

St. Bernard Church

Upcoming Meetings		
Sun.	SPRED, Rm. 6	9:30 am
Mon.	Youth Ministry, Rm. 1 AA, Rm. 6	7:00 pm 7:00 pm
Tues.	Bible Study, Conf. Rm. Yoga, Rm. 2 Workcamp 2008, Rm. 1 SPRED, Rm. 6	9:30 am 5:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm
Wed.	Marriage Prep, Rm. 2 AA, Rm. 6	7:00 pm 7:00 pm
Thurs.	Literacy Volunteers, Rm. 2 Yoga, Rm. 2 Foster Parenting, Rm. 1 Bible Study, Conf. Rm. Adult Choir, Church	9:30 am 5:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm
Fri.	AA, Rm. 1	7:00 pm
Sat.	Legion of Mary, Rm. 6 Blessing of the Animals, Parking lot	10:00 am 11:00 am

Liturgical Readings		
Mon.	Zechariah 8:1-8	Luke 9:46-50
Tues.	Zechariah 8:20-23	Matthew 18:1-5, 10
Wed.	Nehemiah 2:1-8	Luke 9:57-62
Thurs.	Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12	Luke 10:1-12
Fri.	Baruch 1:15-22	Luke 10:13-16
Sat.	Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29	Luke 10:17-24
Sun.	Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4	2Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 Luke 17:5-10

STEWARDSHIP

The sin of the rich man in today's parable was not that he was rich, but that he failed to share his wealth with the beggar at his gate. He knew Lazarus, perhaps walked by him every time he came in or out, but did nothing to relieve his suffering. Is there a Lazarus in my life?

Sunday Liturgy

Spend a small bit of time this week getting ready for the spiritual highlight of every Catholic's week, Sunday Mass. "web site": (<http://liturgy.slu.edu>).

PARISH SUPPORT		
	Actual	Budget
Sept. 22/23	\$6,420.00	
ACH	\$ 508.00	
Through 06/30/07	\$390,614.00	\$366,245.00
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •St. Bernard's offers parishioners the opportunity to make their budget contributions by Direct Debit. Call the Parish Center, 295-0387 for further information. •Many companies offer matching funds for donations to non-profit organizations. If you donate to St. Bernard's your company might match it! Please find out if your company has this policy. 		

Mass Intention

Mon. 8:00 am	Donald McGuire by his family
Tues. 8:00 am	Edward O'Keefe
Fri. 8:00 am	For the protection of the unborn
Sat. 5:00 pm	Danny Smith by Maureen & Robert Motherway
Sun. 7:00 am	John R. Wright by his wife
8:30 am	Alfred Biron by the Biron family
10:30 am	Robert Keefe by the Perry family

Those who would like to bring the bread and wine to the altar, please call the Parish Center at 295-0387 to arrange.

Baptized but not Confirmed?

Is this you? Or somebody you know? For any number of reasons, baptized Catholics do not always complete their initiation into the Church. This is done through the Sacrament of Confirmation and receiving Holy Communion. This is a simple process of preparation that results in the satisfaction of participating fully in the sacramental life that Christ has given us for our joy and support. For information call Fr. Reardon.

Youth Ministry

Our next activity is a Devotional Evening on Monday, October 1st at 7pm. We will be talking getting ready for the holiday season. Come and bring a friend. Any middle school student (Junior Group) interested in going to the Haunted Labyrinth, we will be hooking up with the youth group from St. Francis and going on Friday, 10/26. Details are TBA & chaperones are needed, so mark calendars. The Senior Posse (high school/college students only) will be doing something spooky for Halloween, as well on Saturday 10/27. Plans are in the works.

2008 Narragansett Bay Workcamp

Thanks to all those who showed an interested in Workcamp at the Fair this past weekend. We look forward to receiving your filled out volunteer forms back and seeing you in the church on October 21, 6:00 pm at our KICKOFF Concert featuring the contemporary Christian sounds of the Music Ministry, Sign of Life, from the St. John de Vianney Church in Cumberland. If you missed the fair, there will be a reception immediately following the concert to learn more and/or sign up to help with Workcamp, as well.

Books & More

Next full service hours are October 7th and 28th from 9 AM to NOON. Check out the latest book arrivals for sale in the vestibule of Church Follow the self service instructions to make a purchase.


For Confirmation gift suggestions and special orders call Deborah. A limited selection of Confirmation gifts is displayed in the Parish Center. Please take a gift catalogues above the case.

Parish Library Work Party will be held Friday October 19th from 1-5 PM. Volunteers are needed to work for an hour or more to help rearrange the bookcases and process an overflow of recently donated books for our library. Confirmation students welcome. For more information, call Deborah at 885-6405.

