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Mass Schedule

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
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

BAPTIZED WITH FIRE

When most of us think of baptism we immediately think of water. It was in the waters of the Jordan River that our Lord was baptized by John. Yet John would acknowledge that his baptism was incomplete, that another would come to baptize with the Holy Spirit and with fire. That is exactly what our Lord did and still does time and again at the celebration of the sacrament of baptism. We all know that fire can be destructive and deadly; but it can also be transforming as gold in a furnace. To understand what our Lord is telling us when he speaks about setting the world ablaze or on fire, we need to know what fire means in Sacred Scripture. It refers to God's presence, His glory and holiness, and His power and justice. To set the world ablaze shows forth our Lord's desire that every single person know God's presence, glory, holiness, justice and power. In fact, he so seeks our union with God that we should become reflections of God since we made in His image and likeness. Why then would our Lord add immediately that there would be division, even in one's household? The answer goes back to free will. Some will use their freedom to allow God to mold them more fully into His image and likeness. Others, conversely, will us their freedom to reject God and His holiness. There are times when people who are striving to live this baptism by water, fire and the Spirit find themselves feeling almost out of place in a world that seems to have little room for God and a Biblical world-view. Yet alone we are not. The writer of the letter to the Hebrews reminds us that we are "surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses." We in fact are never alone as we make this assent to God. Countless millions have done so, and continue to do so, from our Blessed Mother and St. Joseph, to the apostles and martyrs, the saints and blesseds, and ordinary people in every walk of life who live lives of quiet faith and trust. The adventure of faith is just that, an adventure into mystery and joy, to life and true freedom. The Lord has indeed set the world ablaze. Are we ready to allow the fire to envelop us so that as gold in the furnace we too may become the new creation that God continually invites us to be?
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 September 2, 2025

This Month's Winner of $225 is Fred Frederic

New Mass Schedule
Please note that our New Mass Schedule has begun begin on Sunday, July 6th.
Sunday Masses will be at
9:00am, 11:00am & 5:30pm
Saturday evening Mass remains at 5:00pm

Rectory Hours
Monday thru Friday 9:00am-7:00pm
Saturday& Sunday 9:00am-1:00pm

SAVE THE DATE

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

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, AUGUST 16, 2025	
9:00am	Gina & John Ferranti by Ilene & Frank Salerno
5:00pm	Mr. & Mrs. A. Visconti Love Carol & Peter
SUNDAY, AUGUST 17, 2025	
9:00am	Mrs. Mary Bonin by Sandra & Nickolas Burriesci
11:00am	Susanne MacBride by Terry & Thomas Sorrentino Theresa Kenna by Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Berger & Family Leonard A. Lattanzio by Barbara Fox Aldo & Lenny Lattanzio by Richard & Annette Hinners
5:30pm	Anthony Vigliante by loving wife MaryAnn, Children & Grandchildren
MONDAY, AUGUST 18, 2025	
8:30am	Joseph Trincilla by his Family (Anniversary) People of the Parish
TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2025	
8:30am	Happy Birthday Danielle Gallagher Love Mom & Dad DeMarinis
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2025	
8:30am	Brian & Stephen Houston by Uncle Eddie
7:00pm	Feast of St. Bernard
THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 2025	
8:30am	Franco & Elisabetta Liberatore by Lidia Liberatore
FRIDAY, AUGUST 22, 2025	
8:30am	Angelina & Charles Leo by Stephanie Puleo
SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 2025	
9:00am	Metro Nazareth by The Arcabascio Family
5:00pm	Helen Donnelly by Mary Cooper Robert McCartney by The Young Family Mary Lisa by Rita Damato
SUNDAY, AUGUST 24, 2025	
9:00am	Richard Fallon by Joe Fallon & Family
11:00am	Joseph Rosiello by your loving Family (4th Anniversary in Heaven)
5:30pm	Mary Lisa by Anna & Mario Lattanzio

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 & with your help with this.

Memorials

Altar Bread:

In Loving Memory of Mrs. Mary Bonin
Donated by Renee & Thomas Sorrenitno

Altar Wine:

In Loving Memory of Anthony J. Vigliante
Donated by Loving Wife MaryAnn, Children & Grandchildren

