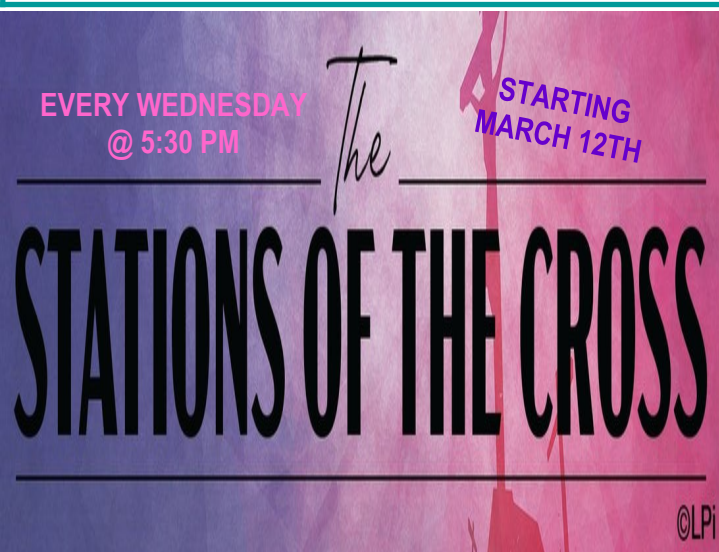
Fr. John



FIRST FRIDAY AT ST. BERNARD

We will have **Confessions on Thursday, March 6th** 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, March 7th** we will have Eucharistic Adoration after 8:00 am Mass in the Divine Mercy Chapel until closing at noon with Benediction. 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.

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2025 Today is Commitment Sunday for the 2025 Catholic Services Appeal *One Faith, One Family*. 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. As baptized Catholics, the Lord calls each one of us to share His love and build up His Church. Through our gifts to the CSA, we unite as *One Faith, One Family* in carrying out His life-giving mission. Thank you for your faithful generosity and prayers for the CSA.



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: Tuesday, March 4th @ 6:00 pm
 Widow's Group: TBA
 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

COUNT YOUR Blessings 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.



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 6-9 will meet in Gallina Hall on Sunday, March 2nd at 5:45 pm. **GRADES 1-5** will meet in Gallina Hall on Sunday, March 9th at 11:00 am.
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.

March 2025

PRAY FOR PRIESTS CALENDAR


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Rev Richard Allen
2 Rev. William Barron	3 Rev David Perry	4 Rev. Thomas Trocchio	5 Rev. Leo Gallina	6 Rev. Luke Dagher	7 Rev. Jerome Simmons	8 Very Rev. Scott Jabo, VF
9 Rev Msgr Casimir Bogniak	10 Rev. Joseph Petrone	11 Rev. James McCormick	12 Rev. Gregory Passauer	13 Pray for Consecrated Life	14 Rev. William O'Brien	15 Rev Thomas Aleksa
16 Rev. Msgr. Andrew Karg	17 	18 Rev Dan Hoffman	19 Rev Howard King	20 Rev. Jason Feigh	21 Rev Christopher Beran	22 The Most Rev. Lawrence Persico
23 Rev. Joseph Kalinowski	24 Rev Thomas Tyler	25 Rev Msgr Henry Kriegel	26 Pray for Vocations	27 Rev. Lawrence Richards	28 Rev. Jerry Priscaro	29, 30, 31 Rev. Raymond Hahn Rev. Chris Hamlett Rev. John Santor

CRS RICE BOWL During Lent, we are invited to deepen our relationship and unite our hearts more fully with God and with one another. We can do this in an intentional way through the Catholic tradition of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. CRS Rice Bowl—Catholic Relief Services’ Lenten faith-in-action program—invites us to encounter God and our global family by practicing these Lenten pillars.

This year, CRS Rice Bowl celebrates its 50th anniversary. At this very moment, millions of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers are facing life-threatening levels of hunger, food insecurity and malnutrition. At the root of this crisis is a perfect storm of poverty, climate change, conflict and inequality. There is no one solution to breaking the cycle of hunger, but we can answer Jesus’ invitation to share with our sisters and brothers during Lent by participating in CRS Rice Bowl.

Sixty percent of alms collected through CRS Rice Bowl supports CRS programs around the world. Forty percent stays here in our diocese to help fight hunger and poverty. Your 2024 contributions assisted over 25 organizations including food pantries and soup kitchens in the diocese. Thank you for your generosity.

CRS Rice Bowl provides free resources in English and Spanish to bring Lenten spirituality to life for families, parishes and school communities. You may visit crsricebowl.org or crsplatodearroz.org to find these additional resources.

 is celebrating 50 years of helping Catholic faith communities bring Lent to life and encounter God through our global family.

During the 40 days of Lent, let us journey together through CRS Rice Bowl to meet people in Nigeria, Guatemala and Bangladesh who are rising above the challenges of hunger and malnutrition. Visit crsricebowl.org/join to share your Lenten prayer intentions. **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.** Your Operation Rice Bowl contributions help support Catholic Relief Services, which fights poverty and hunger in the US and 10 countries.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA Question: Which saint who was a Carmelite nun is known as the “Little Flower”?

