

The Parishes of

Saint Mary in Bremen & Saint Bernadette in Lancaster



The Good Shepherd

Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me.
I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish.
No one can take them out of my hand.
My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all,
and no one can take them out of the Father's hand.
The Father and I are one."

-From today's Holy Gospel, John 10:27-30

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2019

St. Bernadette Parish

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The St. Mary Bremen Parish Office is at the church vestibule. Hours: 9-11 AM, Thursdays.

The St. Bernadette Parish Office is in the Mary Good Center, across the back parking lot from the school. Hours: 9 AM-1 PM, Monday through Friday.

St. Bernadette School is located at 1325 Wheeling Road, Lancaster, OH 43130-8701

The Parish Website is www.stbernadetteparish.net

Sacramental Life

Baptism

To have a child baptized, parents must register and attend a class as a couple. Try to attend before your child is born. At least one parent and godparent must be practicing Catholics. Please call or email the church office for information or to register.

Confession

The priest is available for Penance at St. Bernadette on Saturdays at 8:30 AM and 3 PM, and on Thursdays at 5:30 PM. Confessions are held at St. Mary Bremen on Sunday at 8 AM. Every Catholic priest is available whenever there is a need.

Anointing and Care of the Sick

The priest gives the Anointing of the Sick to one who is dangerously ill, facing major surgery, or suffering from the ravages of old age. Call the parish office before a hospitalization or when it has been too long since the Sacraments were last available.

Holy Matrimony

Couples wishing to marry should contact the parish office six months before a wedding. Why so long? Because this Sacrament, not just the ceremony, requires serious preparation. And the Church needs to be involved in that preparation. The Church needs to support couples through the years of married life and offers programs to enhance married life. To learn about these programs, watch the bulletin.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration takes place each Wednesday at St. Bernadette with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 9 AM and Benediction and Reposition at 1 PM. All are welcome and encouraged to come.



Both Parishes

Collar Corner

To all our dear mothers of every kind, including godmothers, expecting mothers, grandmothers, maternal figures, mothers who have passed away, our Blessed Mother in Heaven, and even our Holy Mother the Church: Happy Mother's Day! We love you and are incomparably grateful for your guidance, patience, and care for us!

With the help of an organ specialist last week, our organ project in Bremen is turning the corner. Finally! The seller reminded me that these can often take six to nine months to move and install, so two weeks was somewhat ambitious. We will have a dedication and blessing when it finishes... stay tuned! (Get it?)

Two Mass cancellations: Saturday morning on May 25^a and Thursday evening on May 30^a there will be no Mass as the priests' presence will be required with the Bishop on those days. He himself will be here on June 6^a for Confirmation, so that evening Mass will be moved to 7:00 PM for that purpose. We have been together for several diocesan events and the overwhelming response to him has been excitement and joy. You can tell he truly cares about his people and his priests.

On that note, please be generous to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. We exceeded our goal last year. The money up to the goal is used for diocesan costs like forming seminarians and making Catholic education more available. Any overage comes back directly to us; for example, we used last year's overage from St. Bernadette to cover final furnishing costs of the rectory building so no offertory funds were needed. Let's make a strong statement of support and solidarity to our new bishop.

Finally, during this month dedicated to Our Lady, pray the Rosary in her honor and perhaps even decorate a devotional image in your home as a May altar shrine. With all of the activity, we have plenty to pray for!

In Our Lord and Our Lady,
Father Tomson

Bishop's Annual Appeal

Today is the start of the Bishop's Annual Appeal. The theme of the appeal "God Makes Every Grace Abundant" reminds us to place our trust in Him as we continue His work on earth by responding to the needs of others. The Appeal makes possible the many good works facilitated by the Office of Social Concerns and the Office of Marriage and Family life, contributes to the education of our future priests and deacons, and supports the education of our young people in their faith. These are just a few examples of the many ministries and programs supported by your gift to the Appeal. Together we can bring hope that can change lives.

