

St. Bernard Church

Upcoming Meetings		
Sun.	SPRED, Rm. 6	9:30 am
Mon.	Parish Center Closed AA, Rm. 6	7:00 pm
Tues.	Bible Study, Conf. Rm. Yoga, Rm. 2 Children's Choir, Church Memorial Service, Church SPRED, Catechists Rm. 6	9:30 am 5:00 pm 5:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm
Wed.	Group Workcamp, Rm. 1 AA, Rm. 6	7:00 pm 7:00 pm
Thurs.	Literacy Volunteers, Rm. 2 Yoga, Rm. 2 Confirmation Rehearsal, Church Bible Study, Conf. Rm.	9:30 am 5:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm
Fri.	Confirmation, Church (reception following) AA, Rm. 6	7:00 pm 7:00 pm
Sat.	Legion of Mary, Conf. Rm. Youth Ministry Over 50 Club, Rm. 1	10:00 am 5:00 pm 6:00 pm

Liturgical Readings		
Mon.	Wisdom 1:1-7	Luke 17:1-6
Tues.	Wisdom 2:23-3:9	Luke 17:7-10
Wed.	Wisdom 6:1-11	Luke 17:11-19
Thurs	Wisdom 7:22b-8:1	Luke 17:20-25
Fri.	Wisdom 13:1-9	Luke 17:26-37
Sat.	Wisdom 18:14-16; 19:6-9	Luke 18:1-8
Sun.	Malachi 3:19-20a	2Thessalonians 3:7-12 Luke 21:5-19

STEWARDSHIP

In today's second reading, St. Paul prays that the Thessalonians may be strengthened "in every good deed and word." May we, too, be strengthened and empowered to use our time and talents for the good of others.

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
Nov. 3/4	\$7,982.00	
All Saints Day	\$1,099.00	
ACH	\$3,367.00	
Through 09/30/07	\$104,066	\$103,778

- 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. Your company might match your donation to St. Bernard! Please find out if your company has this policy.

Mass Intention

Tues. 8:00 am **Kathleen Moffitt DiLorenzo** by Joseph DiLorenzo
 Wed. 8:00 am **John J. Largess** by his family
 Sat. 5:00 pm **Rowland Hazard** by Maureen Motherway
 Sun. 7:00 am **Gene McDermott** by Anna & Chris
 8:30 am **The Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary**
 10:30 am **Raymond Blanchette** by Bob & Mary Jane Blanchette

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

BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DEAD

The Church has a long tradition of remembering those who have died, commending them to the love and mercy of God. We do this in a special way throughout November. In many churches around the world, there is a Book of the Names of the Dead, as a continuing reminder of our prayer. A Book of the Names of the Dead is found below the statue of the Blessed Virgin on the left front side of the church. You are invited to inscribe the names you wish to be remembered in our prayer during the month of November. May this book and our prayers remind us of our faith in our life-giving baptism into the death and resurrection of Jesus.

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

The Junior Group's next event is our Saturday Social, Nov. 17th from 6-10pm when we host St. Francis, Thanksgiving themed, with games, relay races, pie eating contests, and dinner. \$5 and please bring a donated item for the Food Pantry. Contact Dawn, 461-3047 or birondawn@yahoo.com to sign up. Mark your calendars for our annual Breakfast with St. Nicholas Saturday, December 8th

2008 Narragansett Bay Workcamp

WE NEED YOU!! Our first (of many) crew meetings is November 14th at 7pm in the Parish Center. All crews are looking for help - Site Surveying, Hospitality, Media Relations, Fundraising, etc Check out us at narragansettbayworkcamp2008.wordpress.com Everyone is welcome, no experience necessary, just a warm heart, an open mind, and a willingness to help others.

Books & More

Books & More: Advent supplies are now available. Self service purchases can be made in the meantime. Books on the Sacrament of Eucharist, our recent GoF topic, can be found on the shelves in the Church vestibule. For questions, special orders or other assistance, call Deborah at 885-6505.

