

Saint Bernard of Clairvaux Church

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*Serving God's People for 54 Years
1961—2015*

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
February 15, 2015



God Shows No Partiality
All are Welcome Here

Are you a sinner? Have you been away from the church for a long time? Are you divorced or separated? Are you physically or mentally challenged? Are you from a different culture? Are you not accepted because of your sexual orientation? Are you elderly, a teen or young adult? Are you discriminated against because of your color? Are you feeling broken? Are you poor or out of work? Have you been imprisoned? Have you a feeling that you are left out?

You are welcome here!
This is your home, and we are your family!

PARISH STAFF

REV. MSGR. JAMIE J. GIGANTIELLO
Pastor

REV. ILYAS GILL
Parochial Vicar

MRS. KATHLEEN BUSCEMI
School Principal

DEACON FRANK J. D'ACCORDO
Permanent Deacon

MRS. MARY CASATELLI
Director Religious Education

MR. ERNEST BUCKLEY
Music Director

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS

Saturday at 5:00 p.m.

Sundays:

8:30 a.m. — 10:00 a.m. — 11:30 a.m.

WEEKDAYS

Monday - Friday at 8:30 a.m.

Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

SUMMER

Saturdays at 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Sundays at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

HOLIDAYS

8:30 a.m.

Evening Mass at 7:30 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES WHILE IN CHURCH!

**Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

FOR THE GLORY OF GOD - The entire history of the Jewish people is directed toward one goal: that God might be glorified through the chosen people. Christians, too, are called to "*do everything for the glory of God.*" In today's scriptures Paul reminds us that the best way for us to glorify God is to seek to benefit "the many," as Christ did when he shed his blood for all of humankind. The reading from Leviticus explains one way the Jews sought to benefit the many.....by keeping lepers and leprosy away from the chosen people. Jesus finds a better way. He cures the leper, who immediately re-enters the community to spread the good news about Jesus to everyone who will listen. In this way both Jesus and the leper fulfill their calling to glorify the God who fills us "with the joy of salvation."

**Monthly 50/50
Raffle**

Blank yellow envelopes for the **February** drawing are available at the doors of the church for those who would like to participate but do not receive monthly envelopes in the mail. Contribution is \$25 and the proceeds will be used for the current renovation and rebuilding of the parish facilities.

Winner takes home half the amount collected for the given month. Drawings are held the last Sunday of each month and the next winner will be picked **February 22nd!**

YOU HAVE TO BE IN IT TO WIN IT!

Anyone who is interested in participating on an annual basis, can do so by completing a form in the Rectory Office. Donation for the year is \$300.

The new cycle runs from the February 2015 drawing to January 2016 and you are entered every month!!

VOTIVE CANDLES



We are in the process of renewing the perpetual candles currently burning in front of many of our beautiful statues. Renewals have been mailed to those individuals who made arrangements last year. If you received a renewal and would like your candle to remain lit, please respond as soon as possible. Some of these may be available to others if they are not renewed.

We currently have 10 perpetual candles available on the stand in front of Pope John Paul II and 6 in front of St. Peregrine, the patron saint of those suffering with cancer. If you would like to make arrangements for one of these, please stop by the rectory. The new cycle will run from April 2015 to March 2016.

Special Raffle



We are having a special raffle, the winners of which will be picked at our Saint Patrick - Saint Joseph, Casino / Night at the Races event. Tickets will be \$500 each and only 100 tickets will be sold. First prize will be \$20,000; Second prize will be \$5,000 and third prize will be 5 free tickets to next year's drawing. Please come into or call the rectory to see what numbers are available if you are interested.

You have to be in it to win it!

SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Mrs. Casatelli, Director of Religious Education is available on Wednesday afternoons from 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Direct Phone Number — 718-444-4674

If you need immediate assistance, please call Linda at 718-241-6040



PRESIDENTS' DAY

The Rectory Office will be closed for business **TOMORROW** Monday, February 16th in observation of Presidents' Day. Emergency calls however can be made into the Rectory Office at any time.

Lent

Lent, the Season that brings us to Easter, begins this week on Ash Wednesday, February 18th. **Ashes** will be distributed at the 8:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Masses and at a 4:00 p.m. Service.

The Lenten Season provides a great opportunity for deepening our faith, hope and love through prayer, penitential practices and works of charity.

Stations of the Cross will be said on Friday evenings during Lent at 7:30 p.m. in the Church beginning this Friday, February 20th. All are welcome and encouraged to attend!

Bible Study with Deacon Frank will be held on Tuesday evenings during Lent at 7:30 p.m. in the Church beginning February 24th. All are welcome and encouraged to attend!

Lenten Regulations

Abstinence from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent by Catholics 14 years of age and older.

Fasting is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all those between the ages of 18 and 59. Those bound by this rule may take only one full meal, with two smaller meals permitted. Eating between meals is not permitted.

