

Saint Bernard Church



August 12, 2018 19th 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

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North Kingstown, RI 02852
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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 9th & 10th Commandments
“Be satisfied with what you have.”*

During the summer months I have offered a series of little articles reviewing the themes of some of the 10 Commandments. With this final installment, I hope you have found this short series helpful.

Fr. Jack

On August 8th the Church celebrated the feast of St. Dominic de Guzman (1170-1221). At the age of 14 he went to the university to study theology and became a priest. When a famine hit where he was studying, he sold his possessions and books so he could feed the poor. When traveling through Europe he was disturbed by the growing number of people who were listening to a new heresy called “Albigensianism”. In a nutshell, what this heresy said was that the world and all that is in it is bad and only God is good. Dominic tried to convince people that God’s creation was good but that sometimes it was misused by humans who did bad things. Eventually he realized that the only way to convince people of the truth was to live it. He founded the Dominican Order of Preachers and instructed them to live humble, simple lives. He was right. People always learn more from an example of virtue and humility than they do from lectures.

The 9th & 10th Commandments remind us that God provides for us all that we need. There is no reason for us to be jealous or greedy for possessions or popularity or power. We Americans are not only conditioned to be consumers, but also to desire things we don’t want or need. Every home is full of stuff that we don’t use and has to be thrown out to make room for more stuff. Our landfills are full and our desires are still not met. The last 2 Commandments call us to live a simple life without the burden of having to seek more than we deserve or require.

The greatest example of living the simple life was given to us by Jesus himself. He never owned a house or any other kind of property. He relied on the generosity of others and always had everything he needed. He taught his disciples to share their goods with each other and to make sure that the poor and the sick were cared for. This example was reinforced through the ages by great people who followed Jesus. We have the example of St. Dominic, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Theresa of Calcutta, and countless more. And like all the saints these Commandments call us to live a virtuous life. Perhaps this prayer, taken from “*The Catholic Youth Handbook for Youth*” (St. Mary’s Press) will help you:

Good and gracious God,

*When I feel the lure of excess and crave too much of a good thing,
help me to develop temperance, the self-control that gives my life
balance and wholeness.*

*When I feel driven to act on impulse, give me prudence,
the wisdom to stop and think before I act.*

*When I find that I am preoccupied with myself, my own wants and worries,
help me to see others with eyes of compassion and to reach out to them.*

*When I face obstacles to living morally that tempt me to move away from You,
give me fortitude, the courage to overcome the temptation. Amen.*

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 13:

8:00 AM – *John Cannon*
by his family

TUESDAY, August 14:

8:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

WEDNESDAY, August 15

8:00 AM – *Karen Doherty*
by her friends at SPRED

7:00 PM – *Deceased of the Parish*

THURSDAY, August 16

8:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

FRIDAY, August 17

8:00 AM – *Amelia Dunn*

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, August 18

5:00 PM – *Pauline Valliere*
by her daughter Paula

SUNDAY, August 19

7:00 AM – *William Chaplin*
by his family

8:30 AM – *Carl Battaglia*
by his sister

10:30 AM – *James Riley*
by his wife



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday August 15th
Holy Day of Obligation

Masses:

8:00 AM and 7:00 PM
NO 12:00 PM Mass



Farewell to our faithful Sacristans!

To serve as a Weekend Sacristan in our parish is a ministry that is hardly ever noticed and often not appreciated. They are the “ministers of the dishes”, so to speak. They keep the sacristy organized and they set the Altar for Mass. They secure the collection and lock it safely in the vault until it is counted. They make sure that everything is ready for our celebration of Holy Mass.

At this time we are sorry to have to bid farewell to our 3 Weekend Sacristans, *Cam Ostiguy, Sam Hines and Zach Overly*, who have served so faithfully as our Sacristans for the past few years. They are leaving to attend college and we wish them the very best as they prepare for a successful future. They will always have a home at St. Bernard’s.

Welcome to our new Sacristans!

We are very happy to welcome our new Sacristans, *Robert Hauser, Corina Crooker and Ethan Brennan*. They will not miss a beat in picking up where our former Sacristans left off and we wish them well in their new responsibilities.

