

# St. Bernard and Sts. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Churches



































#### Sts. Cyril & Methodius

Sunday at 9am, Rosary at 8:30am

#### St. Bernard

#### **Daily Mass**

Tuesdays & Thursdays at 7am Wednesdays & Fridays at 9am Weekend Masses: Saturday at 5pm Sunday at 9am and 11am

#### Rosary

Wed. and Fri. at 8:30am before Mass, Tues. & Thurs. at 7:30am after Mass. Monday at 9:30am at Planned Parenthood.

#### <u>Reconciliation</u>

Sat. at 4:30 pm., Wed. at 9:30am. Or by appointment.

Please remember to contact the office if you or someone in your family is hospitalized or enters a care facility.

#### Mission Parish

St. Catherine of Mirabelais, Haiti / Our Lady of Grace, School & Church, Desvarrieux Haiti / Schools at Hinche, Haiti.





# ST. BERNARD MINISTERS FOR JANUARY 8 & 9

Mass	5:00pm	9:00am	11:00am
Lector 1	L. Harris	S. Cameron	B. Kuzma
Lector 2	D. Morelli	K. Delaney	J. Gilfeather
Euch. M.	C. Herman	B. Klang	B. Daubert
	K. Walsh	J. Melugin	L. Korwald
	C. Smith	L. Melugin	B. Kuzma
Usher	F. Ewalt	P. Erger	R. Johnson
	G. Neill	J. Mosher	J. Nunberg
	D. Mueller	S. Klang	NEEDED
	J. Mueller	NEEDED	A. Pickens
Sacristan	K. Majerus	B. Hindley	C. Ikeda
Pew Env.	L. Ewalt	MK. Hart	NEEDED
Greeters	Front: Stan, Judy	Front: Randal, Haley	Front: NEEDED
	Daly:	Daly: Meg	Daly:
Altar	C. Lafavor	E. Brensdal	A. Korwald
Servers	E Walsh	P. Brensdal	J. Korwald



#### Next Baptism:

Sun. Jan. 9th after the 11am Mass Please call to schedule or stop by the office.



We hope you had a peaceful, fun and joyful Christmas and Advent and Happy New Year to all! Thank you to all who supported our Christmas tree sales and also thank you to all the volunteers who helped with setting up, selling, and cleaning up the lot. Many of the Knights who helped in the process have said they enjoy the camaraderie of working in the tree lot. Funds

generated through the tree sales assist us in our charitable works. Our next gathering is <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>Jan. 4</u>, <u>at 7 p.m.</u> in <u>Daly Hall</u>. If any adult males in our Parish our interested in joining the Knights and participating in any of the fun and charitable activities we do throughout the year, please reach out to a Knight for information about joining. For information on our council, please contact Kevin Holland at 406-254-1450.

#### Mass Intentions Jan. 4 - 9 & Readings For The Week

We join in prayer with those who have requested Masses to be said for their friends and loved ones:

 Mon.
 1 Jn 3:22-4:6/Ps 2/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

 Tues. 7:00am †Fr. Paul Reichling By Dale & Kathy Rumph
 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72/Mk 6:34-44

 Wed. 9:00am †Deceased Members of St. Christopher's Circle By The Circle
 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72/Mk 6:45-52

 Thurs. 7:00am †Marie Alarid By Rene' Azpetia
 1 Jn 4:19–5:4/Ps 72/Lk 4:14-22a

 Fri. 9:00am †Marie, Theresie, Jerome Krnavek By Donna Ayers
 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147/Lk 5:12-16

 Sat. 5:00pm †Joe Kratochvil By June & Family
 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149/Jn 3:22-30

Sun. 9:00am †Sue Glatt By Larry Glatt Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Sun. 11:00am + Gregory Barker By Rick & Wendy Johnson

Sts. Cyril & Methodius: Sun. 9:00 Int. Parishioners of Sts. Cyril & Methodius and St. Bernard's



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### Raffle Tickets

#### Diocese Raffle

**Get in on the excitement.** The Diocese of Great Falls-Billings is holding the 2nd annual charity raffle from now until May 20, 2022. The five major prizes will be drawn live at the Moving Mountains Benefit the evening of May 20th at the Newbury

in Great Falls. Raffle tickets are \$20 each and may be purchased at the church office by cash or check. Debit card purchases (no credit cards) may be done online at www.diocesegfb.org. Stop by today and purchase you tickets. Next \$250 drawing will be January 15th. Cami Chandler of Billings won the December drawing.



