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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.-7:00p.m.
Saturday & Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
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Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word
Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

JESUS IS CALLING YOU

It has been noted many times in recent years that a growing number of people in our nation, and around the world, identify as atheists or agnostics, especially among the younger generations. This is not surprising given that vast numbers of people have rarely practiced their faith in any notable way. Like human relationships that go nowhere unless both parties actively engage in making the relationship work and endure, so too it takes both God and us actively engaged in making that relationship work. If it is only one but not both the relationship will end. So too, God is doing His part but are we doing our part?

In this Sunday's Gospel from St. Mark, we hear people telling the blind man, "Jesus is calling you." Jesus calls Bartimeus as he struggles with his blindness. Jesus also calls us as we struggle with our own human, moral, and spiritual infirmities. Two things need to be noted here. First, Bartimeus is persistent as he calls out to our Lord. He does not let the crowd around him discourage or dissuade him in his quest to be healed, in his trust in the Lord. Second, and flowing from the first, is that Jesus tells him, "Your faith has saved you."

Both of these have implications for our own lives. We can sometimes succumb to others' discouragement or hostility. We are told we are unworthy of God. That we cannot be forgiven. Our sin and shame are too great. We cannot help but to remain in the slavery to human, moral, and spiritual infirmities. Worse, we can too easily tell ourselves the same thing. Tragically, like Adam and Eve who tried to hide themselves from God and their shame, many people do the same thing. They absent themselves from Mass, from prayer, from any examination of conscience, because they try to keep God at bay. It is tragic because God is always ready to forgive and give us a new life in Christ.

At the same time, as we try to hide ourselves from God, faith begins to diminish, trust in God begins to fail, and consciences become even more dulled to reality. Herein lies the diminishment of our dignity and sons and daughters of God, and our destiny of participating one day in the Lord's resurrection.

Bartimeus called out to Jesus at a time in human history when people saw physical illness as a result of sin. Bartimeus may have believed the same thing about himself. Yet he did not let that stop him from approaching Jesus with faith, hope, and love. He knew in that faith that God did not care where he was or how he got there but only that our Lord would keep his promise and forgive his sins, heal his physical and spiritual blindness, and place him on the road that leads to true joy.

In the first reading from the prophet Jeremiah, we hear the words, "Shout for joy." Why? God has delivered His people, God has brought them back, He gathers the blind and the lame and makes them whole, He guides and consoles them, brings them to a level road, and becomes a father to them. The Israelites heard God's call. Bartimeus heard Jesus calling. They all found joy in God's love and mercy toward them. They were given the gift of a new life. Israel now walked "on a level road" and Bartimeus was told to "go your way" on a new road. By hearing the Lord calling, trusting in His promises of newness of life, they would become the new creation God intended them to be.

Two questions go out to all of us this Sunday, and every day for that matter. Jesus is calling you and me. Are we listening? Are we responding?

Fr. John Maduri

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 November 5, 2024

This Month's Winner of $287.50 is
Mr. & Mrs. George Marinello

Thank you to everyone who came out and supported our PUMPKIN PATCH

A special **"Thank You"**

To the School of Religion for donating the face painter & all the hard work by our Confirmation Candidates and volunteers that worked tirelessly, you are greatly appreciated! It was such a great day! It was so nice to have our parish and community enjoying time together. The kids had a great time painting their pumpkins and decorating their cookies!
It really was a great time had by ALL!

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, OCTOBER 26, 2024

9:00 am Rose Giberti by Solow & Polizzi Families

5:00 pm Rose Giberti by Diana & Louis Noberini

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2024

8:30am Fred Kahn by Tina Giberti

10:00am Nicholas Cetta by Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Cetta
Marianne Teta by Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Cetta

11:30am Rose Balsamo & Mary Lofredo by JoAnn & Frank Balsamo
Jacqueline Fortunato by her Family
Tommy Capriola by Msgr. Grimaldi (Anniversary)
Mariano Alberto Roca by Your Loving Family

