

# 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

2nd and 4th Sunday of the month Spanish Mass at 2:00 pm  
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

**Sacraments:** Please contact the office for the reception of the Sacraments.

Please Note: Couples must contact the office 1 year in advance to prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage.

**Formed:** Join [formed.org](http://formed.org) for free, to view inspirational and informative Catholic content.

If you are new to Formed, we recommend this week on Formed at [watch.formed.org/this-week-on-formed](http://watch.formed.org/this-week-on-formed).

### **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**



So, what are you doing this summer?

Do you remember that question? I do. It's what my friends and I used to ask ourselves as school ends. Now that I stop and think about it I am amazed how much my perceptions are still affected by the old rhythm of the school calendar. When I was young it just seemed that in summer everything just stopped and that there were no schedules.

Of course, we know not everything stops in the summer. Our relationships don't end or our vocations. Nor does our faith. Our faith is a relationship with the Lord. We continue to worship Him, to pray and to be open to the grace that He sends us motivating our hearts to grow in sanctification.

Even if you have the opportunity to travel abroad, in Canada or just to a cottage, a thoughtful and deep act of faith is just to check where the local Church is and plan to go on Sunday. When I have travelled and seen how people from other areas live out their faith and customs there is always a unique insight or a devotion that they have which has broadened my faith and at times deepened it. You may even find that you are incorporating these new experiences into your own practice of faith. Always they have strengthened my faith in the Catholic Church, for despite our differences we are united, even if I do not understand the language I felt at home in the communities I visited. Catholic means universal, we are all one, all in the baroque of St. Peter, all one family and you can sense it.

Summer may not change everything, but it does change some things. It is a time to relax if one can, to reinvigorate and to have the time to deepen our relationships with God and with our family and friends.

So, whether you are traveling far or not so far or whether I have the privilege to see you all summer long.

Have a great summer!

I look forward to hearing all about what you did and where you went.

May God continue to bless and prosper you. May He send St. Christopher and St. Raphael to journey with you and keep you safe and may He grant you every joy under Heaven.

Fr. Boniface.



## ST. BERNARD FEAST 2025

**On Sunday, August 17, we will celebrate a special Mass for St. Bernard at 3:00 pm.**

**After the Mass, come join us for food, raffle and 50/50 draw. There will be an ice cream truck for the kids and those of us who are young at heart and maybe even a visit from our local fire fighters who will bring their truck.**

**Please join us for an evening of food, music and community.**



### ***"That Blessed Upper Room"*** **– Pastoral Letter from Frank Cardinal Leo**

Frank Cardinal Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto, has released *"That Blessed Upper Room,"* a pastoral letter inviting the faithful of the archdiocese to reflect together on the significance of The Upper Room in our lives, our families and in our communities of faith as this story is so directly connected to pivotal events in the life of Jesus and of the early Church. The letter is divided into nine chapters, drawing on dimensions of our Catholic Christian life. In the words of Cardinal Leo:

*"This resource can be the object of a parish sharing group or an informal gathering of friends. The reflections can be used as inspiration for summer reading or for Advent or Lenten activities or for a personal retreat. You can, for instance, take one question per day and let it accompany you or set some quiet time per week, a short 15 minutes, to read a paragraph and ask yourself a question that is proposed. Studied and reflected upon individually or in community, whether in families, parishes, schools and religious houses, I pray that this small contribution will help readers and faithful come to a more profound sense of faith, a more mature relationship with the Lord and to a transforming experience of grace."*

A short video introduction and the full pastoral letter can be accessed by visiting:

[www.archtoronto.org/thatblessedupperroom](http://www.archtoronto.org/thatblessedupperroom)

Feel free to share the letter with family and friends.



### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026

First Holy Communion Registration will be held on  
Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm in the Church.

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### CONFIRMATION 2026

Confirmation Registration will be held on  
Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm in the Church.

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**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!

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### Coffee Sunday

Please note that for the month of August  
we will be taking a break  
from our regular Coffee Sunday.

We will re-start again the  
weekend of September 6 – 7.

Thank you to all our volunteers  
throughout the year and  
Thank you all for your support!

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### Weekly Collection

Thank you to all for your ongoing support so that  
we may continue throughout the summer.

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Have a great  
  
Vacation!

During the summer we will not be  
publishing a bulletin.  
We will resume regular weekly publication  
on September 14<sup>th</sup>.  
We wish everyone a  
Safe and Happy Summer!

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### CATHOLIC CEMETERIES & FUNERAL SERVICES ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

Invites all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto  
to participate in the

**Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed on  
Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

Cemetery locations and Celebrants for this year's  
Annual Mass are as follows:

- Assumption Cemetery, Mississauga –  
Most Rev. Ivan Camilleri
- Christ the King Cemetery, Markham –  
Most Rev. Vincent Nguyen
- Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill –  
Most Rev. John A. Boissonneau
- Mount Hope Cemetery, Toronto –  
Most Rev. Robert Kasun
- Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Woodbridge –  
His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo,  
Archbishop of Toronto
- Resurrection Cemetery, Whitby –  
Reverend Monsignor Edgardo Pan
- St. Mary's Cemetery, Barrie –  
Most Rev. John Corriveau

In the event of rain, masses will be held in:

- Our Lady of Fatima Mausoleum Chapel  
at Assumption Cemetery
- Cemetery Office Reception Centre at Christ the  
King Cemetery
- Holy Family Mausoleum at Holy Cross Cemetery
- St. Monica's Parish, 44 Broadway Ave. Toronto  
for Mount Hope Cemetery
- St. Anthony's Mausoleum Chapel at Queen of  
Heaven Cemetery
- Our Lady of the Assumption Mausoleum  
at Resurrection Cemetery
- St. Mary's Catholic Church, 65 Amelia Street,  
Barrie for St. Mary's Cemetery

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