

Saint Bernard of Clairvaux

A PENNSYLVANIA CHARITABLE TRUST



February 5, 2012
 Fifth 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 Faith Formation 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. Our parish facility hosts St. Bernard Regional Catholic School.



PARISH STAFF

Rev. William J. Kiel, *Pastor*
 Denise Swope, *Principal*
 Robert Padasak, *Business Manager*
 Becky Anne Hilditch, *Director of Faith Formation*
 James Froelicher, *Pastoral Associate*
 Deborah Yarnell, *Receptionist/Faith Formation Secretary*
 Connie Diven, *Parish Secretary*
 Maria Mihoerck, *Financial Secretary*
 Karen Marshall, *Music Director*
 Robert Louis, *Custodian*
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM & 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

PARISH CONTACTS

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INDIANA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Chaplain: Reverend Timothy Kruthaupt.....724-254-3041
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SACRAMENT OF EUCHARIST

Weekdays Consult Mass Schedule Inside
 Saturday (Vigil)5:30 PM
 Sunday 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 8:30 to 10:00 AM or by appointment

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I know I would not be able to work one week if it were not for that continual force coming from Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta said of the strength she and her sisters received in spending Holy Hours before Jesus each day. Come and adore Christ, who waits for you with open arms at Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesday from 12 Noon-7 PM.

The Healing of the Eucharist

The Eucharist, or communion is not only an important part of mass, it is a healing. The word Eucharist means "thanksgiving." Communion is more than simply receiving the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. It is a sharing, a coming together in union, communion. This helps us to receive the Son that we may better know the Father. It is a strengthening, a healing. Communion gives us strength beyond our own, the power of surrender to Father just as His Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ surrendered. This allows us to receive and be that place of love that Father can use to share more love with the world.

Adult Faith Formation

SIX WEEK LENTEN ADULT FAITH FORMATION TO START ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20: Please join us as we study and examine the Scriptural basis of Mel Gibson's movie, "The Passion of the Christ," and look at how this powerful portrayal of the suffering and death of Jesus relates to the Bible and the teachings of the Catholic Church. The study is **Jesus' Passion: The Story of Redemptive Suffering** and is divided into 6 lessons and includes a summation in Week Six. Each lesson includes a short introduction, reprinted biblical texts, study and reflection questions, Points to Ponder commentary, Catechism Connections, as well a summary and quotes from canonized saints and recent popes. **The cost of the Study Guide is \$15.00 and is due at time of registration.** Please call the Faith Formation Office to register at 724-349-9145.



St. Bernard Church is sponsoring a Mardi Gras Family Party Night, which is being hosted by the St. Bernard Youth Ministry Groups, on Sunday, February 19 at 4:30 PM. We invite you to join us for authentic New Orleans cuisine consisting of jambalaya, pulled pork, red beans and rice, beniets (New Orleans fried donuts smothered with powdered sugar), and of course King Cakes. There will be family games, a piñata, photo opportunities, and much more. Please join us for the festivities. The evening is free of charge, however, **reservations are required and must be made by February 8, 2012.** You can contact the Faith Formation Office or fill out a registration form located on the table in the Narthex.

Knights of Columbus Membership Drive

Following the Masses on the weekend of February 11th and 12th, The Knights of Columbus, Father McNelis Council, will be conducting a membership drive after the parish Masses. Volunteer members will be manning the tables to give information about our council and its good works. Any male over the age of 18 can join our council. The Knights of Columbus is a religious and Fraternal Organization of Catholic Gentlemen. An induction ceremony will be held on March 14th at 7:00 PM at the Council Lodge. The Marines have said that they were looking for a few good men. The Knights are looking for all Catholic men to join our ranks.

