

Daily Readings:

Monday, November 19, 2018

Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5
Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday, November 20, 2018

Rv 3:1-6, 14-22
Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday, November 21, 2018

The Presentation of the Blessed
Virgin Mary
Rv 4:1-11
Lk 19:11-28

Thursday, November 22, 2018

St. Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr
Rv 5:1-10
Lk 19:41-44

Friday, November 23, 2018

St. Clement I, Pope & Martyr;
St. Columban, Abbot; Blessed Miguel
Augstin Pro, Priest & Martyr
Rv 10:8-11
Lk 19:45-48

Saturday, November 24, 2018

St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest and
Companions, Martyrs
Rv 11:4-12
Lk 20:27-40

Sunday, November 25, 2018

Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe
Dn 7:13-14
Rv 1:5-8
Jn 18:33b-37

Message from Father Tom:

Celibacy is one of the vows that a priest takes along with obedience to the bishop. When a man (or woman) commits to celibacy, he is giving up 3 different things: (1) Companionship of life. A celibate lacks that exclusive relationship; the one that allows married couples to share their hopes and fears with another on a day-to-day basis. (2) Physical intimacy and pleasure. In short, the celibate gives up certain physical pleasures including sex and the things that go with it. (3) Children and posterity. As a celibate gets older, he may feel the loss of these children— (Cont. above)

(Cont.) both for the sake of receiving from them and giving to them. The Church declares “very good” these things-to-be-given-up. Companionship is good. Physical intimacy is good. Children and grandchildren are very good.

In light of the abuse scandals that we have been hearing about, there is a renewed call for celibacy to go away. People today think self-control is impossible. They think that people can't contain themselves: if a celibate tries to do so, it will come out in unnatural ways like pedophilia.

Now, I highly disagree with the idea that people can't control themselves. But why does the Church ask priest to be celibate, anyway? And perhaps equally important: why do priests choose to say yes to this?

I believe it would be a big mistake to undervalue celibacy. We need it in the Church now more than ever. The reason most commonly cited is what I will call the **utilitarian reason**. Priests need the time and energy which would otherwise be given over to a spouse, children, and everything necessary to keep up the house. As St Paul says: “An unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord, how he may please the Lord. But a married man is anxious about the things of the world, how he may please his wife, and he is divided” -1 Cor 7:32-34. This is certainly true, my friends. Unlike our protestant pastors, I have much more time and energy to devote to my relationship with the Lord and all of you.

But this is not the only reason for celibacy. Another important reason that I chose celibacy was because I wanted to give my heart—undivided—to the Lord. Let's call this the **generosity reason** (sacrifice reason?). When a man is in love, he wants to do something big for his beloved. He will spout poetry; he will buy huge gifts; he will make promises that encompass his whole life. He wants to sacrifice for the other person. Celibacy is a gift that a man or a woman can offer to God that has real value. In the church, celibates are often compared to Martyrs, who offered the ultimate gift to God. Priests should offer something big to the Lord. Celibacy is a good choice.

Finally, there is the **witness reason**. It's hard to give much weight to someone who talks about how important God is in her life; but then she lives just like everyone else. Celibacy is needed in the Church today, because it is one way to witness to the power of Christ. People who possess Christ live differently. When I say I will not have a spouse or have children, it proclaims to the world, “Jesus is enough for me.” When I say I will not allow myself the pleasures of sex, it proclaims to the world, “there are greater joys on offer by God than all our bodily appetites.” In a world that idolizes sex and human companionship, it is a necessary message. Those who are single can still be happy. Those who keep the Church's laws on sex and marriage can be the most joy-filled people. Our holy witnesses to chastity and celibacy point out that our Lord Jesus is more than enough...He is even better than marriage and children. One day, we will have all died, and our only marriage will be to God. When that comes, we can have confidence that God truly is enough!



**THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF:
SAINT BERNARD, REDFIELD & ALL SAINTS, MELLETT**

St. Bernard Office Hours: Mon 8am-5pm; Tues 10am-5pm; Wed 9am-9pm (summer 8am-5pm); Thu 9am-5pm; Fri 9am-4pm



The Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time November 18, 2018



St. Teresa's Bookmark

Let nothing disturb you,
Let nothing frighten you,
All things are passing;
God only is changeless.
Patience gains all things.
Who has God wants nothing.
God alone suffices.

A Prayer for Thanksgiving

Loving God,
We turn our hearts to you on this
day for giving thanks, mindful of
your many gifts.

