

Saint Bernard Church



January 14, 2018 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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.

rom the Pastor's Desk

I once read of a Dutch woman imprisoned in a Nazi concentration camp who was standing barefoot in the snow with the other inmates in a punishment session one freezing day when she heard her sister murmuring beside her, "Oh, those poor people!" It dawned on her that her sister's pity was reaching out, not to the other suffering inmates, but to the soldiers who were tormenting them. The prisoners were suffering pain, but the soldiers were suffering a moral damage that would destroy them too.

Her insight was a truly Christian one, for those who harm others suffer something much worse than their victims do. Often the greatest damage caused by our sin is the trauma we inflict upon ourselves. When we say, for instance, that fraud is a sin, we mean that when a person tells a lie his or her personal character decays. Those who exploit workers or abuse children are all people who are injuring themselves. The Church teaches that these acts are sinful, not only because they are forbidden, but because they are self-destructive.

At this time of the year we commemorate the anniversary of the Supreme Court decision to legalize abortion in the United States. Once again, the church is speaking out against this evil which is destroying not only innocent children, but also those who choose abortion as an alternative. The Church is often taken to task for trying to impose our moral values on public policy. In the case of abortion and other issues which pertain to the sanctity of human life, we are indeed exercising our rights of free speech.

There is an ancient teaching among Christians, dating to the first century in which the early Christians acted in defiance of the established norms in Roman society by insisting that abortion was a sin. It is not, therefore, just the Catholic Church speaking, but rather hundreds of years of Christian tradition, morality and experience.

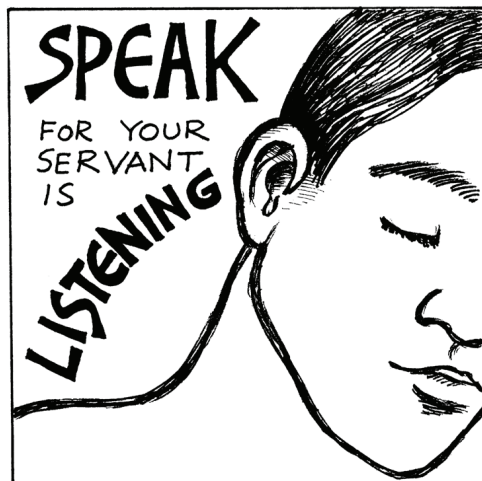
We are not being arrogant when we say that abortion is wrong any more than it would be arrogant to say that people who smoke or who eat too much sugar are endangering their health. It makes even less sense to say that something can be wrong for me but perhaps not wrong for you.

The only way to protect the rights of the unborn, and all our rights, is through the Law. Let us pray that our nation will begin to listen to our plea for a legal end to abortion. If we destroy the rights of the unborn, we destroy ourselves as well.

Fr. Jack

Welcome your children with responsible love; protect them as a gift of God, from the moment of conception when human life is born in the mother's womb, so that the abominable crime of abortion, the shame of humanity, does not condemn the unborn to the most unjust of executions...!"

Saint John Paul, II





Mass Intentions

MONDAY, January 15:

8:00 AM: *Deceased of the Parish*

TUESDAY, January 16:

8:00 AM – *Jean Pace*
by the Babat family

WEDNESDAY, January 17:

8:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

THURSDAY, January 18:

8:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

FRIDAY January 19:

8:00 AM – *James Francis Haggarty*
by his daughter Arlene

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, January 20

5:00 PM – *Paul Sams*
by his wife

SUNDAY, January 21:

7:00 AM - *Robert Sherman*
by his daughter

8:30 AM - *Henry & Joan Zaborski*
by their family

10:30 AM – *Patrick McShane*
by his daughter Molly

MID-WINTER PARISH NEWS

With the advent of the flu season we have emptied the Holy Water Font to prevent the spreading of germs from hand to hand. We also ask that, if you are not feeling well you refrain from shaking your neighbor's hand, a simple "peace be with you!" will do.

Regarding stormy weather and daily Mass: we are initiating a new policy that if the public schools in North Kingstown are closed because of bad weather, our daily 8 AM Mass is also cancelled. We hope this will prevent people from venturing out in dangerous conditions just so see if we are open.

New External Defibrillators (AED). In October the general assembly passed a bill requiring "all places of public assembly" with a capacity of more than 300 people, to install an AED device with easy access to those who might need it in an emergency. Recently, through the generosity of two parishioners, we have purchased two of these Defibrillators: one for the Church and one for the Parish Hall. While we hope to never have to use them, we are happy to comply with this new law for the protection and safety of our parishioners. Before we schedule training sessions for the use of these new devices, we would like to know who is already trained. If you have this training and your certification is up to date, please call us at 295-0387 or e-mail us at sbc.bus@verizon.net. Please tell us what Mass you usually attend so that we can compile a list of certified users for each Weekend Mass.