Begin the year with a bang in your relationship! Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers weekend experiences to enhance your communication within your

marriage. Join millions of couples, priests and religious who revitalize their commitment and keep the excitement in their marriage. Upcoming dates: Billings, MT Feb 4-6, Gillette WY Feb 18-21, Elk Mountain April 22-24, or visit the website at wwme.org for more dates. For more information and to apply visit <a href="www.wwme.org">www.wwme.org</a>, email <a href="mon-tana.dooleys@gmail.com">mon-tana.dooleys@gmail.com</a>. or call Dan & Clare Dooley 406-697-3275.

Retrouvaille A Lifeline for Marriages Feb. 25-27, 2022 Register at: 1-800-470-2230 or visit <u>www.HelpOurMarriage.com</u>



To celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany some families bless their home for the New Year. With chalk the initials of the legendary names of the three kings are marked about the doorway. The number

of the New Year is split at the beginning and end. The initials C, M, B. represent Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar and the crosses stand for saint. The letters also abbreviate the Latin words: Christ's Mansiomen Benedicat, May Christ Bless this house. The family gathers at the main door. After marking

the threshold, the presiding member of the household prays: May Christ Bless this house. May all who come to our home this year rejoice to find Christ living among us. Chalk available in the lobby.



# Prayer Chain

# ST. BERNARD'S PRAYER CHAIN:

To put a loved one on the prayer chain: Call: Gladys Swoboda at 259-8779

or Email: Joanne Timm at jstimm@aol.com.

(over 206 emails are sent out with the prayer requests).

### STS. CYRIL & METHODIUS PRAYER CHAIN:

call Rae @ 670-2231 or Email at nealf@vikingcable.net



#### LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER...

Please pray for those struggling with illnesses:

Bernie & Lydia Kehrwald, Frank Kestner, Kevin Massick, Bitsy Merchant, Jim Orler, Laurel Parsons, Jim Ulrickson, Crystal West Jr., Debbie Witt.

# SVdP Collection next weekend. January



LaVie's Fundraising Event with special guest, Tim Tebow, will be on March 17<sup>th</sup>,

2022. Thank you for being so patient over this past year and a half as we continuously revised our banquet dates due to COVID-19. We appreciate your support and continued partnership! We are pleased to announce that there are still a limited number of tickets available. If you would like to purchase tickets, please contact LaVie. If you have previously purchased tickets and have not requested a refund, your seats are still reserved. Once the event is closer, you will be receiving an email with updated ticket information.

#### Faith Formation K - 3

Join us as we see how God made us extraordinary. Classes are Mondays from 6:00-7:15pm or Wednesdays from 4:30 to 5:45pm.

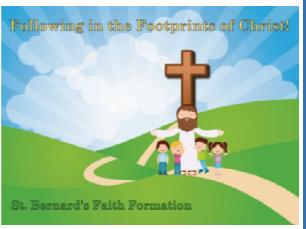
NO CLASS THIS WEEK: Happy New Year! We will see everyone for class again January 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>.

Nativity play! Thank you to everyone who helped with and was part of making the nativity play so fun this year!

**RCIC**: Next Class is January 12<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Tim McDonald at 259-4350 or tmcdonald@stbernardblgs.org.

Sunday School during the 9am Mass for 3,4,5 year olds in St. Thomas classroom. NO Sunday School until Jan. 9th.



#### Youth Groups (Grades 4 - 12)



We do not have youth group this week but will start up again on January 11 and 12. I hope everyone had a great Christmas and we will see you after the break!

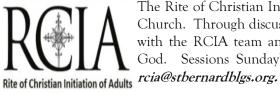
Middle School Retreat: On March 4-6 we will be having a middle school retreat. This is a special retreat that is run by the college and high school youth of our parish. If you are interested in helping run the retreat or attending the retreat please turn your forms in by February 23.

New calendars: The new calendars for the rest of the school year are out. If you didn't get a calen-

dar at youth group you can pick them up at the church.

Youth Group Times: 4th and 5th Grade Youth Group - Wednesdays from 4:30 - 5:45pm -/ Middle School Youth Group - Tuesdays from 7:00 - 8:30pm / High School Youth Group - Wednesdays from 7:00 - 8:30pm

Questions: If you have any thoughts or questions about youth group please contact Brian Shea at 259.4350 or brians@stbernardblgs.org. We are always trying to make the program better and love to hear your thoughts and ideas.



