

St. Bernard Catholic Community

December 12, 2021

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THE LORD, YOUR GOD, IS IN YOUR MIDST,
A MIGHTY SAVIOR;
HE WILL REJOICE OVER YOU WITH GLADNESS,
AND RENEW YOU IN HIS LOVE.

—ZEPHANIAH 3:17

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Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, December 12

3rd Sunday of Advent

8:30 a.m. Mass - Livestream
Mary Jo Large
11:00 a.m. Dan Fusting

MONDAY, December 13

St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

8:15 a.m. Emma Hartford
Recitation of the Rosary

TUESDAY, December 14

St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:15 a.m. Steve Meurer
Recitation of the Rosary

WEDNESDAY, December 15

THURSDAY, December 16

12:00 p.m. Dan Fusting
Advent Eucharist Adoration until 6:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, December 17

8:15 a.m. Esteban Saldana
6:30 p.m. O Antiphons

SATURDAY, December 18

3:00 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
4:00 p.m. Mary Jo Large
5:15 p.m. O Antiphons

SUNDAY, December 19

4th Sunday of Advent

8:30 a.m. Mass - Livestream
Mary Jane Spalding
11:00 a.m. Joel Senninger
6:30 p.m. O Antiphons

Parish Stewardship

Sunday Offering Received - Dec. 5	\$	22,495.00
Budgeted Amount for Dec. 5	\$	12,550.00

The crowds asked John the Baptist, "What should we do?" He said to them in reply, "Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise."
Luke 3:10-11

The answer to the question, "what should we do?" is simple – SHARE. Sharing from the abundances we are given from God is the bottom line for all good stewards.

TIME AND TALENT STEWARDSHIP MINISTERS SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 18/19

LECTORS: 4:00 F. Radolovich, M.J. Huelsman **8:30** M. Miles, C. Hagan **11:00** A. Mattingly, C. Watts

HOSPITALITY: 4:00 J. Downs, C. Clark, K. Burkhead, J. O'Bryan **8:30** M. Sinkhorn, M. Csernik, B. Kuhn, B. Fochtman **11:00** G. Young, W. Perry, J. Britton

EUCCHARISTIC: 4:00 R. Neal, D. Kennedy, N. Verrill, K. Recktenwald **8:30** P. Robinson, C. Robinson, M. Dries, E. Dries, B. Kuhn **11:00** S. Hazelrig, R. McCauley, M. Torpey, C. Johnson

Preparing for Next Week

4th Sunday of Advent

Obedience to God's Will

Elizabeth said, "Blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord." (Luke 1:45)

Micah 5:1-4a - Restoration through the messiah

Hebrews 10:5-10 - The second covenant

Luke 1:39-45 - The visit to Elizabeth

Adults: When was it hardest for you to trust in God's plan for you, as Mary did? What can help you at such times?

Kids: When is it hardest for you to obey a parent or teacher? What can help you obey with more trust?

NOTE: In anticipation of possible shipping delays, the deadline to submit items for the bulletin will be on Friday by noon through the end of the year. Items for the bulletin may be emailed to bulletin@stbernardlou.com.

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Happy Birthday wishes to the following parishioners who are celebrating 70+ years!

Karen Horton, Dec. 15
Marvin Ewing, Dec. 18

Charlotte Newton, Dec. 15

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please keep the following parishioners in your prayers: Lola Billings, Geneva Blair, Christy Blandford, Pat Bohannon, Robert Caseman, Diane Darst, Demetria Downs, Pat Dwyer, Jo Faulkner, Larry Fogarty, Fran Fox, Darlene Havel, Jackie Recktenwald Hazelrig, Annette Henry, Roxanne Hobbs, Pat Howell, Elizabeth Hunter, Joseph Jessel, Fred Kirsch, Mike Kreutzer, Peggy Kuchenbrod, Sonny Lucas, Chris Manning, John Manning, Nicholas Manning, Chuck McDonald, Ted McDonald, Mike Miller, Carol Montgomery, Tom Newton, Caden O'Daniel, James Oslin, Karen Pierce, Doug Powers, Wayne Robinson, Tish Schaaf, Jean Seaman, Tony Senninger, Theresa Stopher, Nataley Thompson, Steve Tobbe, Mary Tyra, Tommy Walsh, Larry Warren, Betty Weber, Norma Wiedemer, Jeremy Wooten, Leo Zurkuhlen.



SAFE ENVIRONMENT WORKSHOP

The Archdiocese of Louisville requires that all adults who work with children in our parish communities attend a "Honor Thy Children Safe Environment" training session and have a **background check**. Background check forms are online. Please notify the contact person for the area in which you are volunteering if you need to complete your background check or confirm that it is completed. The following workshop dates are on the calendar. You do not need an appointment, just come 15 minutes early and register. Please turn in your signed form to the school or parish office.

