

Saint Bernard Church



July 3, 2022 Fourteenth 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

These early days of July provide at least two “ponderings” that I share with you. The first is our celebration of the Fourth of July. The second is “July 1st” ----it is the day that I begin my third year as pastor of St. Bernard.

First: The Fourth of July. I hope that it is a nice day----a time to relax and spend time with family and friends. I also hope it is a time to stop and give thanks for the many freedoms we enjoy and to express gratitude for the lives of those who fought in the American Revolutionary War. Recently, I was in upstate New York and had the chance to drive through the National Park that is the Battlefield of Saratoga. I was a teacher of European history (in my former life) but I have two older brothers who were American history teachers! The visit to Saratoga and my conversations with them made me aware that the Battle of Saratoga was a turning point in the war. I tried to imagine young men, mostly farmers, who left their homes and set out to fight a battle that would one day give us Independence and the chance to enjoy July 4th, 2022.

Here are a few quotes from the ‘heroes’ of the Revolution. Can you match the name with the quote? (correct answers can be found elsewhere in the bulletin!)

1. _____ “The cement of this union is the heart-blood of every American.”
2. _____ “I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country.”
3. _____ “If we don’t hang together, we’ll all hang separately.”
4. _____ “Humanity has now won its battle. Liberty now has a country.”
5. _____ “I know not what course others may take, but as for me, give me liberty or give me death.”
6. _____ “A nation which can prefer disgrace to danger is prepared for a master and deserves one.”
7. _____ “Patriotism is as much a virtue as justice and is as necessary for the support of societies as natural affection is for the support of families.”
8. _____ “I have not yet begun to fight.”
9. _____ “Remember officers and soldiers that you are fighting for the blessings of liberty.”
10. _____ “We fight, get beat, rise and fight again.”

(a) Nathan Hale (b) Thomas Jefferson (c) Benjamin Franklin (d) Patrick Henry (e) Alexander Hamilton (f) Nathaniel Greene (g) George Washington (h) John Paul Jones (i) Benjamin Rush (j) Marquis de Lafayette

Second: July 1st marks the start of my third year as pastor of St. Bernard. I very much enjoy serving as your pastor. I am grateful for the parish staff, for many volunteers and for all of you. One of the key decisions any institution has to make is whether it will embrace “maintenance” or “mission”. If it opts for “maintenance” then everything will remain the same and the institution will have a slow and painless demise. If it chooses “mission” then there is room to grow, room to be creative, room to engage people in pursuing the mission. This requires commitment, energy, participation, compassion, and courage-----not just on the part of the pastor, but for all of us! I want St. Bernard to be a parish ‘on mission’-----to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ. One catholic author writing about parishes coined the phrase, “Intentional Disciples” ----we need to be intentional in living out our faith and to contribute to the life of the parish. Is it possible that every member of the parish can be intentional, invested, committed, involved.....?” I hope so! Let us embrace “mission” and not “maintenance”

Jesus sent his disciples out on mission-----and he sends us out on mission, also, so that by word and deed we may proclaim the Good News of Salvation. Might our mission even be considered “revolutionary”-----look again at the commitment reflected in the language of those quotes. I think the brave heroes of the American Revolution were indeed ‘intentional’.

Happy Fourth of July! (And let Year Three begin!)
--Fr. Gaffney



Mass Intentions

- MONDAY, July 4**
8:00 AM – *Raymond McDade*
by his family
- TUESDAY, July 5**
8:00 AM – *Elizabeth Imondi Cea*
- WEDNESDAY, July 6**
8:00 AM – *John M. Lotocki*
- THURSDAY, July 7**
8:00 AM – *Rev. Cornelius Collins*
- FRIDAY, July 8**
8:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

- SATURDAY, July 9**
5:00 PM – *Egidio Capobianco*
- SUNDAY, July 10**
7:00 AM – *Thomas Flatley*
5th Anniversary by his wife
- 8:30 AM – *Christofer Nocera*
- 10:30 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

Wedding Announcement

Fr. Gaffney, Laura Hanson and W. Ryan Eaton at their wedding rehearsal.
Congratulations to Laura and Ryan who were united in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony on June 25, 2022



On June 26th, 2022

Alexandra & David Aiello with baby Mia Rose and Fr. Gaffney



Paul & Heather Croteau with baby Johana Isabel and Fr. Gaffney



Mia and Johana recently received the Sacrament of Baptism. We congratulate them and their parents.



Parish Support

	June 19, 2022	2021
Basket	\$5,592.00	\$6,709.00
ACH	\$2,438.00	\$2,393.00
	June 26, 2022	2021
Basket	\$5,278.00	\$6,709.00
ACH	\$2,763.00	\$2,143.00
YTD	\$542,878.00	\$510,214.00

Catholic Charity Appeal

The 2022 Catholic Charity Appeal Goal for St. Bernard Parish is \$80,750. Previous donors were contacted by mail and many of you have sent in your contribution already! As of June 23rd parishioners had pledged \$78,064 towards our goal. Thank you!

