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July 18, 2021

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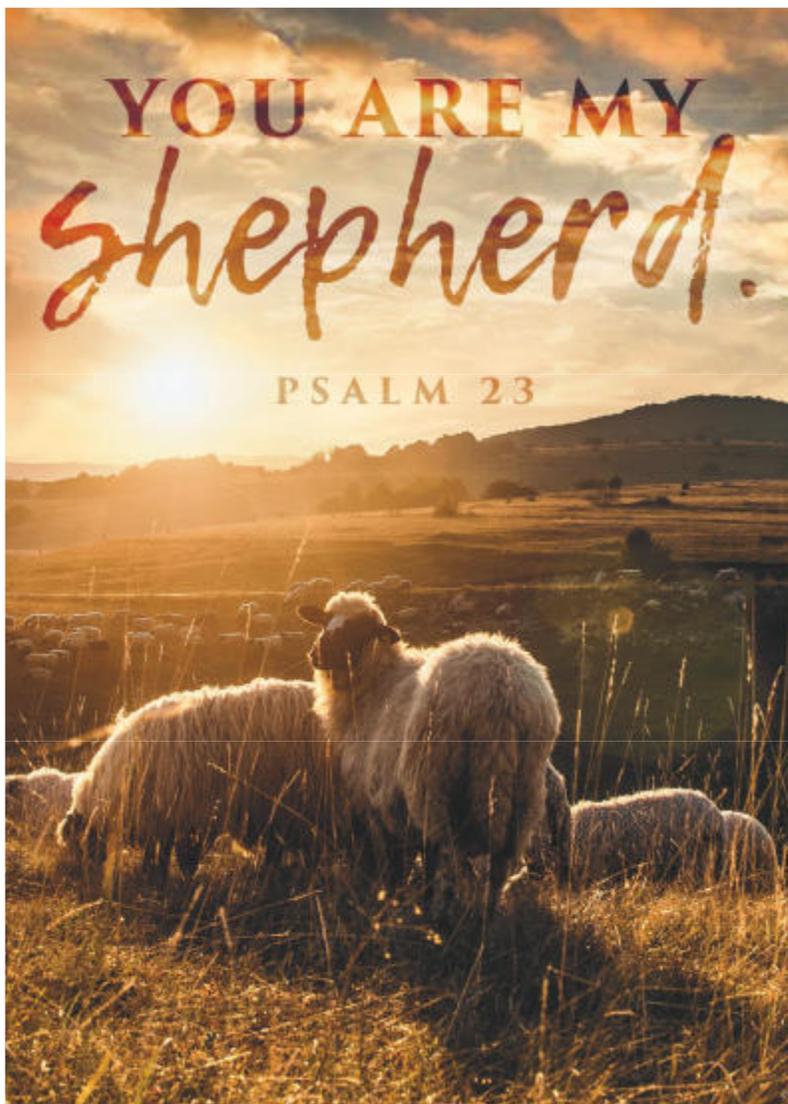
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Our parish is one of only two in the U.S. named for St. Bernard of Montjoux, patron saint of hikers, skiers and mountaineers. All other St. Bernard's parishes are under the patronage of St. Bernard of Clairvaux.

Eleventh century Priest of the Diocese of Aosta in the Alps, St. Bernard was well known for his ministry among the travelers and hikers in the treacherous alpine passes between France and Italy. One of the monasteries he established developed the massive breed of dog that could function well in deep snow and unrelenting cold—the St. Bernard.



Pastor: Father Martin E. Cline Parochial Vicar: Father Alex Guimpol
Priest in Residence: Msgr. C.J. McAvoy

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Regular Office Hours:

Monday: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Deacon: Joseph Szwed, 518-891-5008

Pastoral Assistant: Sr. Carol Kraeger, 518-891-2286

School Principal: Andrea Kilbourne-Hill, 518-891-2830
www.stbernardsschool.org





16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There's an ordinary pine grove located on a tree farm not too far from town where life's stresses and demands seem to melt away. It is here that all that seemed so important out there no longer is, and one can get lost in the rows of trees and majestic beauty. God is here, and all is good. We need to connect with the Divine Source of all that is in order to understand what it is we are doing and why we are doing it. Otherwise, things stop making sense, and bitterness can overcome one's spirit. It's okay to play once in a while and to discover that place of profound life and peace. People always have needs, and there is constantly something to do. While all of that is necessary and we are needed, there is also that inner solitude within that needs to be celebrated and released.

