

St. Brendan the Navigator Parish



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Hours: M, T, Th 8:30-3:30, Wed., 8:30-12:00

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Our Churches ~ Mass Schedule ~ Eucharistic Adoration

Our Clergy

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

Spanish Mass: 5:30pm 3rd Friday of the Month

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

Email contact: firstname.lastname@portlanddiocese.org

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.



JUNE 8, 2025 | PENTECOST SUNDAY

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 7, 2025 - Vigil of Pentecost

4:00pm	St. Francis	Fr. Anthonasius	For Parishioners
4:00pm	Our Lady of Good Hope	Fr. Benjamin Simon	James and Joan Grant by the Gibbons Family
6:00pm	St. Bernard LS	Fr. Benjamin	Robert Pietsch by the family

Sunday, June 8, 2025 - Pentecost Sunday

8:00am	St. Bernard	Fr. Benjamin Simon	Living Intention for Elaine Smith by Children & Grandchildren
8:30am	St. Francis LS	Fr. Anthonasius Rosary at 7:50am	Jay Johnson by Kathleen Farnsworth
11:00am	Our Lady of Good Hope	Fr. Anthonasius	William J. Wilson & Mark D. Wilson by Wayne & Patti Kelley-Clark
11:00am	St. Bernard	Fr. Benjamin Simon	Michael Freda by Josephine Freda
Monday June 9	OLGH 6:30pm LS	Fr. Anthonasius	Nicholas Joseph Cammelleri by Joseph Cammelleri
Tuesday June 10	St. Bernard 8:00am	Fr. Benjamin Simon Rosary at 7:30am	Bobbie Reuter by Josephine Freda
Wednesday June 11	OLGH 8:00am	Fr. Anthonasius	Living Intention Danny & Johanna O'Donnell by Maureen O'Donnell
	NH -Quarry Hill 10:00am	Fr. Anthonasius	Living Intention Sally O'Donnell by Maureen O'Donnell
	St. Francis 6:30pm	Fr. Anthonasius	Martha Allgeier by the family
Thursday June 12	St. Bernard 6:30pm LS	Fr. Benjamin Simon	Sabra Jones by Michele Jones
Friday June 13	St. Francis 8:00am LS	TBA	Bill Hartman by Maureen O'Donnell

Saturday, June 14, 2025 - Vigil of the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

4:00pm	St. Francis	Fr. Anthonasius	Walter Sohns by Ann Robbins
4:00pm	Our Lady of Good Hope LS	Fr. Benjamin Simon	Mary Gricus by Sarah Zurek
6:00pm	St. Bernard	Fr. Benjamin Simon	For Parishioners

Sunday, June 15, 2025 - Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

8:00am	St. Bernard	Fr. Anthonasius	Mattha Khien Bul by Teresa Le
8:30am	St. Francis	Fr. Benjamin Simon Rosary at 7:50am	Michael Phelan by Karen Phelan
11:00am	Our Lady of Good Hope LS	Fr. Benjamin Simon	Marjorie, Albert, & Matthew Messer by the family
11:00am	St. Bernard	Fr. Anthonasius	Kendal Jones by Michele Jones

Parish Life & Faith Formation Staff

Contact staff via email:
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.

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Pray
for our
seminarians!

Corpus Christi Processions

On Sunday, June 22nd, we celebrate the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. We will have Corpus Christi processions after the Sunday morning Masses at each location. Please join in this beautiful witness to our faith where we celebrate the true presence of Christ by processing with the Blessed Sacrament and Monstrance through the streets near the church, sharing a visual sign of our faith, our prayers, and songs.

Prayer: Jesus, What a gift we have in your True Presence: the assurance of your friendship, your company, your grace, your love. Increase our thirst for you as you, also, desire to draw closer to us. Amen.



Ministerio Hispano/Hispanic Ministry

¡Nuevo! Habrá una Misa en Español cada tercer viernes del mes a las 5:30 pm en la Iglesia de San Bernardo, 150 Broadway en Rockland. ¡Más detalles en el porvenir!

New! There will be a Mass in Spanish every 3rd Friday of the month at 5:30pm at St. Bernard Church, 150 Broadway in Rockland. More details to come!



We are looking for volunteers to help with our Hispanic Ministry. Please contact the Parish Office, we'd love to have you involved!

