

# 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.

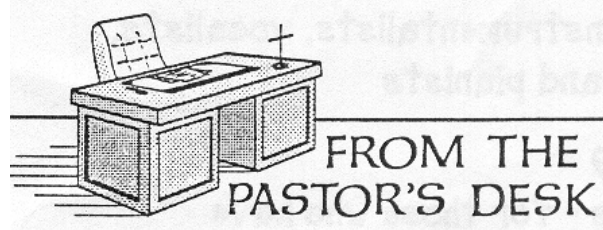
### **Parish Groups:**

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**



**First Holy Communion  
2023**

**The First Holy Communion Registration will be held on Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at the Church.**

Please bring the following:

- 1) The completed registration form with a copy of your child's baptismal certificate. If your child does not attend St. Bernard School, you may pick up the Registration Form from the Parish Office.
- 2) \$20.00 to cover cost of the book to be used at the Catechesis classes, which will be given to you at the registration meeting.

For those who do not attend St. Bernard's School (which would have gotten a form from the school by mid-September) **or** if your child is 7 or over and not baptized, but would like to receive the Sacrament of Confession and Holy Communion you must come to this meeting as well with the completed registration form.



**RCIA  
Rite of Christian Initiation  
of Adults**

For those interested in becoming Catholic, please see Fr. Boniface. We welcome you whole-heartedly to our community!

**A FRIENDLY REMINDER**

As we get back to normal Schedule let us all do our part to keep the parish clean.

Please do not leave behind kleenex, water bottles or La Domenica.

Please do not take envelopes or cards from the literature rack unless you are planning to use them.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Siamo tornati alla normalità, e quindi facciamo tutti la nostra parte per mantenere la parrocchia in ordine.

Si prega di non lasciare fazzolettini di carta, bottiglie di acqua o foglietti della domenica sui banchi.

Si prega di non prendere buste o biglietti che sono sullo scaffale all'entrata e alle porte laterali della chiesa a meno che non si decide di usarli.

Grazie per la vostra cortese collaborazione.

I wanted to take the opportunity to speak about our St. Bernard feast:

Simply put It was a responding success! We even had to set up more tables to accommodate the extra people who came. It was also for us a very important event.

As I know that you are fully aware, the Covid pandemic has deleteriously effected all aspects of our parish. At first people were prevented from coming and many are still hesitant to attend. Some have formed the habit of watching Mass online or on TV, which for what it is good but we cannot receive communion and truly worship the Lord as it involves being attentive to Him in the Tabernacle and on the Altar and engaging with Him with our full presence and attention. I have even found a disconnect with some thinking the parish life is but pleasant option, voluntary to the faith and not worth the risk, Yet without following the life Christ gave us the presence of Christ is forgotten and faith is lost. The Mass, the love we share tangibly for one another and the community life is so vital to the Christian way of life.

That's why the feast was so important, it was the first true social event we had. And its success was a major step in moving on from the pandemic as people began to feel comfortable coming back to the parish and renewing their social bonds with many of their brethren and in fact making new ones as I certainly did. There was excitement and laughter as people cheered on those winning prizes and there's something about sharing a meal that just bring people closer together, especially when you share the things that others at your table brought. It was indeed a sign of hope. There is even now talk of wanting to do yet another social gathering soon and carrying on the momentum

So why not? I know it may not be possible right now to do a pot-luck supper every week, but why not start with something smaller. Maybe it's time to revive our social club to do a coffee Sunday to bring people together and come up with new ways of engaging the parish. It will need a few dedicated people to be sure but as I said before the health of any parish is seen just as much with what goes on out of Mass as in it. The first Christians didn't just go to Mass they formed a society, they were part of each other's lives as Jesus taught us " Father let them be one as You are in me and I in You. (Jn 17:21)

So, if your interested in this ministry please let me know.

Fr. Boniface



**CONFIRMATION  
2023**

**There will be a pre-registration meeting for those wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm at the Church.**

Please bring the following:

1) The completed registration form with a copy of your child's baptismal certificate. If your child does not attend St. Bernard School, you may pick up the Registration Form from the Parish Office.

2) A fee that covers the cost of the book and materials to be used at the Catechesis classes. The book will be given to you at the registration meeting.

For those who do not go to St. Bernard's School (which would have gotten a form from the school by mid-September) but for whom this is your parish we are most happy to celebrate the sacraments with you.

If your child is 12 or over and not baptized, but would like to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation you must attend this meeting. Similarly for those who are not baptized Catholic but would like to enter the Catholic Church and receive the Sacraments, please speak to Fr. Boniface about Baptism and First Holy Communion.

**The Pre-Authorized Giving Plan**

The Archdiocese of Toronto has established a Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) plan to assist you in your support of the work of the parish through your regular parish offerings (withdrawn directly monthly from your account.)

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- The convenience of having your offering automatically contributed to the parish.
- Knowing you continue to support the parish even when you are away.

**Advantages for the Parish:**

- Regular, dependable contributions to the parish.
- Reduction of cash on hand.

For information on how to enroll, please contact your parish office or email: [development@archtoronto.org](mailto:development@archtoronto.org).



**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY SEPT. 10<sup>th</sup> TO SUNDAY SEPT. 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

Sat	10 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 pm	Fernando Beltrano Rosa Morrone Francesco Patitucci Deceased Patitucci Family
Sun	11 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Anna Susanna Mauro Ardizzi Pia Ardizzi Francesco Conforti Francesco Petrasso Vincenzo & Maria Domenica Tatangelo Raimondo & Maria Castellucci Marcello Matricciano Maria Teresa Sanzo
		10:30 am	Eleonora Tricarico
		12:00 pm	PRO POPOLO
Mon	12 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 pm	Holy Rosary
		7:00 pm	
Tues	13 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am	
		7:00 pm	Angelo Moscone Memorial Mass
Wed	14 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 pm	Holy Rosary
		7:00 pm	Antonio Rui Pereira
Thur	15 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am	
		7:00 pm	John Cimetta 2 year Memorial Mass
Fri	16 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 pm	Holy Rosary
		7:00 pm	Genaro Celso Virtusio
Sat	17 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 pm	Luigi & Francesco Sottile Charles Martin Virtusio
Sun	18 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Mauro Ardizzi Pia Ardizzi Francesco Conforti Michele & Annina Risi Luigi Lamanna
		10:30 am	PRO POPOLO
		12:00 pm	

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