

# St. Brendan the Navigator Parish

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## Our Churches ~ Mass Schedule ~ Adoration

### St. Bernard

150 Broadway, Rockland, ME 04841

Saturday 6:00pm

Sunday 8:00am & 11:00am

Tues 8am & Thurs 6:30pm

Adoration: Thurs. 5:30pm-6:30pm

### Our Lady of Good Hope

7 Union Street, Camden, ME 04843

Saturday 4:00pm

Sunday 11:00am

Mon 6:30pm & Wed 8am

Adoration: Mon. 5:30pm-6:30pm

### St. Francis of Assisi

81 Court Street, Belfast, ME 04915

Saturday 4:00pm

Sunday 8:30am

Wed 6:30pm & Fri 8am

Adoration: Wed. eves 5:30pm-6:30pm

**Doors are open at all mainland churches**

**Monday through Friday from 12pm-3pm.**

### St. Mary of the Isles & Island Masses

From July-Sept - Saturday: 9:00am

18 Pendleton Point Rd, Islesboro, ME 04848

Vinalhaven at Union Church

North Haven TBA

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Half hour before weekend Masses  
or by appointment, call 207-236-4785.

Plus, priests are available during  
scheduled Adoration times on Monday,  
Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

## Our Clergy

Fr. Anthanasius Wirsiy, Pastor  
Fr. Jarvis Laban, Parochial Vicar  
Deacon Robert Cleveland

Email contact: [firstname.lastname@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:firstname.lastname@portlanddiocese.org)



MAY THE SOULS of  
*the* FAITHFUL DEPARTED,  
THROUGH *the* MERCY  
of GOD, REST IN PEACE.



1936 - 2025

APRIL 27, 2025 | 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER - DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, April 26, 2025 – Vigil Sunday of the Divine Mercy (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter)

4:00pm	St. Francis	Msgr. Paul Stefanko	Thomas Piel by Becky Piel
4:00pm	Our Lady of Good Hope <b>LS</b>	Fr. Javis	Lucy Bardon by David Bardon
6:00pm	St. Bernard	Fr. Javis	Cameron Frisone by Takoda Peasley

### Sunday, April 27, 2025 – Sunday of the Divine Mercy (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter)

8:00am	St. Bernard	Fr. Javis	Tam Ly by Teresa Le
8:30am	St. Francis	Msgr. Paul Stefanko <b>Rosary at 7:50am</b>	For parishioners
11:00am	Our Lady of Good Hope <b>LS</b>	Msgr. Paul Stefanko	Michael Freda by Josephine Freda
11:00am	St. Bernard	Fr. Javis	Robert E. Cleveland, Sr. by the St. Bernard Pastoral Team
Monday April 28	OLGH 6:30pm <b>LS</b>	Msgr. Stefanko	Theresa R. & William J. Kelly by Wayne and Patti Keley-Clark
Tuesday April 29	St. Bernard 8:00am	Msgr. Stefanko <b>Rosary at 7:30am</b>	Ed Jones by Michele Jones
Wednesday April 30	OLGH 8:00am	Msgr. Stefanko <b>Rosary at 7:30am</b>	Noni Niles by the Women's Club of OLGH
	NursHm - WG 10am	Fr. Javis	Elizabeth O'Donnell by Maureen O'Donnell
Thursday May 1	St. Francis 6:30pm	Fr. Javis	Diane Egan by Dwayne and Kathy Robinson
	St. Bernard 6:30pm <b>LS</b>	Fr. Javis	Becky Jones by Michele Jones
Friday May 2	St. Francis 8:00am	Fr. Javis	Terry Geaghan by Lee Anne Lee
	OLGH 8:00am <b>LS</b>	Msgr. Stefanko	Joyce Sanderson by Penny Wolfe

### Saturday, May 3, 2025 – Vigil of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

4:00pm	St. Francis	Fr. Javis	Yvonne Charette by The Clarks
4:00pm	Our Lady of Good Hope <b>LS</b>	Msgr. Paul Stefanko	Grace Stearns by Frank and Nancy Toole
6:00pm	St. Bernard	Msgr. Paul Stefanko	For Parishioners