K of C BREAKFAST (PUBLIC INVITED)

The Knights of Columbus will hold a Breakfast at the Council Hall, 1265 Tower Hill Road, North Kingstown, **TODAY** Sunday, January 14th, from 7:30 to 10:30. Eggs - Scrambled or Fried, Bacon, Toast, Home Fries, Baked Beans, Pancakes, Hot and Cold Cereal, Orange Juice, Coffee and Tea will be served. The cost is \$10.00, children 6 and under are free.

Coffee & Donuts

Come spend some time with us next Sunday, January 21st after the 10:30 AM Mass for coffee and donuts in the parish center. Enjoy some social time with your fellow parishioners.



Announcements

<u>Upcoming Meetings</u>		
Mon 1/15	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Parish Office Closed	
Thu 1/18	Respect Life Committee , Parish Office, Small Conference Room	9:00 AM
	Baptism Class , Parish Office	7:00 PM
Sun 1/21	Coffee and Donuts , Parish Hall (after 10:30 AM Mass)	11:30 AM

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., are open to all, and **FREE**. St. Bernard's will be providing the meal January 21, February 18, March 18 and April 8. If you would like to help, please call Chris Kosak at 294-2885 or the Parish Center at 295-0387.

Emmanuel House Homeless Shelter

We are always in need of **new socks, bath towels, and backpacks, twin-sized bedding, hats, gloves, and cans of coffee, etc.** Drop off items at the Parish Center or contact the office at 295-0387 for more information.

The N K Food Pantry

For January the Pantry needs:

Crackers, Cereal, Hearty soups like beef stew, Hygiene items: deodorant, soap, shampoo & conditioner, razors, shaving cream, toothpaste, toothbrushes, floss, feminine hygiene pads & tampons, diapers, and adult diapers

<u>Parish Support</u>		
	<u>December 31, 2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Basket	\$5,240.55	\$7,692.00
ACH	\$1,213.00	\$1,543.50
	<u>January 7, 2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Basket	\$6,848.00	\$4,268.50
ACH	\$1,658.00	\$1,592.50
YTD	\$278,659.50	\$266,009.09

Treasures From Our Tradition

“Ordinary Time” began for us this week. On the old calendar, the feast of the Presentation, still more than two weeks away, was the last day of the Christmas season. Sadly, Bethlehem is hardly a place of peace on earth these days. The ancient Christian community has been largely uprooted by political strife. The Church of the Nativity stands (barely) in remarkable disrepair and disorder in Manger Square. The roof is crumbling, the major doorways are blocked, the wiring is faulty, and the worship life is disrupted by quarrels among Eastern Christians.

The church was founded by the Emperor Constantine in 325, destroyed in a Samaritan revolt in 539, and rebuilt by the Emperor Justinian. When the area came under Muslim control in 638, the holiness of the church was respected, and in return Christians allowed Muslims to pray in the south aisle, a right still upheld. Earlier in that century, invading Persians were ordered to destroy all churches, but when they saw the magi carved over the doorway of the Church of the Nativity, they spared it out of respect for their ancestors who bore gold, frankincense, and myrrh to the same city. The Crusaders restored and redecored the church by the twelfth century, and it is their plan that survives. Down a few stone steps is a stone grotto with a silver star marking the place of Christ's birth: when the star was stolen in 1847 it triggered an international crisis that exploded into the Crimean War.

Since 1852, the church has been shared by the Roman Catholic, Greek Orthodox, and Armenian Churches. The Greeks are in charge of the grotto, but don't enjoy the best of friendships with the Armenians. Catholics have the care of the Chapel of the Manger, and avoid the squabbles by a separate entrance to the Franciscan monastery church of St. Catherine. Pray for peace in Bethlehem!

Faith Formation Program
SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Weather related Class Cancellations!

Please log on to www.turnto10.com, the local TV/
Radio Channels and our website
www.stbernardnk.org for updates

Religious Education Schedules

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

Next Class: February 3rd 9:00am - 11:00am in the
Parish Center (8:45am arrival time)

Grades 3,4,5:

Next Class: February 4th
8:30am-Children's Mass-9:30-11:30am Class in the
Parish Center

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

Next Class: January 28th
5pm in the Parish Center. Concluding with a Mass at
6:30pm which all students must attend.

Reminder: Confirmation Candidates are asked to
sign in to record their attendance at weekly Mass
in the book located in the gathering space. If you
attend Mass at a different church, please return a
signed bulletin to the Parish Center on a regular
basis.

