

St. Bernard Catholic Church

3601 No. 65th Street Omaha, NE 68104

NOVEMBER 28, 2010

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



PARISH STAFF

(All Phone Numbers are Area Code 402)

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Readings for the Week of November 28, 2010

Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

Monday: Is 4:2-6/Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Mt 9:35---10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Is 11:1-10/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 8:00AM

Saturday: 5:00PM

Sunday: 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 12:00 Noon

ROSARY ONE HALF HOUR BEFORE EACH MASS

CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY: 3:30 to 4:30PM

Any time by appointment with a priest.

SACRAMENTS

INFANT BAPTISM: Pre-Baptismal Class First

Monday of the month.

MARRIAGE: Contact a Priest at least 6 months in advance.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK OR COMMUNION IN THE HOME: At any time by request.

To become a member of St. Bernard Parish or for more information on joining the Catholic Church, call the rectory at 551-0269.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10:00AM Preschool (Clairvaux)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29

6:30PM Cub Scouts (School)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30

7:00-10:00PM Eucharistic Adoration (Church)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1

6:30PM Religious Formation Classes (School)

7:00PM Parish Reconciliation Service (Church)

7:00PM RCIA (Clairvaux)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2

1:00PM Reconciliation Service with School Children (Church)

Girl Scouts - Juniors (School)

7:00PM Athletic Club (School)

7:30PM Choir Practice (Church)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3

9:15AM Sunday Scripture Study (Clairvaux)

4:30PM St. Bernard to serve at Francis House

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4

10:00AM Server Training in Church

5:00PM RCIA Rite of Welcome (Church)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5 - Second Sunday Of Advent

PANTRY SUNDAY

8:00AM St. Vincent de Paul Mass

10:00AM Preschool (Clairvaux)



Baptism classes are held the first Monday of the month at 7:30PM in the Clairvaux Center. Prior to attending the class all parents must register. Please call the rectory at 551-0269 for more information or to register.

CREW #3 will clean Church on Friday, December 3: Capt. Ceil Zuerlein, Theresa Clark, Mary Mello and Rita Hatcher.

Requests to have a parishioner prayed for in the Prayers of the Faithful must be called into the rectory (551-0269) by a family member no later than Thursday morning for that weekend's Masses.



**NO DONUT SUNDAY ON
DECEMBER 5th.
SEE YOU IN JANUARY.**

FRANCIS HOUSE: This Friday, December 3, St. Bernard parishioners will serve dinner to the needy at the Francis House. Micki Frost's Group is volunteering this month. If you would like to be added to our list of volunteers who serve meals at the Francis House on the first Friday of every month, please call Sue Keyser at 556-1548 as she organizes the volunteers for this ministry.

On **Wednesday December 8th**, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, the **National Day of Prayer for Life** will once again be uniting parishes in an effort to end abortion through Eucharistic Adoration and Prayers of Reparation. **Adoration will begin with Benediction at 1:00PM and will conclude with Benediction at 5:00PM.** We will pray the Rosary at the top of the hour. **To schedule your time, please call Rosanne at 571-2108 or email arcdjc620@q.com.**



NEXT SUNDAY IS PANTRY SUNDAY.

Please bring non-perishable food items and place them in the west entry of church. Envelopes are also available for your contributions.

****RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS****

We will celebrate First Reconciliation on Wednesday evening at 7:00PM. The entire Parish is invited to attend this Sacrament. God forgives each of us the minute we say that we are sorry, the Sacrament is the party that God gives to celebrate His forgiveness. The grace that flows at First Reconciliation is palpable and leaves all who attend with the wonderful feeling of being loved by God.



NOVEMBER 29 - DECEMBER 5, 2010

Monday, November 29
8:00AM Loretta Badura
Tuesday, November 30
8:00AM Karen Fus
Wednesday, December 1
8:10AM Pat Eckardt
Thursday, December 2
8:00AM Memorial Fund Members
Friday, December 3
8:00AM Peter Maguire
Saturday, December 4
5:00PM Parish Family
Sunday, December 5
8:00AM Betty Mittermeier
10:00AM Catherine Claven
12:00PM Patricia Griffith

RECENT FAITH EVENTS: Death: Matt Kammerer (Brother of Cece Houston).

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
CHRISTMAS GIVING PROGRAM 2010**

This year St. Bernard Parish and the St. Vincent de Paul Society will once again be helping hurting families in our area. The St. Vincent de Paul Society is asking for help with St. Bernard scrip, money or gift cards from nearby stores. Contributions should be put in specially marked St. Vincent de Paul envelopes which will be available at the doors of the church. They can be placed in the Sunday collection basket or brought to the rectory. The deadline for participating in the Christmas Giving Program will be December 21, however, any scrip purchased through the parish must be picked up at the school by December 17.

See below for Giving Program suggestions.

