

Saint Bernard Church



August 20, 2023
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

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

I would like to continue the custom of thanking parishioners for their ‘good stewardship’----ways that a whole variety of people help use their time and talents to support St. Bernard’s. I use the Feast of St. Bernard as a reminder to myself to do this.

- a parishioner pays for the fertilizer/lawn treatment of the “front lawn” of the church
- a parishioner who weeds the front of the church property and around the rectory
- a parishioner who cleaned the statue of the Holy Family
- a parishioner who cleans the rectory
- a parishioner who washes and irons the altar linens each week (corporals, purificators, palls)
- a parishioner who worked on the ‘remove the wax’ from the pew cushions project
- a parishioner who transports food donations each week to the NK Food Pantry
- a parishioner who brings fresh flowers to the statue of Mary each week
- a parishioner who waters the plants in the church each week
- a few parishioners who volunteered in the office answering the phone
- a parishioner who volunteers one day a week with clerical work for our Faith Formation Program
- a parishioner who donates the books we give out at Christmas (Matthew Kelly’s book this past year, Holy Moments)
- for the Knights of Columbus, who volunteer for a variety of activities throughout the year
- a parishioner who does the ‘snow-blowing’ of the walkways early on cold winter mornings
- a parishioner who transports the clothing donations to Emmanuel House in Providence
- a few parishioners who bring communion to the homebound
- a parishioner who brings communion to the nursing home each Sunday
- parishioners who work on the Quilt that is raffled each fall for the Scholarship
- parishioners who teach our Faith Formation classes
- parishioners who count the weekly collection
- parishioners who work with our SPRED program (special religious education)
- parishioners who serve as Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
- parishioners who are working on our first “Golf Tournament”
- parishioners who serve on our Parish Finance Council
- parishioners who are part of an ‘ad hoc’ Building and Grounds committee
- parishioners who serve as cantors for Mass
- parishioners who serve as ‘greeters’ at the doors of the church
- parishioners who have served on the Scholarship committee
- parishioners who serve as Trustees of the parish
- parishioners who serve as Auditors of the parish
- parishioners who help decorate the church (especially at Christmas and Easter)
- parishioners who organize the “coffee and” on the Second Thursday of the month
- a parishioner who picks up the doughnuts for our monthly Coffee and Donuts and after Sunday Mass
- members of the choir for their rehearsal time and singing at Mass
- parishioners who volunteer to “stuff” the bulletins with inserts
- parishioners who are part of a “Kitchen Crew” who clean our parish center kitchen
- parishioners who are part of the “cooking teams” for the Community Dinners we sponsor
- parishioners who help with the ‘Young at Heart’ luncheons: setting up, serving the meal, cleaning up
- parishioners who organize our “Women’s Bible Study and “Men of St. Joseph”

And last, but not least The parish staff who ‘go above and beyond’ in so many ways in service to our parish.

(There is always the danger to overlook someone’s generosity in serving the parish----let me know if I have missed someone----we’ll make a correction.

Fr. Gaffney



Mass Intentions

MONDAY, August 21

8:00 AM – **Bruce Menzies**
by Sheila Broderick

TUESDAY, August 22

8:00 AM – **Rev. Peter Mongeon**

WEDNESDAY, August 23

8:00 AM – **Catherine & Melvin Sherman**
by their grandchildren

THURSDAY, August 24

8:00 AM – **Rob Verdi**
by his family

FRIDAY, August 25

8:00 AM – **Holy Souls of Purgatory**

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, August 26

5:00 PM – **Carol & Dorothy Ciummo**
by their family

SUNDAY, August 27

7:00 AM – **Rev. Henry Shelley**
8:30 AM – **Rev. Charles Downing**
10:30 AM – **Beatrice Gosteli**
by her family

Grief Support Group.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, **August 22**, 2023 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.

Wedding Anniversary Celebration at the Cathedral

The Office of Marriage Preparation and Enrichment is hosting the annual Wedding Anniversary Celebration to honor couples of the Diocese of Providence who will be observing their 25th, 40th, 50th and OVER 50 years wedding anniversaries in 2023. The celebration will be held on Sunday, October 22, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Providence. It will include Mass, renewal of marriage vows, a personalized certificate for each couple and a reception for the couples and their families. Bishop Richard G. Hennig will be the main celebrant and homilist. You must register with the parish by September 10. Please call the parish office or e-mail the parish office (sbc.pa@verizon.net) if you would like to attend this special celebration.

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.



Exterior Painting of the Church and Rectory: These projects have been completed through your generosity!

Cost of the project:

Church: \$51,000

Rectory: \$18,800

(The trim on the rectory required a lot of scraping and prep work before painting.)

