# Saint Bernard of Clairuaux

A PARISH OF THE DIOCESE OF GREENSBURG



# PARISH STAFF

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Karen Marshall, Music Director
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# **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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# SACRAMENT OF EUCHARIST

# **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. or by appointment

# October 3, 2010 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Sacrament of Holy Orders:** Please contact Father Kiel or Father Larry Kulik at 724-837-0901.

**Sacraments**: For Baptism, Marriage, Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick, and funeral arrangements, please call the parish office at 724-465-2210. Wedding dates must be scheduled one year in advance.

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP:** If you would like to join the parish call for a registration form or come in to the parish office. Anyone who needs a sponsor certificate must be registered. Please notify us if you move or will be moving out of the parish.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** The deadline for bulletin announcements is noon of the Thursday nine (9) days prior to the weekend of the announcement. Mail or email the information to Mrs. Connie Diven at the parish office. Watch the bulletin for holiday deadlines.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): Those who are interested in learning about the Catholic faith are to contact the parish office.

# St. Bernard of Clairvaux Mission Statement

Our MISSION is to witness and share the tradition and beliefs centered in the celebration of Christ in the Eucharist and the other sacraments, and, to ensure their continuation through on-going education and faith formation of the entire community, especially our parents and their children. We endeavor, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, to increase the Kingdom of God through worship, education, and outreach.

St. Bernard of Clairvaux Parish, a Catholic community, was established in Indiana, PA, in 1847, by a group of German Catholics. Our parish has grown and flourished in its celebration of faith through hundreds of families of diverse backgrounds. It is the only parish in Indiana County with a Catholic School containing grades Pre-K through 6.



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America you are beautiful . . . and blessed . . . . The ultimate test of your greatness is the way you treat every human being, but especially the weakest and most defenseless. If you want equal justice for all and true freedom and lasting peace, then America, defend life!-Pope John Paul II Come and pray for a culture of life that will respect all human life from natural conception to natural death during Right to Life month at Eucharistic Adoration, Tuesday, 12 Noon - 7 PM.

# **Eucharistic Adoration and Right to Life**

The Eucharist is the focal point of the Catholic faith because it is Jesus present with us here on earth today. In the Eucharist, Jesus prolongs His presence on earth and most completely fulfills His words: "Behold I am with you all days, even to the consummation of the world" (Mt. 28:20). Prayer before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is efficacious, it produces the desired result, and it is the way to secure the graces necessary to put an end to abortion in the world. Mother Teresa of Calcutta said, "If people spent an hour a week in Eucharistic adoration, abortion would be ended." Pope John Paul II, said that "through adoration the Christian mysteriously contributes to the radical transformation of the world." This is a powerful statement that affirms the awesome power of Eucharistic adoration, the power that will transform our "culture of death" into a culture of life. Eucharistic adoration is the most powerful means one can employ to win graces for the conversion and salvation of those involved in abortion and other sins against human life--

# **Bishop Brandt Celebrates Mass at Saint Bernard**

In thanksgiving of the success of the Diocese recent capital campaign Bishop Brandt will celebrate Mass at Saint Bernard on Tuesday October 5 at 7 PM. This Mass is for Region 5 of our Deanery. All parishioners are invited to attend this Mass of Thanksgiving, an informal reception will follow in the social hall. Please show your support of our parish with your attendance at this Mass.

# Mass With Prayers and Blessings For Healing

What is it? How is this Mass different from other Masses? This Mass is celebrated for the single intention of healing. We were created body, mind and soul. Usually, we have no difficulty asking God to heal our body, it is not as easy to recognize and ask for a healing of the mind or an emotional problem. A spiritual healing is not considered very often because of our pride. We do not like to face the fact that we are sinners and we need God's mercy and forgiveness. During this Mass a brief examination of conscience is used as part of the penitential rite which helps us identify our need for spiritual healing. Prayer intentions at the conclusion of the Mass are for emotional and physical healings. Individual blessings are then given to those who wish to participate. You may have heard about the healing Mass, why not experience it? Join us and pray for yourself or for family members or friends who seek God's healing. This Mass is open to people of all faiths. Father Bill will be celebrating a Mass with Prayers and Blessings for Healing here on Sunday, October 10 at 2:00 PM. Contact the church office for more information or if you have questions: 724-465-2210 or info@saintbernardparish.org.

# **Women's Fellowship and Prayer Group**

Mark your calendars!! We will be starting a Women's fellowhsip and prayer group that wil explore the great call and gift of your femininity. Using Johnette Benkovic's book *Full of Grace* as our study aide we hope to grow spiritually and help each other on our path to the heart of the Father. *Full of Grace* can be purchased at Amazon.com for \$9.39. We will be using the study guide as well, so if you would like your own, it can also be purchased for \$29.95. Our first meeting will be held on Friday, October 15th at 9 AM and will continue at that time each Friday morning. For more information, please call the church office, or Kim Kordell at 814-446-1044.

