

St. Bernard Catholic Church

3601 No. 65th Street Omaha, NE 68104

January 2, 2011

The Epiphany of the Lord



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Readings for the Week of January 2, 2011

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22---4:6/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19---5:4/Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 3:22-30

Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17

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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, JANUARY 2 - Epiphany

PANTRY SUNDAY

DONUT SUNDAY (After 8:00 and 10:00AM Masses)

8:00AM Knights' Corporate Communion

10:00AM Preschool (Clairvaux)

2:00PM CFM Epiphany Party (Clairvaux)

MONDAY, JANUARY 3

NO SCHOOL - Teacher Workday

7:30PM Baptism Class (Clairvaux)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 4

SCHOOL RESUMES

7:00PM St. Vincent de Paul (Clairvaux)

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

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5

6:30PM Religious Formation Classes (School)

7:00PM RCIA (Clairvaux)

7:00PM Athletic Club (School)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6

Girl Scouts: Juniors

3:15PM Chess Club (School)

5:30PM School Recruiting & Retention Committee

7:30PM Choir Practice (Church)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7

9:15AM Sunday Scripture Study (Clairvaux)

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

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9

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, January 7: Capt. Ceil Zuerlein, Theresa Clark, Mary Mello and Rita Hatcher.



TODAY 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.



DONUT SUNDAY: Today's Donut Sunday is hosted by Social Justice, OTOC and Respect Life. Please come join us for some sweet treats and friendly conversation in the cafeteria after the 8:00 and 10:00AM Masses. We would like to extend a special invitation to all new members of St. Bernard Parish to join us. Hope to see you there!

FRANCIS HOUSE: This Friday, January 7, St. Bernard parishioners will serve dinner to the needy at the Francis House. Members of the Christian Family Movement (CFM) are 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.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS

Religious Formation classes resume on Wednesday, January 5th at 6:30PM. All families of our students are invited to attend the Event that will be held in the school cafeteria on the 5th. We will celebrate Christmas at this Event with some catechesis, a craft and fellowship. We ask that each family bring a dozen cookies and the Parish will provide a drink. Hope to see all of our families at the Event.



JANUARY 3 - 9, 2011

Monday, January 3
8:00AM Memorial Fund Members

Tuesday, January 4
8:00AM Gary Reding +

Wednesday, January 5
8:10AM Christine Gutowski +

Thursday, January 6
8:00AM Lillian Siedlik +

Friday, January 7
8:00AM Joe Pace +

Saturday, January 8
5:00PM John and Eva Weiss +

Sunday, January 9
8:00AM Parish Family
10:00AM Dorothy Dundis +
12:00PM Anthony Falcone +

RECENT FAITH EVENTS: Wedding: Rita Arnett and Paul Bixby. **Deaths:** Gerard "Jerry" O'Connell and Jack Parsons (Cousin of Andy Malcolm).

The **Seminary Collection** is next weekend, January 8 and 9. Your help in promoting vocations is important this week and throughout the year. Your continued prayers, sacrifices and financial support are appreciated. Please use the envelope included in your packet of envelopes.

TOWN-HALL MEETING!!!

How many times have you seen these words and thought "what is this about?" The Parish Council has been discussing long range planning for the parish. Items we have discussed are:

1. Capital Campaign to finish the last phase of the church renovation.
2. Pay off the rectory renovations.
3. Improvements to update the school and technology.
4. Establishing some type of financial vehicle to generate funds yearly to improve teacher's salaries.
5. Up-grading the grounds around the school.

We are seeking parish input to help plan the future. Embarking on this quest, we have scheduled a **Town-Hall Meeting for January 16, 2011 starting at 1:30PM in the Church.** Prayerfully consider attending and making your voices heard. This is your chance to help set the direction of our St. Bernard Parish Community!

PARISH COUNCIL

From your pastor,

On behalf of Fr. Sam Bandiera and myself, I would like to thank those in the parish who made special gifts to us this Christmas. Your cards, cookies, sweets, gift cards, and cash gifts are appreciated by each of us.

I am pleased to announce that the parish has exceeded it's annual Archbishop's Appeal goal of \$27,000.00. Thank you for your generosity.

May God bless you.

Fr. Gerald Melchior

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.

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME: The Church has changed and you may not know it! Has it been a while since you've been to church? Are you mad at the Church or God? Please give us - and yourself - another chance. Join us for informal sessions for nonpracticing Catholics. We would like to know your feelings and try to address your questions. The meetings will be held at 7:00PM in the Liturgy Office in the School building on six consecutive Thursday evenings beginning February 10, 2011. If any parishioner knows of someone who has left the Church and might be interested in being part of this program, please invite them to join us. If you have any questions in the meantime, please call Pat Malcolm at 639-3387.

HOLY NAME O-K (Older Kids) LUNCHEON will not be held in January and February.

Have a desire to help the less fortunate? Visit with a St. Vincent de Paul member to find various ways you can help. Call Grant Hrabovsky at 571-9587.



*ST. BERNARD
CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS*

CAFETERIA VOLUNTEERS for January 4 - 7:

Tuesday: Theresa Clark and Barb Fitzpatrick
 Wednesday: Selena Wetzal and Angie VonDollen
 Thursday: David Bittner and Elaine Tyler
 Friday: LaNita Wood and Kersten Borer

****LITURGICAL ROLES****

Saturday 5:00PM (January 8): Deacon - P. Dreismeier; Lectors - R. Pofahl, D. Respellers; EMHC - D. Dreismeier, P. Frampton, M. Queen, B. Redington, M. Valasek, C. Weiss; Servers - H. Barnes, C. Gehringer, M. Gehringer.

Sunday 8:00AM (January 9): Deacon - P. Dreismeier; Lectors - B. Dankert-Babb, E. Bailey; EMHC - A. Chamberlain, P. Chamberlain; Servers - N. Bekaert, N. Kelly.

Sunday 10:00AM: Deacon - T. McNeil; Lectors - D. Young, D. Young; EMHC - J. Lamoureux, M. Lamoureux, L. McNeil, K. Mohr, L. Mohr, T. Muetting; Servers - E. Snyder, A. Tomasello, J. Wood.

Sunday 12:00PM: Deacon - T. McNeil; Lectors - C. Stoller, J. Raleigh; EMHC - M. Sharp, N. Sharp; Servers - R. Stoller, T. Whitfield.

EMHC for Immanuel Hospital - January 5
 G. Hrabovsky, A. Sullivan

The Knights of Columbus at St. Bernard Parish are 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.

**HOSPITAL VISITATION BY
PRIESTS AND PARISH MINISTERS**

Due to recent federal privacy regulations (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act - HIPAA) and their implementation, health care institutions will no longer initiate notification of St. Bernard Parish for hospitalized parishioners. If you wish parish contact, we ask you or a family member to call the rectory at 551-0269. We also need to be informed if a parishioner moves, is transferred to a nursing home, retirement center, or becomes homebound and wishes to maintain contact with St. Bernard Parish.

INCOME LAST WEEK:

Sunday Collection for December 19, 2010	\$11,406.00
Our Budgeted Weekly Sunday Goal	\$9,000.00
Second Collection for Rectory Roof Repair (Dec. 19)....	\$577.00
Sunday Collection for December 26, 2010	\$12,128.00
Our Budgeted Weekly Sunday Goal	\$9,000.00
Second Collection for Rectory Roof Repair (Dec. 26)....	\$600.00
Christmas as of December 27, 2010	\$30,076.00