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Sacred Heart ~ Kent

St. Bernard ~ Sharon

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
and First Friday
9 AM SACRED HEART ~ KENT

SATURDAY VIGIL 4 PM
SAINT BRIDGET CHURCH
7 River Road ~ Cornwall Bridge

SUNDAY 8 AM
SAINT BERNARD CHURCH
52 New Street ~ Sharon

SUNDAY 10 AM
SACRED HEART CHURCH
17 Bridge Street ~ Kent

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE
CONSULT THE BULLETIN

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Before Mass or by appointment.

PARISH OFFICE

Mrs. Sandy Papsin ~ Parish Secretary
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATORS

Martha Lane & Kathleen Lindenmayer

BAPTISM & MARRIAGE

Registered parishioners are asked
to make arrangements by calling the
Parish office



**ALL THREE PARISH
WORSHIP SITES**



**A leper came to Jesus and
kneeling down begged him
and said,
“ If you wish,
you can make me clean.”**

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 14th, 2021



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 13th
SUNDAY FEBRUARY 14th

THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4 PM ~ CORNWALL BRIDGE

William McGoldrick

8 AM ~ SHARON

James Silver

10 AM ~ KENT

Raymond McCarthy Jr.

Requested by Ellen and John Genovese

**MASS WILL NOT BE CELEBRATED
ON MONDAY**

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 16th ~ 9 AM ~ KENT
Saint Gilbert of Sempringham

Timothy Hillis

ASH WEDNESDAY ~ FEBRUARY 17th ~ 9 AM ~ KENT

Michael Francis

Requested by the Sacred Heart Craft Group

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 20th
SUNDAY FEBRUARY 21st
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

4 PM ~ CORNWALL BRIDGE

Rev. Thomas E. McCarthy

8 AM ~ SHARON

Maria Guerrera

10 AM ~ KENT

Raymond McCarthy Sr.

Requested by Ellen and John Genovese

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE...

Family life is about decisions. The leper in today's gospel knew this when he said to Jesus. "If you will, you can make me clean." Jesus knew this when he said, "I do will it." Love is not an emotion. It is a decision to be with and for another person in "good times and bad," even when we don't feel like it.



PRAY THE ROSARY

The Rosary prayed to Mary is a powerful prayer as Mary intercedes for each of us. Her Son never denies His mother. This week, following Tuesday Morning Mass, the rosary will be prayed at Sacred Heart. The intention this week is for the loved ones we have lost this past year. Spend just twenty minutes praying the rosary. Your prayers will always be heard.



Make the story public! Tell the world what Jesus has done for you. Consider a life of preaching, teaching, and service as a priest, deacon, sister or brother. Call Fr. Michael Casey, Director of Vocations, Pastoral Center, 860-761-7456, e-mail vocations@aohct.org or visit the web at www.hartfordpriest.com.

Mass Intentions

The practice of offering Mass for particular intentions is an ancient one, dating back to the early Church. Inscriptions discovered on tombs in Roman catacombs of the second century give evidence for this practice. When a priest celebrates Mass, he offers each celebration of the Eucharist for a particular person, or intention (living or deceased). By so doing, special graces from the Eucharistic Sacrifice of Our Lord are applied upon that person or intention. Suggested Mass offerings are \$20 for a Sunday Mass and \$15 for a weekday Mass.

If you would like to schedule a Mass Intention, please give Sandy a call at the Parish Office.

**Remember, the sinner who is sorry
for his sins is closer to God than the
just man, who boasts of his
good works."**

Saint Padre Pio



The Sanctuary Lamp signifies the Eucharistic presence of the Lord Jesus in the Tabernacle and burns for seven days.

This week, the Sanctuary Lamp at Saint Bernard Church burns for the glory of God and in loving memory of William Morrison as requested by Yoshi and Larry Conklin.

If you would like to reserve a week in any of our churches, please contact Sandy at the parish office.

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING FOR THE
5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

ENVELOPES: \$ 1,201.00.