Announcements

<u>Upcoming Meetings</u>		
Mon 8/13	Victory Day Parish Office Closed	
Thu 8/16	Respect Life, Small Conference Room	9:00 AM
	Baptism Class, Parish Office	7:00 PM

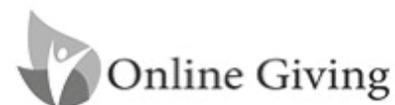
<u>Parish Support</u>		
	<u>July 29, 2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Basket	\$6,145.00	\$6,239.00
ACH	\$1,608.00	\$1,332.00
	<u>August 5, 2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Basket	\$8,113.00	\$7,162.50
ACH	\$2,408.00	\$2,092.00
YTD	\$56,638.50	\$52,472.50

Treasures from Our Tradition

Sometimes the heat of summer translates into unrest in a city's streets. In the summer of 1834, popular sentiment against the presence of the Ursuline nuns near Boston reached a boiling point. An influx of Irish laborers had an impact on the work force in the city, and a deep-seated resentment against Catholics fueled the fire. The nuns supported themselves with a school, and most of the young women students were drawn from patrician Protestant families. Nevertheless, rumors fed by the saga of an unhappy junior sister and a later episode of a senior sister fleeing the place increased tensions. The city's selectmen were given a tour by the disgruntled sister, who by then had returned, and found all things in good order. That didn't please the mob, and the mother superior didn't help matters when she said that the bishop had platoons of Irishmen at hand, twenty thousand strong, to do marauders harm. By August 11, the convent had been invaded, ransacked, and burned to the ground. The nuns fled to Maine and Canada. The diocese attempted to recover losses, but the commonwealth offered only ten thousand dollars, which was rejected. Years later, a legislative bill for the state to rebuild the convent and school was roundly defeated. Yet the enterprise of Catholic education had great resilience, and in 1946, more than a hundred years after the riots, the Ursulines returned to Boston to re-establish an academy that endures to the present day.

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

Religious Education Schedules

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

Open House/Parent & Student Meeting: September 9th 5:30 PM in the Parish Center concluding with a Mass at 6:30 PM.

First Class: September 29th 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM in the Parish Center (8:45 AM arrival time)

Grades 3,4,5:

Open House/Parent & Student Meeting: September 9th 5:30 PM in the Parish Center concluding with a Mass at 6:30 PM.

First Class: September 30th 8:30 AM-Children's Mass-9:30-11:30 AM Class in the Parish Center

Grades 6 & 7 and Confirmation 1 & 2

Open House/Parent & Student Meeting: September 9th 5:30 PM in the Parish Center concluding with a Mass at 6:30 PM.

Confirmation 1 (Grade 8) Retreat: October 14th 1:00 - 4:00 PM in the Parish Center.

First Full Class October 28th 5 PM in the Parish Center. Concluding with a Mass at 6:30 PM which all students must attend.

Confirmation Candidates for 2018:

Candidate and Sponsor Meeting-September 16th 6:30-7:30 PM in the Parish Center

Confirmation Retreat: September 23rd 1:00-6:30 PM in the Parish Center

Confirmation Rehearsal: October 15th 6:30-7:30 PM in the Church

Confirmation: October 20th 11:00 AM in the Church

If you have not registered your child for classes, registration and payment can be done on our website:

www.stbernardnk.org. 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.



The NK Food Pantry

For August the Pantry needs:

Jelly & jams, Pasta, Condiments-(ketchup, mustard, relish), Fresh Produce, Hygiene Items such as toothpaste, deodorant, shampoos, mouthwash, feminine hygiene products, adult diapers, dental floss, tooth brushes.

Diocesan Youth Day

Diocesan Youth Day, the first of its kind will be held on Saturday, September 8 from 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM at Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Cumberland.

This event, held rain or shine (much of it will be outdoors) is for high school and college aged youth. It includes MUSIC, GAMES, WORKSHOPS, MASS, ADORATION, FOOD, FUN, AND SO MUCH MORE. Please visit catholicyouthri.org or the Facebook page: Diocesan Youth Day 2018 for more information. If you are interested please contact: Christina Pichette at the parish office.

St. Gabriel's Call

The diocesan outreach ministry for women and families during and beyond pregnancy. You can be part of this essential life-affirming work by becoming a Gabriel Angel Volunteer. Put your faith and compassion in action and walk with an expectant mother through difficult decisions and challenges. In a spirit of Christian love and friendship, Gabriel Angel volunteers accept the mother's fears and worries in deepest confidence and find ways to alleviate them. Our help can include material items for babies and children up to 4 years of age, referrals to services and access to social services available within the Diocese of Providence. We have 3 locations in need of volunteers on various days for 2 to 3 hours one day a week. If you are interested in learning more about the ministry and how you can share your God-given time and talent, call Carol Owens at 401-421-7833 extension 218.

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.