

Saint Bernard Church



January 28, 2024
Fourth 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 11:00 AM

Family Faith Formation Program

Our programs provide 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:

First Communion Grade 2:
sbcreligiouseducation@gmail.com

Confirmation Grades 8 & 9: sbc.teenff@gmail.com

Gospel Weeklies Grades 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7:
stbernardgospelweeklies@gmail.com

Ponderings

A reflection on 'Catholic Schools Week' Part II. In last week's column I only got to #1 of the 12 reasons to choose a Catholic school. I think that is because I started with a lot of background information about my own experiences with Catholic schools as a student and a teacher (and chaplain).

#2 (according to the NCEA---National Catholic Education Association) is "We partner with parents in the faith formation of their children." I must admit that I do not remember much of that going on when I was a student. Parents entrusted their children to the Catholic school and expected they would learn their faith. It is also interesting that 'faith formation' is not one of the top reasons that parents choose a Catholic school for their child---it often has to do with something like 'structure' or 'discipline'. As a teacher in a Catholic school, we would generally accept whatever reasons a parent had for sending their child to a Catholic school and then once their foot was in the door we would educate them about how important 'faith formation' was in Catholic education. When I was a chaplain at Hendricken I recall one incident that made me smile. At the beginning of the year there was an "Opening of School Mass" for the entire student body. That particular week we had a "team Mass" for the Cross-Country team and we started the freshman 'day retreat'---which concluded with Mass. One parent innocently commented that her son who was a freshman on the cross-country team and had been on retreat that week----so, had been to Mass three times that week? She inquired, "Was that a typical week?" It made me smile!

#3 "We set high standards for student achievement and help them succeed." As a student in a catholic elementary school and in high school I remember that I wanted to do my best----I wanted to succeed. I probably got some of that from home-----but it was reinforced. Hard work was rewarded. Classmates were achieving and so there was a kind of 'good natured' competition----to do your best, to earn a good 'rank in class----we always knew it would help when applying to college and at the time was instilling a motivation to achieve. I was not very good in mathematics. In high school I was placed in an honors geometry class---a mistake---I did stay with it. I managed to pass! There was a good bit of competition in that class---others were much better at mathematics. The other students pushed me to do my best to 'stay on course'.

#4 "We provide a balanced academic curriculum that integrates faith, culture and life." As a social studies teacher----and for most of my career as a teacher of world history, it was difficult not to imagine the integration of those fields. While I was a history major in college, I had what would have been an equivalent in religious studies. I enjoyed using both of these interests in teaching.

#5 "We use technology effectively to enhance education." I was a student before much of the technology we now use and I was teacher just until the time when technology was widely used. I missed out as a student and didn't have to as a teacher----when it came to technology. I do recall---to make you laugh out loud---one of the most practical course I took in senior year was 'typing'---later called 'keyboarding'. There were no letters on the keys---you had to stare at the chart of the keyboard posted on the front wall. I'm pretty good at typing---in my retirement I will look for part-time employment as a stenographer. (no, just kidding).

6. "We instill in students the value of service to others." One of the best jobs I had was 'campus minister' at La Salle Academy. I was a religious brother at the time. I had been a guidance counselor and then was asked to be the Director of Campus Ministry. It was an important job and multi-faceted. One of the areas of responsibility was to run the 'service program' that was required of all seniors. On a Wednesday morning, for about two hours, for one quarter of the school year the seniors would go 'out into the field'----in schools, day care centers, homes for the elderly, soup kitchens, and a host of other placements. It was amazing to see young people serving others----showing compassion, patience, and creativity in a 'new setting'. I recall one student who had intended to major in business in college, but after working with some young people with severe mobility issues, they decided to major in physical therapy. For some, the service project, literally was life changing. We always reflected on their service work in one or two class periods per week---so that they might see their work as rooted in Jesus' own work of ministry.

OK.....so I did better in my reflection---I'm up to #6.....only six more to go. Stay tuned to Part Three next week!

