St. Brendan the Navigator Parish

November 17, 2019

Belfast ~ Camden ~ Rockland ~ Islesboro ~ North Haven ~ Vinalhaven ~ St. Dismas Catholic Community (Maine State Prison)

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

“You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed.” - Lk 21:16-18
24-HOUR ADORATION DEC. 6/7 AT ST. BERNARD, ROCKLAND

Our parish’s next monthly 24-Hour Adoration will take place at St. Bernard in Rockland on Friday/Saturday, December 6/7. Exposition of Our Lord will be from after the 8:00am Mass on Friday until shortly before the 8am Mass on Saturday. Following the First Saturday Mass there will be a Rosary for the First Saturday Devotion. Parishioners from all three churches are encouraged to sign up using the sheets in the back of your churches. We need at least two people per hour.

In Eucharistic Adoration we meet the merciful love of God that passes through the Heart of Jesus Christ. Saint Pope John Paul II

"TODAY" IS THE DAY: SCOTT HAHN REFLECTS ON THE THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

It is the age between our Lord’s first coming and His last. We live in the new world begun by His life, death, Resurrection, and Ascension, by the sending of His Spirit upon the Church. But we await the day when He will come again in glory. “Lo, the day is coming,” Malachi warns in today’s First Reading. The prophets taught Israel to look for the Day of the Lord, when He would gather the nations for judgment (see Zephaniah 3:8; Isaiah 3:9; 2 Peter 3:7).

Jesus anticipates this day in today’s Gospel. He cautions us not to be deceived by those claiming “the time has come.” Such deception is the background also for today’s Epistle (see 2 Thessalonians 2:1–3).

The signs Jesus gives His Apostles seem to already have come to pass in the New Testament. In Acts, the Epistles, and Revelation, we read of famines and earthquakes, the Temple’s desolation. We read of persecutions—believers imprisoned and put to death, testifying to their faith with wisdom in the Spirit.

These “signs,” then, show us the pattern for the Church’s life—both in the New Testament and today.

We too live in a world of nations and kingdoms at war. And we should take the Apostles as our “models,” as today’s Epistle counsels. Like them we must persevere in the face of unbelieving relatives and friends, and forces and authorities hostile to God.

As we do in today’s Psalm, we should sing His praises, joyfully proclaim His coming as Lord and King. The Day of the Lord is always a day that has already come and a day still yet to come. It is the “today” of our Liturgy.

The Apostles prayed maranatha—“O Lord come!” (see 1 Corinthians 16:22; Revelation 22:20). In the Eucharist He answers, coming again as the Lord of hosts and the Sun of Justice with its healing rays. It is a mighty sign—and a pledge of that Day to come.

Yours in Christ,

Scott Hahn, PhD
StPaulCenter.com.

THANKSGIVING MASSES

Mass Schedule for Thanksgiving Thursday, November 28, 2018

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SPECIAL THANK YOU

On behalf of the Daughter’s of St. Bernard I would like to thank all the parishioners and friends whose hard work made this Christmas Fair the most successful one ever. With the new tables we were able to have larger selling areas. Raffle tickets sales tripled by selling them after Masses. We appreciate everyone’s generosity and many donations. The “candy cane” guess was fun with #136 correctly guessed by Nancy Brimer. Our thanks to Ivette Barone and her family for helping in memory of Maria Bartlett. How fortunate we were to have Caleb Walker, John Comeau, John Baptiste and our custodians Mike Colson and Dick Silva to help set up and packing up. The Daughter’s sincerely thank each and every person for their efforts and support.

Sincerely, Sue Umberger - Pres.

SECOND COLLECTION NOV. 22ND CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Next week our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than 46 million people in the United States live in poverty today—those working on the margins. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address obstacles as they work to make permanent and positive changes for their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

Please pray for the recently deceased of our parish, especially: Sloan Turner

The Sanctuary Lamp at St. Bernard is being lit this week for Matthew Orbin by Vicki Davey

Our parish collection supports the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, a national coalition of local Catholic charities that seeks to end poverty and to improve the quality of life for all Americans. Donations to this collection provide support for more than 70 local Catholic agencies that assist the poor and marginalized throughout the United States. Your generosity helps these agencies to do the work of Christ.
**Liturgy of the Hours (Morning Prayer) at 8:00AM**

St. Francis of Assisi, Belfast on Tues & Thurs. at 8:00am

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Jeanne Denny, Social Worker (Contact: 207-390-1763)

**Mass Schedule & Intentions**

**Saturday, November 16, 2019 – Vigil: Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- **4:00pm** Fr. Hyacinth Maria Leonard  
  by Tabitha Ward
- **4:00pm** OLGH Fr. Bob Anne Mueller by her daughter Georganne Bendall
- **6:00pm** St. Bernard Fr. Bob Norberto Lopez by daughter, Gladys

