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Sundays

Saturday at 5:00 p.m.
Sundays: 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.- 5:30 p.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. -11:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.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
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

GENEROSITY

Many of us have heard the truth of God's generosity in the words, 'God is not outdone in generosity.' It is this realization that has led so many over millennia to make great sacrifices in the name of the Lord even to the offering of their lives. It is a faith conviction that has brought immeasurable inner freedom to those wise enough to embrace and trust in God's manifold generosity. In today's first reading from the Book of Genesis and the Gospel of St. Luke we see the generosity of other people as well as God's even greater generosity. In the Book of Genesis, Abraham sees the three men visiting his tent. He could have easily ignored these three strangers but his faith would not allow that instead serving them food and drink. Abraham did this out of the goodness of his heart without expecting or looking for anything in return. Yet we see vividly that God is truly not outdone is generosity when Abraham's own generosity to the three men is returned with the promise, "Sarah will have a son." As Abraham gifts the three men with food for their bodies God now gifts Abraham and his wife Sarah with a son. In the Gospel reading from St. Luke, we see Martha going about the tasks of preparing the home for the Lord's visit while her sister Mary is at the feet of Jesus. At first our Lord's reaction to Martha's hectic activity sounds contradictory. After all, Martha is being very generous with her time. Our Lord recognizes and honors Martha's service but He is reminding her that 'God is not outdone in generosity.' When all is said and done God offers to Martha and Mary, and all of us, the greatest gift which is His Son. As Martha gifts Jesus with her service so our Lord gifts Martha with His words of life and peace. He is inviting Martha to recognize what the Lord in His turn is doing for her. The greatest gift that God can bestow on anyone is the gift of life. In the Book of Genesis, the new life of a son is given to Abraham and Martha. In the Gospel the life of God's son is given to us. Both speak to God's revelation of Himself as Lord and Giver of life. God is truly never outdone in generosity. God along can give life. God alone can save us from sin and death. God alone can forgive sin and bring us to newness of life. God alone can give the peace the world cannot give nor take away. God alone can bring light in the darkness, hope in difficulty, peace in disorder, life from death. If we seek to live in the light of God's generosity, then like Martha's sister Mary in today's Gospel, we must also be at the feet of Jesus, listening to His words and with great generosity serve both the spiritual and material needs of those whom the Lord sends across the path of our lives.
Fr. John Maduri

Dear Parishioners:
I had the opportunity the week of July 7th to join Bishop Robert Brennan and nine priests of our diocese to visit a migrant farm and other migrant communities outside of Seattle, Washington. The trip was sponsored by the Catholic Extension Society. It was a moving experience for all of us as we saw not only the hard labor that these men and women undertook but also the joyful faith that they exhibited. Despite the heat and long hours, the people working these communities during the growing season found time to participate in Mass and other times of prayer and devotion together. Families with laughing children abounded. While materially they had little it was obvious that they were rich in the important things: faith, family, and community where they helped each other in true Christian fashion.

Most Reverend Joseph Tyson, Bishop of Yakima, spent three days with us showing us around parts of the diocese and the work of the Church with the migrant communities. It was edifying to see a Bishop whom everyone knew no matter where he went. Adults and children would run up to him to greet him when he arrived without fanfare. He celebrated Mass with us and for the people, and participated in the life of the communities joining the families in meals and prayer, and the children and youth in pinata celebrations.

One of the reasons the Catholic Extension Society, through the Lilly Foundation, brings pastors on these trips is to enable us to see the extraordinary work of the Church through the Society and to seek assistance from our local parish communities in the work of the Church with those on the margins of society. During Advent I will speak more about how our parishes of Mary Queen of Heaven and St. Bernard of Clairvaux can assist the children in one of the migrant communities we visited. In the meantime, please keep the work of the Catholic Extension Society in your prayers.

On Sunday afternoon July 13th I left New York to head to Franciscan University of Steubenville to complete my third and final two weeks of a summer intensive course on spiritual direction before being certified. It has been a long road with much work but it has been very much worthwhile. I will be returning to our parishes on Saturday July 26th. I look forward to seeing you then.

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. John Maduri
Pastor

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

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JULY 19, 2025	
9:00am	Lucy Capalbo
5:00pm	Louise Saltalamacchia by Donna Saltalamacchia
SUNDAY, JULY 20, 2025	
9:00am	Leonard A. Lattanzio by Terry & Thomas Sorrentino
11:00am	Joe Caiazzo by JoAnn & Frank Balsamo
5:30pm	Gina Ferranti
MONDAY, JULY 21, 2025	
8:30am	Lucy Anna Capalbo by Rita Damato
	People of the Parish
TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2025	
8:30am	Mary G. Sharkey by Annette & Richard Hinners
WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 2025	
8:30am	Lucy & Ugo Capalbo by Stephanie Puleo
THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2025	
8:30am	Lucy Capalbo by Miriam Soldyn
FRIDAY, JULY 25, 2025	
8:30am	Lucy Day by Elizabeth Happy Heavenly Birthday
SATURDAY, JULY 26, 2025	
9:00am	Clement Pollio by his Family
5:00pm	Regina Mulligan by Eileen & Robert Magnavito & Family
SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2025	
9:00am	Giuseppe Libratore by his wife Lidia, Children Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren
11:00am	Susanne MacBride by Renee & Thomas Sorrentino Theresa Kenna by Rosemary E. Somma & Family Vivian Micucci by Martha-Jean Rosiello
5:00pm	Bernard & Jennie Maduri by Wanda Lucci

Sick List Announcement

There are many names on the sick list that have been here for years. We are asking you to please call the rectory, 718.763.5533, if you have a loved one that you wish to remain on the list. We will gladly leave it on there. Within the next few weeks we will be removing the names of those we do not hear from.