Save the Date

Our annual Gala Auction is on Saturday, March
10th from 6-10pm. It is being hosted at the Quonset
'O' Club and promises to be "a night among the
stars". We are rolling out the red carpet for a fun
night of silent and live auction and games of
chance. This year has a Hollywood flair you won't
want to miss. Invite your friends and make a table
and enjoy a night of "putting on the ritz" with your
St. Bernard Family. Ticket Sales begin at the end of
the month and stay tuned for ways you can support
this event in next weekend's bulletin.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children between the ages of 4 and 11 are welcome to
join us each week for the Children's Liturgy of the
Word at the 10:30 Mass. Children are dismissed to the
Gathering Space for the readings and a "child friendly"
homily. They return to their families at collection.

**Missionary Image of Our Lady of
Guadalupe**

The Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe will
be visiting many parishes in the Diocese of Provi-
dence from January 6 to January 29, 2018. All are
invited to attend the various Masses, Holy Hours,
Presentations and Veneration opportunities during this
time. For a schedule of the visits, please visit:
www.dioceseofprovidence.org or email: cowens@dioceseofprovidence.org or call Carol Owens at
401-421-7833 x 218.

On Friday January 26, The Image of Our Lay of Gua-
dalupe will be visiting St. Francis de Sales Church,
381 School St., North Kingstown. There will be:

9:00 AM: Mass, Rosary, Presentation ,Veneration
3:00 PM: Divine Mercy
6:00 PM: Presentation
7:00 PM: Benediction

Circle of Prayer

The Parish Circle of Prayer has been restarted after a
computer malfunction deleted all the data. If you have
someone you would like to have prayed for, please
contact Gerry Grabowski and leave her your name,
your email address and your prayer request. The
members of our "Circle of Prayer" will then add that
name to their prayer lists and will pray for them daily.
Please remember, however, that the person who is
being prayed for must give permission for you to give
out their name for publication. Please contact Gerry at
gerrygrabowski700@gmail.com.

The Prout School

To accommodate demand, The Prout School in
Wakefield will now offer a third test date for the
High School Placement Test (HSPT) at Prout on
Saturday, January 20, 2018. To register, go
to www.theproutschool.org. For more information
on The Prout School, to arrange for a tour, or a
Shadow visit, contact Admissions Director Sharon
DeLuca at 789-9262, Ext 514.



CHRISTMAS: WE REMEMBER



Flower offerings were made in memory of the following people.

We have kept them in our pray-

Dolly Colombo Absi
Kevin Adams
Mary & Jack Amaral
Eileen Arnold
William Aronld, Jr.
Irene & Antone Arruda
Louis Arruda
Emilio & Angela Ascioffa
Kathleen Asher
Donald Barker, Sr.
Josephine Barletta
Janis Barletta
Rocco Barletta
Clara Bartlett
S. Peter Beauryard
Leo Bedard

Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Bennett & Anna Bentsen
Donald & Evelyn Bergreen
Lucienne Bernier
Alfred & Rita Biron
John & Helen Boday
Anna Bova
Michael & Jennie Bova
Michael Bova
Peter & Anna Bova
The Brodeur family
Barbara & Andrew Callanan
Sebastian Calvano
Frank Cardillo
Marie Carroccia
Timothy Carroll
Joseph & Kathleen Carty
Anna & Tony Cerbo
Elizabeth Chamberlain
Kevin Chamberlain
Carlo & Dorothy Ciummo
Kenneth A. Clafin
Coghlin Family
The Edward Coleman Family
Richard F. Collins, Jr
Domenic Colombo
Connor Family
Adele Conticello
Edward Cooney
Meghan C. Cooney
Edward & Eleanor Corbett
Cowen Family

Charles Creamer
Cullen/Hathaway Family
Arthur & Anna D'Amassa
Benjamin Dabrowski
Thomas & Anne Delaney
The Demelis Family
Catherine DeMichele
Edith & Giuseppe DeQuattro
Fancis L. & Ora DeSteiger
Elizabeth Detrich
Dee Anne Devine
Margaret DiPalma
James & Virginia Doherty
Alice Donahue
Francis Donahue
Veronica Donahue
Barbara Donovan
Ruth & James Dowd
Joseph J. Duffy
Raymond W. Dusseault, Jr
Catherine Dwyer
Arthur Dwyer
Peter Edge
Thomas & Olive Edwards
Edwards Family
Robert Famiglietti
Margaret Fanny
Diana Farland
Fr. Normand Farland
Kathy Farrelly
Joseph & Hope Feeney
Hector & Madeline Ferriere
Fabia Ferriola
Nina Ferriola
Daniel Fierro
Jane & Edward Fitzgerald
Edward Fitzgerald Family
Fitzgerald Family
Rita Fitzpatrick
Peter Fitzpatrick
Daniel R. Flatley
Thomas J. Fattley
Edwin L. Flynn III
Sherily Gaffney
Roger Gaffney
Fenwick G. Gardiner
Jane & Donald Gardiner
Albert & Rita Gaudreau
Mr. & Mrs. Edgar Gaudreau

