

# SAINT BERNARD

February 12, 2012  
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish



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## *Stewardship of Prayer Weekend* *February 11 & 12*

Stop in the Narthex after Mass today and see all of the resources and small groups that are available during Lent.

- ✠ Lenten Resources/Prayer Opportunities   ✠ Small Groups   ✠ Retreats  
✠ Cursillos   ✠ Marriage Encounters   ✠ Youth and Family Resources

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

## PARISH HAPPENINGS

**Children's Liturgy of the Word** takes place during the 10 am Mass on Sunday. Fr. Dennis invites the children, 4 through the 4th grade (no sign-up necessary). Parents are always welcome. February dates: 12, 26.

### YOUTH HOSTED LITURGY, FEBRUARY 19

The next Youth Hosted Liturgy is Sunday, February 19 at the 10:00 Mass. Our 8, 9 & 10 grade students are inviting you and your family to come to this special Mass. The youth will be singing, reading, ushering, greeting and joining in the celebration of the Mass.

Mark your calendar for this special liturgy.



FEBRUARY 22, ASH WEDNESDAY  
MASSES

8:00 AM, 4:45 AND 6:45 PM

### FRIENDS OF HAITI

Some years ago the Social Justice Committee had several fund raisers to help fund our Pass Christian partnership. That partnership never developed into what we had expected. Currently there is \$3,355 left in that account and the Social Justice Committee is recommending that these funds be transferred into a fund to help the Friends of Haiti. Any comments or concerns should be addressed to Bill Devine, 920-486-1465 or Bill Kessenich, 731-7040.

### LADIES OF ST. BERNARD GRANT ANNOUNCEMENT

The Ladies of St. Bernard have given grants to the following organizations: Harbor House-\$500; Community Clothes Closet-\$1500; COTS, Inc.-\$500; Literacy Education Services-\$500; Haven of Hope Day Care Inc.-\$350; St. Bernard Faith Formation-\$500; St. Bernard Education Pamphlets-\$150 and Ridgeway 4-H Club-\$50.

### BAPTISM CLASS

The next Baptism class will be held on March 26. Call the Parish Office to sign up.

City-Wide Lenten Evening of Reflection

### The Potter's Wheel

Tuesday, March 13, 6:30-8 pm

St. Thomas More Church, 1810 N. McDonald St., Appleton  
Presenter Fr. Tim Shillcox, O.Praem

Fee: \$5 for one person, \$8 for two people and \$10 family. You are invited to bring a non-perishable food item for St. Joseph Food pantry. Call Carolyn at 739-8172 for tickets or questions.

Flyers for this event will be available in the Narthex this weekend

*Readings for Next Sunday*  
Is 43:18-25/2 Cor 1:18-22/Mk 2:1-12

## MASS TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS

*Saturday, February 11*

4:30 pm Mass Elroy Mueller

*Sunday, February 12*

8:00 am Mass David Scott  
Living and Deceased Members  
of St. Bernard Parish

10:00 am Mass Steven Dorn

*Monday, February 13*

✠ 8:00 am Liturgy of the Word

*Tuesday, February 14* **St. Valentine's Day**

8:00 am Mass Arthur Kessenich

*Wednesday, February 15*

8:00 am Mass ✠ Richard Rickert

*Thursday, February 16*

8:00 am Mass ✠ Leon Nolden

*Friday, February 17*

8:00 am Mass Helen Alferi

*Saturday, February 18*

4:30 pm Mass Intention of Dorothy Rath

*Sunday, February 19*

8:00 am Mass Lara Plamann

10:00 am Mass *Youth Hosted Liturgy*

Charles Ball

Living and Deceased Members  
of St. Bernard Parish



## Happy Valentine's Day

When it comes to expressing feelings, many in long-term relationships fall into complacency and predictability. Here are some tips to enhance your relationship.

Go for a walk - this gets you away from distractions and opens the door for conversation.

Show your appreciation - Express thanks for something **your partner does well, especially if you haven't said it lately.**

Listen attentively - **Be open to hearing your partner's** thoughts and feelings. Truly consider what your partner says rather than debate or immediately try to make your own point.

**Just say it: "I love You!"** - **But don't stop there.** Come up with specific reasons. If this is too difficult to do in person, pen a thoughtful letter.

Become curious - Ask what your partner thinks, wants and feels. Listen for things that might surprise you, and let your partner know that you enjoyed hearing about it.

Try something new together - Explore an activity that neither of you has done before. Learn a new game or take a fitness class together.

