

Saint Bernard Church



September 10, 2017 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rev. John E. Unsworth, Pastor
Rev. Charles Maher, Weekend Assistant
Rev. Albino Barrera, OP, Weekend Assistant

Pastoral Assistant: Angelo Giacchi
Administrative Assistant: Michael Saunders
Elementary Faith Formation: Dawn Masterson
Rel. Ed. Office Manager: Deborah Fortin
Music Director: Alison Shea

Mass Schedules

Weekends

Saturday Vigil ~ 5:00 PM

Sundays

7:00 AM 8:30 AM 10:30 AM

Weekdays

8:00 AM Monday through Friday

Address: 275 Tower Hill Road
North Kingstown, RI 02852
Phone : 401-295-0387
E-mail: sbc.bus@verizon.net
Web: www.stbernardnk.org
Hours: Monday - Thursday
9:00 AM ~ 4:00 PM

Baptism: Please call Angelo at the Parish Center for information about scheduling and preparation.

Communion to the Sick: Please notify us of those sick and in need of Communion at home.

Marriage: Please call 10 months in advance.

Holy Orders: Tel: 401-831-8011
www.catholicpriest.com

Project Rachel: Post abortion counseling
Tel: 401-421-7833, ext. 118

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 4:00 PM ~ 4:30 PM

Eucharistic Adoration

Following Tuesday's 8:00 AM Mass
until 11:30 AM

Family Faith Formation Program

This family based program provides parishioners of all ages opportunities for learning, growing and living our Faith through common experiences, age-specific learning and interactive sharing and is designed for families with children in grades 1 through 7. Our Confirmation Program accepts students in grades 8 and 9, but any high school student is welcome. For information contact sbc.reled@verizon.net.



ST BERNARD PASTORAL COUNCIL – Maintaining our Mission

One of the most important questions every parish must ask itself is, “How do we measure the success of our mission to preach, teach and to serve within our Parish Faith Community and beyond?” Most successful parishes have discovered that the answer is good pastoral planning. And for good planning, a parish needs a functioning Parish Pastoral Council.

Many years ago St. Bernard’s parish had a Parish Council, but the purpose and role of the Pastoral Council is very different from that older model. First of all, a Pastoral Council is focused, not on current and short-term problems, but on the overall health of the parish and how it is remaining faithful to its mission. In other words, the Pastoral Council looks at the current parish programs and gives support, encouragement and vision to those programs so that they will be more effective and helpful to our parishioners.

The Pastoral Council is not a “governing” council, but a “consultative” council. The Pastoral Council is the official consultative, advisory and representative body for the parish to the pastor and from the pastor to the parish. Its purpose is to see to the implementation of the ministries and services provided by the parish and to support our parishioners in living out the grace of their Baptism and Confirmation

Soon, we will be initiating a new Parish Council and it will be made up of representatives from various groups and organizations and ministries of the Parish. The membership will be as follows:

Ex-Officio: Pastor, Pastoral Assistant, Administrative Assistant, Pastoral Minister for Religious Education, the Director of Music and a Recording Secretary.

<u>Representatives from:</u>	Liturgical Ministers & Choir	Religious Education
	Parish Charities and Outreach	Youth Ministry
	Evangelization & Respect Life	Parish Facilities
	Finance Council	Observer from K of C
	and 2 at-large members	

PURPOSE AND MISSION OF THE COUNCIL:

- To promote regular communications between the pastor and key lay parish leaders.
- To establish a regular vehicle to evaluate parish effectiveness of parish ministries and services.
- To sponsor an ongoing pastoral planning group with leaders of key parish ministries.
- To coordinate parish activities, services and events.
- To enable and encourage lay leaders to assume a partnership responsibility for the parish with the pastor.

The Council will meet 4 times each year on a Saturday morning and we hope to have the first meeting/ orientation in mid-October. Next week we will be asking for names of those who would like to serve as one of the 2 at-large members. Once all the names have been turned in we will choose the 2 members by lottery at the 10:30 AM Mass on September 24. Please pray for the success of this new endeavor.

Fr. Jack



Mass Intentions

MONDAY, September 11:
8:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

TUESDAY, September 12:
8:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

WEDNESDAY, September 13:
8:00 AM – *Joseph Caprara*
by Alberta Miller

THURSDAY, September 14
8:00 AM – *Mark Tripp*
First Anniversary by his wife

FRIDAY September 15:
8:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, September 16:
2:30 PM - *Nuptial Mass*
5:00 PM – *Grace Franklin*
Second Anniversary by her family

SUNDAY, September 17:
7:00 AM - *Deceased of the Parish*
8:30 AM - *Mark Tripp*
by his wife and family
10:30 AM – *Anita Sutherland*
by Dorothy Madusky



BECOMING CATHOLIC-

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We will soon be starting our 2017-2018 RCIA program.

We invite you to contact the office if you or some adult you know would like to complete their initiation into full membership in the church by receiving Baptism, First Communion or Confirmation.

Come and see!

The N K Food Pantry

For September the Pantry needs:



FEED THE HUNGRY

Hearty Soups, Cereals - but NOT Cheerios or Corn Flakes, Saltine type crackers, Cake & Brownie Mixes, Pancake Syrup, Condiments (ketchup, mustard & relish), & Toothpaste, Shampoo, & Razors



Sunday Community Dinners

The Sunday Community Dinners are held weekly at First Baptist Church of Wickford, 44 Main Street. Dinners are served at 12:30 p.m. and are open to all, **FREE**. St. Bernard's will be providing the meal September 17, October 15, November 12 and December 10. If you would like to help, please call Chris Kosak at 294-2885 or the Parish Center at 295-0387.