--Fr. Gaffney



Mass Intentions

MONDAY, January 29

8:00 AM — Julia Buckley
by her family

TUESDAY, January 30

8:00 AM – *Louis Mainelli*

WEDNESDAY, January 31

8:00 AM – *Gloria D’Alfanso*
by Jane Viera

THURSDAY, February 1

8:00 AM – *Joan F. Arnold*
by her husband

FRIDAY, February 2

8:00 AM – *Robert “Bob” O’Connell*
by Mary McKay

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, February 3

5:00 PM – *Edward Keenan*

SUNDAY, February 4

7:00 AM – *James Manfredi*
by his family

8:30 AM – *Br. Robert Hazard, FSC*

10:30 AM – *Cecile Bachmann*

St. Bernard Church

Celebrates 150 Years

1874—2024 : MISSION 150



If you did not receive our recent mailing about the 150th (with calendar of events) please see Fr. Gaffney after Mass---we have extra copies. !

Knights of Columbus “25 Week Club” Raffle

The Knights of Columbus will be holding a “25 Week Club” raffle from February through July.

Weekly drawing of \$25 for 25 Weeks!

Grand Prizes to be drawn in July!

First Place Grand Prize - \$500

Second Place Grand Prize - \$300

Third Place Grand Prize - \$200

Tickets are \$25

Proceeds to go to charitable causes supported by the Knights. Tickets

will be on sale after masses during the weekend of Jan 28. You can also contact a member of the Knights or email:

r_dimaria@hotmail.com



The 2024 Catholic Charity Appeal



"A State of Hope" has begun.

Our parish goal remains the same as last year, \$80,750 with an overall diocesan goal of \$7 million. Please prayerfully consider a gift to the appeal as we strive for 100% parish participation. To make a difference visit

Dioceseofprovidence.org/CCA

Soup-er Bowl! (Super Bowl!)

Outreach to help the Poor.

384 Cans Collected so far....

From January 1st through February 11th (the day of this year’s Super Bowl) we will be collecting cans of SOUP for the North Kingstown Food Pantry. We are setting a ‘challenge’ to collect 500 cans of soup! Then on the weekend of February 10/11 the young people of the parish will hold ‘Soup Bowls’ at the exit for a ‘free will’ donation---which will support our parish’s outreach to the poor and needy. (We purchase ‘food cards’ for those in need who approach us year-round). Thanks for your support!

We welcome families to bring their children—our youngest parishioners—in their strollers to Mass.

Parish Support

	January 14, 2024	2023
Basket	\$7,974.00	\$6,055.00
ACH	\$2,624.00	\$3,401.00
	January 21, 2024	2023
Basket	\$5,235.00	\$5,083.00
ACH	\$3,314.00	\$2,761.00
YTD	\$314,856.00	\$311,600.00

Rosary Repairs



We have an anonymous volunteer who offers free Rosary repairs. Simply place your Rosaries in an envelope along with your name and contact information and drop it off at the rectory/office. You will be notified when the repaired rosaries are ready for pick-up. This

usually takes about 1 -2 weeks. Thank you.

Stormy Weather and Daily Mass

If the public schools in North Kingstown are **closed or delayed** because of bad weather, our daily 8 AM Mass is also cancelled. We hope this will prevent people from venturing out in dangerous conditions just so see if we are open.

Prout Mission Trip

This April, Junior and Senior Prout students have an opportunity to go on a mission trip, to experience the "Urban Challenge" at the [Oscar Romero Center](#) in Camden, NJ, and visit the [Saint Anthony's Shelter of Renewal](#) in New York City. This promises to be a wonderful opportunity for our students to understand and develop empathy for those living in poverty in the United States and to have meaningful encounters with those in need. The experience is focused on faith, service, and community with time for prayer, reflection, and fellowship with peers and residents in the community. Please keep the Prout students and chaperones in your prayers as they prepare for this powerful experience. For more information and/or to find out how to sponsor a student/s attending this trip, please contact Father Gaffney or Buff Wessman, the Christian Service-Learning Coordinator at The Prout School at ewessman@theproutschool.org

Coffee & Donuts

Our next Coffee and Donuts is scheduled for next weekend, **February 4** after the 10:30 AM Mass in the Parish Hall. Come spend some time socializing with your fellow parishioners.