# **Catholic Men's Fellowship Retreat**

Father Larry Richards will be the guest speaker for the Catholic Men's Fellowship Retreat on October 29 & 30. A gifted and captivating speaker, preacher and retreat master, Father Larry holds the answer to some of life's most profound questions. He speaks from experience as a pastor of an inner city parish, a high school chaplain, a counselor and evangelist. Father Larry has directed hundreds of retreats, parish missions, and conferences for young and old alike. His inspirational talks and presentations, always authentic and enthusiastic, have changed the hearts, minds and lives of millions of listeners worldwide. Ordained to the priesthood in 1989 for the Diocese of Erie. Father Larry serves as pastor of St. Joseph Church/Bread of Life Community in Erie. He is also the Spiritual Director of the TEC (Teens Encounter Christ) Retreat Program for the Diocese of Erie. Father Larry is the founder and president of the Reason for our Hope Foundation. The retreat will be at the Bishop Connare Center, Greensburg, PA. To register please send your name, address, phone number and email address along with a check payable to St. Paul Parish before October 15 to: David Ridilla, 143 Penns Grove Lane, Latrobe, PA 15650. Registration includes one overnight and two meals: Double room-\$65 or single room-\$80. If you cannot stay overnight, you can register for no overnight-\$50. For more information contact Darrel Dudik at 724-961-2774 (DDudik@natenv.com), Dave Ridilla at 724-539-7546 (dridilla@wpa.net) or Santos Hernandez at 412-760-3394 (santos724@windstream.net).

#### Pet Blessing

Blessing of Pets will take place on Monday, October 4 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Thomas More University Parish. All are welcome to bring their pets to receive a special blessing.

# **FAITH FORMATION NEWS**

Youth Group for Grades 7 – 12 will meet on Tuesday, October 5 at 6:30 at St. Bernard Church. We will be attending the Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated by Bishop Brandt as a group. Members of our Youth Group will serve as Greeters before Mass and serve as Bearers of the Gifts during the Mass Celebration. Please plan on attending the social occurring in the Social Hall after Mass.

**Faith Formation for Children** in Grades K-6 will meet on Thursday, October 7 from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. at the St. Bernard School. Parents, please remember to sign your children in upon arrival and to come into the building to pick them up at dismissal. Thank you.

# The Diocese of Greensburg Youth Ministry Office is Searching For the Next Big T-Shirt Designer!

We are counting on the many talented teens at St. Bernard Church to design a logo for the Diocesan Youth Celebration we will attend on Sunday, April 10, 2011. **Firm in Faith** will feature singer, songwriter and international speaker Jesse Manibusan, as well as Liturgy celebrated by Bishop Brandt. Designs should come from students in grades 9-12, and can reflect any aspect of the theme, **Firm in Faith**, which must appear somewhere on the design. The student with the winning design will win a brand new iPod Touch. **Design submission deadline is November 24, 2010**. Contest rules, requirements, and format can be obtained at www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/youthministry/Documents/TShirt Flyer/FullFinal.pdf





St. Bernard School will be having a "Sin" amon Roll sale after Masses the weekend of October 16/17. If you haven't had them yet, you don't want to miss them. They are delicious! They come in a pack of six **large** rolls and they freeze wonderfully. They are sold for \$10 a pack and are worth every penny. What a great snack to warm up with this fall!

# You are Invited

Catholic Daughters Ct. St. Bernard # 339, Indiana invites any women 18 years of age and older to join their Catholic organization. It was founded by the Knights of Columbus in 1903 and they are the largest National Organization of Catholic women in the world. They are dedicated to their Patroness the Blessed Mother, their motto is Unity and Charity. It is a special blessing to be a Catholic Daughter and they wish to share this blessing with others. They are spirit filled women who love Christ, his church, our country and humanity. They need more voices, hands, talents and those who love and support the Church and wish to participate in various social and charitable activities such as Missions, scholarships, educational contests, community rest home project, etc. We support the Holy Father, bishops and clergy. A reception of new members will be held on Thursday, October 14 at 7 p.m. in the church social hall. For applications, please call membership chairwomen, Josephine Valenti at 724-465-2534 or Margaret Horchar at 724-349-9424.

# **Attention Cookie Bakers!!**



Pon't Forget All those who are baking cookies for the reception after the Mass of Thanksgiving on Tuesday, October 5, may bring the cookies to the social hall on Sunday, October 3 until noon Monday, October 4 until 3:30 p.m. and no later than 9 a.m. on Tuesday, October 5.

