

Saint Bernard Church



October 11, 2020 Twenty-Eighth 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

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Hours: Mon - Tues: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Wednesday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Thursday & Friday: Closed

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
(Suspended Until Further Notice)

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

Grades: 1 to 5: sbc.reled@verizon.net

Grades: 6 to 10: sbc.teenff@gmail.com

Ponderings

October (and May) are the months traditionally dedicated to Our Blessed Mother and the rosary. So how did it happen that October received this designation? On October 7th we celebrated the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. It had formerly been known as the Feast of Our Lady of Victory. That date was the anniversary of a decisive victory of the combined fleet of the Holy League of 1571 over the Ottoman navy at the Battle of Lepanto. A coalition of naval forces were brought together by Pope Pius V. The pope called for all of Europe to pray the rosary for a victory. After about five hours of fighting the Holy League was successful, even though they had a distinct material disadvantage. Because of the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (occurring in October) ---the month became dedicated to the Blessed Mother.

There are a few different versions of the origin of the rosary. The use of ‘prayer beads’ and the repeated recitation of prayers goes back to the earliest days of the Church. From the Middle Ages we have evidence that strings of beads were used to count Our Fathers and Hail Marys. The structure of the rosary developed between the 12th and 15th centuries.

Tradition also holds that St. Dominic devised the rosary as we know it. He had a vision of the Blessed Mother and thereafter preached using the rosary during his missionary work.

In more recent days, Los Angeles Archbishop Jose J. Gomez, the president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops led a ‘virtual national rosary’ on October 7th. According to the news release from the USCCB, Catholics were ‘encouraged to share where they are praying from, to post a photo of their rosary and to leave a prayer intention for our country.’

The archbishop reflected on Mary under the title of “Our Lady of Guadalupe” saying, “She was sent by God to the people of Mexico at a time of great uncertainty and unrest,” times not unlike what is facing us in the United States. “Plague and earthquakes were devastating the population and there was violence and racial conflict, and widespread suffering and injustice.” He continued, “Into this historical and cultural moment, Our Lady came as a mother bearing a message of hope. ‘Let not your heart be disturbed,’ she told St. Juan Diego.

“In every age, Mary’s maternal care is an expression of God’s providence, his plan of love for history and for every soul. And in the troubles of this present moment, we need to entrust ourselves even more to her care.” He continued, “As we seek our Blessed Mother’s intercession for our nation, I hope that we will also make this a moment to deepen our own commitments to Mary.....”

October, a month dedicated to our Blessed Mother---let us ask Mary, Queen of Peace, to bring peace to our troubled world. Let us ask Mary, Health of the Sick, to be with all those who are ill, especially those suffering with the Corona virus.

--Fr. Gaffney

Daily Mass 8:00 a.m.
(Monday-Friday)

25 minutes that could change your day, your week, your life!



Mass Intentions

MONDAY, October 12

8:00 AM – *James Hambly*

TUESDAY, October 13

8:00 AM – *Innocents of Abortion*

WEDNESDAY, October 14

8:00 AM – *Angelina Torregrossa*
by the Barone family

THURSDAY, October 15

8:00 AM – *Mary L. Maher*
34th Anniversary by her son

FRIDAY, October 16

8:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, October 17

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

SUNDAY, October 18

7:00 AM – *Ann & Frank Canning*
by their family

8:30 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

10:30 AM – *Rev. Frank Winn*

Please Inscribe the Following Names in the Memorial Book

Attach additional sheet if need.

Eucharistic Adoration Resumes.

We resumed Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesday mornings on October 6th. There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament immediately after the morning Mass (approximately 8:30 a.m.) and the Blessed Sacrament will be reposed at 11:00 a.m. *Please follow the directions posted at the entrance of the church for seating purposes.*

Columbus Day

Monday October 12, 2020 the Parish Office will be Closed. Mass will be celebrated as usual at 8:00 AM.

All Souls Day Memorial Mass

On Monday, November 2nd at 7:00 p.m. we will have our annual All Souls Mass to pray for those who have died in the parish during this past year. Please join us as we remember our parishioners who had their funeral Mass celebrated in our parish since November 1st 2019. Also, if you know of someone dear to you who has died in the past year and would like their name mentioned at this Mass, please call the office at 295-0387 and leave us the name on or before October 26.

