

Saint Bernard Church



**July 17, 2022
Sixteenth 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

At the end of our Catholic Mass, at one time, we were dismissed with the words, “Ite, missa est.” A rough translation would be: “Go. It is Sent.” The “It” is the Church. Another translation would be: “Go. The Church is Sent.” The word “missa” is the origin of our word “Mass.” When we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, we come to a place that will send us forth. One might argue that we come to Mass in order to be sent. We are not simply ‘sent home.’ Most likely we are going to our homes after Mass (Maybe out to breakfast! Maybe to visit family. Maybe to the beach!). We are ‘sent’ out into the world. Sometimes we might not think beyond the parking lot! We, the Church, are sent---having been nourished by Word and Sacrament---are sent. Perhaps we notice that each celebration of the Eucharist changes us----the very Body and Blood of Christ changes us----maybe just a bit----to be more “Christ-like”----and it is my new “Christ-like-self” that is sent----that goes out into mission territory.

As the apostles were sent by Jesus to go out on mission, so too, we are ‘sent’ by Jesus. We might think that “Mass is over” ----till next week anyway----and yet, there is really an implied second part of the Mass----the sending forth----sending each of us forth. We go into our “world” ---our homes, our places of employment, our social circles, our places of business, and so many other places---to be “Christ-like”.

The well-known Catholic philosopher and writer, Peter Kreeft, wrote, “The world was won for Christ not by arguments, but by sanctity. What you are speaks so loud I hardly hear what you have to say.” While it is true that we may very well engage in conversation about our faith with others during the course of the week, it is certainly true that how we live our lives----who we are----will speak more loudly than our words. It is an invitation and a challenge and a responsibility to “be who we are” ---formed and fashioned in Christ----to be “Christ-like” in all that we will do.....and say in the week ahead.

Bishop Robert Barron says, “the minute you walk outside your church on Sunday, you are in mission territory.” The places I go to----home, work, recreation, social settings are hungering for a “Christ-like” gesture and a “Christ-like” word from me. If these places are not shaped by “Christ-like” words and actions then they are going to be shaped by a culture that is too often combative, uncivil and uncaring. If we don’t want those kinds of values to seep into our homes, work places, recreation venues or social settings, then we need to bring a different message----one rooted in Christ that is live-giving, one that builds the other person up, one that extends mercy and compassion, one that is patient and kind, one that rejoices in the dignity of each and every person made in the image and likeness of God.

We are ‘sent’ not just to be nice---to present a kind image, but to be an agent of a transformation, to change a culture that is so often marked by negativity and death, to one that is marked by positivity and new-life. It is a challenge----progress can be slow, incremental----but that is often how change happens. The “spirit” of a household can change with more “Christ-like” actions and words. The “spirit” of a place of employment can change with more “Christ-like” actions and words. So, too, with the places we recreate, socialize, and interact with others in any way.

Do not minimize the impact your life can have on the groups of people that are part of your life. You have been sent with a “Christ-like” message that is often ‘seen’ before it is ‘heard’---your actions will indeed speak louder than your words. You have been sent! And each Sunday, at the end of Mass we have a new “sending”----another opportunity!

There are several options for the ‘dismissal’ at the end of Mass. I most often use the option: “Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.” We are sent to give glory to God by the way we live our lives. The ‘end of Mass’ is not really the ‘end’ but the beginning of journey into mission country----we are sent!

--Fr. Gaffney



Mass Intentions

MONDAY, July 18

8:00 AM – *Elizabeth & Sara Sullivan*
by Arlene Gardiner

TUESDAY, July 19

8:00 AM – *Edward Golden*

WEDNESDAY, July 20

8:00 AM – *Eileen C. Fitzpatrick*

THURSDAY, July 21

8:00 AM – *Margaret Goodness*

FRIDAY, July 22

8:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, July 23

5:00 PM – *Mary DiDonato*
by her family

SUNDAY, July 24

7:00 AM – *Deceased of the Parish*
8:30 AM – *Rev. Wilfred Gregoire*
10:30 AM – *Marion Cardi*

Parish Feast Day and Parish Cook-Out!



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The Feast of St. Bernard is Saturday, August 20th. On Saturday after the 5:00 p.m. Mass we will have a Parish Cook-Out! We will provide the hamburgers, hot dogs and bottled water. You bring whatever your family wants for ‘sides’ or dessert. Bring a lawn chair! We will also have the parish hall set up with tables and chairs---with air-conditioning. Come----meet other parishioners! Renew old acquaintances! Watch the bulletin for more information in the coming weeks. For now: **SAVE THE DATE: SAT. AUG. 20TH.** (even if you plan to go to Mass on Sunday morning-----come to the cookout at 6:00 p.m.)

Please return this form through the collection basket. (or e-mail the parish office) This will help us as we plan the amount of food to purchase!

Name: _____

Number attending: _____

Fr. Gaffney Next to the “Tee Sign” in Memory of his Parents.