From Father Dennis

I added a name to our Book of the Dead. In the chapel of Saint Joseph Cemetery I said the final prayers for her and committed her body to be buried. Her name was Phoebe and there was no one, not a single person, to join with the funeral director and myself for her funeral. I know she was 72 years old. That is about all I know of her. Still there is something very sad to think that a person lived in such isolation that no one mourned her death. Maybe that is the way she wanted it. It would be very unusual because we are created as social beings. We long for companionship and friendship and love from another. Maybe it is the way she felt it had to be. I'm going to light a candle for her at Tuesday's Memorial Service at 7:00 PM here in the church and say a prayer for all who go to their graves unknown and un-mourned. --- I invite all of you to feel welcome to remember loved ones by joining in this annual service to reach out to those who have buried loved ones during the past year. Grieving is an important part of life. --- On Friday, Bishop Roque will be here for the Sacrament of Confirmation. The bishop is brother to Dr. John Roque. Jack and his lovely wife Betty are long time members of our parish and friends of mine. Please remember the young women and men who are to be confirmed in your prayers. --- Next weekend we welcome Deacon Patrick Moynihan who will be with us to preach at all the masses. We will also take up a special collection for the Haitian project. Patrick was president of the HP until last year.

Announcements

The Parish Center will be closed Monday, November 12th in observance of the Veterans Day holiday.

THE GIVING TREE

After many years of organizing the Giving Tree, Tom and Sandy Rzemien are taking a well deserved rest. The Stewardship Committee along with Confirmation candidates will be taking over this project. Please be patient with us, we have big shoes to fill. Thanks Tom & Sandy for all your hard work. If your family, or any family you know, needs help with gifts this Christmas, contact Jane at parishcenter@sbcwickford.org or call 295-0387.

The Buzz

† **Call for submissions: The Buzz**, our parish newsletter & a vehicle for more in-depth communication on issues is important to you, as a parishioner, and our parish. Submit your articles &/or photos by November 23 to juliepalazini@cox.net or the Parish Center.

† **ANNUAL COAT DRIVE:** Please drop off your **GOOD, USED COATS** at the Parish Center to be distributed to local agencies. For more information or to help sort and distribute, call 295-0387 or email parishcenter@sbcwickford.org.

† **St. Bernard's Flu Clinic** will be held Sunday, November 25 at the parish center from 8 am to 1 pm. Any questions, please call 294-6314. If anyone is homebound and would like the flu vaccine, please call 294-6314 to make arrangements.

† **The Knights of Columbus** will hold a **Roast Chicken Dinner**, on **Saturday, November 17th**, from 5:30pm to 7:00 pm at the KofC Hall. Roast Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, String Beans Almandine, Tossed Salad, and desert. \$9.00/adult < \$5.00/child 12 and under. children 6 and under are free. Reservations are required by November 16th. Please call 295-0507

† **Bible Study:** The Tuesday morning group finishes up with lesson 6 of "Israel's Story" this week. The Thursday evening group will discuss lesson 5 "A Kingdom Divided" this week, break for one week and resume with the final lesson Nov. 29th. Visitors welcome. A new scripture study begins in January.

† **The next Gabriel Project Workshop** will be held on **Saturday, November 17th from 8:00—12:30** at St. Teresa of the Child Jesus, 358 Newport Avenue Pawtucket, for more information please call Carol Owens at the Respect Life Office, 421-7833, Ext. 118

**ST. BERNARD'S
PRESENTS
THE DIOCESAN
GOSPEL CHOIR**

DIRECTED BY SAREBA G. SMITH
ON SUNDAY DECEMBER 2nd,
at 7:00 PM

COME, BRING SOMEONE,
LISTEN, JOIN IN THE SINGING
BE BLESSED
AND BE A BLESSING TOO!

Religious Education

Rehearsal for Confirmation candidates and their sponsors is at 6 PM at the Church on **Thursday, November 15**. This is **MANDATORY!**

Confirmation: The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated here at St. Bernard's on **Friday, November 16 at 7 PM**. Candidates will meet at the Parish Center **no later than 6:15**.

8th Graders: Watch your mail for the permission slip to attend the Jesse Manibusan concert on Thursday, November 29. This is a requirement. Transportation and pizza are provided.

Sacramental Preparation Classes meet NEXT weekend- **November 18th**!

Is your e-mail information up to date? If not, you could be missing important updates. Contact the Parish Center at 295-0387.