

Saint Bernard Church



August 05, 2018 **18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

Pastoral Assistant: Angelo Giacchi
Administrative Assistant: Michael Saunders
Elementary Faith Formation: Dawn Masterson
Youth Faith Formation: Christina Pichette
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 - Wednesday
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Thursday 9:00 AM - 12:00 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.



The Message of The Eighth Commandment

“Respecting the truth”

During the summer months I have been offering a series of little articles reviewing some of the important teachings of our Church in the hope that it perhaps could become a start of some discussion for you and a reminder of what you learned long ago. I hope you find this short series helpful.

Fr. Jack

In the world of morality, sometimes what is not said is more important than what is said. The eighth commandment, “*You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor*”, includes the sins of lying, deception, hypocrisy, and slander. But the heart of the commandment isn’t about forbidding certain acts – it is about being a person of integrity who respects and lives the truth.

As human beings we are naturally motivated to tell the truth, and we have to be motivated to tell a lie. Some lie to cover up a wrongdoing, some lie to avoid punishment, others lie to make themselves appear to be more important than they really are. Well-meaning people sometimes lie to avoid confronting someone with an unpleasant truth. No matter what the motivation, to tell a lie is still a sin.

The eighth commandment requires us to always respect the reputation of others. Spreading a negative rumor about someone never serves any good purpose. Though a bit of gossip may be true, when we pass on that information without a reason, we injure someone’s reputation and we call that the sin of **detractio**n, because it detracts from that person’s good name. If you pass on or create a rumor or story that is not true, you are “bearing false witness against your neighbor”, an even more serious sin which is called **calumny**, or **slander**.

Today we are all called to respect another person’s confidentiality. Counselors, therapists and doctors must not reveal what you tell them in confidence, except in unusual cases when keeping the secret might cause serious harm to you or someone else. Private information that could lead to prejudice against a person is confidential, unless a serious reason exists to tell it. It is, however morally correct to reveal confidential information when a person is in danger of causing serious harm to himself or someone else as in the case of a suicide. The only place where a person’s secrets are completely safe is in the Sacrament of Penance where a priest can never tell anyone what he has heard, even in the most serious circumstances.

Finally, it is also important that our society tell the truth in advertising, in news reporting and in the press. This is especially true in politics and our involvement in social media. We all have to make daily choices about truthfulness. When you are a person of integrity, telling the truth is your strength – a good habit that will serve you well. Jesus said, “*If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.*” (John :31-32)

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, August 6:

8:00 AM – *Valerie Flynn*

TUESDAY, August 7:

8:00 AM – *Edward O’Keefe*

WEDNESDAY, August 8

8:00 AM – *Audrey Mae Casey*

Birthday Remembrance by her family

THURSDAY, August 9

8:00 AM – *Frances Girardi*

by her family

FRIDAY, August 10

8:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

2:00 PM – *South County Nursing & Rehab*

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, August 11

5:00 PM – *Deceased of the Parish*

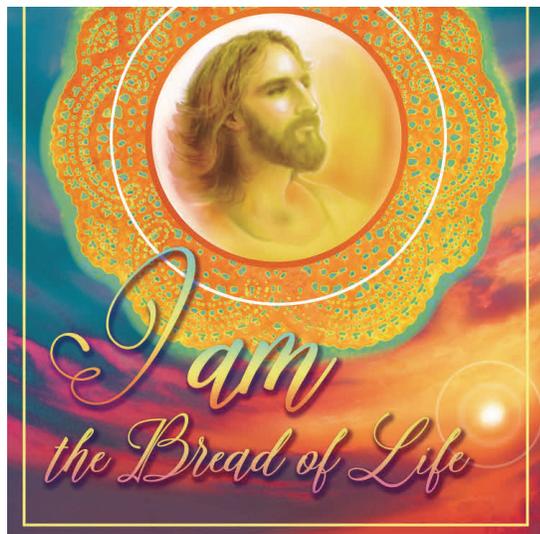
SUNDAY, August 12

7:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

8:30 AM – *Christopher Nocera*

10:30 AM – *Carlo & Dorothy Ciummo*

by their daughter



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



A Summer Blessing

*Go now and know that the Spirit of Jesus
Will be watching you.*

*Go now and enjoy God’s Summer gifts
of warm sun,*

cooling waters, and long light days.

