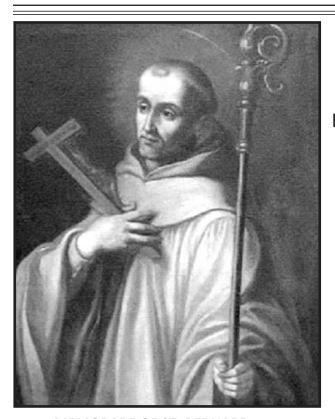
St. Bernard de Clairvaux Church



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.

Schools:

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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.

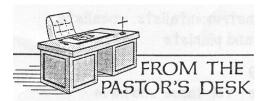
Marriages: Couples must contact the parish office at least one year in advance. No date may be set before meeting with the priest. A marriage course is a pre-requisite.

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



Over the past few weeks we have been talking ostensibly about stewardship, about acting out our baptismal call. As His Eminence Cardinal Collins said in the homily last week, to see the world around it evaluate or judge it and then act in accordance to what God is willing us to do. We have spoken about it, encouraged and even at times challenged you to be more involved but sooner or later we have to make a decision.

You know, a person challenged me on the idea of stewardship, asking why I was pushing this as much as I am. To be honest it's a fair question. I'll let you in on a secret: There is a lazy part of me that is tempted, just a very little bit, to not want to do this. Simply coming to Mass, celebrating the Sacred Liturgies is easy, it's familiar and won't involve any more work, but that temptation does not last long. I am always haunted by that elderly gentleman's words one day who just outside the Church said "this parish was soo vibrant once father."

But, it can be again. I see in you such potential. I'm not just saying that it is true. There is no doubt in my mind that the Lord has given you gifts and excellences of personality, the passion for being holy, a friendly and welcoming personality, a boldness of spirit that can be so inviting and so persuasive. To use these gifts and talents for our parish can make it come alive, can make it more welcoming to our brothers and sisters as a place wherein they will want to come and make their home. Using these gifts proclaims the Church is not old and stale with nothing to offer but she is alive and active and calls her children and all of good will to return to the Lord their God. To use our gifts is to evangelize and teach the next generation. Not to use our gifts will be to watch parish slowly fade away.

Saying it is your parish means a lot of things. One of the things that it means is we get the parish we create. Is this a place for Mass only or is it the home, the true home for the children of God? So I encourage you to take that small slip of paper this Sunday or next. Pray about it and fill it out. Let us be the people the Lord wants us to be.

Regardless I will have to abide by the decision you make. But I ask you again, what kind of parish do you want St. Bernard's to be?

TIMES FOR CONFESSIONS

Starting in October, we will be returning to the practice of offering Confessions half hour before each Sunday Mass. If you would like to avail yourself of the Sacrament, simply line up at the Confessional and Fr. will hear your Confession.



First Holy Communion 2023

The First Holy Communion Registration will be held on Tuesday, October 4th 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.



Celebrate Thanksgiving by helping in the fight against hunger.

Please bring a non-perishable food item to Church.
These donation will then go to the

Good Shepherd Ministries on Thursday, October 13th, Good Shepherd are most in need of tomato sauce, soups, canned vegetables & canned stews, beans, oil, tuna, peanut

butter, jam, pancake mix, granola bars and cereals.

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OVER 50 CLUB - CLUB DEI 50 PIU'

Have resumed their activities **Tuesday's -- 12:30 – 4:00 pm**New members are welcome!!!

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CONFIRMATION 2023

There will be a pre-registration meeting for those wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday, October 11th, 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. Similiarly 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.

Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund Collection - October 1st and 2nd

Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the collection being held the weekend of October 1st and 2nd, to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. The collection is a national grassroots effort to assist healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of This Land. The fund was the result of a \$30 million financial commitment made by the Canadian Bishops in September 2021.

Funds will support culture and language revitalization, education and community building, healing and reconciliation for communities and families and dialogue involving Indigenous elders, spiritual leaders and youth with a focus on Indigenous spirituality and culture.

This is an opportunity to follow the invitation of the Holy Father made earlier this year for each one of us to become engaged in the healing and reconciliation journey. For more information or to donate online, visit: www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation.

Thank you for your generosity.



MASS INTENTIONS SATURDAY SEPT. 24th TO SUNDAY OCT. 02nd, 2022

Sat 24th 2:00 pm Giuseppe Rumeo 1 month Memorial Mass

5:00 pm Annunziata Romano Natalina Botter

Elide Buset

David & Liontina Cardoso

Sun 25th 9:00 am Mauro Ardizzi and Pia Ardizzi

Francesco Conforti

Rocco and Lola Tatangelo

Angelantonia & Pietangelo Matricciano

Maria Teresa Sanzo

Benito & Maria Bellissimo

Adolfo Molella Orazio Catalano

10:30 am Thanksgiving for John Machado

Florida Pineda (1 year death anniversary)

Eleonora Tricarico Wilfred & Ilda Ferrao

Judith Laraya

12:00 pm PRO POPOLO

Mon 26th 6:30 pm Holy Rosary

7:00 pm Giovanni Monte

Ted Koos

Tues 27th 8:00 am

7:00 pm Antonella Fava 1 year Memorial Mass

Wed 28th 6:30 pm Holy Rosary

7:00 pm

Thur 29th 8:00 am Ervino and Natalina Segna

7:00 pm Domenico Sperduti 1 mth Memorial Mass

Fri 30th 6:30 pm Holy Rosary

7:00 pm

Sat 01st 5:00 pm

Sun 02nd 9:00 am Adolfino, Amelia & Angelo Artuso

Defunti Famiglia Artuso Mauro Ardizzi and Pia Ardizzi

Francesco Conforti

Adolorata & Nicolina Matricciano

Giuseppe Dominicis Serafino & Maria Gentile

Arsenio, Concetta and Maria Simone

10:30 am PRO POPOLO

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