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process through which adults enter into the Catholic Church. Through discussions, prayers and reflection, you are accompanied on this journey of faith, with the RCIA team and the whole parish, allowing each person to develop a relationship with God. Sessions Sunday's at 10am. We are eager to welcome you so contact: Roy Brown -NO Class Jan. 2 & 9.

There is a group for ages 3 (potty trained) on up. If you are interested or have questions contact
Donna Ayers at dayers@stbernardblgs.org 406.294.3556.

Wed. 9am Choir practices at 7pm in the church
This week Youth Choir
Wed. 3:30pm

Pre - K Thurs. at 2:30pm

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Each new year brings us new opportunities to know Him more, to walk in faith, and grow by His grace. May your year be blessed in the Lord. "'...Eve hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him." - I CORINTHIANS 2:9 KIV

#### **Adult Faith Formation**

I hope everyone had a great Christmas! We will be starting up Adult Faith Formation meetings again on January 24. Also, on February 21 we will be starting a four-week session on the sacraments in conjunction with the book Searching for Sunday by Rachel Held Evans. If you want a book please contact Brian Shea a t ans@stbernardblgs.org or 259-4350. We are charging \$5 a book and the church will cover the rest of the costs.

#### Sts. Cyril & Methodius News

Parish Council 1st Tuesday of Month - Sept. through May.

The FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH FOOD BANK SUNDAY.

#### January 9

Lectors W. Suralski

S. Lyon

Music N. Fehringer

Sacristan B. Krkosa





#### Sts. Cyril & Methodius Contacts

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A big thank you to everyone who donated to Food, Toy and Baby weekends during Advent. Thanks

to the Fun Committee, CCW Ladies and KC's for helping with the Christmas Party. Thanks also to those who helped decorate the church for Advent & Christmas: *Tom & Sara Cameron, Mike Hopf, Trevor Hopf, Tim & Kelli Delaney, Jennifer & Haley Jensen, Deb Hanley, Kathy* 

Majerus, Tom Krivec, Tyson Byers, Brandon, Mac & TK Mikkanen. You are all appreciated and have blessed our parish family. The parish wishes to thank the family of Alice Lambrecht and the late Wally Lambrecht for the gift of our new Christmas Star.

Blessings and Happy New Year all.

Mary Strauss - Liturgy Committee





Happy Healthy New Year!!! Resolutions to make and hopefully not break too soon. Just pick ONE, do some deep breathing for mental acuteness, <u>pray</u> about it, study how you will accomplish it, make notes about the progress and accomplishments, talk to

someone that will understand and brag a bit! If you stumble don't get too discouraged, just start again. Remember to be the healthiest, human God expects of you.

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#### GOSPEL MEDITATION - The Epiphany of the Lord



In his Apostolic Exhortation, The Joy of the Gospel, Pope Francis references a thought from Pope Benedict XVI: "Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction." Today we celebrate an encounter with the Person of Jesus Christ! This simple but holy event in time dramatically changes human life, pointing it toward a new horizon and giving it a decisive direction. This is a message and truth that is not meant to be shared with only a select few who qualify but with the entire world. Pope Francis continues saying, "Thanks solely to this encounter or renewed encounter with God's love, which blossoms into an enriching friendship, we are liberated from our narrowness and self-absorption. We become fully human when we become more

than human, when we let God bring us beyond ourselves in order to attain the fullest truth of our being." Look around at people. Where is life heading for them? What gives them direction? Even we who are people of faith can get distracted and lose our focus. God, in all of His fullness, is revealed in Jesus Christ and we can encounter Him! God is tangible, real, vulnerable, poor, and full of wonders, surprises, and opportunities. For those who are struggling and lost, today is a day of great joy. All they have to do is reach out and touch the truth of Christ. This presence is revealed in the poor, exploited, and vulnerable ones who cry out for compassion and love. But it is also found in the faithful ones who see in the Epiphany of God a liberation from structures and systems that hurt us, a narrowness of mind and heart that constricts us, and an absorption in our self-agenda that prevents us from seeing anything other than ourselves as important. We have been given the charge of preaching this Good News. If only we could find a way to be more effective, it might stand a chance of doing what God intended it to do. There is always tomorrow and our memory of that bright new light that shone so brilliantly that Bethlehem night pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved. OLPI

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#### **WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS & ADDRESS CHANGES**

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#### WELCOME!

We appreciate your coming to worship with us today; we hope you find warmth and hospitality here! If you are new to our community and want to join our parish, please call 259-4350 or stop by the office.

Office Hours at St. Bernard's:

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