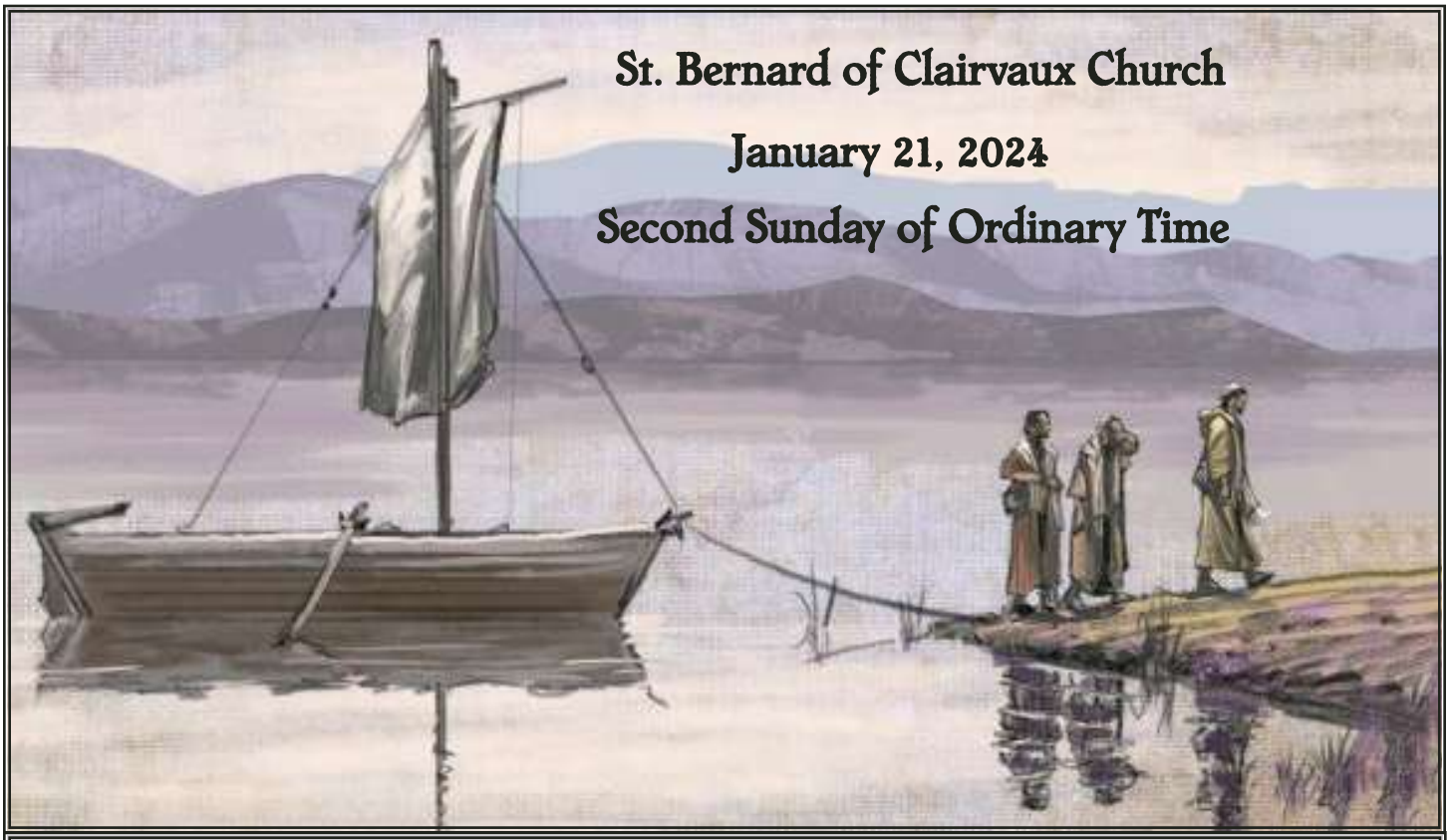

St. Bernard of Clairvaux Church

January 21, 2024

Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

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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
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The calling of the first disciples is different in every Gospel account. Last week, in John's account, we noted that some of these early followers had been disciples of John the Baptist, and they then chose to follow Jesus. The account we hear today from Mark has a slightly different timeline, as it begins with John the Baptist already being imprisoned before Jesus calls Andrew, Simon, James, and John from their fishing. When we encounter these little discrepancies in the Gospels, it is important not to fall into a belief that they are just stories. The Catholic Church teaches that all the books of the Bible are divinely inspired; we are not meant to read the Gospel as strictly historical biographies. Focusing on our reading today, we see that these first followers Jesus called were all fisherman. Not only would they be disciples, but these four would all become part of the twelve apostles, leaders of the early Church and some of Jesus' closest companies. At first, we might not think that fishing, a job focused mostly on manual labor, would be great preparation for spreading the Good News. Yet, God can use all of us in all of our activities and jobs for his glory. For example, these men were a visible part of the community; they worked in a family business, they had hired workers. Maybe because of their act of faith in following Jesus, others came to believe. The first disciples did not follow Christ out of desperation, because they were poor, or wanted to get out of bad situation. Rather they believed in Jesus' word and desired more. And finally, a fisherman, they would have had experience with and understood the importance of being patient and persistent. These qualities would have been helpful as they worked to build up the early Church after Jesus' resurrection. God can also use our gifts and talents to help in the Church's mission of building the kingdom.

