

# *St. Bernard of Clairvaux*

*A Parish of the Catholic Diocese of Erie*



*Sunday, February 5, 2017*

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Today as we celebrate the Fifth Sunday of the year, each of the readings speaks about us being active in our faith. We cannot just sit in the pew as a bump on a log and do nothing. We must let the Mass change us. We must leave the Mass different from how we came in. Like the Apostles on that First Pentecost Sunday, they left the Upper Room and never looked back. They were changed people by the power of the Holy Spirit. We too have received that same Spirit, first of all in the Sacrament of Baptism and also in the Sacrament of Confirmation. We too must never look back, but be looking forward.

Let us listen to the words of the prophet Isaiah: "Share your bread with the hungry." I urge you to take this passage with you and meditate upon it. Then read Saint Matthew's Gospel 25:31-46 as it picks up on the same theme.

From Saint Paul's letter to the Corinthians we hear: "...so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God." Saint Paul echoes the words of Jesus found in Saint John's Gospel 15:16 - "It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain." Thus, our faith does not depend solely upon words, but on the very fact that it comes to us from our God as a gift. We are called to be humble before the Lord.

From the Gospel of Saint Matthew we see the image of salt and light and we know the importance of both of them: "Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father."

Let us then grasp the importance of our faith and celebrate it on a daily basis.

God Bless *Fr. Ray*



**PLEASE NOTE** We are now scheduling 2017 St. Bernard Masses for the rest of the year. Please contact the parish office to see if your preferred dates are available.  
After February 13th, we will also be scheduling St. Francis and OMPH masses and social hall activities through our office at 362-6825.

**FAMILIES ALWAYS MATTER**

Looking for resources for your family?  
Visit the Diocese of Erie Family website at:  
<http://www.eriecd.org/fam.htm>  
and discover why families always matter!

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**  
**SUNDAY, February 19, 2017**  
**ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH CENTER**  
Division St. Mt. Jewett, PA  
**9AM to 1 PM**  
Adults \$6.00  
Children 12 and under \$3.00

**OUR PARISH THANKS YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION**

January 29 Collection .....	\$ 6,666
Avg Wkly Operating Exp .....	\$ 10,272
<b>THIS WEEK'S DEFICIT .....</b>	<b>\$ 3,606</b>
Catholic Communication Collection .....	\$ 1,190
St. Bernard School January Collection .....	\$ 511
<b>2016 CSA Pledged .....</b>	<b>\$ 48,626</b>
<b>2016 CSA Paid .....</b>	<b>\$ 46,381</b>

**Please do not staple or tape your envelopes closed! Thank you!**

**St. Bernard Elementary/Middle School**  
Please support St. Bernard School with your monthly envelope  
**Feb 13-17—Box Top Contest!**  
**Feb 20 —PRESIDENTS DAY—NO SCHOOL OR CARE**  
Check our website, [www.stbernardschool.net](http://www.stbernardschool.net)  
**Wed, Feb 8<sup>th</sup>, 10 am Mass—Grade 2**

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**Catholic Women:** TBA  
**Widows Group:** Tuesday, February 21 @ 12:10  
**RCIA:** Sundays @ Noon, February 5, 12, 19, 26  
**REP 1-8:** Sundays @ 9am, February 5, 12, 26  
**REP 9, 10 & Confirmation:** Sundays @ 5:45 at Fr. Ritchie Hall, February 5, 19

**DESTINATIONS BRADFORD**

Destinations is preparing to kick off their 2nd Annual Campaign/Event and are looking at March 25th for the "Live, Love, Laugh" event. They are looking for some local musicians to share their talents at the event. If you have performance skills and are interested in sharing your gift with the community, please call Becky Plummer at Destinations, (814) 331-4551.

**MARRIAGE MOMENTS**

Overlook a little, love a lot. To motivate yourself, you need to let go of the trivial. Ponder for one minute the possibility that your spouse might die next week. We can never be certain about the future.

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**WORD OF LIFE**

"Compassion for the mother is extremely important, but is never served through destroying the innocent."

*Randy Alcorn, Pro Life Answers to Pro Choice Arguments*

**EMPTY BOWLS** university of Pittsburgh at Bradford

Empty Bowls & Baskets Dinner  
 Thursday, March 16, 2017  
 Mukaiyama University Room  
 5:00 – 7:00 PM  
 Admission to the event is \$10.00.

Guests are served a simple meal of soup, bread, beverage and dessert and are invited to keep a ceramic bowl, basket or set of napkins as a reminder of the ongoing fight against hunger.

