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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.
NATIONAL HOLIDAYS - RECTORY CLOSED

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Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word
Fifth Sunday of Lent

HOW DO WE WELCOME JESUS?

As with Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday brings out many more people to Sunday worship of God at Mass than normally happens. Like many priests and parishioners, I have often wondered why people who refuse to give God one hour of their time just once a week, or refuse the gift of the Eucharist, get so excited about ashes and palms when these are not the heart and soul of Christian faith. They are symbols of what is the heart of our faith: giving God His due worship through Mass, fidelity to Sacred Scripture and the Church, works of charity and justice, conversion of life, and keeping His command regarding the Eucharist, "Do this in memory of Me," which we do everyday and especially on the Sunday Sabbath.

As we come to this Palm Sunday, we can leave the church building in one of three ways that were shown by the people who once greeted our Lord as He entered Jerusalem. We need to honestly reflect and ask ourselves which it will be.

The Palms are received as a sign of welcome of the Lord into our lives as we dedicate ourselves to faithfulness to the Lord by following His commandments, especially the law of love, by forming our consciences in accordance with all that has been revealed by God through Sacred Scripture (the Bible) and Sacred Tradition (the ongoing presence of the Holy Spirit guiding the teachings of His Church); through greater works of charity and justice towards all people without distinction, to lives of prayer and devotion, mercy and compassion; in sum, to try to live more as Jesus did.

The Palms are received but like many in the crowd in Jesus' time, as soon as the event is over we go back to our own lives and live as functional atheists where the Faith has little impact on our lives, our choices, or our consciences. We can do this through indifference or priorities that get in the way of giving the Lord a true welcome into our lives.

The Palms are received but like some in the crowd in Jesus' time, only a few days later were yelling, "Crucify Him" just to go along with the crowd rather than standing with the truth. We can do this by supporting things that totally contradict God's voice speaking to us Sacred Scripture, the teaching of the Church, and the call to charity. Justice, mercy and peace.

Perhaps we can all spend the coming days before the Sacred Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter) asking ourselves where we stand.

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 May 6, 2025

This Month's Winner of $150.00 is

Elvia du Saire

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

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

This weekend's second collection is a Parish Collection for Higher Electric & Heating Costs.

Thank you always for your generosity! It is greatly appreciated!

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 2025

9:00am Patricia Timony by Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Berger

5:00pm Mr. & Mrs. S. Stacey by Carol & Peter

SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025

8:30am Frederick & Josephine Houston by son Edward

10:00am Pat & Ann Rega by Jennifer, John, Julianna & Nicholas

11:30am Anthony Brennan Jr. by Phyllis & Michael Sorrentino
Margurite Lopez by Mr. & Mrs. Edward McCarthy
Frank Ribaudo by Mr. & Mrs. Edward McCarthy

MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2025

8:30am Sally & Anthony Grossi by Teresa & Thomas Sorrentino
James & Dorothy Carsten by Tina Moore

People of the Parish

TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2025

8:30am Fr. Joe In Loving Memory Missy & Chris
Carmine Happy Heavenly 5th Anniversary Miss & Love You Connie

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 2025

8:30am Mary Grossi by Teresa & Thomas Sorrentino

THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2025

8:30am Morning Prayer-No Mass

7:30pm Frank, Nancy & Angelo Chimento by The Gradilone Family

FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 2025

8:30am Morning Prayer-No Mass

3:00pm Service

4:40pm Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2025

9:00am Morning Prayer-No Mass

5:00pm John & Antoinette Zarcone & Larry DeAngelo Jr. by their Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2025

8:30am Rose F. Flanagan by Renee & Thomas Sorrentino
Mary & Carmine Grossi by Teresa & Thomas Sorrentino

10:00am Maria Adragna DeVito by Teresa & Thomas Sorrentino

11:30am Collin John Smith by Roy & Rejenne Smith

As most of you know Deacon Frank has been serving the people of our parish for many years now and on Sunday, May 4th, he will celebrate 35 years of Diaconal ministry here at St. Bernard's. A Mass of Thanksgiving will take place on Sunday, May 4th at the 11:30am Mass. All are invited to attend. Reception to follow in the parish hall.

