

St. Bernard de Clairvaux Church



MEMORARE OF ST. BERNARD

Remember, O Most Gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of Virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee do I stand sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but, in thy mercy, hear and answer me. Amen.

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Sunday Masses:

Saturday	5:00 pm	English
Sunday	9:00 am	Italian
	10:30 am	English
	12:00 pm	English
	3:00 pm	Malayalam Community

Confessions: ½ hour before each Sunday Mass or by appointment

Daily Masses in English:

Monday & Friday at 7:00 pm
Wednesday at 7:00 pm with Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help with Rosary at 6:30 pm
Saturday at 9:00 am

Daily Masses in Italian:

Tuesday & Thursday at 8:00 am

Pastoral Team:

Fr. Boniface Perri, Pastor
Fr. Francesco Pica, In Residence
Gina Orofino, Parish Secretary
Brenda Carvalho, Bookkeeper

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday:	8:30 am - 12:30 pm
	1:30 pm - 4:00 pm
Saturday:	9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Baptisms: Parents seeking to have their child baptized must call the Parish Office to request a "Baptism Request Form". Baptism certificate for Catholic parents and Confirmation certificates for the Godparents is necessary. When documentation is complete call the Parish Office to set up an appointment with the Pastor. Upon approval from the Pastor, a Baptism date will be given.

Marriages: Couples must contact the parish office at least one year in advance. No date may be set before meeting with the priest. A marriage course is a pre-requisite.

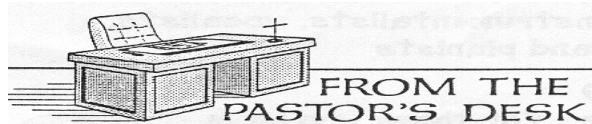
Parish Groups:

Over 50 Club
Knights of Columbus
St. Bernard Catholic Women's League
Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

Parish Activities:

First Friday Adoration
Visitation of the Homebound

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE FOR MORE DETAILS



Easter this year feels different to me. Firstly, we can actually celebrate the Easter Triduum; Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil with virtually all the solemnity and meaning we normally did, again this year. The Triduum is not thought of as three separate celebrations but one celebration done over three days where we follow Jesus on Holy Thursday from the Last Supper where He instituted the priesthood and the sacrifice of the Mass which is the source and summit of the Church's life. And we wait in prayer with Him at the Garden of Gethsemane. On Good Friday we read the passion of the Lord and honour the cross on which our salvation was won at such great a price. And of course Saturday at the Easter vigil we celebrate the glory of the resurrection, which of course carries into Easter Sunday and beyond. These moments are at the very heart of our faith and our life as Catholics Christians and in celebrating them we become closer to Christ and I hope you can attend so that we can celebrate these special moments together.

But to be honest I am looking forward when the liturgical celebrations are complete to going to my mom's house. I went last year, but due to Covid all we could do was stay outside and chat with our masks on. This Easter Sunday I look forward to celebrating with her inside over a big meal, with my brothers and sister, nephew and nieces around the table. (I also look forward to bringing the nephews and nieces as much chocolate as they want. I hope my sibling don't read this lol) I hope that you will be able to celebrate your own special Easter Traditions with your own family. In God's love we receive all other loves, and so the celebration of God's love is made fuller when we celebrate it with those we care about. I do realize that there may be those this year for whatever reason may not be able to celebrate the feasts with some of their dear family and friends: Know that in the Lord we all are connected by the Holy Spirit and will be reunited in joy with those we love.

Joy, true joy is that feeling of happiness contentment and fullness that we experience when we are with our loved ones: Christ our Blessed Mother, our family and friends. And more than ever I truly wish that the fullness of that Easter Joy will be with you to the full. Lord knows we all deserve it this year more than others.

Happy Easter Everyone. May the fullness of God's radiant Joy and Blessing be with all of you and all your loved ones this Easter.

(Now if you'll excuse me I need to get that chocolate I talked about!!).