All Souls Memorial Book

A special “Memorial Book” will be inscribed with the names of our deceased loved ones. In order to not wait in line to write names of deceased loved ones---so as to keep ‘social distancing’ and not to use pens and then sanitize them we offer two options for providing the names of your deceased loved ones.

- (1) E-mail the names of your deceased loved ones to the parish office.
- (2) Fill out the form in the bulletin and mail it to us or drop in the collection basket.

The names you send us will be inscribed in the Memorial Book. We will pray for all our beloved dead during the month of November.



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September 15, 2020

My dear Brothers and Sisters:

World Mission Sunday will be observed on October 18th this year. This annual, worldwide celebration emphasizes our shared baptismal call to mission.

Pope Francis, in his message for World Mission Sunday, encourages us with these words: "In this year marked by the suffering and challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, the missionary journey of the whole Church continues in light of the words found in the account of the calling of the Prophet Isaiah: *'Here I am, send me,'* Isaiah responds. (6:8) This is the perennial response to the Lord's question: *"Whom shall I send?"*

During the Month of October, always dedicated to the missions, Pope Francis thus reminds us that, as baptized Christians, we too are called personally to mission – especially at this time – to bring Christ's love to those most forgotten and abandoned around the world. He asks us to respond to the Lord's call and to "step out of ourselves for the love of God and neighbor." We do so through sincere prayer, by participation in the Holy Eucharist, and by generously supporting the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

Through your support of the Church's missionary society, you will be present to the ends of the earth. Your gifts sustain priests, religious and lay pastoral leaders in more than 1,100 mission dioceses in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe as they proclaim the Gospel, build the Church and serve the poor. By supporting the work of missionaries, you have heard the Lord's call to service and have responded "Here I am, send me!"

In these times which are so challenging, especially in poor, mission countries, I invite all the members of the Diocese of Providence to support the collection for the missions as generously as possible. I offer my personal gratitude for your witness to the faith – here in our local church, and in missions around the globe. Thank you for your generosity!

Sincerely yours,

Thomas J. Tobin
Bishop of Providence

Parish Support

	September 27, 2020	2019
Basket	\$4,978.00	\$6,609.00
ACH	\$1,113.00	\$1,479.00
	October 4, 2020	2019
Basket	\$6,450.00	\$6,176.00
ACH	\$1,573.00	\$2,189.00
YTD	\$127,674.82	\$130,197.00

Remember St. Bernard Church in your will and estate planning. Thank you.

Sacraments for Adults

If you are an adult and have not received the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist or Confirmation, please call the parish center and let us know. We will be putting together a program that will likely be ‘hybrid’---in person and virtual—to prepare adults who have not received these sacraments and would like to do so. The R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program will need to be adapted during this covid-time. Don’t hesitate to contact us---we can answer your questions about receiving the Sacraments of Initiation as an adult.questions such as.... “how do I become Catholic” as an adult.

Mark Your Calendars

During the weekend of October 25/26 the Auction items from our canceled annual Gala Auction will be available for purchase and bidding. We are calling it our 10 1/2 year anniversary! All 120 items must go! There will be available times to shop in person (by registered time slot) during/ after all the Masses and online on the Sunday after the 10:30. More details to come. Stay tuned.

Faith Formation 2020-2021

IT’S REGISTRATION TIME!!!!

Check out our website www.stbernardnk.org for all details about the changes to the program and the exciting new curriculum for this year. Please view the informational slideshow first for an explanation of how the program will be running this year.

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.

SPOTLIGHT MASS

Each week at the Sunday 8:30am Mass, a different grade level class is invited to attend and stay after for a quick check-in. This is an opportunity for you to have in-person support, ask questions and learn about their optional service project.

Upcoming Mass Dates:

10/11 Grade 3
10/18 Grade 4
10/25 Grade 5
11/1 Grade 6

Emmanuel House Homeless Shelter

We are always in need of new socks, bath towels, and backpacks, twin-sized bedding, etc. Drop off items in the Church gathering space or at the Parish Center.

Annual Coat Drive

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