*If you are interested in donating a crockpot of soup or a batch of cookies, please contact Carma Horner at 362-7609 or email clh71@pitt.edu.*

**PRAYER REQUESTS FOR PRIESTS**

*Please Pray for the Following Priests*

- Sunday, Feb 5 - Rev. Msgr. Edward J. Zeitler
- Monday, Feb 6 - Rev. Msgr. Joseph J. Riccardo, V.F.
- Tuesday, Feb 7 - Rev. John M. Schultz
- Wednesday, Feb 8 - Rev. Johnathan P. Schmolz
- Thursday, Feb 9 - Rev. Msgr. Richard J. Stack
- Friday, Feb 10- Rev. John E. Santor
- Saturday, Feb 11 - Rev. Thomas N. Trocchio



**MASS SCHEDULE FOR  
 NEW PARISH CONFIGURATION  
 Beginning  
 Monday, February 13, 2017**

**WEEKDAYS**

- Monday 8:00 a.m. Saint Bernard
- Tuesday 8:00 a.m. Saint Francis
- Wednesday 8:00 a.m. Saint Bernard
- 10:00 a.m. Saint Bernard School
- Thursday 8:00 a.m. Saint Francis
- Friday 8:00 a.m. Saint Bernard
- Saturday NO MORNING MASS

**SATURDAYS/SUNDAYS**

- Saturday 5:15 p.m. Saint Bernard (confessions 4:30 – 5:00 pm)
- Sunday 8:00 a.m. Saint Francis
- 10:00 a.m. Saint Bernard
- 11:30 a.m. Our Mother

**Holy Day Mass Schedule to be announced.**

**PRE-CANA 2017**

The next local Pre-Cana session will be at St. Bernard on February 19, 2017 beginning at 8:00 a.m. and running until 5 p.m. A lunch will be provided. All persons planning a 2017 wedding should make plans to attend. To register contact Kathy Durner at 362-7733 or the parish office at 362-6825.

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 ☆ **SUPPORT OUR SPONSOR OF THE WEEK** ☆  
 ☆ **OTT & McHENRY PHARMACY** ☆  
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**Bradford Township  
Lions Club**  
**HOTCAKES FOR  
HEROES**

**Sunday, March 5, 2017  
9 am to 1 pm**

**Bradford Township Community Center**

**Adults - \$7, Children under 10 - \$3**

Tickets at the door

**FREE TO ANY SERVICE PERSONNEL  
—Firemen—Policemen—Emergency  
Medical Personnel—Active Military and  
Veterans—  
IN THE BRADFORD AREA!!**

**ATTENTION WIDOWS**

We will meet at the Divine Mercy Chapel parking lot at 12:30 pm on February 21<sup>st</sup> and carpool to Perkins.

**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, and educational opportunities (including tuition assistance) at our Catholic School. 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.

**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 OF TIME & TALENT**

**Religious Education:** Grades 1-8, 9 am Sunday mornings at St. Bernard  
Grades 9, 10 & 11(Confirmation), 5:45 pm Sunday evenings at St. Francis

**Liturgical**

*Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors*

Music Director	Kathy O'Mara	331-8084
Folk Group	Peggy Errera	368-3024
Resurrection Choir	Mariann Pascarella	368-5356
God's Housekeepers	Parish Office	362-6825
Liturgy Committee	Fr. Raymond C. Gramata	362-6825

**Parish Community**

St. Bernard School	Kim Mooney, Principal	368-5302
Parish Council		
Catholic Women's Club	Joan Yohe	362-3929
Telephone Prayer Chain	Natalie Marasco	363-9110

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**PASTORAL STAFF:**

Rev. Father Raymond C. Gramata, *Pastor*  
Mrs. Kimberly A. Mooney, *Principal SBS*

**OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday: 9 am to 4 pm  
Tuesday - Friday: 8 am to 4 pm  
Ms. Wendy Thomson, *Financial Manager*  
Ms. Kathy Bryant, *Secretary*

**MASS SCHEDULE:**

Monday-Saturday: Please consult bulletin.  
Weekend: Saturday (Vigil): 5:15 pm,  
Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am  
Holy Days: Please consult bulletin

**RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday: 8:30 am, 4 to 5 pm, Thursday before First Friday: 4 to 5 pm. Private appointments may be made by calling Parish Office.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (REP)**

Students not attending Catholic school should be enrolled in REP programs. St. Bernard, St. Francis and OMPH Religious Education programs are combined. Grades 1 through 8 meet on Sunday mornings at 9 am at St. Bernard in Fr. Gallina Social Center and grades 9, 10 & 11(Confirmation) meet at St. Francis in G. Carlton Ritchie Hall at 5:15 pm on Sunday. Both programs begin in September.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION  
OF ADULTS (RCIA):**

We welcome all inquiries about the Catholic faith. This process begins in the fall of the year. Please call the Parish Office for further information.

**ST. BERNARD ELEMENTARY /  
MIDDLE SCHOOL:**

450 West Washington Street: serving students, preschool through eighth grade. Open to parishioners, Catholics from other parishes and those of other faiths. Offering Extended Care before, during, and after school. For complete information, please call 368-5302.

