

Saint Bernard Church



October 9, 2022
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 11:00 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

On Tuesday, October 11th we celebrate the Feast Day of Saint John XXIII. After a short biography of “Good Pope John” I have included some of his humor and at the end some ‘little known facts’ about him.

Biography: Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli, the third of thirteen children, was born on November 25, 1881 at Sotto il Monte (Bergamo) of a family of sharecroppers (farmers). He attended elementary school in that town and was tutored by a priest so that he could enter the seminary. He earned a scholarship to the Apollinaris in Rome where he continued his seminary studies. He interrupted his studies for service in the Italian Army, but returned to the seminary, completed his doctorate in theology and was ordained in 1904. He served for nine years as the secretary to the bishop of the diocese of Bergamo. With the entry of Italy into World War II in 1915 he was recalled to military service as a chaplain. On leaving the service in 1918 he was appointed spiritual director of the seminary. In 1921 he was called to Rome to reorganize the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. He served as apostolic visitor to Bulgaria, Turkey and Greece. In 1944 he was appointed nuncio to Paris to assist in the Church’s post-war efforts in France. In 1953 he became the cardinal-patriarch of Venice and expected to spend his last years there in pastoral work. In 1958 he was called to Rome to participate in the conclave that elected him pope. He was elected at the age of 76.

In his first public address Pope John expressed his concern for reunion with separated Christians and for world peace. He asserted his intention to be a ‘pastoral pope’ since “all other human gifts and accomplishments---learning, practical experience, diplomatic finesse—can broaden and enrich pastoral work but they cannot replace it.” He convened the Second Vatican Council in 1962. He died on June 3, 1963.

His Humor: When a reporter asked him, “How many people work in the Vatican?” He reportedly responded, “About half.” One day, shortly after being elected pope, he was strolling down one of Rome’s streets. A woman passed him and said to her friend, “My God, he’s so fat!” Overhearing this, he stopped and responded, “Madame, I trust you understand the papal conclave is not exactly a beauty contest!” A skeptical Vatican official cautioned the pope that it would be ‘absolutely impossible’ to begin the Second Vatican Council by 1963. “Fine, we’ll open it in 1962,” he countered. And he did.

Little known facts: (1) He was born in poverty and proud of it. In his last will and testament he wrote, “Born poor, but of humble and respected folk, I am particularly happy to die poor.” He left his ‘personal fortune’ to the surviving members of his family. Each received less than \$20. (2) He saved the lives of Jews fleeing the Nazis. As head of the diplomatic mission in Turkey and later Greece he issued transit visas and other paperwork which allowed Jews to leave Europe. (3) He played a key role in the Cuban Missile Crisis. During a message broadcast on Vatican Radio at the height of the crisis, the pontiff pleaded, “We beg heads of state not to remain deaf to the cry of humanity: ‘Peace, peace!’” One commentator recalled, “I’ve heard that it (the message) got to Khrushchev. Days after the Pope’s address Khrushchev began withdrawing Russian missiles from Cuba, defusing the crisis. Months later the pope published the encyclical, “Pacem in Terris” (Peace on Earth) addressed to “all men of good will” and calling on the world’s populations to coexist in harmony.

And finally.....I was there at his canonization----one of the many highlights of my time in Rome. You will recall he was canonized on the same day as St. John Paul II. And....interestingly, he is one of the few saints whose feast day is not on his or her death day or canonization day. Instead, his feast day is October 11---the day the Second Vatican Council began!

--Fr. Gaffney

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



Mass Intentions

MONDAY, October 10

8:00 AM – *Kerry Fenner*
Birthday Remembrance by his grandmother

TUESDAY, October 11

8:00 AM – *Joseph Gillen*

WEDNESDAY, October 12

8:00 AM – *Kerry Fenner*
by Aunt Paulette

THURSDAY, October 13

8:00 AM – *Marylu Collins*
by Sanfilippo family

FRIDAY, October 14

8:00 AM – *Robert Newton*

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, October 15

5:00 PM – *William & Margaret Morrissey*
by their family

SUNDAY, October 16

7:00 AM – *Carmen Montoya*
6th Anniversary by her daughter

8:30 AM – *Eugene & Reid McDermott and
Christopher Shippee*
by the family

10:30 AM – *Madeline & Sebastian Calvano*
by their family



Confirmation & First Communion Buddies



Blessing of the Pets was held on Monday, October 3, 2022 on the eve of the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi.



