

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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St. Bernard Elementary School: 416-393-5261
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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

Daily Masses in Italian:

Tuesday & Thursday at 8:00 am

Pastoral Team:

Fr. Boniface Perri, Pastor
Fr. Jose Johny, 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.

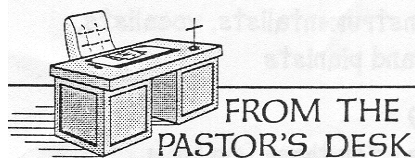
Parish Groups:

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



IN English, Easter comes from the old Proto-Germanic word for dawn and in the romance languages like Italian, Spanish or Portuguese it comes from the world for Pasch as in the celebration of the paschal mystery. I think the words are spiritually connected.

When we celebrate the paschal mystery, we renew our faith. On Holy Thursday we renew our understanding of the Lord's first Mass and we are brought back to the formation of the Church and Jesus' vision for it. On Good Friday we renew the fact that Jesus' sacrifice saves us. He is the true paschal Lamb who takes away the sins of the world and that in staying close to His cross in our prayer and in our identity like Our Blessed Mother and St. John we are saved (There is a reason after all we wear a cross) and lastly, we are with Him in rejoicing at the day of His resurrection.

In all these renewals we discover Jesus anew. Now to rediscover Him is not necessarily an intellectual exercise. I may not have said anything you do not already know. Rather in Jesus' presence we rekindle and strengthen that joy and awe in His presence that first drew us to be His disciple. We let that love draw us closer and closer to Him with its wonder and with His hope fresh in our hearts.

It is like the dawning of the day. We know that the dawn will come tomorrow but there is always the hope and joy of fresh possibilities in it for those who await the dawn and see the sun come up. For us as Christians we know that Christ is the Son of God and the Sun of justice peace and joy and Easter is the dawn of His rising, full of the potential of a new day of grace and glory.

From all of us here at the parish to all of you and your families. **Happy Easter!**

Alleluia! Jesus has Risen!! Truly, He has Risen!!!



**Commissariat of the Holy Land
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Good Friday Pontifical Collection**

The annual Good Friday Collection was first taken at Pope Paul VI's request fifty years ago. It is the only yearly request asked by the Holy See of dioceses and parishioners throughout the world to assist the Church in the Holy Land. The monies collected support its pastoral, educational and social works and help to maintain the Holy Places so important for the faith of Christians everywhere. For the sake of our brothers and sisters enduring hardships, please give generously during your parish's Good Friday celebrations on March 29, 2024. If you are unable to attend the service, it is possible to contribute by Interact e-transfer to terresainte@bellnet.ca or online at Commissariat.ca receipts will be issued.

Mass Minutes WEEK 2

Why do Christians gather for Mass on **Sunday's**, to hear the Sacred Liturgy? (*Select all that apply.*)

- It replaces the Jewish Sabbath Day of Saturday, mainly because Sunday is the day of Our Lord's Resurrection.
- Sunday is a great day to celebrate Mass because it is the first day of the week and conveniently most people have the day off. *Plus sometimes after Mass you can catch a good sports game. – the obvious wrong answer –*
- Every Sunday the church celebrates the Resurrection as the single most important event in salvation history.
- Mass offered on the day of Resurrection reminds the faithful of the sacrifice that the Church offers in Union with Christ is acceptable and as followers we can take part in the Resurrection of Christ.

Answers: a) c) & d)

Did you know....

That every Sunday the church celebrates the Resurrection, the single most important event in salvation history. To save us God became like us, through Jesus Christ and the resurrection completes His act of redemption, which He started during His passion. God the Father accepted His Son's sacrifice by raising His Son's body from the dead. God did this for us and this same sacrifice for our redemption is what is offered at every single Mass.

Activity: Why not share this with a friend, let them know about God's love for them.

**100th Year of Foundation
The Sister Disciples of the Divine Master
celebrated their
Centennial Anniversary of Foundation
on February 10, 2024.**

We render infinite thanks for the wonders, God has drawn in the pages of the book of the life and of the history of the Congregation. In this time of grace, we received a great gift from the Holy See: The Apostolic Penitentiary has issued a decree granting a *Plenary Indulgence* until March 25, 2024. This gift is now shared by the Sisters with the rest of the faithful and friends who will prayerfully visit our Chapel under the usual conditions attainable. In this time of Jubilee, we render pleasing homage to Jesus the Divine Master, the vital centre of our life and mission in the Church.

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Cara Memoria di
 Rosetta Rosa
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COME AND LISTEN

“Come to me all of you who are weary and overburdened
 and I will give you rest.”

(Matthew 11:28)

**CATECHESIS FOR ADULTS AND YOUTH
 ALL ARE WELCOME**

St. Bernard de Clairvaux Parish
Every Tuesday and Thursday
Starting April 9th, 2024
7:30 pm in the Parish Hall
 (On-site babysitting provided)



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 23rd to Sunday, March 31st, 2024

Sat 23 rd	5:00 pm	
Sun 24 th	PALM SUNDAY	
	9:00 am	
	10:30 am	
	12:00 pm	
Mon 25 th	6:30 pm	Holy Rosary
	7:00 pm	Annunziata Romano
Tues 26 th	8:00 am	Giovanni Monte Fernanda Monte Adolfo Molella Beniamino & Liberata Alonzi
Wed 27 th	6:30 pm	Holy Rosary
	7:00 pm	Carmela & Severino Carpella Angelo & Liberata Apa Rosina Apa
Thurs 28 th	HOLY THURSDAY	
	7:00 pm	English Mass
		Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament until Midnight
Fri 29 th	GOOD FRIDAY	
	11:00 am	Good Friday Service - Italian
	3:00 pm	Good Friday Service – English
	6:00 pm	Solemn Stations of the Cross
	8:00 pm	Good Friday Service - Malayalam
Sat 30 th	HOLY SATURDAY	
	8:00 pm	Easter Vigil - English
Sun 31 st	EASTER SUNDAY	
	9:00 am	
	10:30 am	
	12:00 pm	

Weekly Collection

Last week, our collection was \$5,650.40
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