Memorials

Tabernacle Candle:

In Loving Memory of Edward Soldyn
Donated by his Wife & Children

Church Bells:

In Loving Memory of Larry DeAngelo Jr.
Donated by his Family

RCIA

Please pray for those receiving their Sacraments at the Easter Vigil.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

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V.B.
Claudio Accardo
Christine Alamia
Jack Albin
Rosa Andreani
Debra Antoci
Francis Arcati
Marilyn Augello
Anna Barone
Jourdanna Barton
Christine Palumbo Beck
Nicholas Berlingieri
Lizette Borquero
Paul Brienza
Margaret Bracco
Arline Brack
Michael C.
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Gary Camarda
Mary Campisi
Elaine Capper
Ana Caraballo
Joseph Carone
Carmine Carriero, Jr.
Domenic Carriero
Jeanne Castello
Clare Cawthon
Danel Cham
Nick Codella
Julia Comer
Sheila Connors
Angela Marie Consenza
Daniel Commisso
Janet Commisso
Angela Marie Cosenza
Irma Cruz
Samantha Curreri
Gabriella Cutrone
Josephine Dai
Francine Danza
Tania Davis
Marianna DeCarlo
Pamela DeCesare
Phyllis DeCesare
Samantha DiGennaro
Vicky DeGruccio
Maureen DeMarinis
Frances DePace
Ed Desantis
Diane DiAngelo
Rosa Diaz
Rosa DiBerardino
Mildred Diel
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James Donzella
Gia Marie Duffy
Stephen J. Esposito
Aiden Estrella
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Pat Fallon
Adriana Farrell
Tracy Farrell
Natalie Ferber
Rosemary Fesinstine
Anthony Filippazzo
Ruppert Fontenelle
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Odette Gaudard
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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
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Sofia Russo
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Joseph Sanfratello
Robert Sansone
Joanne Sarnicola
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Carol Schroeder
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Erik Seidel
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Shawn Anthony Smith
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Sue Ann Spotts
Maureen Stewart
Troy Tamburo
Cigdem Tanriverdi
Linda Testagrose
William A. Thomas
Ryan Torgerson
Jennifer Tortorici
Geraldine Ventrice
Salvatore Ventrice
Stephen Wiegand
Thomas Yorke
Lily Zemel

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday, April 13, 2025
Saturday 5:00pm, 7:00pm Spanish, Sunday 8:30am, 10:00am & 11:30am
(Procession of Palms from Academy Building)
Reconciliation Monday, Monday, April 14, 2025
Confessions in the Reconciliation room in the Chapel
9:00am-10:00am & 4:00pm-7:00pm
Holy Thursday, April 17, 2025
Morning Prayer 8:30am, Mass of the Lord's Supper with Eucharistic Adoration 7:30pm
Good Friday, April 18, 2025
Morning Prayer 8:30am, Liturgy of the Lord's Passion with Stations of the Cross Procession in the Neighborhood followed by Soup Supper 3:00pm, Liturgy of the Lord's Passion in Spanish 7:00pm
Holy Saturday, April 19, 2025
Morning Prayer 9:00am, Blessing of Food 11:00am, Easter Vigil 8:00pm
Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025
8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am & Spanish Mass 1:00pm

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Faith Formation News

First Holy Communion
Saturday, May 17, 2025
St. Bernard School of Religion ~ 11:00 am/ St. Bernard Academy ~1:00 pm
Communion Practice School of Religion
Wednesday May 14th 4:00pm~5:30pm in Church Children Only
Communion Practice Academy
Thursday May 15th 3:30pm~4:30pm in Church Children Only

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 April 30,17
(NO CLASS on April 16th & 23rd Winter Recess & Easter Break)
Wednesday May 7,14,21

Save The Date!!

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BIG SMOKE

Tuesday, June 3, 2025 Starting at 6:30 p.m.
Hudson River Yacht Club
For More Information or Early Registration
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Join Pack & Troop 76

in celebration on April 27th, 2025
This is a day celebrated by Scouting across America
Troop 76 & Pack 76 along with family and friends will attend the 10:00 a.m. Mass in St. Bernard Church
Followed by Refreshments in the Parish Hall
ALL ARE WELCOME
Adults $20.00 ~ Under age 11~ $10.00
Tickets at the door are $15.00 higher
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A scout is reverent.

Bergen Beach Sports & Recreation Camp

at St. Bernard Catholic Academy
Open House/Registration in Lobby of Academy Building
Saturday, May 3rd, 2025
11:00a.m. ~ 1:00p.m.
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St. Bernard Weekly Mass Attendance

Weekend of April 5
& April 6, 2025

Saturday, April 5th 5:00pm~205
Sunday, April 6th 8:30am~85
Sunday, April 6th 10:00am~150
Sunday, April 6th 11:30am~165
Total~605

Stewardship Thought

"…I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me." (LUKE 22:34)

How many times have you heard someone make a disparaging comment about God or our Catholic faith? How did you react? Do you remain quiet so not to cause a disturbance? Or, because you don't want people to think negatively about you? Or, because you don't think you know enough about the Catholic faith? Pray for the courage to speak up and enter into a respectful conversation when the opportunity to talk about our faith arises. Joyfully share your faith with others.

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)
Andrew-Jude Lao (SPCI Air Force)
Joseph Milone (Marines)
Ryan Moravcik (Army-Cavalry Scout)
Liam O'Connell (Navy)

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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.

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