

**AUGUST 28, 2011
ORDINARY TIME
22ND SUNDAY**

**"Whoever wishes to come after me
must deny himself, take up his cross
and follow me."**

THE READINGS:

Jeremiah 20:7-9. *The prophet is compelled to preach, even though it brings derision.*

Romans 12:1-2. *Do not conform yourselves to this age, but be transformed.*

Matthew 16:21-27. *Take up your cross and follow Jesus.*

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat.	Aug. 27	4PM	Manuel C. Nordeste
Sun.	Aug. 28	7AM	Our Parishioners
		8:30	Prayer for healing
		10:30	Maria L. Resendes & Leonora Resendes Raymond Aguiar – Month's Mind Thomas Roussel – Month's Mind
Mon.	Aug. 29	9AM	Adrien and Margaret Messier
Tue.	Aug. 30	9AM	Maria Leite & the Souls in Purgatory
Wed.	Aug. 31	9AM	Connie Bancroft-1 st Anniversary
Thu.	Sept. 1	9AM	Steven Botelho-Month's Mind
Sat.	Sept. 3	4PM	Albano Medeiros
Sun.	Sept. 4	7AM	Our Parishioners
		8:30	Luis Tavares
		10:30	Donald Racine-5 th Anniversary Joseph Camara Gerry DiChiara

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4PM	Bob Nogueira Joyce Viveiros Jeannine Conroy
7AM	Denise Branco Pat Canto
8:30	Corey Andrade Dawn Andrade Mike Andrade
10:30	Barret Castro Carol Levesque Paulette Martinville

LECTORS:

Sandi Sevigney
Linda Rodrigues
Linda DeMarco
Ernie Benoit

A EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS' SCHEDULING MEETING will be held on Thursday Sept. 8, 2011 at 6:30 pm in the Church Hall. We will be scheduling from 10/1/11 through the end of Feb 2012. Please plan on attending to insure you are included on the schedule.

ON SEPTEMBER 10 & 11TH we will begin singing the new acclamations during Mass. Bishop Coleman has granted permission to the churches as a way to transition into the upcoming changes. The spoken text will not change until the first Sunday of Advent. We are using Mass of Christ Our Savior by Dan Schutte. Those who heard it at the classes about the New Roman Missal were very receptive to it. It has a very sing able melody that I am positive you will pick it up easily. The music is able to be heard at www.ocp.org under New Roman Missal. Any questions - contact Denise at weavertaxi@hotmail.com or 508-636-1335.

THERE IS A VERY IMPORTANT JOINT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL AND FINANCE COUNCIL on Wednesday, August 31st at 6:30PM...members are asked to make every effort possible to attend this meeting.

DEADLINE FOR ALL SPONSORSHIPS AND MEMORIAL AD SUBMISSIONS FOR THE FESTIVAL BOOKLET IS SEPTEMBER 1, 2011!!! Please make checks payable to: ST. BERNARD FESTIVAL – Forms are available at the main entrance of church. Completed forms with payment should be returned in a sealed envelope to the church office or placed in the weekly collection. Thank you for your sponsorship! **FESTIVAL INFORMATION** may be sent to Linda DeMarco using a pdf file.

THE HARVEST FESTIVAL is looking for new items, gift certificates or services to be used for a Festival Auction. If you can donate an item or would like more information, please contact LINDA DEMARCO at 860-942-6740 or ldemarco@websterbank.com.

PARISHIONERS ARE ASKED TO PLEASE SIGN-UP to volunteer to work at this year's Harvest Festival.

THE HARVEST FESTIVAL COMMITTEE'S next meeting is Tuesday Aug 30, 2011 @ 6:30 PM. Committee members will be at each Mass selling tickets for our 50/50 Raffle. Volunteer sign-up sheets are available at the doors. **Reminder:** if you cannot sell both books of raffle tickets that were mailed to active envelope users, please return any unsold tickets to the church so that we may try to sell them during the festival.

DISCOVER ASSONET 5TH ANNUAL 5K ROAD RACE will take place Saturday, September 24 at 10AM. A new scenic course has been mapped out for this year's event. Early registration online or mail-in is \$20, Race Day \$22. Register online at www.racewire.com. T-shirt to the first 100 applicants, cash prizes awarded to top 3 men and women – walkers welcome! Refreshments included.

**HARVEST FESTIVAL VARIETY SHOW
CALLING ALL TALENTED YOUTH!!**

Do you have a friend or family member under 18 that has talent? The Harvest Festival is looking to showcase about a dozen youth acts for this year's Youth Variety Show. Please understand the following guidelines are necessary to participate:

- * Participants are under the age of 18
 - * Must have an act prepared by Saturday, Sept. 10th
 - * Attend a rehearsal at St. Bernard's a week prior to the festival (Date to be announced)
 - * Must be available the afternoon of Sat., September 24th
- Send contact (Name, email, phone #), talent and any additional time needed to setup/breakdown your act to Nancy Faria (email: nfaria1969@gmail.com or phone 508-536-5501) by Saturday, September 10th.



