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ST. JEANNE JUGAN PARISH



ST. BERNARD CHURCH



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DECEMBER 8, 2019  
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



## REFLECT

What does it mean to be worthy? There are a few different ways to approach this question. Today's Gospel highlights two: the way of the Pharisees and the way of John the Baptist. Our faith values good works and discipleship. Perhaps, then, we "earn" our worth by adhering to the right doctrines and following the right pious practice. The Pharisees thought they were worthy. Due to their religious pedigree and proper procedures, they were self-satisfied. John the Baptist's words to them are strong. *"Do not resume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.'" Of course, Jesus (and John) don't omit the responsibility for moral behavior. John gives the Pharisees quite a strong warning in that regard. "Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance . . . every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."*

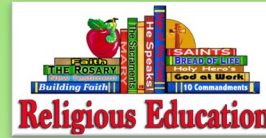
It's a question of attitude. Of disposition. It's a matter of the heart. If anyone would be worthy in this scenario, it's John the Baptist. Jesus himself will name him the greatest of prophets and a great man. John, however, recognizes his own lowly place in the grand scheme of things. *"The one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals."* The Pharisees take pride in being "better" than others. John embraces humility in Christ being "better" than him. We don't self-generate our own worthiness. We receive it as a gift from God. In a few short weeks, we'll celebrate the birth of Christ. Bishop Ven. Fulton Sheen wrote about the Nativity in his "Life of Christ": *"Because [Jesus] was born in a cave, all who wish to see Him must stoop. To stoop is the mark of humility. The proud refuse to stoop and, therefore, they miss divinity."* God invites us to prepare our hearts this Advent. When you consider your own life, where are you looking for your worth? This Christmas, are you prepared to stoop?



We spend our time and energy on the necessities of everyday life, which hold so many things that are beyond our control. But what is it that we are longing for in the deepest way? What is our passion in life? This year at Holy Family, we will explore that deep longing planted in our hearts by God - a longing for peace, for wholeness, and for relationships that give us joy and lift us up. *Come away and rest awhile* to find and pursue your deepest longing, and by doing so, may you experience how God is longing so deeply for you, too.

The retreat begins with a buffet dinner from 6 pm - 7:30 pm on Friday evening and concludes with the celebration of Mass at 10:45 am followed by a hot brunch at noon. Families of retreatants are most welcome to attend the Sunday Mass and brunch at no extra charge.

Talk to your fellow parishioners who have experienced a retreat with us then visit [www.holyfamilyretreat.org](http://www.holyfamilyretreat.org) or call us at 860-521-0440 for retreat dates, offerings, or for more information.



There will be NO Religious Education Classes for K-8 on **Saturday, December 28th** or **Sunday, December 29th**.

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

**Sunday, December 8th** - Children's Mass at St. Bernard's Church at 10:30 am. Breakfast with Santa in Fr. Fitzmaurice Hall after Mass.

**Saturday/Sunday, December 14th/15th** - Regular Schedule.

**Sunday, December 15th** - Grade 5 Confession.

**Saturday/Sunday, December 21st/22nd** - Regular Schedule.

**Saturday/Sunday, December 28th/29th** - No Religious Education Classes for K-8.

**Thursday, January 2nd** - No Religious Education Classes for Grades 7 and 8.

**Saturday/Sunday, January 4th/5th** - Regular Schedule.

**Please contact Pat Keck, Coordinator of Religious Education at 860-745-7770 or 860-749-2993 for any questions.**

## WINTER POLICY

**The winter policy for St. Jeanne Jugan Parish is now in effect for daily Masses Monday – Friday.**

The policy states that when Enfield Public Schools cancel or delay school on that day, the daily 7:30 am Mass at St. Bernard Church and the daily 9 am Mass at Holy Family Church will be cancelled for that day. The policy is for the safety of all. The intentions for the Masses will be rescheduled at a mutually agreeable time.

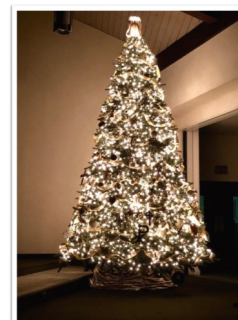
You may call the rectory of the Church where your Mass intention was scheduled to discuss a new date.

## 51ST CHRISMON TREE CELEBRATION

We invite you on **Friday, December 13th** at 7pm to St. Jeanne Jugan Parish – Holy Family Church to celebrate one of our richest traditions - the blessing and lighting of our Chrismon Tree. Join in decorating the tree, the carol sing and enjoy a presentation of the Christmas Story.

