

January 13 2019

BAPTISM OF THE LORD



St. Bernard
Congregation
of Appleton

Welcome and inspire
all to share Christ's love
through faith and service.



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MASS:

SAT 4:30 pm
SUN 8:00 am/10:00 am
WED 8:00 am
FRI 8:00 am

PRIEST:

FR. AMAL ROCHE

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MUSINGS FROM THE DEACON CAVE

God was with Him

In our second reading today, the author gives a synopsis of how God sent Jesus into the world to do good, preach peace, and to heal. At the end of our reading, the author says, "For God was with him." The gospel reading reaffirms this when after Jesus is baptized, a voice from heaven says that, "You are beloved Son; With you I am well pleased." I think that it is easy for us to read these passages as a way of reaffirming our belief that Jesus is the Son of God, but there is something here that can be applied to all of us.

We need to remember that God is with us too! God is with us always, but I think that he is with us in a special way when we go about doing good, preaching peace, and healing. While it is true that not all of us have the gift of giving physical healing, we all have the ability to give emotional and spiritual healing to others through our words and actions. We can all certainly go about doing good and preaching peace!

One of the essential elements of being Christian is to try our best to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. There are many who find this an impossible example of how to live and they do not even try. There are others who do not even consider following Jesus because of the actions of those who claim they are Christians but do not follow his teachings. We need to remember that we are not called to be perfect, but only to share ourselves with others even in our incompleteness.

If we do good, preach peace, and bring healing to others as best we can, God indeed will be with us! Deacon Mike

PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

We ask St. Bernard Parish to pray for family and friends of

Patricia Sengstock

Betty O'Neil

..“Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
And let perpetual light shine upon them.

May their soul and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.”

BAPTISM

We Welcome Our Newly Baptized



Jordan Wilondja son of John & Elizabeth Wilondja

Eloise Hobbs daughter of Eric & Jennifer Hobbs

Mila Van Dera daughter of Jeremy & Amanda Van Dera

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 12

4:30 pm In Memory of
Stephen Nyarko

Sunday, January 13

8:00 am In Memory of
Orville & Yvette Martin
AND Members of St. Bernard

10:00 am In Memory of
Kenneth Fulcer

Wednesday, January 16

8:00 am In Memory of
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Lavering

Friday, January 18

8:00 am In Memory of
Sr. Jean Louise & Joan Olson

Saturday, January 19

4:30 pm In Memory of
David Mleziva

Sunday, January 20

8:00 am In Memory of
Marian Maas-Smiths

10:00 am In Memory of
Kenneth Fulcer

AND Members of St. Bernard

Notice to our Parishioners

Fr. Amal will be in India from
December 31, 2018 until
January 31, 2018.

St. Bernard will have 8:00 am Mass
on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and
Fridays.

If you have any funeral needs,
please contact Nadine Duncan at
our Parish Office at 739-0331.

SUN 13

7:30 am Rosary
8:00 am Mass
9:00 am Money Counter Mtg. Act. Ctr.
10:00 am Mass
10:00 am J.A.M.

MON 14

6:00 pm Footprints Sm. Grp.
Series Rm.
6:30 pm F.F. Rm. 109
Committee Mtg.

TUE 15

6:00 pm Parish Council Parish Hall

DID YOU KNOW

Dear Friends,

I just wanted to let you all know that I reached home safe in India. I would like to thank all of you for your thoughts and prayers for my safe trip. It is 85 degrees warmer during the day time and 67 or 68 degrees at night time. This is not a joke. I will come back with the sun tan in February!

Thanks again for your thoughts and prayers. See you all in February.

God Bless you all,
Fr. Amal.

Listening Session

Father Luke Ferris, from the Diocese of Green Bay, will be having a listening session at St. Bernard Parish in regard to the Priest Sexual Crisis. Please join Father Luke after the 10:00 Mass, Sunday, January 27.

Do You Shop At St. Patrick's Catholic Bookstore In The Northland Mall?

