

WELCOME

The Community of St. Bernard Parish



SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday 5:00 pm.
Sunday 9:00 am & 11 am (Children's Liturgy)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday 9:15 am.
Thursday 6:00 pm. Eucharistic Adoration
7:00 pm. Mass
Friday 9:15 am.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Parishioners who know of someone who wishes to receive communion at home are encouraged to be ministers of communion to the sick. To receive a pix and short instruction, see Fr. John after any mass.

PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Bernard School: 613-521-5894
Principal - Deanna Perry
1722 St. Bernard St., Gloucester K1T 1K8
St. Marguerite d'Youville School: 613-737-1141
Principal - Carole Parent
89 Lorry Greenberg Dr., Ottawa K1T 3J6
St. Thomas More School: 613-739-7131
Principal - Valerie Wright
1620 Blohm Dr., Ottawa K1G 5N6
St. Francis Xavier High School: 613-822-7900
Principal - Peter Atkinson
3740 Spratt Rd, Gloucester K1V 2M1

We are wheelchair accessible



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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Masses For The Week

Wednesday, February 3rd- *Saint Ansgar; Saint Blase*

9:15 am. For the parish community

Thursday, February 4th

6:00 pm. Eucharistic Adoration

7:00 pm. For the parish community

Friday, February 5th- *Memorial, Saint Agatha*

9:15 am. For Sandy Vamosi by Scarlett Vamosi
For Ralph Pilgrim by St. Bernard staff

Saturday, February 6th

5:00 pm. For the intentions of Eileen Quigley
For Stanley Chodolak by Jay Chodolak
For Valentine Seldanha by Gemme Seldanha

Sunday, February 7th: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary

Time 9:00 am. For the parish community
First Communion Rite of Enrollment

11:00 am. For Mary Jane Irvin by family
For deceased members of Basso family
by Joe & Luciana Arban

Please note: The Lector & Eucharistic Minister Schedule is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all those in our parish community who are sick and in need of

encouragement: *Gerard Tessier, Joseph MacDonald and Tami Thompson*. If you would like a name added to this list please call the office.

REST IN PEACE: Please remember **Ellen Robinson**, long time member of the CWL, in your prayers. Ellen's funeral was Friday, Jan 29 in our church. May she and all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen

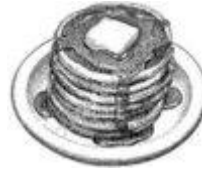
WELCOME DEACON JEFF: We welcome Deacon Jeff Nelson on this his first weekend at St. Bernard's. Deacon Jeff will preach one weekend a month and help with baptisms and weddings. We look forward to his ministry with us.

\$2862 FOR HAITI: Thank you for your very generous donations toward Haitian relief. The money collected has been sent to the Archdiocese and will be forwarded to relief agencies as soon as possible.

OUR PARISH EVENTS

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH



Come on down to the Church hall after our 9:00 & 11:00 Masses and enjoy a pancake breakfast cooked and served by our Knights of Columbus. *Everyone is welcome!*
Donations go to Vocations.

4th DEGREE KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS ASSEMBLY

Meeting: This Tues., Feb. 2nd-7:30 pm.

ST. BERNARD KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS COUNCIL

Meeting: *Mon.*, Feb. 8th- 7:30 pm.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Meeting: *Thurs.*, Feb. 11th at 7:30 pm. following Mass at 7:00 pm. If you are not a member of the CWL but would like to find out more about them you are always welcome to come and sit in.

SENIOR'S CARD CLUB: The Senior's Card Club meets weekly at 1:00 pm on Wednesdays. Next meeting: *Feb 3rd*. All are welcome.

PASTORAL COUNCIL: The Pastoral Council meets every other month. The next meeting will be *Thurs.*, *Mar. 4th* at 7:30 pm. The Pastoral Council is looking for new members. If you wish to help, please contact Father John.

FINANCIAL COUNCIL: The next quarterly meeting of the Financial Council will be scheduled in March.

CEMETERY COUNCIL: This council meets quarterly after the Financial Council meetings.

