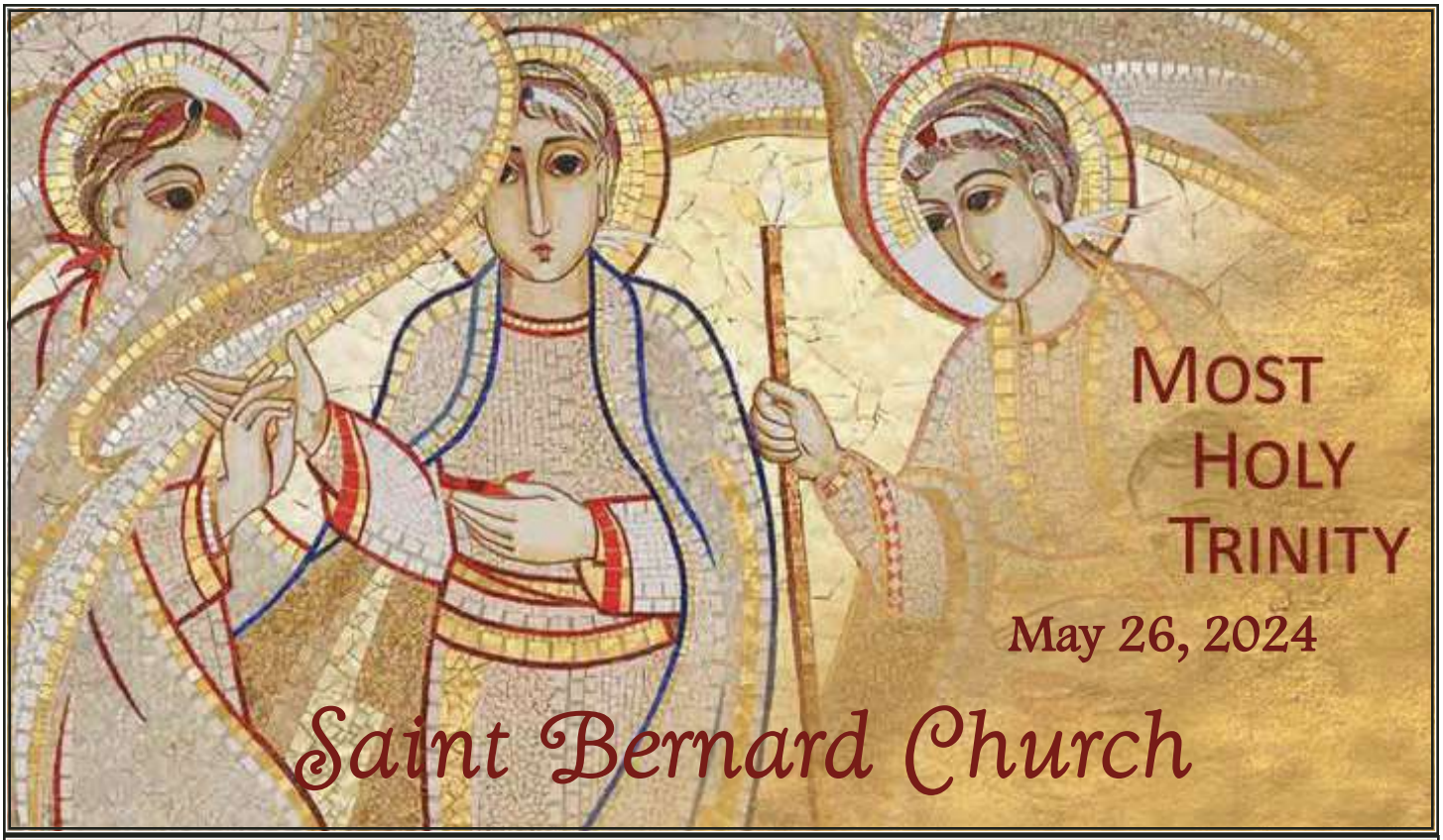

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Mass Schedule

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.
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Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word
Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Who is good at math? Solve this math problem 1+1+1=? The correct answer is 1! In most cases, 1+1+1=3, but not today in "religious math." Today we are talking about the Trinity; God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit: one God, three persons. It is hard to define the Trinity exactly and fully understand God because it is a mystery of our faith. This doesn't mean that we can't say anything about it, rather, it is a mystery we can learn more about and break open through the help of great theologians and holy men and women. Ultimately though, we cannot know the fullness of God because we are not God. While the Father, Son, and Spirit are three different persons, they all share the same essence or nature-God's nature. Because they share the one nature, they are one. It is such a mystery because as humans, we don't experience a union quite like that. God is so completely unique in this way. There is nothing else like God! But you are made in God's image, so consequently, there is nothing quite like you either. We learn about who people are by spending time with them. We ask them questions. We listen. We share meals with them. We share joys and sorrows with them. The more open we are with someone, the more we get to know them, and we even can learn more about ourselves that way too. One thing that we know about the Trinity is that it is a relationship of love. The father loves the Son and the Son loves the Father. The love that flows between them is the Holy Spirit. This love is so great, so infinite, so amazing that it cannot be contained in and of itself. It overflows outside of itself. We might even say that the overflow of love of the Trinity is expressed in creation and in you and me. We are products of the love of God. That is why today's Gospel reading is incredibly beautiful. God loved the world so much that he sent his Son to save it. This the nature of God; an abundance of love. God doesn't hate you. God could never hate you. God made you and loves you, no matter what. In you resides this love of the Trinity. The Father sent the Son on a mission to bring you home. The Holy Spirit guides us to our heavenly home. Of course, this love of God is a mystery, because love is a mystery. There aren't enough words in our language to fully describe love. We can understand the concept. We might use analogies. Artists use poems, music, and paint. All of these seek to describe this thing