Answer: St. Thérèse of Lisieux. ©LPI



ASH WEDNESDAY

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8:00 am Mass 12:10 pm Mass
5:30 pm (No Mass) Words & Ashes
ALL IN ST. BERNARD CHURCH

March 4, 2025

*Pancakes
and
Sausage*



*Choice of
Drink:
Coffee, Tea,
Juice, Milk*

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

5 pm – 7 pm

In-Person Dining * Limited Take-Out Available

Episcopal Church of the Ascension
26 Chautauqua Place
Bradford, PA

No set cost, but donations toward youth summer camp scholarships will be gratefully accepted

PARENTING POINTERS The average U.S. child is exposed to approximately 8½ hours of media a day. Sure, some of that is at school and some is multitasking, but it’s still way too much. Do you know how much time your child watches a screen or has something in their ear? Try counting the hours for one day.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE Today, Jesus reminds us: 'Why do you notice the speck in your brother's eye but fail to see the log in your own eye?' It's often easier to focus on changing others rather than addressing our own flaws. However, this is futile, as the only person we can truly change is ourselves.

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

FRIDAY, MARCH 7TH



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
Julius Doriguzzi*

**Southern Tier Catholic School
Saint PATRICK'S
DAY
PARTY**



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

\$25,000+

IN CASH PRIZES - PRIZES ANNOUNCED AT 10:00PM

**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
STCS STUDENT/FACULTY.



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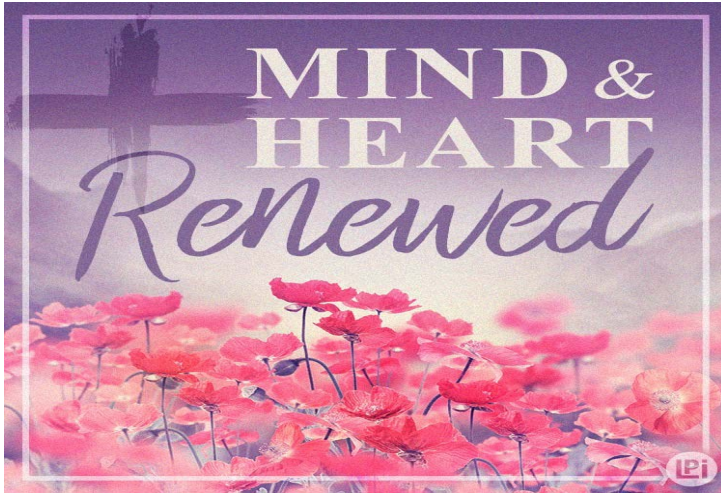
LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

Total Collection - Needed Weekly: \$ 10,072

February 23.....\$8,586

2025 Combined CSA Assessment \$ 94,414

**THANK YOU
FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS**



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.

Nurse 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!



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

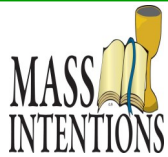
Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors

Organist St. Bernard	Rita Bennardi
	Michael Hicks
Resurrection Choir	Joan Raabe
God’s Housekeepers	Parish Office
Liturgy	Fr. John B 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 3RD—MARCH 9TH

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

Monday, March 3rd

SBC 8:00 am Barbara Boser (Ron & Kathy Symington)
SBC 9:00 am William McCormack (John & Deb Place)

Tuesday, March 4th

SBC 9:00 am Harry Stoltz (Louise & Family)

Wednesday, March 5th ASH WEDNESDAY

SB 8:00 am Steve Ackerman II (Marty & Kris Sapko)
SB 12:10 pm George Santora (St. Bernard Choir)
SB 5:30 pm No Mass—Words & Ashes

Thursday, March 6th

SBC 9:00 am All Parishioners
SB 12:10 pm Bonnie Buccolini (Patricia "Tish" Kelly)

Friday, March 7th FIRST FRIDAY

SB 12:10 pm Ray Burgess (Quenton & Julie DeGolier)

Saturday, March 8th

SBC 9:00 am Marie & Vincent Cipriano (Angie Cipriano)
SB 4:00 pm Connie Cavallero (Family)

Sunday, March 9th

SB 8:00 am Rita Leone (Daughters)
SB 10:00 am Bob McCann Jr. (Paul & Char Lerch)
SB 11:30 am Deceased Members of the Stack Family (Dennis & Linda Thiel)

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



Readings for the week of March 2, 2025

Sunday: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (see 2a)/
1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

Monday: Sir 17:20-24/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23/
Mk 10:28-31



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



MARCH 8TH, 2025

Saturday: St. Bernard 4:00 pm

Lector: Peggy Johnson

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

Servers: Bella & Giana Davidson

MARCH 9TH, 2025

Sunday: St. Bernard 8:00 am

Lector: Joan Yohe

EM: Dave White **CUP:** Suzie Sperry/Deb Soyke

Server: David Hill

St. Bernard 10:00 am

Lector: Jody Randolph

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

Servers: Daniel Marasco/Caleb McAndrew

St. Bernard 11:30 am

Lector: Craig Cuthbertson

EM: Sue Lee

CUP: Kim Ditz/Karen McClain

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.