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FURTHER EXTENSION OF THE DISPENSATION FROM THE OBLIGATION OF SUNDAY MASS

With the continuation of limitations on Mass attendance and our responsibility to ensure the health and safety of our Catholic people, the Archbishop is extending the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days up to and including Sunday, May 23rd, which is Pentecost Sunday.

MASS ON TELEVISION

ORTV-10 AM on WCCT-TV (WB20)

WCX-TV(MyTV9) also at 10 AM It can also be seen Saturday and Sunday at 5 AM on WCCT-TV.

EWTN-12 Midnight, 8 AM, Noon, and 7 PM.

Catholic TV- 9:30 AM, 12:30 PM, 7 PM, and 11:30 PM



THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



We pray for the repose of the soul of our parishioner Edward Kirby and for the consolation of his wife Mary, and the entire Kirby family

A Mass of Christian Burial was recently celebrated at Saint Bernard Church

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO HIM, O LORD, AND MAY PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON HIM

SUN / SON TAN

During the summer we've all gone down the shore to "work" on our tans. We may spend an hour in the sun and get "burned" by the sun. Imagine how much good spending an hour before the Son of God will do us. During these long cold winter nights, we all long for the warm days of summer. Come to Mass, and bask in the brilliant rays of our Eucharistic Lord. Join us and pray away those winter blues.



FIRST READING

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, "If someone has on his skin a scab or pustule or blotch which appears to be the sore of leprosy, he shall be brought to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests among his descendants. If the man is leprous and unclean, the priest shall declare him unclean by reason of the sore on his head. "The one who bears the sore of leprosy shall keep his garments rent and his head bare, and shall muffle his beard; he shall cry out, 'Unclean, unclean!' As long as the sore is on him he shall declare himself unclean, since he is in fact unclean. He shall dwell apart, making his abode outside the camp."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

SECOND READING

1Cor 10:31-11:1

Brothers and sisters, Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God. Avoid giving offense, whether to the Jews or Greeks or the church of God, just as I try to please everyone in every way, not seeking my own benefit but that of the many, that they may be saved. Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

GOSPEL

Mk 1: 40-45

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean. Then, warning the him sternly, he dismissed him at once. He said to him, "See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them." The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter. He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly. He remained outside in deserted places, and people kept coming to him from everywhere.



ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 17th

A Day of Fast and Abstinence

9:00 am ~ Sacred Heart Mass and imposition of ashes

12:10 pm ~ St. Bernard Liturgy of the Word with imposition of ashes

4:00 pm ~ St Bridget Liturgy of the Word with imposition of ashes

During the season of Lent, the Church urges all the Faithful to reflect a spirit of penance in their daily lives through performing acts of fast and abstinence.

FASTING requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two other smaller meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength, but these two meals together should not equal a full meal in quantity.

Fasting obliges all those who have reached the age of 18 and continues to oblige until age 59. Those not specifically obliged to fast are encouraged to join in the discipline of fasting to the extent that they are able.

ABSTINENCE prohibits individuals from eating meat on a particular day. Abstinence obliges all those who have reached the age of 14 and continues to oblige throughout their entire lives. Those not specifically obliged to abstain from eating meat are encouraged to join in this discipline to the extent that they are able.

ASH WEDNESDAY and **GOOD FRIDAY** are days of **fast** and **abstinence**. **FRIDAYS** in Lent are days of abstinence.

The Lenten regulations also include almsgiving and acts of penance.



We know that miracles do happen, and sometimes they don't. But we keep praying, because God wants us to and we know that it's something we should do.

But we also need to be more aware of the possibility of spiritual healing. There is a direct and strong connection between the Sacrament of the Sick and the Sacrament of Confession. That's because part of the Sacrament of the Sick is to put into effect spiritual healing. Miracles may not happen in respect to physical healing, but spiritual healing can happen more than we realize. A person's body may not be healed, but a person's soul can be healed, released from the slavery of sin and mental anguish.