We all need a pine grove. It's that little place we can go and leave all that consumes us behind. It's a place where technology can be set aside, and wonder and awe given some time. We don't have to text, calculate, or orchestrate anything in the pine grove. It is a somewhat deserted place where all of that can be set aside, and we can just be. The anger, frustration, exhaustion, discouragement, helplessness, and occasional apathy can fall to the ground like all of those pine needles that once held their place on the branch of a Frasier Fir. The needles can let go. We can let go. We are beings connected with Being and we all need to remember what really matters, who really matters and what life is truly all about. We need to find that place where we can let go of all of the barnacles we accumulate. Rest, breathe, seek, and love.

The world will need us again when we leave the pine grove. It will all be waiting for us, beckoning for our attention. But we will have prayed and will have marveled at the silence and the beauty of goodness. We can go back, ready, and eager to listen, to help, to heal, to cry, to embrace, and attend to all that is asked of us. But, having let go of the distractions in that deserted place we will have a renewed sense of purpose. We will know better Who it is we serve and what we are meant to do. It will all be clearer now that we have been Divinely touched and refreshed.



Fish Creek Mass

We are happy to announce that Sunday Mass is once again being offered in the "Cathedral in the Pines," at the Fish Creek Campsite amphitheater at 8:30 a.m. Masses will run through Labor Day weekend. Everyone is welcome to attend. Tell the attendant at the entrance you are going to Mass, and you will be admitted at no charge.

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Her, O Lord

Sheila A. Stephenson



From the Pastor

I have recently have been reflecting on a couple of things.

First, if you are Catholic and are in the hospital for any reason, you should reach out to the office, (518-891-4616). The hospital cannot call us to let us know, so it is important to let your family know that if something happens you want a priest contacted.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick has a history of being thought of as just for those who are near death, but that is not true. If you are sick in any way, having any procedure done, or are nervous or anxious about a recent doctor's visit please reach out to us.

Second, the Anointing of the Sick is a sacrament of the Roman Catholic Church. As such, it can only be administered by a Catholic priest. Sometimes in dire emergency a deacon or lay person can do a baptism or confirmation, but, because of the "forgiveness of sins" aspect of the Anointing of the Sick, only a priest can give this sacrament. That is why it is important for the parish to be called in an illness or emergency situation at the hospital. Also, it is good for us to know so that Sister Carol can do follow up visits.

Third, I have given the okay on two projects for the parish. The first is the removal and replacement of the sidewalks entering the office and the front of the church. Along with this you will see major improvements to our handicap entrance. We are thankful for the diocese for a grant to do the handicap entrance. The money for the other parts will be covered by the Capital Campaign the diocese did with the parish. The second major project is a new heating system for the small school. At this time the small school building is heated by the boilers in the main school, and the system is beginning to experience some issues. One major problem is the huge heat loss from pumping heat underground. So, we have decided to move forward with this change.

I hope and pray you have patience with me and this work. It will include days where the entrance to office and church will be closed. Both buildings do have other entrances, so you will still be able to go to church and visit the office. PLEASE BE PATIENT! Good things are happening.

Campaign Update

The It's Our Church, It's Our Future Diocesan-wide Capital Campaign has received over \$8.5 million in pledge payments and over \$3 million in one-time gifts, collecting \$11.6 million to date. There is still \$2.1 million in pledge receivables from parishioners throughout the Diocese who chose to make their gift via three or four year pledge payments.

Parishes have completed or are in the construction or planning stages of capital projects and programs they listed in their 2018 case statements. These funds are being utilized to complete the projects. Capital improvements to Camp Gugenheim and St. Mary's Cathedral, and financial assistance of the Education of Seminarians and Priests Retirement Fund were also beneficiaries of campaign gifts. Over 7,100 households have contributed to the Capital Campaign. Thank you to all who have made gifts and to those who continue to honor their commitments. For those who wish to make pledge payments on-line, go to: [Donate Now - Capital Campaign \(rcdony.org\)](https://www.recdony.org) (Capital Campaign on-line giving).



St. Bernard's School News

This past week, St. Bernard's School held our first of 5 summer scholar enrichment opportunities for students. Students joined our family support coordinator, principal, and alumni of the school for a morning of STEM, Art, and ELA activities. We also hosted our first Popsicles on the Playground, where families had the chance to meet on the playground for some social time. We will be hosting more of these programs throughout the summer. Please call the school office if you are interested in learning more or would like to register.

Additionally, we will be hosting a Campfire Family Night at Camp Guggenheim on August 8th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. More information about this program will be available later this summer.

The staff and volunteers of St. Bernard's have been busy making improvements to the school grounds and buildings, and we have some more work planned. Our kindergarten room has a fresh coat of paint and will be getting a new whiteboard and trim. We will be re-seeding our soccer field shortly, and Lupini Construction will be working on the front stairs and sidewalk in August. Finally, we hope to take care of some of the heating issues we run into in the winter now, while we can do the work without shutting the school down.