Volunteers are needed to make a small ornament (no larger than 6 inches). There are sheets on the bulletin tables for your reference explaining the symbols that you can make. Only white and gold can be used.

Bring your ornaments to the celebration or leave them in the box in Fr. Kerwan Hall prior to December 13th.





### SANTA'S PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday December 8, 2019

**AFTER 8:00 & 10:30 Mass**

St. Bernard Church Hall

Adults \$6.00

Children (10 & under) \$4.00

at the door.

Come enjoy pancakes, eggs, sausage, and more with Santa!

Any questions, please call:

Melissa Herman (860) 930-9389 or Katie Fitzgerald (860) 729-5935

#### ORDER FORM FOR SANTA'S BREAKFAST

\_\_\_\_\_   
 Student name(s)

\_\_\_\_\_   
 Grade(s)

\_\_\_\_\_ # of ADULTS \_\_\_\_\_ # of CHILD(REN) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ AFTER 8:00 Mass

\_\_\_\_\_ AFTER 10:30 Mass

Names will be checked off at door

St. Jeanne Jugan Parish Presents

## *A Vesper Service of Lessons and Carols*

Friday, December 20, 2019 at 7 pm

Holy Family Church, 23 Simon Road, Enfield, CT

(Snow date: Sunday, December 22, 2019 at 4 pm)



O Come All Ye Faithful! Please join the Holy Family Church Choir around our beautiful Christmas Tree for an hour long service of Christmas Carols and choral music interspersed with your favorite bible readings of this holy season. Afterwards toast the Christmas Spirit with refreshments in Father Kerwan Hall. O Come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!



# Sacraments

## BAPTISM

To register for the Parish's Baptism Prep Class, please call 860-973-1717 to speak with Kacey at the Holy Family Church rectory or Sally at the St. Bernard Church rectory. Baptism Prep Class occurs on the second Tuesday of the month at 7 pm in classrooms 2 and 3 at Holy Family Church. Baptisms can be scheduled by calling Kacey or Sally once parents have completed the Baptism Prep class. Baptisms can be scheduled on any Sunday of the month except on major religious feasts or holidays.

## RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 4 - 4:30 pm at each church and by appointment.

## CONFIRMATION

In the Hartford Archdiocese, students are confirmed in their sophomore year after a year of preparation. Please contact our Religious Education office for more information.

## MATRIMONY

Arrange with pastor at least 6 months before wedding date.

## HOLY ORDERS

Young men interested in the priesthood may speak with any priest for more information. Please visit [hartfordpriest.com](http://hartfordpriest.com) for more information.

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Priests are available for anointing either at home or in the hospital. Please contact the parish office to arrange.



# THIS WEEK

### Location Key:

- HF = Holy Family Church
- SB = St. Bernard Church
- SBS = St. Bernard School
- LA = Little Angels PreSchool

### SATURDAY DECEMBER 7

- 8:30 am . . . Daily Mass (HF)
- 11 am . . . Youth Group Christmas Party (HF Fr. Kerwan Hall)
- 4 pm . . . Confessions (HF, SB)
- 5 pm . . . Vigil Mass (Second Sunday of Advent) (HF, SB)

### SUNDAY DECEMBER 8 (SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT)

- 7:30 am. . . Mass (HF)
- 8 am . . . Mass (SB)
- 9 am . . . Breakfast with Santa (SB Fr. Fitzmaurice Hall)
- 9 am . . . Mass (HF)
- 10:30 am . . . Children's Mass - Theme: Advent Wreath (SB)
- 11 am . . . Mass (HF)
- 11:30 am . . . Breakfast with Santa (SB Fr. Fitzmaurice Hall)
- 7 pm . . . Prayer Service (HF)

### MONDAY DECEMBER 9

- 7 am . . . Rosary (SB Chapel)
- 7:30 am . . . Daily Mass (SB Chapel)
- 8:30 am . . . Rosary (HF)
- 9 am . . . Daily Mass (HF)

### TUESDAY DECEMBER 10

- 7 am . . . Rosary (SB Chapel)
- 7:30 am . . . Daily Mass (SB Chapel)
- 8:30 am . . . Rosary (HF)
- 9 am . . . Daily Mass (HF)
- 12 pm . . . Senior Lunch (SB Fr. Fitzmaurice Hall)
- 2 pm . . . Legion of Mary (HF Rooms 2 & 3)
- 3 pm . . . Divine Mercy and Rosary (HF)
- 7 pm . . . Baptism Prep Class (HF Rooms 2 & 3)

### WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 11

- 7 am . . . Rosary (SB Chapel)
- 7:30 am . . . Daily Mass (SB Chapel)
- 8:30 am . . . Rosary (HF)
- 9 am . . . Daily Mass (HF)
- 6:15 pm . . . Bingo Sales Begin • 7 pm . . . Game Begins (HF)

### THURSDAY DECEMBER 12

- 8:30 am . . . Rosary (HF)
- 9 am . . . Daily Mass (HF)
- 7 pm . . . Choir Rehearsal (HF Rooms 2 & 3)

### FRIDAY DECEMBER 13

- 7 am . . . Rosary (SB Chapel)
- 7:30 am . . . Daily Mass (SB Chapel)
- 8:30 am . . . Rosary (HF)
- 9 am . . . Daily Mass (HF)
- 9:30 am . . . Exposition and Extended Adoration (HF)
- 12 pm . . . Divine Mercy Chaplet, Benediction (HF)
- 7 pm . . . Chrismon Tree Celebration (HF)

### SATURDAY DECEMBER 14

- 8:30 am . . . Daily Mass (HF)
- 4 pm . . . Confessions (HF, SB)
- 5 pm . . . Vigil Mass (Third Sunday of Advent) (HF, SB)

### SUNDAY DECEMBER 15 (THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT)

- 7:30 am. . . Mass (HF)
- 8 am . . . Mass (SB)
- 9 am . . . Mass (HF)
- 10:30 am . . . Mass (SB)
- 11 am . . . Mass (HF)



Stop by Fr. Kerwan Hall at Holy Family Church after any Mass on **Sunday, December 8th** and purchase cookies from the Women's Guild during their annual Cookie Walk. Fill a bag with your favorites or try new flavors. They'll all be there, they're all delicious, and they're only \$7 a bag!



## IT'S PARTY TIME!

Join us at noon on **Tuesday, December 10th** at St. Bernard Church in Fr. Fitzmaurice Hall for the Senior Lunch celebration of the Christmas season with good food and carols. Please bring an appetizer to share while you enjoy our holiday punch. Our luncheon is the traditional chicken and stuffing casserole, cranberry sauce, and roll. Then, munch on cookies while we fill the hall with Christmas carols, led by Beth Surapine, Director of Music at St. Bernard.

If you did not sign up last month, please call Barbara Bird at 860-749-8666 to reserve your seat.

## LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary at St. Bernard Church welcomes you to join them for the rosary on the **third weekend of each month** at St. Bernard Church at 4:30 pm on Saturday and at 7:30 am on Sunday.



At St. Bernard Church, the chapel candle burns in memory of Joseph Kiczuk, at the request of Ted and Chris Kiczuk; there are no intentions for the chapel or sanctuary candles this week.



Contact the St. Bernard Church office for information about having the sanctuary or chapel candles burn for your intention.

## OPLATKI WAFERS

The tradition of the Oplatki originated in Poland during Early Christian times. This Christmas Custom began with a simple white wafer, baked from flour and water. The wafers are wonderfully designed to display Christmas images, such as the Nativity.

Oplatki wafers are available at St. Jeanne Jugan Parish - St. Bernard Church rectory Monday through Friday during regular office hours for \$4.00 per package. Please the call St. Bernard rectory at 860-973-1717 should you have any questions.

## RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS DECEMBER 7TH AND 8TH

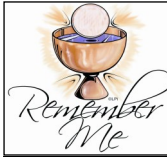
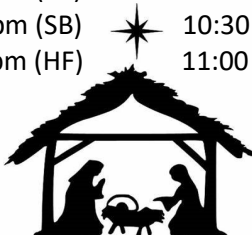
**Support aging religious.** Today our second collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Many senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests served for little or no pay. Today, religious communities often do not have enough savings to meet retirement needs. Your gift helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the good works of their elders. Please be generous.

## PRAYER SERVICE

On **Sunday, December 8th**, the Second Sunday of Advent, there will be a Prayer Service for Lectors and Ministers of the Eucharist of St. Jeanne Jugan Parish (Holy Family Church and St. Bernard Church) at Holy Family Church at 7 pm. This Prayer Service is open to all who wish to join us.

## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve:	Christmas Day:
4:00 pm (HF)	8:00 am (SB)
4:00 pm (SB)	9:00 am (HF)
5:30 pm (SB)	10:30 am (SB)
6:00 pm (HF)	11:00 am (HF)



# MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY DECEMBER 7

8:30 am. . . Intentions for the DiBella Family (Requested by Connie and Lucille DiBella) - HF

5 pm. . . Don and Mary Pierce† (Requested by their Family) - HF

5 pm. . . Walter J. Sagon† (Requested by his Wife, Patricia and Son, Patrick) - SB

### SUNDAY DECEMBER 8 (SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT)

7:30 am. . . Donald Guillerault† (Requested by his Wife) - HF

8 am. . . Niles Stebbins†, 8th Anniversary (Requested by the Stebbins and Fallon Families) - SB

9 am. . . Rose and Ed Carroll† (Requested by their Children) - HF

10:30 am. . . Carmen Scavotto† (Requested by Jean and Family) - SB Children's Mass

11 am. . . Robert J. and Kathy Foley† (Requested by their Family) - HF

### MONDAY DECEMBER 9

7:30 am. . . Fr. Robert Vargo† - SB

9 am. . . Sharon Boulanger†, 2nd Anniversary (Requested by her Mother-in-law, Lisa) - HF

### TUESDAY DECEMBER 10

7:30 am. . . Carmen Scavotto† on the Anniversary of his Birthday (Requested by Jean and Family) - SB

9 am. . . Armand Roy† (Requested by his Wife and Family) - HF

### WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 11

7:30 am. . . Joseph Kiczuk†, 30th Anniversary (Requested by Chris and Ted Kiczuk) - SB

9 am. . . Mina Megliola† (Requested by Gay Haley) - HF

### THURSDAY DECEMBER 12

9 am. . . Edward, Mina, and Bob† (Requested by their Grandchildren) - HF

### FRIDAY DECEMBER 13

7:30 am. . . St. Jeanne Jugan Parishioners - SB

9 am. . . Charles R. Branchini, Jr.† (Requested by Pat and Family) - HF

### SATURDAY DECEMBER 14

8:30 am. . . Eileen and Edward Lawless† (Requested by the Sullivan Family) - HF

5 pm. . . St. Jeanne Jugan Parishioners - HF

5 pm. . . Helen and George Dobitsky† (Requested by their Children Nancy, Gary, and George Jr.) - SB

### SUNDAY DECEMBER 15 (THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT)

7:30 am. . . Larry Haydent†, 21st Anniversary (Requested by his Family) - HF

8 am. . . Julie A. Fallon†, 5th Anniversary (Requested by the Fallon Family) - SB

9 am. . . John Patrick Bossidy† (Requested by the Holy Family Church Choir) - HF

10:30 am. . . Brenda Hernandez† (Requested by Thomas and Deborah Reith) - SB

11 am. . . Tony Trichilo† (Requested by the Patenaude Family) - HF

## DAILY MASS READINGS

**MONDAY DECEMBER 9:** Gn 3:9-15, 20•Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]•Eph 1:3-6, 11-12•Lk 1:26-38

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 10:** Is 40:1-11•Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13•Mt 18:12-14

**WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 11:** Is 40:25-31•Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10•Mt 11:28-30

**THURSDAY DECEMBER 12:** Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a•Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 [cf. 8]•Lk 1:5-25

**FRIDAY DECEMBER 13:** Is 48:17-19•Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6•Mt 11:16-19

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 14:** Sir 48:1-4, 9-11•Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19•Mt 17:9a, 10-13

**SUNDAY DECEMBER 15:** Is 35:1-6a, 10• Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 [Is 35:4]•Jas 5:7-10•Mt 11:2-11

You can access the Daily Mass Readings via our parish app, at our parish Web site ([www.sjenfield.org](http://www.sjenfield.org)) or by visiting the U.S. bishop's Web site ([www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)).



**PLEASE HELP ST. VINCENT DE PAUL  
AT ST. BERNARD CHURCH**

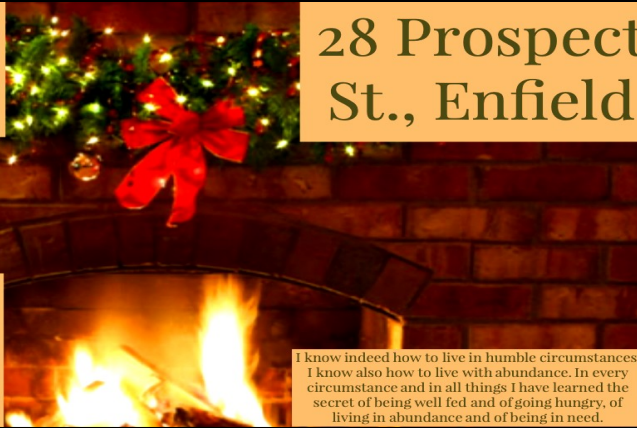


The St. Vincent de Paul Conference of St. Bernard Church began displaying this year's Giving Tree on **Friday, November 29th**. To participate, please select a star from the tree and purchase a Christmas gift for a child or adult in need. Wrapped gifts (with the star attached on the outside) should be brought to St. Bernard Church **no later than Sunday, December 8th**. Gifts will be distributed with food baskets on December 15th. A list of suggested gifts for adults, teens, and children will be on the table by the tree. If you wish to give a gift card, please include a purchase receipt or make sure the amount is printed on the back of the card. We hope you will participate in this program to help those in need during this blessed and holy season of giving. Thank you.