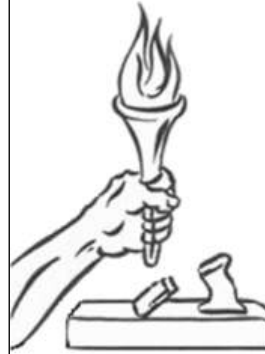
Your Maintenance Collection Donations At Work

Thank you for your contributions to our regular Maintenance Collections. There are, of course, regular maintenance needs. In addition, there are other expenses that are necessary and occur on a less-than-regular basis. For example, we recently had to update the control system for the HVAC system. The computer system that operates our heating and air-conditioning was obsolete. It has been replaced at a cost of \$8,688. Also, we recently had the AED (the portable defibrillators) inspected and we needed to replace the batteries. The cost: \$762. Your generosity helps us to stay 'well-maintained'!

Eucharistic Adoration

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place immediately after the morning Mass on Tuesdays (approximately 8:30 a.m.) Benediction and reposition at 11:00 a.m. This is an opportunity for quiet, prayerful reflection before the Blessed Sacrament.

The Men of St. Joseph



MOSJI

The Men of St. Joseph is holding its annual Men's Conference on August 6th from 8:00AM to 3:30PM at McVinney Auditorium in Providence. This year Peter Herbeck and Reverend Christopher Murphy, two dynamic speakers, will speak on the theme "Our Hope is in the Name of the Lord". Cost for the conference is \$50.00 and includes breakfast and lunch. To register contact Jim Martish 401-781-9189 or register online at Eventbrite. For more information visit

www.mosji.org

Men of St. Joseph

The Men of St. Joseph International is a Catholic association of men committed to Jesus Christ. Our monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday **July 6 at 7:00 PM** in the Parish Center. New members are welcome. Please join us and strengthen your faith through study of scripture and fellowship with other catholic men.

North Kingstown Food Pantry

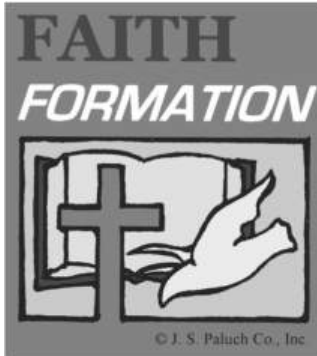
Your financial donations help stock the Pantry's shelves. These donations stretch the pantry's food dollar because they can purchase food at deeply discounted prices from the Rhode Island Community Food Bank and from generous local partners in the food industry. Food donations can be brought to the Church and placed in the bins in the gathering space. For more information please visit:

www.nkfoodpantry.org/

**Independence Day
Parish Office Closed
Monday July 4, 2022**

Faith Formation 2022-2023

It's Registration Time!!!!



Check out our website for all details about the changes to the program for this year. Please view the informational slideshow first for an explanation of how the program will be running this year and then review the instructions on how to register your child.

Save the Date: **St. Bernard Parish Feast Picnic** **Saturday, August 20th**



After the 5:00 p.m. Mass we will have our parish picnic---hamburgers, hotdogs, water will be provided. Start time is approximately 6:00 p.m. Bring the whole family!

Altar Servers



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We recently trained four new altar servers. Another four 'experienced' altar servers will be starting again. It will be good to restart with these young people serving at the altar. We need more servers and are

happy to do additional 'trainings' or 'refreshers'. If your child or grandchild might be interested---call the parish office. Thanks.

St Bernard Second Annual Golf Tournament

SAVE THE DATE:
Sunday, October 2, 2022
Golf, Dinner, Contests, Prizes



If you played last year, please join us again. If you did not play, please join us this year! A great time was had by all! Meet fellow parishioners. Enjoy the day! Look for additional information in coming

weeks.

Buildings and Grounds "Walk-Around":

Recently the ad-hoc Buildings and Grounds committee did a 'walk-around' the buildings and surrounding property. Last month we received the annual report of our Insurance Agency---Catholic Mutual. Based on the 'walk around' and the insurance report there are a few areas that will soon be addressed: (1) the cement walkways at the entrance of the church. (2) the trim on the rectory needs to be painted (3) the 'wetlands' areas need to be cleaned out. A 'long term' need is to paint the exterior of the church. A few other smaller concerns can be handled easily. I am grateful to the members of this committee who have expertise in the area of 'buildings and grounds' and provide good advice to me and the Finance Council.

Golf Tournament Committee Meeting

There will be a golf committee planning meeting for our 2nd Annual St Bernard Golf Tournament on Tuesday, June 7th at 6:00 in the parish center large conference room. Please feel free to join us if you have an interest in working on this project. All are welcome to attend. Be a Part of it. Share your ideas and talents with our committee. Mark the date. **Tuesday, July 5th at 6:00**

Quiz Answers

(1) B (2) A (3) C (4) J (5) D (6) E (7) I (8) H (9) G (10) F