

**ST. BERNARD
MASS INTENTIONS****Sunday, December 29***The Holy Family of**Jesus, Mary, and Joseph*

10:00 +Pete & Wanda Karas

12:00 Pro Populo

8:00 Father Chris Zerucha

Monday, December 30

12:10 +Thomas Stone

Tuesday, December 31

12:10 Special Intention

6:30 Vigil Mass

Wednesday, January 1*Solemnity of Mary,**the Holy Mother of God*

9:30 +Tom Maximovich

Thursday, January 2*Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church*

12:10 +Martha Badunas

Friday, January 3

12:10 +Marlene McMahon

Saturday, January 4*St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious*

4:30 +Joseph & Mary Hirshchfelt

Sunday, January 5*Epiphany of the Lord*

10:00 +James O.

Rosemary Griggy

12:00 +Patricia Ann Lundstom

8:00 Pro Populo

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9:00 Intention of

Antalek Family

Wednesday, January 1

11:00 The St. Mary Parish

Sunday, January 59:00 +Deceased members of
Schreiber Family**SUNDAY OFFERING**

	St. Bernard	St. Mary
December 22nd	\$ 6,812.00	\$ 1,054.00

Attention!! All Parishioners!! We need your help!

If anyone knows of a fellow parishioner who has entered into a nursing facility, assisted living, hospital, or is confined to their home for any reason, please let the parish know by calling the parish office at 330-253-5161. We would like to reach out to them with Cards, phone calls, sending a weekly bulletin, or delivering Communion. Our goal is to increase awareness for those in need of such service from our parish community. Thank you.



Embrace Clinic & Care Center would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to Father Chris, the Respect Life Team, the Knights of Columbus and Parishioners of St. Bernard and St. Mary. Your recent and very generous "Fill the Crib" donations are deeply appreciated. As you know, we work diligently to reinforce our clients' decisions to CHOOSE LIFE for their unborn children. With your help, we can continue to provide medical, educational, spiritual, emotional and material support for these families for many years to come! God bless you all, and thank you for supporting our mission, especially during this "Season of Love" for the babies and their families.

The next Cleveland Retrouvaille Weekend is scheduled for January 24-26, 2020.

This is a Lifeline for Troubled Marriages: Has your marriage become unloving or uncaring – your relationship cold, distant – thinking about a separation or divorce? Are you already separated/divorced but both of you want to try again? Then the Retrouvaille program may help. RETROUVAILLE, which means rediscovery, is supported by the Catholic diocese of Cleveland, but it is open to couples of all faiths. This program consists of a weekend experience for couples and six follow-up sessions. A registration fee of \$150.00 is required to confirm your reservation. For more information concerning the program, or to register, please call Marce or Liz Gliha at 440-357-6580 or 1-800-470-2230, or go online to www.helpourmarriage.org.

Catholic Cemeteries Association – Free Monthly Grief Support

Groups: God has seen your tears and heard your prayers. You are not meant to walk this journey of grief alone. Please join us in our friendly, safe, and comforting groups that meet at 3:00 p.m. on the 3rd Sunday of each month in six of our cemetery office locations throughout the diocese. Find comfort, enlightenment, fellowship. Next meeting is January 19th; Topic: "He Makes All Things New." For more details, visit www.clecem.org or contact Rhonda at rabrums@clecem.org or 216-930-4866.

PASTOR'S NOTES

Merry Christmas Still!!!

As staff members and various committees of St. Bernard, we have been busy the past eight months working with engineers, fundraising companies and the Diocese of Cleveland offices to assess the health and needs of the exterior of our building. In case you have not heard, back in April, a 40-pound stone fell seven stories from one of our bell towers. Although we were looking at doing a study on the outside of the building beginning during the summer, the event of the stone falling kicked us into full gear and we haven't stopped since! The exterior is safe for now, as are people around the perimeter of the building, hence the scaffolding. However, we are now ready to begin the work of re-fortifying the entire building's exterior for the next 20 years. A fair estimate based on the itemized scope of engineered work is that it will cost 1.5 million dollars in total to do this! As a challenge goal, if we make it to 1.9 million dollars, we will install an elevator on the East State Street side of the building. This work has already been engineered under Fr. Dan Reed's leadership. If we go over 1.9 million, I would first of all consider it a minor miracle and I would secondly get going on estimates for installing air conditioning in the building! There is always another quality idea to develop and I am open to all of it. We even have started a development committee for these reasons. But first things first, one step at a time...

