

### ST. BERNARD MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, June 7**

10:00 +Pete Karas  
 12:00 +Anita M. Urdiales & Family  
 8:00 The People of St. Bernard & St. Mary Parish

**Monday, June 8**

12:10 +Robert Topper Jr.

**Tuesday, June 9**

12:10 +James Schmidt

**Wednesday, June 10**

12:10 Intention of Elizabeth Fela

**Thursday, June 11**

12:10 +Jennie Ferrise

**Friday, June 12**

12:10 +Marilyn Fischer & Joan Marie Scherer

**Saturday, June 13**

4:30 Happy 56th Wedding Anniversary  
 +Ted & Genie Richardson

**Sunday, June 14**

10:00 No Special Intention  
 12:00 The People of St. Bernard & St. Mary Parish  
 8:00 +Harold O'Hare

### ST. MARY MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, June 7**

9:00 No Special Intention

**Sunday, June 14**

9:00 +Anthony Crookston

**Mass Readings for the Week**

**Tuesday:** 1 Kgs 17:7-16; Mt 5:13-16; Ps 4:2-8  
**Wednesday:** 1 Kgs 18:20-39; Mt 5:17-19; Ps 16:1-2, 4-5,8,11  
**Thursday:** Acts 11:21-26;13:1-3; Mt 5:20-26; Ps 98:1-6  
**Friday:** 1 Kgs 19:9,11-16; Mt 5:27-32; Ps 27:7-9, 13-14  
**Saturday:** 1 Kgs 19:19-21; Mt 5:33-37; Ps 16:1-2,5, 7-10  
**Sunday:** Dt 8:2-3, 14-16;1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58; Ps 147:12-15,19-20

**Sunday Offering**

	St. Bernard	St. Mary
May 31st	N/A	\$1,868.00

### PRAYER INTENTIONS

*Delores Abbott, Cora Christoff, Diane O'Connor, Pam Daer, Jeanne Dorka, Rosalia Duran, Terry Fercana, Olinda Frazier, Bob & Lee Freund, Ada Gelpi, Jorge Gomes, Patrick Grismer, David Kaminsky, Jamie Kapes, Bud Lundstrom, Brian Madia, John Madia, Marilyn Maximovich, Mary Ann May, Helen Oreskovich, Terrie Pfeil, Clara Jean Piscazzi, John Rienzi, Odalis Rodriguez, Joey Rundo, Heleyne Stephanie, Marcia Stuczynski, Charlotte & Tilman Thurman, Margaret Williams, Dave Wojcik.*



Monday, June 8th – 7:00 p.m.  
 VIA Zoom – We will be meeting with Fr. Sanson  
 Topic: Pope Francis – The Wounded Shepherd  
 Fellowship and Fabulous Discussion  
 for Adults 40 and Over

Join us for Fr. Bob Sanson's talk on Pope Francis, his background, and his journey as pope. Then delve a little deeper into his reflection on his role in the Catholic Church. And as the Vatican News states, "[his] brand of leadership: who this man is, how he is guiding the Church, what he is asking of us, and what does he see the Holy Spirit asking the Church."

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Do's and Dont's of Allyship

**THE DO'S**

- Do** be open to listening.
- Do** be aware of your implicit biases.
- Do** your research to learn more about the history of the struggle in which you are participating.
- Do** the inner work to figure out a way to acknowledge how you participate in oppressive systems.
- Do** the outer work and figure out how to change the oppressive systems.
- Do** amplify (online and when physically present) the voices of those without your privilege.
- Do** learn how to listen and accept criticism with grace, even if it's uncomfortable.

**THE DONT'S**

- Do not** expect to be taught or shown. Take it upon yourself to use the tools around you to learn and answer your questions.
- Do not** participate for the gold medal in the "Oppression Olympics" (you don't need to compare how your struggle is just as bad).
- Do not** behave as though you know best.
- Do not** take credit for the labor of those who are marginalized and did the work before you stepped into the picture.
- Do not** assume that every member of an underinvested group feels oppressed.

## PASTOR'S NOTE

Dear Parishioners:

This is the first pastor article back since Coronavirus! How exciting! I wish it were under better circumstances or that I was writing after the whole pandemic drew to a conclusion, but this is where we are now, and we are getting to where we need to go step by step. Unfortunately, we also have another pandemic going on; the hate pandemic! This one we can't address with masks, hand sanitizer and social distancing, however. This one can only be addressed through the conversion of the heart and the forgiveness of Jesus Christ. To help facilitate this, it is important to share with you a document that you can read in its entirety called "Open Wide Our Hearts." It is a pastoral response to racism published by the US Bishops in 2018 and is available in its entirety if you search online. It is only 32 pages and guides us as to how we might respond to racism as a people of faith. I read it closely this week, (it took 30 minutes,) and this week and next week I will highlight its major points.

1. The Title: The title is a challenge to welcome ongoing conversion from St. Katharine Drexel. St. Katharine Drexel is a US Saint, who by her death in 1955 had established: a religious order of 500; 63 schools for Native Americans; 50 Native American Missions; and 50 schools for African American students, including Xavier University of Louisiana, the first and only Catholic university specifically for African Americans. A lot of this was done with the inheritance she received from her parents, over 7 million dollars around 1900, \$180 million in today's currency. St. Katharine said, "If we wish to serve God and love our neighbor well, we must manifest our joy in the service we render to Him and them. Let us open wide our hearts. It is joy which invites us. Press forward and fear nothing." Talk about "perfect love casts out all fear (1 John 4:18)!" And in a world seeking joy in so many unsuccessful ways, could more of us look to a life of service to find it? That's where St. Katharine was able to find it and look how fruitful it was!

2. Hearing, with open hearts, tragic stories deeply imprinted on the lives of our brothers and sisters. There is a great PBS special called "The African Americans: Many Rivers to Cross" that I recommend you watch for some of this (thanks to the Grossman's of St. Mary School for recommending it to me). It is available on Amazon Prime or for ordering elsewhere. But I thought we could hear from Dee McCall who is a Black and Filipino American herself, a volunteer of 6 years with the St. Bernard Hunger Program and who works as our parishes' Administrative Assistant:

*We are living in nation of two tales, one of White America and the other of Black America and it's showing its truths all across the world. The world is hurting, especially the black community. There have been countless murders committed by the people who are paid to serve and protect. Many do well in this mission to "protect and serve." However, to certain communities they don't protect; they destroy.*

*Accountability is needed more than ever in this time; accountability within our households, our workspace, churches, and even our friendships. All lives can't matter until black lives matter. We as the people are encouraged to look at one another as though they are our family. However, are we truly looking at everyone as our family or are we "othering" to make the situation not hit close to home? This is a humanity issue! I ask that you truly review American history and identify how true change actually came about. It wasn't people sitting silently praying that other people would give them rights. In this time, conversations should be had on how you want to improve your community and its demographics, for yourself, your family, and for the future of society. I encourage everyone to research the treatment of Black Americans and also COINTELPRO to understand how over the year's leaders were killed and labeled as "terrorists." We are talking about generations of enduring hate and injustice. For us NOT to continue to have the same issues in this generation, please educate yourself well beyond just what is basically taught in school. There is so much more to the story!*

Love courageously! End all the forms treating people without dignity, of which racism is one.  
– Dee McCall and Father Chris.