While our core classroom teachers are all returning this year, we are still looking to fill a few spots on our staff: Music and Foreign Language. Both of these positions are part-time "specials." Please email principal@stbernardsschool.org or call the school office if you are interested in learning more about either of these positions or know of a candidate!



Guggenheim Summer Fun Days

While Guggenheim is getting a facelift, we are excited to offer a few day-events this July. Whether you're a seasoned camper or someone who has never heard of Camp Guggenheim, a Guggenheim Summer Fun Day is for you! Bring your friends!

Choose your day to attend. July 29th or 30th is for those 12 to 15. July 31st is for those 16 to 18. From swimming to Super Scavenger Hunt, Beach Luau, youth focused Liturgy and more, you are guaranteed a great day at Camp Guggenheim! We will provide snacks and drinks. Please bring your own bag lunch. You will also need to bring a bathing suit, towel, sunscreen, and bug spray. The fee to attend is: \$15.00 per day event.

You must be vaccinated for the COVID-19 virus to attend and participate in a Guggenheim Summer Fun Day.

If you have registration or requirement questions, please contact, Jeannie Grizzuto, Youth Office Administrator at: jgrizzuto@rcdony.org or 315-393-2920 ext. 1413. **To register, go to:** www.rcdony.org/summer-fun-days-guggenheim.

Annual Mission Office St. Peter Apostle Appeal

As we enter summer of 2021, the Pontifical Mission Societies asks you to keep the St. Peter Apostle Appeal in your minds and hearts. With your help they can aid seminarians around the world on their journey to the priesthood. Donations can be made for this campaign until July 31- by mail or through their website at <https://www.rcdony.org/mission>.



Natural Family Planning Awareness Week

NFP Awareness Week, an annual educational campaign of the USCCB, invites everyone to discover the wise design of God for sexuality and married

love.

The theme, "TO HAVE, TO HOLD, TO HONOR," for National NFP Awareness Week, July 25-31, invites all to discover how Natural Family Planning supports God's gifts of love and life in marriage. In *THE JOY OF LOVE (AL, 222)*, Pope Francis specifically calls attention to these healthy, effective, morally acceptable, and truly organic approaches to family planning. He writes, "They are to be promoted, since these methods respect the bodies of the spouses, encourage tenderness between them, and favor the education of an authentic freedom."

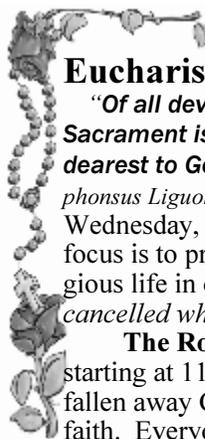
To learn more, please contact the Natural Family Planning Office, apietropli@rcdony.org or at 518-483-0459.



From Catholic Daughters

A HUGE thank you to everyone who supported the Catholic Daughters bake sale. Our scholarship fund is looking much better! Special thanks to Coakley's Hardware! The space in front of their business is a perfect spot for a bake sale. Now, no more fundraisers until next year.

Thanks!



Eucharistic Adoration/The Rosary

"Of all devotions, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest of the sacraments, the one dearest to God, and the one most helpful to us..." St. Alphonsus Liguori Eucharistic Adoration is held each Wednesday, after the 8:30 a.m. Mass, until noon. The focus is to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life in our Diocese. All are welcome. *Adoration is cancelled whenever a funeral Mass is held.*

The Rosary will be said each Thursday morning starting at 11:00 a.m. in the chapel. The intention is for fallen away Catholics and their return to the Catholic faith. Everyone is invited.

A Few Degrees



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Environmental Stewardship

As temperatures rise this summer so does our tendency to turn up the air conditioner. However, top climate scientists around the globe rank refrigeration as one of the greatest contributors to global warming.* To decrease carbon emissions into the atmosphere, simply raise the temperature control on your air conditioner or climate control a few degrees in your home or office. Also, check your refrigerator setting and adjust to highest temp. needed to preserve your food. (*from *Drawdown: The Most Comprehensive Plan Ever Proposed to Reverse Global Warming* Ed. Paul Hawken)



For the month of July, donations of canned meats and tuna are sought. Your donations are greatly needed and appreciated during these unprecedented times.

