

January 30, 2011  
**ORDINARY TIME**  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

*"Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they shall be called the  
children of God."*

**THE READINGS:**

**Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13.** Seek the Lord, you humble.  
**1 Corinthians 1:26-31.** God chooses the weak, the lowly.  
**Matthew 5:1-12.** Blessed are the poor...

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

Sat. Jan. 29 4PM Leo Conroy & John Albernaz  
Sun. Jan. 30 8:30 Joao & Rosa Chaves  
10:30 Brian Oliveira – Month's Mind  
Mon. Jan. 31 9AM Brian McElroy  
Tue. Feb. 1 9AM Intention at the discretion of priest  
Wed. Feb. 2 9AM Rita & Vincent Powell  
Thu. Feb. 3 9AM Blanche Jussame  
Sat. Feb. 5 4PM Dorothy Dias  
Helen Gula – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
Sun. Feb. 6 8:30 Luis Tavares  
10:30 Malvina Turcotte

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**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

4PM Bob Viveiros  
Joyce Viveiros  
Jeannine Conroy  
8:30 Julia Morris  
Walter Buote  
Dennis Morris  
10:30 Barret Castro  
Paulette Martinville  
Susan Plonka

**LECTORS:**

Andy DiGiammo  
Linda Rodrigues  
Chris Plonka

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**BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY PROGRAM** will present an evening of Discussion and Prayer on Grieving on Sunday evening, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM in the Church (WEATHER PERMITTING). Deacon Peter Cote who is chaplain at Catholic Memorial Home will be our presenter and give a talk on the overview of Grief, and how we can be a Spiritual Presence to the dying. The evening will conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. This program is open to all who wish to come. If the weather is bad, please call or check the website or email messages if you are on our email list or a voicemail message will be left on the CCD line before coming out.

**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE** is lit for the month of January in memory of PAUL A. PELLETIER. **THE SANCTUARY CANDLE** is lit for the month of February for DORIS ST. PIERRE.

**THE MARY CANDLE** is lit for the month of January in memory of DORIS ST. PIERRE. **THE MARY CANDLE** is lit for the month of February for GLORIA & VICTOR DITULLIO. Please remember them in your prayers.

**IN YOUR PRAYERS** please remember KRISTEN CANTO who passed away last week. Although not a parishioner, her in-laws are very active parishioners here at St. Bernard. We offer our prayers and sympathies to her family. May Kristen now share in the promise of Eternal life.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Adoration will be held as usual Monday and Wednesday from 9AM to 12 noon.

**ALTAR SERVER INSTALLATION** – Congratulations to NATHAN CLOUTIER who will be installed as an altar server this Sunday at the 10:30AM Mass. Nathan joins his brother Ronald in serving Mass.



**BAKED HAM DINNER**

Mark your calendars and buy your tickets early for this one! Saturday, February 19, 2011. Dinner served at 5:00PM in the church hall. Menu: Baked ham with pineapple, parsley potatoes, carrots with brown sugar, applesauce, salad bar, bread pudding with whipped cream. All this only \$12 for adults and \$6 for children under 10 years of age. Tickets will be sold after all Masses or until they sell out.

**LESS THAN ONE WEEK TO REGISTER**

**30 WEEK CLUB**

**STARTS FEB. 1, 2011**

**Welcome parishioners, family and friends!**

The 30 Week Club is starting our final drive for members in our last big push to help pay off the Church Mortgage this year! The 30 Week Club will be starting February 1, 2011 and all are welcome. The dues are \$3.00 per week beginning the first week of February and ending August 27, 2011 a total of \$90.00. There are \$100 prizes drawn weekly plus Grand Prizes drawn at the conclusion of the club. Once registered you will be assigned a captain who will be your contact person and the person you pay your dues to. If you have any questions, please call JEFF DEMARCO at 508-880-3146. Please use the form below to register as a member. We ask you to please fill out one form for each \$90 membership.

**30 WEEK CLUB MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
New Member \_\_\_\_\_  
Member from Last Year \_\_\_\_\_

**UPDATED: Reminder – Daily Mass and Snowstorms:**

When we have a storm it takes time to get the lot and walkways cleared. Through the winter months when we have a measurable snow storm or icy conditions, I ask that you check the website [www.stbernardassonet.org](http://www.stbernardassonet.org). If you are on our email list check your email or you can call the rectory to check the status of daily Mass before venturing out. If school is postponed in Freetown...Mass will be cancelled as well and the intention for the Mass will be rescheduled as soon as possible. This is for everyone's safety.

### **THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

is looking for donations for this year's Dinner Dance and Auction scheduled for Sat. March 19<sup>th</sup> at Whites in Westport. Tickets are \$25.00 per person. Anyone with a gift card or a gift that they would like to donate to the auction is asked to see Bill Morin or Marlene Correia. Please donate new items only. If you are a business owner and would like to donate a gift or service or gift certificate, that would be most welcome. Tickets to the dinner will be on sale starting next week after the Masses.

**NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS** –There is a great need in the Greater Fall River area served by St. Anne's Food Pantry for non-perishable food items. We thank those who continue to bring these items to our church for this purpose. St. Anne's serves over 200 families every week. Items can be left at the entrances of the church...they are picked up weekly.