Coins for Vocations



The Greensburg Diocesan Chapter of the Knights of Columbus is again sponsoring a Bishop's Project this year. The Coins for Vocations fund drive has been very successful in the past and will be conducted again this year. Monies raised for the Coins for Vocations are used in the recruitment of men for the vocation of the priesthood. Our Father McNelis Council of the Knights of Columbus has been asked to participate. We are being asked to collect one tenth of a mile of coins or \$860.64. this is how that amount was selected. There are 5280 feet in a mile and 528 feet in a tenth of a mile. On average there is \$1.63 worth of coins in a foot, being 4 quarters, 4 dimes, 4 nickels and 3 pennies. Try it, lay down the mentioned coins along side of a 12 inch measuring tape or ruler. If all 23 KOC councils in the Diocesan Chapter raise there allotted \$860.64 then 19,794.72 cents could be used in the recruitment of men for the priesthood. The Knights are asking you to donate that loose change that you take out of your pockets and place on top of the dresser or bureau or desk and place it in our collection jars. With the ongoing shortage of priests, every coin donated can help in recruiting a man into the priestly vocation. Your contributions, no matter how small is greatly appreciated!

Thank You

We received this thank you from Indiana County Community Action Program (ICCAP) "I would like to thank you for your continued support and generosity that you give to Pathways throughout the entire year. Your numerous donations of food, clothing, sheets, paper products, hygiene items, etc. has helped to support the daily operations of Pathways. Your thoughtfulness is a blessing to all." Again thank you for making a difference in the lives of the homeless individuals and families here in Indiana County. Have a Blessed New Year!" Sincerely, *Marlene Meagher* ICCAP's Shelter Director.

NEWS & UPDATES FROM THE FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY: The St. Bernard Youth Ministry Groups will be collecting for Souper Bowl Sunday after all the Masses this weekend. All monies collected will be donated to the Alice Paul House. Please be as generous as you are able. Thank you for your continued support.

Faith Formation Classes for Grades K-5 are cancelled this weekend due to the St. Bernard Regional School serving Coffee and Donuts again for Catholic Schools Week. We will meet again on Sunday, February 12 from 10:45 AM to 12:15 PM. Our topic this month is Prayer. Please continue to pray for and with your children.

WINTER/SPRING YOUTH MINISTRY DIOCESAN EVENTS:

February 24-26: High School Lenten Retreat, Jumonville Retreat Center

All youth of the Diocese in grades 9-12 are invited to join us for the Diocesan High School Youth Ministry Retreat sponsored by the Diocese of Greensburg Office for Evangelization and Faith Formation. Come and be "Full-Filled" on February 24-26, 2012 at Jumonville Retreat and Conference Center. The retreat will empower teens to make tough decisions about important topics and to ask difficult questions as they journey to know Christ in their lives. Please register no later than **February 8, 2012**, with the Office of Evangelization and Faith Formation Office at the Greensburg Diocese. For more information, visit www.full-filled.com.

April 21: Middle School Faith Night, Greensburg Central Catholic High School

April 22: Diocesan Youth Celebration, Greensburg Central Catholic High School

Information on the April Retreats will be available as soon as I receive them.

"Sin" a mon Roll Sale

The St. Bernard PTG will be holding a "sin" a mon roll sale after all Masses on the weekend of February 11th and 12th. All proceeds will benefit St. Bernard School.

Eat Out and Help St. Bernard Regional Catholic School

St. Bernard Regional Catholic School will be teaming up with Hoss's Steak and Sea House to raise money for our school. Please consider visiting Hoss's on Wayne Avenue any time on Friday, February 17, 2012 to aid us in this community event. Flyers will be distributed in bulletins the weekend of February 11th & 12th. Coupons are available at the school if you would like to pass them out to family, friends, neighbors, or co-workers. The flyers or coupons must be presented on 02/17/12 at Hoss's in Indiana. Hoss's will donate 20% of your total check to St. Bernard Regional Catholic School. If we raise \$1200 or more Hoss's will donate 25%.