Hear the Word of the Lord

May 12, Fourth Sunday of Easter	Acts Psalm Revelation	13:14-52 100 7:9-17	John	10:27-30
May 13, Monday <i>Our Lady of Fatima</i>	Acts Psalm	11:1-18 42	John	10:1-10
May 14, Tuesday <i>St. Matthias, Apostle</i>	Acts Psalm	1:15-26 113	John	15:9-17
May 15, Wednesday <i>St. Isidore</i>	Acts Psalm	12:24-13:5 67	John	12:44-50
May 16, Thursday	Acts Psalm	13:13-25 89	John	13:16-20
May 17, Friday	Acts Psalm	13:26-33 2	John	14:1-6
May 18, Saturday <i>St. John I, Pope & Martyr</i>	Acts Psalm	13:44-52 98	John	14:7-14
May 18, Saturday Latin Mass	Wisdom Psalm	5:1-5 88	John	15:1-7
May 19, Fifth Sunday of Easter	Acts Psalm Revelation	14:21-27 145 21:1-5	John	13:31-35

We Pray in May

That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for the continent.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will run from Monday through Friday, June 24 through June 28, at Schmelzer's Grove and St. Mary Church. Registration forms and volunteer sign-up sheets are in the vestibules of both churches. Plan now to attend!

Intentions at Mass

Sat, May 11	4 PM	St. Bernadette	John Grunewald
Sun, May 12	8:30 AM	Bremen St. Mary	Regina Shumaker
Sun, May 12	10 AM	St. Bernadette	For the People of Both Parishes
Mon, May 13	8:20 AM	St. Bernadette	Robert Waits
Wed, May 15	8:20 AM	St. Bernadette	Richard Usilton
Thurs, May 16	8:20 AM	Bremen St. Mary	Marjorie Kilbarger-Layman
Thurs, May 16	6 PM	St. Bernadette	Celebrant's Intention
Fri, May 17	8:20 AM	St. Bernadette	For St. Bernadette Kindergarten Students
Sat, May 18	9 AM	St. Bernadette	Celebrant's Intention
Sat, May 18	4 PM	St. Bernadette	Pauline Brown
Sun, May 19	8:30 AM	Bremen St. Mary	For the People of Both Parishes
Sun, May 19	10 AM	St. Bernadette	Susan McClellan

Hospital & Nursing Home Reminder

When a family member becomes hospitalized or is moved to a nursing care facility, please call the church office if you would like Father Tomson to visit or if your loved one would like to receive Holy Communion.

Square Dances

It's almost time for square dancing at Schmelzer's Grove. This year's dances are scheduled on the Sundays of June 9, July 14, and August 11. Time is 7 to 9:30 PM and admission is \$4 per person.

Bremen St. Mary Parish

St. Mary Altar Society

The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 14, at 7 PM.

Sacred Heart Cemetery

Unfortunately, there was some vandalism at our cemetery. This is sadly common, especially in remote ones like ours. The good news is that a local monument company volunteered their services to repair the damage. Thanks to all who helped with the work session last Friday.

May Rosary

We will pray the Rosary every Sunday in May at St. Mary in Bremen at 8:00 AM before Mass.

Ministry at Mass at St. Mary

+	Reader	Servers	Extra-ordinary Minister of Communion	Ushers/ Gifts	Sacristan
Fourth Sunday of Easter May 12 8:30 AM	Linda Qualls	Claire & Jillian Wilkinson	Tyna Schmelzer-Fox	James Noll Jr. Family	Angi Skinner
Fifth Sunday of Easter May 19 8:30 AM	Jeanne Schmelzer	Carly Kunkler, Alex Schmelzer	Dismas Schmelzer	Maurice Schmelzer Family	Jim Schmelzer

Bremen St. Vincent de Paul

The members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society want to thank our fellow parishioners for their generous support every month. Your contributions are used to help those in need in Bremen and nearby communities. New members are always welcome. We meet on the third Tuesday of each month. Join us on Tuesday, May 21, at 7 PM.

St. Bernadette Parish

St. Bernadette Altar Society

The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 15, at 9 AM in the Mary Good building.

Blood Drive

Our next St. Bernadette Blood Drive will be held Saturday, May 25, from 9 AM-2 PM in the Parish Hall. We will be collecting blood for the summer holiday season when people historically donate less due to vacations and travel. Please call Joyce Guenther at (740) 974-5040 or schedule online at www.redcrossblood.org. Since Joyce's first drive in 2007 we have held 30 drives and collected almost 1,100 units of blood, saving up to 3,300 lives. Thank you all so much for helping save lives in Central Ohio.

