St. Bernard of Clairvaux Church

Tenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

June 9, 2024

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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
Tenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel can be a bit challenging for us. There are people accusing Jesus of being insane and of being possessed by the devil. Because this makes the people of Jesus' time seem superstitious, it can be tempting to write off this story and other Scripture passages because people back then just weren't as educated or wise as we are. But we have to set aside those temptations to dismiss these passages and really study these stories and search for the wisdom in them. Jesus' miracles and teachings were quite extraordinary. Many people didn't really know what to make of him, while others were scared that he was upsetting the status quo. Looking past their uncertainty and fear, we see that this passage tells us something important about Jesus' understanding of faith and family. First, let's consider the references that are made to Jesus' family. In the early part of the story, there are some unnamed relatives who come to take Jesus away so that he does not cause them embarrassment by his actions and words. Later in the story, people tell Jesus that "your mother and your brothers and your sisters are outside asking for you." Because the Catholic Church teaches that Mary remained a virgin even after Jesus' birth, we do not believe that these passages refer to Jesus' siblings. Rather, scholars understand the original terms used here to refer more generally to relatives of Jesus (like cousin). So, we hear that relatives of Jesus were asking for him. This is where Jesus' understanding of family begins to surprise us. Instead of responding to his relatives, Jesus poses this question to the crowd: "Who are my mother and my brothers?" This is shocking and must have been hard to hear, especially for Mary. Family was such an important thing in their culture and it seems that Jesus does not want to claim a relationship with his relatives. Jesus redefines family when he says: "For whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother." Put another way, those who follow Jesus in faith are members of his family. Throughout his ministry, Jesus was surrounded by the family he chose, not the family he was born with. His words here emphasize that his mission was to invite all people who follow the will of God into communion with himself and with one another.

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 July2nd, 2024

This Month's Winner of $300.00 is
Mr. & Mrs. Harry Simino

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!

Last chance to get your Dinner Tickets & Raffles
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

Virtus Classes

The following Virtus Classes are being offered
Saturday 6/15 at 9:30am and Tuesday 6/18 at 6pm
both in church
People can register online at
Virtusonline.org
Any questions call Melissa Wagner at 718-763-5533

Ice Cream Sunday

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

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

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2024	
9:00 am	Leona Calabrese by Charlie & Mary Candela
5:00 pm	Peter Modica by The Mingino Family
SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2024	
8:30am	Msgr. John Delendirk by Eileen & Robert Magnavito
10:00am	Barbara Longobardi by Thomas & Renee Sorrentino
11:30 am	Peter Modica by Annemarie & Joe Valenza (Birthday) Louis Pino by The Somma & Berger Families Elizabeth Lambros by Fabia & Anthony DeCrescenzo Joseph Francis Campbell by St. Bernard Rosarians
MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2024	
8:30 am	Edmund Carsten by Tina Moore & Family People of the Parish
TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2024	
8:30 am	Katy & John Stathakis by Anna, Matina & Victor
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, 2024	
8:30 am	Regina Mulligan by Eileen & Robert Magnavito
THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 2024	
8:30 am	Charles & Angelina Leo by their daughter Stephanie
FRIDAY, JUNE 14, 2024	
8:30am	Peter Modica by Rende Liu & Family
SATURDAY, JUNE 15, 2024	
9:00am	Ariana Scirisio by Mary Candela & Family
5:00pm	Kaitlyn Bernhardt by The Arcati Family Clement Pollio by The Taliercio Family Thomas Quinn by Linda Calabrese
SUNDAY, JUNE 16, 2024	
8:30am	Peter Modica by Terry & Thomas Sorrentino Rocco Morra by Terry & Thomas Sorrentino
10:00am	Joseph Giacobbe by Mom & Dad
11:30am	Josephine Loffredo by JoAnn & Frank Balsamo (1st Anniversary in Heaven)

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.

Altar Bread:

In Loving Memory of Tommy Camoia
Donated by Mom & Dad

Altar Wine:

In Loving Memory of Tommy Camoia
Donated by Mom & Dad

Altar Candles:

In Loving Memory of Kaitlyn Bernhardt
Donated by Her Family

Tabernacle Candle:

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Church Bells:

In Loving Memory of Tommy Camoia
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Altar Flowers:

In Loving Memory of Kaitlyn Bernhardt
Donated by Her Family

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

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Paul Brienza
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Arline Brack
Thomas Caliendo
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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
Angela Marie Consenza
Daniel Commisso
Janet Commisso
Angela Marie Cosenza
Irma Cruz
Samantha Curreri
Gabriella Cutrone
Josephine Dai
Tania Davis
Pamela DeCesare
Phyllis DeCesare
Vicky DeGruccio
Frances DePace
Maryann DePalma
Ed Desantis
Diane DiAngelo
Rosa Diaz
Rosa DiBerardino
Mildred Diel
Donna Donzella
James Donzella
Gia Marie Duffy
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Aiden Estrella
John Fahey
Pat Fallon
Adriana Farrell
Tracy Farrell
Natalie Ferber
Anthony Filippazzo
Ruppert Fontenelle
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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
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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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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.

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

Joseph Jimenez

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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

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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

SAVE THE DATE

The Feast in honor of

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Thursday, July 25th through Sunday, July 28th
5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
There will be a special Mass on Sunday, July 28th
Everyone is invited to attend!
Mailings are going out!

Active Parish Campaign Summary

Amount Pledged: $37,601. (As of 5/20/24) Annual
Appeal Goal for 2024: $57,669
Amount Received: $27,132. **Donors:** 76

We have approximately 29 weeks left until the Appeal ends-A little over 6 months.
The cost of a Mani-Pedi from one of our Local Salons costs app $75 (w/o tip)
If you made a donation amounting to the cost of a mani-pedi for 1 time a month for 6 months
your gift would be $450.!!!

If you have already made your pledge – Thank you!
if you have not - Please support the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal
No gift is too large or too small!

Donate and contribute to fulfill our Parish goal
Scan the Code Or text
DONATE to 917-336-1255
Or visit: annualcatholicappeal.org

Stewardship Thought

"If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand." - Mark 3:24

Within our parish community, do our ministries collaborate with each other or do they compete against each other? Do the parish ministries work for the greater glory of God or do they work for the glory of the people running them? The primary goal of parish ministry is not to increase Mass attendance, increase the number of volunteers or increase offertory. The primary goal is to be one Body of Christ that helps people take one step closer to Jesus. If it's not doing that, it's not worth doing.

Summer Rosary

We are happy to announce that we will once again be reciting the Rosary on Tuesday evenings in our Parish Gardens starting July 9, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

Please enter through the Gardens' gate on East 69th Street. There will be NO ENTRANCE through the Rectory. If there is RAIN OR THREAT OF RAIN, the recitation WILL BE IN CHURCH. Now, more than ever we need to come together in prayer and reach out to Our Blessed Mother with hope.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

If you have questions,
you can contact Rita at 917-698-5506.

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

Summer Mass Schedule

Please note that our Summer Mass Schedule will begin on Sunday, June 30th.
Sunday Masses will be at
9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
throughout July and August.
Saturday evening Mass remains at 5:00 p.m.

Summer Rectory Hours

Monday thru Friday 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Perform a Random Act of Kindness

SMILE while you are outside and notice how many SMILE just by seeing You SMILE!

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

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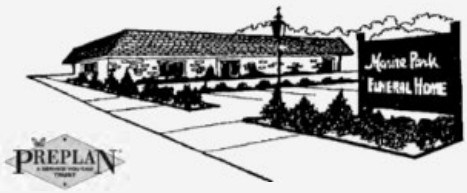

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