

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	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	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.



Does today's gospel make you feel uneasy and not want to follow Jesus? From the gospel of Saint Luke we hear these words: "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he (she) cannot be my follower."

As we know "hate" is a very strong word so why would Jesus even use it? Jesus never wants us to hate anyone. So what then is the word's purpose here? Jesus wants to grab our attention, to shake us out of our lethargy. Jesus wants us to place Him first in our lives. It is easy to become complacent and go with the flow; we don't want to rock the boat. If we love God first, then from that love will flow a proper love of family. Too often we put the cart before the horse.

Let us listen to another line from the gospel: "Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." What type of faith do you want? If we are not careful we may be leaning to a feel good Jesus, a "Teddy Bear" Jesus, one that we can cuddle. We want to forget the Cross. We want to follow a lovey, dovey Jesus who will permit us to do anything that we want even if it is bad for us or another person. We want a Jesus who will not yell at us or correct us. That is not the Jesus of faith. Christianity without the cross is not Christianity. Faith without the cross is no faith at all. Following Jesus is more than feeling good. It is walking in the footsteps of Jesus.

Tomorrow we celebrate Labor Day, as a nation. The original purpose of Labor Day was to honor the common worker. That is how it should be still today. This celebration is not about Big Business, it is about the common man/woman who has helped Big Business to grow and become what it is today. It is not about large corporations or the presidents of these corporations, it is about the common man/woman - for without them there would be no Big Business. Today, if we are not careful, we may forget that. Happy Labor Day

God Bless, *Fr. Ray*

REMINDER

ST. BERNARD CEME-

All flowers, pots and ornamentation, real or plastic, must be removed from all grave sites by **September 15th**. Winter and holiday decorations are permitted after November 1st.

ATTENTION WIDOWS

Our September meeting will be held in the Fr. Leo J. Gallina Social Center on Tuesday, September 20th at 1:00 pm.



The Parish Office will be closed Monday, September 5th for the Labor Day Holiday

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.

August 28, 2016 Collection.....	\$ 5,822
Feast of the Assumption	\$ 397
August St. Bernard School.....	\$ 322
August On-Line	\$ 1,850
2016 CSA Pledged.....	\$ 45,726
2016 CSA Paid.....	\$ 36,216

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

Have a safe Labor Day



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Parish Council: September 14 @ 6:30 pm

Catholic Women: Breakfast, Sept 11 at

Togi's Blue Room after the 10 am mass

Widows Group: Tuesday, Sept 20 @ 1pm

RCIA: Sundays @ Noon, Sept 18 & 25

REP 1-8: Sundays @ 9am, Sept 18 & 25

REP 9, 10 & Confirmation: Sundays @ 5:45 at Fr. Ritchie Hall, Sept 11, 18 & 25

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION RELIGIOUS EDUCATION RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2016-17

St. Bernard, St. Francis and OMPH Religious Education programs will continue to combine students.

Grades 1-8 will meet at St. Bernard Social Center on Sunday mornings at 9 am beginning on Sunday, Sept 18th. Registration packets for Grades 1-8 will be available Sept 3/4 and Sept 10/11 after masses at St. Bernard. Return registration to the parish office or at the first class. For questions concerning grades 1-8 contact St. Bernard Parish office with @ 362-6825.

Grades 9-10-11 (Confirmation Class) will meet at St. Francis' Fr. Ritchie Hall from 5:45-7:15 pm on Sunday evenings BEGINNING ON SUNDAY SEPT 11th. Registration for Grades 9-11 will be at the time of class on Sept. 11th & 18th. For questions concerning grades 9, 10 & 11 contact the St. Francis/OMPH office @ 368-6959.

ST. BERNARD SCHOOL

WELCOME BACK!

No School Monday, Sept 5th — Labor Day
Friday, Sept 16th — Magazine Drive Kick-off

Check our website,
www.stbernardcatholic.org
for more scholarship information.