St. Bernard Regional School Fish Fries

St. Bernard Regional Catholic School will be holding their annual Lenten Fish Fries on Friday's from February 24th to March 30th. If you can volunteer a little of your time to help with set-up on Thursday evenings, kitchen prep Friday mornings, the actual Fish Fries between 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM or clean-up at 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM, please call St. Bernard School at 724-465-7139. Even if you can't volunteer, please consider donating a baked good for dessert or try to attend and enjoy a delicious meal. Your cooperation will make this event as successful as it has been in past years!

Soldiers Angels

Our shelves are almost empty! We are in need of all the basics...toiletries and snack foods. Favorites are Slim Jims, beef jerky, snack cakes, cheese crackers, nuts, granola bars, and of course candy. Shampoo, lip balm, floss, mouthwash, and feminine products are also needed. Please join us at our next meeting February 14th at 10 AM in the Social Hall. Thank You!



The Knights of Columbus will be serving a Pancake and Sausage breakfast after the 7:30 AM and 9:30 AM Masses on Sunday, February 19th. A donation will be requested and all proceeds will benefit the many charities of the Knights of Columbus. Please plan to join us for a great breakfast this last Sunday before Lent begins.



Knights of Columbus February Event Schedule Fr. McNelis Council 1481

February 1 Officer's meeting, 7 PM, Lodge
February 8 Council meeting, 7 PM, Lodge
February 19 Pancake and Sausage breakfast,
St. Bernard Church after 7:30 AM & 9:30
AM Masses, Social Hall
February 22 4th Degree Assembly meeting, 7 PM,
Lodge

Priest Prayer Service

Greensburg DCCW invites all men, women and children to come as the local body of Christ to pray at our Priest Prayer Service scheduled for Tuesday, February 7th at Immaculate Conception Parish in Irwin beginning at 5:45 PM with the Blessed Sacrament already exposed in Adoration. Adoration concludes at 6:00 PM followed by the Prayer Service for Priests.



Healer of our Souls

“He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up.
Then the fever left her and she waited on them.”

Mark 1:31

So often it is easy for us to hear familiar Gospel stories that create pictures in our minds that are sweet and gentle images of our loving God. In today's Gospel this is particularly true when we imagine Jesus coming into Peter's home and healing his mother-in-law. We can see him entering her chamber with a look of loving concern. Her quick healing gives us a sense of hope because it is so complete that she can jump from her sick bed and return to her duties. With a bit of wistfulness we move on from this scene to the even-

ing hours when the villagers, who have heard Jesus is in town, bring their sick and suffering to Peter's doorstep. Somehow these cases seem more pressing, surely Peter's mother-in-law was not as debilitated as those who were suffering from cancers, heart and lung diseases, and mental illnesses.

However, we should take a closer look at what happened to this woman. She was sick with a fever...most of us have experienced this phenomenon and can understand her malaise..but perhaps there is a deeper meaning here. Does her fever point to a spiritual sickness? Is it her soul that is on fire, needing the cooling hands of a savior?

How often have our own souls cried out to be healed? And what does Jesus do? He *approaches*. He, the Son of God, moves toward us. He comes nearer, unafraid of the fever that consumes our souls. He *grasps*. He doesn't merely touch or gently take...He *grasps* our hand, so we know He is present. This firm grip must have awakened Peter's mother-in-law, just as He awakens our own souls to His healing, loving, Divine Presence. This connection, most fully realized in the Holy Eucharist, heals all that ails our fevered hearts. Finally, Jesus *helps her up*. Once the healing union has taken place, our Lord pulls us up from our past, our brokenness and makes us new. Alive with His love, filled with His Spirit. Ready to wait upon Him with a heart overflowing with gratitude. And we learn the first and most essential message of this Gospel story... no fever, no suffering, no brokenness, is too small to escape our Lord's notice. He is eager to approach, grasp, and help you up.....you only have to say yes. KAK

A Prayer for Healing

Lord Jesus Christ, you who traveled throughout Galilee healing the sick, enabling the blind to see and the lame to walk, bring healing to your people who need it this day. Grant relief to the ones who suffer pain and physical torment. Give peace to those whose minds are tortured by mental illness and anxiety. Comfort those who are alone in their suffering; may your people reach out to them this day. Send your grace to the caregivers that they might be gentle and effective agents of your loving mercy. May our suffering be joined with yours to bring healing throughout the world.