Golden Gloves Boxing

Wednesday, February 25th

St. Bernard Parish Hall—Doors open 6:30 p.m.

**Tickets on Sale Now in the Rectory Office
and**

Performance Edge Chiropractic, 7112 Avenue U, Brooklyn, NY

\$20 in Advance—\$25 Day of Event



GAME SHOW NIGHT

On Thursday, March 26th St. Bernard will host “*Game Show Night*” at the El Caribe Country Club.

Cost of an admission ticket will be \$50 per person which includes salad, entrée, dessert, wine and soda. No carry-in food or beverages permitted. Each guest must have a **ticket in hand** for admittance.

Lots of Fun for EVERYONE
THOUSANDS of Dollars in Prizes

Tickets are on sale now in the rectory and school offices. Please join us for a fun-filled evening and bring along 20 of your closest friends!!

If you have **new, unopened and unwrapped gifts or alcohol** that you would like to donate to be used as prizes, or baskets, please bring them to the rectory office.

Super Bowl Pool Winner!

On Super Bowl Sunday I made an announcement that **if** I won the Super Bowl Pool there would be no second collection “*next week.*” Well, I just found out that I did indeed win!! Therefore, there will be no second collection for this weekend only: February 14th and 15th. I am donating \$750 to our Church; about what the second collection averages each week. I am a man of my word and since so many of you donate back to our Parish when you come into extra cash I think it is only right that I do the same!

God Bless
Msgr. Jamie

P.S. Please be extra generous in the first collection this week! 😊

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2015

8:30 am Angela Bologna by Dianne Barbaro
 10:00 am Carlo Lipari by The Lipari Family
 11:30 am In thanksgiving to Saint Gerard

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2015

8:30 am The Liberatore Family by Rosa

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2015

8:30 am Annette Camoia by The Camoia Family

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2015

8:30 am Isabella Gianforte by Angela Favuzza
 4:00 pm Ash Service
 7:30 pm Frank and Anna Versaglio by daughter Cindy and Family

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2015

8:30 am Dorothy Carsten by The Carsten Family
 Mary and Jack Tuohy - Living - 70th Wedding Anniversary
 by The Tuohy Family

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2015

8:30 am James Daly by Arielle Bernstein

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2015

9:00 am Charles & Angelina Leo by their daughter Stephanie Puleo
 5:00 pm Al Antino (1st Anniversary) by Anne Antino
 Ugo Rosiello by The Tchou Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2015

8:30 am Louis Sammarco by his sister, Carolyn
 Maria Amico by her friend, Rosana Commisso
 10:00 am Lois Cardillo by Helene and Nick Cirrincione
 11:30 am Sonny Ventola and Deceased Members of the Family
 by The Marcinzzuk Family



MEMORIALS

Altar Bread for the Week:

*In Loving Memory of Dorothy Carsten
 Donated by The Carsten Family*

Altar Wine for the Week:

*In Loving Memory of Dorothy Carsten
 Donated by The Carsten Family*

Altar Candles for the Week:

*In Loving Memory of Ann B. Twohey
 Donated by Sally and Jerry Collins*

Church Bells for the Week:

*In Loving Memory of Buddy Ferraro
 Donated by Amy and Family*

Altar Flowers for the Week:

*In Loving Memory of Phyllis Weingrad
 Donated by her loving husband, Joe*



REST IN PEACE

James Meehan
 Genevieve Lyons
 Joseph Manfredini

**PLEASE
 PRAY FOR
 THE SICK**



Elizabeth Bankhead
 Josephine Brune
 Anthony Calabrese
 Diane Camacho
 Janine Cardone
 Janet Commisso
 Joseph Commisso
 Irma Cruz
 Vicky DeGrucchio
 Emilia DiMango

Anthony Donzella
 Danuta Dylski
 Stephen J. Esposito
 Aiden Estrella
 Richard Fallon
 Susan Feinstein
 Natalie Ferber
 Anthony Ferraiola
 Theresa Harvey
 Ken Healy
 Nancy Lawrence
 Andrea Martin
 Matthew Mason
 Diana McEvoy Orilio
 Margaret Prather
 Antonio Romano
 Margaret Romano
 Michael Skody
 Larry Spinelli
 Louis Stiesi
 Bill Thomas
 Pat Wilson

Parish Trips & Events



Summer Cruise

Sail the Eastern Caribbean with everyone's favorite cruise director Msgr. Jamie on Royal Caribbean's Liberty of the Seas!

Ship departs from Bayonne, N.J. for 9 nights from Thursday, July 2nd to Saturday, July 11th. Visit Bermuda, St. Martin, Puerto Rico and Labadee, Haiti. 4 full days at sea!

Please call Donna from Perception Travel at 718-531-5600 for additional information and pricing.