Bake Sale

The **Sisters of Transfiguration Hermitage** bake sale is NEXT WEEKEND before and after all Masses @ St. Francis - June 14th/15th

The following sale will be August 30/31st @ St. Bernard

Help yourself to some of their goodies and help support their lives of prayer for all people.



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena

Our Lady of Good Hope Church has chosen Our Lady of Perpetual Help as its patron saint. We invite you to join us in a nine-day novena that focuses on seeking Mary's intercession. Copies of the prayer can be found in the entrance of each of three mainland churches. The novena will start on June 19th and end on June 27th. The feast celebration will take place in Cote Hall following the 11am Mass on June 29th at Our Lady of Good Hope church. Sign-ups for the feast event can be found at the entrance of each church. All are welcome!



Celebrate Fr. Javis

Save The Date

Friday, July 11th - 4 to 8 PM
Celebration for Fr. Javis'

5th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination

Cameroonian food will be part of the event.

Keep watching this space for more information.



Food Pantry - Camden

The Camden Area Christian Food Pantry will be collecting **toilet paper and toothpaste** for the month of June. In addition to food, they try to provide necessary self-care items. Please place items in the bin at the entrance of Cote Hall at Our Lady of Good Hope.



Welcome!

This summer our parish is blessed to welcome seminarian, Ezekiel Banla Yisi. He is from the Diocese of Kumbo in Cameroon and is learning about priestly and parish life while continuing his studies at St. Mary's Seminary and University, Baltimore, where he is currently pursuing a Masters in Divinity. Ezekiel will be ordained a Deacon on June 21st and will return to our parish to continue sharing his ministry with us through early August. Some fun facts about Ezekiel...



Hobbies - He likes listening to music and singing. He also enjoys playing soccer.

Saints - St. Maria Goretti and St. John Paul II

Foods - Corn fufu and greens

Welcome, Ezekiel! We look forward to having you join the St. Brendan the Navigator family this summer. Thank you for being here.

Youth & Family Faith Formation



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JULY 21ST-25TH 9AM-12PM

Registration for campers, PK-5th Grade, will be open soon!

Call the church office or email (below) to get registration right to your inbox! Your kids will enjoy a week filled with fun as they Adventure to "Alaska" and learn more about their faith along the way!

We love help! Adult volunteers are needed, as well as youth leaders (grade 6th-12th).

Decorating starts a week before camp. If you have never helped with VBS before, it is fruitful opportunity to evangelize and bring the light of Christ to kids through stories, music, crafts, games, and more. You do not have to commit to the whole week to help, but that is certainly a blessing if you can!



Daily Readings

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/
Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/
Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/

1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22/Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135/Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3 (580)/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15-4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 116:10-11, 15-16, 17-18/Mt 5:27-32

Adult Faith Formation

THAT MAN IS YOU: 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.

Saturdays @ OLGH, 8:30am (Upper Room)

Contact: Joe Cammelleri at jccam@tidewater.net.

WALKING WITH PURPOSE: Enabling women to know Christ personally through Scripture.

Tuesdays @ OLGH, 6:30pm (downstairs)

Thursdays @ St. B, 9:00am (Sacred Heart Ctr.)

Contact: Janet Heath: 207-841-1975

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 if you would like to join a group or to receive further information.

Vocations

"Receive the Holy Spirit." (John 20:22)

As the Holy Spirit filled the disciples with power, so too can He fill you with the strength to answer a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life. Be open to His prompting. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office (207) 613-1091 or via email: vocations@portlanddiocese.org.

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- Enter your name and email and follow the prompts.
- From then on you will just have to click the SIGN IN button in upper right, and you'll likely have to enter your email.



The Bible Project - Episode on Pentecost and many more Bible stories for families.

St. Brendan Pro-Life Ministry

RESPECT LIFE

BE NOT
Afraid

BEHOLD Children are a Gift of the Lord, the Fruit of the Womb is a Reward. Psalm 127 3:4

Pray a Rosary for Life

The Rosary for Life continues weekly at each Church as scheduled.

Peaceful Prayer Vigil

Fridays @ Belfast Family Planning

Your prayers and presence are needed.

Contact: Edward Jones - mgtdocean@gmail.com

Paulette Spera - Paulette.spera@gmail.com.

