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Mass Schedule

Sundays

Saturday at 5:00 p.m.
Sundays: 8:30 a.m. -10:00 a.m. -11:30 a.m.
Spanish-Once a Month on Saturday's at 7:00 p.m.

Weekdays

Monday - Friday at 8:30 a.m. Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

Summer

Saturdays at 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
Sundays at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Holy Days

8:30 a.m. and Evening Mass at 7:30 p.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday at 4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Rectory Hours

Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m.-4:00p.m.
NATIONAL HOLIDAYS - RECTORY CLOSED

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Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel might not seem very exciting. No miracles, no challenging words from Jesus to sink our teeth into. Instead, we get the story of how some of the early disciples came to follow Jesus. Even in this simple story, there's more going on underneath the surface. In this Gospel's account of the calling of the disciples, the first disciples of Jesus started as disciples of John. There they are, standing with John, and Jesus walks past and John says, "Behold, the Lamb of God." And two of John's disciples hear that and follow Jesus. Can you imagine that? These two people have already taken a leap of faith in following this preacher named John. Based on the descriptions of John from Scripture, he doesn't look or act like most other preachers, either. At first glance he might strike people as crazy, or at least eccentric. So these two people who have already put themselves out there to follow John, upon hearing him call Jesus the "lamb of God," take yet another leap of faith and follow him. After spending some times with Jesus, they become so convinced that he is the messiah that one of them, Andrew, goes to bring his brother Simon. Imagine how firm the faith of those two first disciples must have been! It could be easy for us to dismiss this by saying that Jesus was just that impressive. But there were many people who did not choose to follow Jesus at first or at all, so it's important for us to look not just at Jesus, but at those who chose to follow him. In the case of these early disciples, they were clearly already seeking something. For them to follow John, they obviously had a desire to serve God and be faithful. These men didn't just hear John or Jesus preach and agree with what they said. No, these first disciples believed in the promise of the messiah and changed their lives in order to follow John, and then follow Jesus. How often do we live like these disciples? How often do we ask ourselves about what we believe and then choose to act on those beliefs? The actions of Andrew and the other disciples, and then Simon Peter, show us that discipleship is not just about our internal faith, but out external living of that faith.

Monthly 50/50 Raffle

Contribution is $25 and the proceeds will be used for the ongoing renovation and rebuilding of the parish facilities. Winner takes home half the amount collected for the given month. Simply drop your entry at the rectory or in the weekly collection basket. The next winner will be picked on February 6th, 2024

This Month's Winner of $162.50 is
Mrs. MaryAnn Viglianti

We Respect Life

On January 15th we remember the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King. On January 22nd, we mark the unfortunate Supreme Court decision, Roe vs. Wade legalizing abortion. Put those together and we remember the dignity and sanctity of all human life; the unborn, the poor, the elderly; immigrants (documented and undocumented) people of different races, prisoners on death row and the disabled.

RECTORY CLOSED

The Rectory will be closed in observance of his birthday. Emergency calls can be made to the rectory at any time.

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Electronic Giving For Year-Round

Has This Ever Happened to You?

The ushers come forward to begin the Offertory collection process. You lean over and ask your spouse if she has the envelope? She replies that she left it on the table for you to put in your pocket. Ooops! No envelope to give this week! In the rush of getting off to church, we all forget the envelope once in a while. Check out an easier way to give.
Go to https://saintbernardbrooklyn.com/donate-now/
You will be guided through making your donation online.
It's simple! It's safe! And it keeps God at the top of your giving list!

This weekend's second collection is a Parish Collection for Electric & Heat.
Thank you always for your generosity! It is greatly appreciated!

