

# Saint Bernard Church



## January 16, 2022 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Dawn Masterson

**Youth Faith Formation:**

Christina Pichette

**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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**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](http://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](mailto:sbcreligiouseducation@gmail.com)

**Confirmation Grades 8 & 9:** [sbc.teenff@gmail.com](mailto:sbc.teenff@gmail.com)

**Gospel Weeklies Grades 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7:**

[stbernardgospelweeklies@gmail.com](mailto:stbernardgospelweeklies@gmail.com)

## Ponderings

January 22<sup>nd</sup> is designated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops as a “Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children.” There are a number of activities that are sponsored by our diocesan Respect Life Office to remind us of the dignity of every human life.

I came across the following statistics recently on the topic of the health of our children (on a yearly basis): worldwide approximately 1 million children die as a result of war; 3.1 million children die as a result of hunger; 1.2 million children die as a result of disease (i.e., pneumonia, malaria, etc.); and then the most startling statistic----approximately 42.6 children die through abortion.

The U.S. bishops put forward a “Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities: A Campaign in Support of Life” (this happened a quarter of a century ago!). The document clearly states, “Among important issues involving the dignity of human life with which the church is concerned, abortion necessarily plays a central role.” The Gospel of Life states, “Today, when human rights are proudly proclaimed and the value of life itself given public affirmation, the most basic of all human rights, ‘the very right to life,’ is being denied or trampled upon, especially at the more significant moments of existence: the moment of birth and the moment of death.” The document goes on to say that the large number of abortions each year (over a million each year in our country) cannot but diminish respect for life in other areas. There is a linkage between abortion and so many other ways that we as a society do not uphold the dignity of all human life. Focusing on abortion is necessary since the unborn child is so vulnerable, since it is so widespread and since it impacts our ‘view’ of all life and its value.

So, what does the pastoral plan do? The plan calls upon all the resources of the Church----people, services and institutions to put their efforts into four major areas.

1. Public Information and Education. Much needs to continue to be done to deepen our understanding of the sanctity of human life and the humanity of unborn children. In a culture which St. John Paul II called the “culture of death” we need to educate and promote a ‘Culture of Life’.

2. Pastoral Care. We need to help women with problems related to pregnancy; for all who have been involved in abortion; for those who are disabled, sick and dying and their families and caregivers; for those who have lost loved ones to violent crime; and for those in prison sentenced to death. Pastoral care is needed for everyone-----and yet, some are in greater need. The Church is called to help with a variety of resources.

3. Public Policy. Every diocese in the U.S. has a person who is the ‘point person’ to advise the bishop about the ever-changing landscape of what is happening in the public square when it comes to ‘pro-life’ issues. Efforts continue to be made to protect the lives of unborn children. In addition, the Church is concerned about those vulnerable to pressure to end their lives by assisted suicide.

4. Prayer and Worship. We need to continue to pray as a community and as individuals that the culture of death that surrounds us today will be replaced by a culture of life and love.

The document concludes in this way, “We hold in high esteem all who proclaim and serve the Gospel of Life. Through their peaceful activism, education, prayer and service, they witness to God’s truth and embody our Lord’s command to love one another as he loves us. We assure them of our continuing prayers. And we renew our appeal to all in the Catholic community to join with them and with us in building a ‘Culture of Life.’”

--Fr. Gaffney



## Mass Intentions

**MONDAY, January 17**

8:00 AM – *Deceased of the Elouadih Family*

**TUESDAY, January 18**

8:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

**WEDNESDAY, January 19**

8:00 AM – *Paul F. Calitri*

by Jane Viera

**THURSDAY, January 20**

8:00 AM – *Sharon Taylor*

**FRIDAY, January 21**

8:00 AM – *Edward Phillips*

### **WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**

**SATURDAY, January 22**

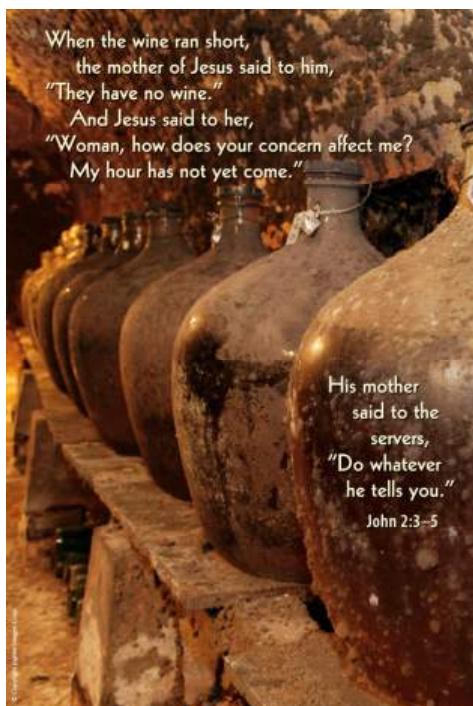
5:00 PM – *Maurice Paiva*  
by his family