Please note: Children are not allowed to attend this training.

Dec. 15 - 6:30 p.m. - St. Gabriel - Gymnasium
Jan. 17 - 6:30 p.m. - Incarnation - Gymnasium

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

The kindest thing you can do for someone else is listen without forming an opinion.

BLANKET LOUISVILLE

During the month of December, St. Bernard School and Parish will be collecting blankets for Blanket Louisville. New or gently used blankets can be brought to church and placed in the designated box or delivered to the school office. All the blankets collected will be distributed throughout the winter months as needed to shelters and other homeless organizations. For more information you can visit www.blanketlouisville.org.



QUEEN OF HEARTS

Current Jackpot is over \$8,600

Next Drawing will be December 12

Eliminated numbers - 1, 4, 5, 9, 11, 12, 13, 17, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 35, 36, 41, 51, 52

Purchase tickets at:

<https://stbernardlou.weshareonline.org/ws/opportunities/QueenofHearts>



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SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

****Insert Mills Supply ad here ****

This bulletin is furnished to the Parish without charge. The advertisements that appear completely defray all publishing costs with which the church would otherwise be burdened. Please patronize these sponsors as a thank you for their kind generosity.

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Our Parish Target - \$65,200

Our Parish Participation Goal - 268 households

Thanks to those who have already responded with a gift to the 2021 Catholic Services Appeal. To date, we have raised **\$48,720** toward our goal through the support of **163** households. There is still plenty of time to respond with a gift. Gifts may be made through our parish office or online at www.ArchLou.org/CSA.

A BUDDY BENCH

Our school has been gifted a Buddy Bench with the help of the American Legion Auxiliary. The bench was purchased and will be presented to our students in early December. The Buddy Bench is a place where students can always find a friend. If a child feels lonely, they can go to the bench as a **signal that they need someone to play with**. Another child will see them, go and talk to them and include them in their games.



It has been asked that in thanksgiving for our gifted bench we work to return the favor for another school. Our bench is made from recycled bottle caps. St. Bernard has been asked to collect 20 pounds of plastic bottle caps. Please help us help another school receive this awesome gift.

WHAT TYPES OF CAPS:

Small caps from food grade containers, household items.

Snap-on: butter tub, coffee can, yogurt lids, Small Twist-off: medicine, drink bottle, milk caps Large Twist: detergent caps

Spout: squirt condiment caps

Flip top: Ketchup caps etc.

NOT ACCEPTABLE CAPS Any cap with metal Pumps or with metal spring inside - as on lotions fast-food drink caps; no lid or cap over 8" in diameter; no medical supplies.

OLD SMARTPHONES NEEDED

The school technology department is collecting old cell phones to use in our virtual reality viewers. If you have any old smartphones, you are no longer using, we would love to have them to use in the classroom!



You are invited to make your own Kitchen/Abacus Rosary Monday, December 13

YOUR CHOICE OF TWO TIMES

Afternoon -12:00 (noon) - 1:30 pm or Evening 6:30 - 8:00 pm

\$15 (PER BOARD)

SPACE and SUPPLIES ARE LIMITED

Register and sign up at

www.stbernardlou.weshareonline.org



- **PERSONALIZE/CUSTOMIZE YOUR BOARD** with lots of options!
- No painting or crafting skills needed.
- Board is pre-stained and pre-drilled.
- Personalize your board with your choice of beads, sayings and other embellishments which we supply
- Help will be on hand to guide you every step of the way.
- **The perfect gift for all ages.**



Thank you for your generous donation of \$3,536 for disaster relief. We join you in caring deeply for the families who have suffered because of recent natural disasters, including wildfires, hurricanes, earthquakes, and flooding. Thank you for reaching out on their behalf.

Your donation will be used to support the efforts of Catholic Charities USA and Catholic Relief Services, the official relief agencies of the U.S. Catholic Church, as they respond with humanitarian aid, as well as the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops for pastoral and reconstruction needs of the Church.

Thank you for your support!

ST. BERNARD "TABLE OF ANGELS"

All "angel" gifts **MUST** be returned to the back of St. Bernard Church **NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2021, 2:00 P.M.** as gifts must be accounted for and transported to FCHUM for their scheduled distribution. If you have any questions, please call Karen (502-640-7682) or Tim (502-523-6447) Schenk. Thank you for your faithful participation, generosity, and support of this community outreach!



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URGENT!!! URGENT!!!

