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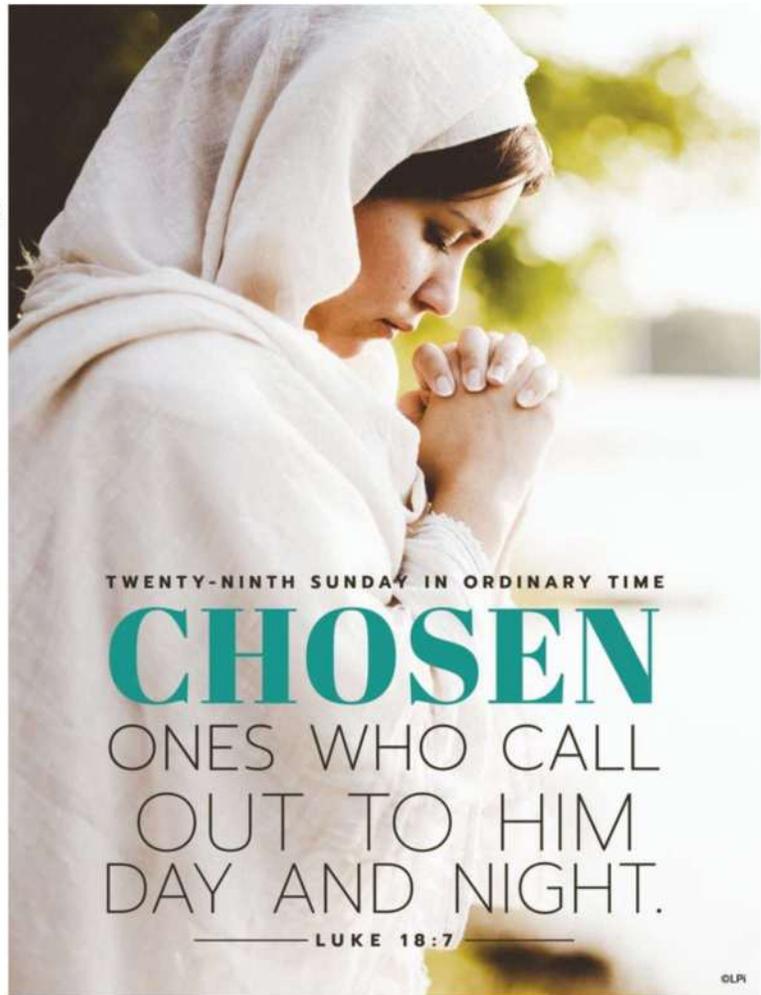
OCTOBER 19, 2025 | TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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: 1:00 pm 3rd Sunday of the Month
(beginning November 16th)

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

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



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Mass Intentions and Sanctuary Lamps

Contact the Parish Office to have a Mass or Sanctuary Lamp offered for a loved one.

Envelopes are also available in the vestibules of all church locations.

Saturday, October 18, 2025 - The Vigil of the 29th Sunday of Ordinary Time

4pm	St. F (LS)	Fr. Jarvis	Souls in Purgatory by Sue Woehler
4pm	OLGH	Fr. Anthanasius	K.P. Gricus by Patty Witt
6pm	St. B	Fr. Anthansius	For parishioners

Sunday, October 19, 2025 - The 29th Sunday of Ordinary Time

8am	St. B	Fr. Anthanasius	Living Int. for Elaine Smith by her Children & Grandchildren
8:30am	St. F	Fr. Jarvis	Living Intention for Riley Wesson by the family
11am	OLGH	Fr. Jarvis	Elizabeth Cammelieri by Kathleen Jarrell
11am	St. B (LS)	Fr. Anthanasius	Pam Callsen by Polly & Jack Kurowski

Monday, October 20, 2025

6:30pm	OLGH (LS)	Fr. Anthanasius	Barbara Heath by David Heath
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Tuesday, October 21, 2025

8am	St. B	Fr. Anthanasius	Sally Flaherty by Frank & Nancy Toole
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Wednesday, October 22, 2025

8am	OLGH	Fr. Jarvis	Peter Flynn Hansen by the family
10am	NH - QH	Fr. Jarvis	Bill Deptula by Faith Vautour
6:30pm	St. F	Fr. Anthanasius	Living Int. Msgr. Andrew Dubois by the Clarks