**Christmas at  
Enfield Loaves  
& Fishes**

**28 Prospect  
St., Enfield**

**Dec. 23, 2019  
Free & Open to  
All**



I know indeed how to live in humble circumstances; I know also how to live with abundance. In every circumstance and in all things I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need.

**THANK YOU!**

The St. Vincent de Paul Conference of Holy Family Church wishes to thank everyone who donated turkeys, food and turkey fixings to help us distribute turkey dinners to over 100 people. Your donations helped those with food insecurity issues to have a Thanksgiving meal. Thank you for sharing. God bless you.

**WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA - "EVERYONE PLAYS A PART"**

There are approximately **1400 veterans** laid to rest at St. Patrick's Cemetery on King Street here in Enfield. It is the American Legion John Maciolek Unit 154 Auxiliary's goal to remember and honor **every** veteran in St. Patrick's Cemetery by placing a wreath at their final resting place. You can help us reach our goal by contacting Marlene Hoginski at 860-749-2393 to sponsor a wreath. The cost for each wreath is only \$15.00. The American Legion John Maciolek Unit 154 Auxiliary will host this year's ceremony on **December 14th** at 12 pm. The ceremony will take place at St. Patrick's Cemetery, King Street, Enfield and the public is invited to attend.

The American Legion John Maciolek Unit 154 Auxiliary and Wreaths Across America thank you in advance for playing your part by purchasing a wreath to honor a veteran at his or her final resting place.

**A LITTLE HELP FROM SOME LITTLE ANGELS**

Our Little Angels collected food for the Enfield Food Shelf during this Thanksgiving season.



From left to right: Sophia Lopes, Jackson Hogan and Elizabeth McManus.

**GET IN TOUCH**

**ST. JEANNE JUGAN PARISH OFFICES**

**860-973-1717**

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860-741-7411 (fax)**

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860-989-5448**

**For Michael Dunning (Organist, HF) or  
Bridget Wcislo (Choir Director, HF)  
contact the rectory at Holy Family Church**

## SAINT NICHOLAS PROJECT

The Saint Nicholas Project for 2019 has begun at Holy Family Church. Parishioners are invited to drop by Fr. Kerwan Hall after Mass to pick up tags and guidelines. Bring your gift card(s) to the Hall and drop them in the locked collection boxes the weekends of **December 7th and 8th and December 14th and 15th**.

Purchase your gift cards at area stores or through the St. Bernard School Fundraiser. The St. Nicholas Project is a yearly effort that assists more than 100 people in need and is sponsored by the St. Vincent de Paul Society.



## BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Due to Christmas and New Year's, our bulletin printing deadline dates have changed.

For bulletin submissions, please send to Kacey at [admin@sjenfield.org](mailto:admin@sjenfield.org) per the schedule below.

For the **December 22nd** bulletin, submit by **December 11th**.

For the **December 29th** bulletin, submit by **December 17th**.

For the **January 5th** bulletin, submit by **December 20th**.

## ST. JEANNE JUGAN PARISH SUPPORT

"Happy House" is a free-will collection taken up at HF to fund construction of simple, sturdy houses in Haiti through the Haitian Health Foundation. Gift cards for Dunkin Donuts, Big Y, Stop and Shop, and Shop Rite are sold after Masses at St. Bernard Church with proceeds going to St. Bernard School.

Please note the weekly and online amounts represent the combined totals from Holy Family Church and St. Bernard Church.

**WEEKLY: \$15,352 (11/23 and 11/24)**

**WEEKLY: Not Available (11/30 and 12/1)**

**ONLINE: \$1,690 (11/23 and 11/24)**

**ONLINE: \$1,895 (11/30 and 12/1)**

**CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT: \$3,366**

**ST. BERNARD SCHOOL: Not Available**

**HAPPY HOUSE: \$282(11/23 and 11/24) (HF)**

**HAPPY HOUSE: \$144 (11/30 and 12/1) (HF)**

**GROCERY CARDS WEEKLY SALES/PROFIT: \$1,965/\$92 (SB)**

**YEAR-TO-DATE PROFIT: \$4,211 (SB)**

**HOLIDAY GIFT CARD ORDERS: \$20,560**



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