

# Church of Saint Bernard

A PARISH OF THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ERIE

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**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. 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.

**PRE-BAPTISM CLASSES:** Please call the St. Bernard Parish Office for dates and times of upcoming class.

## 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	362-2902
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	George Evans	362-3094
Catholic Women's Club	Joan Yohe	362-3929
Telephone Prayer Chain	Natalie Marasco	363-9110

**BULLETIN DEADLINE: FRIDAY BY NOON,  
in writing, a week before insert date.**



### PASTORAL STAFF:

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

### 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.

### 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.

### 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 combining students. Grades  
1 through 8 will meet on Sunday mornings at St.  
Bernard Church and grades 9, 10 & 11  
(Confirmation) will meet at St. Francis on  
Sunday evenings. Both programs will begin in  
September.

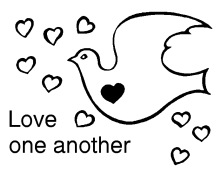
### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA):

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.



Continuing in the joy of the Easter season, let us explore today's readings. The first reading comes from the Acts of the Apostles. In this reading, both Paul and Barnabas were rejoicing in how the Spirit was calling the gentiles to embrace faith in Jesus. From Revelation, the second reading, we hear and celebrate the eternal presence of God with us: "Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them as their God." Then in the Gospel we are reminded: "I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

What each reading reminds us of is that we have an intimate personal relationship with our God. That relationship becomes the model for our relationships with one another. In our world today, that is so absorbed with violence and name calling, it is hard to see that relationship existing, but it does. Each of us must continue that relationship within our families, our schools, work, and whatever we are engaged in. Those who know me know that I am not a "jock"; so I don't follow sports. But I am always impressed when I see an athlete bless themselves during the game. It is all those little things that remind people that there is a God and He is not dead.



This afternoon at 5 p.m. we are privileged to have Bishop Persico celebrate with us the Sacrament of Confirmation on the young members of our area Parishes. The parishes represented are: Saint Bernard of Clairvaux, Saint Francis of Assisi, Our Mother of Perpetual Help, Saint Elizabeth of Hungary (Smethport), Saint Eulalia (Coudersport), Saint Gabriel the Archangel (Port Allegany), Saint Raphael (Eldred), and Saint Theresa (Shinglehouse). I ask you in a special way to keep these candidates, their sponsors, and their families in your prayers. God bless.

God Bless *Fr. Ray*

**GOOD SHEPHERD COLLECTION**

Last weekend, our parish took a second collection to support our retired diocesan priest fund. Thank you. Despite these difficult economic times we appreciate your generous response to share in the care of those faithful priests who have ministered to your spiritual needs. Your priests truly appreciate your support and thank you for contributing to the Good Shepherd Collection for Erie Diocesan Retired Priests.

**OUR PARISH THANKS YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION**

*What we sacrifice and return to God through His church will be returned to us many times over.*

April 17, 2016 Collection.....\$ 7,511

Average Weekly Operating Expenses.....\$ 10,936

2016 CSA Pledged.....\$ 40,296

2016 CSA Paid.....\$ 25,333

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



**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**Parish Council:** No April Meeting  
**Catholic Women:** May 10<sup>th</sup> Rosary @ 6:30/ Altar Server Recognition

**Widows Group:** Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> @ 1pm at parish center

**REP: Gr.1-8:** Classes 24<sup>th</sup>—Last class until Fall

**Gr. 9-10:** No classes until Fall

**CONFIRMATION:** April 24 @ St. Bernard, Mass at 5 pm

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**Come Holy Spirit**

**CONFIRMATION 2016**  
**Sunday, April 24 at 5:00 pm**  
**St. Bernard Church**

28 young people from 8 area churches will be entering their adult Catholic life in front of their families, friends and community. Come join in their celebration. Bishop Lawrence Persico will officiate.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

St. Bernard School and REP 3rd grade students will be making their First Communion at a special mass at 1 pm on Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. Come celebrate this sacrament with them.



**COMMUNITY BLOOD BANK**

The Blood Bank will be available in the St. Bernard Gymnasium Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 Noon until 5:30 pm.



