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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
Fourth Sunday of Easter

Jesus knows the people listening to his teaching would be familiar with the role of a shepherd. He uses this familiar image to convey God's divine providence. Because we might not all be familiar with what a shepherd does, here are some things a shepherd does: he cares for his sheep, makes sure they have food and water, protects them from predators, and goes in search of them if they stray. Describing Jesus as a good shepherd is a powerful image because he does all those things for us. We have talked a lot about the characteristics of a shepherd, but what about the sheep? Sheep will run from what scares them. They will band together as a means of protection. Sheep will follow each other, so where one goes, others are close behind. They also recognize and move toward a trusted person. In the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd, we are his sheep. This means that we are in relationship with him as sheep are in relationship with the shepherd. When we are scared, we band together with others. The shepherd guards us from those things that might attack us. When we get lost, go astray, or need to know where we are going, the shepherd directs us. We must learn God's voice and listen for it. We do this by reading the Bible, by going to Mass, by praying, and by participating in the sacraments. God will lead us in the right path. We must be open to hear, follow, and trust him. Today's Gospel reading comes from the time of Jesus' ministry that occurs before his death and resurrection, yet it is included in our readings during Easter Time. Jesus knows that he will die and rise from the dead, so he can make the statements we hear in today's reading: "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep;" and "I lay down my life in order to take it up again." Jesus proves his love for his flock by giving his life. During Easter Time we celebrate Christ's resurrection from death, a death he willingly suffered on the cross for our salvation.

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
May 7th, 2024

This Month's Winner of $250.00 is
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Magnavito

Holy Family Society

We are encouraging families to join our Holy Family Society Requirements:

- Come to Mass (ideally every Sunday) but at lest once a month
- Say a Rosary at home once a month
- Have a picture of the Holy Family in your home
- Do one thing a year to help the poor
- Come to a Retreat Day
- Take the parish Holy Family Society Statue once and keep it for a week to pray

If you are interested, see the flyers at the back of church or see Fr. Mike or Melissa Wagner.

Rosary Society Annual Baby Shower

The St. Bernard Rosarians are conducting their Annual Baby Shower for those in need. There is a crib in the vestibule of the church for you to put your gifts in. New Items Only! Please be as generous as possible. The gifts will be distributed in May. Thank You!

Save The Date!!

St. Bernard's Parish & Knights of Columbus

BIG SMOKE

Tuesday, June 11, 2024 Starting at 6:30 p.m.
Hudson River Yacht Club
For More Information or Early Registration
Phone or Text Rita at
917-698-5506 or Email pa117@diobrook.org

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

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024	
9:00am	Louise Diletto by Lidya Burer
5:00pm	Rose Giberti by Diana & Louis Noberini Frances & Carmelo Pulizzotto by Ilene & Frank Salerno Joseph Albano by Nick & Ellie Graziano
SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024	
8:30am	Helen Colangelo by Renee & Thomas Sorrentino
10:00am	Carmine Carriero Happy Birthday Missing You Connie
11:30am	Vincent Lofredo by JoAnn & Frank Balsamo (1st Ann. in Heaven)
MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2024	
8:30am	Josephine Houston by her son Edward (Birthday)
	People of the Parish
TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2024	
8:30am	James B. Wagner Birthday in Heaven Loving Memory his son Chirstopher
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2024	
8:30am	John & Rae Novella by Mark, Stephanie & Victor (Anniversary)
THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024	
8:30am	Joseph Giacobbe by Mom & Dad
FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2024	
8:30am	Domenick Puleo by Wife & Children
SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024	
9:00am	Gianluca Serrone by his loving Mom (2 Year Anniversary)
5:00pm	Peter Modica by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph & Madeline Taylor & Family
SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024	
8:30am	Thomas Edward Wagner In Thanksgiving on his 2nd Birthday With Love his Godmother Bella Domenica Lalina by Sissy & Marty Grosso Mary Casatelli by your loving Family (1st Anniversary in Heaven)
10:00am	Mary Meehan by Alberta Sirett
11:30am	Barbara Longobardi by Terry & Thomas Sorrentino

Matthew 25 Ministry

On the 3rd Sunday of every month we will have a food collection of non-perishable foods.
We will alternate giving the food to food pantries at Mary Queen of Heaven & St. Athanasius.
Please be as generous as possible!
It comes from Matthew 25: "When I was hungry and you fed me; naked you clothed me; ill and in prison you visited me. Whenever you do this to the least of my brothers and sisters, you do it to Me"
So, at St. Bernard's, it includes the giving tree, clothing drive, food drive, blood drive, operation backpack, & rehabilitating houses in Dominican Republic with St. Anthony Parish there.