We will need your help to fix St. Bernard's and be a part of the reason it remains a beautiful refuge, representation and invitation to God's Kingdom for the next generations! A campaign will formally kick off sometime in January or early February and will include a relatively small token contribution to the seminary renovations you may have heard about. There is a form at the doors and the website that will help us to campaign to the best of our ability. Please fill one out and return it via the boxes at the doors, via mail (44 University Avenue, Akron 44308), via fax at 330-253-6949 or via email campaign@stbernardakron.org.

As staff members and the Parish Council of St. Mary, we have been discussing different ways to invite people to St. Mary and have been thinking about outreach, growth and life! 670 postcards were mailed to former parishioners and to alums of several past classes. **An all alumni/all former parishioner homecoming Mass and brunch will be on Sunday, January 12th beginning at 9:00 a.m. All are welcome! Please invite people from St. Mary's Christmases past to celebrate with us at St. Mary this Christmas Time present!** An RSVP would be appreciated: StMAkronAlumni@gmail.com or 330-730-4131.

Masses for Mary, Mother of God, a Holy Day of Obligation will be at 6:30 p.m., December 31 at St. Bernard; 10:00 a.m., January 1 at St. Bernard and 11:00 a.m., January 1 at St. Mary. **Merry Christmas still and may the year and decade ahead be filled with many great blessings for all of us!**

– Father Chris and the Staffs of St. Bernard and St. Mary Parishes.

WEEKLY MASS READINGS

Monday: 1 Jn 2:12-17;
Lk 2:36-40; Ps 96:7-10

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21;
Jn 1:1-18; Ps 96:1-2,11-13

Wednesday: Nm 6:22-27;
Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21;
Ps 67:2-3,5,6,8

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:22-28;
Jn 1:19-28; Ps 98:1-4

Friday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6;
Jn 1:29-34; Ps 98:1-6

Saturday: 1Jn 3:7-10;
Jn 1:35-42; Ps 98:1,7-9

Sunday: Is 60:1-6;
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12;
Ps 72:1-2,7-8,10-13

**Wedding Banns**

III Laura Yeater

℣ Austin Poth

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Delores Abbott, Mary Jo Alexander, Richard Andrea, Carol Consolo, Cora Christoff, Pam Daer, Jeanne Dorka, Rosalia Duran, Terry Fercana, Olinda Frazier, Bob & Lee Freund, Ada Gelpi, Jorge Gomes, Patrick Grismer, Don & Lorrie Haddox, Kelly Hatcher, Jamie Kapes, Joyce Kilby, Bud Lundstrom, John Madia, Marilyn Maximovich, Ann Miller, Ina Dawn Nye, Helen Oreskovich, Clara Piscazzi, Ruth Reinhart, John Rienzi, Odalis Rodriguez, Joey Rundo, David Scheele, Renee Schillinger, James Schultz, Steve Williams, Dave Wojcik

Protecting God's Children

The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present suspected inappropriate behavior toward children by priests, deacons, religious, lay ecclesial ministers or personnel associated with the Church, please contact the Diocesan Response Service Office at 216-334-2999 or via email at response_services@dioceseofcleveland.org. You are also asked to immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior.

