

# St. Brendan the Navigator Parish

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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: 6:00 pm 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the Month

Fr. Anthanasius Wirsy, Pastor  
Fr. Jarvis Laban, Parochial Vicar  
Fr. Benjamin Simon, HGN  
Deacon Bob Cleveland

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

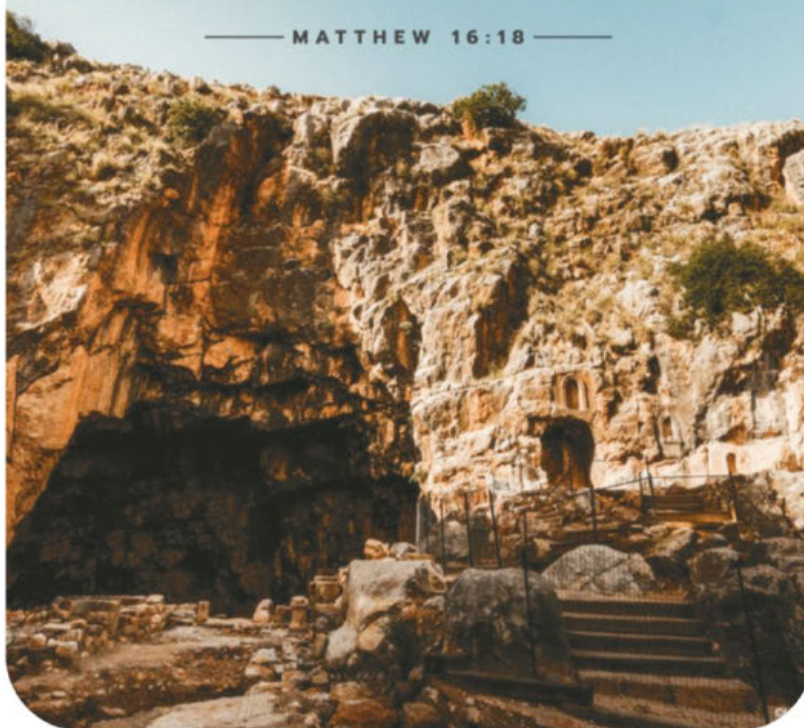
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## Sacrament of Reconciliation

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.

STs. PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES  
AND UPON THIS  
ROCK I WILL BUILD  
**MY CHURCH.**

— MATTHEW 16:18 —



JUNE 29, 2025 | THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, June 28, 2025 – Vigil of the 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

4pm	St. F <b>LS</b>	Fr. Ben	Living Intention of Richard Gordon by the Clarks
4pm	OLGH	Fr. Anthonasius	Hannah Williamson by the Williamson family
6pm	St. B	Fr. Jarvis	for parishioners

### Sunday, June 29, 2025 - The 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

8am	St. B	Fr. Jarvis	Frank Leboeuf by Patricia Leboeuf
8:30am	St. F	Fr. Ben <b>Rosary-7:50am</b>	Kevin Witt by Sue Woehler
11am	OLGH	Fr. Anthonasius	Sloan Turner by Chris Mazza
11am	St. B <b>LS</b>	Fr. Jarvis	Ed Jones by Michele Jones
Mon. 6/30	OLGH 6:30pm <b>LS</b>	Fr. Anthonasius	Teresa Heath by Russell and Paulette Spera
Tues. 7/1	St. B 8:00am	Fr. Ben <b>Rosary-7:30am</b>	Katharina & Franz Pietsch
Wed. 7/2	OLGH 8:00am	Fr. Jarvis <b>Rosary-7:30am</b>	John L. O'Donnell by Maureen O'Donnell
	NH -WG 10:00am	Fr. Jarvis	Living Intention of Danny O'Donnell by Maureen O'Donnell
	St. F 6:30pm	Fr. Anthonasius	Living Intention of Jazmine Bouchard by the Clarks
Thurs. 7/3	St. B 6:30pm <b>LS</b>	Fr. Ben	Joanne Martin by Michele Jones
Fri. 7/4	St. F 8:00am <b>LS</b>	Fr. Jarvis	Living Intention of Jan O'Donnell by Maureen O'Donnell

### Saturday, July 5, 2025 – The Vigil of the 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

4pm	St. F	Fr. Jarvis	Living intention of Gerald & Peggy Charette by the Clarks
4pm	OLGH	Fr. Ben	Dorothy (Suzie) McCormick by Ken Gricus
6pm	St. B <b>LS</b>	Fr. Anthonasius	Vincent Galkowski by Larry Galkowski

### Sunday, July 6, 2025 - The 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

8am	St. B	Fr. Anthonasius	Living Intention of Elaine Smith by her children & grandchildren
8:30am	St. F	Fr. Jarvis <b>Rosary-7:50am</b>	Living Intention of Lilian Rispoli by the Clarks
11am	OLGH <b>LS</b>	Fr. Ben	for parishioners
11am	St. B	Fr. Anthonasius	Michael Freda by Josephine Freda

## Parish 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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## Eucharistic Adoration

Our parish's monthly 12 hr Eucharistic Adoration will take place on **Friday, July 4<sup>th</sup>** from 9am-9pm at St. Francis - Belfast.