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2024

8:30 am Charles & Angelina Leo by their daughter Stephanie

People of the Parish

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2024

8:30 am Fredrick & Josephine Houston by their son Edward

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2024

8:30 am Pasquale & Dolly Sorrentino by Teresa & Thomas Sorrentino

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2024

8:30 am Grace & Gaetano Puleo by Stephanie & Children

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2024

8:30am Tommy Capriola by Martha-Jean Rosiello

7:30pm Rose Giberti by St. Bernard Friends

Purgatorial Mass

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2024

9:00am George Delgrosso by cousin Ed Houston

5:00pm Thomas P. Quinn by Michele Obdyke
Charles Roias by The Goldberg Family
Jeanette Savino by Nick & Ellie Graziano

7:30pm Peter Modica & Clement Pollio by Sandra, Stephen, Matthew & Christopher

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024

8:30am Joseph A. Gencarelli Sr. by Barbara & Karen Johnsen

10:00am Flora Iannarelli by The Conti Family

11:30am Lena Pizzo by The DePalma Family
Gerald Sarni by The DePalma Family

Purgatorial Society

Kathy Bruni
Mark James Comneck
Michael Moore

Altar Bread:

In Loving Memory of John Zarcone (Anniversary)
Donated by his Family

Altar Wine:

In Loving Memory of John Zarcone (Anniversary)
Donated by his Family

Altar Candles:

In Loving Memory of Tommy Capriola
Donated by Faith Perlowitz

Tabernacle Candle:

In Loving Memory of Rose Giberti
Donated by St. Bernard Friends

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Church Bells:

In Loving Memory of Tommy Capriola (Anniversary)
Donated by St. Bernard Friends

Altar Flowers:

In Loving Memory of Tommy Capriola (Anniversary)
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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

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Christine Alamia
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Francis Arcati
Marilyn Augello
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Janet Commisso
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Irma Cruz
Samantha Curreri
Gabriella Cutrone
Josephine Dai
Francine Danza
Tania Davis
Pamela DeCesare
Phyllis DeCesare
Vicky DeGruccio
Frances DePace
Ed Desantis
Diane DiAngelo
Rosa Diaz
Rosa DiBerardino
Mildred Diel
Donna Donzella
James Donzella
Gia Marie Duffy
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Aiden Estrella
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Ken Healy
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Gianni Incandela
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William Kenney
Kiera Sophie
Annette Kyle
Angelina Larrymore
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Greyson Livia
Barbara Lopez
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Allan Maloney
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Yolanda Maranga
Steven Marinelli
Joseph Marino
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Lurline Martineau
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Mackenzie McCallion
Eddie Boy McCarthy
Christine McCartney
Kelsey McCartney
Nancy McCormick
Edna McGuinness
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Linda Testagrose
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Ryan Torgerson
Jennifer Tortorici
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Salvatore Ventrice
Stephen Wiegand
Thomas Yorke
Lily Zemel

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

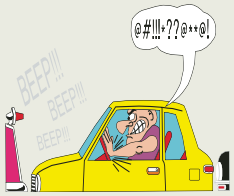
Yolanda & Thomas Quinn

Donated by Doreen & Anthony Fandacone

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.

Mass of Remembrance-All Soul's Day

On Saturday, November 2nd at 7:30pm there will be a special Mass of Remembrance for all those who have died this past year. Invitations have been sent to families whose loved ones were buried from St. Bernard Parish; however, anyone who has lost a loved one between **November 1, 2023 and the present time** is also invited to attend this mass. Please call the Rectory Office and speak to Angela no later than Monday, October 28th so that preparations can be made. We will need the name of your loved one & a picture (if you would like us to include one). If you will be attending, we ask that you arrive early to check in at the table by the main entrance **before** Mass begins. You will receive a candle to light in memory of your loved one.



Defensive Driving Class
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Saturday, November 16, 2024
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10:00 a.m. $50.00 per person
Call Andrea at 718-965-7375 Ext. 1601
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GET A HEAD-START ON YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING!
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OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW IN OUR FAITH EVENT SCHEDULE

Every Thursday Evening 7pm-Holy Spirit Prayer Group
November 22nd & 23rd-"Be the Light" Evangelization Workshop
October 16th-November 27th-Catholic Mysticism & The Beautiful Life of Grace
December 2nd, 9th & 16th-Advent Bible Study: The Infancy Narratives of St. Luke
December 14th-Advent Morning of Recollection with Sr. Ave Clark O.P.

