



January 11, 2026

# ST. BERNARD CATHOLIC PARISH

## OUR MISSION

*Guided by the Holy Spirit and in communion with the Catholic Church, we help people become disciples of Jesus Christ by developing a loving, personal relationship with God and each other.*

## Liturgies & Mass Intentions for January 10 - 16, 2026

<b>Weekend Mass</b>		<b>Intention</b>
Saturday	4:30 pm	Bob & Bernie Bachman*
Sunday	8:00 am	Richard & Patricia Pechotta*
	10:00 am**	Members of St. Bernard
<b>Weekday Liturgies all begin at 8:00 am</b>		
Monday	Liturgy of The Word	
Tuesday	Mass	Delia Molden*
Wednesday	Mass	Stan & Gladys Helminski*
Thursday	Liturgy of The Word	
Friday	Liturgy of The Word	

\*\*Will be livestreamed

\*In memory of



## SANCTUARY CANDLE

January 11 - January 17, 2026

In memory of:

Joseph & Mariana Bareto

Sponsored by: ROSALINA RODRIGUES



## IN SYMPATHY

We ask St. Bernard Parish to pray for the family and friends of:

**The Mother of Carrie (Todd) McMahon, And for parishioner Carol Kieffer**

And for the repose of their souls:

*"Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace."*

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS\*

Monday—Thursday - 8:30 am—5:00 pm

Friday 8:30 am—Noon

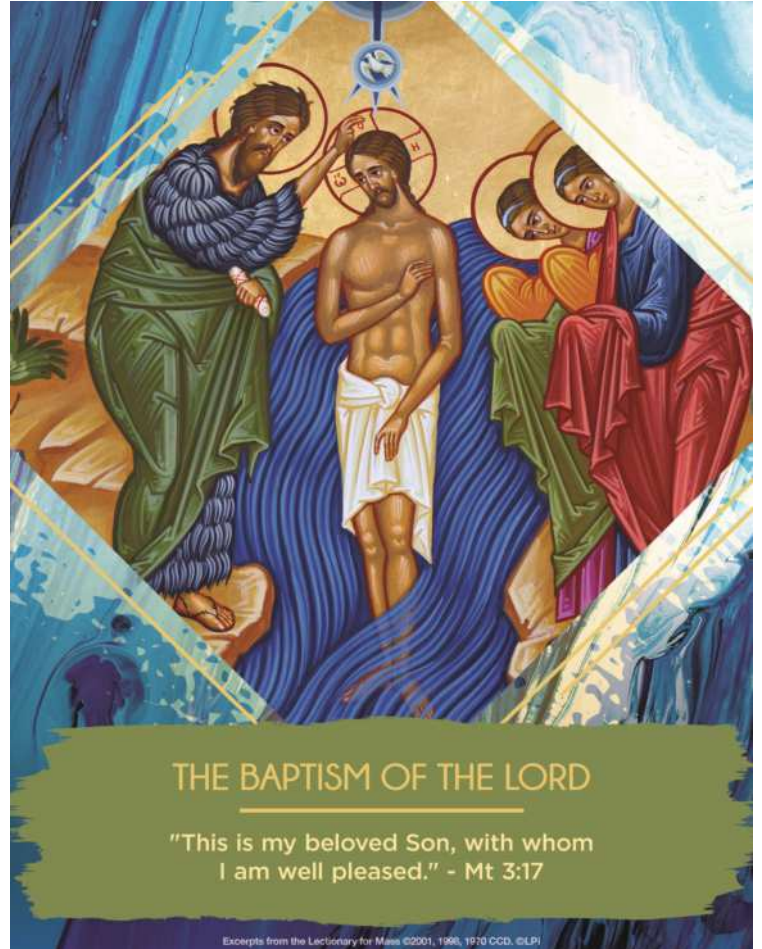
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## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." - Mt 3:17

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## Live your Discipleship

This Feast of the Baptism of the Lord marks the end of the Christmas Season and begins the Ordinary Time of the Year, and I expect that we will talk about the Lord's baptism this weekend.

This weekend's reading from Acts is also very interesting. The scene is in the house of Cornelius, a Roman centurion, who has just been converted to the Faith. The opening words of Peter are very indicative: "In truth, I see ..." See what? That God does not, in fact, play favorites.

Most likely Peter did not want to associate with the Gentiles at first. But he realized that God had no favorites and had no partiality. Jesus went about healing the sick, casting out demons, and spreading the Gospel to both Jew and gentile. Which is why his Apostles did the same after his ascension.

So that is our job in this new year: to spread the Gospel of Christ.

God Bless.