**SUNDAY, January 23**

7:00 AM – *Robert Sherman*

8:30 AM – *Regina Salisbury*  
by her family

10:30 AM – *Francisco Bruno*



## **Soup-er Bowl! (Super Bowl!)** **Outreach to help the Poor**

### **49 Cans Collected—451 to Go !!!**

From January 1<sup>st</sup> through February 13<sup>th</sup> (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 12/13 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). As part of the Diocese of Providence's observance of its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary Bishop Tobin has invited parishes to initiate or augment an 'outreach project' to help the community. Our Soup-er Bowl event is our initiative! Thanks for your support!

## **Lenten Soup and Scriptures**

During the season of Lent we are offering a "Soup and Scripture" series on three Saturdays. The dates are Saturday March 5<sup>th</sup>, March 19<sup>th</sup> and April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Call or e-mail to register for each session one week in advance. Bring your Bible! We will meet in the Parish Center. While we are having a 'soup lunch' we will study the Gospel of Luke. During the Liturgical "Year C"---our Sunday Gospel readings (mostly) are from Luke's Gospel. Please arrive between 11:30-11:45. We will begin at Noon and conclude by 1:00 p.m. There is a 'free will' offering for the soup!

## **Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe.**

St. Bernard Church will host this on Monday, January 24, 2022. After the morning 8:00 a.m. Mass there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and a presentation on the Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Benediction will be at 11:00 a.m.

## Parish Support

	December 27, 2021	2020
Basket	\$6,893.00	\$7,174.00
ACH	\$2,815.00	\$2,440.00
	January 2, 2022	2021
Basket	\$6,718.00	\$5,489.00
ACH	\$2,494.00	\$2,587.00
YTD	\$274,959.00	\$261,265.63

## Income Tax Statements

We will not be mailing out donation statements for Income Tax purposes to all our parishioners. The cost of mailing hundreds of statements is no longer affordable for us. If you would like us to mail you your statement, please contact the office by phone (295-0387) or e-mail us at

[sbc.pa@verizon.net](mailto:sbc.pa@verizon.net)

We will be happy to send it out to you.

## Parish Office Closed

On Monday January 17, 2022 the Parish Office will be closed In honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day

## Young at Heart Luncheon

Our next Young at Heart Luncheon is scheduled for Tuesday, February, 15, 2022.

## January 2022 Events for LIFE

**January 7 through February 6:**

**The Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe** will be visiting various parishes throughout the Diocese of Providence from Friday, January 7 through Sunday, February 6, 2022. The full schedule will be available beginning January 3 by contacting 401-278-2518 or

[LCooley@dioceseofprovidence.org](mailto:LCooley@dioceseofprovidence.org), and by visiting the diocesan website at [www.dioceseofprovidence.org](http://www.dioceseofprovidence.org).

**January 19-27**

### **9 Days for Life**

This annual novena for the protection of human life is January 19 - 27, 2022. Sign up here - [9daysforlife.com](http://9daysforlife.com).

**January 20- 22**

### **Annual Respect for Life Bus Trip to the March for Life in Washington, DC**

Advance registration required, space is limited, first come, first served.

*Basic Itinerary:*

- Thurs. evening, Jan. 20 - bus leaves RI to DC
- Fri., Jan. 21 - Mass, Rally and March in DC
- Early morning, Sat., Jan. 22 - return to RI

Please contact 401-278-2518 or

[LCooley@dioceseofprovidence.org](mailto:LCooley@dioceseofprovidence.org) to register and for all details. Groups are encouraged to register ASAP.

