

Saint Bernard Church



September 29, 2024 Twenty-Sixth 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

Have you been thinking (PONDERING) about our upcoming parish trip to Rome for the Holy Year Jubilee? The trip will be May 14-22, 2025. Here is the schedule for the trip!

Day 1: Wednesday, May 14: Overnight Flight from Boston to Rome. A bus will pick us up here at the church and transport us directly to the airport.

Day 2: Thursday, May 15: Rome, Italy. The tour begins. We will be staying at one hotel in Rome. (we will not be moving from one hotel to another). The hotel is in the heart of the city.

Day 3: Friday, May 16: Rome. We begin our pilgrimage to the Seven Jubilee Churches. We visit the Basilica of St. John Lateran. This church is one of the four major basilicas of Rome and is the “cathedral church” of the Diocese of Rome. We continue to the Scala Sancta, the Holy Stairs, which tradition believes are the steps that Christ climbed when he appeared before Pontius Pilate. In the afternoon we go to St. Mary Major. Pope Francis frequently prays at this church before and after his trips out of the country.

Day 4: Saturday, May 17: Rome. Today we venture beyond the city limits to visit the Basilica of St. Lawrence Outside the Walls. This church is built over the shrine of St. Lawrence, one of the oldest martyrs of our faith. There is a great devotion to St. Lawrence in Rome, with a few churches bearing his name. We will continue to one of the four major basilicas, St. Paul’s Outside the walls. In the afternoon we will celebrate Mass at the site of the catacombs of St. Sebastian. Visiting the tombs of the early Christian martyrs in the catacombs is truly a unique experience.

Day 5: Sunday, May 18: Papal Blessing. We celebrate Mass at the Shrine of Divine Mercy near St. Peter’s square. Every Sunday, when in residence, the Pope offers a reflection on the Gospel of the day before praying the Angelus from his window overlooking the square. In the afternoon we visit the Shrine of Our Lady of Divine Love.

Day 6: Monday, May 19: Assisi. Early in the morning we will travel to Assisi. We will visit St. Mary of the Angels Basilica and pray at the Porziuncola---a small chapel that fits inside the Basilica. We will have a tour of the Basilica of St. Francis. We will return to Rome in the late evening.

Day 7: Tuesday, May 20: Rome. We will explore the Vatican Museums including the Sistine Chapel. After the museum we go directly into St. Peter’s Basilica. Both St. John Paul II and St. John XXIII are buried on the main floor. IN the afternoon there is a visit to the Basilica of the Holy Cross in Jerusalem.

Day 8: Wednesday, May 21: Papal Audience: Early In the morning we will go to St. Peter’s Square where will receive the blessing of the Holy Father. The afternoon is a free afternoon. You can enter through the Holy Door of St. Peter’s.


Day 9: Thursday, May 22: Tour ends; We board our airflight to return to Boston.

Bookings must be made by November 15, 2024. Included in the price: round trip airfare from Logan, including air taxes and fees/surcharges, hotel transfers. There is the possibility to upgrade to Business Class. There is also an optional 3 day/2 night trip extension to Venice and Padua.

More information: <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1182311>

Don’t wait! Book today.

--Fr. Gaffney

	<p style="text-align: right;"><u><i>Blessing of the Pets</i></u></p> <p>Tuesday, October 1st, at 6:00 p.m. in front of the Parish Center. Please make sure that your pets are on a leash or in a pet carrier.</p>
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Mass Intentions

MONDAY, September 30

8:00 AM — *Domenic Columbo & Dolly Absi*
by their sister

TUESDAY, October 1

8:00 AM — *Joseph Beatrice*
by his wife

WEDNESDAY, October 2

8:00 AM — *Anu Tomy*
by her family

THURSDAY, October 3

8:00 AM — *Mark Delaney*
by his family

FRIDAY, October 4

8:00 AM — *Donald McGuire*
by his family

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, October 5

5:00 PM — *Rev. Dennis Reardon*
by the Basile family

SUNDAY, October 6

7:00 AM — *John Wright*
30th Anniversary by his family

8:30 AM — *Stephen B. Kusmierz, Jr.*

10:30 AM — *Felicitimo Fuentes, Jr.*
by his family.

Attention “Young Couples”

Our Fall event will take place on Saturday, October 26th after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. We will have a “Chili and All Things Apple” event. Please e-mail the parish office if you plan to attend.



St. Bernard Church

Celebrates 150 Years

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Upcoming Events

150th Anniversary Mass with Bishop Henning

Sunday, October 20th

Refreshments in Parish Hall after Mass

Presentation by Tim Cranston

Sunday, November 3rd at 3:30 PM in Parish Hall

Closing Mass for 150th with Bishop Tobin

Sunday December 15th 10:30 AM

Refreshments in Parish Hall after Mass

Visit our website for complete information

www.stbernardnk.org/mission-150/



Congratulations to

Shayla Murray and Michael Evans
who were united in the Sacrament of

Holy Matrimony on Saturday September 21st.