# Soldiers' Angels

We will have a meeting on October 12 at 10 AM in the Social Hall. Please pick up and fill out a Spiritual Bouquet for our soldiers for Veteran's Day. Pray a rosary, spend an hour in Eucharistic Adoration, or give another type of prayer to our troops to let them know we are praying for them. Drop the completed forms in in the basket by our donation box. What a blessing and spiritual lift you can give to our troops struggling away from home. Remember, we are beginning to collect for our Stockings for Soldiers. Items needed are: phone cards, Travel sized aftershave/ cologne, candy canes, Christmas wrapped chocolate, pocket sized puzzle book and pen, individual sized beef jerky, chap stick, key chains and Christmas greeting cards signed by you!

# **Altar Servers**

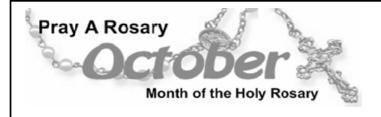
We have two children who have signed up to be Altar Servers and we are making plans for a training session. If you are interested in becoming a server, please contact the parish office as soon as possible so that we may put you on the schedule to be trained.

#### Join the Life Chain Gang

Please join the Pro-Life Chain Gang **TODAY** at 2:00 p.m. at 8th and Philadelphia Streets. All are welcome! If you have any questions: 724-463-0779.

#### **October Count**

As in previous years the diocese has mandated that a count be made of all those attending the week end Masses during the month of October. The ushers will be counting all in attendance at the 5:30 pm, 7:30 am and 9:30 am Masses after the Prayers of the Faithful before taking up the offertory collection. Please be patient as the count is being completed. This information will be used by the diocese in making decisions in pastoral and strategic planning efforts at parish, regional and diocesan levels. It would be beneficial for all parishioners to attend their "home" parish during this month of October.



October is the month in which Mary Most Holy, Queen of the Holy Rosary, is venerated...I invite all -- individuals, families, communities -- to pray this Marian prayer, possibly every day, for peace ~John Paul II

# **Catechism of the Catholic Church**

# Q: Can a rosary be worn as a piece of jewelry?

**1171** "Sacred objects, set aside for divine worship by dedication or blessing, are to be treated with reverence. They are not to be made over to secular or inappropriate use, even though they may belong to private persons"

Essentially, sacramentals such as rosaries must be treated with respect, particularly if they have been blessed. Reverence is the attitude of awe or respect that is most often given to sacred things. By its very definition, it is an interior disposition that usually cannot be determined by onlookers by appearances alone. A person may be wearing a rosary as a statement of faith, to keep it handy for praying throughout the day, or to avoid losing it. Those reasons would be indicative of reverence and would not interfere with the canon's directive that sacramentals must be treated reverently.

Ordinarily speaking, then, if someone is spotted wearing a rosary, he should be charitably presumed to be wearing it for just reasons. Only if the rosary is being put to an objectively sordid use (e.g., a rock star is using it as a prop in a music video, obscenely contrasting the symbolic purity of the rosary with the immodest or immoral actions of the performers) can we be sure that the rosary is being treated irreverently.

# Daily Readings –Week of October 3, 2010

MondayGal 1:6-12; Lk 10:25-37TuesdayGal 1:13-24; Lk 10:38-42WednesdayGal 2:1-2, 7-14; Lk 11:1-4ThursdayGal 3:1-5; Lk 11:5-13FridayGal 3:7-14; Lk 11:15-26SaturdayGal 3:22-29; Bl 11:27-28Sunday-October 10, 2010



2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

# **Words From Our Holy Father**

Pope Benedict XVI~ May 3, 2008

Today, together we confirm that the Holy Rosary is not a pious practice banished to the past, like prayers of other times thought of with nostalgia. Instead, the Rosary is experiencing a new Springtime. Without a doubt, this is one of the most eloquent signs of love that the young generation nourish for Jesus and his Mother, Mary. In the current world, so dispersive, this prayer helps to put Christ at the centre, as the Virgin did, who meditated within all that was said about her Son, and also what he did and said. When reciting the Rosary, the important and meaningful moments of salvation history are relived. The various steps of Christ's mission are traced. With Mary the heart is oriented toward the mystery of Jesus. Christ is put at the centre of our life, of our time, of our city, through the contemplation and meditation of his holy mysteries of joy, light, sorrow and glory. May Mary help us to welcome within ourselves the grace emanating from these mysteries, so that through us we can "water" society, beginning with our daily relationships, and purifying them from so many negative forces, thus opening them to the newness of God. The Rosary, when it is prayed in an authentic way, not mechanical and superficial but profoundly, it brings, in fact, peace and reconciliation. It contains within itself the healing power of the Most Holy Name of Jesus, invoked with faith and love at the centre of each "Hail Mary".