TAX INCENTIVES FOR YEAR END GIVING

"BLESSED TO BE A BLESSING" Capital Campaign



Want to bless your family in 2021 and, while you're at it, bless both your parish and school this year?

Last year, due to the pandemic, Congress passed the CARES ACT and then reaffirmed it again in what is called the Consolidated Tax Relief Bill.

Both bills are designed to encourage charitable giving to qualified charities like St. Bernard Parish and/or the St. Bernard Parish and School "Blessed to Be a Blessing" capital campaign. The bill allows a taxpayer to receive a dollar-for-dollar reduction in their AGI (adjusted gross income) or the amount of your taxable income for 2021.

Further, this bill expanded the limit on the deductibility of cash contributions made by individuals to a public charity during 2021 from 60% of adjusted gross income to 100% of adjusted gross income. Essentially, for every dollar you give to St. Bernard in 2021, you reduce your taxable income by that same amount.

As with any tax-related questions, St. Bernard's leaders encourage you to speak with your financial advisor or tax accountant for details as to how this rare action by Congress could be beneficial both to you and to your favorite charity...which we hope is St. Bernard. Think of this as an opportunity to make a special gift to St. Bernard's regular offertory, or to St. Bernard's School, or you might be thinking about fulfilling a portion or all of your pledge to the BLESSED TO BE A BLESSING capital campaign by giving a portion or all of your pledge total before the end of this year 2021. Donations need to be received in the office by noon on December 29.

For more information or to simply inquire about how to take advantage of this opportunity, call Jim Parr, the parish Business Manager, at 502-239-5178 and he will be happy to guide you or answer your questions.

BLESSED TO BE A BLESSING

Advent & Christmas

Preparing the way

Thursdays, December 2, 9, 16, 23
Advent Eucharistic Adoration.

Following the Noon Mass ending with Benediction at 6:00 pm.

Sunday, December 12
Regional Advent Reconciliation Service
2:00 pm at St. Michael Catholic Church

Friday December 17 - Thursday December 23
The O Antiphons each evening. 6:30 pm
(Saturday, Dec. 18 - will be 5:15 pm)

Friday, December 24
Christmas Eve Masses 4:00, 7:00 and 11:00 pm

Saturday, December 25
Christmas Day Mass 9:00 am
(no Saturday 4:00 pm Mass)

No Weekday Masses
Monday December 27 - Thursday, December 30

Feast of Mary, Mother of God
Friday, December 31 - 4:00 pm and
Saturday, January 1, 2022 - 9:00 am

(no Saturday 4:00 pm Mass)

St. Bernard Catholic Church, 7500 Tangelo Dr., Louisville, KY 40228



COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC

Sunday, December 19 10:00 am-1:00 pm

St. Bernard will be offering a Vaccine Clinic through Wild Health Labs. The clinic will be able to provide the Pfizer Adult or Pediatric 1st or 2nd dose; Pfizer Adult Booster. Please bring your vaccination cards (or copies/pos) to confirm previous doses.

Vaccinations are only guaranteed with appointments. Walk-ins are welcome but they cannot guarantee a vaccine will be available. To make Vaccination Appointments visit: kyvax.wildhealth.com

STEPHEN MINISTRY AT ST. BERNARD: One-to-one caring relationships grounded in Jesus' command to love one another.



Stephen Ministers are called to be caregivers. "Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." Galatians 6:2. Need a Stephen Minister? Contact Denise Meyer dmeyer@stbernardlou.com or 239-5178., ext. 2202.

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MEMORIAL FLOWER FUND

St. Bernard is now accepting donations for the Memorial Flower Fund to help defray the cost of the flowers used to decorate the church through the Christmas Season. You may choose to give your gift "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" a loved one. A list of those names will be printed in the bulletin at a later date. Envelopes are available in the back of church. Or you may donate online at <https://stbernardlou.weshareonline.org/>. Thank you for your generosity.

ADVENT ADORATION

Thursdays, Dec. 9, 16, & 23

Following the Noon Mass
until 6:00 pm (Benediction)

Spend Some Quiet Time With Jesus

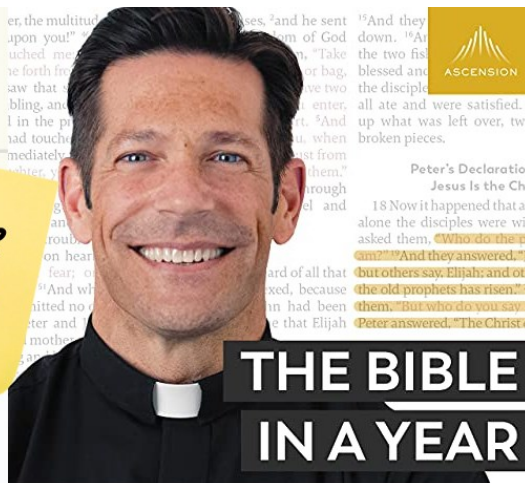
Even though God is always with you and you can pray to Him anywhere you go, it is especially powerful to adore Jesus in the Eucharist. In the presence of the Eucharist, we pray to the power and sacrifice that it represents: the body of Jesus, who gave His life so that we may live. Take a break from the noise and busyness of the season and spend a little quiet time with Him.