Join us at this month's coffee and donuts for a "Mini-Reunion" of anyone who has in the past or is now a teacher in our CCD/Religious Education/ Faith Formation and SPRED programs - as part of our MISSION 150 Events!

Young at Heart February Luncheon

Monday, February 26 at Noon (sign in at 11:30 AM)

Menu: TBD

Name (s) _____

Cost: \$15.00 per person. (Please make out checks payable to St. Bernard)
Please respond by **Monday, February 19.**

Faith Formation 2023-2024

Weather related Class Cancellations! Please go to <https://turnto10.com/> or the local TV/Radio Channels for updates

Gospel Weeklies Program

Grades 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7

In-person class schedule 9:25-10:25 am

Next Class: 2/4/2024

** Return completed assignments to next in-person class

Sacramental Preparation Program

Grades 2, 8, 9

In-person class schedule: 9:30-10:45

Class Today: 1/28/2024

Next Class: 2/11/2024

Grade 2 & 8 is expected to return each Gospel Weekly to the next in person class. This is so the lesson from the Gospel of the week is reviewed in a timely manner and the program stays on track.

For more detailed information, please refer to your Weekly News Family email.

Teen Life Ministry

St. Bernard, together with St. Francis de Sales Parish, is offering a new program called Teen Life Ministry. This ministry is open to any current middle school or high school students. This will be an opportunity for local teens to socialize, share their faith, and get involved in community service. The ministry will meet once a month throughout the school year on a Friday or Sunday evening. Meetings will be held at either St. Bernard's or St. Francis de Sales on a rotating basis. This will be an uplifting and fun ministry. No commitment is necessary. To sign up, or for more information, please contact Christina Pichette at sbc.teenff@gmail.com. The next Teen Life Ministry gathering will take place at St. Bernard's parish center on Friday, February 9th from 6PM-7:30PM. For a list of all the upcoming dates, please refer to our website:

<https://www.stbernardnk.org/youth-ministry/>

Worship 101

Finding More Meaning in the Mass (An Adult Faith Formation program). The meetings will be on **Tuesdays at 7:00 PM**, in the parish hall. on January 30, February 13, February 27, March 19

Grief Group

The schedule of meetings are **Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30**, February 6, March 12, April 16, May 14

If anyone would like more information about the group, please see Fr. Gaffney.

Tri County Community Action

“On behalf of Tri-County Community Action Agency Head Start and Early Head Start Program, I would like to thank you for your continued support for the children and families we serve. The families have expressed tremendous appreciation for your thoughtfulness and kindness. Your commitment to helping those in need is truly heart-warming, and we couldn't help the families in our program for this holiday season without your generosity. We wish you a safe and healthy New Year!”

Missy Menders, Deputy Director

Month	Date	Event	Time	Location
FEB	2	First Friday Holy Hour	7:00 PM - 9:30 PM	Cathedral of Sts. Peter & Paul
FEB	10	Lenten Retreat	8:30 AM - 2:00 PM	Cathedral of Sts. Peter & Paul
MAR	1	First Friday Holy Hour	7:00 PM - 9:30 PM	Cathedral of Sts. Peter & Paul

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CHRISTMAS: WE REMEMBER



Flower offerings were made in memory of or in honor of the following people. We have kept them in our prayers during the holiday season.



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Rosemary Altiere	Daniel Donovan	Lawrence E. Horan
Louis Arruda	Billy Dowden	Jerri Horn
Angela Ascioffa	Arthur Dwyer	The Horvath Family
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