

February 17 2019

6th Sunday Ordinary Time



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

6th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

"Blessed are you when people hate you,
and when they exclude and insult you,
and denounce your name as evil
on account of the Son of Man."
- Lk 6:22

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MASS:

SAT	4:30 pm
SUN	8:00 am/10:00 am
TUE	8:00 am
WED	8:00 am
THU	8:00 am
FRI	8:00 am

PRIEST:

FR. AMAL ROCHE

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FROM FATHER AMAL

Dear friends,

Hope you are doing well and trying to stay warm during this winter and experiencing the warm love of Jesus.

During my visit home to India, I had my annual medical checkup with my family doctor. He discovered a serious medical condition which will require immediate and ongoing treatment.

After consulting with Bishop Ricken, I will be returning to India at the end of this month to receive this treatment. Sadly, I do not expect to return to the Green Bay Diocese. The Diocese offered to help me receive medical attention here in this country, but I prefer to go back home to receive treatment.

I wish for this serious medical condition to remain personal. It is not related to any behavior on my part, nor is my return to India connected to any issue other than my health. Before this health issue came up, I had even discussed staying permanently in the Green Bay Diocese, and I loved my first year here in Appleton especially at St. Bernard Parish working the vision for this wonderful Parish.

The Diocese is working to provide a short and long term replacement.

Please keep me in your prayers and you will be in mine. Thanks for your overwhelming support and prayers for me at St. Bernard Parish.

Peace and joy in the Lord,

Fr. Amal.

**“Do not worry about anything;
Pray About Everything.”
Philippians 4:6**

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 16

4:30 pm In Memory of
Richard Faltynski
AND Members of St. Bernard

Sunday, February 17

8:00 am In Memory of
Mike Tassoul
10:00 am In Memory of
Kathleen Curry-Wagner

Tuesday, February 19

8:00 am In Memory of
Ann Davis

Wednesday, February 20

8:00 am In Memory of
Mitzi Ferris

Thursday, February 21

8:00 am In Memory of
Ann Davis

Friday, February 22

8:00 am In Memory of
John Kober

Saturday, February 23

4:30 pm In Memory of
Marie Whitehead

Sunday, February 24

8:00 am In Memory of
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Lavinger
AND Members of St. Bernard
10:00 am In Memory of
William Kieffer

SUN 17

7:30 am Rosary
8:00 am Mass
10:00 am Mass
10:00 am J.A.M.

MON 18

6:00 pm Footprints Series Sm. Grp. Rm.

TUE 19

8:00 am Mass
9:00 am Crafty Ladies Act. Ctr.
6:00 pm Parish Council Parish Hall
6:30 pm St. Peter Study Sm. Grp. Rm.

DID YOU KNOW?

**St. Bernard Parish
Bishop Appeal 2019**
Goal \$53,319
Gifts \$11,320
Balance \$41,999



Just A Friendly Reminder

Our Care Ministers visit any hospitalized Parishioners daily. Please notify the hospital when admitted that you are a member of St. Bernard Parish. Our Parish Office calls the local hospitals daily to check if any of our Parish Members have been admitted.

We hope to bring comfort and prayer to all our Parishioners in time of need. Blessings for a safe and healthy winter season.

Direct Thrivent Choice Dollars by March 31

Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have available Choice Dollars have until March 31 to direct them. Don't miss this opportunity to recommend that Thrivent Financial provide outreach funding to St. Bernard Parish. Go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more or call 811-0-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt.

Parish Prayer Chain

If you or someone you know is in need of prayer and would like to be added to the St. Bernard Prayer Chain, please contact Delaine at 734-0538.

Praying The Rosary Join us before Mass, Saturdays, 4:00 pm and Sundays, 7:30 am to pray the Rosary.

FORMED

CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND



Following the readings this past weekend, Jesus gives us each the same invitation -FOLLOW ME.

There is a great study in FORMED that shares that message too. It's the YDisciple - Follow Me series. The experience begins with the first invitation from Jesus himself, "Follow me."

This is a 5-week study that lays the foundation of what it is to be a disciple of Jesus. There are relevant take aways for personal living. This weekend it was very difficult to hear the news that Father Amal is needing medical care and is returning to India. He has been an example of following Jesus as a disciple; reigniting a spark in our Parish.

We must carry this spark on and take it out to others and invite them to "Follow Jesus."

Submitted weekly by a St. Bernard Parishioner

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Wanted! Looking for someone to lead a Men's Lenten Study. Materials and support provided! If interested, please contact Deacon Mike at meash@stbernardappleton.org

Monday Night Lenten Prayer Hour

Throughout the season of Lent we will be offering six, Monday Night Prayer Hour Experiences.