**ADULT CONFIRMATION:** For any adult age 18 and over who has not received the Sacrament of Confirmation and would like to do so, the Office of Faith Formation has scheduled classes at all the Diocesan High Schools. If you are interested, please call Fr. Mike at the rectory and he will give you the information on registration which is required. The classes are free of charge. If the class times are not convenient, Fr. Mike will set up some instruction time with candidates. **Please remember one of the requirements for being a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation is that you have received the Sacrament of Confirmation.**

**RCIA – otherwise known as the Rite of Christian Initiation** – These classes are for those adults who may need all three sacrament of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, or just Confirmation and Eucharist, which can be administered by Fr. Mike during the Easter Season. We are now accepting candidates for instruction during the Lenten Season. Please call the rectory for more information.

**FIRST PENANCE RETREAT DATE AND SACRAMENT:** Congratulations to our 2<sup>nd</sup> graders who received the Sacrament of Penance for the very first time today (Saturday). Please pray for them as they prepare to receive First Holy Communion in the spring.

**BLESSING OF THROATS:** The blessing of throats in honor of the Feast of St. Blaise will take place after the 9AM Mass this coming Thursday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, the actual feast day, and after all Masses next weekend.

**PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT:** The regular collection last weekend was \$3,446.26 with 237 budget envelopes used. \$16 was given towards the church mortgage, \$10 for building & maintenance and \$1,096 for the Parish Emergency Fund.

**THE SECOND COLLECTION TODAY** is for the parish Emergency Fund although there were no envelopes in the packet.

**CONFIRMATION RETREAT ALL 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE STUDENTS** in our Confirmation program are required to attend a retreat which is scheduled for Saturday, February 5, 2011. The retreat is being held at the Miramar Retreat Center in Duxbury. The retreat is a full day and attendance is mandatory for Confirmation. Transportation will be provided. The students

are asked to meet at the church by 7:30AM and will be leaving from St. Bernard Church parking lot by bus at approximately 8AM. Expected return time is approximately 3:15PM. Lunch will be provided at the center. The retreat is a wonderful day for students to reflect on the meaning of Confirmation and their reasons for choosing to be confirmed. Having the retreat off site lends itself to a more enjoyable day, but it also gets costly. We are asking each family to contribute \$50 towards the retreat experience for your child. This fee will cover the cost of the bus, the center's services, the retreat leader, the lunch, etc. Any questions, call Brian or Marlene Correia 508-644-2032.

**ONE OF OUR YOUNG PARISHIONERS** has been recently diagnosed with leukemia. Ethan Bairos, grade one, was diagnosed on January 4<sup>th</sup> 2011. He is currently at Children's Hospital in Boston and is expected to be there for about a month. He loves to receive mail. With this in mind, it is our hope that many parish families will take the time to visit him, or send Ethan a get-well card or visit his community page on Facebook.com called Prayers 4 Ethan. Cards may be sent to: Ethan Bairos, Children's Hospital, 6 North Room 632, 300 Longwood Ave., Boston, MA 02115 - Or you may drop cards into the collection basket on weekends and we will see that he gets them. Please keep Ethan and his family in your prayers. We've had a wonderful response so far from many parish families.

**KIDS WHO COOK** will meet Thursday, February 3.

**AGAIN THIS YEAR** one of our parishioner (IRS trained) has offered to help seniors or low income families file their taxes for free. A donation to St. Bernard parish is optional. Call the Church Office 508-644-5585 if you wish to set up an appointment. Mondays and Fridays are preferable, but he will try to accommodate other times by appointment.

**REQUEST FOR SUPPORT:** Project H.O.P.E. Spring Break Service Project at Stonehill College encourages students to experience and challenge themselves to grow in their love of God and neighbor by rebuilding houses, performing landscaping work, etc in the communities of Louisiana, California and West Virginia March 12-20 2011. The fundraising goal is to raise \$3,000 and look to our parish for support in their endeavors. Prayers and financial assistance would be most gratefully appreciated by parishioner Molly McCabe and fellow classmates, Randy Jose of Assonet and Ali Racine of Lakeville. Gift on line: [www.stonehill.edu](http://www.stonehill.edu) click Giving to Stonehill and put H.O.P.E. in the gift designation box; by phone 508-565-1341, or mail to Stonehill College, Office of Development, 320 Washington St., Easton, MA 02357-6242...make sure you indicate "H.O.P.E." on the memo line. See the students' stories of HOPE on our bulletin board at the main entrance to church.

### **MALASSADA BREAKFAST- NEXT SUNDAY FEB. 6TH** **THE EARLY RISERS WILL BE IN THE KITCHEN –**

Pre-order Malassadas today or call 508-644-5867.  
\$1.50 each, \$7.00 for ½ dz., or \$12 a dozen  
Breakfast Sandwiches also available on croissants  
or whole wheat buns – Egg & cheese \$2.00 each  
or add ham, bacon or sausage for only \$2.50 each

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Malassadas \_\_\_\_\_  
# & Type of sandwich \_\_\_\_\_  
Time you will pick up your order \_\_\_\_\_