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

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.

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!

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

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2024	
9:00 am	Anthony Fabian Nelson by your loving Mother & Wife (1st Anniversary in Heaven)
5:00 pm	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
MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2024	
8:30am	Charles & Angelina Leo by their daughter Stephanie
	People of the Parish
TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024	
8:30 am	Amelia & Raymond Guigliano by Teresa & Thomas Sorrentino
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2024	
8:30 am	Roseanna Motyczka by Stanley & Penny Nieberg
THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2024	
8:30 am	Brian O'Neill by The Concepcion Family
FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2024	
8:30am	Bobby Wagner 1st Anniversary in Heaven Loving Memory Uncle Chris & Aunt Melissa
SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2024	
9:00am	Joe DePaolo by St. Bernard Parish Staff
5:00pm	Michelina Caiati by Dino, Louis & AnneMarie (2nd Anniversary in Heaven) Joseph Jimenez by The Lamar Family Teresa Scissura by Renee & Tom Sorrentino
SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024	
8:30am	Camille Magnavito by Eileen & Robert Magnavito
10:00am	Salvatore Scarfogliero by The Zito Family
11:30am	Helen Colangelo by John & Maria Piccirillo

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:
In Loving Memory of Vito Marinelli
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Altar Wine:
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Altar Candles:
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Tabernacle Candle:
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Church Bells:
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Josephine Dai
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Tania Davis
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Vicky DeGruccio
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Mackenzie McCallion
Eddie Boy McCarthy
Christine McCartney
Kelsey McCartney
Nancy McCormick
Edna McGuinness
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Jennifer Tortorici
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Salvatore Ventrice
Stephen Wiegand
Thomas Yorke
Lily Zemel

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 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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If you would like to add to any of our Holy Family Memorials "In Memory of" or "In honor of" your loved ones, forms are available in the church & Rectory.

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK OPEN HOUSE

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Saint Bernard Catholic Academy will begin registering for the 2024-2025 academic year on Tuesday, January 30th. There will be an Open House from 9:00-10:00 and 1:00-2:00.

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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!

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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.

Diocesan Youth Holy Hour

On Friday, February 2nd, please join us at 7:00 p.m. for a Diocesan Youth Holy Hour with refreshments afterward. This is for all youth, ages 10 - 21. Bring a friend or family member. We have a vibrant Youth Ministry Program including our God Squad, our Confirmation Class, our Teen Ministry, and our College Ministry. Please join us as we host other Youth in the Diocese at our Church as we all come together in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Perform a Random Act of Kindness

Offer love and support to someone who is struggling! TEENS: Thank Your Parents for All They Do for You!

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.

Special *Thanks* to

Our Electronic Givers

We want to thank the many families who are currently giving electronically. You may not see these fellow parishioners place an envelope in the basket every week, but their consistent giving does not go unnoticed in our parish office. Each month our parish receives a steady and predictable stream of income from those donors who have made the commitment to give to God first by having a designated contribution automatically transferred to our parish through our Online Giving Program. If you would like to learn more about this easy, safe and secure way of giving, please contact the Parish Office or Go to ttps://saintbernardbrooklyn.com/donate-now/ You will be guided through making your donation online.

Thank you! Thank You! Thank You!

St. Joseph Novena

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

Stewardship Thought

"Follow me and I will make you fishers of men."
~ Mark 1:17

Jesus' call to "follow me" is a call to all Christians! The call is in the here and now, in our present circumstances, not when we think we are "ready" or have everything in order. Good stewardship of our God-given gifts means that things aren't always going to go according to our schedule, but that God has a much better plan in store for each of us.

St. Bernard Weekly Mass Attendance

Weekend of January 13th & January 14th, 2024
Saturday January 13th 5:00pm
~129
Sunday, January 14th 8:30am
~83
Sunday, January 14th 10:00am
~134
Sunday, January 14th 11:30am
~205

Total Weekend Attendance~551

Invite a relative, friend or neighbor to come to Mass with you!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
"Doing good while having fun"

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.
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Interested in joining our council? Please contact our Recruitment Director,
Edward McCarthy 917-681-7936

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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

Remember Our Parish in Your Will

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