**St. Bernard Elementary/ Middle School**

Support St. Bernard School with your monthly envelope

**Fri Apr 29<sup>th</sup> — NO SCHOOL OR CARE**

**Sun May 1<sup>st</sup> — First Communion at Church**

**Wed May 18<sup>th</sup> — May Crowning at school**

Check our NEW website, [www.stbernardcatholic.org](http://www.stbernardcatholic.org)

**Wed April 27<sup>th</sup> 10 am Mass — Grade 2**

### MARRIAGE MOMENTS

"Love one another." (John 13:35) You're married. Of course you love your spouse. But Jesus keeps repeating this command to love. Perhaps it is because love is never finished. Look for a new opportunity to show your love today. Surprise your beloved.

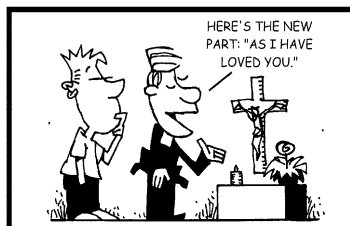
### Special Weekend Conference

Join us at Villa Maria Education & Spirituality Center in Villa Maria, Pa. for a special conference entitled *Being the Body of God in a Polarized World*. The conference will be held April 22-23 from 7 p.m. Friday to 4 p.m. Saturday. The presenter will be Sr. Simone Campbell, SSS Executive Director of NETWORK. For more information go to [vmesc.org](http://vmesc.org) or call 724-964-8886.

### CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY

The Ancient Order of Hibernians in America, New York Division 2, Olean Chapter, will commemorate the Centennial Anniversary of the Easter Rising in Dublin, Ireland with a memorial service in Veterans Park, Olean at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 24, near the Famine Monument. Olean Mayor Bill Aiello will offer welcoming remarks and the Irish Martyrs of the event will be remembered in a prayer offered by the associations' Chaplin. John Walsh, the club historian will present a brief synopsis concerning the significance of the Rising relative to the formation of the Irish Free States and the brave men and women who participated in the struggle.

5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER



### FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

In today's gospel Jesus tells us: "Love one another." Love holds a family together. It is not what a family does which makes it outstanding, rather it is what it has — love for one another.

**Live Love Laughed**  
a presentation of the love and laughter... by Destinations-Bradford

**A Night of Faith - Fun - Music**  
**FRIDAY, APRIL 29th**  
**7 PM at BAHS**

**FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**  
Featuring Christian Comedian Dan Voila, and music by Uncut Stones  
Free will offering accepted to benefit DESTINATIONS-BRADFORD  
Sponsored in part by Zippo Manufacturing Company; The Blaisdell Foundation; Chandler Valley Associates and More

### Shopping for a gift or outfit for Baptism, First Communion or Confirmation?



### McCarthy's Emporium

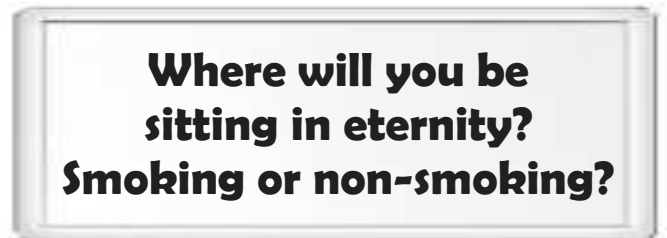
124 North Union Street  
Olean, New York  
1-716-373-7047



They have a large variety of gift items for all the sacraments, as well as Baptismal outfits and First Communion dresses & veils, and cards for clergy ordinations and anniversaries, etc.

**Mention St. Bernard Church at the time of your purchase and they will donate 5% of your sacrament purchase to our church.**

### CHURCH SIGN



### Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments — Child Abuse Prevention Month:

"I don't want to be the first to say anything." "It's none of my business." "Let's just pretend it didn't happen." "I'm not going to be the one to tattle." The distinction between "tattling" and "telling" is a simple one. *Tattling* is done to get someone in trouble. *Telling* is done to stop a person from hurting themselves or someone else. So don't be the one to "tattle," but please be the one who "tells," and save a child's life. Call reports of disclosed or suspected abuse to the Pennsylvania child abuse hotline, *Child Line*, 1-800-932-0313. To see what the Diocese of Erie is doing to help create safe environments, check out <http://www.erieecd.org/protectyouth.htm>

Bradford Salvation Army's  
**Elegance in Chocolate Extravaganza**  
**Monday, May 16, 2016**  
**6pm-8pm, Tickets: \$10**  
Come enjoy, All you can eat!  
The Masonic Temple, 625 South Avenue  
Call 368-7012 for more information

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**MASS INTENTIONS  
WEEK OF APRIL 25 – MAY 1, 2016**

