

# 23rd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - September 8th, 2019

## MASS INTENTIONS



<b>Wednesday</b> 9:15 am	<b>September 11th</b> For the Parish Community
<b>Thursday</b> 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	<b>September 12th</b> Adoration For sick and deceased members of the CWL
<b>Friday</b> 9:30 am 11:00 am	<b>September 13th</b> Mass for St. Bernard School Students St. Bernard Kindergarten service
<b>Saturday</b> 5:00 pm	<b>September 14th</b> † Antonio DeCristo Faro by Lina Maiorino † Eric Cubaynes & Kevin Dillon by the Dillon Family
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 am 11:00 am	<b>September 15th</b> For the Parish Community For the Parish Community



**THE NEXT BAPTISMAL PREPARATION** will be held on **Thursday September 26th** at 7:30 pm and **Baptism** will be held on **Sunday, September 29th** at 9:00 am.

Parents, we encourage you to attend Mass on Sunday and meet Fr. Pereira prior to registering your child for baptism. Please call our parish office, at 613-738-1943, for more information or to register for the next Baptismal Preparation.



Remember in your prayers all who are in need of our prayers that God's healing and comforting presence may be with them, especially: **Mary Dawn Johnston, Andy Quan, Chris McEvoy, Joyce & Bob Lefebvre, Lisa Paquette, Deslyn Agard, Jean-Paul Tremblay, Jacques & Isobel Arcand, Anna Gaigg and Jane Cameron.**

Please contact the parish office to inform us of those who are ill and in need of God's healing and comfort. Renewal of prayers for the sick is available by contacting Pat Gagne (613-523-0769)

### YOUR OFFERINGS:

Regular Collection for Aug 31/Sept 1 **\$2,014.10**  
*Thank you for your generosity and support*

Cash counters for September 15th  
**Jeff Corman & Matt Messenger**

## Pastor's Message

**"My ways are not your ways"**

Time and again Scripture reminds us that God's ways and values are not the human values and ways that dominate in this world. Understanding God's ways is not a human achievement. We have enough problems just trying to understand human nature and mother nature. It takes a gift from God to see and accept the fact that God's ways turn our expectations on their heads. A slave owner does not take back a runaway and treat him like brother, but that is what Paul asks of Philemon to do in the name of Christ. Jesus tells us to hate our parents, spouse, and children. He doesn't mean that literally, of course, but goes to show how high a price early Christians had to pay for being his disciples. They often had to cut their ties with their profession, their friends, and even their families in order to follow Christ. In the passages of the Gospel preceding Sunday's reading Jesus says that the Kingdom is open to all; in today's terms it is all-inclusive but here Jesus stresses the demands, the conditions required of those who are called to enter the Kingdom.

*Fr. Eslin Pereira, CMF*

### PARENT INFORMATION MEETING FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES.

Please note that there will be a mandatory meeting on **Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 pm for parents of Confirmation candidates for 2020.  
More info is available on the St. Bernard website

**PURPOSE, PASSION AND POWER: A one-day retreat for couples** - presented by Magnificat Ministries. An uplifting and grace-filled time to clarify your purpose, rekindle your passion and be clothed with power, to enter more deeply into the mystery of your awesome vocation and thereby live it out more fully and joyfully.

**Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm.**  
**Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish, Russell**  
**\$40.00 per couple.**

To register: contact Melanie Moore at [melanie.joan.moore@gmail.com](mailto:melanie.joan.moore@gmail.com) or 613-496-1696. A free-will offering will be taken in support of the ongoing mission of Magnificat Ministries. Snacks and refreshments will be provided during breaks.

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## Children's Liturgy Schedule



September 8<sup>th</sup> - Rosy Burns  
September 15<sup>th</sup> - Elijah Dorval  
September 22<sup>ND</sup> - Liane de Leon  
September 29<sup>th</sup> - Rosy Burns

The Children's Liturgy team is looking for volunteers to be leaders or helpers at the Sunday 11:00 am mass. This would be an ideal opportunity for parents of children between the ages of 3 and 8 years. Teen helpers would also be most welcome. If you are interested in participating please contact Rosy Burns at 613-523-4801.