Sandwich Saturday

The classes of St. Bernadette School have completed their final Sandwich Saturday Service for the year. Their grand total for the school year is approximately 1,200 sandwiches donated to the Foundation Dinners! Great job, everyone!

Sunday Rosary

We pray the Rosary every Sunday before Mass; now at 9:30 AM because of the Sunday Mass time change to 10 AM. The intention on the first Sunday of each month is Respect for Life.

Sunday Vespers

Sunday Vespers hosted by the men of St. Mary in Lancaster will continue every Sunday from 5-5:30 PM through Pentecost at St. Bernadette.

Thank You

St. Bernadette Pastoral Minister Ann Essman is grateful to all those who made her 90th birthday celebration so special! Thank you all!



Ministry at Mass at St. Bernadette

+	Reader	Servers	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
Saturday Vigil May 11 at 4 PM Fourth Sunday of Easter	Marguerite Grimm	Clara & Susan Craaybeek, Maggie Latorre,	Kathy Kehnast, Shelia Taylor
Sunday May 12 at 10AM Fourth Sunday of Easter	David Shonk	Emma McCrady Caroline Messerly, Jack & Sam Tencza, Daniel Turner	Jean Robertson, David Shonk
Monday, May 13 8:20 AM	Mary Jane Vajen	Anderson Crook, Zoe DeLeon	
Wed, May 15 8:20 AM	Bob Christy	Ella Fitzgibbon, Deaglan Neighbor	
Thursday, May 16 6 PM	Kathy Kehnast		
Friday, May 17 8:20 AM	St. Bernadette Students	Sam Tencza, Flora Woo	
Sat, May 18, 9 AM	LATIN MASS		
Saturday Vigil May 18 at 4 PM Fifth Sunday of Easter	Bob Christy	Diana, Flora & Sarah Woo	Angie Christy, Amy Woo
Sunday May 19 at 10AM Fifth Sunday of Easter	Teresa Scarpitti	Joey Mannella, Collin McCrady, Brennan Quaintance, Drew and Avee Solt	Pat Gins Harry Haag

In Our Diocese

Theology on Tap

Theology on Tap is a lecture and discussion series for young people (18-39), single or married. It is sponsored by the Diocese of Columbus and local parishes. We meet in downtown Lancaster for food, drink and lively discussion. Come make new friends through faith-filled and thought-provoking conversation in a casual, relaxed atmosphere. All young adults are welcome! Our next meeting is on Thursday, May 16, at 7 PM at Bob's Backyard BBQ. We are pleased to welcome Dr. Laura Lewis to speak on the topic of the Catholic Approach to Suicide Prevention. With suicide rates spiking, with particular vulnerability in young adults, we are all called to learn how we can respond and help. Dr. Lewis is a licensed professional clinical counselor and owner of Veritas Counseling & Consultation and is the assistant director of The Ohio State University Suicide Prevention Program.

Jubilee of Anniversaries

Couples celebrating their 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 55th, 60th (and every year thereafter) anniversary are invited to the annual Jubilee of Anniversaries Mass and celebration in honor of their marriage! The Jubilee will take place on Sunday, June 23, at St. Brigid Catholic Church in Dublin. Bishop Robert Brennan will celebrate Mass at 2:30 PM and a light reception will follow. Couples may register by contacting the Marriage and Family Office at (614) 241-2560 or by visiting columbuscatholic.org. RSVP by Wednesday, June 12. Congratulations to these couples on their faithful love!

National Catholic Youth Conference

The 2019 National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) happens November 21-24 in Indianapolis. Registration is now open for this exciting, biennial three-day experience gathering over 20,000 Catholic teenagers for prayer, catechesis, community, and discipleship. For information and to register go to <https://columbuscatholic.org/ncyc>. Initial deposits and registration forms are due in May. The NCYC theme for 2019 is *Blessed • Broken • Given*. You may direct your questions to Sean Robinson at (614) 241-2565 x1311 or srobinson@columbuscatholic.org.

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