### Sunday, May 4, 2025 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

8:00am	St. Bernard	Msgr. Paul Stefanko	Darlene & Robert Galkowski by Larry Galkowski
8:30am	St. Francis	Fr. Javis <b>Rosary at 7:50am</b>	Earl, Clarice, & Larry Hooks by Elaine Witt
11:00am	Our Lady of Good Hope	Fr. Javis	Aaron Michael Payson by Sarah Payson
11:00am	St. Bernard <b>LS</b>	Msgr. Paul Stefanko	Living Intention for Cathal Gilmore by Siobhan & Alex Gilmore

## Parish Life & Faith Formation Staff

Contact staff via email:

[firstname.lastname@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:firstname.lastname@portlanddiocese.org)

### FAITH FORMATION

Jacqueline Biddle, Parish Catechetical Leader  
Jennifer Parker, Faith Formation Coordinator, St. Francis  
Rachel Vallance, Faith Formation Coordinator, St. Bernard  
Penelope Wolfe, Pastoral Life Coordinator

### ADMINISTRATIVE

Laura Gibson, Business Coordinator  
Paula Williamson, Safe Environment Coordinator  
Michael Colson, Sexton  
John Maas, Custodian  
Rich Norman, Soup Kitchen Supervisor

### SACRAMENTAL LIFE

**Baptism:** If you are planning to have a child baptized please call the Parish Office, 207-236-4785, two months prior to the birth.

**Marriage Preparation and Ceremony:** All couples planning a wedding should contact the parish office at least one year prior to their planned wedding date so that the church or mission can be reserved and the necessary preparation can be discussed.

**Anointing the Sick/Communion at Home:** If you know of a parishioner in need, please call the Parish Office, 207-236-4785.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Available during the half-hour before every weekend Mass, during weekly Adoration, and by appointment at 207-236-4785.

**To Receive Parish-Wide Email:** Send an email with your name and church you attend most often to Penny Wolfe at [penny.wolfe@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:penny.wolfe@portlanddiocese.org).

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### Second Collection April 26/27:

### Catholic Home Missions Appeal

This weekend, our special collection supports the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its current and former territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. This appeal assists our brothers and sisters here in the United States who do not have access to basic pastoral services like the Mass, the sacraments, and religious education.



# DIVINE MERCY *Sunday*



**THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 27!**

Join our parish family in celebrating

Divine Mercy Sunday

at St. Francis in Belfast,

beginning at 2:30pm!

**Holy Hour, Chaplet of Divine**

**Mercy in song and more!**

**Laudato Si Program with Lunch**

**Saturday - May 3, 2025**

**St Francis of Assisi Church Hall**

**10am - 12:30 pm**

**"How can we deal with Plastics"**



## 12-Hour Eucharistic Adoration Our Lady of Good Hope Friday - May 2, 2025

Our parish's monthly Eucharistic Adoration will take place **after the 8am Mass** at Our Lady of Good Hope in Camden. We need at least two people to sign up for each hour to stay with the Lord for one hour, from 9am until 9pm.

Please sign up in the back of the churches or at the link/QR code below:

<https://stbrendanthenavigatorpar.flocknote.com/signup/207787>



## St. Bernard Soup Kitchen

For the week of April 7th, we provided the following meals:

M - 50 , T - 60 , W - 52 , T - 64 , F - 56

Recently, I attended a Good Shepherd Food Bank town hall meeting where we learned that congress has voted to cut The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFPA) by 50%.

This cut will create huge deficits in acquiring food for our soup kitchen and our local Food Pantry (AIO).

All of our elected officials voted against this cut.

Want to help? Contact Rich Norman 691.6400

"A Plastic Ocean" a movie that vividly exposes how the plastic deposits in the ocean from all over the world is impacting our health, the lives of the poor and the planet earth. However, to be educated is not the only reason we should attend! I thought I understood the problem until I saw this movie! And then heard from some experts what steps we can take to begin creating a change! We Can Make a difference.

Isn't that Hopeful!!!

Please join us to watch the movie and have an opportunity to hear from local experts about what we can do to "BE The Difference". We are all busy so to respect everyone's demanding schedule, we will have an overview with questions and answers while we enjoy our lunch!

Coffee and refreshments at 9:30 am.

Program begins at 10 AM. Please invite friends too!