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 2024

9:00 am Louis & Rose Franzone

5:00 pm Tommy Camoia by Mom & Dad

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, 2024

8:30am Corazon Jocson by Anthony & Malou Mozatto & Mike Palisoc

10:00am Patricia Gangi by The Fiordimondo's
Rose Palmiotti by The Schneider Family
Linda Russo by Ann & Joe Stolz

11:30am Theresa & Michael Cetta by Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Cetta

MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2024

8:30am Edna McGuinness by Eileen & Robert Magnavito

People of the Parish

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2024

8:30 am Happy 15th Birthday Mary Riggio
Love, Grandma & Grandpa DeMarinis

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2024

8:30 am Gasparo & Anthony Gelardi by Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Cetta
Christine Mitra by Mr. & Mrs. Antony Cetta

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2024

8:30 am Ellen Fischler by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Hinners

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2024

8:30am Daniel Borriello by The Capalbo Family

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2024

9:00am Anthony Fabian Nelson by your loving Mother & Wife
(1st Anniversary in Heaven)

5:00pm Brian Morgan by The O'Connor Family

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2024

8:30am Louis & Rose Franzone

10:00am Anthony Calandriella by St. Bernard Rosarians

11:30am Tommy Capriola by Frank Melendez
Thomas Haefelin by The Berger Family
Lorenzo Cascio Rizzo by Teresa & Tom Sorrentino

PLEASE HELP US UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION SO THAT YOU CAN BE REACHED WITH IMPORTANT INFORMATION, WHEN NECESSARY. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A CHANGE TO YOUR DATA OR ADD INFORMATION, LIKE YOUR CELL PHONE NUMBER OR EMAIL, PLEASE FILL OUT THE FORM WHICH IS LOCATED AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH OR IN THE PARISH HOUSE AND RETURN IT TO US. IF YOU WOULD LIKE US TO EMAIL THE FORM TO YOU, PLEASE EMAIL US AT PA101028@DIOBROOK.ORG THANK YOU!

Memorials

Altar Bread:

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Altar Wine:

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Church Bells:

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Allan Maloney
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Faith Formation News

First Penance Saturday, April 13, 2024 at 11:00am
Penance Practice both groups Tuesday April 9th and Thursday April 11th 3:30pm in Church Children Only
First Holy Communion Saturday, May 11, 2024
St. Bernard Academy - 11:00 am/St. Bernard School of Religion- 1:00 pm
Communion Practice School of Religion Wednesday May 8th 4:00pm in Church Children Only
Communion Practice Academy Thursday May 9th 3:30pm-4:30pm in Church Children Only
Confirmation Candidate Retreat
Saturday, April 13, 2024 8:45am at St. Columba

All children should be using their Mass intention cards and envelopes at Mass.
Extra cards and envelopes can be found in the Kids Korner.
School of Religion Calendar: Use the dates below to plan accordingly.
Wednesday January 17,24,31,
Wednesday February 7,14,28, (NO CLASS on February 21st Winter Recess)
Wednesday March 6,13,20 (NO CLASS on March 27th Easter Break)
Wednesday April 17 (NO CLASS on April 3, 10, 24 Spring Break)
Wednesday May 1, 8, 15

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK OPEN HOUSE

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Save the Date

"Off To The Races!"
Date: Saturday, March 16, 2024
Doors Open: 5:00 pm
Place: St. Bernard Parish Hall

St. Bernard Parish 7th Annual Card Party!
Get your raffles & tickets NOW!
raffle tickets, 50/50 Boards, Calendar Boards & Betting Slip Scratch Offs ($1 each) are available NOW in the rectory!

HOLY FAMILY SHRINE

If you are interested in reserving a Block or Heart, on the Holy Family Shrine in Honor or in Memory of a loved one, or if you have questions, you can contact Rita at 917-698-5506.

OUR NEIGHBORS CORNER-MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN

Come journey with us on Sunday afternoons at 3:00pm deep into our Catholic faith. Bishop Robert Barron will guide us through art and architecture, music and nature to the foundational truths of CATHOLICISM. Each film is an hour in length; after it there will be time for discussion of what we have just heard and seen.
Sunday afternoons until March 10, 2024
Come for all of these presentations, or come for those you are free to attend. This will be a special way to make "the Lord's Day" holy. We will meet each Sunday at 3:00pm in the lounge of the Parish Center at Mary Queen of Heaven Church

Perform a Random Act of Kindness

Listen to a friend without judgment.

TEENS:

Post a kind message on social media.

