


August 7, 2011
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SAINT BERNARD Parish

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But when he saw how strong the wind was
he became frightened; and, beginning to sink,
he cried out, "Lord, save me!"

Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand
and caught Peter, and said to him,
"O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" -

Mt 14:30-31

"Welcome and inspire ALL to share Christ's love through FAITH and SERVICE"

Weekend Mass Times: Saturday, 4:30 pm; Sunday, 7:00, 8:30 & 10:15 am

PARISH HAPPENINGS

St. Bernard Parish Picnic

In honor of our St. Bernard volunteers

Sunday, Aug. 21, after the 10:15 Mass, approx. 11:30
EVERYONE is invited

No cost to attend. (The picnic is compliments of the Endowment Committee and the Ladies of St. Bernard.)

The picnic will take place in our Parish Hall.

Help us estimate the attendance by signing up after Mass (Sign up in the Narthex, call the Parish Office or email stbernard@stbernardappleton.org.)

Questions, contact the Parish Office, 739-0331.

BAG COLLECTION FOR SCHOOL SUPPLIES

If you forgot to bring your donations for the School Supplies collection, you may still return it this week by Tuesday, August 9. Please leave your items in the Narthex.

Thank You



Thank you to all who gave to the Bishop's Appeal. Last weekend we had a second collection and enough was collected to surpass our **Bishop's Appeal Goal!**

Bishop's Appeal Goal \$62,475. Gifts \$62,480

ST. BERNARD PILGRIMAGE TO SHRINE

St. Bernard Parish is organizing a bus trip on **October 3 to "Our Lady of Good Help"** the Shrine in Champion, WI (near Green Bay).

The bus trip will include a visit to the shrine, lunch and as an extra added bonus, a short stop to view the museum at the Cathedral in Green Bay. The details (including pricing) are still being worked on. If you are interested, please call the Parish Office, 739-0331, to register or sign up at the Welcome Counter.



Congratulations

Congratulations to Brittany Hanagan and Shane Zilmer who were married this weekend.



Going to College? Know someone who is? Would you like to help them connect with people of faith when they get there? A new website of the Catholic Campus Ministers of Wisconsin can help. At www.goingtocollege.org, your student can sign up to receive information about campus ministry at their prospective Wisconsin school, as well as an invitation to get involved. The college years can be an important time for **faith development. Don't miss out on the opportunities to meet great people and experience the prayer, service, and social events that campus ministry offers.**

Readings for Next Weekend
Is 56:1-7/Rom 11:13-15,29-32/Mt 15:21-28

MASS TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 6

4:30 pm Mass Joanne Allie

Sunday, August 7

7:00 am Mass George & Jean Kozak

8:30 am Mass Members of St. Bernard Parish,
living and deceased

10:15 am Mass James Gustman

Monday, August 8

✠ 8:00 am Liturgy of the Word

Tuesday, August 9

8:00 am Liturgy of the Word

Wednesday, August 10

8:00 am ✠ Liturgy of the Word

Thursday, August 11

8:00 am ✠ Liturgy of the Word

Friday, August 12

8:00 am Mass Steven Dorn

Saturday, August 13

4:30 pm Mass Special Intention, Marie Jacob

Sunday, August 14

7:00 am Mass Edwin Wycoco

8:30 am Mass Dorothy Bostedt

10:15 am Mass Members of St. Bernard Parish,
living and deceased

Please note the Mass and Liturgy of the Word changes this week.

Prayer Room A group of people will be available to pray with you in the Marian Chapel after the 8:30 and 10:15 Masses.

BAPTISM CLASS

The next Baptism class will be offered on September 12, 6:30-8:30 pm. Families who are planning a Baptism in the near future should call or stop by the Parish Office to register for classes. All parents need to attend a preparation session before the celebration. We encourage you to attend even before your child has arrived.

CROWN BIBLICAL FINANCIAL STUDY

St. Bernard will be offering a Crown Biblical Financial Study. In this study class you will learn what Scripture teaches about managing all your possessions. Topics include the following: *Getting Out of Debt Spending Plans, *Saving, ***Managing God's Blessings**, ***Training Children**, ***Learning** about Biblical Stewardship and *Budgeting. This study will be held on 10 evenings. Call Colleen at 739-0331 for more information or to register.