Announcements

<u>Upcoming Meetings</u>		
Sun 9/10	Confirmation Candidate and Sponsor Meeting, Parish Center	6:30 PM
Mon 9/11	Parish Finance Council, Parish Center	6:30 PM
Tue 9/12	Teacher Training Session, Grades 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Parish Center	6:00 PM
Wed 9/13	Cub Scout Recruitment Meeting, Parish Hall	6:00 PM
Thu 9/14	Morning Mass Coffee, Parish Hall Adult Choir Rehearsal, Parish Center Baptism Class, Parish Office	8:30 AM 6:45 PM 7:00 PM
Fri	Wedding Rehearsal, Church	6:00 PM

40 Days for Life Fall Campaign Begins on September 27

The Office of Life and Family will begin their 40 Days of Life Campaign on this date. Please share one hour of your time during the campaign to pray outside of Planned Parenthood on the Cranston Women's Medical Center. We are also asking those of you who are not able to join us in our public prayer vigils to consider pledging a Rosary for 40 Days to end abortion. For information please call Carol Owens at 421-7833 x 218 or email: cowens@dioceseofprovidence.org.

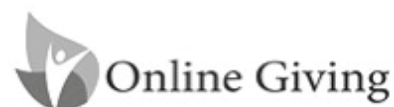
Msgr. Clarke School Celebrates 50 Years!

Join us on Saturday, September 16th from 6-10pm for *A Tasteful Evening* to benefit Msgr. Clarke School. Join us under the stars on the back lawn behind the school and enjoy live music, great food, plenty of beer & wine to sample from local vendors, raffles, games and silent auction. This is a 21+ event. Purchase your tickets today on our website or consider sponsoring our event by going to www.monsignorclarkeschool.org.

<u>Parish Support</u>		
	<u>August 27, 2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Basket	\$6,581.00	\$7,458.00
ACH	\$1,442.00	\$2,018.50
	<u>September 3, 2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Basket	\$6,687.50	\$6,371.00
ACH	\$1,672.00	\$1,923.00
YTD	\$77,018.00	\$80,310.62

Sr. Priest Retirement Fund

Catholics throughout the Diocese have a unique opportunity to make a real difference in the lives of our senior priests. Next weekend's second collection will benefit the Senior Priest Retirement Fund, a significant source of support for priests that provides for basic needs such as food, housing, transportation and medical care. Please consider your generous support of this important effort that benefits those who have selflessly served the faithful for decades. For more information about the senior priest retirement fund, or to make a donation online, please visit www.srpriest.org.



We offer an online option that complements our offering envelope use. By signing up to give your weekly offertory and special collections online, you will help the parish more accurately forecast our finances and plan more strategically. Online Giving is a safe, secure and dependable means of income for the parish. Visit stbernardnk.org, click on "Support your Parish" and follow the link to OSV, Online Giving.

Faith Formation Program **SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

Religious Education Schedules

First Communion 1 & 2: (Grades 1 & 2)

Parent Meeting: September 18th 5:30-6:30pm in the Parish Center

First Class: September 30th 9:00am - 11:00am in the Parish Center (8:45am arrival time)

Grades 3,4,5:

Parent Meeting: September 18th 6:30-7:30pm in the Parish Center

First Class: October 1st 8:30am-Children's Mass-9:30-11:30am Class in the Parish Center

Grades 6 & 7 and Confirmation 1 & 2: Grades 8 & 9

Parent and Student Meeting: September 17th 6:00-6:30pm in the Parish Center followed by a Teen Mass at 6:30pm.

First Full Class October 22nd 5pm in the Parish Center. Concluding with a Mass at 6:30pm which all students must attend.

If you have not yet registered please do so as soon as possible. Detailed information about our programs, registration forms, and schedules can be found on our website: www.stbernardnk.org/faith-formation, in the gathering space in the back of the church and the Parish Center. Completed forms can be mailed, dropped off at the Parish Center or placed in the collection basket at Mass.

Confirmation Candidates for 2017:

Candidate and Sponsor Meeting—TODAY September 10th 6:30-7:30pm in the Parish Center

Confirmation Retreat: October 1st 12:30-5:00pm in the Parish Center

Confirmation Rehearsal: October 16th 6:30-7:30pm in the Church

Confirmation: October 21st 11:00am in the Church



Join Adult Choir

Have you always liked to sing? Are you looking for a new way to worship at church? The Adult Choir is always looking for new

members to come sing with us.

Rehearsals are on Thursdays at 6:45 PM starting September 14th.

No experience necessary, just your desire to sing!

If you have any questions, please see our Music Director, Alison Shea or any of our choir members.

** Stay tuned for upcoming information on Teen and Children's Choirs

Someone is Waiting

Please consider becoming a member of the Special Religious Development Ministry. SPRED is a parish small faith community of catechists and persons with cognitive and developmental disabilities. The community fosters the inclusion of persons with different abilities and challenges into the life of our parish. The diocesan SPRED office provides training that helps catechists to understand how to share their faith with people with cognitive and developmental disabilities. Please call Martha Dwyer, 295-1437, if you would like more information about SPRED as a catechist or for someone with cognitive or developmental disabilities. There are so many waiting to be welcome!



North Kingstown Cub Scouts Pack 5 **Free Informational Meeting**

When: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 @ 6-7 pm
Where: Parish Center

St. Bernard Church has a chartered cub scout pack! A recruitment meeting will be held with information on how you can get your boy involved with camaraderie while having fun! Come learn about scouting while we entertain your cub. We are welcoming boys entering 1st through 3rd grade. For more information contact Steve Raymond 401-374-2954 or NKPack5Info@gmail.com



St Bernard's Flu Clinic

Get Your Flu Shot

Sunday, October 8
8:00 AM—12:00 PM
Parish Hall