For each one, we are grateful.
For each one, we are blessed.

For each one we are opened to the
abundance of your love.

May this Thanksgiving Day offer a
reminder to be generous with others,
as you are with us.

We praise you.
We rejoice in you.
We give you thanks.
Amen.

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Sacrament of Reconciliation
St. Bernard: Sat. 3:30 to 4:30 PM
All Saints: 8:00 to 8:20 AM Sunday
Daily: Beginning ½ hour before and
ending 10 minutes prior to Mass

Sacrament of Marriage
Contact pastor 6 to 12 months
prior.

Sacrament of Baptism
May be celebrated during Sunday
Mass or midday on Sunday
outside Mass. A class is required
prior to the Baptism of your child.

Daily Mass will be said, even if
there is a funeral.

Schedule for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass: November 19th – 25th

Monday	Nov 19	**No Mass – Father’s Sabbath Day of Rest**
Tuesday	Nov 20	**No Mass – Father Gone**
Wednesday	Nov 21	**No Mass – Father Gone**
Thursday	NO Adoration	Nov 22 **No Mass – Father Gone** Happy Thanksgiving to all!
Friday	Nov 23	**No Mass – Father Gone**
Saturday	Nov 24	**No Mass – Father Gone**
SATURDAY	Nov 24	5:00 PM Redfield † Earl & Olivia Schmidt
SUNDAY	Nov 25	8:30 AM Mellette Mass for the People
SUNDAY	Nov 25	10:30 AM Redfield † Shirley Jungwirth

Liturgy Schedule for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass - November 24th & 25th

	GREETER/USHER	LECTOR	SERVERS	GIFTS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER	COUNTERS/HOMEBOUND
5:00PM ST BERNARD	Paul & Marilyn Hodges	Francis Schaffer	Jensyn Siebrecht Lilly Blume Marcus Johnson	David Appel Family	Joe Keller Paul Hodges Marilyn Hodges	Homebound Sunday 9am Nancy Blume
8:30AM ALL SAINTS	Dolores Evans	Denise Clemens	Teryn Sparling Bailey Heim	Ed & Joell Fischbach	Lisa Morgan David Melius	Chad Boekelheide Garrett Ortmeier
10:30AM ST BERNARD	Kelly Hyke Monte Mason	Jim Burdick	Colton Olsen Easton Millar Lincoln Woodring	Brent Osborn Family	Holly Bottum James Logan Jim Burdick	Team 1 Deb & Cathy

Fr. Tom will be gone: following Mass November 18th and returning prior to evening Mass on November 24th

Parish Census Forms: With your Advent letters, you should have received your families’ Census Form with the information in our database at St. Bernard. Please go over these, correct any mistakes and return them in the collection or by mailing back. We would like an email and cell phone for all members. If you have not received an Advent Letter, please contact the office and we will mail you one.

Food Party Needs: This is our final week for collection of non-perishable food for the Food Pantry. They are very appreciative of all we give them. See the thank you note on the bulletin board for all parishioners!

Book Stand: The Knights of Columbus have provided a book stand and books for our parish. The books are free for the taking. You can keep them or return them for others to use. Thank you to the Knights for this!

Community Cantata: The 2018 Community Christmas Cantata will be held on Sunday, Dec. 16th at the United Methodist Church at 4pm. Practices begin on Sunday, Nov. 4th at 6:30pm. Hope to see you there! Please invite others who would like to be part of this community event. ~ Joy Schweitzer.

St. Bernard Choir Practice: Monday, Nov 19 from 6p – 7:30p; Monday, Nov 26 from 6p – 7:30p; Sunday, Dec 2 from 9am and sing at 10:30; Wed, Dec 12 from 5:30 – 7pm; Sunday, Dec 16 from 9 am and sing at 10:30 with children’s choir as well; Wed, Dec 19 from 5:30 – 7pm; Mon, Dec 24 from 2:45pm and sing at 4pm Mass; Tues, Dec 25 from 8:15am and sing at 9am Mass.

Children’s Choir: All children in grades 4th – 8th are invited to sing in the Children’s Choir. For December we are moving Children’s Choir to the 3rd Sunday (December 16th). We are also opening it up to 7th & 8th grade children as well. Parents, please encourage your children to join the choir.

Advent Retreat: Everyone is invited for a day retreat given by Fr. Tom on Saturday, December 1st from 8:30am – 2:30pm in the Zell Church and Hall. Lunch will be served, so we are asking you to please RSVP to sbernard@abe.midco.net or by calling the office. Cost for the day will be \$10.