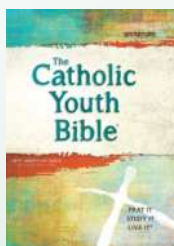
Deacon Dave Denby, Pastoral Leader

## Parish Happenings

### DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>January 11</b> 9:00 am Coffee & Rolls, Scrip Sale 9:00 am Confirmation Prep 11:00 am Coffee & Rolls, Scrip Sale
<b>Monday</b>	<b>January 12</b> 8:30 am Men's Prayer Group 6:30 pm Cursillo - 4th Day
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>January 13</b> 9:00 am Craft Club 6:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>January 14</b> 10:00 am Mission Quilters 6:00 pm Middle School/High School Life Teen and Edge Nights
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>January 15</b> 10:00 am Women's Rosary Prayer Group 6:30 pm Choir Practice
<b>Friday</b>	<b>January 16</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>January 17</b> 7:30 am Men's 4th Day Cursillo 3:45 pm Reconciliation

### Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!



We had tremendous response to our request last week for help in funding the purchase of bibles we provide to our Middle & High School youth who participate in Faith Formation/Youth Groups. Your generosity has replenished the bucket of funds we set aside for this purpose.

**Thank You** for bringing the Scriptures to our youth!

### Financial Stewardship Week 27

#### 2 Weeks Giving through 1/9/2026

Envelope Collections .....	\$ 42,716
Budget Envelope.....	\$ 31,346
Loose Collections .....	\$ 6,016
Budget Loose .....	\$ 770

#### Fiscal Year-to-Date

Actual Env. ....	\$ 396,440
Budget Env. ....	423,171
Env. Over/(Under). ....	\$ (26,731)
Loose .....	\$ 28,683
Budget Loose .....	10,395
Loose Over/(Under) .....	\$ 18,288

#### SCRIP

Sold .....	\$ 9,490
Cost .....	\$ 9,057
Rebate .....	\$ 433

Dear parishioners and friends,

It has been wonderful to celebrate the Advent and Christmas feasts with you! We have prepared, gathered and prayed together during these weeks of preparation and celebration of the Coming of the Lord. I thank you for praying so well together with me and all those who prepared and served at the many Eucharistic Celebrations. You are an inspiration to me — and I am sure for one another.



Thank you for the many cards, gifts and well wishes you have sent my way. They are so appreciated! May God bless all of you and keep you in the palm of his hand.

Fr. Paul Demuth



# Parish Happenings



## Winter Social

You are cordially invited to attend the St. Bernard Catholic Parish Winter Social. Please come to honor those who've joined as new members and share in delicious food and fun fellowship. **Let's celebrate our parish family!**

**Sunday, Feb 1st**  
**Parish Hall**  
**11am - 1pm**

St. Bernard Catholic Parish, 1617 W Pine Street, Appleton



## St Bernard has a "Vocation Station"

Located down the hall—outside of room 104, is a collection of vocation related materials, free to take as you discern your own vocation, or to share with someone else.

Brochures

Books

Links

Seminarian Trading Cards

Check It Out!

**NEW SMALL GROUP**  
**STARTING JAN 28**  
**5 WEEK SERIES**  
 CONTACT THE OFFICE TO JOIN

## Heaven, Hell, & Purgatory: Life Everlasting

Designed to provide insight on heaven, hell, & purgatory; helping you reach your eternal home with God and more deeply understand the teachings of the Catholic Church.



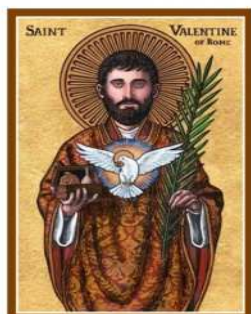
Wednesday Discipleship Nights

St. Bernard Catholic Parish Presents



**Come see Jesus in others by sharing fellowship and celebrating the Valentine in your life. Test your tastebuds on cheeses and wines.**

**Saturday, Feb 14th**  
**5:30PM**  
**Parish Hall**



**Enter the drawing to win a fabulous prize!!**



**Feb 7**  
**10-2**

Light Lunch Provided

## Life, Liberty & Lullabies

Pro Life Event

Come hear speakers talk about their struggle to choose life, the joy of choosing life, and their need for healing after abortion

Scan for more info

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**Resource tables available for information**

Every Life Matters  
 FOX VALLEY CHAPTER

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# Parish Happenings



## SVdP is Here for Neighbors in Need

A single mother of five—two teens and three younger children—spent nearly four months without a stable place to call home. Recently, she was able to qualify for low-income housing, and after just a month in their new apartment, her biggest worry was simple and heartbreaking: she wanted her children to have real beds to sleep in.

