

**"Which of the two
did the will of his father?"**

**September 25, 2011
ORDINARY TIME
26TH SUNDAY**

THE READINGS:

Ezekiel 18:25-28. Turn away from evil and live.
Philippians 2:1-11. Have the same attitude as Christ.
Matthew 21:28-32. Those who first say "No", but then do the will of God, are saved.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat.	Sept. 24	4PM	Doris St. Pierre
Sun.	Sept. 25	8:30	Amanda Oliveira
		10:30	Pray for healing Manuel Silva
Mon.	Sept. 26	9AM	Intention at the discretion of priest
Tue.	Sept. 27	9AM	Maria Leite & the Souls in Purgatory
Wed.	Sept. 28	9AM	Intention at the discretion of priest
Thu.	Sept. 29	9AM	Alvaro Silva
Sat.	Oct. 1	2PM	Wedding: Jamie Lane & Manuel Costa
		4PM	Pray for healing
Sun.	Oct. 2	8:30	Luis Tavares Charles Rock
		10:30	John St. Pierre

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4PM	Claudette Laffan Denise Branco Sandi Sevigney
8:30	Bob Adams Mark Mello Pat Canto
10:30	Barret Castro Sharyn Fitzgerald Susan Plonka

LECTORS:

Paulette Martinville
Janine Perry
Ernie Benoit

IN YOUR PRAYERS, please remember NATHAN MARTIN who's funeral Mass was celebrated here on Wednesday. We extend our prayers and sympathy to his family. May Nathan now share the promise of eternal life.

THE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP meets Tuesday September 27th in the parish library at 6:30PM. You are encouraged to take advantage of this healing process if you are still struggling with the loss of a loved one.



ITALIAN NIGHT AT ST. BERNARD

Mark your calendars and buy your tickets early for this one, it's always a sell out! **Saturday, October 15th 5:00PM**

Menu: Salad Bar, Italian Wedding Soup,

Lasagna, Chicken Parmigiana, rolls and butter, dipping oil, beverage and a special Italian dessert! 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.

WE NEED HELP TO STRIP THE FLOOR IN THE CHURCH HALL on October 1st. If there is someone willing to help we will pay \$15 per hour for your services (approximately 8 hrs.); call Sue in the Church Office ASAP 508-644-5585.



ST. BERNARD CHURCH HARVEST FESTIVAL

Saturday, Sept. 24th (10AM-7PM)

5PM Dennis the Magician
5:30 Don Wilson – Songwriter, musician
Performs inspirational original music
on acoustic guitar

7PM Karaoke

Sunday Sept. 25 festival runs from 9:30AM to 4:00PM

9:30AM Warm malassadas in the morning

1PM The Mike Moran Band

3PM Raffles, Silent Auction

DELICIOUS FOOD AVAILABLE ALL WEEKEND:

Chourico subs, Italian Sausage Subs, Meatball Subs, cheeseburgers, veggie burgers, hot dogs, stuffed quahogs, clam chowder, stuffed cabbage and French fries...all at very reasonable prices!

ACTIVITIES:

Games for all ages, Inflatable's, Vendors, Raffles, Gift Baskets, Baked Goods, Silent Auction, Free Ice Cream and so much more throughout the weekend.

PUMPKINS!!!

With thousands of pumpkins displayed on the festival grounds, we are certain you will fall in love with at least one of them and not be able to leave without it!

FESTIVAL PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Please note the following festival parking restrictions starting at 7am on Sat, Sep 24 and ending at 3pm on Sun, Sep 25.

- South side on High St
- West side of South Main between church exit and entrance

A grass parking lot is available on High St about 280 yards from the church. Handicap parking for 7 spaces is available near the church garage.

PUMPKIN PATCH SCHOOL VISITORS:

38 students from Headstart will visit on Tuesday, October 4th. On Thursday October 6th, 81 children from Holy Family-Holy Name School in New Bedford head for our Pumpkin Patch. They stay for a couple of hours and play pumpkin themed games and have a really great time! We could use a few more adults who are available weekday mornings between 9:30 and noon on any Tuesday or Thursdays in October or possibly some Wednesdays, please consider helping us out. The majority of the activities are in the parking lot, unless the weather is bad and we have to move inside. Please contact Carol Levesque at carol.levesque@comcast.net or 508-965-9832. This activity really helps to move pumpkins off the lot and increases our pumpkin profitability tremendously. The more hands we have, the better!!