To see the impact of Crown's church solutions visit Crown on the web: www.Crowncatholic.org or www.crown.org. Crown Biblical Financial Class materials have the approval of the (USCCB) United State Catholic Council of Bishops.

ADULT & YOUTH NEWS

GRIEF SHARE - ST BERNARD PARISH (Held at Touchmark)

Each week the group will watch a video seminar on DVD. The GriefShare videos cover topics essential to your recovery from the hurt of grief and loss. Each session features helpful, comforting videos and encouraging group discussion. **Participants can start at anytime. Each week's topic stands alone.**

The group will be meeting at Touchmark on West Prospect Ave. near Hwy 41, Tuesdays, June 7 through Sept. 6, 7-9 pm. For more information, contact Pam Mullins at St. Bernard Parish, 739-0331 or pmullins@stbernardappleton.org.

Future topics:

August 9 - Stuck in Grief

August 16 - Top 20 Lessons of Grief, Part 1

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

St. Vincent de Paul of Appleton will be having a bag sale on Saturday, August 13, 8 to 4. All clothes, shoes and belts are \$5 per bag. Refreshments will be available. The thrift store is located at 1924 W. College Ave. All proceeds go toward helping our neighbors in need.

THE FOX VALLEY WARMING SHELTER

St. Bernard will be volunteering for all shifts at the Fox Valley Warming Shelter, Sunday, September 4 through Sunday, September 11. We need 20 volunteers to cover the four shifts which are: 8 pm-midnight, midnight-4 am and 4 am-8 am. We need at least 21 people to provide for 7 meals and to serve the meals. If you are interested in helping, call Peggy Noll, 738-0113, or Shelia Noll, 730-9171, or stop after Mass at the Welcome Counter to sign up.

The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Monday August 15. You are invited to Mass at the Diocesan **Marian Shrine, "The Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help"**. Join Bishop David Ricken for this special celebration. The Mass will be outside at 10 am; Benediction and Rosary Procession will follow the Mass. Bring your own lawn chairs. Directions: Hwy. 57 North from Green Bay to County Trunk K. Turn East on K and travel 6 miles. The shrine is one mile East of Champion.

Please mail bulletin articles to the Parish Office, attn. K. Hanks, or email khanks@stbernardappleton.org by 5:00 pm Monday. Space is limited; we reserve the right to edit the copy.

SOCIAL MEDIA VOLUNTEER NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to help us update and expand our Social media at St. Bernard. If you are interested and would like to learn more, contact Julie Kresal, jkresal@stbernardappleton.org or 739-0331.

Pro-Life Corner

"I dream ...of a world where we can commit our social resources to the development of human life and not to its destruction." Benazir Bhutto

CALENDAR

Saturday, August 6

Reconciliation, 9:00 am.....Church

Alanon, 10:00 am.....Lower Lounge

Sunday, August 7

AA Group, 7:00 pm.....Janssen Center

Monday, August 8

Card Players, 1:00 pm.....Janssen Center

Tuesday, August 9

Crafty Ladies, 9:00 am.....Janssen Center

Building & Grounds, 6:30 pm.....Janssen Center

Wednesday, August 10

Mission Quilting Group, 9:00 am.....Janssen Center

Thursday, August 11

Friday, August 12

OA Group, 10:00 am....Room 112

Parish Office closes at Noon

Saturday, August 13

Reconciliation, 9:00 am.....Church

Alanon, 10:00 am.....Lower Lounge

Sunday, August 14

AA Group, 7:00 pm.....Janssen Center

STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCIAL SHARING

| | Week | Fiscal YTD | Total |
|---------------|--------|------------------------|---------|
| *Envelope | 14,032 | YTD Actual Envelope | 76,870 |
| Weekly Target | 16,058 | YTD Budget Envelope | 80,288 |
| | | *Envelope Over/(Under) | (3,419) |
| Loose | 733 | YTD Loose | 3,319 |
| Budget Loose | 731 | YTD Budget Loose | 3,654 |
| | | Loose Over/(Under) | (335) |



Remember to check out the Lighthouse CDs located in the Narthex. We are asking for a donation of \$3 for each CD.