so beautiful as love. God is love. There aren't enough words in our language to describe God either. We can try. We can seek to understand. We can use art, literature, music, and reason. Ultimately this is a mystery. But this mystery has a name and a mission. This mystery loves you. This mystery has come to unite you to itself. So even if we do not understand fully the Trinity, we are called to believe. Believe you are loved. Believe that God loves you. Believe that he will never abandon you. If you do that, you have eternal life.

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 June 4th, 2024

This Month's Winner of $262.50 is
Mrs. Hilda Cortes

Please join us on
Sunday, June 30, 2024
at the 11:00am Mass.
Msgr. Grimaldi
will celebrate his final Mass
here at St. Bernard
as our Pastor.
We will have
light refreshments in the
Parish Hall following Mass.
All are invited!

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

Memorial Day

This Monday, May 27th we celebrate Memorial Day, a day set aside to honor those who gave their lives in service to our country.

The Rectory Office will also be closed Saturday & Sunday for business,
but emergency sick calls can be made at any time.

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

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2024	
9:00 am	Clement Pollio by The Concepcion Family
5:00 pm	Ray Honovich by June Honovich (Birthday)
SUNDAY, MAY 26, 2024	
8:30am	Mary Modica by her Husband, Children & Grandchildren Liberina Mattera by Lidia & Rosa Lillian DeAngelo by her loving Family (Anniversary in Heaven)
10:00am	Betty Maher by her loving Family (4th Anniversary in Heaven)
11:30 am	Charles Giberti by Tina Giberti (Birthday in Heaven)
MONDAY, MAY 27, 2024	
8:30 am	Rose Giberti by The Capalbo Family People of the Parish
TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2024	
8:30 am	Rose Giberti by Miriam Soldyn
WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2024	
8:30 am	Julia & Matthew Mullen by Ilene & Frank Salerno
THURSDAY, MAY 30, 2024	
8:30 am	Buddy Ferraro by Amy & Family (24 Years in Heaven)
FRIDAY, MAY 31, 2024	
8:30am	Rose Giberti by Francine Danza
SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2024	
9:00am	Alice Cariello by Stephanie & Stephen Puleo
5:00pm	Grace Frizell by her daughter June
SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2024	
8:30am	Teresa Scollo by Renee & Thomas Sorrentino
10:00am	Deceased Members of the Rosary Society Salvatore Salzarulo by Rob & Jen Evangelista Thomas Scuderi by The Tropeano Family
11:30am	Fr. Vincent Gallo by Tina Giberti

At this time of the year we celebrate many special occasions. First Communions, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Graduations & Memorial Day.