Spiritual healing can happen. God wants to give us a new soul, free from the anxiety of mental and spiritual stress. All we have to do is let the Lord enter our life.

Those who are seriously ill, have an ongoing chronic illness, or preparing for surgery, are encouraged to call Monsignor Guerrero to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

BLESSED JOHN OF FIESOLE'S STORY

The patron of Christian artists was born around 1400 in a village overlooking Florence. He took up painting as a young boy and studied under the watchful eye of a local painting master. He joined the Dominicans at about age 20, taking the name Fra Giovanni. He eventually came to be known as Fra Angelico, perhaps a tribute to his own angelic qualities or maybe the devotional tone of his works.



He continued to study painting and perfect his own techniques, which included broad-brush strokes, vivid colors and generous, lifelike figures. Michelangelo once said of Fra Angelico: "One has to believe that this good monk has visited paradise and been allowed to choose his models there." Whatever his subject matter, Fra Angelico sought to generate feelings of religious devotion in response to his paintings. Among his most famous works are the Annunciation and Descent from the Cross as well as frescoes in the monastery of San Marco in Florence.

He also served in leadership positions within the Dominican Order. At one point, Pope Eugenius approached him about serving as archbishop of Florence. Fra Angelico declined, preferring a simpler life. He died in 1455.

**THERE IS ONLY ONE SURE WAY TO FAIL,
AND THAT IS TO QUIT.**

THE UNFAILING GOODNESS OF GOD

We often wonder why Jesus told the cleansed leper not to publicize how he had been healed by the Son of God. It's not that we can't understand why Jesus would want to keep the matter quiet — after all, he knew that as soon as people heard, he would be mobbed with requests for healings, and his movements restricted.

Jesus simply must have realized the leper would not listen to him. Why give someone a command you know they will ignore? It's a complicated question, and when we reflect on it, we can't help but connect it to another equally complicated question: why does God, all-good and all-knowing, allow bad things to happen?

Yes, God is all-good and all-knowing. So when He gives us free will, He knows what we will do with it. However, He is also all-powerful. He can and will bring good from any situation, any tragedy, or even any instance where someone ignores Him.

Was it a sin for this leper to do other than what Jesus had said? That's a heavy question for a Sunday morning! But it's plain to see that, even though this man ignored Jesus' command, God still used his actions. How many were brought to Christ because of the news spread by this leper!

As Catholics trying to live our stewardship way of life, what is God requesting of each of us right now?

READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21 [14a]/Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10 [11b]/Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 [cf. 3a]/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/

Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5a]/Lk 9:22-25

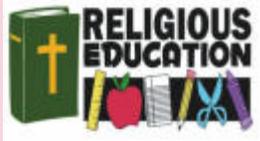
Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 [19b]/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [11ab]/Lk 5:27-32

Spiritual Communion



My Jesus,
I believe that you are truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to possess You within my soul. Since I am unable at this moment to receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as being already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



Faith Formation classes will be held next Sunday, February 21st, beginning with the 10 AM Mass at Sacred Heart. It is hoped that all of our students will be in attendance at Mass and at class afterwards.

PRAYER FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR SOLDIERS

Almighty and eternal God, those who take refuge in you will be glad and forever will shout for joy. Protect these soldiers as they discharge their duties. Protect them with the shield of your strength and keep them safe from all evil and harm. May the power of your love enable them to return home in safety, that with all who love them, they may ever praise you for your loving care. We ask this through Christ our Lord.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS WILL BE PRAYED AT 6 PM EACH FRIDAY DURING LENT

THE SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP SITES:

- FEBRUARY 19th ~ St. Bridget**
- FEBRUARY 26th ~ St. Bernard**
- MARCH 5th ~ Sacred Heart**
- MARCH 12th ~ St. Bridget**
- MARCH 19th ~ St. Bernard**
- MARCH 26th ~ Sacred Heart**

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday this week in observance of Presidents' Day. The office will be open on Thursday and Friday 9—4:30



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