

**SEPTEMBER 4, 2011
ORDINARY TIME
23RD SUNDAY**

*"If he listens to you, you have won
over your brother."*

THE READINGS:

Ezekiel 33:7-9. *Our responsibility to correct others.*
Romans 13:8-10. *Love fulfills the law.*
Matthew 18:15-20. *The rules of confrontation.*

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat.	Sept. 3	4PM	Albano Medeiros
Sun.	Sept. 4	7AM	Our Parishioners
		8:30	Luis Tavares
			Donald Racine-5 th Anniversary
		10:30	Joseph Camara
			Gerry DiChiara-10 th Anniversary
Mon.	Sept. 5	9AM	Rita & Vincent Powell
Tue.	Sept. 6	9AM	Intention at the discretion of priest
Wed.	Sept. 7	9AM	Robert Medeiros
Thu.	Sept. 8	9AM	Intention at the discretion of priest
Fri.	Sept. 9	4PM	Wedding: Milton Feijo & Pamela Sardinha
Sat.	Sept. 10	2PM	Wedding: Christian Arreaga & Jerrriann Torres
		4PM	Robert Johnson – 9 th Anniversary Leo Coppinger – 5 th Anniversary Jeanne Robert
Sun.	Sept. 11	8:30	Victims of 9/11/01
		10:30	Victims of 9/11/01 Rev. Terrance Keenan-1 st Anniversary

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4PM Sandi Sevigney
Bob Viveiros
Joyce Viveiros

7AM Denise Branco
Claudette Laffan
Jeff DeMarco

8:30 Mark Mello
Walter Buote
Pat Canto

10:30 Susan Plonka
Carol Levesque
Paulette Martinville

LECTORS:

Andy DiGiammo

Linda DeMarco

Carolyn Reilly

Ernie Benoit

HOUSE PAINTING HELP REQUESTED! On Tuesday, Sept. 6th, Bob Adams and Larry Thomas will be continuing a project on the exterior of the home of parishioner and fellow bowler, John St. Pierre who passed away recently. They are completing the sanding and scraping but will need help to prime and paint. If you can help with this project, please contact Bob at 508-644-2491 or Larry at 508-524-1719. They will contact you when they establish a date for the "painting party"; with enough help, it could be completed in a couple of days. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: Bishop George Coleman will celebrate a special Mass of Thanksgiving for couples observing significant wedding anniversaries (including first year) during 2011. This celebration will take place on Sunday, September 18th at 2PM at St. Julie Billiard

Church in North Dartmouth. If you would like an invitation please let Fr. Mike know as soon as possible.

A EUCHARISTIC 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.

The Festival Committee is extending acceptance of ads/memorials for the booklet till Monday Sept 5th due to Tropical Storm Irene.

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 Sept. 6, 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:** 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. 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.

VARIETY SHOW- CALLING ALL TALENTED YOUTH!!
 The Harvest Festival is looking to showcase about a dozen youth acts (ages under 18) 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.

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



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

St. Bernard Harvest Festival jump starts the weekend on Friday, Sept. 23rd from 7-10PM with a Youth Dance for children in grades 5-8.

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. The Children's Pumpkin Fun Run will be Sat at 1PM. We will also have The Bristol County Sheriff's Dept Iris Recognition program at the festival. This is a child safety program. The technology, accessed through a high-resolution digital camera, is used to positively identify children and vulnerable adults in seconds by digitally encoding the unique characteristics of people's irises and making the information available in seconds on a national database.

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

WE COULD USE HELP FROM OUR TEACHERS DURING REGISTRATION HOURS.

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.

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 begins Sun., Oct. 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.

LOOKING AHEAD WITH GREAT ANTICIPATION: The Parish Council and members of parish groups who have been involved in raising funds to pay off the Church Mortgage have decided to hold a brain-storming session on Monday, September 12 at 6PM in the Church hall. 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.

THE 30 WEEK CLUB GRAND FINALE IS HERE TODAY!
\$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 prize
one - \$500.00
one - \$750.00
Grand Prize - \$2000.00

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.

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.

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.

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.

FINANCIAL REPORT: The regular collection last week, during the hurricane was \$1,933.15 with 118 budget envelopes used. \$50 for the Mortgage, \$10 for Building &

Maintenance and \$5 for Utilities and \$547 for the Emergency Fund.

THE SECOND COLLECTION TODAY is for Utilities and Building & Maintenance donations. Next week's is for the Mortgage.