Winter Weather Worries

Winter weather is here and that means ice and snow may make it difficult for some people to get to church and many "Snowbirds" take flight to Florida for the Winter months. But parish bills keep growing during the winter, including increased heating costs and snow removal expenses. You can make sure your parish support doesn't stop just when we need it the most. Check out our simple, safe and secure online giving program at SAINTBERNARDBROOKLYN.COM then click on the DONATE button and you will be guided through the giving process. Please consider joining the growing number of dedicated givers! We are most grateful to all those who make every effort to give consistently whether electronically or through the weekly offering basket. It really helps us plan and meet our budget.

Sports Mass

We invite all players, coaches and parents from our St. Bernard Basketball Program to our Sports Mass on Sunday, January 21st. We will eet in the gym at 9:30am for a special blessing and them go to Church for the 10:00am Mass.
All are Welcome!

Rosary Society News

The next meeting of the St. Bernard Rosarians will take place after the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday, February 4th in the Parish Hall.
New Members are welcome! Come recite the Rosary with us before Mass at 9:30am in Church.
ALL MEN, WOMEN, ADULTS AND ADOLESCENTS ARE WELCOME to come and say the Rosary!
Now, more than ever we need to come together in prayer and reach out to Our Blessed Mother with hope.

St. Joseph Novena

begins Tuesday,
January 16th, 2024
following the
8:30 a.m. mass.

Stewardship Thought

"Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, 'What are you looking for?'"
~ John 1:38

When we recognize who we are, it's easier to find what we are looking for. Once we see ourselves, and others, as children of God, we spend less time looking for the material comforts of the world. Instead, our hearts long for something deeper that can only be filled by God. Ask God daily how He wants you to live the life He intended for you.

YEAR OF THE SUNDAY MASS

This year in St. Bernard's is the Year of the Sunday Mass. Since 2017, the diocese of Brooklyn has seen 37% decrease in Mass attendance. This has happened in our parish too. The Sunday Eucharist is the most important event each week in our parish. We hear God's word. We receive Jesus himself in Communion. We are sent into the world to live as disciples.
We all know people on our block and in our family that are not coming to Mass. Pray for them and give them an invitation to come with you. Share WHY you come. We will be trying different strategies this year. One is using social media better.
We now have an Instagram page. Check it out: St.bernardchurch.
We'll be telling you more in the coming weeks

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St. Bernard's Council **#14269**
Council meetings are the 1st & 3rd Thursday's of the month at the Hudson River Yacht Club, starting at 7:30pm.
Check out our Facebook page for the most up to date listing of events.
www.facebook.com/Stbernardkofc
Interested in joining our council? Please contact our Recruitment Director,
Edward McCarthy 917-681-7936

Parish Phone Numbers

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Gift Shop Hours

Weekdays 8:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m., Sunday 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Devotions

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA
MONDAYS
Novena after the 8:30 a.m. Mass
ROSARY
Monday - Friday after 8:30 a.m. Mass
Saturday after 9:00 a.m. Mass
FIRST FRIDAYS
Exposition: 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in Chapel

Baptisms

Scheduled for the fourth Sunday of each month at 12:30 p.m. Parents are required to schedule an appointment with a Priest or Deacon at least six weeks prior to Baptism.

Marriages

Arrangements must be made with a Priest or Deacon at least 6 months before the wedding.
Pre-Cana information can be found at **www.pre-cana.org.**

Sick Calls

Please call the Rectory to arrange a Communion call to the sick or elderly, or a pastoral visit to a hospitalized loved one.

Vocations

Anyone seeking information regarding the Priesthood, Permanent Deaconate, Religious Life or to serve in our Parish as a Lay Minister should speak to Msgr. Grimaldi, Fr. Mike, Dcn. Frank. or Dcn. Chris.

Parish Membership

All new families are welcome to the Parish and encouraged to become actively involved in parish societies and activities. New parishioners should register at the Rectory as soon as possible. Parishioners are asked to use the weekly envelopes in making their contributions.

Catholics Come Home

Please feel free to invite those who have been away from our parish to attend Mass with you. If there is anyone you know of that is upset with the church and feels that my speaking to them would be of help, please let me know so that I may speak with them. Msgr. Grimaldi.

Consider Leaving a Legacy of Faith

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