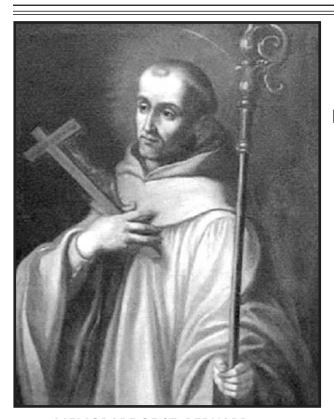
### St. Bernard de Clairvaux Church



#### **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. Jose Johnny, Associate Pastor/Chaplain to Sacred Heart Kerala Community

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



Wishing you a blessed second Sunday of Advent!!!

### A Stewardship Examination

S Christmas carols take over radio stations and shopping malls are filled to capacity, it is easy to lose track of the true purpose of Advent. Essentially, Advent is a time to prepare for the Lord's coming on Christmas Day as well as his final coming at the end of time. It is also a moment to remind ourselves that our own individual judgement day is coming too, where we will stand before the throne of God and give an account of how we have used all the gifts and blessings we have received.

Cardinal Collins in his Pastoral Letter on Stewardship\* states that "A steward is a servant entrusted for a time with the goods of the Master ... and must eventually give an account to the Master for the way in which [the gifts] have been cared for and made fruitful." This Advent season reminds us to conduct a humble examination of how are we best using our God-given gifts for His glory and the good of the Church.

Are we staying faithful to our practice of prayer? Are we using our time to serve and journey with others? Are we taking an active role in the life of the parish community? Are we serving the less fortunate in our community, remembering Christ's words to serve the poor? Are we living for the present world or for the world to come? Let us take this Advent to re-examine how we are being stewards of the gifts in our lives and recommit to fully living the Gospel.



### SUNDAY MISSALLETTES ON SALE

This year we are able to offer the Sunday Missallettes for the New Liturgical year at a cost of \$ 5.00 each.

These will be available from the parish office during office hours or after the weekend Masses.

You can also speak to the priest on how to get a copy.



### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE

### ENSURING FAMILIES WILL HAVE DINNER THIS CHRISTMAS LEAVING NO ONE BEHIND "FOR IT IS IN GIVING THAT WE RECEIVE"

St. Francis of Assisi

A mission that sets St. Vincent de Paul apart from other ministries is that it is home-based; that is, we make visits to the homes of the people in need in our community. During home visits, we offer spiritual support, food and other help as funds permit. During Christmas, we would like to give all families that come to us for help, food vouchers so they can buy a meal that is culturally meaningful to them. But we can't do this alone.

We need you.

Please give a generous donation on December 4<sup>th</sup>, so we can help as many neighbours as possible. If you wish, you can also donate non-perishable food items by December 10<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you and please keep our members and those being served in your prayers.



### NEW NATIVITY SET FOR THE PARISH

It is with sadness that we have to bid a sweet farewell to our old Nativity Set,

it has served us well for many years.
Unfortunately, as the years have gone by, time has taken its toll and breaks and cracks in the pieces have occurred. The donkey has decided to seek employment elsewhere and I

haven't seen him in years.

So, we are going to buy a new Nativity Set for the Parish, however, as you know things are expensive and the new set that is big enough for people to see, will cost \$3,900.00, this is with a wonderful discount from the Sisters of the Divine Master on Pine Street.

### Thank you Sisters for your incredible generosity to the Parish.

With all our needs, we are hoping that if you can you may help us to afford our new Nativity Set, so please take an envelope at the back of the Church marked "NATIVITY SET" and place it in the normal collection on Sunday.

Thank you so much for your generosity.



### **2023 Offertory Envelopes**

Your 2023 Sunday donation envelopes are available for pick up at the back of the Church.

### Please do not use your old envelopes.

Please check that your name, address and envelope number are correct. If your name does not appear on any of the boxes, if you are a new envelope user or if you are interested in Pre-Authorized Giving please contact the parish office.

Thank you for your generous financial support throughout 2022.

### **BUSTE PER L'OFFERTA DOMENICALE 2023**

Sono pronte le buste per l'offerta domenicale 2023. Vi preghiamo di prelevare il vostro pacchetto. Se iniziate quest'anno ad usare le buste, chiamate in ufficio per registrare. Grazie a tutti per il sostegno finanziario che date alla parrocchia.





### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Panettone after all Masses, \$9.00 each, while quantities last. Please give your support to the Knight's Good Works.



We wish to thank Giovanna Fiorucci, all who assisted and participated in the trip to Fatima and shopping in Buffalo on Saturday, November 26. Fun was had by all.

A huge Thank you for everyone's generosity towards the donation made to the parish.

### **Weekly Collection**

Last week, our collection was \$2,686.90
It takes 5,000.00 to cover weekly expenses.
Thank you to those who support us.
Your charity means a lot!



#### MASS INTENTIONS SATURDAY, DEC. 03<sup>rd</sup> TO SUNDAY, DEC. 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Sat 03<sup>rd</sup> 1:30 pm Giuseppe Salerni (1 year) Memorial Mass

3:00 pm Iolanda Florio1 month Memorial Mass

5:00 pm Luigi Sottile

Deceased Panizza Family Pasquale Spadafora

Sun 04<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am Mauro Ardizzi

Pia Ardizzi

Francesco Conforti

Filippo & Maria Tatangelo Adolorata & Nicola Matricciano

Giuseppe Dominicis

Salvatore & Giuseppina Barbara Francesco & Luciano Russo

Fiorina Matri Cathy Isabella

10:30 am Salvatore Pelaia

Eleonora Tricarico Pasquale D'Urzo

Ignatius & Philomena Igwe

12:00 pm PRO POPOLO

Mon 05<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm Holy Rosary

7:00 pm

Tues 06<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am Eleonora Tricarico

7:00 pm St. Bernard School Advent Mass

Wed 07<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm Holy Rosary

7:00 pm

Thur 08th 8:00 am IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Fri 09<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm Holy Rosary

7:00 pm

Sat 10<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm Natalina & Ervino Segna

Sun 11<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am Ringraziamento per la Madonna

Anna Susanna

Mauro Ardizzi and Pia Ardizzi

Francesco Conforti

Vincenzo & Maria Domenica Tatangelo

Melina Chimienti

Raimondo & Maria Castellucci Defunti Famiglie Di Paola & Iacurti

10:30 am PRO POPOLO

12:00 pm



### **CHRISTMAS** MASS SCHEDULE 2022

May all the blessings of the Christ Child be yours this Christmas and may His Divine Presence enrich your life throughout the New Year.



### **CONFESSIONS**

Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, at 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

### CHRISTMAS EVE, Saturday, December 24th

The Masses for the Vigil of Christmas are as follows: 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm in English, Midnight Mass 12:00 am in English

CHRISTMAS DAY, Sunday, December 25th 9:00 am in Italian and 10:30 am & 12:00 pm in English

<u>DAILY MASSES</u> Monday, December 26<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 am

Weekday Masses will then follow the normal schedule: Monday, Wednesday and Friday - 7:00 pm in English Tuesday and Thursday - 8:00 am in Italian

### **VIGIL MASS FOR MARY MOTHER OF GOD**

Saturday, December 31st at 5:00 pm

### MASS FOR MARY MOTHER OF GOD,

Sunday, January 1st, at 9:00 am in Italian and 10:30 am & 12:00 pm English Monday, January  $2^{nd}$ , 2023, Mass will be at 9:00 am.

Please note the Parish Office will be closed from December 24th to January 2nd. The office will re-open on Tuesday, January  $3^{rd}$ , 2023.

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