## 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.

## Young at Heart February Luncheon

Tuesday, February 15, 2022 (sign in at 11:30 AM)

Menu: To Be Determined

Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_

Cost: \$12.00 per person.      Cash: \_\_\_\_\_      Check \_\_\_\_\_ (Made out to St. Bernard)

**Please respond by Tuesday, February 8, 2022.**

## Faith Formation

Weather related Class Cancellations!  
Please log on to [www.turnto10.com](http://www.turnto10.com) or the local TV/  
Radio Channels for updates

*\*\* For safety reasons, masks are required for both adults and students in the Parish Center during Faith Formation class hours. \*\**

### GOSPEL WEEKLIES PROGRAM

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

In-person class schedule  
either 9:30-10:30am or 11:30am-12:30pm  
Next Class: 1/23/22.

*\*\* Return completed assignments to next in-person class*

### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAM

*Grades 2, 8, 9*

In-person class schedule:  
2/6/22

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.

## Catholicism 101

Fr. Gaffney is conducting an adult education series on Monday evenings (7:00-8:00 p.m.)---- ordinarily twice per month. (the complete schedule will be posted) We will take a first look (or second look) at the basic tenets of the Catholic faith. The next meeting will be **Monday, January 24th**. Call the parish office if you have not already registered. Those planning to take this class are asked to purchase a copy of Waking Up Catholic by Chad R. Torgerson (publisher is Assisi Media).

## 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.

## Youth Ministry Events

We have some exciting Youth Ministry events coming up. These events are open to students in grades 8-12 and their friends. They will take place in the St. Bernard's Parish Center. Please RSVP to Christina at

[sbc.teenff@gmail.com](mailto:sbc.teenff@gmail.com)

the Monday prior to each event. Masks are required.

Thursday, January 27 6-8 PM Pizza and Movie Night. Please bring \$5 for pizza.

Thursday, February 24 6:30-8 PM Mardi Gras Party with Pancakes

Thursday, March 31 6:30-8 PM Family Feud Game Night

## Steubenville East

St. Bernard's will be planning a trip to the Steubenville East Catholic Youth Conference this summer. The conference takes place at URI July 22-24, 2022, and is open to students going into high school in the fall of 2022 and students who graduated in the spring of 2022. There will be a meeting on 1/16 after the 10:30AM Mass at the Coffee & Donuts social where Christina will have pricing information and other details. If you any questions please email Christina at

[sbc.teenff@gmail.com](mailto:sbc.teenff@gmail.com)

or check out the Steubenville East website at [steubenvilleconferences.com/events/conf-east/](http://steubenvilleconferences.com/events/conf-east/)

## First Penance Congratulations!

Our Faith Formation students in second grade received the Sacrament of Penance for the first time on Saturday, January 8<sup>th</sup>. "Thank you" to parents and catechists who have prepared them for this sacrament. We continue to pray for these children who will now prepare to receive First Holy Communion in May.