## Youth & Family Faith Formation

"King of Kings," a new film by Angel Studios receives rave reviews from our Parish youth:



It's never too late to join the children of the parish and their families as we come together to learn more about our Catholic faith! Please contact Jacqueline

Biddle, Parish Catechetical Leader, at  
[Jacqueline.Biddle@PortlandDiocese.org](mailto:Jacqueline.Biddle@PortlandDiocese.org)

if you have any questions.

## Vocations

Uplift your Priest starts April 28th  
 "Peace be with you." (John 20:19)

If you are seeking peace and purpose in your life, open your heart to the possibility of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life. Let God's mercy guide your steps. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at (207) 613-1091 or via email: [vocations@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@portlanddiocese.org).

## Daily Readings

Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

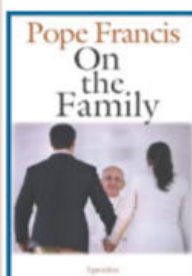
Wed: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

Thurs: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

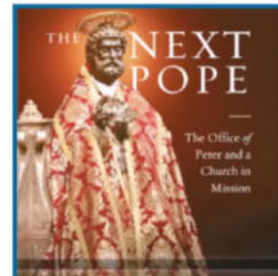
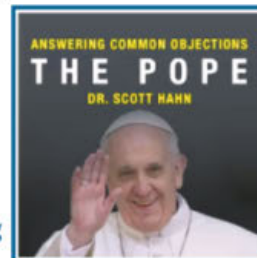
Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14

Next Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14



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## Adult Faith Formation

**THAT MAN IS YOU:** That Man Is You meets Saturdays at 8:30am in the Our Lady of Good Hope Upper Room. For more information please contact Joe Cammelleri at [jccam@tidewater.net](mailto:jccam@tidewater.net). That Man Is You! honestly addresses the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to their roles as husbands and fathers.

**WALKING WITH PURPOSE:** Enabling women to know Christ personally through Scripture. Tuesdays, 6:30pm at Our Lady of Good Hope in Camden, in the WWP room downstairs, and Thursdays at 9:00am at the Sacred Heart Center at St. Bernard in Rockland. For more info: Janet Heath, 207-841-1975 or Anne Norman, 207-691-6401.

**FAITH SHARING CELL GROUPS:** Do you want to share and grow your faith with a small group of friends in the neighborhood? Listen to a monthly teaching provided by our priests? Pray together? Come and join one of the Faith Sharing Cell Groups. There are active groups in the Belfast, Camden and Rockland areas. Everybody is welcome, so you also could invite your non-Catholic friends. Please contact [FSCGStB@gmail.com](mailto:FSCGStB@gmail.com) if you would like to join a group or to receive further information.

### ST. BERNARD TUESDAY FAITH SHARING

**GROUP:** Here is your personal invitation to join! The Holy Spirit can teach us everything. Come share your life stories in a small group as we look for our "stained glass moments". Bring what you know, explore the more. Call Lucas for your questions 207-594-9490 First and Third Tuesdays, 10 am to 11-ish in the Chapel Library at the Sacred Heart Center, St. Bernard's in Rockland

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## St. Brendan Pro-Life Ministry

RESPECT LIFE

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*Afraid*

**Pray a Rosary for Life:** The Rosary for Life continues weekly at each church as scheduled.

**We will resume praying at Belfast Family Planning on Fridays after Easter.** Thank you to all those who stepped up and volunteered to pray for 1, 2 or more hours each week during Lent. We have made a presence, and God willing, a difference for some. Thank you also to all who have prayed a rosary for life during this campaign and please continue to pray for the sanctity of all life. We hope to share some of our experiences in person in the future.

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Our Lady of Guadalupe, Pray for us.  
Saint John-Paul II, Pray for us.  
Venerable Jerome Lejeune, Pray for us

## FOOD PANTRY, CAMDEN

The Camden Area Christian Food Pantry will be collecting new food items for the month of April; canned meats such as ham, Spam or corn beef hash. Please place items in the bin in the entrance to Cote Hall at Our Lady of Good Hope.