Two volunteers are needed for every hour.

Please sign up at the link below:

<https://stbrendanthenavigatortpar.flocknote.com/signup/216216>





## Sanctuary Lamps for Week of June 29th

St. Bernard sanctuary candle and  
Blessed Mother Fatima Shrine is dedicated  
to **Raymond A. Comeau**  
by The Comeau Family

St. Francis' sanctuary candle is lit for  
**the Living Intention of**  
**Fr. Athanasius Wirsy**

Our Lady of Good Hope's  
sanctuary candle is lit for  
**the Living Intention of Stephen Picarri**  
by Teresa Piccari



## Ministerio Hispano/Hispanic Ministry

**¡Nuevo!** Habrá una Misa en Español cada  
**tercer viernes del mes a las 1:00 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 6:00pm**  
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!



## Celebrate Fr. Javis

Friday, July 11th - 4 to 8 PM

Celebration for Fr. Javis' 5th Anniversary  
of Priestly Ordination at  
Camden Hills State Park

Cameroonian food will be part of the event.

This will be a potluck picnic with protein  
(Goat & Chicken) provided.

Contact: Marie Kenne, (207) 323-3101  
mariekenne0@gmail.com



## Island Mass Schedule

Beginning July 5<sup>th</sup>, the following will be available:

**Saturdays, 9:00am, St. Mary's on Islesboro**

**Saturday, 9:00am, Union Church, Vinhalhaven**

## Altar Serving

Fr. Javis will be offering an altar server training  
this summer for new and current servers.  
Contact the office with interest and questions.



## Corpus Christi Processions



**Our heartfelt thank you to all those who helped plan and participated!**





## Youth & Family Faith Formation



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
**JULY 21<sup>ST</sup> - 25<sup>TH</sup>**  
**9AM - 12PM**  
**CAMPERS: PK-5<sup>TH</sup>**  
**VOLUNTEERS: 6<sup>TH</sup>-ADULT**  
**SIGN UP TODAY!**

If you would like to donate to the VBS supplies shopping list, please grab a tag from the display tables and bring back the items by the date on the tag. Items can be dropped off in the blue bin by the table or brought to the office by **7/13/25**. Some items will be used for Tundra Treats, our snack station, while other items are used for games or skits that reinforce the Bible point of the day.



### CONTACT

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

## Family, Faith, and Circle of Grace

**Saturday, July 19th at 9:00am - OLGH, Cote Hall**

Out of concern for all God's people and in response to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, we have a program for the safe environment education of children and young people supported and mandated by the Diocese of Portland. This program is called Circle of Grace. This program aims to help children and young people to understand their own (and other's) dignity in mind, body, and spirit. **All families in our Faith Formation programs are encouraged to attend.** If your family cannot attend, we are required to collect an "opt-out" form when reporting the completion of this class offering. This form is available through any of our Faith Formation team.



PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES



## Daily Readings

**Sunday:** Day: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2  
 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19  
**Monday:** Gn 18:16-33/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-9, 10-11/Mt 8:18-22  
**Tuesday:** Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 8:23-27  
**Wednesday:** Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 8:28-34  
**Thursday:** Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29  
**Friday:** Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a,  
 4b-5/Mt 9:9-13  
**Saturday:** Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:14-17

## Adult Faith Formation

### Summer Men's Group Series: Catholicism: The Pivotal Players

That Man is You is on break for the summer, but please enjoy our Summer Men's Group Series on Saturday mornings at 8:30am at Our Lady of Good Hope to view and discuss the Bishop Robert Barron series on twelve pivotal people who personally demonstrated the dynamics of the Christian faith in their distinct time and place.

**Walking with Purpose:** Community of women supporting one another in the journey to know Christ personally through Scripture.

**SAVE THE DATE** - Fall study Tues. or Thurs. starting September 30th and October 2nd. **Watch the bulletin for more information and for our summer gathering details.**

**Contact:** Carol Brownawell: 410-714-4549  
 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.

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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.

## Vocations

**"You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it." (Matthew 16:18)**

Sometimes God speaks to us very clearly, other times it is a little more difficult to understand what God is asking of us. Maybe you feel like Peter, God is calling you to something greater than yourself, but we don't fully understand what He is asking of us. Now would be a great time to talk to your priest to better learn how to hear God's voice and discern His purpose for your life.

**Vocation Office - (207) 613-1091 or via email:**  
[vocations@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@portlanddiocese.org)



## St. Brendan Pro-Life Ministry



**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.

### Weekly Event: Peaceful Prayer Vigil

Fridays @ Belfast Family Planning. Your support and presence are needed! See \*Did you know? below, an attestation to the power of a peaceful prayerful presence where abortions take place.