*Go now with the gift of hope, that you may know
God’s guidance, which is keeping you safe.*

*Go now with the gift of love, that you might
offer love and care to all you meet.*

*Go now with the words of Jesus in your hearts:
“I will not leave you alone. I am with you.”*



Baptism

On July 29, 2018

Gia Lexie Fioravanti

was welcomed to our parish through the Sacrament of Baptism. We congratulate her parents.

Announcements

<u>Upcoming Meetings</u>		
Tue 8/7	Summer Confirmation Program, Small Meeting Room	6:30 PM
Thu 8/9	Morning Mass Coffee, Parish Hall	8:30 AM

<u>Parish Support</u>		
	<u>July 22, 2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Basket	\$6,085.00	\$6,125.00
ACH	\$1,343.00	\$1,527.00
	<u>July 29, 2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Basket	\$6,145.00	\$6,239.00
ACH	\$1,608.00	\$1,332.00
YTD	\$46,117.50	\$43,107.50

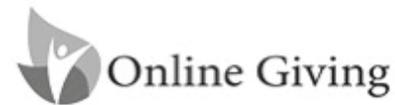
Treasures from Our Tradition

In 1794, a young Irishwoman befriended two widows aboard ship while emigrating to America. They bought a house in Philadelphia and began to live a community life under the direction of a priest. Soon they relocated to Washington. There, the “pious ladies,” as the neighbors called them, were asked by their priest friend, by then the president of Georgetown University, to begin a religious community. In 1799 they established a branch of the Visitation Order founded by Saint Jane de Chantal and Saint Francis de Sales in the 1620s.

The unique vision of this order followed a sensible routine, less arduous and more flexible than most traditions, and also accepted widows and older women. Amazingly, this American outpost of the Visitation began without reference to the “rule” of the Order. Most of the European convents had been lost under the “reign of terror,” and the rules and customs of the community could not be obtained. A copy of the rule was discovered in 1812, and in 1816 the pope officially established the monastery. By then, some French nuns had regrouped, and they sent a habit and cross to be copied. (No religious wore the habit in public in the United States until after the Civil War.) From the beginning, the Georgetown nuns had an educational mission, even though they discovered in the “rule” that such work was officially off-limits for the contemplative life. In America, the nuns depended on a school for their livelihood, so the rule was adapted. Today, the Academy of the Visitation is a thriving example of excellence in Catholic education, and the adjacent monastery is the oldest monastic foundation in the original thirteen United States.

While You’re Away Don’t Forget....

If you are away this summer enjoying the beach or far-away places, please don’t forget that back home in old St. Bernard’s, we still have to pay our bills. If you are away and miss a few weeks of your budget contributions, please try to make them up so that we can keep going or you can use the Online Giving Option. We miss you while you’re away, and we miss your generosity too!



Online Giving

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 www.stbernardnk.org, click on “Support your Parish” and follow the link to ParishSoft, Online Giving.

Sacramental Preparation

IT'S REGISTRATION TIME!!!!

Registration information was emailed several weeks ago to families who participated in our programs last year.

If your children did not attend our program last year or you did not receive an email and would like to register them for this year's 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.

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.

Shelter Guests Receive Assistance with:

- SNAP (Food Stamps) Applications
- Shower Facilities & Hygiene Products
- Access to Clothing Room
- ID Vouchers
- Obtaining Health Insurance
- Mental Health Referrals & Recovery Support
- Employment Search & Resumes
- Apartment Hunting & Applications
- Referrals to Diocese's Immigration Office
- Case Management Services & After Care
- Ability to take part in Community Garden



Do You Like to Sing?

The North Kingstown Community Chorus is looking for people who love to sing. For more information contact

Heather Skidds at hskidds@gmail.com or 401-573-7564 or go to : www.nkchorus.org.

Lecture on Living the Christian Life

Dr. Peter Kreeft, Professor of Philosophy at Boston College and author of more than 60 books in print, will be speaking at St. Pius V Church, 240 Eaton St., Providence on Wednesday, August 8 at 7:00 PM in the main church. His topic will be "Unconscious Atheism: the Dangers of Living a Nominal Catholic Life". Pre-registration is requested by calling 401-351-9784 or 401-489-6757. Suggested offering: \$20.00.



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, **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.



The N K Food Pantry

For July the Pantry needs:

Condiments, Hearty Soups, Jelly, Pancake syrup, Canned tomatoes, Crackers, Bottled juice, Hygiene items such as deodorant & toothpaste. Donations can be dropped off in the Church gathering space.