St. Bernard Church Harvest Festival –Sept. 23-25

St. Bernard Harvest Festival jump starts the weekend with a Youth Dance for children in grades 5-8 on Friday, Sept. 23rd from 7-10PM. Saturday, Sept. 24th (10AM-7PM) kicks off at 10AM with the Discover Assonet 5K Road Race – a new scenic route has been mapped out this year. At 1PM Radio Station Light 105 will be broadcasting live at our festival until 3PM. Sunday Sept. 25 festival runs from 9:30AM to 4:00PM - highlights will be delicious home-made still warm from the oven malassadas in the morning, and The Mike Moran Band will be our featured performance on center stage at 1PM. Delicious Food, Games for all ages, Inflatables, Entertainment, Vendors, Raffles, Gift Baskets, Silent Auction, Free Ice Cream and so much more throughout the weekend. And let us not forget all the pumpkins; we are certain you will fall in love with at least one of them and not be able to leave without it! Any questions, call 508-644-5585.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Wednesday, September 7, 5-7:30 pm

Saturday, September 10, 4-6 pm

Sunday, September 11, 8:00am - Noon

Sunday, September 18, 8:00am - Noon

If you are signing up a child for the first time and he or she was not baptized at St. Bernard, a copy of their Baptism certificate is required at the time of registration.

For students in our Confirmation program of grades 8 and 9,

There will be an important Informational and registration meeting held on Wednesday, September 14, at 6:00 pm in the church. At least 1 parent or guardian and the student need to attend. Parents can register their other children who may be in a different grade during this session. An overview of the Confirmation program, requirements, retreat and fees will be covered. Post cards will be mailed out with registration dates and fee information as a reminder.

SCHEDULE OF CCD CLASSES FOR 2011-2012

WEEKLY CLASS SCHEDULE: (SELECT ONE)

Sundays: 9:20 - 10:20AM Grades 2, 3, 7 & 8
10:30 - 11:30AM Grade 1 (monthly)
11:20AM - 12:20PM Grades 4, 5, 6 & 9

Tuesdays: 5:00 - 6:00PM Grades 5, 6, 7
6:15 - 7:15PM Grade 8

Wednesdays: 5:00 - 6:00PM Grades 2, 3, 4
6:15 - 7:15PM Grade 9

STUDENTS IN GRADES 3-7, who are unable to attend class for any reason, have the option of Home Study. Details will be provided at registration time.

CLASSES FOR GRADES 2-9 are scheduled to begin on Tuesday, October 11, 2011.

GRADE ONE classes begin Sunday, October 30, 2011 with the 10:30 Mass.

CALLING ALL TEACHERS: We have always been blessed with many volunteers who give up their precious time to teach the children of St. Bernard. Last year's teachers have been notified and are already responding to join us for another year. We are always looking for new teachers and this year is no exception. If you are interested and would like to teach, call the CCD Office at 508-644-2032 and leave a

message or email: Stbernardreled@rectory.comcastbiz.net. All teachers will be required to complete a CORI (background check) required by the diocese.

THE 30 WEEK CLUB GRAND FINALE IS ALMOST HERE...

\$3750 in Cash Prizes

Sunday Sept. 4, 2011 after 10:30 Mass in the Church Hall

coffee and donuts will be served

five - \$100.00 prizes

one - \$500.00

one - \$750.00

Grand Prize - \$2000.00

CATECHISM - SACRAMENTS STUDY: A group of parishioners meet on Monday mornings after the 9:00AM Mass for about an hour. Why not consider joining us? If you have any questions, please contact Paul Levesque at 508-644-2046; email paul.levesque@comcast.net.

THE MARY CANDLE is lit for the month of August in memory of DORIS ST. PIERRE. Please remember her in your prayers.

PARISH EMAIL LIST: Special announcements and activities are sent out thru email to those on our Parish email List. Please send your email to stbernardassonet@aol.com to be included. No names are necessary, it is strictly email.

SUPPER COMMITTEE MEETING is scheduled for Monday August 29, 2011 at 6:30 pm in the church hall. For info please contact Paul Levesque email: paul.levesque@comcast.net or call 508-644-2046.

TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF 9-11-2001

Sunday, September 11th marks the 10th Anniversary of the attacks on the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and in the State of Pennsylvania. Our Parish will host an Ecumenical Prayer Service that evening at 7PM. All are invited to come to this service to pray for Peace. I extend a special invitation to those who are members of the Armed Forces, Police and Fire Departments from our various communities and branches of the military to be present in uniform.

FINANCIAL REPORT: The regular collection last week was \$3,001.80 with 204 budget envelopes used. \$165 was given for the Church Mortgage, \$200 for Building & Maintenance and \$200 for Utilities. \$1,141 was given for the Mission Cooperative Plan. We are very grateful for your generosity.

THE SECOND COLLECTION TODAY is for the Parish Emergency Fund.

THE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP meets on the last Tuesday of each month in the Parish Library at 6:30PM. They meet this coming Tuesday, August 30.

BEGINNING SEPT. 10/11 Church bulletins will be handed out at the end of Mass in the hope that they will go home with each family and not be left behind in the pews.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be held on Monday and Wednesday this week from 9AM-12 Noon in the Prayer Chapel.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, Sept. 12 at 6:30PM.

THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY meets Monday, Sept. 12 at 6PM in the Parish Library.