Memorials

Altar Bread:

In Loving Memory of Josephine Houston
Donated by her son Edward (Birthday)

Altar Candles:

In Loving Memory of Thomas Quinn
Donated by Larry & Donna Cosares

Church Bells:

In Loving Memory of Carmine Carriero
Donated by his loving wife Connie (Birthday)

St. Bernard Catholic Book Club

The book club will be meeting monthly.
If interested please call Jerrie Mitchell at (718) 531-1927

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

A.B.
V.B.
Jack Albin
Rosa Andreani
Francis Arcati
Marilyn Augello
Anna Barone
Christine Palumbo Beck
Nicholas Berlingieri
Lizette Borquero
Paul Brienza
Margaret Bracco
Arline Brack
Thomas Caliendo
Diane Camacho
Gary Camarda
Mary Campisi
Elaine Capper
Ana Caraballo
Joseph Carone
Carmine Carriero, Jr.
Leonard Carriero
Domenic Carriero
Jeanne Castello
Clare Cawthon
Nick & Sarah Codella
Julia Comer
Sheila Connors
Daniel Commisso
Janet Commisso
Angela Marie Cosenza
Irma Cruz
Samantha Curreri
Gabriella Cutrone
Josephine Dai
Joan Darragh
Tania Davis
Pamela DeCesare
Phyllis DeCesare
Vicky DeGruccio
Frances DePace
Ed Desantis
Diane DiAngelo
Rosa Diaz
Rosa DiBerardino
Mildred Diel
Donna Donzella
James Donzella
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Stephen J. Esposito
Aiden Estrella
John Fahey
Kevin Fahey
Pat Fallon
Adriana Farrell
Tracy Farrell
Natalie Ferber
Anthony Filippazzo
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Alexandra Gagliardi
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Linda Gannon
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Thomas Garziniti
Margaret Generoso
Ellen Gentile
Connor Patrick Geoghagen
Ida Giannettino
Francine Giannotti
Tina Giberti
Mark Gottlieb
Robin Gottlieb
Nicholas Grillo
John Gullo
Cindy Guzzo
Ken Healy
Gregoria Hernandez
June Honovich
CarolAnn Howe
Gianni Incandela
Laura Johnson
William Kenney
Kiera Sophie
Annette Kyle
Angelina Larrymore
Roberto Lastra
Salvatore Leone
Greyson Livia
Barbara Lopez
Ariana Lore
Joseph Malk
Allan Maloney
Baby Salvatore Manniello
Yolanda Maranga
Steven Marinelli
Joseph Marino
Andrea Martin
Lurline Martineau
Matthew Mason
Nicole McCallion
Mackenzie McCallion
Eddie Boy McCarthy
Christine McCartney
Kelsey McCartney
Nancy McCormick
Edna McGuinness
Matt McMahon
Donald Merone
Debbie Miller
Jason Moll
Brian Morgan
Joseph Mosiello
Tanya Ortiz
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Sandra Pena
Jo-Ann Piazza
Nicholas Piccio
Jerry Pottak
William Prussing
Corinne Ramaglia
Alexa Ramos
Phillip Ramos
Antonio Reda
Vito Rita
Jacob and Jaxson Rivera
Antonio Romano
Margaret Romano
Craig Rosen
Aida Rosiello
Sal Rubino
Nikki Russo
Sofia Russo
Gasper Sacco
Joseph Sanfratello
Robert Sansone
Joanne Sarnicola
Laura Scattereggia
Carol Schroeder
Aiden Seazer
Erik Seidel
Gloria Serewitz
Michael Skody
Alexandra Smith
Aurora Sorrentino
Sue Ann Spotts
Troy Tamburo
Cigdem Tanriverdi
Linda Testagrose
William A. Thomas
Ryan Torgerson
Jennifer Tortorici
Geraldine Ventrice
Salvatore Ventrice
Stephen Wiegand
Thomas Yorke
Lily Zemel

Faith Formation News

School of Religion Registration 2024/2025 Kindergarten through 7th Grade
Early Bird registration has now begun
and will continue until Wednesday, June 19.
All fees for 2023-2024 must be paid to re-register.
Early bird fee will be for all who **register in full** from now to June 19th.
We want to ensure that we have the materials we need for next year and to avoid delivery delays and costly fees. Please come to the rectory. Please share this information with anyone you know who is interested in our Faith Formation program.

