

Saint Bernard Church



September 30, 2018: 26th 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

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. Please call the Parish Center for information regarding any of our programs.



Jesus was a great teacher. When He taught in the synagogue at Nazareth, people were amazed at the wonderful words He spoke. They could all identify with the characters he developed in the parable stories. They truly believed that He felt their joys and their pains, and the words He spoke touched their hearts. The Gospels tell us that people were astonished at His teaching because of the way He taught with authority and great power.

Our Religious Education classes begin today for students in grades 1 – 5 and in a special way I think we should express our gratitude to the many people who volunteer their time to provide a quality Religious Education Program for our children and young adults. The volunteer teachers of our parish are called to teach as Jesus taught, with authority and with power. They help others understand the Faith not only by word, but also by example.

We have good reason to be thankful because we have a dedicated Director of Religious Education for the elementary grades, **Mrs. Dawn Masterson**. She is supported in her ministry by **Mrs. Christina Pichette** the Director for the Middle and High School grades. Offering indispensable help to both of them in the office is **Mrs. Deborah Fortin** who serves as Office Manager and is truly the glue that holds the whole program together. Together they all help parents and teachers with information and resources.

Today we also remember the most important teachers, or catechists of all – the parents of our children. Our religious Education Program builds on the work of parents. As the first teachers of their children in the ways of faith, they are THE most important teachers. Children do not live by themselves, they live in families. Therefore, the concern of our parish program is not just for the children, but for their parents and families as well. Religious Education today is a family activity, just as worship on Sunday is a parish family activity. In these days of moral confusion and hedonistic values, parents need to be able to help their children understand life in the light of faith, otherwise they are left to the mercy of fear and rampant materialism. We, as a parish are renewing our commitment to the parents of the parish and have been meeting with them to help them deal the difficult issues of the day, including those that have affected the Church.

A gentle word of encouragement to parents may be all it takes to bring an entire family back to the Church, so please encourage your friends and neighbors who do not attend church to attend one of the two remaining registration nights. Better yet, volunteer to become one of our teachers, we need over 50 volunteers and you can make a real difference by becoming one of them.

Fr. Jack

Catholic High Schools Open House

Prout: Sunday, October 14 from 1-4pm. For more information, please call Admissions Director Sharon DeLuca at 789-9262, Ext 514 or go to **www.theproutschool.org**.

Bay View Academy: Sunday October 14, 2018 at 1:00 PM. For more information please call Admissions Coordinator, Victoria Milhomens, 401-434-0113 x 189 or go to **www.bayviewacademy.org**.

Bishop Hendricken: Sunday October 14, 2018 from noon to 3:00 PM. For more information call the Admissions Office at 401-739-3450 x 162 or go to **www.hendricken.com**



Mass Intentions

MONDAY, October 1:

8:00 AM – *Dolly & Domenic Columbo*
by their sister, Margherita

TUESDAY, October 2:

8:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

WEDNESDAY, October 3

8:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

THURSDAY, October 4

8:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

FRIDAY, October 5

8:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, October 6

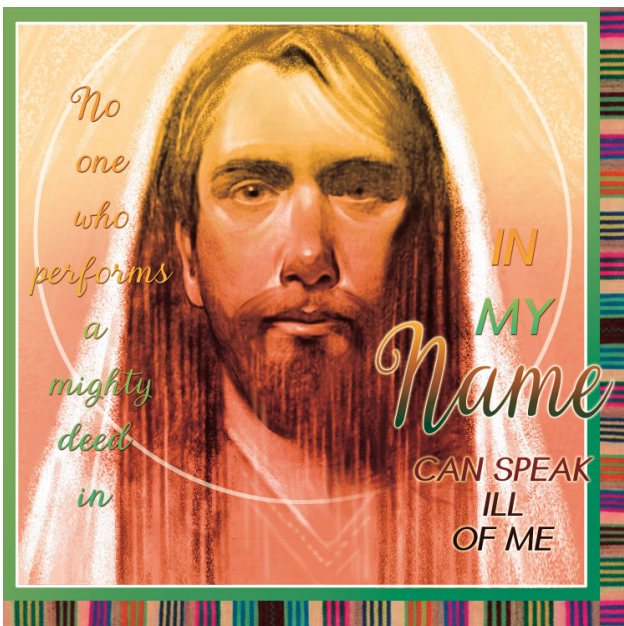
5:00 PM – *William & Margaret Morrissey*
by their family

SUNDAY, October 7

7:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

8:30 AM – *Dominick Miceli*
by Dan & Madeleine O’Leary

10:30 AM – *Deceased of the Unsworth Family*



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St Bernard’s Flu Clinic



Get Your Flu Shot
Sunday, October 21
8:00 AM—12:00 PM
Parish Hall

Teen Choir

Practice Wednesday October 3rd at 6:15pm

A new school year has begun and it is time to sing. The Teen Choir is our Contemporary Music Group for grades 6th through 12th. Our mission is to sing Christian contemporary music in a fun casual atmosphere. In addition to our various Masses and events, the choir will be participating at some of the Sunday Night Youth Masses and are looking for some musicians to join the group. So if you like to sing or play an instrument please consider this group. Service hours will be rewarded for participating.

