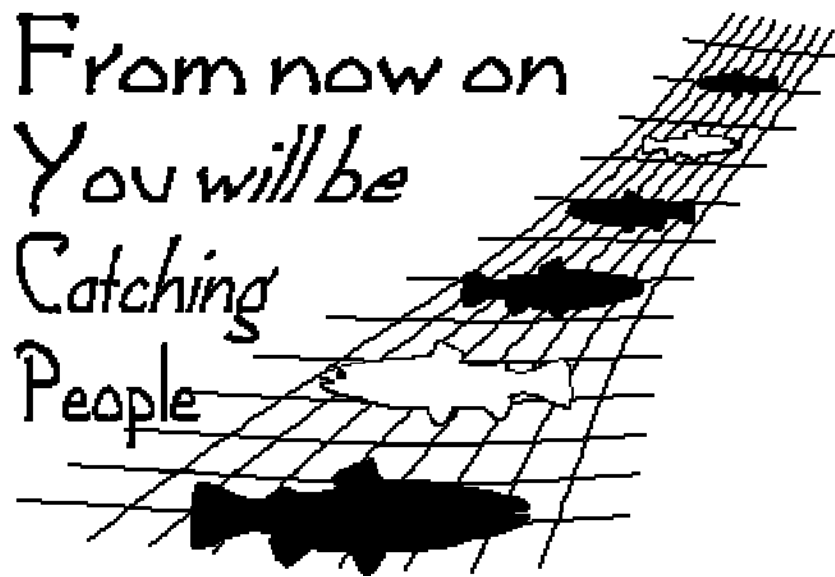


WELCOME

The Community of St. Bernard Parish



SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday 5:00 pm.
Sunday 9:00 am & 11 am (Children's Liturgy)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday 9:15 am.
Thursday 6:00 pm. Eucharistic Adoration
7:00 pm. Mass
Friday 9:15 am.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Parishioners who know of someone who wishes to receive communion at home are encouraged to be ministers of communion to the sick. To receive a pix and short instruction, see Fr. John after any mass.

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St. Bernard School: 613-521-5894
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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Masses For The Week

Tuesday, February 9th

10:30 am. Mass at Hunt Club Manor

Wednesday, February 10th: *Memorial, Saint Scholastica*

9:15 am. For Annabel Legault by Rheel Legault

Thursday, February 11th: *Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of the Sick*

6:00 pm. Eucharistic Adoration

7:00 pm. Margaret Ikkers by St. Bernard's CWL
Ellen Robinson by St. Bernard's CWL

Friday, February 12th

9:15 am. For the Parish Community

Saturday, February 13th

5:00 pm. For Stanley Chodolak by Jay Chodolak
For Natalie Soucy by Mary Broderick
For Robert Mancuso by Rose Nunes

Sunday, February 14th: 6th Sunday in Ordinary

Time 9:00 am. For the Parish community

Marguerite D'Youville First Communion Rite of Enrollment

11:00 am. For the Parish community

Please note: The Lector & Eucharistic Minister Schedule is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

Thank you for your loving service to Our Lord.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

all those in our parish community who are sick and in need of encouragement: *Gerard Tessier, Joseph MacDonald and Tami Thompson*. If you would like a name added to this list please call the office.



Ash Wednesday is coming!

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 17th. Ash Wednesday's ashes are the burned remains of the palms we blessed and distributed last Passion/Palm Sunday. What a wonderful sign of the change of seasons! These ashes are not just an 'earthy' reminder that "we are dust" but more explicitly to "Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel!".

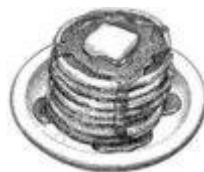
ASH WEDNESDAY MASS IS AT 7 PM. Please note that there is no Mass at 9:15 am.

God does not want only sacrifice. God wants our whole heart.
Psalm 51: 3-6, 18-19

OUR PARISH EVENTS

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

THIS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH



Come on down to the Church hall after our 9:00 & 11:00 Masses and enjoy a pancake breakfast cooked and served by our Knights of Columbus. *Everyone is welcome!*
Donations go to Vocations.

4th DEGREE KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS ASSEMBLY

Meeting: *Tues., Mar. 2nd-7:30 pm.*

ST. BERNARD KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS COUNCIL

Meeting: *This Mon., Feb. 8th - 7:30 pm.*



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Meeting: *Thurs., Feb. 11th at 7:30 pm.* following Mass at 7:00 pm. If you are not a member of the CWL but would like to find out more about them you are always welcome to come and sit in.

