

April 26 2020

3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER



**St. Bernard
Congregation
of Appleton**

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



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With that their eyes were opened
and they recognized him, but he
vanished from their sight. —Lk 24:31

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MASS TIMES

Mass will be live streamed
Sundays 10:00 am
Thursdays 8:00 am
The celebration of public Mass is
suspended until further notice.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 3:00 4:00 pm

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MUSINGS FROM THE DEACON CAVE

The Journey

I will have to admit I am longing for the day when our travel restrictions are lifted, and we are able to move about freely. With warm weather on the horizon the itch to get out and see some sights is only going to grow. It will be a great day when we can get in the car and go places and experience new things again. I had to postpone a trip to see my niece who recently moved to Florida due to the current situation, so I hope to get that rescheduled soon! Ah...to travel again!

In the second reading today, the author of 1 Peter uses a word similar to “travel” but maybe a little weightier. He uses the word “sojourning” to talk about our walk here on earth. It is a word that we should pay attention to because to sojourn means only to stay someplace temporarily. The impact of this word in terms of our faith is huge because it reminds us that our journey here on earth is not permanent...we are simply passing through.

To know that we are sojourners here on earth should allow us to have a prospective on life that others may not. We know that we will have times of great joy and also great sorrow. We know that sometimes life will be easy and other times it will be hard. No matter what, though, life is only a stop along the way. The resurrection of Jesus assures us that we have been ransomed from this life to a life beyond all imagination in his Kingdom.

So what do we do with this knowledge? Do we live our lives as if any of this matters or do we just “go with the flow” of what is popular at the time? Do we put our faith in Jesus that he really did die for us and rise from the dead or does our faith lie somewhere else? How do we mark our sojourn here on earth?

I'm tired of Googling how to get to the kitchen!

Deacon Mike



ASK YOUR PRIEST!



*Do you have a question you would like to ask
Father Jude?*

**Each week Father will post his response online
to 2 or 3 questions.**

Check facebook, flocknote or the webpage

Submit your questions to stbernardappleton@gmail.com

(names will be kept anonymous)

OUTREACH

Hearts and Open Doors: Welcome a Global Outreach Catholic Exchange Student

Hosting an exchange student is an amazing experience for you and for the exchange student. Xavier High School would like to welcome several of the new Global Outreach exchange students for the 2020-2021 academic year. Global Outreach is Catholic exchange program with a mission of building a civilization of love by forming young dynamic Catholic servant leaders for the 21st century. Placement of students becomes a reality when a household opens the door to their heart and home and says “yes” to hosting a student. Currently, 11 students are waiting for their “Good News! We have a host family for you” letter. The students are from Czech Republic, Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, Slovakia and Ukraine. Please contact Barbara, barbara.tota-boryczka@globaloutreachprogram.com (920) 540-3085 or Fr. Larry Seidl, lseidl1949@gmail.com (920) 412-0320 for further information. Here is more information on some of the fine young students who are waiting placement at a Wisconsin or Nebraska Catholic high school:

Michaela is 17 years old and lives in Kosice, the second largest city in Slovakia. She is a family-oriented person and loves spending holidays with her family members. She loves baking and cooking with her mother and grandmother. She is spontaneous, friendly, open and talkative. She wants to become a better person, friend and daughter of God. Michaela also likes traveling and looks forward to being a part of her host family’s church community.

Marek is 17 years old and lives in a small town near Brno, the second largest city in the Czech Republic. He is an outgoing and friendly person. Marek is musically oriented and plays the piano, organ and violin. He regards himself as an independent person who can take care of his personal needs such as cooking, laundry and groceries. His main sports are mountain climbing and hiking. He absolutely loves mountains and wandering in nature. In his parish, he leads an altar server group and helps people with summer camps.

FORMED

Novenas are such a beautiful prayer that you can recite together or by yourself. There are many to choose from but there is a new one in FORMED called *The Novena of Surrender to Jesus*. At this time in our lives, when things seem turned upside down, this one feels so appropriate.

Jesus says: “Do not be afraid, I will take care of things and you will bless my name by humbling yourself.” A thousand prayers cannot equal one single act of surrender, remember this well. There is no novena more effective than this: “O Jesus I surrender myself to you, take care of everything!”

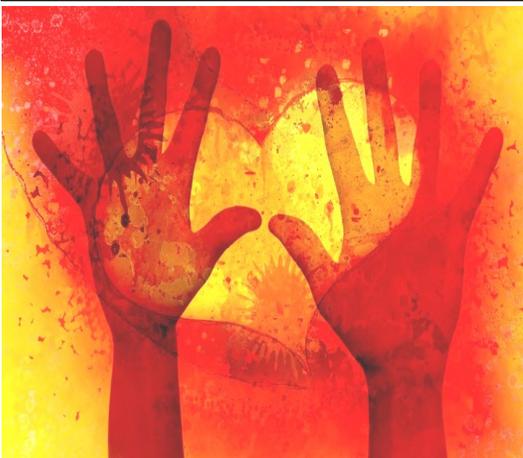
This is a novena that was produced by the *Abbot’s Circle and the Norbertine Fathers of St. Michael’s Abbey*, and presented by Father Charbel Grbavac, O. Praem.

