

SAINT BERNARD PARISH

A Small Place Where God's Love Is Made Big!



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Parish Office Hours:
9 – 1 Mon. Tues. Thurs. & Friday

MASSSES: Saturday 5 pm,
Sunday 9:30 am

Tues & Thurs 8 AM - Wednesday: Noon
Communion Services – Mon & Fri 8 AM

CONFESSIONS: Sat: 4:30 - 4:50pm
Sun: 9:00 - 9:20am

Interested in our parish? Call the Parish Office

ST. BERNARD'S PRAYER LINE ~

Members of our parish who pray for anyone in need of spiritual support.

Call **MELANIE DRAKE (681-1335)** or
JAN SUNDERHAUS (738-4967) or
e-mail the Parish Office & we will forward your prayer request to the prayer line.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE:

www.stbernardcincy.org

Please Pray for these Parishioners:

Anita Maria Thierry Allen	Bernard Duncan
Jim Fitzpatrick	Jeff Rexhausen
Paul Thierry	Ron Friedl
Helen Zellner	Barb Limke
Ginny Cook	Joanne Cafferky
Joan Schuler	Nancy Schiele
Mae Smith	Charlene Riesenberger
Phil Schweri	Don & Pat Benzing

November 25th - Collection - \$1,106.00

For the Road

In what ways must you renew yourself?

Birthday Blessings To:

Dec. 01 Amanda Smith
Dec. 02 Jim Jurgens
Dec. 03 Cathy Brunner
Dec. 05 Fred Gennett
Dec. 06 Tom Neubecker
Dec. 07 Sr. Margie Efke

Parish Events

Dec. 03 10 am Fundraising Committee
5:45 Social Justice Committee
Dec. 04 10 am Bible Study
Dec. 05 Noon Mass
6:45 SVDP Meeting
Dec. 06 8:30 – 9:30am Holy Hour
Dec. 07 7pm Movie
7pm Mass MOC
Dec. 08 Noon Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	12/01	5 PM	Christy Verst (BD)
SUNDAY	12/02	9:30 AM	Ginny Cook
1st Sunday of Advent			
MONDAY	12/03	8 AM	Communion Ser.
St. Francis Xavier			
TUESDAY	12/04	8 AM	Jim & Kathy Cress
St. John Damascene			
WEDNESDAY	12/05	Noon	Deceased friends of Ursulines of Cinti
THURSDAY	12/06	9 AM	Ray Zellner (+)
St. Nicholas			
FRIDAY	12/07	8 AM	Communion Ser.
St. Ambrose			
SATURDAY	12/08	5 PM	St. Bernard Parishioners
Immaculate Conception			
SUNDAY	12/09	9:30 AM	Ginny Cook
2nd Sunday of Advent			

A Message from Sister Margie...

This week-end we begin the season of Advent. There are several prayer and social activities to help you prepare for this season and we will try to remind you of them as the weeks pass.

Saturday is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day. Masses will be on Friday evening at 7:00pm at Mother of Christ and on Saturday at noon at St. Bernard. Mary is perhaps the most important figure in the Advent season and this is a good day to honor her.

There is a mistake on the paper that you received with the dates for the 100th celebration. The concert/sing-along is March 14 of 2020, not 2019. I'm getting my years mixed up as we plan this far in advance! Don't forget to turn in your volunteer paper with any of the opportunities checked that you can help to plan or staff.

If you are going on the Aging With Grace Christmas Tour of Oldenburg on the 14th, don't forget to sign up in the back of church. The cost of the lunch is \$19 and includes tax and gratuity. Before that, you might want to come to the Waiting With Mary: an Advent Reflection on the 10th in the annex at 7:00pm.

Advent is a family time. All of us have several commitments this season that involve family members. I'd like to suggest one more! Could you take one extra time during this season to come to morning Mass or Communion service for the sole purpose of praying for your family? Some of you have schedules that cannot permit you to take time at that time of the day, but for those of us who can do it once during the season, it might be the best gift you can give your family.

Christmas Cards to our Home Bound Parishioners

Please consider sending a card to those who cannot worship with us on Sundays. Below is a list of names and addresses

Jo Marie Affeldt, Arch Liebold Home, 476 Riddle Rd, 45220
Pat & Don Benzing 3309 Evergreen Ridge Dr. Cinti 45231
Joann Cafferky 538 Orient Ave. Cinti, 45232
Ginny Cook Covenant Village, 3210 West Fork Rd. Cinti 45211
Bernard Duncan St. Margaret Hall, 1960 Madison Ave 45206
Ronella Friedl Llanfair, 1701 Llanfair Ave. #225, Cinti, 45224
Marty Lamb 6941 Somerset Dr, Cinti 45224
Barb Limke Twin Towers, 5343 Hamilton Ave., Cinti, 45224
Jerry Metz Arch Liebold Home 476 Riddle Rd #504 Cinti, 45220
Charlene Riesenberger 532 Burr Oak Cinti, Oh 45232
Carol Schaljo, 476 Riddle Road, Cinti, OH 45220
Nancy Schiele 9191 RoundTop Rd #109., Cinti., OH 45251
Joan Schuler 1500 Sherman Ave, #225, Cinti, OH 45212
Phil Schweri 1185 Loveoak Ct, Cinti 45224
Paul Thierry 2214 Sweetbriar Ln, Cinti 45239
Helen Zellner 8135 Beechmont Ave., West 211, Cinti, 45255