Please see or email Alison Shea for more information : alison.shea72@gmail.com



Children’s Youth Choir

Practice Wednesday October 3 at 5:30pm

If you like to sing then you should consider joining the Children’s Choir, which takes place in a fun faith filled environment. The choir participates in the Children’s Masses at 8:30, as well as different celebrations throughout the year like Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter, and 1st Communion. For the older singers (5th grade and up) there are opportunities for assisting Miss Alison. Help is always welcome with leading rehearsals, preparing folders, assisting during the youth masses and cantor opportunities to name a few. Please see our Music Director Alison Shea for any questions or concerns you may have.

Announcements

<u>Upcoming Meetings</u>		
Sun 9/30	Middle Grades: 3, 4, 5 Children's Mass Class, Parish Center	8:30 AM 9:30 AM
Wed 10/03	Children's Choir, Large Confer- ence Room	5:30 PM
	Teen Choir, Large Conference Room	6:15 PM
Thu 10/04	Adult Choir, Large Conference Room	6:45 PM



Annual Red Mass for State's Legal Community

The annual Red Mass for the state's legal community will be held on Wednesday, October 3 at 5:30 PM at Holy Ghost Church in Providence. Monsignor Albert Kenney, Vicar General of the Diocese of Providence, will be the main celebrant and Father Ryan Connors, S.T.D., Professor of Moral Theology at St. John's Seminary will be the homilist.

The Red Mass is held annually for those who work in the judiciary and other areas of public service in Rhode Island. The Mass requests guidance from the Holy Spirit for all who seek justice, and offers the opportunity to reflect on what Catholics believe is the God-given power and responsibility of all in the legal profession. All are welcome to attend this special celebration.

Parish Support

	<u>September 16, 2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Basket	\$6,884.00	\$6,290.50
ACH	\$2,218.00	\$2,417.00
September 23, 2018		
Basket	\$6,573.00	\$6,800.50
ACH	\$1,620.00	\$1,537.00
YTD	\$121,348.50	\$117,382.00

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.

St. Francis de Sales Yard Sale

St. Francis de Sales Parish, located at 381 School Street in North Kingstown, is holding its annual indoor Yard Sale on Saturday, October 13th and Sunday October 14th from 8am to 1:30 pm, rain or shine. Items include jewelry, housewares, toys, games, electronics, CD's, furniture, books, and baked goods. The kitchen will be open for refreshments. Join us for a great time and great bargains!



The N K Food Pantry *For September 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.

Sacramental Preparation

Religious Education Schedules

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

Saturday, September 29th 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
First Class (8:45 AM arrival time)

Saturday, November 3: Next Class

Grades 3, 4, 5:

Sunday, September 30th

Children's Mass 8:30 AM

Class-9:30-11:30 AM in the Parish Center

Sunday, November 4: Next Class

Grades 6 & 7 and Confirmation 1 & 2

Sunday, October 14th 1:00 - 4:00

Retreat in the Parish Center (**Grade 8 Only**)

Sunday, October 28th

First Class: 5:00 PM in the Parish Center

Mass: 6:30 PM (All Grades)

Confirmation Candidates for 2018

Monday, October 15th 6:30-7:30 PM

Confirmation Rehearsal in the Church

Saturday, October 20th 11:00 AM

Confirmation with Bishop Evans

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

www.stbernardnk.org. If you have any questions, please contact the Faith Formation Office at sbc.reled@verizon.net or 295-0387.

Annual Life Chain Sunday October 7, 2018

As we begin Respect Life Month, St Bernard's parishioners are invited to join with members of St. Francis De Sales parish to for a "Life Chain". We will meet on the sidewalk outside of the T. J. Maxx Plaza on Post Rd in North Kingstown.

The Life Chain is a peaceful and powerful demonstration of our commitment to the value and dignity of every human life, born and unborn. It is a public witness to the doctrine of our Church that every human life must be protected from the moment of conception to the moment of natural death.

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. Many people with disabilities are waiting. 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 Msgr. Gerry Sabourin at 401-212-0855 if you would like more information about SPRED as a catechist or for someone with cognitive or developmental disabilities.



Becoming Catholic- Being Catholic

**We will soon be starting our
2018-2019 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!

Annual Coat Drive



Please drop off your **GOOD, USED COATS** at the Church or Parish Office to be distributed to those in need. For more information or to help, please contact the Parish Office at 295-0387.