A great way to support our Second Annual St. Bernard Golf Tournament is to donate a “Tee Sign”. It can be ‘in memory’ of someone. It can be an advertisement for a ‘business’. It can be a general “Good Luck” sign for golfers. Go to our website and click “Golf” for more information.



Parish Support

	July 3, 2022	2021
Basket	\$7,639.00	\$6,700.00
ACH	\$3,223.00	\$3,564.00
	July 10, 2022	2021
Basket	\$5,830.00	\$7,574.00
ACH	\$2,918.00	\$2,477.00
YTD	\$19,610.00	\$20,315.00

Debt Reduction Collection

Thank you!

June Total: \$3,881.00

Year-To-Date: \$23,206.00

Thank you for your generous response to this monthly collection!

While You're Away Don't Forget

If you are away this summer enjoying the beach or far-away places, please don't forget that back home in old St. Bernard's, we still have to pay our bills. If you are away and miss a few weeks of your budget contributions, please try to make them up so that we can keep going or you can use the Online Giving Option. We miss you while you're away, and we miss your generosity too!

Wanted

Additional Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. We would like to increase the number of ministers in both groups. This will help us in scheduling---and keep a rotation of ministers for these important roles. If you have been Baptized, received First Holy Communion, been Confirmed and, if married, married in the Church----and would like to serve as a lector or Eucharistic Minister, please speak with Fr. Gaffney. Training will be provided. Thank you!

Have you considered “On-Line” Giving?

Maybe it is time now to sign up for “On-Line Giving” or maybe it is time to review what you have been doing with your current “On-Line Giving” program. What are some of the advantages to this way of supporting the parish? Here are a few (1) It is convenient---automatic. It might just be the way that you are presently handling many other financial transactions. (2) You need not worry about a missed donation. (3) “Young People” ---of all ages---don't often use cash or checks---this is the way so many people do their financial transactions. (3) You get to keep your own record of gift giving. (4) It provides ‘continuity’ for the church. Regular, reliable income is helpful for the budgeting process. It helps us to pay our bills, which are always ‘regular’---that is, non-stop. (5) If you are away on vacation, on business or ‘in the sun for a few winter months’ you are able to have a continuous, unbroken way of supporting the church. If you need any assistance in setting up an “On-Line Giving” program for yourself or would like to re-visit a present arrangement of “On-Line Giving”, please contact the Parish Office.

When a loved one is approaching death.....

+ Call the pastor to administer the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. (this can be done any time we experience declining health, hospitalization, illness, etc.)

+ After your loved one's death you will contact the funeral home. The funeral director will call the church to arrange the day and time for the funeral. You will then be contacted by the parish for the planning of the Funeral Mass. (scripture readings, music, etc.)

+ As St. Bernard Church was so important to your loved one during this life, we are always so very grateful if you would consider listing ‘St. Bernard Church’ as a recipient of donations in your loved one’s memory. We want our parish to remain vibrant and healthy for generations to come.

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.

Don't Wait ! Take a moment and register before your preferred time slot is FULL!

The Gospel Weeklies 9:30 AM session is filling up fast!

Registration is on a first come first serve basis.

There is a class size max of 15 students per session per grade.

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.

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/

The Men of St. Joseph



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.com. For more information visit

www.mosji.org

Walking in the Light of His Word

Fr. Joseph Creedon, pastor emeritus of Christ the King Parish in Kingston, has recently published a book of daily gospel reflections for each day of the year. The book, Walking in the Light of His Word, is available in the parish office. The cost is \$20.00.

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.



2nd ANNUAL ST BERNARD GOLF TOURNAMENT

SAVE THE DATE: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2022

CRANSTON COUNTRY CLUB, Cranston, RI
Registration begins at 12:00 Tee Time: 1:00

**Shotgun Start Four Person Eighteen Hole Best Ball
Cocktail Hour and Dinner Following Golf**

Contests, Prizes, Raffle, Wine Grab and Auction!

**Golfers... Register as a Foursome, Twosome, Individual
Non golfers...Come for Dinner! Volunteers are needed!!
Sponsors of all levels welcome**

**\$150 per golfer includes 18 holes of Golf, Cart, Group Picture
Cocktail Hour, Dinner, Swag Bag, and Golden Ticket (entry to all
contests, prizes and mulligans!!)**

**We had a GREAT time last year. Join us for a Fun Parish Event!
Enjoy the golf. Meet fellow parishioners. Support our Church
Registration and Sponsorship forms available in the back of Church**



ST BERNARD GOLF TOURNAMENT

Cranston Country Club October 2, 2022

TEE BOX SPONSORS

18" x 24" durable sign

Business: Your Company Name, Message, Logo

Parishioner: Congratulate, Recognize, Memorialize

Black and White or Color

**Sign will be displayed in a Tee area during Golf Tournament
*144 views***

**Name of Sponsor will also be listed and handed out at
Tournament *Additional 160 views***

**Name of Sponsor will also be listed in church bulletins and
web site for two weeks, *over 1,000 views***

All of the above: \$100. We can design and print your sign!