



Saint Bernard Church

May 20, 2018

Pentecost Sunday

Rev. John E. Unsworth, Pastor
Rev. Charles Maher, Weekend Assistant

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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

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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

Our programs provides parishioners of all ages opportunities for learning, growing and living our Faith through common experiences, age-specific learning and interactive sharing. Our First Communion program is designed for children in grades 1 and 2. The Elementary program is for children in grades 3 through 5. The Pre-Confirmation Program is for students in grades 6 and 7. The Confirmation program is for students in grades 8 and 9, but any high school student is welcome. There are also Adult programs available. Please call the Parish Center for information regarding any of our programs.



PENTECOST

Where is the Spirit Leading us Today?

No one can predict the Holy Will of the Holy Spirit, for it is like the wind, as Jesus says, and “the wind blows where it will” (Jn 3:8). Yet on the great feast of Pentecost we can look for manifestations of the Wind as it blows across the contemporary landscape of our parish. Here are some of the manifestations of the work of the Holy Spirit among us.

Expanding Lay Ministries: Since the Second Vatican Council we have been rediscovering what the Spirit has always done in the Church: encourage the multiplication of charisms, especially among the laity. Charisms are those gifts, talents or graces distributed widely among the faithful for the building up of community. These gifts show up in the various services (ministries) offered by the people of God (i.e. Lectors, teachers, servers, etc.).

Freeing the Oppressed: Liberation from injustice has always been the Church’s prophetic mission. Yet in recent years, Christians are becoming more aware that like Jesus and the other prophets they too are anointed by the Spirit to “...bring glad tidings to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives” (Lk 4:18). Catholic teaching increasingly stresses that the Church’s task includes the breaking down of oppressive structures like racism, sexism, poverty and disease.

Prophecy: Closely linked with the above is the gift of prophecy. Prophecy means *to speak from God’s point of view*. More and more, we are recognizing that all of us have the vocation to be prophets, to speak from God’s point of view, not the point of view of the government, of our culture, our politicians or of our newspapers and magazines.

Prayer: Another gift of the Spirit evident in contemporary Church life is the widespread use of spontaneous prayer. The Spirit has set many people and whole groups free of rigid prayer-forms and opened them up to praise the Lord with greater joy and abandon. At the same time, an increased awareness of the Spirit’s indwelling has led many Christians to that silent union with God known as devotional and contemplative prayer.

Healing: Jesus always intended His Church to be a healing community, not only in terms of physical healing, but emotional healing, and especially the healing of relationships. The Holy Spirit is making the Church ever more aware that it is a reconciling community.

Let us be generous in sharing these gifts of the Spirit with one another.

Fr. Jack

We Welcome New Parishioners

If you are new to the area and would like to register in the parish, please visit us at www.stbernardnk.org or call the parish office at 295-0387. There is a lot to get involved in here and we would love to have you join us.



Mass Intentions

MONDAY, May 21:

8:00 AM: – *Maureen Cote*

TUESDAY, May 22:

8:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

WEDNESDAY, May 23

8:00 AM – *Lena Cannon*
by her family

THURSDAY, May 24

8:00 AM – *Paul McAdam*
by his wife

FRIDAY May 25:

– *Deceased of the Parish*

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, May 26

5:00 PM – *Robert Padmos*
by his wife and family

SUNDAY, May 27

7:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

8:30 AM – *Kathleen Walsh*

10:30 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*



Congratulations to all Graduates!

To our College and High School Graduates:

There are many graduation parties being held or being planned at this time of year, and several of those who are celebrating are sons and daughters of St. Bernard's Parish. We don't often have a chance to wish them well and let them know that we too are very proud of them and their accomplishments. For us, graduation is much more than merely the completion of an academic program, it is a commencement, a new beginning, a door through which they walk into an unknown future. Our prayer for them is that this future will be filled with hope, great accomplishments and God's generous Blessings. We want them to remember that whether they are going on for further studies or entering the job market, God goes with them if they allow Him to guide them and if they learn to trust in Him. We pray that they will not only do well, but they will also do much good. These young people were our First Communion Class of 2009 and we proudly display a class picture of them in the entrance to the Church today.

This year, our Youth Ministry Program is presenting the *St. Bernard's Parish Youth Ministry Award* to 5 High School Seniors who have been especially active in Parish ministry in the years following their Confirmation. We congratulate: *Camron Ostiguy, Zach Overly, Sam Hines, Tom Oates and Brian Murray*. May all our graduates enjoy God's special love and protection for their future success.



The traditional outdoor summer day camp program at MOTHER OF HOPE CAMP (Mater Spei) offers children 5-12 free busing (included with the cost of tuition) as well as daily and weekly options from June 18 through August 10th. Mother of Hope Camp, an agency of the Catholic Diocese of Providence, is located on 126 acres of beautiful woodlands along Echo Lake in Chepachet, RI and is staffed by caring and professional individuals. For information and secure online registration visit: <https://motherofhopecamp.com>.