Make a New Kind of New Year's Resolution for 2022!

Join with other St. Bernard
parishioners taking the pledge!

to find out more go to
www.stbernardlou.com/bible-in-a-year

Read the
Bible in a
year!



WITH FR. MIKE SCHMITZ, FEATURING JEFF CAVINS

The Bible is our Heritage - it tells us of our relationship with God from the "Beginning", of our relationship with Jesus and of our relationship with the Catholic Church which He founded. We need to know our Heritage.

You could join fellow parishioners and use what author Jeff Cavins and Fr. Mike Schmitz have created. Specifically, "The Bible in a Year" podcast (free) and the "Bible Timeline Chart" (\$4.95). You can listen to an example of a podcast at <https://bibleinayear.fireside.fm/day-1>. All you have to do is listen to the daily podcasts while you follow along with the Chart and you will have listened to the entire Bible in 365 podcasts. If you follow along in your Bible during each podcast, you will have read the entire Bible in a year too! It is a wonderful way to get know our Heritage.

To get started, register with AscensionPress.Com to obtain a list of the 365 readings (free), and order a "Bible Timeline Chart" (\$4.95). Choose the best way for you to listen to the podcasts. Use your own Bible or choose another version. Fr. Mike uses the Revised Standard Version - Second Catholic Edition (RSV-2CE). The specific Bible he uses is called "The Great Adventure Catholic Bible" (\$60 bound, \$40 paperback) from Ascension Press. You may use any Catholic Bible, but it is easier to follow along with an RSV-2CE because the words are the exact same words as you hear on the Podcast.

Read your bible and listen to the podcasts from the comfort of your own home. You can listen anytime and anyplace. You just need an internet enabled device to access the podcast! The Podcasts are between 18 and 30 minutes long, including Fr. Mike's commentary, and there are 365 of them. All 365 days are available online already, so you can set your own pace. We as the St. Bernard community will be pledging to start Day 1 of the Podcast on January 1, 2022. And, if you choose, you can be a part of a Community to travel this journey. There will be regular monthly meetings during 2022 for sharing and encouragement. The first one will be January 16, 2022 in the checkerboard room following the 8:30 am Mass. Be sure to watch the bulletin for the next scheduled date.

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PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

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Office hours

Mon. - Fri 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Parish email address

stbparish@stbernardlou.com

Sacrament Preparation (Youth) - For information on sacrament preparation for youth (First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation) or for adults interested in completing their Sacraments or learning more about the Catholic Way of life please contact Cyndi Marlow in the parish office at 239-5178, ext. 2203.

Visit us at www.stbernardlou.com

INFANT BAPTISMS (0-6)

The Rite of Infant Baptism for children, ages 0-6, is celebrated quarterly. Please contact Tiffany Sizemore, 836-0980, or tansizemore@gmail.com, to register and begin the process. Parish membership and attendance at a preparation class are required. Children above the age of 6 and adults seeking baptism should contact Cyndi Marlow in the parish office, 239-5178, ext. 2203, to inquire about the RCIA process.

Marriage

Please call Fr. Chuck Walker at 239-5178, ext. 2201, at least 6 months before the intended wedding date to allow an adequate amount of time for marriage preparation.

New Member Registration

When moving into our parish, please call the Parish Office at 239-5178 for information on new member meetings and the registration process.

Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation may be celebrated on Saturdays, 3:00-3:30 p.m., or by appointment, 239-5178. Communal celebrations with area churches are held seasonally. Watch the bulletin for more details.

Pastoral Care of the Sick

Arrangements for home reception of Holy Communion and the Anointing of the Sick are made by calling Denise Meyer, 239-5178, ext. 2202. Please let us know when a family member is hospitalized or enters a nursing facility.

Bulletin Deadline - Please submit bulletin items by Monday 12:00 pm. (Holiday schedules or office closings may require earlier deadline). All content is subject to approval. Email content/request to Janet DeMasters at bulletin@stbernardlou.com.

St. Bernard would like to thank Perez Lawn Care (Samantha and Pedro Perez) for working with us to fulfill our landscape needs.



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