Purchase St. Bernard Scrip for:

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| Bag & Save | Shopko | Walmart |
| Bakers | Gordmans | Kohls |
| No Frills | Walgreens | Marshalls |
| | Sinclair | |

Other Suggestions:

Target Gift Cards
Omaha Transit Bus Tickets
Designated donation for MUD (keep furnace running)
Designated donation to OPPD (keep lights on)
Designated donation to SVDP (vouchers for furniture, clothing from St. Vincent de Paul Stores)

From your pastor,

During the past few months, the Parish Council has been discussing long range planning for the parish. Items we have discussed are the following:

1. The need to finish the last phase of the church renovation.
2. The need to pay off the rectory renovations.
3. Important improvements to update the school facilities and technology.
4. A new soccer field and playground area.
5. Up-grading the grounds around the school and the school entrance.

We have scheduled a town-hall meeting for January 16, 2011 starting at 1:30PM in the Church. Prayerfully consider attending and making your voice heard. This is your chance to voice your opinion. This meeting will help the Parish Council and me as pastor to decide on the possibility of a future capital campaign.

Sincerely yours,

Father Gerald Melchior

ORDER YOUR HOLIDAY SCRIP EARLY! Please remember to buy your holiday scrip early. Feel free to check out the website, www.glscrip.com to see what retailers are available. Some retailers are offering special discounts, so help us out even more by purchasing those gift cards. **The last order of the year will go in on Monday, December 13 at 9:00AM**, so please have your orders to the school office as soon as you can.

Gloves, Mittens and Hats Needed: Please join St. Bernard School in providing warmth to those who are cold! During Advent the school will be collecting new or used gloves, mittens and hats of all shapes and sizes! All donated items will be given to a local homeless shelter. Items to be donated can be brought to the school anytime during school hours from November 16 to December 17.

St. Bernard Girl Scouts conduct a coat drive! Our Girl Scouts will be collecting new or used winter coats. Coats of all shapes and sizes can be donated at school. The Girl Scouts will be collecting the coats from November 16 until December 1.



**ST. BERNARD
CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS**

CAFETERIA VOLUNTEERS for Nov. 29 - Dec. 3

- Monday: Bill Monahan
- Tuesday: Laretta Simon and Beth Yantzer
- Wednesday: Selena Wetzel and Angie VonDollen
- Thursday: David Bittner and Elaine Tyler
- Friday: LaNita Wood and Kersten Borer

****LITURGICAL ROLES****

Saturday 5:00PM (December 4): Deacon - T. McNeil; Lectors - S. Osterhaus, H. Peyton; EMHC - L. McNeil, K. Mohr, L. Mohr, L. Schrad, M. Schrad, J. Siebrandt; Servers - H. Barnes, A. Patterson, E. Palacio.

Sunday 8:00AM (December 5): Deacon - E. Osterhaus; Lectors - C. Kalkowski, M. Kalkowski; EMHC - R. Chrystal, P. Gehringer, G. Hrabovsky, G. Reding; Servers - C. Harms, L. Kalkowski, D. King.

Sunday 10:00AM: Deacon - P. Dreismeier; Lectors - D. Gross, C. Goodman; EMHC - M. Bodnar, D. Dreismeier, J. Frakes, S. Kilton, J. Lamoureux, M. Lamoureux; Servers - C. Castle, J. Whelan, S. Whelan.

Sunday 12:00PM: Deacon - D. Christensen; Lectors - B. Coffman, P. McNally; EMHC - L. Christensen, J. Coffman; Servers - M. Coffman, J. Thoms.

EMHC for Immanuel Hospital - December 1

G. Hrabovsky, A. Sullivan, B. Sullivan



VOICES OF CHRISTMAS

The St. Bernard Parish Choir will present their annual Christmas Concert on **December 19 at 7:30PM** in the Church. Reception following.

The Knights of Columbus at St. Bernard Parish is looking for a few good men wanting to get involved with our council to help St. Bernard Parish, School and community. If you think you would like to become a member of the Knights, call Jerry Siebrandt for more information at (402) 551-9758.

PARISH LIBRARY

Pope John Paul II said "It is not enough to discover Christ - you must bring Him to others!" The St. Bernard Parish Library committee is seeking volunteers (age 12 or older) to assist as we prepare books and materials for our new library, and to help for 10 to 20 minutes after a Mass to place returned materials back on the shelves.

We will be covering and processing books after Masses this Sunday. **If you would like to help, please join us for an hour or two in the Clairvaux Center. We will be there from 8:45AM - 2:00PM on November 28.**

If you would like to be part of a team that will meet monthly to process new or donated items, or if you would like to volunteer for 10 - 20 minutes after a weekend Mass, please call Margaret Nicolini at 544-1025 or the parish office at 551-0269.

INCOME LAST WEEK:

DUE TO THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY PRINTING SCHEDULE, THIS INFORMATION IS NOT AVAILABLE.