Do something your partner likes **but you usually wouldn't do.** **Be open to enjoying it. Don't tease, gripe or mock your partner's interest.**



## ADULT & YOUTH NEWS

### FAITH FORMATION, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Faith Formation, K-8, 4:30/6:30

**St. B's Café, 5:45-6:30**

Service Trip Grade 6. Drop off and pick up at Brewster Village 6:15-7:45 pm

### BAG COLLECTION FOR HARBOR HOUSE

If you forgot to return your donations for Harbor House, you may still do so. Please return your bag to the Narthex by Tuesday, February 14.

### CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

The Cancer Support Group will meet on Monday, February 13, 10:30 am in the Small Group Room. Call John Bedore with any questions, 739-1760.



### COMPASS CATHOLIC BIBLICAL FINANCIAL STUDY

Compass Catholic Biblical Financial Study is a walk through the Bible to learn how God asks us to make plans for spending our money while living the "Great Commission".

The topics of the class includes: Debt, Seeking Counsel, **Generosity, God's Part-** Our Part, Work, Eternity, Crisis and Perspective and more. . . We will work on personal budgeting but you will not be asked to reveal your personal financial numbers; your personal financial information always remains private. You will, however, be asked to keep up with weekly readings and homework and come prepared for class. The cost of materials is: \$35 single/\$45 couples - (Partial scholarships are available).

We will be offering this study during Lent at St. Bernard Parish, Mondays, 6-8 pm for nine consecutive weeks. On February 27<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm we will have a preview session for anyone interested. For more information or to register, please call Colleen Sargent-Day at St. Bernard Parish 739-0331.

### SOCIAL JUSTICE HELPING FRIENDS OF HAITI

The social justice committee is sending a team to Green Bay on Tuesday, February 21 and Tuesday, March 13, to assist the *Friends of Haiti* in pill packaging in anticipation of their medical mission trip this spring. Transportation will be provided. We will leave church at 5:00 pm and return by 9:00 pm. To sign up or for further information call Bill Devine at 920-486-1465.

### *Please Keep In Your Prayers...*

Our parishioner, Mary Wilson whose husband, Robert Wilson, recently passed away.

We also remember our parishioners who have recently lost a loved one; brother-in-law of Estelle "Dolly" Genske; brother of Don (Mary Lou) Dorn; brother of Wayne (Linda) Berton.

View the bulletin on-line at [www.stbernardappleton.org](http://www.stbernardappleton.org)

## Stewardship Reflection

"Do everything for the glory of God," Paul tells the Corinthians in today's second reading.

Indeed, we are all charged with that same task. As Christian disciples, we are called to live in such a way that all we do and say gives glory to the Lord. We recognize that He is the one who has given us the many good gifts we enjoy – our time, our talents, and our treasure. Even our very lives come by way of gift from God, and it is our duty as His disciples to use the many gifts He has given us in such a way that we bear witness to Him.

It is not an easy task, particularly in the world in which we live. We are surrounded by so much relativistic thinking, and engulfed in a culture of selfishness. The secular society tells us that what "I" want to do and when "I" want to do it is all that matters. Yet, we know that there is so much beyond our "here and now" life on Earth. There is so much beyond the "feel-good" mentality of our culture. We are here to know, love, and to serve God, and when we do so, all who come in contact with us will see Christ.

It is a difficult task to be in the world but not of it, and to live for one person and one person only: the Lord. But we know that, when we do, we are richly rewarded. The life of a Christian disciple isn't an easy one. In fact, just as the Corinthians to whom Paul writes this letter, we are sure to confront constant opposition, but when we live for Christ, giving Him glory in all we do – at home, at work, at school, and elsewhere, we are richly blessed.

## CALENDAR

Saturday, February 11

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

**Alanon, 10:00 am.....Janssen Center**

Sunday, February 12

Monday, February 13

**Cancer Support Group, 10:30 am.....Sm. Grp. Rm.**

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

**Life in the Spirit, 6:30 pm.....Activity Center**

Tuesday, February 14 **Happy Valentine's Day**

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

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

Wednesday, February 15

**Prayer Shawl Ministry, 1:00 pm.....Janssen Center**

Faith Formation K-8, 4:30

**St. B's Café, 5:45-6:30 pm.....Parish Hall**

Thursday, February 16

Friday, February 17

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

Parish Office closes at Noon

Saturday, February 18

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

**Alanon, 10:00 am.....Janssen Center**

### PARISH KEYS

If anyone has parish keys they are no longer using, please return them to Jim Piette or to the Parish Office.