YOUR OFFERING: January 23/24 - \$3,283.00

Haiti Earthquake - \$2862.00

Cash Counters for Sun., Feb. 7th - Christine Ebron & Emily Ebron

A reminder to pick up your church envelopes in the front foyer of the Church. Please check label for accuracy (income tax purposes) and advise office of any corrections. *Thank you for your continued generosity.*

MONEY COUNTERS NEEDED: If you would like to help with the Sunday money counting ministry please contact Janet at the office 738-1943 or speak to Fr. John. It is a one-hour commitment once per month. Parent and teenager teams are welcomed!

PARISH SCHOOL NEWS

FIRST COMMUNION RITE OF ENROLLMENT:

The first enrollment mass for the children will be held here at St. Bernard Church for St. Thomas More School this Sun., Jan., 31st followed by Marguerite D'Youville next Sun., Feb. 7th and St. Bernard School on Sun., Feb. 14th.

As members of St. Bernard Parish, let us support these children on this journey through our prayers.

Registration: École Sainte-Bernadette for full-time kindergarten four-year olds will take place on Feb. 3 and 4, 2010. Please call the school at 613-521-0875 and we will be glad to book an appointment.

St. Thomas More School is looking for volunteers who would be willing to donate 1 hour a week to read with grade 1-3 students. They are looking for a commitment of at least once a week for 6 weeks or more; a valid police check is required. Contact: Shelly Lyonnais 613-739-7131.


BEQUESTS & WILLS: In your kindness, please remember St. Bernard Parish in your bequests and wills. If anyone wishes to make such a bequest in their will, the following clause may be included or added by codicil: I give and bequeath the sum of \$.....to St. Bernard Church, Gloucester, to be used for the benefit of the Parish and pastoral activities.

OTHER INFORMATION RECEIVED

TELEVISED DAILY MASS: St. Basil's Church, Toronto. Vision TV, Monday – Friday, 8 am. & 12 noon, Saturday, 8 am. Salt + Light TV, Monday – Saturday, 11 am., 3 pm., 10:30 pm., 2:30 am. Info: www.dailymass.ca

FREE CRUISE FOR 2! To win a free cruise for 2 simply email Jenny Laprise at jlaprise@cruiseshipcenters.com with your name, address, phone number and email address and you will automatically be entered into the draw.

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A warm welcome is extended to new parishioners. Please introduce yourselves to Fr. John or complete the following and drop it in the collection basket.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postal Code: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

I Love You; Now Change

The greatest of these is love (1 Cor 13:13)

The title of a highly acclaimed musical comedy, "I Love You; You're Perfect; Now Change," describes some of the dynamics found in many human love relationships. We can genuinely love someone and be captivated by that person's charm and wit, intelligence and sensitivity, unselfishness and caring—and soon we feel a responsibility to overhaul what we think should be changed. On stage this is a sure recipe for wicked humor, but in real life it can tear the love relationship apart.

Some form of love underlies every story ever told, and most music ever composed. After all, "Love makes the world go round." Love is a primary motivator of certain human behaviors, and it also serves as a deterrent to other ways of acting. When we are young, we think we know so much about it. Then as we get older, we realize just how little we actually know. Still, throughout life, everyone searches for some form of love.

Today's reading from Corinthians is the classic definition of love. Even those who do not cherish our biblical faith acknowledge this. While the reading might affirm the first part of the musical's title, "I Love You," it does not hold to the other two. If the people we love were perfect, we would not have to be "patient," as Paul insists, nor would we have to "bear all things." And as for changing, the reading suggests that we ourselves might be the ones who must "now change," rather than those we love. The musical comedy might be very entertaining, but this biblical exhortation calls us to a kind of self-emptying that is close to heroism.

As we read the list of love's characteristics, we realize just how countercultural it is. Our society does not encourage us to be patient, or even kind. In fact, it admonishes us to seek our own interests, to look out for Number One. It applauds pomposity and ego-inflation by making icons of movie stars, sports heroes and musical artists. We then approve of this by unthinkingly paying tribute at their altars. If we stop for a moment and reflect, we might discover that the people we really admire the most are those who are indeed patient and kind, not jealous or pompous, not inflated or rude, not quick-tempered or brooding. They are people who genuinely love, people after whom we might want to model ourselves, people who have discovered the "more excellent way."



CHECK IT OUT!
Our February Calendar of Events on
Our NEW Parish Web Site!
www.saintbernardparish.com