

Saint Bernard Church



May 26, 2024
The Most Holy Trinity

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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

This coming Monday we observe Memorial Day. It is sometimes thought to be the ‘unofficial start’ of the ‘summer season.’ It is a day for family gatherings. It is, however, in its origins a time to honor the U.S. military personnel who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces. Originally it was known as Decoration Day. The first observance was in 1868---and from that year to 1970 it was observed on May 30th. Since 1971 it has been observed on the last Monday of May.

So, who are we remembering in our prayers? Many, many men, and women who gave their lives to protect the freedoms that we enjoy. Here are the statistics. (some of the numbers are the best estimates available) They are listed by the greatest loss of lives.

| War: | Lives Lost: |
|--|-------------|
| American Civil War (1861-1865) | 620,000 |
| World War II (1939-1945) | 405,399 |
| World War I (1917-1918) | 116,516 |
| Vietnam War (1965-1973) | 58,209 |
| Korean War (1950-1953) | 36,516 |
| American Revolutionary War (1775-1783) | 25,000 |
| War of 1812 | 20,000 |
| Mexican American War (1846-1848) | 13,283 |
| War on Terror (2001—present) | 7,078 |
| Spanish American War (1898) | 2,446 |
| Gulf War (1990-1991) | 258 |

Let us pray for all the sons and daughters who gave their lives for us! To make it ‘more personal’ I now relay some of the details of a very recent loss of life: LCPL Rylee James McCollum.

Rylee was born February 26, 2001, in Riverton, Wyoming. His early years were spent in Dubois. At the age of 6, Rylee moved to Jackson with his father, Jim, and his sisters, Cheyenne and Roice. It was in this mountain community that Rylee learned about love, life, loss, hardships, and hard work. Life came at Rylee hard, but he found a way to meet the challenges and come out on the other side! Usually with his warm smile and great sense of humor. As Rylee worked his way through school, he left ample memories. He found a passion for wrestling early on. Though he wasn’t always the most talented or most athletic, it would be hard to find someone who worked harder to get better. Each loss in his young wrestling career fueled the fire to find a way to win.... which he did. One of his shining moments was winning a Triple Crown at the state tournament, without allowing a single point to be scored against him.

Rylee had a desire to do something and be something greater than he was. He had always shown admiration and respect for the military, the country and in particular the USMC. Conversations often to a desire to be a Marine. On Rylee’s 18th birthday he made that choice, to offer his service to the country and do what it took to become one of the Few and the Proud. He graduated from Marine Corps Boot Camp at Camp Pendleton, on Dec. 6, 2019. Shortly after his Marine Corps graduation, Rylee met his wife Jiannah (Gigi). They married on Valentine’s Day 2021 and were expecting their first child. Rylee deployed to Jordan in April 2021, with the 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines.... the 2-1! He lost his life on August 26, 2021, at the age of 20 serving in Kabul, Afghanistan---helping with the evacuations and guarding a checkpoint when the attack on the airport happened. This was his first deployment.

May Rylee James McCollum and all of the service men and women who died to protect our freedoms, now rest in peace. With all of the other activities of Memorial Day, remember to take a moment to express your gratitude to so many, whose names we do not know, who made that ultimate sacrifice.

--Fr. Gaffney



Mass Intentions

MONDAY, May 27

8:00 AM — *Sr. Mary Agnes (L)*

TUESDAY, May 28

8:00 AM — *Elaine Boucher*
by Arlene

WEDNESDAY, May 29

8:00 AM — *Frank Basile*
by his family

THURSDAY, May 30

8:00 AM — *Irene & Vincent Greene*
by their family

FRIDAY, May 31

8:00 AM — *Holy Souls of Purgatory*

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, June 1

5:00 PM — *William Arnold, Sr.*
by his wife

SUNDAY, June 2

7:00 AM — *John Wright*
by his family

8:30 AM — *Mary Pat Bamford*

10:30 AM — *Jonathan Salisbury*
by his parents

Grief Group

The next meetings are **Tuesday, June 18th, July 16th and August 13th from 6:30 pm-to 7:30 pm.** If anyone would like more information about the group, please see Fr. Gaffney.

Memorial Day

On Monday, May 27th, the Parish Office will be closed and our daily Mass will be at 8:00 AM.