PADRE PIO TALK BY CINDY RUSSO AT QUEEN OF HEAVEN

Queen of Heaven Parish Spiritual Life Commission will be hosting guest speaker, Cindy Russo, on Sunday, January 12 at 12:00 p.m. (after the 11:00 a.m. Mass). Cindy will be talking about "Blind Faith" or "How Padre Pio Changed My Life." Cindy Russo, OFS, a member of St. Barnabas Parish in Northfield, Ohio, and leader of the Cleveland Padre Pio Prayer Group since 2013, will share her story of her life-changing encounter with Padre Pio while on vacation in Rome in 2010 and the miracles she has witnessed since then. Cindy is an engaging and dynamic speaker who witnesses her amazing story of faith throughout the United States. A chalice owned by Padre Pio will be used at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Cindy will be available after her talk to pray with individuals while holding the chalice. A priest will be available to hear Confessions during this time. A freewill offering will be accepted (will be used for Charities Prayer Group Supports). A social in the Gathering Space of the church will follow sponsored by the Spiritual Life Commission.

AVISOS PARA LA COMUNIDAD

AGRADECIMIENTO MUY MERECIDO – Para todas las personas que de alguna manera colaboraron con la misa anual de la Virgen de Guadalupe, todo fue un éxito. La misa, la comida los bailes, los artistas, gracias a todos porque todo fue un esfuerzo de toda la comunidad Hispana en Akron, Ohio.

URGENTE – Necesitamos cantantes y músicos voluntarios que sepan cantar y tocar un instrumento musical para el miércoles 11 a las 11:30 pm. Bertha Lopez 330-328-0623 o llame a la oficina 253-5161 ext. 15. Nota: si quiere colaborar para las manañitas por favor no dude en llamar a las encargadas.

BIENVENIDOS – Les damos la bienvenida a todas las personas que llegan por primera vez a nuestra Parroquia de San Bernardo. Si quiere conocer más de nuestra comunidad les invitamos a bajar al Salón Social después de la misa de doce. Más información hable con Nancy 330-322-4452.

VISITA AL SANTISIMO – Se les informa que el Santísimo esta expuesto todos los días las 24 horas del día en la capilla de la parroquia localizada en el estacionamiento de abajo entrada por la calle State Rd. o University Ave. Si quiere la clave llame a la oficina 330-253-5161 ext. 15 o si no puede llamar, la clave es los cuatro últimos números del teléfono de la parroquia. También el Santísimo esta expuesto en la iglesia cada tercer viernes a la 7 pm. Hay confesiones también si desea confesarse.

REUNIÓN DE LAS GUADALUPANAS – Los esperamos para enero 5 después de misa de doce. Hablaremos sobre cómo fue la misa y fiesta anual de nuestra Virgen de Guadalupe. Más información hable con Rosita Baker, baje al Salón Histórico, o llame a la oficina de la parroquia 330-253-5161 ext. 15.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS 2019

