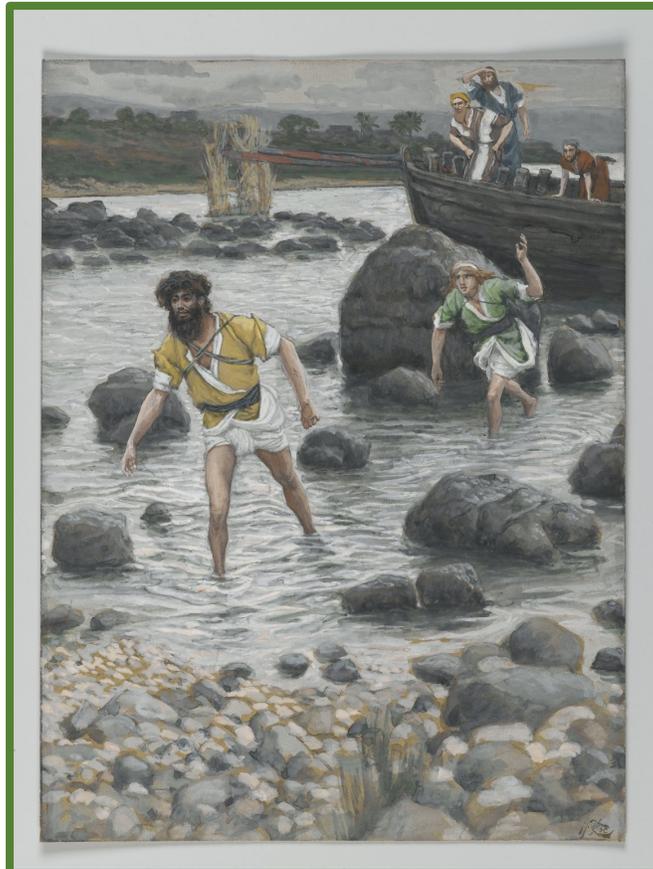


The Parishes of
Saint Mary in Bremen &
Saint Bernadette in Lancaster



By the Sea of Galilee

He saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen.

He said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men."

At once they left their nets and followed him.

He walked along from there and saw two other brothers, James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John.

They were in a boat, with their father Zebedee, mending their nets.

He called them, and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed him.

-From today's Holy Gospel, Matthew 4:12-23

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 22, 2023

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St. Bernadette School is located at 1325 Wheeling Road, Lancaster, OH 43130-8701

St. Bernadette Website is www.stbernadetteparish.net

St. Mary Website is www.stbernadetteparish.net/about-us

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St. Bernadette



St. Mary



Sacramental Life

Baptism

To have a child baptized, parents must register and attend a class as a couple. Try to attend before your child is born. At least one parent and godparent must be practicing Catholics. Please call or email the church office for information or to register.

Confession

The priest is available for Penance at St. Bernadette on Saturdays at 8:30 AM and 3:00 PM, and on Thursdays at 5:30 PM. Confessions are offered Sundays at St. Mary Bremen at 8:00 AM. Every Catholic priest is available whenever needed.

Anointing and Care of the Sick

The priest gives the Anointing of the Sick to one who is dangerously ill, facing major surgery, or suffering from the ravages of old age. Call the parish office to inform us if a loved one is in need of pastoral care in sickness, particularly with an extended absence from attending Mass.

Holy Matrimony

Couples wishing to marry should contact the parish office six months before a wedding. Why so long? Because this Sacrament, not just the ceremony, requires serious preparation. And the Church needs to be involved in that preparation. The Church needs to support couples through the years of married life and offers programs to enhance married life. To learn more, watch the bulletin.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration takes place each Wednesday at St. Bernadette with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 9:00 AM and Benediction and Reposition at 2:00 PM. Exposition also takes place each Thursday at St. Bernadette from 7:00 PM through the night until Friday at 8:00 AM. On the first Thursday of the month, we offer a Eucharistic Holy Hour at St. Mary in Bremen after the morning Mass. All are welcome to come as you are able, or stop in for prayer anytime.

Both Parishes

Collar Corner

Please excuse our dust! The painting, wiring, etc. will be a little disruptive over these next weeks, above all for daily Masses and Adoration. Sorry! Crews are working long shifts as fast as possible. Thanks for your patience as we get it all in place, and thanks to amazing parishioners and friends for all their incredible help!

Monday is a National Day of Prayer for the Unborn. We are proud of our seamless pro-life spirituality. Make some special effort to join in dedicating this day with penitential and sacrificial prayer.

The feast of the great St. Thomas Aquinas occasions our yearly Catholic Schools Week. Please keep our students, teachers, volunteers, and benefactors in your prayers always. It's a joy to see another generation of faithful Catholics rise up in our midst, and to share in that journey with them. Our best advertising is a happy and holy family inviting someone to join us. Never hesitate! Details about our open house next week are below.

Mardi Gras will be here soon! It will be a fantastic event this year. Please plan to come and support us and strengthen our Catholic education even more. Information can be found below.

If a young man you know would benefit from visiting the seminary to help his discernment of a potential vocation to the priesthood, let us know. There is an opportunity coming soon, as you can see in the announcement below.