St. Bernard Church

Celebrates 150 Years

1874—2024 : MISSION 150

Upcoming Events

June 9 (Sunday)

St. Bernard Choir
Anniversary Concert
3:00 PM in the Church

June 15 (Saturday)

Dinner Dance
Quonset "O" Club
\$50. per person.

Ordering information
will be sent out through
a special mailing.

Visit our website for complete information and also to purchase tickets online for the dinner dance.

www.stbernardnk.org/mission-150/



St Bernard Fourth Annual Golf Tournament



SAVE THE DATE!
Sunday October 6, 2024

Richmond Country Club

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

Parish Support

| | May 12, 2024 | 2023 |
|------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Basket | \$7,155.00 | \$6,988.00 |
| ACH | \$2,584.00 | \$3,048.00 |
| | May 19, 2024 | 2023 |
| Basket | \$5,665.00 | \$9,670.00 |
| ACH | \$3,184.00 | \$3,265.00 |
| YTD | \$505,639.00 | \$503,998.00 |

The North Kingstown Food Pantry



**North
Kingstown
Food
Pantry**

For the month of March, 2024 344 pounds of food, 5 pounds of hygiene products and 11 pounds of pet food were donated. For the month of April, 2024, 141 pounds of food, 9 pounds of hygiene products and 5 pounds of pet products were donated. The Pantry needs the following:

Juice, Jelly, Pasta, Spices, Baking items

Thank you so much for all your donations.

Women’s Tea: A Great Success! Thank you to all the women who attended our recent Women’s Tea and to the amazing crew from the Women’s Bible Study who organized the event. The “Tea” received ‘rave reviews’! Approximately 120 women were at the ‘sold out’ event!



“Progressive Jackpot Raffle”

Please complete and place in the collection basket or mail to the parish office at 275 Tower Hill Rd, North Kingstown RI 02852 Tickets are \$50.00 each. (Please make checks payable to ‘St. Bernard Church’)

Name _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Address _____

How Many Tickets: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____ Cash _____ Check _____

Faith Formation 2024-2025

Registration Coming Soon

Mass of Graduation

At St. Bernard Parish we are very proud of our High School Seniors who are now preparing to graduate from area schools. We would like to recognize them for their achievements, and let them know we wish them well in their endeavors. We will have a special 'Mass of Graduation' on Sunday, June 9th at the 10:30AM Mass followed by a light reception. If you have a graduating Senior, please RSVP by Wednesday, June 5th to Christina at sbc.teenff@gmail.com or by calling the office. Please be sure to let us know what your plans are for next year and how many people will be accompanying you to Mass in order to reserve you and your guests a pew.



2025 Jubilee: The Holy Year **One Year Away!**



As part of our 2024 celebration of St. Bernard's 150th Anniversary we are planning a pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi. May 14-22, 2025 through Collette Tours.

Highlights: Rome, Basilica of St. John Lateran and the Holy Stairs; St. Mary Major Basilica, St. Paul Outside the Walls, Catacombs, Papal Blessing in St. Peter's Square, Assisi and Basilica of St. Francis, Vatican City, Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica and Holy Door, Papal Audience.

Catholic Relief Services

Catholic Relief Services is very grateful to St. Bernard's Parish for the donation of \$2,530.00. The Rice Bowl collection sends 75% of all that is collected to the missions throughout the world and 25% of the collections remains on our diocese.

Knights of Columbus 25 Week Club

Congratulations to the following winners for the month of April:



Christine Malley
Gary Lantz
Fr. Procaccini
Christine Aruda
Bob Moniz

The 2024 Catholic Charity Appeal

St. Gabriel's Call for Mothers in Need



Every time a mother and child are provided with vital resources through St. Gabriel's Project, you make a difference. Together as a Catholic Community of Hope, we can provide new mothers with diapers, formula and clothes. Please consider supporting this vital ministry with a generous gift to the 2024 Catholic Charity Appeal at:

Dioceseofprovidence.org/CCA

OUR LADY OF MERCY Invites Kids Ages 4-12
To Come and Experience the
Exciting Mystery of the
Eucharist in the
Marvelous Mystery
The Mass Comes Alive
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