JULY 18, 2021



July 17 — July 25

Sat., July 17 & Sun., July 18—16th Sun. in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. (*St. B*) (Ant.) Dot Fobare by St. Bernard's Choir

8:00 a.m. (*Assumption*) Gelaine Felker by Anne Fiedler

8:30 a.m. (*FC*) The Intentions of Dorothy Metz by
RoseAnn Hickey

10:00 a.m. (*St. B*) People of the Parish

Monday, July 19

5:30 p.m. (*St. B*) Evelyn by Frank, Jerry, Pete & Jim &
Grandchildren

Tuesday, July 20

12:00 p.m. (*St. B*) Robert Douglas by Marge Wopat & Bob &
Joani Abler

Wednesday, July 21

8:30 a.m. (*St. B*) Carolyn Miller by the Akey Family

Thursday, July 22 — St. Mary Magdalene

12:00 p.m. (*St. B*) Sister Mary Bethany, SSJ (Ann.) by Sister
Carol

Friday, July 23

8:30 a.m. (*St. B*) Rebecca LoPinto Moran by Jim & Bella
Coppola

Sat., July 24 & Sun., July 25—17th Sun. in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. (*St. B*) (Ant.) People of the Parish

8:00 a.m. (*Assumption*) Amanda Winderl by Mary Lou
McClatchie

8:30 a.m. (*FC*) Yvon Agnant by A. Bien-Aime

10:00 a.m. (*St. B*) Robert Douglas by Kathy Weir

Readings for the week of July 18, 2021

Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 2:13-18/Mk
6:30-34

Monday: Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc,-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1b]/Mt 12:38- 42

Tuesday: Ex 14:21—15:1/Ex 15:8-9, 10 and 12, 17 [1b]/Mt
12:46-50

Wed.: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28
[24b]/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9
[2]/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Friday: Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [cf. Jn 6:68c]/Mt
13:18-23

Saturday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 [14a]/Mt 13:24- 30

Next Sun.: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/
Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15



Funeral Masses

The noon Mass is cancelled, and the intention is
rescheduled, whenever a Funeral Mass is held.

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Liturgies:

4:30 p.m. (Anticipated) — St. Bernard's
8:00 a.m. — Church of the Assumption
8:30 a.m. — Fish Creek Campsite
10:00 a.m. — St. Bernard's

Weekday Masses:

Mon. — 5:30 p.m., Wed. & Fri. — 8:30 a.m.,
Tues. & Thurs. — 12:00 p.m. — St. Bernard's

Baptismal Preparation:

Please call St. Bernard's Rectory, 891-4616

Penance:

Saturdays: (*St. B*) 3:30 to 4:15 p.m.
Anytime by appointment.

Catholic Charities: 518-483-1460

Pregnancy Services:

Crisis Pregnancy? 1-800-NO-ABORT
Plattsburgh Pregnancy Center 518-578-9648 (Free pregnancy testing, counseling, & ultrasound)
Birthright 518-563-4300; OLV Gabriel Project 518-561-1842
Post-Abortion Healing is possible: 1-800-HOPE4ME, or
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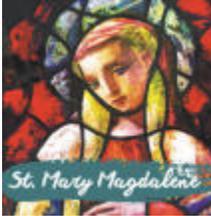
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Mary Magdalene

July 22nd is the feast of Mary Magdalene. We've heard a lot of stories about her, but who was she really?

Mary Magdalene has been the subject of speculation and scholarship over the last 2,000 years. Mary Magdalene makes her first named appearance in Luke 8:2. She is one of several women following Jesus. Luke specifically mentions that Mary had previously been delivered from demonic possession. Whatever her life looked like before she met Jesus, it wasn't good! Because of this association with being a repentant sinner, Mary Magdalene has been associated with other similar stories in the Gospel, such as the woman caught in adultery or the woman who bathes Jesus' feet with her tears.

Mary Magdalene shows up again by name at the end of the Gospels, when she stands with the Blessed Virgin Mary at the foot of the Cross. Mary is also present in the garden of the resurrection. She is one of the woman who goes to bring spices to Jesus' tomb, where they find the stone rolled away. Mary stays in the garden weeping, believing his body has been stolen. Jesus approaches her and calls her by name, and she becomes the first witness to the resurrection! While many of the details of Mary Magdalene's life have been lost to time, she is an example of powerful conversion, deep faith, and intimate love for Christ.

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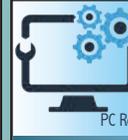
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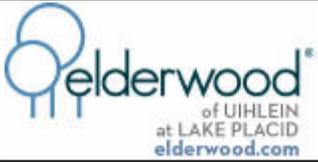
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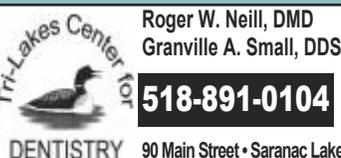
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