Did you know they will provide 10% of your purchase back to St. Bernard Parish Youth Program? All you have to do is mention St. Bernard Parish at the check-out. It is that simple!

Praying The Rosary

You are invited to join us before Mass, Saturdays, 4:00 pm and Sundays, 7:30 am.

Prayer Chain For Our Parish

If you would like to be added to our Prayer Chain, please contact Delaine at 734-0538

VOLUNTEER

Friends of Haiti Update

Last Sunday Father Don spoke passionately about his experience in Haiti. Closer to home, the Friends of Haiti have been serving the people of Haiti for the last 15 years by helping with medical missions, education, water, and agriculture development. St Bernard Social Justice Committee has been a partnering with them in supplying various health care products in our annual September donation and also by helping with pill packing for the past 8 years. We thank you for your ongoing generous support. Volunteers are needed for 2019 to join in serving the people of Haiti. Volunteers are needed to help in the two Medical/Dental Missions, nine Eye Surgery Missions, and two Surgery Missions. These Missions will take place throughout 2019. If you would like more information about the Friends of Haiti organization, please visit the website www.friendsofhaiti-gb.org. If you would like more information about the various missions, contact Jackie at jackieu@aol.com.

A Few Good Men

We need a few men to help with the Men's Social coming on January 26.

If interested in helping, please contact Deacon Mike at meash@stbernardappleton.org.

Coffee & Donuts Ministry Needs Your Help!

This fun ministry is seeking volunteers to serve Coffee & Donuts after 8:00 am or 10:00 am Mass on Sundays. Training is provided and monthly commitment is not necessary. Simply let us know what dates you would prefer to help out and we will figure out a schedule that works for you. This is a great ministry to do as a family or on your own to meet new people.

Contact Kara Main in our Parish Office at 739-0331 or email kmain@stbernardappleton.org



WED 16

8:00 am Mass
5:30 pm Discipleship Night
6:30 pm Adult Choir Music Rm.

THU 17

6:30 pm Bible Study Act. Ctr.
6:30 pm Handbells Music Rm.

FRI 18

8:00 am Mass

FORMED

How many of you have signed up for FORMED?

What have you read, seen or listened too?

Has it helped your faith? How?

We'd like to hear from you so we can have testimonials that fellow parishioners can read.

Please send your testimonials to Colleen in our Parish Office at CSargent@stbernardappleton.org or stop by our Parish Office and talk to Colleen.

P.S. People can remain anonymous if they wish.

- ▶ Go to www.formed.org
 - ▶ Enter Code XMJM3V into the Blue outlined box
 - ▶ Create your account-enter your name, email address, and your personal desired password
- You're all ready to access the inspiring and engaging content on **FORMED**

CARE MINISTRY

Are you looking for an adventure to make your New Year much more meaningful?

Volunteer now and join our Care Ministry team. You set your own schedule, meet new parishioners, make a difference in someone's life, all while being a disciple of Jesus. What more could you ask for?

A regional training session is set for **January 19**. Call Cathy in our Parish Office 739-0331 for more details or to register.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Please Note: The Financial Stewardship numbers reflect 3 Weeks through Friday, 1/11/19

Thru 1/11/2019	Wk 28	Fiscal YTD	Total
Env.	\$52,884	YTD Actual Env.	\$397,135
Budget Env.	\$16,226	YTD Budget Env.	\$454,340
		Env. Over/(Under)	(\$57,205)
Loose	\$4,241	YTD Loose	\$20,716
Budget Loose	\$698	YTD Budget Loose	\$19,547
		Loose Over/(Under)	(\$1,169)