**A REMINDER TO ALL THE PARENTS** that every first Sunday of the month there will be a family Mass at 11:00 am and the choir will be led by the youth and children of the parish. If you are interested in joining, contact Joan Mathew at [Joan.T.Mathew@hotmail.com](mailto:Joan.T.Mathew@hotmail.com). There will be a practice on Sunday mornings prior to the family mass.

**MONTHLY PRO-LIFE MASSES:** To pray for the establishment of a Pro-life Centre in Ottawa. Info: [wandawoj@rogers.com](mailto:wandawoj@rogers.com); 613-831-2515. Annunciation of the Lord Parish, 2414 Ogilvie Road. Saturday, September 28th, 9:00am. Everyone welcome.

**ELIMU CHARITY BBQ - Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm** at Holy Cross Church, 685 Walkley Road. Elimu, which means education in Swahili, was started 2 years ago to provide education for children in Kenya. Today Elimu keeps kids in school; uses digital technology to put textbooks into hands that have never held them; and helps vulnerable girls start their own sewing business to gain income and independence and avoid forced early marriages. Visit their website at [www.Elimu.CA](http://www.Elimu.CA) or contact Nina Chung at [nina@elimu.ca](mailto:nina@elimu.ca) 613-863-4609

## **FAITH FORMATION:**

**ALPHA** - Having conversation about life, faith and Jesus can be a challenge! The Alpha program creates a welcoming friendly place where anyone can come and ask questions to explore life, faith and God in a friendly, open and informal environment. In each session there's food, a short talk, and discussion in small groups. At St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Church, 95 Somerset Street West, starting September 10<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm. Info Deacon Guy Dacquay 819-319-7671 or [AlphaStTheresa@gmail.com](mailto:AlphaStTheresa@gmail.com)

**11-WEEK BIBLE STUDY - REVELATION: THE KINGDOM YET TO COME** - by Jeff Cavins: St. John the Apostle Church, 2340 Baseline Road. Mondays starting September 16<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 - 9:00 pm. Facilitated study will demonstrate how the Kingdom established by Christ in His church is connected with the Kingdom of Heaven, especially through the Mass. Learn what the figures and images of Revelation represent, what will happen during the Second coming of Christ, what has already happened, and what is happening now in Salvation history. Cost \$40. Info Karen 613-806-0366, [livesisterhood@gmail.com](mailto:livesisterhood@gmail.com) [www.sisterhood.live/formationprograms](http://www.sisterhood.live/formationprograms).

**DONATIONS BY CREDIT CARD OR INTERAC** to make weekly, monthly, or one time donations: Visit, [saintbernardparish.com](http://saintbernardparish.com), click on Canada Helps to give. Canada Helps will instantly issue you a tax receipt and will forward your donation into our parish account.

**CRA CHARITY NUMBER** - Our parish is registered with CRA as: PAROISSE ST BERNARD 128967353RR0020. This number is needed to setup payroll charity giving.



**United Way**

**Direct Your United Way Contributions to St. Bernard Parish:** Did you know that you are able to direct your United Way contribution to St. Bernard Parish? Simply mark the appropriate section on the reverse of your form to direct your monies to **PAROISSE ST BERNARD**, 1720 St. Bernard Street, Gloucester, Ontario. K1T 1K8. You not only give to United Way but you help your church as well.

**Charity Name: PAROISSE ST BERNARD**  
**BN/Registration Number: 12896 7353 RR0020**



## **WELCOME TO OUR PARISH**

A warm welcome to new parishioners. You are invited to fill out a parish registration form found on the table in the foyer or on our parish website: [www.saintbernardparish.com](http://www.saintbernardparish.com). Please put the completed form into the collection basket during Offertory at Mass.

**Do not be satisfied with little things, because God wants great things.**

*St. Catherine of Siena*