Event: Annual Walk for Life

Saturday June 7th, 10am, Merritt Park in Rockland, sponsored by Zoe,

A Women's Center. Please pray for the walk, support and sponsor a

walker, join in! See posters and sign-up sheets at each of our

churches. More information is also available here:

<https://www.zoeawomenscenter.org/walk>

Did you know? (Part 3)

- 64,443,118 The number of abortions since 1973 in the USA
- Abortion pill reversal treatment is available. Hotline #: 1-877-558-0333 Confidential; Must be accessed within 24 hours of taking the first abortion pill.

Post Abortion Healing Resources

- Project Rachel: Diocesan Post Abortion Healing Ministry (207)321-7897 (confidential) or Email: projectrachel@portlanddiocese.org
- Post-abortion healing services are also available at Zoe, A Women's Center and at many other pregnancy resource centers in Maine. More info to follow.

Event: Abby Johnson in Maine
Learn more via the QR code below:



Our Lady of Guadalupe, Pray for us.

St. Bernard Soup Kitchen

For the week May 26th, we provided the following meals

M-Holiday, T-71, W-68, T-66, F-69

Thank you to our dedicated cooks who each day prepare an excellent meal for our community. Of course, we could not operate without our dishwashers and servers. We have a great team. Thank you for your dedication to our ministry.

Rich Norman (207) 691-6400

APPLY NOW

We are seeking a **Part-Time Assistant** for the Soup Kitchen. This "on call" role will help manage the daily activities when the regular team is unavailable.

Contact: laura.gibson@portlanddiocese.org

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: Kevin Bailey (978) 404-1594, kfb723@verizon.net

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.

Rockland Contact: John Redden (207) 720-0246
Rich Norman (207) 691-6400

Belfast Contact: Brian Beaulieu (207) 542-8967
Joseph Mathieu (207) 323-1436

ESTATE
PLAN



DON'T MISS OUT!

The Knights of Columbus Council 136A to host a
Free Estate Planning Seminar
with Attorney Jesse Bifulco
(fellow Knight and parishioner)

Monday, June 9th @ 10-11:30am
Our Lady of Good Hope - Cote Hall

RSVP's are encouraged, but drop-ins are welcome!
Kevin Bailey at (978) 404-1594
Bill Weiss at william.weiss@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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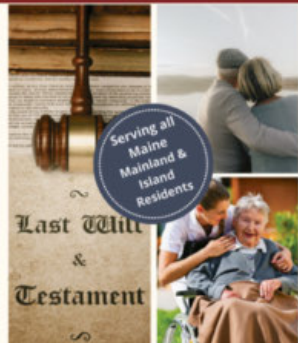
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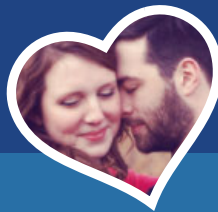
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Annual Catholic Appeal

The closed-door metaphor is front and center in today's Gospel. In fact, it opens with the disciples huddled behind locked doors. They are fearful. Do they not understand that Jesus has risen? Do they not believe the women who went to the tomb to find it empty? Or do they conclude that His body was taken and that He did not rise from the dead as promised?

How are our own doors closed and locked? Do we so intently focus on our own families, circle of friends, work, studies, entertainment that we are blind to the needs of others? Or do we shut ourselves off from God, practicing our faith perfunctorily, because we are afraid of what true intimacy with God would require? Are we like Christ's disciples (except the "beloved one") who abandoned the Lord in His time of need?

Let us pray for the strength to unlock the doors we are hiding behind, open them wide, and walk through to greet the Lord with wide arms. May this be the beginning of a deeper intimacy with Christ, one which fills us with such joy that we can't help but wish to spread His redemptive love, including our support of the Catholic Appeal.

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Thank you to all who showed interest in a parish pilgrimage and filled out the survey!

The results are in! We will be visiting the Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul in Lewiston.

We have requested a couple dates to celebrate Mass and have a guided tour. As soon as we have a confirmed date, you will be able to officially sign up!

Many parishioners were open to carpooling! Thank you!

When the time comes, we will help make those arrangements as well.

The majority of responses also opted to eat out together.

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.

SCOUTING BSA EAGLE PROJECT

Dominic Todd of Scouting BSA Troop #200 in Camden is raising funds to install an American flagpole at Coughlin Memorial Cemetery in Rockland. He will speak at Masses on Father's Day weekend (June 14 & 15) at *Our Lady of Good Hope* and *St. Bernard*. Please see the parish bulletin for information about donating to this effort.



**Coughlin Memorial Cemetery
American Flagpole Fundraising**

