

June 28, 2020

Dear Parishioners,

Each week we are welcomed by our fellow sojourners as we gather together to celebrate the Eucharist. Today we hear of a woman and her husband who offer hospitality to the prophet Elisha whenever he comes to their city, going so far as furnishing him with a place to stay. Let us furnish a place in our hearts for our Lord to stay so that we may gain strength and nourishment in our journey to the kingdom.

Last weekend we began our regular mass schedule. As a reminder, our regular schedule is Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday at 8:00 and 10:30 am. Monday through Thursday mass will be held in the *church* at 6:30 am. Confession is on Saturday at 4:00 p.m. Please note that there will be no service on Friday and Saturday morning. On Saturday July 4 one mass at 5:00 p.m. will be celebrated.

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppressions, and natural disasters. Please take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be as generous as you can today. For more information, visit [www.usccb.org/peters/pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters/pence).

Due to the Corona Virus, we will **not** move masses to Fearon Hall for the summer.

I am happy to announce that we have been working on a new website for the parish! I like the new look and think it is very easy to navigate. Our new website address is: [stbernardineforestpark.org](http://stbernardineforestpark.org). Feel free to take a look, but please keep in mind we are still in the building process and all the tabs are still "in progress". Our goal is to have it finished by the end of next week.

As the end of the Fiscal Year draws near, (6/30/2020), I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the St. Bernardine parishioners for their support to our parish. As seen in our weekly Bulletin, our Sunday Collection budget is \$250,000.00. As of this writing, our Collection income to date is: \$222,660.00 or \$32,700.00 under our budget, with one more week to go in this Fiscal Year. The Sunday Collection supports our parish in so many ways; it pays for the upkeep of the parish, salaries, and our fiscal responsibility to the Archdiocese, just to name a few. So once again, I heartily thank you for your continued support!

As we enjoy the summer, we ask for abundant blessings for all our parishioners, especially for those who are sick and in hospitals.

God bless you,

Fr. Stan