**ST. BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX**



**Monday, April 25**

8:00 am Parishioners

**Wednesday, April 27**

8:00 am Lisa Marie Anderson (*Joe Anderson*)

SBS 10:00 am John Nadj (*Greg Tyler*)

**Thursday, April 28**

12:10 pm Peter McCoy (*Sandy Caldwell*)

**Friday, April 29**

8:00 am John C. Artley (*Ron & Kathy Symington*)

**Saturday, April 30**

8:00 am Peggy Burns (*Carol Drummey*)

5:15 pm Frank & Jennie Ulyan (*Family*)

**Sunday, May 1**

8:00 am Louis Vigliotta (*Family*)

10:00 am Colleen Nuzzo (*Norma Alvit*)

**1:00 pm First Communion Mass**

Pitt 7:00 pm NO MASS UNTIL FALL

**ALL WEEKDAY MASSES HELD IN THE CHAPEL**

**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

**Monday, April 25**

9:00 am Joyce Burgess (*Family*)

**Wednesday, April 27**

9:00 am Blanche Jay (*Dawn & Marty Beninsky*)

**Saturday, April 30**

4:30 pm Joseph Cavallaro (*a*) (*Family*)

**Sunday, May 1**

11:00 am Shirley Solarek (*Ann & Richard Cavallero*)

**OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP**

**Tuesday, April 26**

8:00 am Parishioners of Our Mother or Perpetual Help  
and St. Francis

**Thursday, April 28**

8:00 am Flora White (*Family*)

**Sunday, May 1**

9:00 am Mary Schiappa (*a*) (*Family*)



**PRAYER REQUESTS FOR PRIESTS**

*Please Pray for the Following Priests*

**Sunday, Apr 24 - Rev. Msgr. Robert L. Brugger**

**Monday, Apr 25 - Rev. Jason A. Glover**

**Tuesday, Apr 26 - Rev. Msgr. Thomas J. McSweeney**

**Wednesday, Apr 27 - PRAY FOR VOCATIONS**

**Thursday, Apr 28 - Rev. Robert Horgas**

**Friday, Apr 29 - Rev. Thaddeus T. Kondzielski**

**Saturday, Apr 30 - Rev. Jaomes T. O'Hara**



# MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR MASSES APRIL 30 - MAY 1, 2016

## LECTOR SCHEDULE

**Saturday, April 30**

5:15 pm Peggy Johnson

**Sunday, May 1**

8:00 am Candy Tingley

10:00 am Andy Kearns



## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

**Saturday, April 30**

5:15 pm Paul Curcio/ Cindy Higley/ Cliff Ackley

**Sunday, May 1**

8:00 am Chris Pehonsky/ Ruth Dixon/ Candy Tingley

10:00 am Kathy Howe/ Lynn Hogue/ Paul Curcio

**HOSPITAL/PAVILION:** J.E. O'Mara

## ALTAR SERVERS

**Saturday, April 30**

5:15 pm Domenic Pecora/ Ryan Hughes

**Sunday, May 1**

8:00 am Noah Meyer/ Gabby Campogiani/ Jessie Kerr

10:00 am Clare Mulcahy/ Cadence Panol



## GOD'S HOUSEKEEPERS

**April 25 - 29, Team 3:**

M. & P. Curcio/

A. Campogiani/ T. Orris

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APR 24, 2016

Sunday: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-13/Rv 21:1-5a/

Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Monday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/

Mk 16:15-20

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-13, 21/Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-5/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-10, 12/Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1-3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

Next Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8/

Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29



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

Thomas Ackley, Betty Baliski, Barb Bernheisel, Shirley Black, John Bove, Tom Burke, Dick Clark, Fr. Steve Collins, Betsy Costello, Paul Curcio, Helen DeFrank, Helen Ewell, Jim Fenstemaker, Tom Ewell, Rose Feldhaus Family, Carolyn Gatesman, Kevin Gatesman, Pat Girard, Pearl Harris, Brandon M. Henry, Sandy Holsinger, James Kibby, Bill Kline, Dr. Edward Konwinski, Lori Kozlowski, Kaylee Marsfelder, Colleen McNamara, Joe Monago, Shirley Mongillo, Lou Monti, Cheri O'Mara, Kathy O'Mara, Courtney Prentiss, Lois Romanelli, Tim Romanelli, Cindy Sayers, Kim Schuler, Steve Skaggs, Sandy Spehar, Bonnie Swackhamer, Matthew Whelan, Martha Williams

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