

St. Bernard Roman Catholic Church

We are called to proclaim and celebrate the Good News. Evangelizing and supporting for the faith journey of every age at every stage is our commitment.

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EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD April 9, 2023

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WEEKDAY MASSES: Mon—Sat 8:30 AM

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4PM, and 7PM (Neo-catechumenal way – In Grade School)

Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM & 12:30 PM Spanish

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: FRIDAY 6:15 PM—6:45 PM during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Sat 3:15—3:45 PM, or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Please call the office to arrange for a meeting with a priest 6 months prior to your wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Please call the office to arrange for a meeting with a priest 2 months prior to the Sacrament. Baptism is celebrated every 4th Sunday of the month @ 12 Noon.

ANointing OF THE SICK: : Please call the office to arrange for an anointing.

For new parishioners, registration forms are available at our website & in parish office.



SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

8:00 pm Joseph & Theresa Timm

EASTER SUNDAY, April 9

8:00 am + Fr. Edward Savundra

10:30 am + Jean Schreier

12:30 pm (Spanish) + Francoise Ferguson

EASTER MONDAY, April 10

8:30 am Steve Lauinger (healing)

EASTER TUESDAY, April 11

8:30 am Grace Thompson

EASTER WEDNESDAY, April 12

8:30 am + For the Souls in Purgatory

EASTER THURSDAY, April 13

8:30 am + Donald Soler

EASTER FRIDAY, April 14

8:30 am + Francoise Ferguson

EASTER SATURDAY, April 15

8:30 am Stephanie Pommier

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

4:00 pm Vern Audette

7:00 pm Steve Lauinger (healing)

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, April 10

8:00 am RoseMary Kassekert

10:30 am Clare Olega

12:30 pm (Spanish) + Timothy Morrissey

WE REMEMBER YOU

We remember you, O risen Lord,
firstborn of the dead.

Your resurrection destroys the
power of death
and changes tears of agony into
cries of joy.



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I wish you and your families a truly holy Easter. Christ is Risen, Truly Risen!

The wonderful crowds on Palm Sunday, and the spring weather, I hope gave rise to many new people joining us during the Holy Triduum of Easter. The Church also wants us to recover the all night vigil that was present in the primitive Church from the very beginning, which we had here again. The sign of this all night vigil for families and everyone makes present in a tangible way the resurrection of Jesus Christ, and makes us partakers of it.

The women in all the Gospels are the first to see the evidence of the Resurrection. They experienced a violent earthquake and an angel of the Lord was present. The guards were completely shaken up, as we cannot imagine. And the angel comforted the woman and told them to go ahead to Galilee, and they will see Him! Let us go to Galilee, which is the middle of the world, this area, a stone's throw from New York City, and there we will find Jesus Christ! We do not have to go very far to find the Lord. He is very close to us these days of Easter and wants us to experience the Resurrection.

I would invite you to continue or to start attending daily Mass as a practical way to pray and to rejoice in this Season of Easter, which lasts for fifty days. During this time you are able to celebrate this life changing event: Christ died for us and rose again. He has overcome death, all kinds of death that we also experience every day. We have no reason to be afraid. Jesus Christ is the only one who solves the riddle of death, and so we can rejoice.

This Easter is very different from last year's and can be a special time for all of us! Let us ask the Lord to help us to be his disciples in a more concrete way, and to have a personal know-how of this Passover mystery, where we can experience new life today!

Let us pray for those who are sick and those who are serving them during these holy season of Easter. Christ is Risen, and will rise again for all of us in a special way this year.

**CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA
HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA**

Fr. Doss

Please call the parish office if you would like to add a name to our prayer list.

Prayer Line: Shirley Collett (651)488-6330;
Judy Cloutier at (651)224-2966

BAPTISMS

"In all truth I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born through water and the Spirit; what is born of flesh is flesh, and what is born of the spirit is spirit."

Next Baptism Class, Thursday Apr 20 @ 6:30pm
Baptism, Sun 23rd at Noon

Meetings will be held in the parish office.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Sunday Envelopes	N/A	4,654
Plate	N/A	962
Church Audio & Lighting	N/A	
Worship & Liturgy	N/A	
Building Repair Fund Donations Received:		\$169,815

"N/A" - Due to early publishing deadline

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!

E-Giving or auto-pay from your bank, helps our parish a lot. Please consider giving in this way!

SICK OR "HOMEBOUND"

If you are sick or "homebound" (or know someone who is), and would like to have Communion, please contact the parish office.

REMEMBER ST. BERNARD'S IN YOUR WILL

Do you have a will?

A wonderful way to help our parish and to save taxes is to remember St. Bernard's in your will. There is still plenty of work to be done in our church and also in the other buildings.

My Family—My Parish—My Responsibility

Did you ever notice that the price of a movie is now over \$15, and milk is almost \$4 a gallon? The price of everything around us has increased, but has your weekly donation to the Church ever increased? Our church heating bill alone is nearly \$5,000 a month and our salaries for our small staff of 3 full-time people & few others is about \$15,000 a month. Those two items alone consume nearly 75% of our collection. Alms are a good way to build up our treasure in heaven.

DIVINE MERCY CELEBRATION

Next Sunday, April 16, is Divine Mercy Sunday. St Faustina heard these words from the Lord (Diary 699) "I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners... The soul that will go to Confession [within 8 days] and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened..." Pope St. John Paul II established this universal feast in April 2000.

Easter Sunday and the Easter Octave

He is Risen! It's time for egg hunts, Easter baskets, and all the other Easter fun. Easter hymns are glorious and joyful. Sing some of them together with your family. You might even want to learn a new one each day of Easter week. Choose a time each day during the week of Easter to light a candle and pray together, thanking God for His Passion and Resurrection, by which He made it possible for us to gain eternal life.

EASTER SUNDAY

The resurrection of Christ is the basis of our Christian Faith. The Resurrection is the greatest of the miracles – it proves that Jesus is God. That is why St. Paul writes:

"If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain; and your Faith is in vain... And if Christ has not been raised, then your Faith is a delusion and you are still lost in your sins... But in fact, Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep."

If Jesus Christ did not rise from the dead, then the Church is a fraud, and Faith is a sham. But if He really did rise from the dead, His message is true! Without the Resurrection, Jesus would have remained forever a good person who had met a tragic end. People would remember some of his teachings, and a handful of people might try to live according to them. All the basic doctrines of Christianity are founded on the truth of the Resurrection. *"Jesus is Lord; He is risen"* was the central theme of the kerygma (or preaching), of the Apostles.

TRUST IN GOD

"Cast yourself into the arms of God and be very sure that if He wants anything of you, He will fit you for the work and give you strength.

- St. Philip Neri