10 am Mass Wed, Sept 7th - grades 7 & 8



MASS INTENTIONS
WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 5 - 11 , 2016

ST. BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX



Monday, September 5

8:00 am Parishioners

Wednesday, September 7

8:00 am Genevieve Patterson (*Sapko Family*)

SBS 10 am William Hogan (*Betty Mongillo*)

Thursday, September 8

12:10 pm Francis Albert Sinatra (*Barry Matto*)

Friday, September 9

8:00 am Mary Lou Cauley (*Celia Romanelli*)

8:30-noon Exposition, 11-noon Confessions

Saturday, September 10

8:00 am Helen & Edward O'Neill (*Bill O'Neill*)

5:15 pm Patsy & Geraldine Grego (*Family*)

Sunday, September 11

8:00 am Burton Family (*Family*)

10:00 am Living & Deceased Catholic Women's Club Members

ALL WEEKDAY MASSES HELD IN THE CHAPEL

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Monday, September 5

9:00 am NO MASS

Wednesday, September 7

9:00 am NO MASS

Saturday, September 10

4:30 pm Stephen Piscitelli (*J.E. & Kim O'Mara*)

Sunday, September 11

11:00 am Judith M. Murphy (*Mary & Tony Brzenski*)

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

Tuesday, September 6

8:00 am NO MASS

Thursday, September 8

8:00 am NO MASS

Sunday, September 11

9:00 am Deceased Members of A.Chohrach, W. Hamer
& J. Manning Families (*Dorothy Chohrach*)



PRAYER REQUESTS FOR PRIESTS

Please Pray for the Following Priests

Sunday, Sept 4 - Rev. Thomas E. Brown

Monday, Sept 5 - Rev. William R. Barron

Tuesday, Sept 6 - Rev. Raymond W. Hahn

Wednesday, Sept 7 - Rev. Philip Bilotte

Thursday, Sept 8 - Rev. Msgr. Richard R. Siefer

Friday, Sept 9 - Rev. Mark S. Hoffman

Saturday, Sept 10 - Rev. Marc J. Solomon



MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR MASSES SEPTEMBER 10 - 11, 2016

LECTOR SCHEDULE

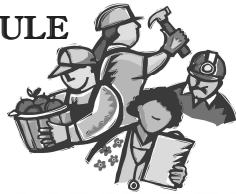
Saturday, September 10

5:15 pm Paul Curcio

Sunday, September 11

8:00 am Candy Tingley

10:00 am Jim Colligan



LABOR DAY

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, September 10

5:15 pm Cliff Ackley/ Paul Curcio/ Chuck Beattie

Sunday, September 11

8:00 am Chris Pehonsky/ Marcia Riley/ Joan Yohe

10:00 am Doris Hungiville/ Celia Romanelli/ Paul Curcio

HOSPITAL/PAVILION: Rosemary Burke

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, September 10

5:15 pm Aliya & Emma Webster

Sunday, September 11

8:00 am Danny Manion/ Tara & Tori Moonan

10:00 am Andy Truman/ Abby Coffman/ Erica Marshall



GOD'S HOUSEKEEPERS

Sept 5 - Sept 9, Team 2:

D. Jadlowiec/ C. Bennett/ P. Foote/

V. Comilla/ D. & L. Williams/

K. Smeal/ K. Colligan

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPT 4, 2016

Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-6, 12-17/

Phlm 9-10,12-17 Lk 14:25-33

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-7, 12/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1-6, 9/Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-17/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6/Mt 1:1-16,
18-23 or 1:18-23

Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18/Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17,
19/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10



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, Rose Feldhaus
Family, Pat Girard, Pearl Harris, Brandon M. Henry, Sandy
Holsinger, James Kibby, Bill Kline, Dr. Edward Konwinski,
Lori Kozlowski, Kaylee Marsfelder, Colleen McNamara,
Shannon McNamara, Joe Monago, Shirley Mongillo, Lou
Monti, Cheri O'Mara, Courtney Prentiss, Tim Romanelli, Tim
Ryan, Cindy Sayers, Caro Simonds, Steve Skaggs, Sandy
Spehar, Bonnie Swackhamer, Matthew Whelan, Martha
Williams, Richard Yovichin, Tom Zimbardi

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