MOHEGAN TRIP - SUNDAY, NOV. 20, 2011- It's time for our annual holiday excursion to Mohegan Sun! Please arrive no later than 7:30 to get checked in and settled on the bus which leaves St Bernard's parking lot at 8 AM and head to Mohegan.) Our package includes two \$10 food vouchers good at any of their restaurants, and \$20 gambling voucher. We depart the casino at 2:30PM and head to Mystic Village where we will attend the Cornerstone Theatre's live show, **Holiday Cabaret!** A light snack will be provided for the ride back to St Bernard's, arriving by 7:30PM. This is always a great time and the seats fill up quickly so don't hesitate to reserve your spot! The entire package is \$65 / person, which is the same as last year. Contact Carol Levesque for reservations at carol.levesque@comcast.net or call: 508-965-9832. Full payment is due by October 9th.

THE KIDS WHO COOK PROGRAM is going to resume Oct. 6th at 6:00 pm. There are only a few openings as most of the children are planning to return. For more information call Denise @508 763-8649.

FINANCIAL REPORT: The regular collection last week was \$3,008.87 with 220 budget envelopes used. \$130 was given for the mortgage, \$45 for Building & Maintenance and \$80 for Utilities. \$931 was donated to help with the Religious Education program.

THE SECOND COLLECTION TODAY is for the Cardinal Medeiros Residence.

THE SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK is for Utilities and Building & Maintenance donations.

MASS CITIZENS FOR LIFE'S 2011 RESPECT LIFE WALK TO AID MOTHERS AND CHILDREN will be held on Sunday, Oct 2 at the Parkman Bandstand in Boston Common. (near the corner of Tremont and Boylston St.) Registration and Pre-walk celebration are at 1:30 and WALK at 2:30. For more information call Jane at 508 269-7097. A bus will be available.

OUR YOUTH CHOIR will resume singing once a month at the 10:30 Mass. Children who have received their First Communion are encouraged to join. Any interested child should come up to the choir loft and speak to Denise Weaver or contact her at 508-636-1335 or at weavertaxi@hotmail.com with any questions.

NEW MASS TRANSLATION PAMPHLETS are located in the information area at the South entrance of the church.

NEW WORDS, SAME MASS: EXAMINING THE NEW ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF THE MASS – Why a new translation? Which prayers are changing? How will it affect our celebration of the Mass? Join us as we look at the new English Translation of the Mass which will be implemented on the First Sunday of Advent, November 27th. The presentation will be given by Rev. Msgr. Stephen Avila, Director of the Office for Worship of the Fall River Diocese and Pastor of St. Mary's Parish in Mansfield. His presentation will be held on Tuesday, October 11th at 6:30PM at Holy Trinity Parish in Fall River. All are most welcome.

LOOKING AHEAD WITH GREAT ANTICIPATION TO PAYING OFF THE CHURCH MORTGAGE we are planning

a celebration to burn the church mortgage! Already Bishop Coleman has agreed to be the celebrant of the 4PM Mass on January 7th, 2012. Dinner will follow at White's of Westport. This once in lifetime event, and for this year only, will take the place of our Annual Volunteer Appreciation Night which usually takes place at the Fall River Lodge of Elks each January. Invitations will go in the mail in December to those parishioners who have responded generously to the plea for an **extra-effort** in paying off the church mortgage. Tickets will be issued for the dinner after RSVP's are received.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

General Registration is over. All children in grades 1-9 should register for religious education classes, including those children attending Catholic Schools in Grades 2 and 9. If you have not already registered your child (children) for classes you should come to the church on the first scheduled day of class. If there is still room on that day, you may register your child at that time and pay your registration fee. A pre-requisite for having your child in our CCD program is that you are a registered parishioner here at St. Bernard Parish.

Weekday CLASSES are scheduled to begin the week of October 11th.

Sunday CLASSES are scheduled to begin on October 16th.

GRADE ONE classes begin Sunday, Oct. 30th.

TEACHERS NEEDED – for grade 6 on Sunday from 11:20-12:20, Grade 5 and grade 7 on Tuesdays from 5-6 and grade 2 on Wednesdays from 5-6. If you are interested in teaching, please call the office at 508-644-2032 or send us an email at Stbernardreled@rectory.comcastbiz.net. All teachers will be required to complete a CORI (background check) required by the diocese.

A TEACHERS' MEETING will be held Wednesday, Sept. 28 at 6PM. Please make every effort to attend this important meeting.

COMMISSIONING OF TEACHERS will take place on Sunday, October 2nd at the 10:30AM Mass.

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

CORI TRAINING - On Wednesday, October 5 at 6:00pm, there will be a CORI Training session for anyone who is required to be CORI'd and has not attended the required training. The training will last about 1 hour and a photo ID is required. Also, all parishioners who were CORI'd last year will be required to submit another form for the period of October 2011 through October 2012. Training does not have to be repeated. Any questions? Email stbernardreled@rectory.comcastbiz.net.

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

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE is lit for the month of September in memory of DORIS ST. PIERRE.

THE MARY CANDLE is lit for the month of September in memory of ARTHUR DUCHARME. Please remember them in your prayers.