Thanks to the generosity of a St. Bernadette Parish family, and the caring hands of several Vincentians from SVdP's St. Bernadette Conference, two twin beds were delivered to the family. The mother, who is working part-time in the hospitality industry, is still slowly gathering the basics—pots and pans, linens, and other essentials needed to make a home. With the help of St. Vincent de Paul, she received not only the beds, but also several store vouchers to use toward a couch, chair, and other living room and kitchen necessities.

Her heartfelt gratitude and repeated “thank yous” truly touched everyone involved. As the Vincentians left the family's home, wishing her and her children Happy Holidays, they were reminded once again of how meaningful even the simplest items can be when a family is rebuilding their life. Moments like this highlight why St. Vincent de Paul remains an essential lifeline—offering hope, dignity, and support to neighbors in their greatest moments of need.



**Giving is easy! Click on the QR code or go online to [www.svdppappleton.org/waystogive](http://www.svdppappleton.org/waystogive)**



JESUIT RETREAT HOUSE  
on Lake Winnebago

The traditional men's spiritual retreat is taking place Jan 29 - Feb 1 (Thurs-Sun)

The Jesuit Retreat House fosters spiritual enrichment rooted in the Gospels, the Catholic tradition, and the spirituality of St. Ignatius of Loyola.

Men from St Bernard have been participating in this retreat for decades.

Go to [jesuitretreathouse.org](http://jesuitretreathouse.org) or use the QR:  
Sign up for retreat #006



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ESTO VIR MEN'S CONFERENCE



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Stop at the table in the  
Narthex after Masses  
Jan 10 & 11, or 17 & 18

Use the QR code or stop in  
the parish office!



Please include your email address so we can send you a stock certificate, AND  
updates during our time on Mission!





# Ministry Opportunities



## The St Bernard Mission Quilters are looking for help!

Whether you have experience quilting or sewing,  
OR if you have no experience at all but want to  
learn - you can join this beautiful ministry!

**The quilters meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday  
of each month 10a-2p**

**Just show up  
and be welcomed into the group!**

The desire of this ministry is to provide good  
bedding to people who need it - the St Bernard  
Mission Quilters make quilts and give them to  
local charities to distribute to the needy.



## St. Bernard is in need of Volunteers!



- Office Worker - weekdays
- Set up & cleanup for Discipleship Nights
- Babysitting for events

**If interested, please  
contact Edna Ulrich  
in the office.**

## DIOCESE OF GREEN BAY VOCATIONS

Answer God's Call

Discern Religious Life

**"You are my beloved Son;  
with you I am well pleased."**

(Matthew 3:17)

God's delight in His Son mirrors the joy He takes in those who follow His call. As a child of God, He desires what is best for you. Take time this week to pray and listen for His guidance in how He wants you to serve Him. *Talk* to our deacons and priest or contact Rev. Mark Mleziva at the Diocese of Green Bay Vocation Office (920) 272-8293 or via his email: [MMleziva@gbdioc.org](mailto:MMleziva@gbdioc.org) for guidance.

## WANTED!

Do you enjoy **making crafts**? Do you enjoy **making home décor**?

Do you enjoy...

**painting, knitting, quilting, embroidery, crocheting, or sewing?**

How about **woodworking**?

Crafts that include wood features are popular. Let us know what you would like to make OR stop by on a Tuesday or email to inquire about some wood designs we could craft with (Templates would be provided, as well as wood if needed.)

If you answered "Yes!" to any of these, come share your talents with fellow parishioners on Tuesdays in the Activity Center.

**2026 Craft Club will begin meeting Tuesdays  
from 9AM-2PM starting January 13<sup>th</sup>**

*New this year! Not sure of your creative talents? We will have some group projects to make and get you started. Come Join Us!*

Drop in and stay for whatever amount of time works for you.  
You're invited to bring your lunch and share laughs, life, and prayers as well.

Email [Ournellycat@gmail.com](mailto:Ournellycat@gmail.com) to get answers to your questions.

**Come join us as we create crafts for our October  
Holidays on Pine Street Charity Bazaar.**



## Winter Opportunities to Help the Homeless

*Brought to you by St. Bernard's Social Justice Committee*

Appleton's St. Joseph Parish will be the home of Appleton's Overflow Shelter when temperatures are forecasted to be extremely cold this winter. Organizers are seeking help to make this ministry available. Some of their needs are:

- Prayer
- Donate items or money
- Volunteer at the shelter (must be 18+)

Scan the QR code to  
sign up!



**Can you help those needing shelter and warmth this winter?**

We are looking for Altar Servers to assist  
at weekend Masses.

This ministry is open to all  
parishioners age 10 and older.  
If you, or your son/daughter are  
interested in this ministry, contact  
Sherry Zwicky—a training  
will be happening soon.





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