FLYERS WITH DETAILS WILL BE AVAILABLE PRIOR TO EACH EVENT

ALL SAINTS DAY

Friday, November 1st is All Saint's Day.
It is a Holy Day of Obligation.
Masses will be at 8:30am & 7:30pm

FALL BACK
Don't forget daylight savings time is next Sunday, November 3rd!
Set your clocks 1 hour BACK Saturday before going to bed!

Bereavement Ministry

Working Our Way Through Grief
A journey from grief to healing for people coping with the loss of a loved one.
Saturday, November 16, 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

Over the past few weeks, we have been including inserts in the parish bulletin with details about the Annual Catholic Appeal. We would like to share the current status of our Annual Catholic Appeal here at St. Bernard. Our parish goal is $57,669, and we need to meet this goal by December 31st. While it may seem like a significant amount, thanks to the generosity of families, we have already received $$43,910 in pledges. <u>Please remember that it's not about how much you contribute</u>; what matters most is that each of us participates, making this a unified parish effort as we support the Church throughout Queens and Brooklyn. We have over 1,000 registered families in our parish and have received pledges from only 108! If every family gave something we could reach out Diocesan goal and everything over our goal comes back to our Parish for our use!

If you have already made your pledge

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! Your generosity and kindness are greatly appreciated!

If you have not - Please support the 2024 Annual Catholic

YOU CAN SCAN HERE FROM YOUR PHONE AND YOU WILL BE GUIDED THROUGH THE DONATION PROCESS!

Thank you! Thank You! Thank You!

Faith Formation News

Visit The Kids Korner

- Mass intention cards for all of the children in our parish community.
- Weekly envelopes as part of a Stewardship effort for the children to understand and participate in the gift of giving.
- Reading material and resources for children and families.

Take a look each week for activities or reading material and other little surprises that will reinforce the message of the Gospel. Imagine the conversation on the way home from church.

On November 9, 2024
at 12:00pm there will be Mass for
Anointing of the Sick.
Anointing of the Sick is NOT last rites. It is for anyone who's health is seriously impaired. Someone being treated for cancer, ongoing conditions such as sickle cell or asthma, the elderly who's health has declined, someone with mental illness, anxiety or depression, even someone who is preparing for an operation.

Perform a Random Act of Kindness

Reverse trick or treating
Spend some time making Halloween treats with your kids. On Halloween night put on your costumes and go out together to GIVE your treats away. You might take them to a Seniors' home, food bank, people that work for the community, such as nurses, police, and fire-fighters and Children's hospital (check first).

St. Bernard Sports Program

is excited to announce that their premier Co-ed basketball experience is back for another thrilling season. This In-House program for players of all ability levels in grades 2-8 begins in October, consists of a full game schedule with standings and playoffs, and culminates with a championship game in February. Grades 2-5 play on Saturdays and Grades 6-8 play on Tuesday evenings. Our clinic for grades pre-k, k and 1st grade remain instructional only and no games are played. Registration is open! Use the following link : (https://forms.gle/ysFTZvdhay81ii9)

Post Cana Day

There will be a Post Cana Day for couples married about 5 years or less on Sunday, November 17th beginning with 11:30am Mass. There will be a gathering afterwards.
Please call the rectory for further information

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)
Michael Gargano Jr. (Navy)
Marcello Gargano (Army)
Joseph Milone (Marines)
Ryan Moravcik (Army-Cavalry Scout)
Liam O'Connell (Navy)

St. Bernard Weekly Mass Attendance
Weekend of October 19 & October 20, 2024
Saturday October 19th 5:00pm-221
Sunday, October 20th 8:30am-82
Sunday, October 20th 10:00am-107
Sunday, October 20th 11:30am-432
Total Weekend Attendance-842

Stewardship Thought

"And Jesus said to him, 'Go your way; your faith has made you well.' And immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way." (MARK 10:52)

Faith is believing in something even though you may not be able to physically see it. Many people think that miracles don't happen anymore. This is hard, but try to focus on the positive and not the negative things in your life. When you focus on your blessings instead of your hardships, miracles will seem common. You will see God's active presence in your daily life. You will begin to develop an attitude of gratitude.

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Devotions

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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 Fr. Maduri, Fr. Mike, Dcn. Frank, Dcn. Chris or Dcn. Herb.

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. Fr. Maduri.

Consider Leaving a Legacy of Faith

Remember Our Parish in Your Will

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