We are currently seeking volunteers willing to perform varying tasks as needed, such as: Set-up, Rosary Leader, Chaplet of Divine Mercy Leader, and overall planning. If interested, please contact Colleen at 739-0331 or email csargent@stbernardappleton.org



Lenten Bible Series "Follow Me"

Deacon Maury will be hosting this series Friday mornings during Lent.

More details to come. If you are interested in hosting this Bible Study on the Gospel of John, please call Colleen at 739-0331.

WED 20

8:00 am	Mass	
1:00 pm	Care Minister Mtg	Act. Ctr.
5:30 pm	Discipleship Night	
6:30 pm	Adult Choir	Music Rm.

THU 21

8:00 am	Mass	
6:00 pm	Finance Council	Act. Ctr.
6:30 pm	Handbells	Music Rm.

FRI 22

8:00 am	Mass
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BISHOP'S APPEAL

Does the Bishop's Appeal pay the Bishop's salary or any legal settlements?

The Bishop's Appeal is an annual campaign that supports the ministries of the Diocese. It does not pay the Bishop's salary and has never been used to pay any legal settlements. The Appeal provides support to diocesan ministries reaching out to thousands of people each year.

These ministries include Catholic Charities, Catholic Schools, the Compass, and the Emmaus Lay Ministry Formation program, to name a few.

It is our continuing pledge to you to use all the funds received during the Bishop's Appeal to provide these services and meet the needs described on our website at www.catholicfoundationgb.org/appeal.

Thank you for your generous support of the 2019 Bishop's Appeal.

PARISH UPDATE

St. Bernard Parish Boiler Update

We have received a proxy from the Green Bay Diocese to proceed with the boiler replacement. To pay for the boiler replacement we are using the balance of the Renewing God's House fund of \$131,872, donations from last December (2018) to the present of \$2,335.59, and the remaining balance will come from SCRIP fundraising profits.

The boiler replacement is not a part of the capital campaign. We thank you for all your donations.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

2/15/2019	Wk 33	Fiscal YTD	Total
Env.	\$10,448	YTD Actual Env.	\$465,702
Budget Env.	\$16,226	YTD Budget Env.	\$535,472
		Env. Over/(Under)	(\$69,769)
Loose	\$546	YTD Loose	\$27,161
Budget Loose	\$698	YTD Budget Loose	\$23,038
		Loose Over/(Under)	\$4,124

Weekly Scrip Update: Scrip Sales \$5,635 Cost \$5,378 Rebate \$257

SCRIP can be purchased after each weekend Mass

SAT 23

3:00 pm Reconciliation
 4:00 pm Rosary
 4:30 pm Mass
 4:30 pm Mission Trip Booyah Pre-Sale

SUN 24

7:30 am Rosary
 8:00 am Mass
 10:00 am Mass
 10:00 am J.A.M.
 8:00 am and 10:00 am Mission Trip Booyah Pre-Sale

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HAPPENINGS

Life Line Screening Thursday, February 28

Five screening processes are available. We have a few discount coupons that can be used. First come, first served. Sign up online or in our Parish Office. Please call Cathy at 739-0331, ext.319 with any questions or if interested in a discount coupon.

Xavier Middle School *Shadow Day*

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March 1st, 2019
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out to Admissions at (920)735-9380 or email us at
Admissions@XavierCatholicSchools.org.

Mark Your Calendars For March 29-30

The Appleton Catholic Adult Education Committee in collaboration with the Fox Valley Area Catholic Parishes are so very blessed to have Steven Ray coming to the Fox Valley March 29-30.

Steven's presentations are dynamic, compelling, inspiring, and insightful. His talks call you to a deeper and more profound understanding of Christ and His Church. Steven and his wife, Janet, are the producers of the Catholic DVD series, *The Footprints of God: The Story of Salvation from Abraham to Augustine*, featured on EWTN and Netflix.

If you would like to know more about Steven, visit www.catholicconvert.com.

There will be a Friday night gathering and a Saturday morning gathering with Steven Ray.

Friday, \$5 per person, 7:00 pm-8:15 pm. Topic: **Defending the Eucharist**

Saturday, \$10 per person, 9:00 am-11:30 am. Topic: **Explaining Jesus to Everyone & Swimming Upstream and Proclaiming the Gospel**

Both Days, Friday and Saturday, \$12 per person. To register for this great event, please call Colleen at 739-0331.



Vacation Trip To Italy

Enjoy 10 days in Warm and Friendly Italy, including several full day excursions!

Join Deacon Maury Reed and his wife, Janice, May 3-12, touring the Tuscany and Ligure regions of Italy

Travel: Round-Trip Airfare from Chicago, Coach Tour Bus in Europe

Accommodations: 4 Star Hotel Accommodations/16 Meals and Guides

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