Weekly Scrip Update: Scrip Sales \$17,840 Cost \$17,024 Rebate \$816

SAT 19

3:00 pm Reconciliation
 4:00 pm Rosary
 4:30 pm Mass

SUN 20

7:30 am Rosary
 8:00 am Mass
 10:00 am Mass
 10:00 am Youth Hosted Liturgy

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HAPPENINGS

Footprints of God Series Join us Monday nights in the small group room at 6:00 pm-7:30pm for *Footprints of God*. *Footprints of God: The Story of Salvation from Abraham to Augustine* is a documentary film series hosted by popular Catholic author, speaker, and apologist Steve Ray. Meet the people and see the places that shaped the salvation story through Scripture and Church history. It's a fast-paced, entertaining biography, travel documentary, Bible study, apologetics course, and Church history study rolled into one remarkable adventure! Reservations are not required but appreciated. If you would like more information, please call Colleen at our Parish Office at 739-0331. All are welcome!

Xavier Middle School Parent & Student Preview Night at St. Francis Xavier Middle School

Wednesday, January 16, 6:30 pm-8:00 pm in our Auditorium. Hope to see you there! For more information call Admissions at 735-9380 or Admissions@XavierCatholicSchools.org

Xavier High School Freshman Registration Nights

Join us at St. Francis Xavier High School, Monday, January 28 or Tuesday, January 29 at 7:00 pm to learn about the XHS curriculum and begin course selection. More information available from Admissions at 735-9380 or Admissions@XavierCatholicSchools.org

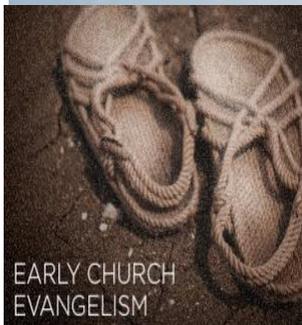
Men's Social-Save the Date-Men of St. Bernard, including High School and Middle School Youth

Save the Date-Saturday, January 26 after the 4:30 pm Mass for a Fun Social. Look for more information in upcoming bulletins.

Help Us Support Our Military Through Prayer

With recent military deployments, we invite our Faith Communities to help us show support for our Military Members, along with their families and friends. A special Mass will be held **at Holy Cross Parish, Kaukauna Thursday, January 24 at 6:30 pm** to pray for the safety and health of all military deployed throughout the world. It is also the time to show our families that remain home that we are praying for them. All are invited to attend this special Mass and to join us afterwards for a reception in the Holy Cross Narthex.

You Are Invited! Celebrate with us Saturday, January 26, 5:00 pm at the Fox Cities Exhibition Center, as we host Xavier Catholic School System's largest single-event fund-raiser. This is a formal dinner along with raffles, games, live and silent auction. We welcome volunteer/s, or participate in both. Tickets must be purchased in advanced at \$125 per person through January 17. For ticket registration or to sign up as a volunteer, visit XCS.ejoinme.org/Celebrate2019. We hope to see you there!



EARLY CHURCH
EVANGELISM

Monday, January 14 at 7:00 pm Xavier Fine Arts Theatre

"How did a ragtag band of nobodies become such a dominant force?"

George Weigel, "The Easter Effect" *The Wall Street Journal*, March 31, 2018

They were ridiculed, persecuted and even put to death. But they would not, *could not*, stop telling the world about Jesus of Nazareth. With their words, actions and lifestyles, Early Church members told their stories and, within a few centuries, nearly half of the Roman Empire was converted to Christianity.

What was it that allowed them to literally transform the world? Two millennia later-in another age of great hostility toward Christians-There's much we can learn from these trailblazers of the 1st-4th centuries.

Bonus Opportunity! As a follow-up to this program, Mike will offer a 3-session course on the men and women who shaped the Early Church (up to and including the Council of Nicaea in 325.) Mondays, January 21, February 11 and 25.

Sign up-email ciafmo@gmail.com

Mike Mauthe, Principal of Xavier High School, is a beloved educator and theology scholar who has a gift for making subjects engaging and relevant.

No Tickets needed/Free will offering encouraged/for details call 920-450-3025.

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presents:
Back on the
Road to Emmaus:
What the
Early Church
Can Teach Us**