Reflection on Anticipation of Jesus

Advent is a time to prepare for Jesus. During this time let us get ready with joy and anticipation, even if it involves some work on our part. Let's embrace the opportunities to pray a little more, to examine our lives, and to show more love to the people around us. Let us dedicate the next twenty-three days to making our hearts as open and welcoming as possible so that Jesus will find a comfortable home there. *Lord, help me to make time for you this Advent.* Meditation for Advent. *Word Among Us.* .Advent 2018 pg.22

A Thought from Pope Francis

"The Christian is a person who thinks and acts in accordance with God... Do we think in accordance with God? Do we act in accordance with God? Or do we let ourselves be guided by the many things that certainly do not come from God? Each one of us needs to respond to this in the depths of his or her own heart." Francis. General Audience. St. Peter's Square. May 8, 2013

Friday movie: Pope Francis - A Man of His

Word Join us in the annex on Friday Dec. 7th at 7pm to watch Pope Francis as he travels the world speaking to those in need and delivering a message of hope.

Pope Francis - A Man of His Word is intended to be a personal journey with Pope Francis, rather than a biographical documentary about him. The pope's ideas and his message are central to this documentary, which sets out to present his work of reform and his answers to today's global questions. Popcorn and beverages will be available, and all are welcome to attend.

As a follow up to the Social Justice

Committee presentation given by Sr. Christine Pratt on what we can do to help our environment, we ask that our parish keep the St. Francis Pledge in our thoughts. There are 5 parts to the St Francis Pledge: Pray, Learn, Assess, Act and Advocate. This week we ask you to consider prayer. Cut the following prayer out and try to pray it daily. This is an excerpt from:

A Christian Prayer in Union with Creation

God of love, show us our place in this world
as channels of your love

for all the creatures of this earth,

for not one of them is forgotten in your sight.

Enlighten those who possess power and money

that they may avoid the sin of indifference,

that they may love the common good, advance the weak,
and care for this world in which we live.

The poor and the earth are crying out.

O Lord, seize us with your power and light,
help us to protect all life,

to prepare for a better future,

for the coming of your Kingdom

of justice, peace, love and beauty.

Praise be to you!

Amen.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SERVERS (Chuck Heil)

12/08 5 PM Chuck Heil

12/09 9:30 AM Daniella & Diego

LECTORS (Katie Shuter)

12/08 5 PM Ginny Gubasta

12/09 9:30 AM Bonnie Steinlage
Bob Mierenfeld

OFFERTORY PROCESSION

12/09 9:30 AM John & Jackie Blaylock

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS (Mary Jane Hack)

12/08 5 PM Roger & Linda Rook

12/09 9:30 AM Chuck Heil
Sue Hagedorn
Sr. Margie Efkeman
Reyna Torres
Kathy Hunt

USHERS (Pat Orsary)

12/09 9:30 AM Vern Petry Brennan McNulty

SUNDAY HOST (Bob Ivory)

12/09 9:30 AM Sr. Bonnie

From Sr. Mary Macke about ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS TOYS -

We will be helping families with children again this year. There is a tree in the back of church with suggestions for gifts. Any amount of help you can give is appreciated. We will need the gifts by December 9th. Bring them unwrapped to church on Sundays. If you are giving gift cards, please put them in a marked envelope. (Christmas St. V de Paul). You can put them in the offertory collection or give them to Sr. Mary.

If you have questions, do not hesitate to call. Thank you for your help. This is another example of St. Bernard generosity. Sr. Mary 481-1465 or cell phone 439-7252

Old Neckties Needed!

Dave Evans has a friend who makes quilts for veterans out of old neckties. If you have any ties to contribute, please put them in the marked box in the back of Church or drop off at the rectory. Thanks!

Socks for Santa- John and Jackie Blaylock have been helping with Christmas programs at the Butler County Home in Hamilton and two other nursing homes. The gifts that the people at the homes would like would be socks (for adults). This year's events are scheduled for December 11th, 13th & 21st. Please bring socks between Dec. 2nd and 16th and put them in the red box that is in the back of church. Thanks for your help.

Parish Outing to Oldenburg!

Aging With Grace would like to invite everyone to our outing on December 14th to historic Oldenburg Indiana! We'll leave at 9:00AM and drive 45 minutes to the town of Oldenburg. Cost is \$19 per person. Sign up on the sheet in back of church or call the office by December 7. Let us know if you can drive and how many people you can take.

Faith formation plans for the parish

The Parish Council has asked that initial plans be developed for the upcoming months. A draft of plans for faith formation is inserted in today's bulletin. Also included is an outline for a study on Pope Francis' Exhortation on Holiness.