Thursday, October 23, 2025

6:30pm	St. B (LS)	Fr. Jarvis	The most forgotten holy souls in purgatory by J. Armando Cufino
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Friday, October 24, 2025

8am	St. F (LS)	Fr. Jarvis	Sabra Jones by Michele Jones
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Saturday, October 25, 2025 - The Vigil of the 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time

4pm	St. F	Fr. Emile Dube	for parishioners
4pm	OLGH	Fr. Jarvis	Alfred & Anne Robinson Dwayne and Kathey Robinson
6pm	St. B (LS)	Fr. Jarvis	Sharon DuBay by Takoda Peasley

Sunday, October 25, 2025 - The 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time

8am	St. B	Fr. Jarvis	Laurenso Xuan Le by Teresa Le
8:30am	St. F (LS)	Fr. Emile Dube	Aurele & Lina LeBlanc Diane & Bruce Blood
11am	OLGH	Fr. Emile Dube	Marlin Brownawell by Nancy Itle
11am	St. B	Fr. Jarvis	Maria Olivia Triana Ruiz by J. Armando Cufino

LS indicates Mass is livestreamed at www.stbrendanparish.net/livestream
Spanish Mass at St. Bernard - 3rd Sunday of the Month, 1:00pm
(beginning November 16th - no Spanish Mass in October)
Nursing Home Masses: BW - Breakwater (2nd and 4th Tues),
QH - Quarry Hill and WG - Windward Gardens (alternating Wed),
Mag - Magnolia (1st Thurs), HH - Harbor Hill (1st Mon.)

Mass Intentions

At this time we have not set up the 2026 calendar for Mass Intentions yet. Please wait until the end of October to request Mass Intentions for 2026. Thank you.

The Sanctuary Candle at St. Francis is being lit for the
Living Intention for Dawn Beaulieu



Our Clergy

Fr. Anthanasius Wirsiy, Pastor
Fr. Jarvis Laban, Parochial Vicar
Fr. Benjamin Simon, HGN (in residence)
Deacon Bob Cleveland

Email: firstname.lastname@portlanddiocese.org



Giving

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A special purpose or intention can be noted on the memo line.

Upcoming Second Collections

Oct. 18th/19th - Mission Sunday: Propagation of the Faith

World Mission Sunday was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1926 as a mandatory, global collection to support areas of the world in need: places that have not heard the Gospel, are newly developing a Catholic presence, or are persecuted for their Catholic faith. Today there are 1,150 of such areas. The Pope hosts World Mission Sunday in the spirit of Jesus's charge to "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19).

Job Openings: Soup Kitchen

We are seeking two Part-Time Assistants. This "on call" role will help manage the daily activities when the regular team is unavailable.

Contact: laura.gibson@portlanddiocese.org

Liturgical and Sacramental Life

Penny Wolfe, Pastoral Life Coordinator - penny.wolfe@portlanddiocese.org
Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, Music, Sacristans, Eucharistic Ministers

Baptisms

If you are planning to have a child baptized, please call the Parish Office, two months prior to the birth for preparation and scheduling purposes.

Weddings

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.

Funerals

The priests and parish staff are here to help, please call the parish office at (207) 236-4785 for funeral planning preparations for your loved one.

Daily Readings

Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (see 2)/2 Tm 3:14-4:2/Lk 18:1-8
Monday: Rom 4:20-25/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Rom 7:18-25a/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94/Lk 12:54-59

Sacrament of Reconciliation

A half hour before weekend Masses or by appointment. Priests are also available during Adoration (schedule on the front page of the bulletin).

Anointing, Communion to Homebound

Please reach out if you or a loved one is in need of Anointing of the Sick. Communion can also be brought on Sundays to those who can no longer attend the Celebration of the Mass in person.

Liturgical Music Coordinators

Joani Mitchell, Our Lady of Good Hope
Barbara Hendricks, St. Bernard
Elisabeth Parker, St. Francis



Parish News and Upcoming Events

Bulletin Submissions - jacqueline.biddle@portlanddiocese.org
Parish Weekly Email - penny.wolfe@portlanddiocese.org

Celebration of the Sacrament Mass



We send a warm welcome to Bishop James Ruggieri who is here with us this weekend celebrating the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation at the 11am Mass at St. Bernard. Please join us in prayer as the children make their final preparations for this joyous occasion.