**Sunday, November 17, 2019 – Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- **8:00am** St. Bernard Fr. Bob Pro Populo
- **8:30am** St. Francis Fr. Hyacinth Living Intention for Kevin Michaud from the parish
- **11:00am** OLGH Fr. Hyacinth Barbara and Mark Dufour by Philip Dufour
- **11:00am** St. Bernard Fr. Bob Teresa Przekaza by Alicia-Tadeusz Strzalka

**Monday Nov. 18**

- **OLGH 6:30pm** Fr. Hyacinth Frank Ferreira by Penny Wolfe

**Tuesday Nov. 19**

- **St. Bernard 8:00am** Fr. Hyacinth All Souls by the parish

**Wednesday Nov. 20**

- **OLGH 8:00am** Fr. Hyacinth Tony by Linda Roden
- **St. Francis 6:30pm** Fr. Hyacinth All Souls by the parish

**Thursday Nov. 21**

- **MSP 2pm** Fr. Bob Mass at Maine State Prison, please pray for inmates and their families
- **St. Bernard 6:30pm** Fr. Bob Ann Childs by Austin Childs

**Friday Nov. 22**

- **St. Francis 8:00am** Fr. Bob All Souls by the parish

**Saturday, November 23, 2019 – Vigil: Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- **4:00pm** St. Francis Fr. Bob Rita Nelson by Richard & Cynthia Clements
- **4:00pm** OLGH Fr. Hyacinth Pro Populo
- **6:00pm** St. Bernard Fr. Hyacinth Ann & Donald Wesley by Carol Crosman

**Sunday, November 24, 2019 – Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- **8:00am** St. Bernard Fr. Hyacinth Thomas William Leyden by Yvonne Rosenfield (daughter)
- **8:30am** St. Francis Fr. Bob St. Francis Church Benefactor, William S. Brannigan
- **11:00am** OLGH Fr. Bob John L. O'Donnell, Jr. by Maureen O'Donnell
- **11:00am** St. Bernard Fr. Hyacinth Bill Beardsley by daughter Georganne Bendall

**Masses at Local Nursing Homes**

Quarry Hill, Camden: 3rd Tuesdays at 10:30am

Windward Gardens, Camden: 1st Mondays at 10:30am

Knox Center, Rockland: 2nd Mondays at 11:00am

Harbor Hill, Belfast: 1st Tuesdays at 11:00am

**To Receive Parish-Wide Emails,** send an e-mail with your name and church you attend most often to Christine.Fee@portlanddiocese.org

**To Add Name to Parish Prayer Chain** send an email to Kathy Daley at kassy23@protonmail.com
THE WEEK AHEAD

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UPCOMING:
Sun., 11/24, St. Bernard KofC Breakfast
Mon., 11/25 St. Bernard — Blood Drive, 2-7pm

FOR I WAS HUNGRY AND YOU GAVE ME FOOD...

AIO Food Pantry: This week’s item is bread next week is peanut butter crackers.

TIF Food Pantry: Non-perishable food items, coupons for non-perishable food items, and recycled grocery bags.

Camden Area Christian Food Pantry: Collection is 3rd week of each month. Items needed are hearty soups, CEREAL (especially!), canned fruit, and macaroni.

GBAM Food Cupboard St Francis: We need breakfast cereals, peanut butter, spaghetti sauce and pasta to help local families. Donate these items by putting them in the boxes at the doors — thank you!


Belfast Soup Kitchen: 1 Belmont Ave, Belfast. Open Mon-Fri 10:30-12:30.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

BAKE SALE AT ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

NOVEMBER 16/17

The sisters of Transfiguration Hermitage will be holding a bake sale at St. Francis of Assisi in Belfast before and after the Masses on November 16 & 17. There will be all the usual goodies, plus perhaps a surprise from Sr. Bernadette! Help yourself to the goodies, and help support our life of prayer for all people.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Belfast: Belfast Knights—William S. Brannagan Council 3942 meets the 2nd Wednesday at 6:30pm at St. Francis church hall. Please join us for a Knights of Columbus breakfast on Sunday, Nov. 17, 2019 after the 8:30am Mass. William Brannagan Council 3942 (Belfast, ME), http://www.kofc3942.org.

Rockland: All are invited to the Knights of Columbus - Limerock Council #136 breakfast on Sunday, November 24, 2019 after the 8:00 am Mass at St. Bernard. All proceeds from the breakfast will be donated to the Knox County Homeless Coalition. The Rockland Knights - Limerock Council 136 meets the 3rd Thursday at 7pm in Grispi Hall, at St. Bernard’s Church, Rockland. http://kofc136.stbrendanparish.net.

GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE.
DONATE BLOOD.

The Knights of Columbus, Limerock Council 136 is hosting a blood drive on Monday, November 25th from 2:00 to 7:00 pm at the Grispi Hall, St. Bernard Church in Rockland.

If you are able to donate it is highly recommended that you make an appointment. To sign up please go to www.redcrossblood.org and type in the sponsor keyword: KOCRockland. You can also call 1-800-733-2767. Thank you for your support.

REUSABLE BAG PROGRAM FOR ST. BERNARD SOUP KITCHEN

Reminder: St. Bernard’s Parish Hall Soup Kitchen will receive a $1 donation for every $2.50 Fight Hunger Bag sold at the Hannaford store located at 75 Maverick Street, Rockland, IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER. Thank you for your support!
SCRIPTURE READINGS, WEEK OF NOV. 17, 2019
SUN: Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9 [cf. 9]/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19
TUES: 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [6b]/Lk 19:1-10
WED: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15 [15b]/Lk 19:11-28
THURS: 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 [23b]/Lk 19:41-44
FRI: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-69/1 Chm 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d12a, 12bcd/13b]/Lk 19:45-48
SAT: 1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 52:3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19 [cf. 16a]/Lk 20:27-40

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK
FORMED provides amazing content 24/7 for you to grow in your faith. It's FREE and EASY to Register!
- Visit formed.org with a web browser
- Click on Register (lower right of page)
- Enter Parish Access Code: 26KXX8
- Enter your email and create a password (you need this to login later)

Please sign up using the parish code above and rediscover and fall in love with our Catholic faith!

THAT MAN IS YOU!
That Man Is You has begun its Fall gatherings. We are meeting on Saturday mornings at 7:00am at Our Lady of Good Hope in Camden. New members are welcome! On Sat., Nov 23rd, we will be on Session 9, Week 4: Honor Your Wedding Vows:
- The Language of the Heart
- Outside Influences to Formation
- The Story of Marilyn Monroe
- Media Consumption by Youth

To find out more, contact Joe Cammelieri at 975-4634 or email jccam@tidewater.net.

ST. FRANCIS CHURCH HISTORY PROJECT
You are invited to help with a 2nd edition of the History of St. Francis church by contributing your stories, notes, photos, and information that can be added to the booklet published in 2016. You can drop items off at the Camden Parish office or, better yet, we will come to you! Just let us know and we will visit, record your story or scan your photos/documents. Please call or email: Phil or Mary Carthage - 338-5207, philcarthage@roadrunner.com.

WINDOW DRESSERS NEED HANDS-ON HELP!
Window Dressers 2019 needs you! As a volunteer you will help your neighbors stay warm in the winter, lessen the communities’ carbon footprint, and save on expensive heating bills. It’s a wonderful way to meet new friends, while helping our community. Those of you who helped in the past know the work is easy, the training gentle, the food plentiful, and the feeling of community as we work together—priceless. Help make a difference by helping people stay warm, save money and decrease carbon thus giving us all cleaner air!

The Belfast build is November 6-22, 2019 and being held at the Belfast Boathouse. The Rockland build dates are throughout the Fall at 24 Lincoln St, Rockland, ME 04841, and the build dates in Liberty are January 16-20, 2020 at ReVision Energy, 91 W Main St, Liberty, ME 04949.

For more information or to help, contact Dianne Smith at 207-322-4443 or dcrjsmith@hotmail.com., or visit https://windowdressers.org/community-workshops/

ADULT BIBLE STUDY AT OLGH
A Study of the Prophets: Men and Women Who Spoke For God
All adults and teens are welcome to join this year’s study group on Sundays from 9:30-10:45am in Cote Hall at Our Lady of Good Hope. We have a lively and fun time reading the Bible and discussing what we have learned, and you can join us for one session or every week. Our study this year will begin with the prophets. In the Hebrew scriptures, the prophets were men and women who spoke a message from God. How do we hear the message of God today? Some have said the age of the prophets is over. But God is still speaking...come and listen for the voice of God with us. If you have any questions, contact Mary Smyth at 207-975-3527 or at mlsmyth@midcoast.com.

WINTER PLANNING
At St. Bernard: Starting soon (TBA), the Tuesday morning Mass at St. Bernard will be held in the Chapel in the Sacred Heart Center. Thursday evening Adoration and Mass will be held in the church.

At St. Francis: A reminder to the folks in Belfast that when it snows, parking on all blocks in the vicinity of the church must be on one side only—for Court Street it is the NE side (opposite the church). On Elm, Park, and Grove it is the first parker who sets the side... This is to allow emergency vehicles access on our narrow streets.