SENIOR'S CARD CLUB: The Senior's Card Club meets weekly at 1:00 pm on Wednesdays. Next meeting: *Feb 10th*. All are welcome.

PASTORAL COUNCIL: The Pastoral Council meets every other month. The next meeting will be *Thurs., Mar. 4th at 7:30 pm.* The Pastoral Council is looking for new members. If you wish to help, please contact Father John.

FINANCIAL COUNCIL: The next quarterly meeting of the Financial Council will be scheduled in March.

CEMETERY COUNCIL: This council meets quarterly after the Financial Council meetings.

YOUR OFFERING: January 30/31 - \$2,440.50

Haiti Earthquake - \$160.00

Pavilion Food Bank-\$300.00

Cash Counters for Sun., Feb. 14th – Rita Kamar & Tom Conklin

Thank you for your continued generosity.

MONEY COUNTERS NEEDED: If you would like to help with the Sunday money counting ministry please contact Janet at the office 738-1943 or speak to Fr. John. It is a one-hour commitment once per month. Parent and teenager teams are welcomed!

FEBRUARY 7, 2010 (C)

A WARM WELCOME to our new parish bulletin editor, Suzanne McKenna. Suzanne is responsible for the design and preparation of our weekly bulletin and other parish publications such as the monthly calendar of parish events in addition to the recruitment of advertising spaces on the back page. Check it out....the back page is now full with 15 ad spaces from single space to quad spaces generating a total of \$4,550.00 – another fruitful venture for our parish community!



JANUARY BAPTISMS

We congratulate the following children who joined us this month through the waters of baptism: Dakota daughter of Gilles Dupont & Brandi Roswell

Jaynie & Aislynn daughters of Michael Ion & Aleena Charette



ST. BERNARD JK REGISTRATION is ongoing. JK and SK will be full days next year. If there is enough interest there may also be before and after school care offered at the school. Info: Pls contact school, 623-521-5894.

OTHER INFORMATION RECEIVED

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THE WORD

By the grace of God, I am what I am (1 Cor. 15:10)

Rarely are the three Lectionary readings so integrated as they are this Sunday. They all portray God's call, though in diverse and dramatic fashion. Isaiah, the confidant of kings, receives God's call in an overwhelming vision of the Holy One in the temple and responds simply, "Here I am, send me!" Paul, the former persecutor and forgiven sinner, becomes an Apostle, affirming, "by the grace of God, I am what I am"; and the Gospel proclaims Luke's distinctive portrait of the call of the disciples.

The Evangelists often communicate their theology by rearranging traditional material in ways that open up new vistas. In Luke's source, Mark (which is also followed by Matthew), Jesus' first public act is to form a band of followers. Luke turns from the rejection of Jesus and narrates the cure of the demoniac and the healing of Simon's mother-in-law, though Simon himself has not yet appeared in the Gospel. Luke then recounts the call of the disciples. He does not describe them simply as a group that heeds Jesus' call to "Follow me" (as Mark and Matthew do). He tells the story of Jesus ordering a hesitant Simon to set out on a fishing expedition that results in a sensational catch, followed by Simon's plea for forgiveness and the words of Jesus to all the disciples, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people" (my translation).

This sequence of material reflects Luke's theology. Jesus, the rejected prophet, turns like Elijah to outsiders and manifests his healing power. The disciples follow Jesus only after experiencing God's power, and then they turn their lives around, leaving everything to follow him. This provides the whole pattern for the early church from Pentecost on, when the gift of the Spirit fills people with power, enables them to rejoice even amid persecution and moves the church outward to different peoples.

Each of the three call stories tells of different ways in which the loving presence of God changed people's lives. Confronted by the massive challenges of life today and a culture often in opposition to the Gospel, the church easily resorts to moralistic preaching. To be a church in witness requires a prior experience of the surprising, forgiving and overwhelming love of God. Only then can we all say, "Here I am, send me." *John R. Donahue, S.J.*

Praying with scripture:

- In those moments when misunderstanding by one's family and friends causes great pain, ask Jesus for the strength to move forward.
- Pray about Paul's words, "by the grace of God, I am what I am," thinking of particularly graced times.

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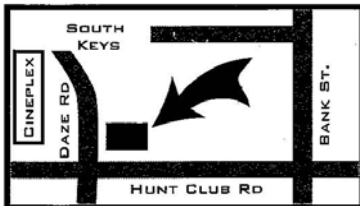
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