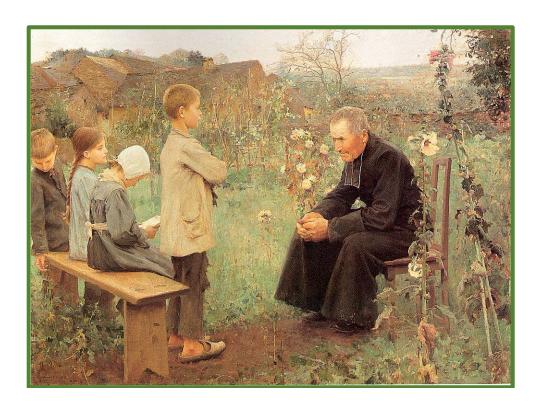
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-From today's Holy Gospel, Matthew 5:17-37

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 16, 2020

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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

Flocknote: text STBERN or STMARY to 97000 to be added to our news, updates, and reminders.

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

A priest is available for Penance at St. Bernadette on Saturdays at 8:30 AM and 3:00 PM, and on Thursdays at 5:30 PM. Confessions are offered Sundays at St. Mary Bremen at 8:00 AM. Every Catholic priest is available whenever needed.

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 to inform us if a loved one is in need of pastoral care in sickness, particularly with an extended absence from attending Mass.

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 9:00 AM and Benediction and Reposition at 2:00 PM. Exposition also takes place each Thursday at St. Bernadette from 7:00 PM until MIDNIGHT. On the first Thursday of the month we offer a Eucharistic Holy Hour at St. Mary in Bremen after the morning Mass. All are welcome to come as you are able, or stop in for prayer anytime.

Both Parishes

Collar Corner

Our school Open House was record-breaking! Thanks to our stellar staff for all the extra time. Definitely worth it – things look extremely positive for our school enrollment next year. Maybe someone you know would consider coming to St. Bernadette school and/or parish. Here's what to do: bring them. Meet them here. Once they're in the doors, they will be hooked.

Remember our Mardi Gras on February 22th. This fundraiser is vital to our school's operation. Make every effort to come to this family-friendly evening to support the amazing work we do here.

The special Mass for Our Lady of Lourdes was absolutely fantastic. The first thing the Cathedral Schola Director said afterwards: "When can we come back?" We're working on it. Not only do these occasions draw people to our parish from far and wide, but above all they offer solemn worship to Our Lord and honor to His Mother. With every one that we do, the more excitement there is for it. If you didn't make it, don't worry. The next one will be soon!

We are in an Ordinary Time lull. It won't last. Next week brings Ash Wednesday already! Masses are 8:20 AM and 6:00 PM at St. Bernadette and NOON in Bremen. Adoration will be as usual, from after the Mass until Benediction at 2:00 PM. Our Lenten spiritual series will be conferences on the Virtues on Thursday evenings after the Mass to begin Eucharistic Adoration. Stations will be at 7:00 PM Fridays as usual in both parishes. Start working on your spiritual gameplan now! The full details of area Lenten offerings will be available next week.

The parish office will be closed this Monday for Presidents' Day.

In Our Lord and Our Lady,

Father Tomson

We Pray in February

We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

Hear the Word of the Lord

February 16, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sirach Psalm 1 Cor	15:15-20 119 2:6-10	Matt 5:17-37
February 17, Monday The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order	James Psalm	1:1-11 119	Mark 8:11-13
February 18, Tuesday	James Psalm	1:12-18 94	Mark 8:14-21
February 19, Wednesday	James Psalm	1:19-27 15	Mark 8:22-26
February 20, Thursday	James Psalm	2:1-9 34	Mark 8:27-33
February 21, Friday St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor of the Church	James Psalm	2:14-26 112	Mark 8:34-9:1
February 22, Saturday The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle	1 Peter Psalm	5:1-4 23	Matt 16:13-19
February 22, Saturday Latin Mass The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle	1 Peter Psalm	1:1-7 106	Matt 16:13-19
February 23, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	Leviticus Psalm 1 Cor	19:1-18 103 3:16-23	Matt 5:38-48

