

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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TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 19, 2025

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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 2months prior to the Sacrament. Baptism is celebrated every 4th Sunday of the month @ 10 AM & 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

4:00 pm Marion Kneissel

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 19

8:00 am People of the parish
 10:30 am + Richard Jabs
 12:30 pm + Souls in purgatory

MONDAY, October 20

St. Hedwig & St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

8:30 am + Raymond Burg & Tom Perrizo

TUESDAY, October 21

St. Gaspare of the Bufalo

8:30 am Stephen Lauinger

WEDNESDAY, October 22

St. John Paul II

8:30 am Khuong Trieu

THURSDAY, October 23

St. John of Capistrano

8:30 am + Tom Thompson

FRIDAY, October 24

St. Anthony Mary Claret

8:30 am + Unborn children

SATURDAY, October 25

St. Crispin & St. Crispinian

8:30 am + Jeraldrani

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

4:00 pm + Jack Kitto & Peg Smith

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 26

8:00 am People of the parish
 10:30 am People of the parish
 12:30 pm + Mario Priego Solis & Ramon Ramirez Perez

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.



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The readings this week remind us of the importance of persevering in prayer and not losing heart. The parable in the gospel points out to us to pray always and not give up. In the Christian life there are some actions that are performed only once, like the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders. Other actions are repeated many times, such as forgiveness, understanding, and cheerfulness. They are actions which we need to repeat often, even in a given day. Among these repeated actions which are for the good of our soul is the need to pray. St. Augustine commenting on this gospel said, "When faith weakens our prayer withers." Faith is the fountain of prayer and a river cannot flow if its source is dried up. We can also say when we don't pray our faith withers. Our prayer needs to be continuous and trusting, like the prayer of Jesus Christ.

The first reading from the book of Exodus presents the Jews in battle with the Amalekites. Moses' prayer is heard by God as long as he keeps his arms raised. When he lowered his arms Israel started to lose. To keep praying Aaron and Hur supported Moses' arms, one on each side. They were thus able to keep Moses praying until sunset. What does this mean for me? That we cannot grow weary of prayer and we need to ask our friends to help us since on our own it is impossible. Jesus Christ wants to help us, but he also wants to see that we want to be helped. How often we complain to ourselves and to one another, and yet we don't ask God seriously for the things we need or we get tired after asking twice?

Let us resolve to pray as Moses did: with perseverance that nothing can shake, and at times with the help of our friends. A great deal depends on this. Did you try the prayer of the eyes, heart and hands? I found it very helpful and practical. We can also use this method to imagine what God wants us to do in our parish and in our ministries, that they ought to be a real community where people know one another and help one another. Best way we can learn and experience is to use the tool God gives us this time of the year, which is to come and listen to the catechesis we are beginning and will continue every Wednesdays and Sunday at 7 PM. Fr. Doss

SICK OR "HOMEBOUND"

If you are sick or "homebound" (or know someone who is), and would like to receive any Sacrament, please contact 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

SUNDAY COLLECTION

	Last Week	Budget
Sunday Envelopes	\$3,173	4,060
Plate	\$938	940
Church Audio & Lighting	\$38	
Worship & Liturgy	\$27	
Building Repair Fund Balance:	\$54,000	

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!

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Pope Leo invites us to celebrate World Mission Sunday with the entire Church on this weekend. The society for the Propagation of the Faith is observing years of supporting struggling dioceses worldwide. Pope affirms that, "Each baptized person is called to mission. . . "Please join our sisters and brothers in prayer and give what you are able, to support mission dioceses throughout the world.

ALL SOULS MASS INTENTION CARDS

"Blessed are those who have died in the Lord; let them rest from their labors for their good deeds go with them."

There are mass cards available for All Soul's day and during the month of November we will remember and celebrate mass for our loved ones who passed from this world to the Father.

Cards are placed at the Altar of Mary and Joseph. Please make use of the cards to write the names and leave them. Thank you!

MASS BOOK IS OPEN

The Mass book for 2026 is open. To offer a prayer for a deceased relatives and friends is one of the best acts of charity that you can do.

CATECHESIS FOR ADULTS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

COME AND LISTEN TO A GOOD NEWS

WEDNESDAYS AND SUNDAYS AT 7 PM
IN THE HIGH SCHOOL GYM

1 HOUR—NO REGISTRATION—NO FEE
COME & LISTEN!

Free child care

The Neo-Catechumenal Way

These are not sermons or classes but an announcement of Good News for those who are suffering or alone or far from the Church, or for those who would like a stronger faith. Perhaps someone in your family or neighborhood or office is going through a tough time so accompany them to hear a word of hope.

ST. MICHAEL PRAYER

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

GUARDIAN ANGEL PRAYER

Guardian Angel Prayer Angel of God, my guardian dear, To whom God's love commits me here, Ever this day, be at my side, To light and guard, Rule and guide. Amen.

10 Reasons to Stay Until the End of the Mass

- ◆ Give God time to give you some good ideas.
- ◆ Don't waste your special time with Jesus.
- ◆ Talk to Jesus now that you have received Him.
- ◆ Pray by name for the people you love.
- ◆ Make a good moment last.
- ◆ Give your worries and cares to the Lord.
- ◆ Practice being more calm and less stressed.
- ◆ It is not polite to eat and run.
- ◆ Your priest and neighbors want to say hello.
- ◆ We have to give one another good example.