# You can pray the Rosary anywhere...

You can say the Rosary while driving. Now all that commute time can be put to good use.

You can say the Rosary while walking, shopping, fishing, golfing, in short, during leisure time.

You can say the Rosary during wasted time such as waiting in lines, being on hold on the telephone, filling your gas tank, waiting for doctor or dentist appointments etc...

If you spend time watching television, you can say the Rosary during commercials or during slow or dull parts of what you are watching.

You can say the Rosary while doing everyday things such as cooking, washing, dishes, doing laundry, house cleaning, or even taking a shower.

We all have spare time to say our Rosary every day. You will be surprised at how fast and peacefully 5 decades of the Rosary will zip by. Our 'Blessed Mother' will thank you, and you will be filled with grace.

# **Liturgical Ministry Schedule for October 9/10**

Altar Servers		
5:30 p.m.	7:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.
Emma S.	Adult	Dylan K.
Kaitlyn S.		Paul K.
		Ted A.
<u>Cantor</u>		
5:30 p.m.	7:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.
Florence	Rosemary	Donna
<u>EME</u>		
5:30 p.m.	7:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.
Mary Jane H.	Scott S.	Debbie K.
Bernadette J.	John S.	Adam K.
Wes L.	Mary T.	Blaise K.
Barb M.	Mary W.	Larry M.
Donna M.	Donna B.	Michael M.
Joanne M.	John B.	Robin R.
Mike M.	Claire H.	Charles S.
Vicky N.	David H.	Linda S.
<u>Greeters</u>		
5:30 p.m.	7:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.
Joanne M.	Mim & Jim F	Robert & Peggy Mc.
	Buckshaw 8	& Devin Manners
<u>Lectors</u>		
5:30 p.m.	7:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.
Chauncey R.	Cathy S.	Rob K.
Andrew P.	Janet S.	Kim K.

# Money Counters for October 9/10-Team # 3

# Offertory for September 18/19

Offertory	\$ 8,	332. 30
Maintenance	\$	169.00
Accent	\$	6.00

Liturgy Schedule St. Thomas More University Parish Week of October 4-October 10		
Monday, October 4	12:10 p.m. Mass 6:30 p.m. Blessing of Pets	
Tuesday, October 5	No Mass	
Wednesday, October 6	No Mass	
Thursday, October 7	5:00 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:30 p.m. Mass	
Friday, October 8	12:10 p.m. Mass	
Saturday, October 9	4:00 p.m. Mass	
Sunday, October 10	10:00 a.m. Mass 7:00 p.m. Mass	



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# St. Bernard of Clairvanx Liturgy Schedule Week of October 4-10

# Monday, October 4

Saint Francis of Assisi, religious

7:30 a.m.+Patrick Hartwell (Pat Hartwell)

# Tuesday, October 5

7:30 a.m.+Pat & Joe Felichko (Family)

12-6 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration 7 p.m. Mass of Thanksgiving-

Celebrated by Bishop Brandt

#### Wednesday, October 6

Saint Bruno, priest; Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher, virgin 9:30 a.m. School Mass

Intention+Margaret Bunyak (Patti, Kris & Mark Bunyak)

# Thursday, October 7

Our Lady of the Rosary

7:30 a.m.+Edward & Rose Bernard (Mack Family)

# Friday, October 8

7:30 a.m.+Christopher Mayausky

(Vince & Donna Mayausky)

# Saturday, October 9

Saint Denis, bishop and martyr, and his companions, martyrs; Saint John Leonardi, preist

#### No Mass

8:30-10:00 a.m. Confessions

Wedding of Frank Sisko & Jessica McCully

5:30 p.m.+Jhan Learn (Ron Nocco)

# Sunday, October 10

7:30 a.m. For our parishioners

9:30 a.m.+Frank Pounds (Joe & Janice Filipovich)

2:00 pm. Mass with Prayers & Blessings for Healing

Schedule of Events		
Monday	9:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Bible Study, Social Hall 4:30 p.m. Jr. Legion of Mary, Brady Room 5:45 p.m. Legion of Mary, Brady Room	
Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Youth Group to meet at the church to attend the Mass of Thanksgiving.	
Thursday	6:30 p.m. Faith Formation for Children, Learning Center	

# The Sanctuary Lamp

burns in memory of *Thomas J. Irwin*From Daughter, Eleanor C. Irwin



# Knights of Columbus

October Event Schedule Fr. McNelis Council 1481

October 6 Officer's meeting, 7 p.m.

October 11 Columbus Day

October 13 Council meeting, Lodge, 7 p.m.

October 27 Fourth Degree Assembly meeting, Lodge,

7 p.m.

Coal and Football Sweeps tickets are due

October is a membership drive month, recruit a new

Member to council.