Parish Support

	August 6, 2023	2022
Basket	\$10,000.00	\$9,353.00
ACH	\$4,639.00	\$3,178.00
	August 13, 2023	2022
Basket	\$6,231.00	\$5,849.00
ACH	\$2,588.00	\$2,550.00
YTD	\$77,376.00	\$72,225.00

Debt Reduction Collection

July Total: \$3,324.00
 Year-To-Date: \$25,379.00

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!

Memorare

This prayer has traditionally been attributed to St. Bernard. It seems likely, however, that it dates to the 17th century and was popularized by a French priest by the name of Fr. Claude Bernard. Whoever was the author----it has brought comfort to countless generations of believers.

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

St Bernard Third Annual

Golf Tournament SAVE THE DATE!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2023



**GOLF, DINNER,
CONTESTS, PRIZES**
New Venue!
**RICHMOND
COUNTRY CLUB**

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 and register on our website:
<https://www.stbernardnk.org/golf>

150th Planning Committee

Those who would like to help with planning activities for our parish's 150th anniversary (1874-2024) are asked to come for a meeting on Tuesday, August 29th at 6:30 p.m. in the parish center.

Gluten-Free Hosts.

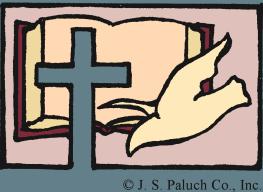
These hosts are available for those who have an allergy to gluten. Gluten is a protein found in wheat, barley and rye. A gluten-free diet is essential for managing signs and symptoms of celiac disease and other medical conditions associated with gluten. If you have this condition and would like to receive a gluten-free host----please let Fr. Gaffney know before Mass.

RCIA

Any adults who may not have received one or more of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Holy Communion, Confirmation) and would like to prepare to receive the sacrament(s)----please contact the parish office. Classes will begin in September.

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

FAITH FORMATION



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Faith Formation It's Registration Time!!!!

Check out our website:

www.stbernardnk.org

for all details about the changes to the program for this year. Please view Fr. Gaffney's introduction video and 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. Also, registration and payment can be done on our website. Upon your review of the documents, should you have any questions, please contact the Faith Formation Office at 295-0387 or email at:

sbcreligiouseducation@gmail.com.



Steubenville Conference

Thank you so much to all of our parishioners who supported us both financially and prayerfully on our trip to the Steubenville Conference earlier this summer in Springfield, MA. Our group heard from Catholic speakers such as Fr. Edwin Leonard, Chika Anyanwu, Joel Stepanek, Jackie Francois Angel and Ennie Hickman. We listened and worshipped with Andrew Laubacher and his praise and worship band. We engaged in small group discussion and had fun. Check out some of the photos from this weekend and hear from teens who about their experience:

This year was my first going to Steubenville. I found this to be a very eye opening experience where I could deepen my relationship with God and also my peers. The speakers were all wonderful and their talks were very relevant and inspiring. I hope to go again next year.

This was my second year going to the Steubenville East Conference. It was an amazing experience and I feel so grateful that I had the opportunity to attend a second time. It was really great to spend a weekend with other catholic teens enjoying our time with the Lord. I feel extremely lucky to have had this experience and I am grateful to everyone who made this possible.

My name is David and it was my second year going to Steubenville East. I had another amazing time praying and worshipping God. For both this year and last year, the music was the highlight of my time, and it really made me feel in touch with the Lord. I also loved all of the speakers and all they had to say. The advice they gave to each and everyone of us was truly inspiring, and I feel motivated to do more in prayer and also in my parish community.

My name is John Paul, and this was my second year of Steubenville East. During both retreats, Steubenville has helped me to strengthen my relationship with God, and learn more about my faith. Learning how to pray, hearing stories of the saints, and learning how to apply the teachings of Christ in my own day-to-day life has allowed me to grow as a Catholic. I will without a doubt be attending next year's conference, my last as I leave for college, and I hope that our group from St. Bernard's will be even larger.

This was my first year attending the Steubenville Conference. Would I go again next year? Absolutely! Not only was it so much fun dancing with other parishes like we were at a concert, but going deeper into our spiritual life. The talks were not only inspiring for my relationship with God but also inspired me to be more uplifting and taught me real life skills. I was very unsure about going because I wasn't too deep in my faith but i'm very glad I did go. So I say if you are also on the edge about going just do it and you will have so much fun and make memories that will last forever!!

This weekend was my second year attending the Steubenville Youth Conference. It has been a really inspiring experience, and an engaging event that has helped me to learn more about and deepen my faith. When I went for the first time last year I was honestly surprised to see so many young people so close to my own age who were incredibly excited to be in one spot to grow and pray together. This conference has one of the most positive and influential atmospheres that I have ever encountered.

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