“Christmas on the Prairie” at Hoven: Concert on Sunday, December 2nd at 3pm with the concert theme of “Love’s Pure Light.” General Admission is \$35. Featured soloists are John Moore and Michelle Monroe; Narrator is Tom Roberts; South Dakota Symphony Orchestra; Northern State University Chamber Singers, and All-Faiths Festival Chorus. Call the rectory at 948-2451 ext. 5 for more information or tickets.

Book Stand: The Knights of Columbus have provided a book stand and books for our parish. The books are free for the taking. You can keep them or return them for others to use. Thank you to the Knights for this!

Thank You for your generosity!

St. Bernard

Weekly Budget: \$3,858;
Last Week: \$2,224;
Collect YTD: \$70,174
Reg-\$1,645; Child-\$38;
Loose-\$299; Fuel-\$15;
Refund-\$80; Mass-\$50;
Candle-\$97

All Saints

Child-\$8; Loose-\$183;
Reg-\$335; All Saints-\$10

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS NEWS: Mary Lou Schwartz, Regent – 460-1672

Next CDA Meeting: Wednesday, December 19th at 5:30pm with snacks!

Craft Fair Candy Booth: Thursday, Dec 6th in evening at the Depot.

Statue Boards: Anyone still wanting a set of statue boards, please contact Patty Fuegen. They make great gifts! 6 for \$25 or \$5 each.

Dues: Please pay your 2019 due of \$30-some breaks if you are over 70.

Prayer Chain: Contact Deborah at bbi@abe.midco.net or 460-1123.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS: Doug Lemmer, Gr Knight, 612-201-8165

If you would like to rent the KC Hall – Contact Joe Keller at 460-3017

Monthly meeting is Thursday, December 13th at 8pm at the KC Hall.

Annual Gun Raffle: Tickets available in the office. Contact Matt Weller.

RIGHT TO LIFE: Shirley Holt –first Wed of each month at 5pm

“Our love for our children has nothing to do with their abilities. We love them simply because of who they are, and understanding this teaches us how to truly love everyone.” ~USCCB Secretariat; “A Perfect Gift”

Vocation Teaching: The most beautiful sight of all: at the moment of one’s death to be immediately present with God. Let the angels sing, the saints applaud, let the heavens rejoice. Another person has fulfilled the vocation to be one with God forever. What can you do to help more people find eternal happiness?

Time & Talent/Mass Ministry Form: Last weekend, Father spoke about giving of your time and talent to the Parish. You were asked to fill out a Time & Talent form during Mass. If you did not receive one, there are copies at the entrances of church, please take one and fill it out and return it to the office.

D-Camp Registration: It may seem early, but right now through November 18th, if you register your child, entering 7th – 11th grade next year, for D-Camp you will get \$75 off your registration using the Promotional Code TRUTH. If you are interested in possibly attending D-Camp next summer, stop in the office or hop online at www.sfcatholic.org/youth and register. Any parishioners who might be willing to help sponsor a child going to D-Camp, please feel free to visit with anyone in the office on how you may do that.

Dates for Religious Education – Mark your Calendars:

**Nov 21st – No Religious Ed for K-9

*Regular Classes on Nov. 28th **Teacher Prep for K-6 at 5:30pm

**Nov 28th – Confirmation Prep at 7pm in Redfield.

**Dec 5th – Family Formation Meeting in the Parish Hall at 5:45pm.

Seminarian Mailing Addresses: If anyone would like the seminarian address, please stop in the office for address labels. We also have labels for the religious communities in South Dakota.

Community Thanksgiving Meal: On Thanksgiving Day from 11:30am-12:30pm at the Senior Center. Everyone invited with free-will going to the Ministerial Association. Volunteers are needed. Call 472-1590.

Eternal Rest, Grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls fo the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

All Saints News: If the church is locked, call Cindy at 887-3175 or Dolores at 887-3320.

* November cleaning group members are Laura Braun, Erica Styles, and Rose Kramp. Please contact Robyn Morgan to set up cleaning schedule.

* No Religious Ed classes will be held this Wednesday, November 21st.

Upcoming Events:

* All Saints Finance Council will meet on Tuesday November 27th at 6:00 pm

* All Saints Pastoral Council meeting will be on Tuesday, December 4th at 6:00pm.

* Advent Baby Shower will begin November 27th. There will be a basinet in the entrance of the church for new baby items you wish to donate.