In the church we celebrate
Ordination Anniversaries.
Here at St. Bernard we celebrate
the clergy of our parish.
Msgr. J. Grimaldi V.G. ~ May 21, 1983 (41 years)
Fr. Mike ~ June 1, 1991 (33 years)
Deacon Frank ~ May 5, 1990 (34 years)
Deacon Chris ~ May 28, 2011 (13 years)

Memorials

Altar Bread:

In Loving Memory of Peter Modica
Donated by Deacon & Mrs. Wagner

Altar Wine:

In Loving Memory of Rose Giberti
Donated by Deacon & Mrs. Wagner

Altar Candles:

In Loving Memory of Maria Hinners
Donated by Frances Minerva & Family

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Christine Palumbo Beck
Nicholas Berlingieri
Lizette Borquero
Paul Brienza
Margaret Bracco
Arline Brack
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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
Angela Marie Consenza
Daniel Commisso
Janet Commisso
Angela Marie Cosenza
Irma Cruz
Samantha Curreri
Gabriella Cutrone
Josephine Dai
Joan Darragh
Tania Davis
Pamela DeCesare
Phyllis DeCesare
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Ellen Gentile
Connor Patrick Geoghagen
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Francine Giannotti
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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
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Yolanda Maranga
Steven Marinelli
Joseph Marino
Andrea Martin
Lurline Martineau
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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
A.Passaro
Sandra Pena
Jo-Ann Piazza
Nicholas Piccio
Jerry Pottak
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Corinne Ramaglia
Alexa Ramos
Phillip Ramos
Antonio Reda
Vito Rita
Jacob and Jaxson Rivera
Antonio Romano
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Erik Seidel
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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.

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

Toni Ann Seddio

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St. Bernard Friends

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.

Bergen Beach
Sports & Recreation Camp
at St. Bernard Catholic Academy
Open House/ Registration in Lobby of Academy Building
Saturday, June 8th, 2024 10:00a.m. - 1:00p.m.
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For more information, please contact Rosemarie Stern, Camp Manager at 917-442-4967

Offertory Procession

If you or your family has an announced Mass intention for a loved one and you would like to bring up the Communion gifts PLEASE see one of the ushers before Mass begins. Thank you!

Feast of St. Anthony

Please join us on Thursday, June 13th at the 8:30 a.m. Mass in honor of The Feast of St. Anthony
Parts of the Mass will be said in Italian.
We will have the blessing of the bread during Mass and distribute the bread following Mass.

St. Bernard Catholic Book Club

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

Corpus Christi Procession

On Saturday, June 1, we will again have a joint Corpus Christi Procession with our partner parish, Mary Queen of Heaven. We will meet at Mary Queen of Heaven at 3:30pm and process together, with stops along the way, to St. Bernard's.
Then we will celebrate a joint Mass at 5:00pm.

The Fresh Floral Crown for The Blessed Mother for the week of May 26-June 1
was donated
In Loving Memory of

Regina Mulligan & Camille Magnavito
Donated by The Magnavito Family

The Candle for The Blessed Mother for the week of May 26-June 1
was donated
In Loving Memory of

Joe

Ice Cream Sunday
Father's Day
Sunday, June 16th
In the Parish Gardens
Following 11:30 a.m. Mass
Don't Miss It!

Stewardship Thought

"The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ…"
~ Romans 8:16-17

If we are heirs to the kingdom of God, shouldn't we work to build up His kingdom? Shouldn't we be good stewards of our inheritance, using our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works and our treasure to care for the Church that God has left to us? Our Church is a treasured heirloom from God. Do we treat it that way?

Spanish Mass

The next Spanish Mass will be on
Saturday, June 1st at 7:00pm.
We will celebrate
Corpus Christi & Father's Day

St. Bernard Weekly Mass Attendance

Weekend of May 18th & May 19th, 2024
Saturday May 18th 5:00pm
~145
Sunday, May 19th 8:30am
~78
Sunday, May 19th 10:00am
~110
Sunday, May 19th 11:30am
~215
Total Weekend Attendance
~548

Annual Catholic Appeal 2024
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Active Parish Campaign Summary

Thank you to all those generous individuals who made a pledge to the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal If you were not able to make a pledge, we are asking each family to consider making a tax-deductible gift today.

It is important that our parish make its goal of $57,669. in order to fulfill our mission, remember all funds over-goal come back to our Parish to use for our Ministries and Programs.

Give your support today on behalf of St. Bernard Parish online at annualcatholicappeal.org
or text ACA to 917-336-1255

Baptism BBQ

There will be a BBQ for families who have had their babies Baptized in the last year on
Thursday, June 13th at 6:00pm
in the parish gardens
Please call the rectory at 718-763-5533
to let us know if you will be able to attend

Bereavement Ministry
Working Our Way Through Grief

A journey from grief to healing for people coping with the loss of a loved one.
Saturday, June 15, 2024
11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Rectory
For more information please call
Barbara at 917-686-5444 or
Maureen at 347-436-5192

Perform a Random Act of Kindness

College Student BBQ

There will be prayer & barbeque
for all college students on
Tuesday, June 4th
6:00p.m.
in the parish gardens!

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)
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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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