From Father Dennis

Thanks to all who prepared for the Annual Parish Stewardship fair 2007. Their work paid off in high dividends: almost every ministry had new sign-ups to participate in the work of that ministry; the spirit engendered by working together on the fair was a real strengthening of the bond that we share as members of the parish community; children of all ages enjoyed the outdoors celebrations of the liturgy that helped us experience what we know in our heads--- the church is people, specifically us, and that despite all that is wrong and negative around and about us, we are in very good shape. --- A special thanks to **Carol Sarro** who, as you read in last week's reflection sheet is leaving us to be nearer her family. Carol has worked energetically and generously to establish both the stewardship program and the annual stewardship fair. I personally am greatly indebted to her and draw inspiration from her for my own ministry. Thanks to all!!!

Announcements



Generations of Faith cuts across all generations. It's for EVERY-ONE in our parish, in any stage of life, at any point of his or her faith journey.

GOF begins the week of October 14.

† **THE ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS** will take place on Saturday Oct. 6th at 11:00 am in the church parking lot. All pet owners are invited to bring their pets on leashes, in carriers or restrained for safety purposes.

† **Bible Study begins the week of OCTOBER 2nd and 4th.** Registrations are being taken now. Our current study is called "Israel's Story, Part I" and highlights events from the creation, through the patriarchs, the early kings and some of the prophets. This is a great way to get to know or review the beginnings of our Judeo-Christian faith and the covenant between God and his people. The Tuesday morning group (starting Oct. 2nd) meets from 9:30 to 11:00 AM and the evening group (starting Oct. 4th) meets on Thursdays from 7 – 8:30 PM. Each group meets once a week for 7 weeks and will conclude mid November. To register or for more information call Deborah at 885-6405 or email d1mccoy@cox.net.

† **Marriage Annulment Seminars:** The Tribunal Office of the Diocese of Providence will be offering informational seminars regarding the process of annulment. We would like to help divorced Catholics both understand and consider becoming involved in a process that could provide much emotional and spiritual healing. Sessions are free and no pre-registration is required. For further information or questions, contact the Tribunal office at 401-278-4666. All Seminars will be held at 7:00 pm:

- Tues., October 2nd – St. Mark, Cranston
- Wed., October 3rd - St. Joan of Arc, Cumberland
- Thurs., October 9th - St. Anthony, North Providence
- Tues., October 16th - St. Martha, East Providence
- Tues., October 30th - Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Bristol
- Tues., November 6th - St. Clement, Warwick

† **22nd Annual Haunted Labyrinth—The City of No Return:** October 4-7, 11-14, 18-21 and 25-31, 7:00-10:00 pm. Admission \$10.00 at the Rejoice in Hope Youth Center, 804 Dyer Ave., Cranston, RI. For more information call 943-8686 or visit www.hauntedlabyrinth.com.

Religious Education

Volunteer needed to help with a 1st grade student who is hearing impaired. Ideal candidate knows ASL and is available for 1 hour, 10 Sundays starting October 28. Contact the Parish Center.

Sacramental Preparation Classes for grades 1, 2, 3, 8, and 9 start Sunday October 28. If you have not sent in your Generations of Faith Registration form, your child can not be placed in a class. Contact the Parish Center for more information.

Welcome to the 21st Century! Look for more Religious Education information to be coming to you via e-mail. Please make sure that the Parish Center has your most up to date e-mail address so you don't miss any important notices.

10th Grade Confirmation Candidates! Next scheduled meeting for Confirmation Candidates and their sponsors is Sunday, October 21 at 7 PM. Go to the "Confirmation Corner" on our website for more information and all the necessary forms.

Attention Catechists and helpers! If you are new to the program or have not had the "Safe Environment Training" since 2004 you must go through a background check and training. This is a Diocesan mandate. The next training is scheduled for Wednesday, October 10 at 7 PM at the Parish Center. Please bring a current drivers license.

Look for more information in the mail. Would you like to help? Contact the Parish Center.

Respect Life

ANNUAL ROSE SALE: The Knights of Columbus and Confirmation Candidates will be selling Roses after each Mass this weekend. The proceeds from this fundraiser will benefit The Little Flower Home in Tiverton, R.I. and The Mother of Life Center in Providence. To date over 471 babies have been born at the Little Flower Home."

Bulletin Submission

Please submit bulletin materials directly to the Parish Office or e-mail to parishcenter@sbcwickford.org. Attn: Jane Allen. The deadline for submission is **Tuesday** by **5:00 pm**. Please take into consideration the cut off time and space limit.