



St. Bernard Catholic Church

Weekly Clairvaux

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6TH WEEK
OF EASTER

6th SUNDAY OF EASTER

"It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another." - Jn 15:16-17

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Mass Times

Tuesday - Friday: 8:00am

Saturdays: 5:00pm

Sundays: 8:30am, 10:30am

4th Sunday: 12:30pm (In French)

30 Minutes prior to each Mass, the Holy Rosary will be prayed

Confessions

Wednesdays: 7:00am

Saturdays: 3:30 pm

Any time by appointment;

Call: 402-551-0269

St. Bernard Mission Statement

We offer support and strength through a community of strong traditions and rich friendships for people of all ages. We desire to build faith and knowledge in our Savior, Jesus Christ, to all who enter our doors. Come experience St. Bernard Catholic Community. Come be part of our mission to make Christ present in all we say and do.

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Announcements and other information for the Weekly Clairvaux are due by **NOON** on the Friday nine days prior to the publication of the Weekly Clairvaux in which you desire to have your information published. Space is limited. Please email requests to stbernardchurch@hotmail.com.

May 9—Solemnity of the Ascension

“When they had gathered together they asked him, ‘Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?’

He answered them, ‘It is not for you to know the times or seasons.

That the Father has established by his own authority.

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.’

When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight.

While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them.

They said, ‘Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will

return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven” (Acts 1:6:11).

“Jesus said to his disciples: ‘Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned.’ So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God. But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs.” (Mk. 16:15-16, 19-20).

There we have it! Jesus’ mission is completed, but it is still ongoing. We are called to continue his mission; to go forth and evangelize and love and serve as he has done for us. We are called to participate in his mission so that we will also receive glory and honor as members of his body.

If you want to read more about the saints, go to Mr. Mueting’s Saint Weblog at: mrmuetingsaints.blogspot.com

**God Bless,
Mr. Tim Mueting**

LAST WEEK’S GIVING

April 28th Collection	\$3,151
Faith Direct Donations this period	\$0
YTD Total First Collections/Deficit Reduction Collections	\$314,436
YTD Required First Collections(\$7,827 per week)	\$344,388
YTD Performance First Collection [Collected-Required]	-\$29,952

YTD 2023 ANNUAL APPEAL = \$88,251

2024 EASTER COLLECTION = \$10,498

2024 LOTTERY CALENDAR WINNERS

<u>04-30-2024</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>Ceil Zuerlein #420</u>
<u>05-03-2024</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>Mary Ann Dankert #325</u>
<u>05-05-2024</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>Adam Young #589</u>

ARCHDIOCESE ANNUAL APPEAL

Thank you to all who have generously supported the Archdiocese Annual Appeal. St. Bernard currently has reached 84.52% of its goal with 45 donors contributing a total of \$20,036. We are so grateful for your continued support.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

May 5, 2024

First Reading: The circumcised believers who had accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the Gentiles, also, for they could hear them speaking in tongues and glorifying God. (Acts 10:45-46)

Psalm: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power. (Ps 98) Or Alleluia

Second Reading: Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. (1 Jn 4:8)

Gospel: "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." (Jn 15:13)

St. Bernard Library Book Review

The Puppy That No One Wanted—by Anthony DeStefano

This puppy was the runt of the litter, discarded from the beginning and forced to live in an alley. He lived in a colony of stray dogs who were old, sick and abandoned as well. They all slept close together for warmth and were always hungry. Every night the puppy dreamed of running through an open field of flowers on a warm sunny day.

Since the other dogs were weak he would go hunting for food by himself. One day he found himself watching the butcher's house and seeing the family eating a big juicy steak. He found his way into the house, crept under the table to find a few scraps. The butcher discovered him, chased him out of the house and threw the steak bone at him. The puppy turned to bark at him and more bones came flying at him. Once the butcher tired of chasing him, the puppy had an idea. The butcher had thrown enough bones to feed him for a week. He managed to find a way to bring all of the bones back to the dog colony to share with his friends. They all had a great feast, leaving none left over for the puppy. He had to go out searching for food again.

The end is a happy one, and the reader realizes why this book is in the church library. It is a delightful story, amusingly illustrated by Richard Cowdrey, will warm your heart, and you will want to share it with a child. It was donated to the library by Linda Mohr in memory of her sister, Barbara J. Jansen.

Shelved: CHILD—Childrens

Written by Mary T. Mick

St. Bernard is again participating in EPS (Essential Pregnancy Services) Mothers' Day baby bottle fund raising campaign. Bottles will be available at all church entrances. Please take one, fill with coins, currency or checks (payable to Essential Pregnancy Services). When finished, bring it to the church and place



in the plastic bin near the confessional. EPS is grateful for our help.