Did you know? The principal patron saint of our diocese is celebrated this week: Francis de Sales. Especially during this time of the Real Presence, Real Future initiative, keep Bishop Fernandes and all of our priests in your prayers in a special way. *Introduction to the Devout Life* by de Sales is a spiritual classic that is worth checking out.

In Our Lord and Our Lady,

Father Tomson

House Blessing

Call in to the office to get your Epiphany chalk blessing scheduled. This is a blessing of the home that gets renewed every year, and only takes a few minutes. The window runs until February 2nd.

The Word of the Lord

January 22, Sunday Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	Isaiah Psalm 1 Corinth	8:23-9:3 27 1:10-17	Matt	4:12-23
January 23, Monday <i>Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children</i>	Hebrews Psalm	9:15-28 98	Mark	3:22-30
January 24, Tuesday <i>Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i>	Ephesians Psalm	3:8-12 37	John	15:9-17
January 25, Wednesday <i>The Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle</i>	Acts Psalm	22:3-16 117	Mark	16:15-18
January 26, Thursday <i>Saint Timothy and Saint Titus, Bishops</i>	2 Timothy Psalm	1:1-8 96	Mark	4:21-25
January 27, Friday <i>Saint Angela Merici, Virgin</i>	Hebrews Psalm	10:32-39 37	Mark	4:26-34
January 28, Saturday <i>Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church</i>	Hebrews Luke	11:1-19 1	Mark	4:35-41
January 29, Sunday Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Zephaniah Psalm 1 Corinth	2:3-3:13 146 1:26-31	Matt	5:1-12

Intentions at Mass

Saturday, January 21	4 PM	St. Bernadette	For James, Lori, Molly and Virginia Porter
Sunday, January 22	8:30 AM	Bremen St. Mary	Marjorie & Elmer Miller
Sunday, January 22	10 AM	St. Bernadette	For the People of Both Parishes
Monday, January 23	8:20 AM	St. Bernadette	John & Ann Muetzel
Wednesday, January 25	8:20 AM	St. Bernadette	Earl & Barbara Jones
Thursday, January 26	8:20 AM	Bremen St. Mary	Deceased of the Schmelzer Family
Friday, January 27	8:20 AM	St. Bernadette	Leon Sevigny
Saturday, January 28	4 PM	St. Bernadette	Beau Thorne
Sunday, January 29	8:30 AM	Bremen St. Mary	John & Betty Drumm
Sunday, January 29	10 AM	St. Bernadette	For the People of Both Parishes

SPOF Membership Collection

It's not too late to join the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Membership envelopes can be found in your packets.

2022 Financial Statements

Parishioner Tax Letters will be made available by sending a request to stbernbook@gmail.com or by calling the parish office at (740) 654-1893.

BAA Tax Letters will be mailed directly to you.

Bremen St. Mary Parish

Mark Your St. Mary Calendars

Today, right after PSR, there will be a First Holy Communion Parent Meeting. At 2:00 PM there will be a Women's Ministry Afternoon Gathering (Secret Sister Reveal) in the parish hall.

St. Bernadette Parish

Teen Program

A life-changing experience for high school teens, *YOU: Life, Love, and the Theology of the Body* is a unique program which reveals to teens their value as a person: their bodies, their sexuality, and their individual call to love. Filmed on location all over the world, the program features teens as well as respected Catholic leaders. Based on Pope Saint John Paul II's revolutionary *Theology of the Body*, it addresses, head on, many of the issues teens are exposed to via entertainment media, societal pressures, and their own interactions with each other. This program will give teens the answers and the tools they need to successfully and safely navigate through life. Please contact Jean Robertson at jruber@columbus.rr.com for information.

St. Bernadette Family Rosary

On Mondays in church at 7:00 PM, our children lead the holy rosary. On Tuesdays at 3:00 PM, the Marian group leads the rosary along with the Divine Mercy Chaplet and other Marian prayers. All are welcome.

Prayer Shawls and Blankets

The St. Bernadette Prayer Shawl Ministry meets each month on Wednesday mornings in the Mary Good Center to crochet prayer shawls and prayer blankets for members of our Catholic community here in Lancaster. If this is something that interests you, you are welcome at the next gathering. If you have questions, please give Patty Patterson a call at (740) 438-2994.

Employment Opportunity

St. Bernadette School is hiring a student/classroom aide for 15-20 hours per week and a music teacher/aide for 2 days per week. A BCI fingerprint check and a Protecting God's Children session is required. Please contact principal Joan Miller at jomiller2@cdeducation.org or call (740) 654-3137.

St. Bernadette School

St. Bernadette Catholic School offers an excellent academic education in an authentic Catholic environment. Registration for the 2023/2024 school year has begun. Current families will receive an intent to return form. New families who want to register are encouraged to stop in the school office or call (740) 654-3137 to receive registration materials. For questions, to set up a tour, or to receive registration materials by email, please email Principal Joan Miller at jomiller2@cdeducation.org or Secretary Barb Huber at bhuber@cdeducation.org. We are very grateful to our parish and school community for their support of Catholic education at St. Bernadette Catholic School.