PONTIFICAL COLLECTION **FOR THE HOLY LAND ON GOOD FRIDAY**

The Good Friday Collection, on April 15, 2022, is requested by the Holy See to help maintain the Christian sites of the Holy Land and to support the Church in the pastoral, educational, and social works that contribute to a sustained Christian presence in the land where Jesus the Christ once walked.

This Pontifical Collection will be taken in the parishes during the Good Friday celebration. Those who are unable to attend the service are still able to contribute online by going to canadahelps.org and searching for "Commissariat of the Holy Land", or by Interac e-transfers to teresainte@bellnet.ca. Receipts will be issued.

HUMANITARIAN RELIEF **FOR THE WAR IN UKRAINE**

Ukraine has been plunged into war after the Russian military invaded the country, resulting in widespread violence and a looming humanitarian crisis. In response to the request of parishioners, the Archdiocese of Toronto has launched a humanitarian relief effort to help the Ukrainian people at this time.

Hundreds of thousands of Ukrainian civilians have already fled their homes and are trying to find shelter in neighbouring countries. The United Nations estimates that there could eventually be up to five million Ukrainian refugees, depending on how the war transpires.

A donation to help Ukrainians who are suffering due to this war would be a most appreciated gift.

Your donation will help Ukrainians who are beset by violence in Eastern Europe and it will help some of them find a new home in Canada.

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: www.archtoronto.org
- By phone through the Development Office - 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, make cheques payable to: Name of Parish – Ukrainian/Humanitarian Relief

Please continue to pray for the Ukrainian people and all those who suffer under the human tragedy of war.



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On Monday, May 2nd, the evening mass will be celebrated in memory of those who suffered during the pandemic and for our front line workers. After the mass, everyone is invited for a social gathering to support one another to return to normal parish life. If you are interested in helping organize this event, please call the Parish office.

GETTING BACK TO NORMAL

As we begin to return to the normal practise of our Liturgical life, we can begin to invite more people to Minister at the Altar, so that our presence may give glory to God and be of service to our fellow parishioners.

If you have been a Lector, Minister of Communion, Usher or Altar Server in the past and would like to return to the Ministry or if there is a Ministry that you would like to get involved in. Please talk to Fr. Boniface at the back of the Church or contact him at the Parish Office.

Weekly Collection

Last week our collection was **\$3,167.75**
It takes 5,000.00 to cover weekly expenses.
Thank you to those who supported us during this very difficult time. Your charity means a lot!



**MASS INTENTIONS
SATURDAY APRIL 9th TO SUNDAY APRIL 17th, 2022**

- Sat 9th 5:00 pm All Souls in Purgatory
John Sousa
Catherine Mac Intyre
Maria The Nguyen (3 Yr Anniversary)

- Sun 10th **PALM SUNDAY**
9:00 am Mass in Italian
10:30 am Mass in English
12:00 pm Mass in English

- Mon 11th 6:30 pm Holy Rosary
7:00 pm Mass in English

- Tue 12th 8:00 am Mass in Italian
Angelo Moscone

- Wed 13th 6:30 pm Holy Rosary
7:00 pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help Mass
followed by OLPH Novena
Antonio Rui Pereira
Mateo Perri and John Perri

- Thu 14th 7:00 pm **HOLY THURSDAY
MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
FOLLOWED BY THE
REPOSITION OF THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT**

- Fri 15th **CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION**
11:00 am **GOOD FRIDAY SOLEMN
LITURGY IN ITALIAN**
3:00 pm **GOOD FRIDAY SOLEMN
LITURGY IN ENGLISH**
7:00 pm **SOLEMN STATIONS OF THE
CROSS**

- Sat 16th 8:00 pm **MASS OF THE EASTER VIGIL**

- Sun 17th **EASTER SUNDAY**
9:00 am Mass in Italian
10:30 am Mass in English
12:00 pm Mass in English

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