Intentions at Mass

Sat, Feb 15	4 PM	St. Bernadette	Charles Shaw
Sun, Feb 16	8:30 AM	Bremen St. Mary	Deceased Members of the John Schmelzer Family
Sun, Feb 16	10 ам	St. Bernadette	For the People of Both Parishes
Mon, Feb 17	8:20 am	St. Bernadette	Michael Hayes
Wed, Feb 19	8:20 ам	St. Bernadette	Jerry Azbell
Thurs, Feb 20	8:20 AM	Bremen St. Mary	Pat Messerly
Thurs, Feb 20	6 РМ	St. Bernadette	Celebrant's Intention
Fri, Feb 21	8:20 AM	St. Bernadette	Earl Jones
Sat, Feb 22	9 AM	St. Bernadette	Celebrant's Intention
Sat, Feb 22	4 РМ	St. Bernadette	James Marcinko Sr.
Sun, Feb 23	8:30 AM	Bremen St. Mary	For the People of Both Parishes
Sun, Feb 23	10 ам	St. Bernadette	Jerome Kiener

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Mother Angeline Ministries of Care

The Carmelite Sisters for the Aged and Infirm will present a seminar on Mother Angeline Ministries of Care at St. Edward Church in Granville on Saturday, March 7, from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM. The registration fee of \$25 per person includes materials and lunch. Registration is due to Patrick Scarpitti, M.D. c/o St. Edward Church, 785 Newark Granville Rd., Granville, OH, 43023 by February 17. For information, contact Dr. Scarpitti at church @ saintedwards . org or (740) 587-3254.

Bremen St. Mary Parish

Family Game Night

Celebrate Shrove Tuesday/Pancake Tuesday/Mardi Gras with us! From 6:00 until 8:30 PM on Tuesday, February 25, we will have games, pancakes, prizes and more in the parish hall. Join in the fun!

Ministry at Mass at St. Mary

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+	Reader	Servers	Extraordinary Minister of Communion	Ushers/ Gifts	Sacristan
6° Sunday Ordinary Time Feb 16 8:30 AM	Susan Foltz	Angelo Galella, Christopher Hahn, Carly Kunkler	Nick Schmelzer	Maurice Schmelzer Family	Nick Schmelzer
Thursday Feb 20 8:20 AM	Sarah Borah				Neil Boch
7ª Sunday Ordinary Time Feb 23 8:30 AM	Paul Kunkler	Karah Borah, Reagan Conrad, Charles Schoenlaub	Nikki Schmelzer	Nick Schmelzer Family	Chris Redding

Bremen St. Vincent de Paul

The St. Vincent de Paul Society thanks the members of St. Mary for their support each month to help those in need in Bremen and nearby communities. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 18, at 6:00 PM.

You Can Feed the Hungry in Bremen

The Bremen Food Pantry needs margarine or butter. Place your donation in the refrigerator in the kitchen at St. Mary parish hall. This will help the Pantry Open House in Bremen, on Saturday, Feb 22, from 9-11 AM, when any family in need can stop by to receive food assistance, with no registration or sign up needed.

St. Mary Altar Society

The Pregnancy Decision Health Center in Lancaster appreciates St. Mary's generous donations of diapers, baby wipes, and other necessities. The most needed items for girls are 12-month summer pants and the most needed items for boys are 6-month winter shirts and 3-month and 9-month summer pants. The next meeting of the Altar Society will be Tuesday, February 18, at 7:00 PM.

Men's Night Out

The next Men's Night Out happens in the parish hall on Wednesday, February 19, at 6:30 PM. All men are invited to a delicious meal and an uplifting talk.

St. Bernadette Parish

Friends Forever

The next Friends Forever luncheon happens on Thursday, February 20, at NOON, in the Mary Good Center. Contact the office for information or to be put on a list to be called for these meetings.

Best Lent Ever Journals

Dynamic Catholic will be offering their Best Lent Ever program again this year, beginning on Ash Wednesday. It is a free online program that you can request at www . dynamiccatholic . com. Each day of Lent you will receive an email with a short video and thought-provoking comments and questions about Matthew Kelly's book "Rediscover the Saints". It's not necessary to have the book, but you can order it on their website. This year Dynamic Catholic has provided a limited number of BLE Journals to our parish which coincide with the program. They are located at the church entrances.