Thank you to the Daughters of St. Bernard and the Knights for hosting a reception for the families.

Hospitality

On the **1st Sunday of the month**, you are invited to join us after Mass for some treats and fellowship at all three locations. **Attention:** Our Lady of Good Hope parishioners, we are shifting our hospitality Sunday from the 2nd Sunday to the 1st Sunday to accommodate the Faith Formation program and Children's Mass.



St. Francis of Assisi offers refreshments after the 8:30am Mass every Sunday (except for the 3rd Sunday of the month when it is a Knights breakfast). Rockland Knights also host a breakfast on the last Sunday of the month.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR

Advent
BY CANDLELIGHT

NOVEMBER 8TH
5:00 PM

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH
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Join this Advent gathering for women to help you focus on the true meaning of the Advent season. Featuring guest speaker Lisa Brenninkmeyer, founder of Walking With Purpose Bible Study. Come reflect, pray, and share fellowship in a candle-lit atmosphere, away from the chaos of the holiday season. See sign-up sheets in churches or in parish email!

Office of Faith Formation

Jacqueline Biddle, Parish Catechetical Leader - jacqueline.biddle@portlanddiocese.org

Faith Formation: Youth and Adult, OCIA, Sacrament Prep

Jennifer Parker - St. Francis' Faith Formation Coordinator

Faith Formation 2025-2026



PK-12TH

Next class on **November 9th** (second Sunday of the month), at Our Lady of Good Hope (Camden) after the 11am Mass. Join for potluck, followed by class, adoration, and confession.

Youth Ministry - Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee Event

Dwell: Finding Sanctuary

1-Day Jubilee Retreat for High School Teens

Keynote Speaker: Bishop James Ruggieri

Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul - Lewiston

November 22nd 8am-8pm

\$10 to register (Lunch and Dinner included)

Saintly Storytime

First Thursday of the month (St. Francis) and Third Tuesday of the Month (Our Lady of Good Hope). Story and activity at 10am for our youngest Catholics and homeschool families. **Starting - October 2nd and 21st**

Youth Mass

First Sunday of the Month - Email (above) or use the following Flocknote links to sign up:

St. Bernard Youth Mass, 8am

<https://stbrendanthenavigatorpar.flocknote.com/signup/226883>

Our Lady of Good Hope Youth Mass, 11am

<https://stbrendanthenavigatorpar.flocknote.com/signup/226851>

St. Francis' Youth Mass, 8:30am

<https://stbrendanthenavigatorpar.flocknote.com/signup/226882>



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SECOND AND THIRD
SUNDAYS OF EACH MONTH

Our Lady of Good Hope (Camden) - Meet after the 11am Mass for an optional potluck with our Faith Formation families. Around 12:30-2pm, we will meet to learn more about the faith.

Take the first step on your Catholic journey.

**EXPLORE WHAT IT MEANS TO BE CATHOLIC.
WHAT STEPS DO I TAKE TO MAKE IT OFFICIAL?
FINDING FRIENDSHIP AMONGST THIS
COMMUNITY.**

Adult Faith Formation

That Man is You

Saturdays at 8:30am - OLGH - Upper Room.
Looking forward to seeing you then!

Walking with Purpose

Join a community of women supporting one another in the journey to know Christ personally through Scripture.

**Tuesdays, 6pm at Our Lady of Good Hope
Thursdays, 10am at St. Bernard**

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

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- 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.

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Vocations

"When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" (Luke 18:8) Priests and religious brothers and sisters help to keep faith alive in the world. Could God be calling you to be one of these dedicated servants? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at (207) 613-1091 or via email: vocations@portlanddiocese.org.

Get Involved - Parish Ministries

Contact information for each ministry can be found below.
If you would like your ministry featured, please contact the Parish Office.

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 weekly.

Weekly Event: Peaceful Prayer Vigil

Fridays @ Belfast Family Planning - Join us in prayer for all pregnant women - especially for those who are considering abortion and those who are hurting in the aftermath of abortion.

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

Pregnant?



We can help.
Please ask.

A Valuable Resource: There is Healing After Abortion

Visit <https://portlanddiocese.org/projectrachel>

Respect Life Month - the 3rd Sunday

"An old Irish proverb says, 'It is in the shelter of each other that the people live.' Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. But when family members or friends approach life's end, we may not know how best to 'shelter' them. Here are some concrete ways we can compassionately care for them: usccb.org/end-of-life-care."

~ USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
Caring for Loved Ones at Life's End

Upcoming

- Novena for Life: Join Catholics across our nation in praying this novena from Oct 22nd - Oct 30th. Access this novena by scanning this QR code with your phone's camera or QR code app, or by going to the listed website address.
- www.usccb.org/resources/respect-life-novena
- www.respectlife.org



Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for an increase in respect for the dignity of all human life, from conception to natural death.

St. Bernard Soup Kitchen

For the week October 6th, we provided the following meals.
M - 54, T - 63, W - 59, T - 73, F - 61

Congratulations to the Thursday crew who completed a huge community service project in helping one of our guests be able to sell her home and remove financial burdens.

An awesome job!
Rich Norman 691 6400



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 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.

www.stbrendanparish.net/knight-of-columbus-rockland
Contact: Kevin Bailey (978) 404-1594, kfb723@verizon.net

KOFC 4TH DEGREE: The KOC 4th Degree meets every other month rotating the meeting place among all three churches.
Contact: Faithful Navigator Gregg Turley at (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

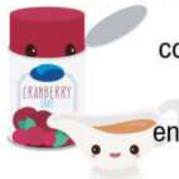
GBAM Food Cupboard - Belfast

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, canned meats, soups, peanut butter & jelly, as well as adult diapers.



Camden Area Christian Food Pantry

The Camden Area Christian Food Pantry will continue collecting **gravy, cranberry sauce/jelly and stuffing** for the month of October. Please place your donation items in the bin at the entrance of Cote Hall at Our Lady of Good Hope.



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

OLGH - Women's Club

The Women's Club at Our Lady of Good Hope meets in Cote Hall at 1:00pm on the 2nd Wed. 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





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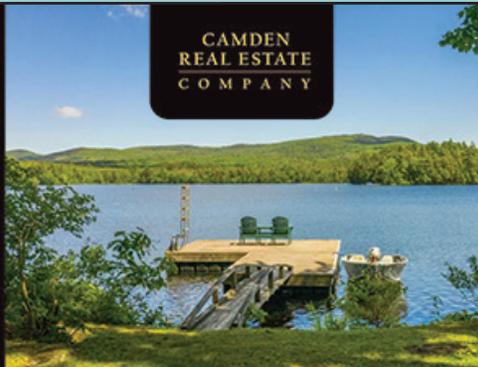
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Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

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MISSION

Many children do not have homes or shoes or beds. Ask God to show you how to help them.

Knights of Columbus Recruitment



A heartfelt thanks to Father Javis, Father Anthanasius and our Knight Ambassadors for promoting our recruitment drive.

We are very grateful to the men who stopped by to learn what being a Knight is all about. The average commitment time supporting our charitable and community programs is about two hours a month or just 24 hours a year

Many of our part-time **and** year-long residents support our efforts and keep in touch by attending or Zooming our one hour once-a-month meetings.

You could also email Gregg Turley at greggturley@gmail.com suggestions, concerns or questions.

If you are still unsure, consider joining to find out if being a Knight is right for you. (New members don't pay the \$30 dues until the 2027 fraternal year.) We look forward to the day that you join our brotherhood to put your **Faith in Action!**

Apostolate of Prayer for Priests

Please join us in prayer for the priests of the Portland Diocese during the month of October.



"O Jesus, keep your priests within the shelter of your Sacred Heart where none may touch them. Keep unstained their unstained hand which daily touch your Sacred Body and keep pure their unsullied lips daily purple with your Precious Blood."

This week, we pray for:

Our Holy Father, Rev. Aaron Damboise, Rev. Anthony Korir, Msgr. Paul Stefanko, Rev. Peter Kaseta, Rev. Thanh Van Nguyen, Rev. Joseph Lukong, Rev. Raymond Morency, Rev. Philip Clement, Rev. Alou Pilizue, Rev. Michael Adebote, Rev. Reginald Brissette, Rev. James Albert



Contact Information

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- Phone: (207) 236.4785
- Email: stbrendan@portlanddiocese.org
- Website: stbrendanparish.net

Office Hours

- Monday - 8:30-3:30
- Tuesday - 8:30-3:30
- Wednesday - 8:30-12:00
- Thursday - 8:30-3:30
- Friday - closed

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