Parish Support

September 15, 2024 2023

Basket	\$6,368.00	\$8,209.00
ACH	\$3,368.00	\$3,149.00

September 22, 2024 2023

Basket	\$7,988.00	\$5,851.00
ACH	\$3,136.00	\$2,414.00

YTD	\$151,723.00	\$134,027.00
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Wedding Anniversaries

Last weekend, at the Cathedral in Providence, five couples from our parish joined in a special Anniversary Mass and renewal of vows with the Bishop. They, along with couples from throughout the Diocese celebrated significant Wedding Anniversaries and we pray for them, congratulate them and ask God to grant them many more happy years together. Today we congratulate:

Justin & Amy Walsh: 20 Years
Jack & Charlotte Thompson: 55 Years

St Bernard Fourth Annual Golf Tournament



Sunday October 6, 2024
Richmond Country Club
Visit : www.stbernardnk.org/golf/

If anyone would like to join in the dinner at Richmond Country Club after the Golf Tournament you are welcome. Price per non-golfer is \$35. Please place check made out to St. Bernard in an envelope marked 'Golf Dinner' and return to the parish office ASAP.

Adult Faith Formation.

Our "topic" for this year will be Prayer. The disciples asked Jesus to teach them how to pray. We ask Jesus the same question. Topics will include: Our Interior Life; Struggles in Prayer; Trust and Surrender in Prayer; Interior Peace; Humility in Prayer; the Healing Power of Prayer; Prayer and its Relationship to Charity and Works of Mercy. In addition, we will consider what the Catechism of the Catholic Church says about Prayer. This is open to any adult in the parish. There are no "pre-requisites" ---except an openness to learn! We will also look at various ways to pray—forms of prayer and traditions of prayer. Our meetings will be at 7:00 PM and follow the schedule listed below.

October 1 & 15, 2024
November 5 & 19, 2024
December 3, 2024
January 14 & 28, 2025
February 11 & 25, 2025
March 11 & 25 2025
April 8, 2025

(Return to office or drop in collection basket)

Adult Faith Formation: Prayer

Name _____

Phone number _____

Email _____

Name Tag Sundays

From Labor Day weekend to Columbus Day weekend we will once again ask you get a name tag as you enter church. We will take a moment at the start of each of the masses to greet our neighbors. So often we recognize faces, but don't know the names of those who sit near us in the pews. The mantra goes: "See a Face, Learn a Name, Share a Story, Love Your Neighbor"!

Young at Heart October Luncheon

Monday, October 28 at Noon (sign in at 11:30 AM)

Menu: TBD

Name (s) _____

Cost: \$15.00 per person. (Please make out checks payable to St. Bernard)

Please respond by **Monday, October 21.**

Faith Formation



A BIG thank you to all those families who have already registered for the upcoming school year! We are looking forward to a joyful and blessed year of Faith Formation with your child and family.

- Today, 9/29/2024 - Grades 2,7,8,9: Sacramental Preparation Kick-off
- 10/6/2024 - Grade K,1,3-6: 1st In-person Gospel Weeklies class

If you have not registered yet, please register online at:

www.stbernardnk.org/religious-education-registration/

In order for us to plan for the program year, please register as soon as possible. Please be aware that **Grade 7** has been shifted to the Sacramental Preparation schedule as a Pre-Confirmation class.

Young at Heart Returns!

Our Young at Heart Luncheon returns on the following dates at noon with sign in at 11:30 am

October 28, 2024
November 18, 2024
December 16, 2024
February 10, 2025
March 24, 2025
April 28, 2025
June 2, 2025

Grief Group

The Grief Group meets on Tuesdays, from 6:30 pm-to 7:30 pm in the large conference room. If anyone would like more information about the group, please see Fr. Gaffney. The schedule is:

October 8, 2024
November 12, 2024
December 10, 2024
January 7, 2025
February 8, 2025
March 18, 2025
April 22, 2025
May 27, 2025

Calling All Middle and High Schoolers!

We are excited to bring to you this year's schedule of events for our St. Francis de Sales/ St. Bernard's Teen Life Ministry. After a great first year of this youth group, we are excited to bring it back for another year of monthly gatherings. This year, we will meet monthly on a Sunday evening from 6-8pm. These meetings will rotate bi-monthly between St. Bernard's and St. Francis De Sales. We will start the night with dinner followed by time for fellowship and deepening of our faith. Additionally, this year, we will be introducing new service opportunities for the teens to serve our local community in Providence, as well as opportunities for social gatherings outside of our scheduled monthly meetings. We are looking forward to another great year of fun, friendship, and spiritual growth with those who have already joined us and to the new faces we hope will join us this year! Listed below are the upcoming events for the rest of the year. Please contact Christina Pichette at sbc.teenff@gmail.com if you are interested in joining the group or with any questions! We can't wait to meet you!

Teen Life Ministry NK 2024/2025 Meeting Time: 6:00PM – 8:00PM

Thursday, October 17
(Special Service Event-Time TBD)
Breadlines – Make sandwiches for the next day's Breadlines delivery. We will make sandwiches at St. Francis de Sales Parish Center.

Sunday, October 27
St. Bernard's Parish Center

Sunday, November 10 -
St. Francis de Sales Parish Center

Friday, November 15
(Special Service Event-Time TBD)
Breadlines - Serve pasta dinner to the homeless at the Cathedral in Providence.

Sunday, December 15
LaSalette Outing (Details to come)

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, **October 2 at 7:00 PM** in the Parish Hall. New members are welcome.

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