Ministry at Mass at St. Bernadette

+	Reader	Servers	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Saturday Vigil Feb 15 at 4 PM 6° Sunday in Ordinary Time	Becky Kuhn	Maggie Latorre, Diana & Flora Woo	Patrick Gins, Amy Woo
Sunday Feb 16 at 10 AM 6° Sunday in Ordinary Time	Teresa Scarpitti	Ella Sanford, Jack & Sam Tencza	Jean Robertson, Larry Sanford
Monday, Feb 17 8:20 AM	Mary Jane Vajen	Anderson Crook, Deaglan Neighbor	
Wed, Feb 19 8:20 AM	Bob Christy	Christopher Fitzgibbon, Ethan Schmelzer	
Thursday, Feb 20 6 PM	Kathy Kehnast		
Friday, Feb 21 8:20 AM	St. B Students	Ella Sanford, Sam Tencza	
Saturday, Feb 22 9 AM		Juniper Baker & Sam Tencza	
Saturday Vigil Feb 22 at 4 PM 7° Sunday in Ordinary Time	Tara Craaybeek	Clara & Susan Craaybeek, Tori Loy	Jim & Becky Kuhn
Sunday Feb 23 at 10 AM 7- Sunday in Ordinary Time	Patrick Gins	Daschel, Deaglan & Emeline Neighbor	David Shonk, Becky Wickham

St. Bernadette School

The St. Bernadette **preschool program** offers a progressive learning approach, and kindergartenreadiness goals, within a flexible schedule. The program is tailored to the needs of your 3, 4 or 5year old. Elementary grades (kindergarten through fifth grade) offer a highly respected program of academic excellence and positive experiences. **Registration** for preschool through fifth grade students for the 2020-2021 school year begins in February. Private tours and classroom observations are available at any time. NEW Financial **Assistance Opportunities are available to** students transferring from some area public schools. If your child currently attends, or will attend, one of the designated public school buildings in our area, you may qualify for the Ed Choice Traditional Scholarship at St. Bernadette School. Please call (740) 654-3137 or stop in for information.

St. Bernadette 2020 Mardi Gras!

You're invited to Mardi Gras at St. Bernadette School! Join us for our annual pre-Lenten celebration and fundraiser on Saturday, February 22, from 5 -10 PM. This fun family night raises funds to directly support St. Bernadette Elementary

School. Festivities include games and movies for the kids, \$1,000 Grand Raffle, silent and live auctions, music, and fabulous food featuring our signature Fat Tuesday Sliders, French Quarter Fries, Cole Slaw d'Carnival, Mini King Cakes and more. Grand Prize raffle tickets are \$10 each and are available at the school office; call (740) 654-3137.

Dine to Donate for Fifth Graders

The St. Bernadette 5th grade class is having a Dine to Donate fundraiser to help with the cost of attending Camp Damascus. It will be Tuesday, February 25, from 4:00 to 8:00 PM (ABSOLUTE CUTOFF TIME) at Chipotle at 1248 E. Main St. in Lancaster. Pick up flyers (available at church entrances) and show to the Chipotle cashier to get credit for your purchase. Thanks for your support!

Around the Diocese

Men's Conference

This year's theme for the Men's Conference is "Building Virtue" and it happens next Saturday at the Ohio Expo Center (Kasich Hall) in Columbus, Tickets are \$40 (Adult) and \$25 (Student).

Calling All Students!

The Brenda Jo Laihr Galbraith Nursing Scholarship & The Karen Louise Laihr Teaching Scholarship is available through The Catholic Foundation.
Requirements are:

- -Must be a graduating high school student from the Diocese of Columbus, Ohio
- -Must provide a letter of nomination from a parish leader, such as clergy or youth minister
- -Must submit an essay answering the following two questions in 350 words or less: *In what ways can you apply these Christ-like characteristics in describing your daily life today, and how will youput them to use in the vocation of nursing or teaching?*

The Catholic Foundation's Applications for Scholarships will close March 2. For information and to apply, visit www.catholic-foundation.org/scholarships. For questions, please contact Dan Kurth, VP of Grants, at (614) 443-8893 or dkurth@catholic-foundation.org.

Onward to Glory

The next session of St. Mark Parish's series about end-of-life and funeral planning is "Funeral Home and Cemetery" on Sunday, February 23 at 1:00 PM.



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