**Memory Of: St. Bernard**

Albanese Family	Dangel, Tony/Florence	Hardman Family
Albanese, Billy	Dearmitt, Jaclyn Keen	Harry, Ronald B.
Albanese, Joey & Tommy	Dearmitt, Sandra Panella	Hartley, Ella & Ralph
Almassy, Katy	DeCarbo, Diane	Hartley, Joseph & Timothy
Andrews Family	Deceased Members of Ross Family	Haydu Family
Andrews, Charles	Deceased Members of St. Bernard	Hertzner, Cletus/Mary
Andrews, Michael	Delillo, Adeline	Hirschfelt, Joseph/Mary
Andrews, Susan	Dilley, Gilbert/Margaret	Hofmann, David
Anstett, Erika	Dilley, Kitty	Hornacek, John/Anne
Ariele. Nicolas J Ofelia	DiMascio, Ray Sr.	Hornacek, John/Mary
Arison, Georgia	DiNuoscio, Jean	Horburt, Howey
Arison, Grace	DiNuoscio, David	Horburt, T. Lucinda
Arison, James	DiNuoscio, James	Horning, Edward J.
Arison, Ron	Dorka, Charles A., Sr.	Horvath Family
Armocida, John	Dorka, Charles A., Jr.	Huling Joyceann
Armocida, Judy	Dorka-Stroup, Juliann B.	Hutchko, David
Artzer, Adam/Elizabeth	Doria Family	Johnson, David/Michele
Bailey, Helen	Droder, John	Johnson, Jim
Bailey, Helen	Dunn, Loreta	Joseph, Chuck/Marjory
Banks/Avila/Ortiz Family	Dyer, M/M George	Joseph Victor/Elizabeth
Bartkowski, Dr. Henry	Ellul, Carmel J.	Juanoquez, Jeanette E.
Bauman, Ann	Elmer Jr, Peter	Kaiser, John
Beebe, Richard	Estafen, Abraham/Emmaline	Kaminsky Family
Bender, Mr. & Mrs. Peter	Estafen, Thomas/Janet	Karas, Pete/Wanda
Berkey Family	Estafen, Tony/Mary Ann	Keen, Jaclyn
Blackburn, Eric	Estafen, MaDonna	Kozak, Agatha
Bliler, Mary	Estafen, MaryAnn & Tony	Kraker, Frank
Bodosi, Dan & Esther	Fercana, Ann/Bennie	Kramer, Francis
Bodosi Family	Fercana, Mya/Fritz	Kuhn, Anna B.
Bodosi, Robert & Barbara	Fercana, Sister Mary Anastasia	Kuhn/Dorka Family Living & Deceased
Bouhall, Elizabeth	Ferrise, Jennie	Kuhne, Frank/Gledora
Bouhall, Nancy	Finn, Patricia	Kulick, Frances/Michael
Bouhall, Sister Laura	Fisher Family	Kungl, Martin
Brock, Lois W.	Flanagan Family	Kwan, Anthony
Brosko Family	Francy, June	Leonard, Jack
Capan, John & Pat	Frank Family	Lody, Grace & Kelly
Carano, Marcia	Frank, Richard	Long, Shirley
Cassella Family	Freund, Frank Sr.	Lowe, Kathy
Castrovince, Bill Sr.	Freund, Julia	Lukacik Family/Deceased
Castrovince, Mary	Fulton, Celestine	Lucas Family
Christoff, Paul K.	Galizio Family	Lucas Jr, Steve
Cody, Ralph "Kelly"	Geis, M/M C.L.	Lundstrom, George/Clydia
Cody, Grace	Geis, Mary Jane	Lundstrom, Patricia Ann
Coffman Family	Gentner, Eugene	Lushbaugh, Kathy & Dwyne
Colianni Family	Germann, M/M Jesse	Mahas, Elaine
Combes, Ivy	Giammarco, Maria	Mahas, Fred
Conley, Mr./Mrs.	Goff, Phyllis	Mahas, Ford & Helen
Connor, Patrick	Gomes, Marie	Manioli Family
Connor, Thomas C.	Gradisher, M/M Charles	Martucci, Kathy
Connor, Helen	Grubke, Mary Jane/Edward	Massoli, Ernest J.
Connor, Mrs. Joanne	Haas, John	Mayora, Frank
Considine, Edward J.	Haddox, Charles/Angela	Mayora, Grace
Considine, Mary Louise	Hales, Dennis	
Damiani, John/Norma	Halter, Joseph E., Sr.	
Dangel, Robert	Hamad, Chris	
	Hambrick Family	
	Hannley, Frances/Martha	