## WOMEN'S CLUB OUR LADY OF GOOD HOPE

*\*Must be a registered parishioner (at least 6 mos).*

Contact: Parish Office or  
pgibbons@tidewater.net

**Deadline: May 12, 2025**

## ROCKLAND KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - LIMEROCK COUNCIL #136

\$1500

*\*Graduating parishioner*  
Contact: Parish Office or  
bobohrt148@gmail.com

**Deadline: May 19, 2025 @ 3pm**



## ST. BRENDAN THE NAVIGATOR SCHOLARSHIPS

### THE DAUGHTERS OF ST. BERNARD

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*\*Parishioner graduating from Oceanside, Medomak, or Homeschooled*  
Contact: Guidance Counselor  
or Jessie Luttrell (207) 594.8285

**Deadline: May 1, 2025**

### BELFAST KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - THE WILLIAM S. BRANNAGAN COUNCIL #3942

*\*Graduating parishioner - Contact: Brian Beaulieu at  
207-542-8967 or Gary Boynton at noir22ebay@gmail.com*

**Deadline: May 19, 2025 @ 3pm**

## Knights of Columbus



Our parish is blessed to be served by two primary Knights of Columbus Councils:

### ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI, BELFAST:

The William S. Brannagan Council #3942 Monthly Breakfast:  
Every third Sunday of the month after the 8:30am Mass

**Contact:** Brian Beaulieu 542-8967, bbeaulieu@allenfg.com  
Joseph Mathieu at 323-1436, painterjo56@gmail.com

**ST. BERNARD, ROCKLAND:** The Limerock Council #136 meets the 3rd Thursday at 7pm in Grispi Hall, at St. Bernard's Church, Rockland. Monthly Breakfast: Last Sunday of the month after the 8:00am Mass.

<https://www.stbrendanparish.net/knight-of-columbus-rockland>

**Contact:** Redden 720-0246 or Rich Norman 691-6400

**KOFC 4TH DEGREE :** The 4th Degree Knights meet the second Monday of the month at Our Lady of Good Hope in Camden at 7:00pm.

**Contact:** Gregg Turley 702-408-5996.

**KNIGHTS HELPING NEIGHBORS:** The Knights of Columbus in Rockland and Belfast have a new program for members, widows of members, and parishioners of our parish. We will donate labor to help those that need help around their homes and are either physically or financially unable to do the work. This will be for smaller inside projects or yard projects.

For more information visit [kofc.org](http://kofc.org).

## Daughters of St. Bernard

The Daughters of St. Bernard meet at the Sacred Heart Center the first Friday of each month, 1pm. We warmly welcome all women of St. Bernard to join as we help with various parish activities, such as funeral receptions, scholarships, and more.

**Contact:** Claire Redden (207) 208.0584





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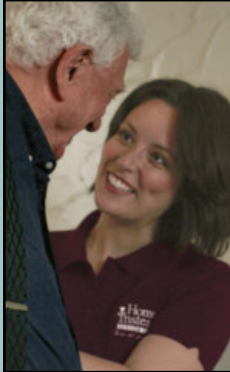
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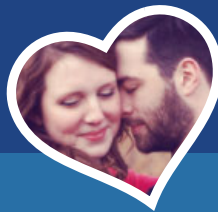
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# Welcome

As a parish, we would like to send a special congratulations to those who have joined in full communion to the Catholic Church this Easter! We are so happy you are here.

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 Juliet Finch  
 Allison Heath  
 Brenna Mae Knowles  
 Mike Murdock  
 Lily Schoonover  
 Gregory Finch  
 Carolyn Finch  
 C. L. Folsom  
 Michael Hallunbaek  
 Renee Phillbrook



## Upcoming Pilgrimages to Rome

Visiting stateside or traveling abroad, there are many opportunities to join in this year of Jubilee! Here are a few upcoming trips to Rome:



### Jubilee of Young People (Ages 18-35)

July 28-August 3, 2025

A special moment during the Holy Year for young people to travel to Rome for an experience of transformation and hope. Registration is now open! Participants may register through the Vatican Dicastery for Evangelization through **March 31, 2025** (use QR code to reach the site).



### Jubilee of Justice Pilgrimage

September 18-25, 2025

This pilgrimage is a once in a lifetime event that will inspire us professionally and spiritually as we reflect on our role in advancing justice as Christian disciples.



### The Jubilee of Catechists

September 23-October 2, 2025

An opportunity for prayer, theological reflection, and celebration in various sites throughout Rome.



Stay tuned for weekly Jubilee year of Hope activities, excerpts from the Papal Bull of Indiction and more!  
**Office Notes:** Please be mindful of your personal items when at church and keep them close at hand.