**Contact:** Edward Jones - mgtdocean@gmail.com  
Paulette Spera - Paulette.spera@gmail.com

### Did you know? (Part 6)

- \*Former Planned Parenthood workers report that the no-show rate for abortion appointments skyrockets to as high as 75% when somebody peacefully prays in front of an abortion facility. (Source: 40 Days for Life)
- Maine Right to Life (MRTL) is a state affiliate of the National Right to Life Committee that was founded to protect the dignity and worth of each human being. MRTL seeks to inform, educate, and motivate people from all walks of life to defend life from womb to tomb. MRTL's vision: that abortion will become unthinkable.
- MRTL is raising funds to place baby boxes across our state as a safe choice for mothers in crisis; read more at <https://mainerighttolife.org/events/>
- MRTL sponsors a summer banquet. This year, some of our parishioners will be attending MRTL's Summer Banquet Support Her, Protect Them on June 26 with keynote speaker Dr. Abby Johnson. More to come!

**Our Lady of Guadalupe,  
Pray for an end to abortion.**

## GBAM Food Cupboard - Belfast

St. Francis of Assisi has a bin for collecting canned and boxed food donations for the GBAM Food Cupboard. Thank you for donations of cereal, soups, peanut butter & jelly, as well as adult diapers.



## 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.

## OLGH - Women's Club

The Women's Club at Our Lady of Good Hope meets in Cote Hall at 1:00pm on the 2nd Wednesday of the month from April to December. All the women of the parish are invited to come to our meetings as we plan fundraisers for scholarships, have social activities, guest speakers, and demonstrations of crafts. **Contact:** Pat Gibbons - (207) 785-6149



## 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



The Rockland Knights will host their monthly breakfast after the 8am Mass @ St. Bernard.

All proceeds will be donated to support the 2025 scholarship recipients. Please join us!



**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

## St. Bernard Soup Kitchen

**APPLY NOW**

We are seeking a Part-Time Assistant. This "on call" role will help manage the daily activities when the regular team is unavailable.  
**Contact:** [laura.gibson@portlanddiocese.org](mailto:laura.gibson@portlanddiocese.org)

For the week of June 16th, we provided the following meals.

M - 68 , T - 60 , W - 60 , T - 87 , F - 50

Thank you to our great group of volunteers!  
Rich Norman (207) 691-6400

## 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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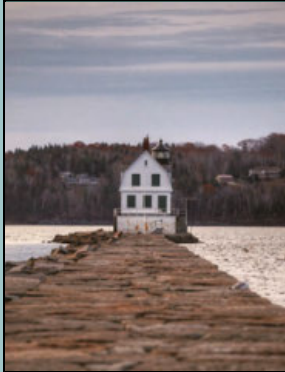
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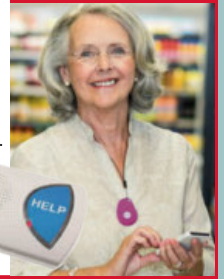
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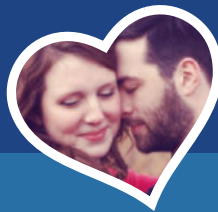
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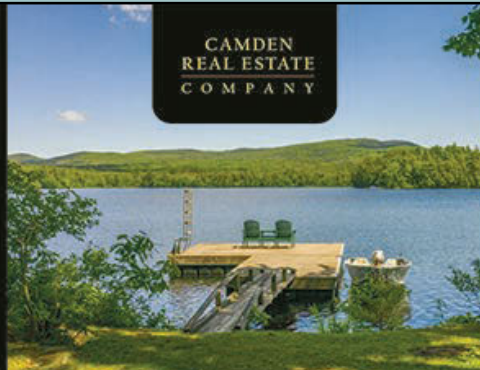


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## Annual Catholic Appeal

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Annual Catholic Appeal so far! Your generosity is greatly appreciated and needed in the sustainability of the church being able to serve the thousands of lives in our diocese and across our state of Maine.

**With 133 gifts counted so far, we are at 70% of our goal. Thank you!**

If you haven't had the time yet, please consider making a gift or pledge amount using the envelopes in the pew or the QR code below. For more information on the Catholic Appeal, the supported ministries, and how funds are used, please visit the

Diocesan webpage: <https://portlanddiocese.org/giving>

\$61,856  
raised

Total pledge of  
\$88,073

70%



We invite you to join us in this year's Catholic Appeal as we unite with our brothers and sisters in Christ throughout the Diocese of Portland as a missionary Church carrying out the important work that Jesus calls us to live.

**Appeal.PortlandDiocese.org**



### Our Lady of Perpetual Help

**TODAY** is the celebration of  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
after the 11am Mass - Cote Hall @ OLGH  
ALL ARE WELCOME!



### Sacristans and Eucharistic Ministers

Training meeting for **all current and new**  
**Sacristans and Extraordinary Ministers**  
of Holy Communion.

**TODAY at 4:00pm -OLGH**

God bless and thank you  
for your service to Our Lord!



### Registration for our Parish Pilgrimage is open!

Join us **September 19<sup>th</sup>** as we visit the Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, a holy door in our diocese, as part of the Jubilee Year of Hope. During this pilgrimage, you will get a tour of the basilica, the celebration of the Mass, and the opportunity to eat together. Carpooling will be available, please see sign up for more details!

You can sign up by visiting our Parish webpage at:

**StBrendanParish.net/jubilee**

**REGISTER  
NOW**



**Office Notes:** Please be mindful of your personal items when at church and keep them close at hand.