McGough, Dale
 McGough, Paul/Dorothy
 McMillan, Roy, Sr.
 Miller, Anita M.
 Miller, Matthew R.
 Miner, Dan
 Monsignor Broun
 Moore, Elijah
 Nahas, Elaine
 Nahas, Ford/Helen
 Nahas, Fred
 Nanny & Bossy
 Newbert, Harold/Merle
 Neill, Patty
 Nicola, Beth
 Nicolino, John
 Niemocienski, Ed/Katherine
 Ocran, Tawia Modibo
 O'Hare, Rita
 Orndorff, Nona
 Orr, Willie
 Ostroski, Kathleen Considine
 Palazzo, Edward
 Palazzo, Joseph & Catherine
 Panella, Sandra
 Petrowski, Frances
 Piccirillo, Peter/Albina
 Pleban, Gerri
 Presler, Ellen/Blaine
 Pulaski
 Raybuck, Elda
 Regan, John P.
 Reinhart Family
 Rich, Cynthia R.
 Righter, Silas/Alma
 Ripp Family
 Robles, Lupe M.
 Robles, Susan M.
 Robles, Jay
 Rohsfod, Ben/Mary
 Ross, Jim
 Roten, Robert
 Roth, Donald Jr.
 Sain, Marilyn/Raymond
 Samples, Frances
 Scafidi Family
 Schmidt, Bernice
 Schmidt, Corrine
 Sekel Family
 Siebert Family
 Sirotnik, Mary
 Siwik, Ann
 Siwik, Nick
 Siwik, Richard
 Smith, Tom
 Smoot, Richard C.
 Smoot, Richard M.
 Snowberger, Bill
 Souls in Purgatory
 Spoch, Mary
 Sparhawk, Bill
 Sparhawk, Susie

Stan & Ashleigh
 Steurer, Bill
 Stovall, Louise
 Stroup, Juliann
 Taylor, Marilyn/Floyd
 Thorpe, Barbara
 Thurman, Gregory
 Tormey, John E.
 Trares, Family
 Tulley Family
 Varga, Steve, Jr.
 Varga, Steve, Sr.
 Vespoint, Jimmy
 Walker, Charles/Carrie
 Waver, Robert
 Welch, Richard
 Williams, Karen
 Williams, Katy Considine
 Williams, Victor
 Wilmot, 'Cathy
 Wojcik, Joseph M.D.
 Yoder, Paul
 Yutes, Jessie
 Yutes, Michael
 Zembik, Mike & Irene
 Zisk, Edwin
 Zurzolo, Terry
 Zurzolo, Rosemary
 Zurzolo, Angelo
 Zydel, Family

In Honor Of: St. Bernard

All Volunteers in Food Program
 Bechter & Sorg Families
 Cassella, John
 Christoff, Cora
 St. Bernard's Choral Group
 St. Bernard Parish
 Crochan, Griff
 Curtis, Dale & Elaine
 Curtis, Kevin & Debbie
 DiDonato Family/Living
 Dorka John/Pat/Grandchildren/Great
 Estafen, Emma
 Flanagan, Deacon Dan F. Jr.
 Fr. Chris
 Fr. Frank
 Gribble Children & Grandchildren
 Harry, Mary Ann
 Hofacker, Matilda
 Maintenance Staff
 Mueller, Robert
 Myers, Zeke
 Office Staff
 Pastoral Staff
 Siebert Family
 Sister Mary Anastasia
 Staff of St. Bernard
 Volunteers of St. Bernard
 Zehner
 Zsembik, David & Zsembik, Ann



In Memory Of: St. Mary

Alexander, John A. & Mary Z.
 All those forgotten in Prayer
 All Deceased Zepko & Alexander Families
 All Deceased Members of Pappas Family
 Angerstien, Ryan
 Becker, Lou & Ethel
 Blash, Leslie
 Bralek, Joseph & Irene
 Brogan, Richard
 Borocki, Cindy
 Bozsik, Eugen S.
 Cain, Esther
 Conring Family
 Crookston, Leonard
 Dettling, Gene
 Deceased Members of the Crookston Family
 Deceased Members of the
 Pirie & Halsrey Families
 Deceased Members of the
 Brodie & Hutchinson Families
 Dillion, Patricia J.
 Greer Family
 Gregg, James & Phyllis
 Halsey, Jack & Patt
 Harvey, Lawrence
 Howe, Charles & Dorothy
 Hutchison, B.J.
 Johnson, Jr., Edward
 Johnson Sr., Edward
 Kindel, James & Patricia
 Lockhart, Betty
 Michel, Joyce
 McAlistar Family
 Norman, Nancy
 Nichols, James & Josie
 Pappas, Rita Mary
 Pappas, Stephen James
 Pappas, Betty
 Pirie, Jack & Mary
 Pirie, Jack Francis
 Schillinger, Fred & Bertha
 Smith, Jodie, Frank & Ronnie
 Stapleton, Jack W. & Ruby R.
 Virginia Corbins & Family
 Weil Family
 White, Ruth