Parish Support

September 25 , 2022 2021

Basket	\$7,890.00	\$7,558.00
ACH	\$1,980.00	\$2,815.00

October 2 , 2022 2021

Basket	\$9,009.00	\$7,321.00
ACH	\$3,360.00	\$2,760.00

YTD	\$141,430.00	\$138,339.00
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Columbus Day

Monday October 10, 2022 the Parish Office will be Closed.

Mass will be celebrated as usual at 8:00 AM.

Hurricane Ian

Hurricane Ian left a path of destruction in southwest Florida, trapping people in homes, flooding streets and buildings, and knocking out power across the region. The storm is one of the strongest hurricanes to ever hit the United States.

As requested by Bishop Thomas J. Tobin, our parish will be taking up a special collection for Hurricane Ian Disaster Relief on the weekend of October 9th and 16th. Donations may also be dropped off at the parish office.

Your generosity will directly support the response efforts of Catholic Charities agencies on the ground providing emergency aid including water, food, shelter, medical care and long-term recovery and humanitarian needs.

All Souls Memorial Book

A special “Memorial Book” will be placed in the front of the church, to the left of the altar for all those who died in the parish. Parishioners are welcome to write in the names of those they would like us to pray for during the month of November, the month of the Holy Souls. In order to not wait in line, we offer two additional options for providing the names of you deceased loved ones.

1) E-mail the names of your deceased loved ones to the parish office at: **sbc.pa@verizon.net**.

(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. May our prayers help them find a home in Heaven.

Please Inscribe the Following Names in the Memorial Book

Attach additional sheet if needed

Young at Heart October Luncheon

Tuesday, October 18, 2022 (sign in at 11:30 AM)

Menu: To Be Determined

Name (s): _____

Cost: \$14.00 per person. Cash: _____ Check _____ (Made out to St. Bernard)

Please respond by Tuesday, October 11, 2022.

Faith Formation

GOSPEL WEEKLIES PROGRAM

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

In-person class schedule

9:30-10:30 am

Next in person class 10/23

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

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAM

Grades 2, 8, 9

Next class on 10/16 from 9:30 to 10:45.

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.

The Prout School Open House

Join us at The Prout School Open House for prospective students on Sunday, October 23 from 1-4pm and Monday, November 7 from 6-8pm. Discover the Prout advantage! We offer rigorous academics, including the prestigious International Baccalaureate (IB) Program, a strong Catholic identity, amazing theatre, music and dance programs, competitive athletic teams, and numerous clubs and extracurricular activities. For more information, please call Admissions Director Sharon DeLuca at 789-9262, Ext 514 or go to

www.theproutschool.org

St. Mary's Academy

St Mary's Academy invites you to an open house on Sunday, November 6, 2022 at noon. To learn more about the benefits of an all-girls Catholic education for girls age 3 through grade 12, or to pre-register, go to

bayviewacademy.org

All Souls Day Memorial Mass

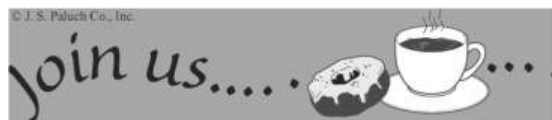
On Wednesday November 2, 2022 at 7:00 PM there will be a special Mass for all those who have died in the parish during the past year. Please join us as we remember our parishioners who have had their funeral Mass celebrated in our Parish since November 1, 2021. Also, if you know of someone dear to you who has died in the past year and would like them mentioned at this Mass, please call the office at 295-0387 and leave us the name before Friday, October 21.

Women's Bible Study

Light refreshments will be served. Wednesdays, September 28, 2022 - December 21, 2022, from 10:00 am -12:00 pm. in the Parish Center. All women and their friends are welcome. We will have 9 Bible study meetingswith the new addition of two voluntary prayer meetings.

Morning Glory Gathering

Please join us for coffee and socializing on **Thursday, October 13** after the 8:00 AM morning Mass in the Parish Hall.



Grief Support Group.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, October 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. Please contact the parish office by phone or e-mail to let us know if you want to be part of the group.

Bible Study: The Psalms.

This fall we are offering a 6-session Bible Study focusing on The Psalms. The first class was on September 19, 2022. The remaining classes will be on Monday evenings 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the parish center: October 17, 24; Nov. 14.