Early Bird tuition for 2024/2025 term is $225 for 1 child, $275 for 2 children, and $325 for 3 or more children living in the same household **IF PAID IN FULL ON OR BEFORE** Wednesday, JUNE 19.
AFTER FRIDAY, JUNE 19 $275 for 1 child, $325 for 2 children,
and $375 for 3 or more children living in the same household. **No exceptions.**
*New students registering will need a copy of their birth and baptismal certificates
Congratulations to all our children that received their First Penance last Saturday

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

A leaf has been added to our Tree of Life In Memory of

Jennie Donadio

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If you would like to add a leaf to our Tree of Life "In Memory of" or "In honor of" your loved ones, forms are available in the church & Rectory.

Join Our Deacons For an 8 part series on our Faith:

The Liturgy, Precepts of the Church,
Biblical Way to Pray the Mass, The Cardinal Virtues,
Corporal Works of Mercy, Spiritual Works of Mercy, The Our Father & The Beatitudes
Every first Tuesday starting In Church 7:00 pm Come one, come all. Join us each month or whenever the Spirit moves you

Bergen Beach Sports & Recreation Camp

at St. Bernard Catholic Academy
Open House/ Registration in Lobby of Academy Building
Saturday, May 4th, 2024 10:00a.m. - 1:00p.m.
Saturday, June 8th, 2024 10:00a.m. - 1:00p.m.
July 1st - August 9th, 2024
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For more information, please contact Rosemarie Stern, Camp Manager at 917-442-4967

The Paschal Candle Flowers for the week of April 21-April 27 was donated
In Memory of

Rose Giberti

by St. Bernard Friends

If you would like to memorialize our Fresh Flower for the Paschal Candle
"In Memory of or In Honor of" for any of the remaining weeks to Pentecost please call the rectory to do so.

Personalized Fresh Flowers for Paschal Candle and Mary's Fresh Flower Floral Crown & Candle

If you would like to memorialize our Fresh Flowers for the Paschal Candle for the remaining Easter weeks
Or Fresh Floral Crown or Candle for The Blessed Mother for the remaining weeks of May
"In Memory of or In Honor of" please call the rectory as soon as possible to do so
as there are minimal weeks remaining.

Annual Catholic Appeal 2024
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Active Parish Campaign Summary

Amount Pledged: $21,866.
(as of 4/8/24)
Annual Appeal Goal for 2024: $57,669
Amount Received: $14,109.
Donors: 45 (there are over 1,000 families registered in our Parish – Imagine if each family gave something!
Give what you can! Make Giving a Way of Living – It Starts With Us & There is no US Without YOU!
If you have already made your pledge – Thank you!
if you have not -
Please support the
2024 Annual Catholic Appeal

Perform a Random Act of Kindness

Stewardship Thought

"I am the good shepherd...and I lay down my life for the sheep…and they will heed my voice."
- John 10:14-16

When you pray, do you only ask Jesus for the things that you want? Do you ever ask Jesus what He wants from you? How do you listen for His response? Many times, Jesus responds in "quiet whispers" that are not so obvious. So, take time every day, in silence, to actively listen for His voice.

International Festival

St.
Bernard Parish
International Festival
will be on
Sunday, April 28, 2024
from 2:00pm-5:00pm
in the Parish Hall
Please bring 1/2 tray of a typical dish from your country of origin or you can just come and eat.
We will have over 20 countries represented

St. Bernard Weekly Mass Attendance

Weekend of April 13th & April 14th, 2024
Saturday April 13th 5:00pm
-112
Sunday, April 14th 8:30am
-100
Sunday, April 14th 10:00am
-275
Sunday, April 14th 11:30am
-219
Total Weekend Attendance-706

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday. Please pray for more people to say "Yes" to God's call to be priests, sisters, brothers & Deacons.

Hospitality Sunday

After the Masses on Sunday, May 19th (Pentecost Sunday) we will have refreshments under the overhang in front of church.

For the Military

If you would like to add a loved one that is in active duty in the military, please call the rectory with their name and branch of service and we will add them to a list of military members to pray for. Thank you.

Almighty & eternal God, protect these men & women as they discharge their duties. Protect them with the shield of your strength and keep them safe from all evil and harm. May the power of your love enable them to return home in safety, that with all who love them, they may ever praise you for your loving care.

We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Shane Cawthon (Army)
Frank Gargano (Army)
Marcello Gargano (Army)
Michael Gargano Jr (Navy)
Joseph Milone (Marines)

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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

When you next update your estate plans, please consider continuing your lifelong stewardship by leaving a bequest to St. Bernard. For more information please see Msgr. Grimaldi.

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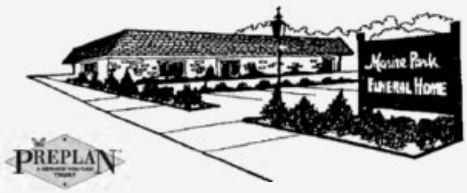

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