AVISOS PARA LA COMUNIDAD

AKRON INTERFAITH IMMIGRATION ADVOCATE – Una organización 5013 esta buscando voluntarios para acompañar a los inmigrantes durante el largo proceso de inmigración. Esto significa ir a la Corte, ICE, al Doctor o a otras actividades relacionadas. También necesitamos traductores. Para más información llame a Katty Ress al teléfono 234-738-0677 envíe un email interfaithimmigrationadvocates@gmail.com.

CONFIRMACIONES – Ya comenzaron las clases de Confirmación, la segunda clase será: el 27 de enero a las 7 pm en la iglesia de San Sebastián, habrá una sesión sobre “Teología del Cuerpo”, para padres y jóvenes. Llame a la oficina al 330-253-5161 ext. 15 de 9-5pm, para más información.

PRIMERA COMUNIÓN – La clase para los padres y niños será el 5 de enero, después de misa de 12. Por favor llamar al 330-253-5161 ext. 15 de 9-5pm. Recuerde que su niño tiene que estar registrado antes de venir a la clase de primera comunión. Los esperamos a papás y niños en el Salón Social.

PROYECTO RAÍCES – Es un programa para los niños de la Comunidad Latinoamericana de Akron, enfocado en incentivar la educación bilingüe, mantener la Cultura Hispana y promover su participación en eventos educativos y culturales. Proyecto Raíces invita a todos los niños de la comunidad para el 4 de enero de 10-1 pm. Para más información hable con Nancy 330-322-4452.

CAPACITAR FAMILIAS – Programa para las familias de nuestra comunidad, nos enseña a como meditar, como relajarse mediante el uso de técnicas de ejercicios. Información valiosa que se puede utilizar para cuando se está pasando por tiempos difíciles en el hogar. Enseñamos diferentes tipos de manualidades, recetas caseras, etc. La próxima reunión será el 28 de diciembre 3:30-6:30pm. en el Salon Histórico de San Bernardo. Más Información hable con Nancy 330-322-4452

CLASES DE PRE-BAUTIZO – Se les informa a todos los padres de familia que la próxima clase de pre-bautizo será el sábado 21 de diciembre a las 5:30 pm. En el Salón Histórico. Por favor hable con la Sra. Nancy después de misa o llame a la oficina para que se registre al 330-253-5161 ext. 15. De 9-5pm. Recuerde que para venir a la clase su niño/a tiene que estar registrado/a.

CONFESIONES – Tenemos confesiones los sábados de 3-4 pm. Confesiones en español cada otro sábado. Más información sobre las confesiones hable a la oficina los lunes 330-253-5161 ext. 15 de 9-5pm.

BAUTIZOS – Son los sábados a las 11 am, y también pueden ser el primer domingo de cada mes a la 1:30 pm. ó 2 pm., también pueden ser el segundo y cuarto domingo a las 2:30 pm. Recuerde que el padre Chris es muy flexible. Más información hable a la oficina los lunes al 330-253-5161 ext. 15 de 9-5 pm

ESTUDIO BIBLICO BILINGÜE – Todos están invitados al estudio Bíblico Bilingüe, el primer y tercer martes a las 7:00 pm en el Salón Histórico. Más información hablar con Any Martinez 330-671-5926.

ORACIONES POR LOS DIFUNTOS DE ESTE MES – Dolores Marín de Cabrera, que el señor le tenga en su gloria. Paz en su tumba