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

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V.B.
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Jack Albin
Rosa Andreani
Debra Antoci
Francis Arcati
Marilyn Augello
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Jourdanna Barton
Christine Palumbo Beck
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Arline Brack
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Michael C.
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Diane Camacho
Gary Camarda
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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
Teresa Fornaro
Marisa Fullam
Alexandra Gagliardi
Karen Gallagher
Patricia Gallagher
Peter J. Gallagher
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Courtney James Garrisson Jr.
Thomas Garziniti
Odette Gaudard
Margaret Generoso
Ellen Gentile
Connor Patrick Geoghagen
Ida Giannettino
Francine Giannotti
Carole Gibbons
Tina Giberti
Mark Gottlieb
Robin Gottlieb
Nicholas Grillo
John Gullo
Cindy Guzzo
Ken Healy
Gregoria Hernandez
John
J.H.
Ryan Hoefel
June Honovich
CarolAnn Howe
Gianni Incandela
Laura Johnson
Micha Edmond Jordan
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
Brian Morgan
Joseph Mosiello
Tanya Ortiz
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Sandra Pena
Jo-Ann Piazza
Nicholas Piccio
Jerry Pottak
William Prussing
Corinne Ramaglia
Alexa Ramos
Phillip Ramos
Antonio Reda
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Jacob and Jaxson Rivera
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Maureen Stewart
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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. Anyone interested in volunteering to help out with Religious Education, please call the rectory, 718.763.5533.

FEAST OF ST. BERNARD

This year the Feast of St. Bernard falls on
Wednesday, August 20th.
We will have a special Mass for our Patron, St. Bernard at 7:00pm followed by refreshments.

A Chapel Chair Plaque has been added to our Morning Chapel In Memory of

John Ferranti

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If you would like to add a Chapel Chair Plaque our Morning Chapel "In Memory of" or "In honor of" your loved ones, forms are available in the church & Rectory.

Music Ministry Notes

Have you ever wanted to join our Choir but did not have the time? Now is your chance!
Consider joining our Summer Choir which will sing at the 11am Sunday Mass throughout the Summer. We will rehearse every Sunday 20 minutes before the 11am Mass. This is a great opportunity to serve our Parish with your time and talent during the slower summer months.
If interested, please see our Director of Music Ernest Buckley after Mass or call: 718.809.7666.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (O.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. OCIA welcomes the unbaptized as well as those baptized in other Christian traditions. OCIA 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.**

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!

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. THE LASAT DAY FOR SUMMER ROSARY WILL BE TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2025
Continue to Pray the Rosary Each Day!
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

"Do you think I have come to give you peace on Earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." LUKE 12:51
Many of us like to play it safe, not cause waves with our family and friends, especially when it comes to politics and religion. We don't want to cause any turmoil. However, many times this is at the expense of the truth. The truth being Jesus Christ. Too many people are misguided because they rely on their own limited human ability to reason and are not allowing faith in God to guide them. Form your conscience; take a stance for life, marriage, and religious liberty.

Save The Date!

The St. Bernard Rosary Society Will Be Hosting a Murder Mystery Night On Saturday, November 8th, 2025

Mark Your Calendar!

Details To Follow.

Call 917-698-5506 For Information!

Be There Or Be Square!

Defensive Driving Class

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Saturday, September 13, 2025
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2030 East 69th Street
10:00 a.m. $50.00 per person
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Proceeds Benefit Saint Bernard Academy

FAMILY MASS

We are excited to announce that we will have a family mass grades 1 through 4 once a month beginning in the fall.

St. Bernard Sports News
St. Bernard In House Basketball 2025-2026

St. Bernard Sports offers an in-house basketball program for boys and girls in Kindergarten through 8th Grade.

Saturdays
October 4-January 31
K-1(Clinic): 9am-10am
Instructional clinic with drills & stations teaching beginners the fundamentals of basketball.
Grades 2&3: 10am or 11am
Grades 4&5: 12pm or 1pm
(Time alternates weekly)
A combination of skills development & games. Players will be divided into teams & play full schedule concluding with playoffs.

Tuesdays
October 7-February 3
Grades 6-8: 5:30pm or 6:30pm
(Times alternating)
A combination of skills development & games. Players will be divided into teams & play full schedule concluding with playoffs.
$275 per player
Message us on Instagram
@StBernardSportsProgram

Email us at StBernardSportsProgram@aol.com

Registration open on August 14th.
Spaces are limited and the program will sell out so please register early to secure your spot.

Diocesan Pilgrimage To The National Basilica of the Immaculate Conception

Friday, October 24th-Saturday October 25th
Departure from St. Bernard 7:30am
Departure from Mary Queen of Heaven 7:45am
12:00pm Arrival at the St. John Paul II National Shrine 3:00pm depart for Hilton Inn & suites at the National Harbor for a relaxing evening at the harbor. Dinner on your own.

Saturday

Breakfast in the hotel
10:00am depart for the National Shrine
11:00 religious program begins
4:00pm depart for New York
$250 PP double Occupancy
Deposit of $125 due by now
Balance of $125 due by September 30th
Please fill out form and return to the rectory.

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 August 9th & August 10th, 2025
Saturday, August 9th 5:00pm- 140
Sunday, August 10th 9:00am-112
Sunday, August 10th 11:00am-200
Sunday, August 10th 5:00pm-19
Total-471

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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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