# **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.

Dolly Absi	Meghan Cooney	Roger & Vincent Haggarty
Bill & Kay Alexander	Edward Corbett	Harte Family
Frances Antonucci	Eleanor Corbett	Ruth Heinchon
Robert Antonucci	Stuart H. Cowen	Sigrid Heinchon-Bortko
Jane & Ron Antuono	Natalie & Jack Cronin	Steve & Shirly Heru
Ron Antuono	Benjamin & Stella Dabrowski	Lori Hogan
Ron & Concetta Antuono	DeMelis Family	Richard Hoke
Tom & Tom Antuono	Edith & Giuseppe DeQuattro	Richard Hoke, Jr.
William Arnold, Jr.	Joseph & Zelda DeSteiger	Lawrence E. Horan
Antone & Irene Arruda	Nan & Gene Dietz	Jerri Horn
Louis Arruda	Ann & Vincent DiFalco	Angelo & Vincenza Imondi
Kathleen M. Asher	Thomas S. Dilick, Sr.	David Inman
Alice Bailey	Narcisa Dioquino	Edward M. Kavanagh
Paul Bailey	Francis Donahue	Kavanagh Family
George P. Bann, Jr.	Frank Donahue	Edward M. Kavanaugh
Donald F. Barker, Sr.	Veronica Donahue	Kyle Kennedy
Anthony "Nino" Barone	Barbara Donovan	Ewald Kieke Family
Mary Barone	Arthur S. Dwyer	Edgar & Ruth Kite
Leo & Claire Bedard	Catherine Dwyer	Ann Kosak
Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Bennett	Peter Edge	Mary C. Kusmierz
Anna Bentsen	Dianna Farland	Stephen Kusmierz, Jr.
Anna Bova	Rev. Norman Farland	Br. John Kusmierz, O.P.
Michael Bova	Helen & Bob Farlle	Stepehn & Marie Kusmierz, Sr.
Peter & Anna Bova	Joseph & Hope Feeney	Oscsar Lafreniere Family
Thomas Bradley	Joseph M. Feeney, Jr.	Arthur & Doris Lamoureux
Gary Bryson	Ferriola Family	Arthur Lamoureux, Jr.
William & Ethel Burns	Michael & Dorothy Fiorentino	Langton Family
Calvano Family	Stephen Fiorentino	Alyce Lardner
Joseph Carnevale	Edward Fitzgerald Family	Brian T. Lardner
Vilda Carnevale	Peter Fitzpatrick	Thomas J. Lardner
Horace & Etta Cayouette	Peter Fitzpatrick	Jennifer Larkin
Tony & Anna Cerbo	Thomas J. Flatley	Leo Lemoi
Chamberlain Family	Gerard Fortin	Robert & Dee Ane Madusky
Charpentier Family	Donald R. Gardiner	A. Louis Mariorenzi
Coghlin Family	Fenwick Gardiner	George Martin
Ryan Cole	Jane E. Gardiner	James & Nellie Martish
Edward Coleman Damily	Emma & Alfred Geremia	Lillian Mather
Domenic Colombo	Joseph & Ann Giordano	McCradden Family
Ann & Frank Connor	Catherine & Phillip Haggarty	Thomas & Mary McDermott
Edward Cooney	Elfrieda & Francis Haggarty	George McLean, Sr.

We apologize for any mis-spellings or omissions. Please contact the parish office.

Don & Donny Micele	Patricia A. Prior	Daniel & Kathryn Sullivan
Bridget Mohan	Robert Provost	Sara & Elizabeth Sullivan
Edward Mohan	Pierre & Annie Prue	Sullivan Family
Carl Moretta	Pulaski Family	Cornelius J. Sullivan III
Melinda Kim Morgan	Arthur Ranieri	Dot Sweeney
Mr. & Mrs. Lynwood Morgan	Jean Reilly	Joseph Taraborelli
James & Ruth Morriss	Jose dos Reis	Taylor Family
Margaret Morriss	Scott Richards	Anthony Testa
Harry Mosesian	Domenic & Victoria Rignanese	Mathias & Irene Theroux
Marie Mosesian	Audrey & Richard Roby	Eleanor Thompson
Ann Motherway	Eric Sidney Roby	Thomas G. Thompson
Karyl Motherway	James & Stella Roone	Ed & Carolyn Trimble
Robert Motherway	Norman & Jeanette Roy	Lucille Tuttle
Dennis Mudge	Ronald Roy	George Tuttle, Sr.
Mildred Mudge	Norman Roy, Jr.	Vallee Family
Joseph Mulligan	Gloria Ruggieri	Elia J. Vallone
Idella Murphy	Joseph Ryan	Henry & Polly Vanasse
Joe Murphy	Norma Ryan	Thomas Vanasse
Joan & Henry Murray	Cheryl Dolores Sabitini	Joe & Marcelle Vento
Axel & Rose Newberg	Cynthia Salegba	Verdi Family
Ted & Leila Newberg	Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Santagata	Helen & Timothy Walsh
Jack & Alice Newman	Ricky Santos	Ruth Warburton
Linda A. Newman	Sayles Family	Norman & Mary Warren
Alfred H. Nolette	Paul Sherman	Catherine R. Wells
Timothy & Catherine O'Leary	Barrer Sidok	James. D. Wells
Alvale Oswald	Destiny Siers	Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Whitehead
Carl & Peggy Pace	Dementina Silva	Rosemary Whitehead
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Perry	Eva Silva	Wilkins Family
Dorothy Persico	Silva Family	John & Alice Wright
Sharon Persico	Dorothy Squillante	John R. Wright
David M. Plowman	Jacqueline Squillante	Ed & Helen Zabilski
Polke Family	Martin Squillante	Dolores & Ed Zajac
John & Agnes Prior	Francis Stephens	Terese Zajac
		Ray & Ray Zarrella