Amen.

Daily Readings –Week of February 5, 2012

Monday 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30
Friday 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 3:33-34; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday ~February 12, 2012
Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32
I Cor 10:31-11:1
Mk 1:40-45



Jesus, Mary, and Joseph..
Stay with Us

Liturgical Ministry Schedule for February 11/12

Altar Servers

5:30 PM Emma S. Kaitlyn S. Lily C.	7:30 AM Jim H.	9:30 AM Juliano D. Alex R. Tommy B.
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Cantor

5:30 PM Rosemary	7:30 AM Donna	9:30 AM Donna
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EME

5:30 PM Andrea P. Tish R. Mary Alice S. Julie T. Barb F. Don F. Jim F.	7:30 AM Denny M. Sis M. Mary K. M. Doug R. Connie S. Scott S. John S.	9:30 AM Christina B. Debbie K. Peggy McC. Ruth B. Robert McC. Kim K. Blaise K.
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Greeters

5:30 PM Ellen & Ray K.	7:30 AM Julie & Ed R.	9:30 AM Kathleen P.
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Lectors

5:30 PM Vicky N.	7:30 AM Cathy S. Jo Ann F.	9:30 AM Gloria K. Claire V.
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Money Counters for February 11-12 Team # 1

Offertory for January 21/22

Offertory	\$ 9,902.04
Solemnity	\$ 15.00
Maintenance	\$ 171.00
First Offering	\$ 60.00
Accent	\$ 42.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 175.00
Home Missions	\$ 20.00

Liturg Schedule

St. Thomas More University Parish

Week of February 6-12

Monday, February 6	12:10 PM Mass
Tuesday, February 7	No Mass
Wednesday, February 8	No Mass
Thursday, February 9	5:00 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:30 PM Mass
Friday, February 10	12:10 PM Mass
Saturday, February 11	4:00 PM Mass
Sunday, February 12	10:00 AM Mass 7:00 PM Mass

St. Bernard of Clairvaux Liturgy Schedule

Week of February 6-12

Monday, February 6

Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
7:30 AM+Evelyn & Robby Rinkus (Richard Rinkus)

Tuesday, February 7

7:30 AM+marty May (Bernie & Pat May)
12:00 PM-7:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday, February 8

Saint Jerome Emiliani; Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin
7:30 AM+Albert & Cosima Mauro
(Joe & Marybeth Marcoline)

Thursday, February 9

7:30 AM+Gary Korney (Bill & Donna Batten)

Friday, February 10

Saint Scholastica, Virgin
7:30 AM+George H. Crock, Sr. (Mary Ann Crock)

Saturday, February 11

Our Lady of Lourdes
7:30 AM+Julie Kraynak
(Bill, Donna, John & Angie Batten)

8:30-10:00 AM Confessions
5:30 PM For our Parishioners

Sunday, February 12

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM+Grace (Zoffuto) Ducca & Frank Zoffuto
(The Popers)
9:30 AM+Rosemary Ondriezek (Bob & Barb Louis)

Schedule of Events	
Monday	4:30 PM Jr. Legion of Mary 5:45 PM Legion of Mary
Wednesday	6:30 PM Region 5 Pastoral Council Meeting, Social Hall
Thursday	11:30 AM-CDA-Rosary 12:00 PM Vintage Tea Party followed by CDA Meeting
Saturday	Cinnamon Roll Sale after 5:30 PM Mass 6:30 PM Cinnamon Roll Sale
Sunday	Cinnamon Roll Sale after Masses K of C Membership Drive after Masses 9:30 AM- Faith Formation Social Hall 6:30 PM- Youth Group-Open Gym-School.

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