SCRIP News

We still need a few more volunteers to help us with our Scrip fundraising program. Scrip will be sold after the 8:30 Mass and before and after 10:15 Mass. Volunteers need only work once a month. The positions are bookkeeping, purchasing, selling and scheduling. If you would like to volunteer or have questions, contact Colleen Sargent-Day at 739-0331.

The Finance Council has just released funds for us to purchase Scrip which means we will be selling Scrip in the near future. Watch the bulletin for further updates.

HELP SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIANS

This fall, six young men will become new seminarians for our Diocese of Green Bay. Now, we can help the seminarians by supporting their calling. Providing tuition, room and board, insurance and a small stipend for our seminarians is expensive: more than \$800,000 this year. There are also additional costs for the promotion of vocations. Next weekend our parish will take a collection for the training of these men to be our future priests in the Diocese of Green Bay.

Please use the envelope in today's bulletin for your gift.

There is hope for the future. Let us help them today.

Next weekend, August 13/14, Matt Rappl, a seminarian at the Diocese of Green Bay, will be our guest speaker.

ELSEWHERE

Mount Tabor Center is currently seeking eight young men and women to make up the next SPIRITUS evangelization team. SPIRITUS gives dynamic retreats and programs throughout Wisconsin, inspiring over 5,000 Catholic youth in grades 3-12 each year. Contact Mount Tabor Center at 722-8618 for more information.

Widows Retreat at Monte Alverno Retreat & Spirituality Center, 1000 N. Ballard Rd., Appleton (open to all women), September 9-11. Theme: "Where is God in all of this?" How do we find God in the midst of war, a jittery economy, sickness, tragedy, strained and broken relationships and disappointments?" The retreat talks will offer a unique Franciscan suggestion for "how" these questions might be answered. Cost: \$160. To register call Carlotta Stricker, 734-8308 or Monte Alverno Retreat Center 733-8526.

Elizabeth Ministry International presents The Privilege of Being a Woman Series, Wednesdays, August 10-31, 7-8 pm, at the Elizabeth Ministry Retreat Center, 120 W. 8th St., Kaukauna. For more information, call Elaine, 608-853-3230 or email April at aprilj@elizabethministry.com.

St. Katharine Drexel Parish Fest on August 12-14 at the St. Aloysius site, 2401 Main Ave., Kaukauna. Friday night Fish Fry, Saturday out door Mass at 4:30 pm, Sunday chicken dinner and classic car & tractor show. Lots of special **events: Children's Games, Entertainment, Food, Refreshments,** Silent Auction, Basket Raffle, Sweet Shop, General Store, and Live Auction (Sunday). Raffles: Two Quarters of Beef, Big Screen TV, Walt Disney World Vacation Package for Four (7 Days & 6 Nights at the Wilderness Lodge).

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is asking for prayers and financial assistance for the people of East Africa as they begin mobilizing and doing what they can to avert a catastrophe from the terrible drought conditions. For a link to a story on the situation in East Africa, visit <http://crs.org/kenya/drought-endangers-millions-in-east-africa/>. You can also donate directly at this web site. To write a check or money order, please make it out to: Catholic Relief Services, P.O. Box 17090, Baltimore, MD 21203 – 7090 (In the memo, please put: East Africa Emergency Fund.)

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..... Shuying (Joe) Vang and Mike Eash
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Director of Liturgy and Music Rhonda Uschan
Director of Faith Formation..... Maurine Overesch
Volunteer Coordinator Julie Kresal
Visitation..... Pam Mullins
Visit www.stbernardappleton.org for a complete staff listing

Sacraments and Prayer Needs

Confessions..... Saturday, 9:00 am
Baptisms Contact the Parish Office to make arrangements for classes and Baptism months in advance..... Pam Mullins

Weddings Arrangements made six months in advance

Communion Calls Call the Parish Office

Urgent Prayer Requests
please contact Delaine Van Linn..... 734-0538

Adult Confirmation/Becoming Catholic.....
please contact Father Dennis at the Parish Office

Small Groups website..... www.oursmallgroups.com

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:30-5:00

Friday..... 8:30-Noon

Our Parking Lot Island

The parking lot island behind the church **might remind you of a vacationer's garden** gone to weeds. Better things are being planned for the space. We are working on a landscape plan and hope to have the new plantings in by fall.