**WANT TO HELP ST. BERNARD PARISH?**

Consider purchasing Scrip for the gas and groceries that you purchase every week. We have the following gift cards **on hand: Coppers/Pick'n Save, Festival, Woodmans, Walmart Food, Fleet Farm Gas, Kwik Trip and Express Gas.** We also have access to many other scrip gift cards that can be ordered one weekend and picked up the following week-end. We have raised over \$4,500 since we started selling scrip in late September.

Volunteers are always needed to help sell Scrip after week-end Masses if you are able to volunteer for one of the Masses, call Darlene at 739-5296, or Tim at 731-2258

**Boo yah... Coming in March**  
Brought to you by our St. Bernard Mission Students.

**ELSEWHERE**

**“Winter Escape”** presented by St. Mary Elementary School, St. Mary and St. John Faith Formation Program, Saturday, February 18, 5-10 pm, St. Mary Gymnasium, 540 Second St., Menasha. Silent auction, raffles, cash bar and hors-d’oeuvres. **Tickets are \$15 and are available at the parish and school offices, Second St., Menasha. 725-7714.**

**General Store /In-Door Rummage Sale**  
Located in the Old Family Dollar at 2500 Crooks Ave., Kaukauna. Hours are Tuesday and Saturday, 9-Noon through March 31, 2012. Clothing, books, household items, small furniture and toys may be donated. Drop off items during business hours or call Sue VanNuland at 766-2974 or 687-8805. Profits go to St. Katharine Drexel Parish and Young Neighbors in Action Group.

Celtic Music at The Outer Edge (303 N. Oneida St., Appleton) performed by Ric Blair from The Celts, an international band, March 3, 7 pm. Tickets for the event are \$25 and can be purchased online at [outeredgestage.com](http://outeredgestage.com) or by calling 809-0131. Benefiting from the funds of this event are *Window for Jesus* and **Fr. Mike O’Rourke Educational Fund.**

Diocese of Green Bay, Retreat Days for Adults with Cognitive Disabilities, March 3, St. John the Evangelist Parish, Green Bay and April 14, Holy Family Parish, Brillion. Cost \$10 includes supplies and lunch. For more information contact the Stewardship and Pastoral Services at 920-272-8312

**Women’s Silent Retreat**

Jesuit Retreat House, Oshkosh

*Discover God’s love for you, spiritual healing and inner peace, amid nature’s beauty.*

Thursday, March 15, 7 pm through 1 pm Sunday, March 18. Contact Cynthia Moorcroft at 920-969-9289 or Jesuit Retreat House at 800-962-7330. Learn more about the retreat house by visiting [www.jesuitretreathouse.org](http://www.jesuitretreathouse.org).

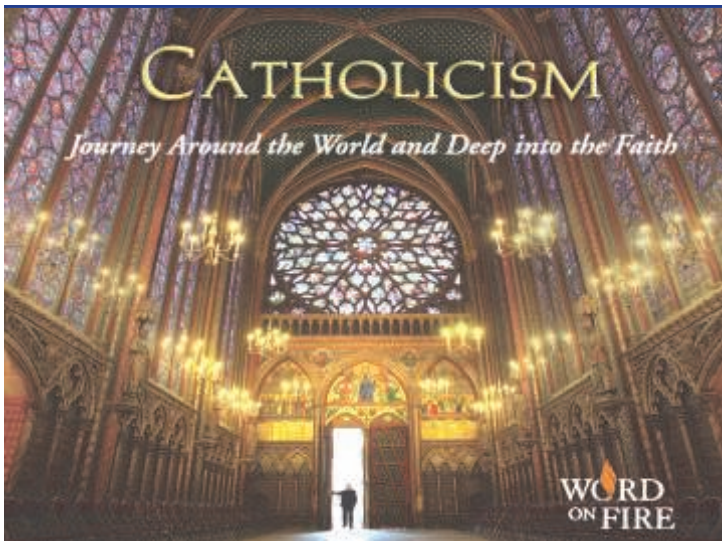
*Sacraments and Prayer Needs*  
 Confessions..... Saturday, 9:00 am  
 Baptisms .....Contact the Parish Office to make arrangements for classes and Baptism.  
 Wedding Arrangements made six months in advance  
 Communion Calls..... Call the Parish Office  
 Urgent Prayer Requests  
 please contact Delaine Van Linn ..... 734-0538  
 Adult Confirmation/Becoming Catholic .....  
 please contact Father Dennis at the Parish Office  
 Nursery..... 10:00 Sunday Mass  
 Small Groups website [www.oursmallgroups.com](http://www.oursmallgroups.com)  
 Office Hours  
 Monday-Thursday ..... 8:30-5:00  
 Friday.....8:30-Noon  
 Parish Office..... 920-739-0331  
 Faith Formation Office..... 920-739-8912  
 General email.... [stbernard@stbernardappleton.org](mailto:stbernard@stbernardappleton.org)  
 Pastor..... Father Dennis Ryan  
 Deacons..... Maury Reed, Bob Vincent  
 .....Shuying (Joe) Vang and Mike Eash  
 Pastoral Minister ..... Bob Lang  
 Director of Liturgy and Music ..... Rhonda Uschan  
 Director of Faith Formation ..... Maurine Overesch  
 Elementary Coordinator ..... Kathleen McDonald  
 Minister of Administration.....Dr. Colleen Sargent-Day  
 Bookkeeper.....Barb Hoffman  
 Records Secretary.....Sheila Kudrle  
 Communications Specialist..... Karen Hanks  
 Volunteer Coordinator.....Julie Kresal  
 Maintenance Supervisor..... Jim Piette  
 Visit [www.stbernardappleton.org](http://www.stbernardappleton.org) for a complete staff listing.