Mary Ellen Gauh
Edward Gauh
John & Grace Gibbons
Gibbons Family
Francis J. Gibbons
Mary Gibbons
Ann Giordano
Joey Giordano
Jenny Gormley
Leonard Gricoski
Catherine & Phillip Haggarty
Elfrieda & Francis Haggarty
George, Vincent, & Roger Haggarty
Harte Family
Ruth Heinchon
Sigrid Heinchon-Bortko
Peter & Louraine Henry
Francis & Mary Henry
Richard Hoke
Lawrence E. Horan
Nell & George Jamieson
John & Mary Ellen Johnson
Fr. Vartan Kassabian
Edward M. Kavanagh
The Kavanagh family
Esther Kenna
Kyle Kennedy
Linda Kerwood
Dagmar & Hugo Keszler
Mr. & Mrs. Burney Kieke
The Edward Kieke Family
Albert Kirkutis
Norma Kirkutis
Fred Kolet
Ann Kosak
The Oscar L. LaFreniere Family
Arthur & Doris Lameroux
Arthue Lameroux, jr.
Alyce Larduer
Thomas Larduer
Vincent & Antonetta Lauro
Jeanie Leblanc
Norman Leblanc
Robin Lees
Josephina Luisi
Robber Madusky, Sr.
Alec & Isabelle Madusky
William H. Maine
Robert E. Marcille

*Catherine Marsilio
James & Nellie Martish
Mary J. Masseur
Mr. & Mrs. Timothy J. McCarthy
McClanaghan Family
The McCrudden family
The McKenna family
John & Mary McKenna
Patrick & Karen McShane
Donny Miceli
Emma Mitchell
Mary Monahan
The Moody & Ladd Families
Carl Moretta
Mr. & Mrs. Lynwood Morgan
Melinda & Kim Morgan
John & Mary Morris
Dennis Mudge
Mildred Mudge
Robert Mudge
James Mulligan
Idella F. Murphy
Joan Murray
Rose & Axel Newberg
Ted & Leila Newberg
Jack & Alice Newman
The Nikihas Family
Louis Nikhas
George & Irene Nikihas
Alfred H. Nolette
Carl Noretta
The O'Grady Family
Catherine & Timothy O'Leary
Robert Padmos
Marie Paliotto
Patruno Family
Payette Family
Vincent & Barbara Pellegrino
Mr. & Mrs. Charles & Rita Perry
MaFalda Peters
Ann Petrella
Madeleine Plante
David M. Plowman
The Polke family
Ponte/Medeiros Family
John & Agnes Prior
The Prior Family
The Proulx family
Delores Prout
Robert Provost*

*The Pulaski Family
Jean Reilly
Madeline Reilly
Richard J. Rembijas, Jr
Domenic & Victoria Rignanese
Robinson Family
Eric Sidney Roby
Roome Family
Norman Roy, Jr.
Norman Roy, Sr
Yvonne & Joseph Roy
Laurier Roy
Alain Roy
Jack & Jane Ruddy
John & Alice Ruddy
Gloria Ruggieri
Deceased members of Saccoccia
Andrea & Frances Salvatore
Paul Sams
The Sands family
Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Santagata
Ricky Santos
John & Virginia Savage
Jeanette & Andrew Scherben
Gerard & Alice Smith
Stephen William Smith
Mr. & Mrs. Edwards P. Sowa
Deceased members of St. Amand
The St. Germain Family
Robert Stahlheber
Raymond & Harriette Stone
Sara & Elizabeth Sullivan
Dorothy Sweeney
Maurren Oates Sweeney
Deceased member of Szydlo
Tanguay Family
The Taylor family deceased
Anthony Testa
Irene Theroux
Mathias Theroux
Theroux Family
Thomas & Eleanor Thompson
Hollis & Harriet Tripp
Mark F. Tripp
Deceased member of Ucci
Dana Vacha
The Vallee family deceased
Marcelle & Joe Vento
The Verdi family
Adeline & Marion Viera*

*Vinaugaer-Carroll Family
Matthew Vohr
Carol Volpe
Helen & Timothy Walsh
Ruth Warburton
Mary & Norman Warren
Denise Weber
The Welch Family
Hennry & Carol Welch
Barbara & Henry Welch
Barbara Welch
James D. & Catherine R. Wells
Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Whitehead
The Whittaker family
John Wilkins, Jr
Mr. & Mrs. John & Mary Wilkins
M. Millicent Williams
Mary E. Williams
Isabel Wohlrab
John R. Wright
Kevin & AnnMarie Wright
The Yelle Family
Edward & Helen Zabilski
Henry & Joan Zaborski
Teresa Zajac
Delores & Ed Zajac, Sr
Josh Zalabowski
Angela Zalabowski
Robert Zambarano
The Zapatka Family*