Heavenly Helpers Needed. . .

Our Church cleaning crews are in need of some additional members please. If you would like to help clean the church once a month, we need YOU! This would involve about an hour once a month volunteering with a crew of 4 or 5 others to vacuum, dust, straighten up the books in the pews, etc. to keep our church clean and orderly. This is a beautiful way to serve God and others. Please contact the rectory if you are interested.

Thank you!

FEATURED BOOK FOR MAY



A Handbook for the Rest of Your Life

This month's book selection is one of the most popular titles by Matthew Kelly. He points out simple and practical ways to collaborate with God.

Learn how every act of faith, no matter how small, can set off a domino effect of goodness to transform the world.

"If you said to me, you have to pick one of your books, and nobody will ever read any of your books ever again, and only read one book, then this is that book." - Matthew Kelly

Complimentary copies are available on the Dynamic Bookshelf in the back of the Church.

School News

May 5th: CARNIVAL!

May 6th: No School

May 6th—10th: Teacher Appreciation Week

May 10th: PreK Graduation

May 12th: Mother's Day

2024—2025 Enrollment: Accepting applications for 2024-2025 academic year for NEW families and re-enrollment. Please email info@stbernardomaha.org or call 402-553-4993 to schedule a tour and family interview for new families! Please contact Rose Flores for any tuition support. Spots are only guaranteed if accounts are paid in full. Re-enrollment can be done through Sycamore.

All library books are due May 8th so that inventory may be completed. Thanks for helping your students locate these and return them on time!

Please check your email for opportunities to volunteer for Field Day. We would love to have your support to make this day a success for all students!

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, May 11th & Sunday, May 12th, 2024

Deacons:

5:00pm: No Deacon
8:30am: Deacon Chuck Sheik
10:30am: No Deacon

Altar Servers

5:00pm: Katelyn Schmitz & Colton Mickey
8:30am: Carson & Cameron Schlueter, & Nolan Moore
10:30am: Heaven Adanlete, Nazo Ekeh, Bill, Kenneth Amankwah, and Nana Ekeh

EMHC's

5:00pm: Christie Weiss, Quin Yantzer & Paul Smith
8:30am: Pat Sheik & Cindy Brison
10:30am:

Lectors:

5:00pm: Helen Peyton
8:30am: Chris & Marsha Kalkowski
10:30am: Kiba

Parishioners can e-mail prayer requests to the Prayer Chain. Prayer Chain members are expected to respect the confidentiality of all prayer requests. You can email these requests to: prayerchainstb@gmail.com any time of the day or evening.



This Week's Heavenly Helpers Crew #3

Mary Mello, Sharon Hrabovsky,
Judy Frakes, and Kara Smith



Baptism classes are held the first Monday of the month at 7:30pm. All new parents must take this class before having their first child baptized. Please call the Parish Rectory to register—
(402)551-0269



MARRIAGE PREPARATION

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT WITH FR. GADACHE AT LEAST 6 MONTHS IN ADVANCE OF YOUR DESIRED WEDDING DATE

St. Vincent de Paul Corner

Parishioners Bob and Coreen are two of our dedicated SVdP members with a long history of helping others. With 70 years of active membership between them, they have been involved in every facet of our organization.

How to explain their long-lasting commitment? In Coreen's words: "This is Church. Our neighbors are inspirational, humbly asking for basic assistance—in good humor and with grateful hearts—in spite of the hardships they have endured."



WEEKLY CALENDAR
May 5th – May 12th, 2024

Sunday, May 5th:

Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:30am Mass St. Bernard Parish Family
10:30am Mass †John Dockery

Monday, May 6th:

Easter Weekday

No Service

Tuesday, May 7th:

Easter Weekday

8:00am Mass †Memorial Members Fund

Wednesday, May 8th:

Easter Weekday

7:00am Adoration/Confession
8:00am Mass †Elsie Leavitt
6:00pm Vigil Mass †Mary Katherine Harper

Thursday, May 9th:

Solemnity of The Ascension of the Lord

Holy Day of Obligation

8:00am †Dennis & Karen Fus
9:30am All School Mass

Friday, May 10th:

Easter Weekday

8:00am †Don & Barb Fitzpatrick
9:30am All School Mass

Saturday, May 11th:

Easter Weekday

5:00pm Mass †Deacon John H. Purk

Sunday, May 12th:

Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:30am Mass †Neal Beacom
10:30am Mass St. Bernard Parish Family

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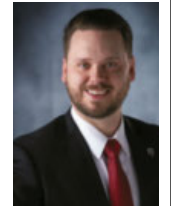
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