This novena reminds us of our need to trust in the love, grace and mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

This is done by video with background music that is so very calming. Worry brings confusion whereas surrender brings peace and order. This is a 9 day Novena. Grow in true surrender to Jesus Christ.

Submitted weekly by a St. Bernard Parishioner

APPRECIATION



Thank you to our Volunteers

We would like to thank and recognize all the volunteers of our parish family. We are so blessed to have a community of many hands and caring hearts. We can not wait to see your face back in the pews and the halls of St. Bernard.

“The meaning of life is to find your gift.
The purpose of life is to give it away”.

Shakespeare

FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Outdoor Adoration-Saturdays, beginning April 25, 4:30 pm-5:00 pm
Blessing 5:00 pm (Weather permitting).

- We will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the back parking lot by Entrance (door) #1
- We ask you remain in your cars
- Please park facing the Blessed Sacrament. The Blessed Sacrament will be under the canopy and placed higher for all to see.



St. Bernard Parish Reconciliation

Father Jude will have Reconciliation on Saturdays, 3:00 pm-4:00 pm.

- Please use entrance in the back of the Church by the carport
- Confessions will be heard by Father Jude in our Parish Lounge
- Please wait in the Narthex
- We ask that you use social distancing while waiting. Markings will be on the floor
- Only 10 people at a time will be allowed to wait in the Narthex



PRAYER REQUESTS

For a friend's daughter who is a doctor in New York.
For her and all medical personnel safety and healthy.
For Albert and family during time of transition and adjustment
For Stanley, that he will be healed from his brain bleed
For Pa Nou and all elderly to be at peace staying home
For a quick end to this virus
For my family to get together
For a 1 month old grandchild with health problems at birth. May she continue to do well in God's loving care
For a friend who is experiencing trauma from a corneal implant
For a co-workers brother that is on a ventilator because of complications from the virus
For my daughters roommate diagnosed with the virus and my daughter that is ill
To stay healthy during these times
For strength, courage and protection for a home health care worker. For God to protect all from the coronavirus and other health issues.

For Don's psa numbers to stop going up or come down
For Gloria who died and her family
For a Special Intention
For the soul of my husband Richard, parents, Florence, Joe, Ann and Hank
For Mary Ann's health
For Tom's health and for those who love and care for him
For all those suffering from the virus
For my family, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren
For Sally who has health issues and needs many prayers.
Safe return to Appleton for John and Phyllis
For those in isolation and feeling lonely
Jamie's students in elementary school and all seniors
For a friend whose mother passed way
For a friend who has COVID-19

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“Special Thanks to E-Givers” St. Bernard Parish would like to thank the families who are currently giving electronically. Each month our Parish receives a steady and predictable stream of income from those donors who have made the commitment to give to God first by having a designated contribution automatically transferred to our Parish through our Online Giving Program. If you would like a link to WE Share please go to our website at www.stbernardappleton.org



St. Bernard Parish Bishop's Appeal

Goal \$52,268
Gifts \$45,436
Balance \$ 6,832

IT'S SAFE. IT'S SIMPLE. IT'S CONVENIENT.

Support our church today using your debit or credit card or checking or savings account. Click the link to get started.



Thank you for continuing to support our parish financially, as you are able. Sunday offerings are by far the largest portion of our financial support to St. Bernard Parish. We encourage you to give online or by mailing your Giving Envelope to our Parish Office (1617 West Pine Street, Appleton. WI 54914).

Weekly Giving 4/25/2020	Wk 42	Fiscal YTD	Total	Last FYTD
Env.	\$30,747	YTD Actual Env.	\$587,245	\$645,889
Budget Env.	\$16,538	YTD Budget Env.	\$694,615	
		Env. Over/(Under)	(\$107,370)	\$ 34,906
Loose		YTD Loose	\$ 22,917	
Budget Loose	\$ 712	YTD Budget Loose	\$ 29,885	
		Loose Over/(Under)	(\$ 6,968)	

PARISH COMMUNITY

YOU ARE THE CHURCH OF THE HOME..WE'RE HERE TO HELP!

During these challenging times, our prayers and hopes are needed to keep us focused on who we are as people of God at work, in your family. It is our goal to help you continue your faith journey, just click the "Church of the Home" link on our website for ideas and resources you can use at home.

- **Mass will be lived streamed** on Sundays 10:00 am and Thursdays 8:00 am. To access the live stream Mass, go to stbernardappleton.org/weekend-liturgies/
- **The live Masses** are available on Facebook. You do not need to have your own Facebook page. A video recording is also on St. Bernard Parish Appleton YouTube page

Rosary

Rosary with Father Jude on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 pm using Zoom. You can join Father Jude at <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/417600426> or call +312 626 6799. The meeting ID is: 417-600-426

Divine Mercy

Let us seal our doors at home with the image of Divine Mercy-Jesus, I trust in you. We have small blessed Divine Mercy images in our Parish Narthex. If you are at Church during the building hours (MWF, 11:00 am-1:00 pm), please feel free to take one of the images and place it on your front door. Here is the YouTube with detailed information <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ot3tVMXnOzI&feature=youtu>

- **PLEASE CHECK YOUR FLOCKNOTE EMAIL FREQUENTLY**