Saint Patrick / Saint Joseph Casino / Night at the Races

Join us in the Parish Hall on FRIDAY, March 13th at 7:30 p.m. for a fun filled evening at our St. Patrick / Saint Joseph / Night at the Races / Casino Party! **Tickets are on sale now in the Rectory Office.** Admission is \$20 per person in advance and includes a corned beef and cabbage dinner, soda, coffee and Italian zeppole and sfingi for dessert. There will be a cash bar. Random seating tickets will be sold at the door for \$25 per person. **Must be 18 or over to Attend.**

Catholic Adults of Brooklyn

Alabama — Tennessee Mississippi

April 6th through April 12th

Music City, Grand Ole Opry, Johnny Cash Museum, National Civil Rights Museum, Sun Studios, Graceland, Montgomery and more!

For more information call Michael at
718-209-8241

DEFENSIVE DRIVING

The next class for Automobile Insurance Reduction / Point Removal will be held at **Saint Bernard** on Saturday, March 28, 2015 in the Parish Hall from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. The cost of the course is \$50 per person. Proceeds will benefit Saint Bernard Parish. For more information or to register please call Andrea at 718-763-5533 and leave your name, address and phone number if she is unavailable.



Around the Neighborhood

B.C.R. Catholic Youth Ministry Leaders Needed!

Saint Bernard — Saint Columba — Resurrection

A place where teens in Grades 9 through 12 can be with other teenagers and feel free to be themselves in a spirit of Christian fellowship.

Meets from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

1st Sunday of the Month at St. Bernard
2nd Sunday of the Month at St. Columba
3rd Sunday of the Month at Resurrection

Contact **Mel McChesney**, Youth Minister for more information if you are interested in helping or joining! Office hours at St. Columba Monday — Wednesday 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

718-338-6265 and leave a voice mail or email at melmcc318@gmail.com

Saint Columba Ladies Guild

presents

Spring Fest Raffle Night

Friday, March 20, 2015

2245 Kimball Street between Avenues U & V
Doors Open at 6:30 p.m.

Donation \$20 per person

Includes:
Chips, Pretzels, Cookies, Soda, Coffee, Tea

NO ONE UNDER THE AGE OF 18 PERMITTED

For More Information or Reservations please call:
Rose at 718-627-4247 or Loretta at 718-252-9238



Saint Bernard R.C. Parish -
Brooklyn, NY
CHECK US OUT!

Catholics Come Home

Please feel free to invite those who have been away from our parish to attend Mass with you. If there is anyone you know of that is upset with the church and feels that my speaking to them would be of help, please let me know so that I may speak with them.

Msgr. Jamie

Bulletin Advertisers

As you read our weekly bulletin please take a moment to look over our advertisers on the back pages. These local businesses support what we do here at St. Bernard and enable us to have a weekly bulletin.

We invite you to please support them with your patronage as a thank you for what they are doing for us throughout the year. If you would like to place an advertisement, please contact J.S. Paluch Co., Inc. at 800-524-0263.

Web Bulletins!

You can access our weekly bulletins on the internet at:

parishesonline.com/stbernardbklyn

Consider Leaving a Legacy of Faith Remember Our Parish in Your Will

When you next update your estate plans, please consider continuing your lifelong stewardship by leaving a bequest to St. Bernard.

For more information please see Msgr. Jamie.

Parish Phone Numbers

RECTORY: 718-763-5533
RECTORY FAX: 718-763-0224

SCHOOL: 718-241-6040
SCHOOL OF RELIGION: 718-444-4674

Rectory Office Hours

MONDAY - FRIDAY
9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon and 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

SATURDAY
10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

SUNDAY
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

NATIONAL HOLIDAYS - RECTORY CLOSED

DEVOTIONS

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA
MONDAYS

Novena after the 8:30 a.m. Mass

ROSARY

Monday - Friday after 8:30 a.m. Mass
Saturday after 9:00 a.m. Mass

FIRST FRIDAYS

Exposition: 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in Chapel

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

BAPTISMS

Scheduled for the fourth Sunday of each month at 12:30 p.m.
Parents are required to schedule an appointment with a Priest or Deacon at least six weeks prior to Baptism.

MARRIAGES

Arrangements must be made with a Priest or Deacon at least 6 months before the wedding.

Pre-Cana information can be found at
www.pre-cana.org

SICK CALLS

Please call the Rectory to arrange a Communion call to the sick or elderly, or a pastoral visit to a hospitalized loved one.

VOCATIONS

Anyone seeking information regarding the Priesthood, Permanent Diaconate, Religious Life or to serve in our Parish as a Lay Minister should speak to Msgr. Jamie, Fr. Ilyas or Deacon Frank.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

All new families are welcome to the Parish and encouraged to become actively involved in parish societies and activities. New parishioners should register at the Rectory as soon as possible. Parishioners are asked to use the weekly envelopes in making their contributions.