Thank you to those that have already called the rectory & for your help with this.

Memorials

Altar Bread:

In Loving Memory of Clement Pollio
Donated by His Family

Church Bells:

In Loving Memory of
Annette & Nunzio Mastromarino
Donated by Matthew & Christopher

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
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Gary Camarda
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
Donna Donzella
James Donzella
Gia Marie Duffy
Stephen J. Esposito
Aiden Estrella
John Fahey
Pat Fallon
Adriana Farrell
Tracy Farrell
Natalie Ferber
Rosemary Fesinstine
Anthony Filippazzo
Ruppert Fontenelle
Marisa Fullam
Alexandra Gagliardi
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Tina Giberti
Mark Gottlieb
Robin Gottlieb
Nicholas Grillo
John Gullo
Cindy Guzzo
Ken Healy
Gregoria Hernandez
John
J.H.
June Honovich
CarolAnn Howe
Gianni Incandela
Laura Johnson
Jennifer Karayeanes
William Kenney
Kiera Sophie
Ann Klauss
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
Katherine Marra
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
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Craig Rosen
Aida Rosiello
Sal Rubino
Nikki Russo
Sofia Russo
Gasper Sacco
Joseph Sanfratello
Robert Sansone
Joanne Sarnicola
Jerry Sarni
Laura Scattereggia
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Alberta Sirett
Michael Skody
Alexandra Smith
Shawn Anthony Smith
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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 2025/2026
Kindergarten through 7th Grade
All fees for 2024-2025 must be paid to re-register.

Please share this information with anyone you know who is interested in our Faith Formation program. $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. We accept Cash, Check, Credit Card, Venmo & Zelle.

SAVE THE DATE

Our Parish Block Party will be on
Sunday, September 14, 2025
Rain Date: Sunday, September 21, 2025
More Info To Follow!

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

Anthony Brannan Jr. Love, The Five Families

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.

The Feast in honor of

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Thursday, July 24th through Sunday, July 27th
5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
There will be a special Mass on Sunday, July 27th
Everyone is invited to attend!

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!

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) is a process by which a person prepares to become a member of the Roman Catholic Church. The process is one of inquiry, evangelization, prayer, study and conversion, leading to one's entrance into the church through Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist. RCIA welcomes the unbaptized as well as those baptized in other Christian traditions. RCIA also welcomes those who have been baptized Catholic but who have not completed their sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation. **Anyone who is interested in participating in this program is asked to call the Rectory now and speak to Deacon Frank.**

Summer Rosary

We are happy to announce that we have once again begun reciting the Rosary on Tuesday evenings in our Parish Gardens starting 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. We ask her to intercede with her Son and we implore her maternal care for all of her children.
ALL ARE WELCOME!

Stewardship Thought

"…I am a minister in accordance with God's stewardship given to me to bring to completion for you the word of God." COLOSSIANS 1:25

We are all called to evangelize – to convert individuals and society by the divine power of the Gospel. Our faith is more attractive to others by our actions than by our words alone. We may not be called to evangelize like St. Paul, but we should look for opportunities to share our faith through our actions and words, especially with those closest to us, like our family, friends, and neighbors. Pray for the courage to joyfully express your faith the next time the opportunity arises.

We will be selling Our Lady of Mount Carmel Candles that you can memorialize, raffle tickets & 50/50 boxes right outside the church from 5:00pm-10:00pm through Thursday, July 24th through Sunday, July 27th

If you are able to volunteer to sell at our table please contact Sandra at the rectory 718.763.5533 or return the form below to the rectory.

Any help would be greatly appreciated!

I am volunteering for the following night(s):

Thursday, July 24th_____

Times available_____

Friday, July 25th_____

Times available_____

Saturday, July 26th_____

Times available_____

Sunday, July 27th_____

Times available_____

Name_____

Cell #_____

Email_____

Active Parish Campaign Summary

Annual Appeal Goal for 2025: $51,902.

Amount Pledged: $34,912. (as of 7/14/25)

Amount Received: $30,536.

Donors: 72

There are 1,000 families registered in our Parish – imagine if every family gave something! If each family gave $100 that would mean **$100,000**! That would make us reach our goal which supports the Ministries and Programs of the Diocese and we would have the remaining amount returned to our parish for ***our*** Ministries and Programs.

Of course, no gift is too large or too small!

Give WHAT YOU CAN When you can!

If you have already made your pledge – Thank you!

If you have not - Please support the

2025 Annual Catholic Appeal. Thank You!

Watch the ACA video and see our own Deacon Chris Wagner talk about how the ACA helped with his Formation!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0H-QNBivn9I

Matthew 25 Ministry Operation Backpack

Think it's too early to think about *back-to-school?* Not for

Operation Backpack!

Thousands of school-age children in New York City are homeless and one of the most devastating consequences of homelessness is the impact it can have on a child's education. Frequent school transfers and the stigma associated with living in a shelter add up to great hardship for these children. **Saint Bernard Parish will be participating again this year to help thousands of homeless children on their first day of classes.**

We will have a collection box in the vestibule of the Church in the coming weeks. Won't you please consider donating a new backpack?

We will not be collecting school supplies

ONLY BACKPACKS

We will be collecting through the end of July. Also, please feel free to drop any off at the rectory at any time!

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 (SPC1 Space Force)
Joseph Milone (Marines)
Ryan Moravcik (Army-Cavalry Scout)
Liam O'Connell (Navy)

Perform a Random Act of Kindness

St. Bernard Weekly Mass Attendance
Weekend of July 12 & July 13, 2025

Saturday, July 12th 5:00pm- 127
Sunday, July 13th 9:00am-125
Sunday, July 13th 11:00am-198
Sunday, July 13th 5:30pm-27
Total-477

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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 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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