St. Patrick's Lebanon Picnic, Sunday, August 14, grilled beef dinner. Directions: 5 miles NW of New London on County Trunk T. Questions, call Dennis, 920-982-5475

NAMI National Alliance on Mental Illness
NAMI's support and public education efforts are focused on educating America about mental illness and offering resources to those in need.

The Appleton NAMI group is offering a new class, Mental Health First Aid Course. The class is based on understanding basic issues related to mental illness such as eating disorders, self harm, substance abuse, depression, anxiety etc. There is a \$50 tuition fee. The class will be offered twice this year. The first session is August 8, 10, 15 and 17, 5:30-8:30 pm at Fox Valley Technical College, Appleton. The second session will be offered October 26, November 2, 9 and 16, 5:30-8:30 pm, same location. To register contact Jill Mitchler, 920-954-1550 or jill@namifoxvalley.org.

View the bulletin on-line at www.stbernardappleton.org

Greetings Parishioners,

Challenges and changes, they never cease. The upcoming Mass changes have leaders of the parish asking questions that need input from everyone in the parish. The staff, Parish Pastoral Council, Worship **Committee, Finance Council, the deacons and I are asking the question: "Do we need four weekend Masses at St. Bernard Parish?" We considered three issues as part of the discussion.**

The first issue we considered is the number of people at the weekend Masses at St. Bernard Parish. The attendance at each Mass varies seasonally, e.g. summer, winter, Packer Games, cottage season, etc. Although attendance affects all of the Masses, the earlier ones are affected the most. On average the attendance at 7:00 a.m. in summer is about 120 and in winter around 70. The number of attendees at 8:30 a.m. Mass is regularly between 150 and 200 people. (Also finding ministers to serve in the liturgical roles is ever more difficult.)

The second issue is the requirements placed on the priest himself in the celebration of the liturgy. I will be required to chant many more parts of the Mass with the new changes. Together the priest and congregation are seen as one community of prayer using music and Word. St. Bernard Parish would not be true to the new format for liturgy if we did not use this style of music at all Masses.

The third issue is we no longer have a second priest available. When Fr. Justin Werner stopped presiding at the liturgy at St. Bernard Parish, I accepted doing all of the liturgies. I love doing all of the liturgies. However, I realized one priest could not continue with this number of liturgies because of the increasing demands on all pastors.

These are the issues and the concerns influencing our parish presently. I consider it very important that parishioners be given the opportunity to offer their insights concerning the proposal of: three Masses a weekend, which are Saturday at 4:30 p.m. and Sunday at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

This weekend there are questionnaire sheets at the end of the pew for you to give your input **concerning the proposed Mass schedule. If you didn't get an opportunity to give your input, survey forms will be available at the Welcome Counter next weekend.**

Sincerely,

Fr. Dennis Ryan

Evangelization – Catholic Style!!

*By: Kristina M. DeNeve
Spirituality and Evangelization Director
Diocese of Green Bay*

Catholic evangelization is primarily how we live and love others and only secondarily about using words. Indeed, I would go so far as to say that for the average Catholic, between 95-97% of our evangelization takes place through our actions.

One of the biggest obstacles Catholics face in talking about our faith is feeling inadequate or uncomfortable. We think we **are not qualified or "holy" enough. In other words, we are like Peter in today's Gospel when he tried to walk on water.**

We doubt, we get scared and we start to sink.

We are nonetheless called to be like Peter! Ask God to **"command" us, to help us do what we think is impossible.** Then, take the risk and do it! Climb out of the boat. Then, when we get scared and falter, continue being like Peter. Reach out to Jesus. Jesus will never let us drown. Trust Jesus when we feel his nudge to evangelize by word as well as by deed.



We Welcome Through Baptism

Coy Christopher, son of Christopher & Katie Stobbe
Mason Charles, son of Matt & MySee Luangla
Zemira Jylia, daughter of Jeffrey & Pantshia Gardner

In today's Gospel, Peter began to walk on the water when he was focused on Jesus. He began to sink when he got distracted by the storm. What is your life like when you are focused on Jesus and your relationship with God? How is it different when you get caught up in other things?