Announcements

Upcoming Meetings

Mon 5/21	Finance Council , Small Conference Room	6:30 PM
Tue 5/22	Our Lady of Sorrows Support Group , Large Meeting Room	6:30 PM
Wed 5/23	Cub Scouts , Parish Hal	6:00 PM
Thu 5/24	Adult Choir , Large Meeting Room	6:45 PM

Interested in World Youth Day 2019?

Diocesan Pilgrimage to World Youth Day in Panama,
January 21-28, 2019
Check out the flyer, brochure and registration from
online at.
www.discovercatholicfaith.org/world-youth-day-2019

For more information please contact Michael Aoyama
at mjpaoyama@dioceseofprovidence.org

Bible Summer Camp (June 26- June 29, 2018)

A weeklong, half day camp hosted at St. Bernard Church for Students entering grade K-4 in the fall of 2018. The theme is "Shipwrecked-Rescued by Jesus". There will be a variety of activities including, games, story time, crafts and snack time. This year registration and payment can be done on our website: www.stbernardnk.org. Registration deadline is June 1st. Adult volunteers are needed as "Station Leaders" and High School Students are needed as "Crew Leaders". If you are interested in volunteering or need additional information please contact the Faith Formation Office at 295-0387 or sbc.reled@verizon.net.

Parish Support

	<u>May 6, 2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Basket	\$7,902.00	\$8,377.00
ACH	\$2,233.00	\$1,652.00
	<u>May 13, 2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Basket	\$7,046.50	\$6,629.50
ACH	\$2,458.00	\$2,237.00
YTD	\$459,354.50	\$443,689.61

Treasures from Our Tradition

The disciples gathered on the fiftieth day after the Resurrection were not keeping their first Pentecost. For them, Pentecost was the fiftieth day after Passover, a feast of the first fruits of the harvest. It was the second most important feast of the year. Today, Jews gather on the eve of the feast to study scripture and the law, and after the feast begins at sundown, spend the day in joyful social gatherings. The meaning of the celebration is the giving of the law on Mount Sinai, so for Christians the connection to the gifts of the Holy Spirit is obvious. In Sicily and in the Pantheon in Rome, today the descent of the Holy Spirit is enacted with a stunning ritual. Some churches there have an "eye" in the roof open to the sky, called an *oculus*. After the Gospel today, thousands of rose petals fall from the *oculus* onto the assembly. Churches and homes are decked in greenery and flowers to express the new life the Holy Spirit brings on this, the "birthday of the church."



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 **TODAY May 20, June 3, July 15, August 19 and September 9**. If you would like to help, please call Chris Kosak at 294-2885 or the Parish Center at 295-0387.

Sacramental Preparation

IT'S REGISTRATION TIME!!!!

Registration information was emailed this week to families that participated in our programs last year. If your child was not part of our program last year or you did not receive an email and you would like to register them for the grade appropriate program, detailed information about the program can be found on our website:

www.stbernardnk.org

Also, registration and payment can be done on our website. Upon your review of the documents, should you have any questions, please contact the Faith Formation Office at **sbc.reled@verizon.net** or 295-0387.

Registration deadlines:

June 30, 2018: for Grades 1 through 9

May 31, 2018: for Grade 10 (Student has completed our 2 year Confirmation Program and will be confirmed in October, 2018 (date TBA))

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.

The N K Food Pantry

For May the Pantry needs:

Pancake Syrup, Hearty Canned Soup, Cereal, Ketchup, Stuffing Mix, Hygiene items such as shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, tampons, diapers, etc.... Donations can be dropped off in the Church gathering space.

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.

Confirmation for Young Adults

We are very much aware of the fact that there are a growing number of young adults who were Baptized and who have made their First Communion but have not yet received Confirmation. Perhaps they were not available to do so when they were in High School, or other activities during those years caused them to leave the program uncompleted. Whoever you are, we would like to offer a **special program or preparation for anyone who would like to complete their Confirmation Preparation this year and be confirmed in October.** If you, or a family member or friend would like to take advantage of this new program (which will be held in the Summer when college students are home), or if you would like more information, please contact the Parish Office at 295-0387 or e-mail Fr. Jack at:

fr.unsworth@verizon.net

"St. Gabriel's Call"

During the month of May we are accepting donations to benefit and support this Diocesan Program which benefits mothers who are poor or who have problem pregnancies. There will be a Pack and Play located in the "Gathering Space" in the entrance of the Church for your donations. Some suggested items include:

Practical baby seasonal clothing such as onesies, sleepers and play outfits in sizes Infant to 4 Diapers; Sizes Infant up to size 6 (larger sizes greatly needed)

Baby toiletries and other necessities including baby wash, shampoo, lotion, diaper rash cream, wipes (NO POWDER PLEASE)

Bottles, sippy cups, umbrella strollers, baby tubs, receiving blankets, crib sheets, booties, socks, hats...

GENTLY USED: basinets, strollers, carry-seats, swings, highchairs..... We do NOT accept used car seats.

Monetary donations are used to purchase cribs, etc.

Checks made payable to: "St. Gabriel's Call"

Gift cards in increments of \$10 to CVS, Rite Aid, Walgreens, Walmart, Target Stop & Shop, other retail stores.