Storm Cancellation Policy
If school is delayed or cancelled, there will be no weekday Mass and/or Morning Prayer. For the latest on cancellations of Masses, Faith Formation classes and parish events, please go to WCSH6 or Bangor Daily News online.
Thanksgiving Baskets

The Social Justice & Peace Ministry at Our Lady of Good Hope is starting to get organized for this year’s Thanksgiving Baskets. We are asking for names of any families in our local area who may be in need of assistance.

Names, along with their phone numbers and address should be given to Our Lady of Good Hope Church by calling the parish office at 236-4785. Please get names to us as soon as possible, but no later than Tuesday, November 18th.

DONATION OF BASKET ITEMS

OLGH is collecting non-perishable food for Thanksgiving Baskets for local families. On Sunday, November 24th, following the 11am Mass, the baskets will be assembled. Food donations will help these families get through the winter months. Families whose last names begin with the following letters are asked to donate the items suggested:

A-B Pasta, sauce, grated cheese
C-D Canned vegetables (peas, carrots, beets, corn, etc.)
E-F Beans, baked beans, tomatoes, pickles
G-I Dry or canned milk, crackers, rice
J-L Coffee, tea, hot chocolate
M-N Peanut butter, mayo, jams
O-P Tuna, canned meats, soups
Q-R Cake, cookie & frosting mixes
S-T Sugar, flour, dry cereal
U-Z Canned fruit, applesauce

If you can't donate food, you can also support financially with a donation (clearly marked for the baskets) through the offertory. Financial donations will help offset the cost of perishable items that are added to the baskets.

PLUS—OLGH GIVING TREE!

We are also taking names of local families who would like some support with Christmas gifts for children up to age 18. The deadline for these names is Fri., Nov. 22. Again, please call the parish office at 236-4785.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Our Summer/Fall Cookware Collection for New Mainers has just wrapped up and we would like to extend a sincere “Thank You” to the parishioners of St. Brendan the Navigator for their generous support of this project. Over 100 pots, pans and other types of cookware items were collected from your Cluster, with a monetary value of over $1,000.00. Your great support of this Catholic Charities Maine project will help these refugee families as they begin a new start in our local communities.

CHRISTMAS WREATHS AT ST. FRANCIS!

St. Francis Church is again selling beautiful, fresh decorated Christmas wreaths, with proceeds to help needy families with fuel costs. Wreaths are $22 and make great gifts (shipping boxes $4—we’ll pack ‘em for you)! To order or help decorate wreaths contact Mary Ruoff (maryruoff@gmail.com or 577-5329), or use the order and signup sheets in the church hall at St. Francis. Wreaths will be ready for pickup after Masses on Thanksgiving weekend, Nov. 30-Dec. 1.

We need helpers to decorate wreaths that Saturday, Nov. 30th after 4:00pm Mass, plus a few helpers that afternoon. Families are welcome, dinner is provided! You’re sure to catch the Christmas spirit!

HEALING SERVICE IN WESTBROOK, NOV. 17

Fr. Richard Rice will lead a healing service at St. Hyacinth Church, located on 268 Brown Street in Westbrook, on Sunday, November 17, at 1:30 p.m. All are welcome to join Fr. Rice in prayer, asking the Holy Spirit for a life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ and the love of the Father. For more information about the healing service, contact St. Anthony of Padua Parish at (207) 857-0490.

HIGH SCHOOL ADVENT RETREAT IN KENNEBUNK, DEC. 13-15

An Advent retreat for young men (ages 14-18) will be held at the Franciscan Guest House in Kennebunk from Friday, Dec. 13, at 5pm., to Sunday, Dec. 15, at noon. How do we cultivate Christian hope in our spiritual lives and share it with others? Fr. Seamus Griesbach, director of the Office of Vocations, and area priests will host this time of prayer for young men who are serious about their faith and discerning the voice of Christ in their lives. For more information or to register, visit www.portlanddiocese.org/vocations/content/upcoming-activities-and-events.

VOCATIONS CHRISTMAS GATHERING PORTLAND, DEC. 20

On Friday, Dec. 20, the Office of Vocations is once again hosting its annual dinner for discerners with Bishop Robert P. Deeley at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Portland. Before dinner, Bishop Deeley will celebrate the Rite of Candidacy Mass for seminarian Liam Gallagher. Any Catholic men who are thinking about or discerning the priesthood are welcome to join the bishop, local priests, and seminarians for this special evening. The Mass will begin at 5 p.m. followed by dinner and dessert at 6 p.m. For more information, email Fr. Seamus Griesbach, director of the Office of Vocations, at seamus.griesbach@portlanddiocese.org. To register, visit www.portlanddiocese.org/vocations/content/upcoming-activities-and-events.