*Weekly*  
**BULLETIN**

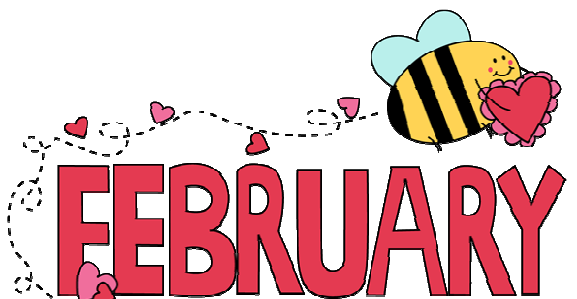
**DEADLINE**

**IN WRITING BY  
NOON ON FRIDAY**

**2 WEEKS PRIOR TO BULLETIN DATE.**

**FAMILY LIFE**

Today's gospel challenges us to be a "light" to our community. Parents shine their own guiding light by their actions, inviting their children to follow the light of their "good deeds."





## MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF FEB 6 - FEB 12, 2017

### ST. BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX



#### Monday, February 6

8:00 am Parishioners

#### Wednesday, February 8

8:00 am Gwen Fling (*Betty Holmes*)

SBS10:00 am Taylor Davy (*Sisters of Mary Mother of the Eucharist*)

#### Thursday, February 9

12:10 pm Louise Ackley (*Cliff Ackley*)

#### Friday, February 10

8:00 am Sally Barnes Campbell (*Tom & Gayle Kochan Family*)

#### Saturday, February 11

8:00 am Esther Lignian (*Estate*)

5:15 pm Duffy Henretta (*David & Colleen Nuzzo*)

#### Sunday, February 12

8:00 am Dr. George Still (*Anne Fair*)

10:00 am David Jones (*Kathy Jones*)

**WEEKDAY MASSES HELD IN THE CHAPEL**

### ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

#### Monday, February 6

9:00 am Michael A. Rooke (*Staff of St. Francis Parish*)

#### Wednesday, February 8

9:00 am Parishioners of Our Mother of Perpetual Help & St. Francis of Assisi

#### Saturday, February 11

4:30 pm Joseph Figula (*Figula & Anderson Families*)

#### Sunday, February 12

11:00 am Member of the Collins & Buchanan Families (*Cuthbertson Family*)

### OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

#### Sunday, February 12

9:00 am Lucille Vinca (*Dave Vinca*)



#### Please pray for those who are sick or suffering:

Thomas Ackley, Betty Baliski, Bill Baynes, Barb Bernheisel & Foster Family, Shirley Black, John Bove, Tom Burke, Dick Clark, Betsy Costello, Ann Cummiskey, Helen DeFrank, Michael Eaton, Helen Ewell, Rose Feldhaus Family, Ysabella Feldman, Pat Girard, Pearl Harris, Brandon M. Henry, Jill Henry, Sandy Holsinger, James Kibby, Bill Kline, Lori Kozlowski, Kaylee Marsfelder, Colleen McNamara, Shannon McNamara, Mariana Militelo, Joe Monago, Shirley Mongillo, Lou Monti, Cheri O'Mara, Courtney Prentiss, James Romanelli, Tim Romanelli, Cindy Sayers, Nancy Shaw, Judith Shick, Caro Simonds, Steve Skaggs, Sandy Spehar, Bonnie Swackhamer, Matthew Whelan, Richard Yovichin, Tom Zimbardi

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

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEB 5, 2017

Sunday: Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-9/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16

Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c/Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20--2:4a/Ps 8:4-9/Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30/Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-5/Mk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5-7/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2-4abc, 5-6, 12-13/Mk 8:1-10

Next Sunday: Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37



### GOD'S HOUSEKEEPERS

**Feb 5 - 10: Team 4**

M. Block/ B. Spadafore/  
A. Frombach/  
G. Ulyan/ G. Santora



## MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR MASSES FEBRUARY 11 - 12, 2017

### LECTOR SCHEDULE

#### Saturday, February 11

5:15 pm Mary Anne Stauffer

#### Sunday, February 12

8:00 am Tom Dalton

10:00 am Andy Kearns



### EUCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

#### Saturday, February 11

5:15 pm Chuck Beattie/ Paul Curcio/ Teri Everett

#### Sunday, February 12

8:00 am Chris Pehonsky/ Marcia Riley/ Ruth Dixon

10:00 am Celia Romanelli/ Doris Hungiville/ Lynn Hogue

**HOSPITAL/PAVILION:** Rosemary Burke

### ALTAR SERVERS

#### Saturday, February 11

5:15 pm Aliya & Emma Webster

#### Sunday, February 12

8:00 am Danny Manion/ Tara & Tori Moonan

10:00 am Abby Coffman/ Erica Marshall