February Library hours: Sundays 9:30-11:30 and Wednesdays, 4:30-7:45 pm.

**STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCIAL SHARING**

	Week	Fiscal YTD	Total
*Envelope	18,897	YTD Actual Envelope	479,297
Weekly Target	16,058	YTD Budget Envelope	513,846
		*Envelope Over/(Under)	(34,549)
Loose	335	YTD Loose	18,481
Budget Loose	731	YTD Budget Loose	23,385
		Loose Over/(Under)	(4,904)

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



- \* Are you ready for a Recharge?
- \* Do you have questions about your Catholic Faith?

St. Bernard Parish presents  
**“Catholicism”**  
 Journey Around the World and  
 Deep into the Faith

Sign up for a group this weekend or next weekend or call Bob Lang at the Parish Office, 739-0331. Everyone is Welcome!

Sneak preview at <http://www.catholicismseries.com>

We are offering five study groups. The groups will meet for five weeks but you are invited to attend any or all sessions. All groups will meet in the Small Group Room.

Monday at 10:00 am, 2/27 through 3/26

Monday at 6:30 pm, 2/27 through 3/26

Tuesday at 1:30 pm, 2/28 through March 27

Wednesday, 6:30 pm, 2/29 through 3/28

Thursday at 10:00 am, 3/1 through 3/29

For the first time, in breathtaking and high-definition cinematography, the truth, goodness, and beauty of Catholicism are illustrated in a multimedia experience. Journey with Fr. Robert Barron to more than 50 locations throughout 16 countries. From the sacred lands of Israel to the beating heart of Uganda, from the shrines of Europe to the streets of Mexico City, Calcutta, and New York City, the mysteries of Catholicism are revealed. Learn what Catholics believe and why.

St. Bernard Parish  
 Women's Retreat  
**“Becoming Holy”**  
 Tuesday, March 6, 9-3

The St. Bernard Women will host a women's retreat at Monte Averno, 1000 N. Ballard Rd., Appleton. The day's schedule will include:

Morning Session: Two talks by Fr. Adrian, quiet time and reconciliation.

Afternoon Session: Adoration followed by Mass.

Sign up at the Parish Office. The cost for the retreat, which includes lunch, is \$30. For more information, call Carol Anheier, 731-3235. The retreat is open to all women. Invite a friend, your mother or your sister(s).



*“Welcome and inspire ALL to share Christ's love through FAITH and SERVICE”*

MEN OF ST. BERNARD PARISH  
 NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, February 28th, 6:30-8:00 pm, St. Bernard Parish Hall. Social Hour 6-6:30 pm. Snacks!

The January 17th meeting was a resounding success.

- Over 100 men signed up as interested in the men's group
- 65 men attended our first meeting in January
- The process of building a vibrant men's group for our parish was started

*We have created interest, excitement and now need to take the next step.*

Proposed agenda for the February 28th meeting.

- Lenten reflection ...Fr. Dennis Ryan
- Meeting reflection review/re-cap (feedback from small group discussions from the January 17th meeting)
- General discussion - next step for our group. Setting of priorities, planning for the future, setting dates for future meetings and discussing potential meeting formats.

Mark your colanders, bring your friends, and come be part of this exciting group of Christian men!!