St. Bernadette School Open House

St. Bernadette Catholic School is holding an open house for prospective new students and their families on Sunday, January 29, from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM. Prospective new families are invited to tour the building, meet some of the teachers, and receive registration materials. Our school works to provide an excellent education for all of our students in an authentic Catholic environment. Come and learn about the wonderful things that are happening at St. Bernadette Catholic School.

St. Bernadette Mardi Gras

All proceeds from Mardi Gras weekend are used to offset general operating expenses of our wonderful St. Bernadette School.

Adult Night is Friday, February 10, 6:30-9:00 PM. The cost is \$15/person for hors d'oeuvres, desserts, and 2 drinks primarily from local breweries and wineries (additional available for donation at the bar). *Forcynthia* will entertain at 7:00 PM and the Live Auction will begin at 8:00 PM.

Parish and School Family Dinner will be held on Saturday, February 11, from 4:45-7:00 PM. Dinner includes warm, delicious chicken & noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, and dessert prepared by our very own Mrs. Elder & parish friends.

The **Silent Auction** will take place throughout the

week of February 5th online at BetterWorld.com. **Gold Sponsorship** is available for any family or business donating \$100 or more to St. Bernadette! Donations can be sent to the office any time prior to February 1 for recognition at the Friday and Saturday events.

Around the Diocese

Diocesan Respect Life Mass

The annual diocesan Respect Life Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Earl K. Fernandes at St. Joseph Cathedral in Columbus at 10:30 AM on Monday, January 23. This will be the Mass for Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life.

Fisher Catholic Open House

Fisher Catholic High School will host an Open House on Sunday, February 5, from 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Learn more about their academic offerings, extracurricular activities, community involvement, and faith-filled mission. It's never too early or too late to decide to change directions in your child's education. Come see what they offer. It's different at Fisher. You are also welcome to dine at their annual Spaghetti Dinner while visiting.

Fisher Catholic Spaghetti Dinner

The 26th annual Fisher Catholic Athletics Spaghetti Dinner will be held on February 5 from NOON until 6:00 PM. Enjoy authentic spaghetti served with salad, rolls and dessert – dine in or carry out. Tickets can be purchased at the door, from a student, or at fishercatholic.org. Prices are Adults: \$8, Children aged 12 and under: \$5. Fisher Catholic High School is located at 1803 Granville Pike.

St. Mary Middle School Open House

Saint Mary School will hold an open house on Sunday, January 29, from 2:00-5:00 PM. This is an opportunity for you to tour the school buildings, engage with current families, and meet the staff.

St. Mary Middle School Pasta Sale

St. Mary Teacher Association is having a pasta sale through January 30. Visit the website below to order creative and delicious pasta goodies and sauces. 40% of each purchase goes towards education at St. Mary School. Thanks for your support. <https://www.funpastafundraising.com/shop/sms-education-association>

St. Mark First Friday Devotion

There will be a Holy Hour with Praise and Worship at St. Mark for First Friday, February 3, at 6:30 PM.

Sarah Hart Concert

St. Mark Church hosts the Sarah Hart concert on Tuesday, February 14, at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$10. Sarah is a Lancaster native now based in Nashville as a contemporary Christian writer and musician. For information and to purchase tickets, visit: <https://stmarklanaster.com/music-ministry>.

St. Charles Scholarship Test

Each year, St. Charles Preparatory School offers an academic scholarship test to prospective and incoming freshmen. This year, the test will be administered on January 28 at 9:00 AM and 1:00 PM and February 5 at 1:00 PM. Students must complete a St. Charles application to be eligible. For information and applications, visit stcharlesprep.org

St. Thomas Aquinas Lecture

Ohio Dominican University's Center for Dominican Studies and Office of Academic Affairs will host its annual St. Thomas Aquinas Lecture at 11:00 AM on Thursday, January 26. The free lecture will take place in the Matesich Theatre. The keynote speaker, Sr. Marcelline Koch, OP will present "Thomas and the Call to Justice."

PDHC News

Pregnancy Decision Health Center has job openings for a Nurse and Director of Client Services. Visit: <https://www.supportlifepdhc.org/join-our-team.html> Also, there is a need for clothing and baby supplies, provided free to participating parents. These items may be gently used or new. The Lancaster boutique especially needs maternity clothing, newborn-12 month boy/girl winter outfits and sleepers/gowns, and 6-12 month boy/girl socks. Donations may be dropped off at the St. Bernadette parish office or the Bremen St. Mary parish hall. In addition, all are invited to view the PDHC sponsored movie "The Matter of Life" this Thursday, January 26, at 6:00 PM at St. John Catholic Church in Logan.

Weekend at the Josephinum

The Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus has scheduled a "Come and See" Live-In weekend for March 16-19. The weekend has been set aside to allow young men (high school juniors, seniors, and college-aged students) to visit the seminary for a few days. Live-In participants will experience seminary prayer life, classes, communal worship, and interaction with current seminarians, faculty and staff. There is no charge to participate. For more information, contact the Vocations Office, at (614) 221-5565, vocations@columbuscatholic.org, or your parish priest.

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