

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon: "O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay." Cf. Ps 70 (69): 2, 6

Communion Antiphon: "I am the bread of life, says the Lord; whoever comes to me will not hunger and whoever believes in me will not thirst." Jn 6: 35

Reflection for this Sunday: On the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time, the readings invite us to examine our priorities and shift our focus from the fleeting promises of wealth, success, and material comfort to the enduring fulfillment found in God. Ecclesiastes speaks to the emptiness that comes from striving after worldly gains, reminding us that accomplishments, while temporarily satisfying, ultimately fade and leave us questioning their true value. This challenges us to seek lasting meaning by building our lives around God’s purpose—through love, service, and faith. Paul, in his letter to the Colossians, urges us to set our hearts on what is eternal, calling us to embody Christian virtues like compassion, forgiveness, and humility in our daily lives. Living for eternity means living in the present with God’s values, making choices rooted in kindness and selflessness. The Gospel from Luke further deepens this message through a parable about a rich man who hoards possessions, falsely believing they can secure his future. Jesus warns that greed isolates us from God and others, and reminds us that true security and peace come not from abundance, but from trusting in God. Together, these readings challenge us to let go of attachments to material things, to guard against selfishness, and to embrace a simpler, more spiritually grounded life. They point us toward a joy that lasts—one that comes from living with gratitude, putting God and others first, and aligning our hearts with the eternal values of His kingdom.

The Pope's Monthly Intentions for August 2025: "For mutual coexistence: Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons."

CDA # 1548 will be having a meeting on Aug. 6th @ 6pm at the Rectory.

Altar Rosary will be having their Dessert Sale on August 9 & 10.

Diocesan Youth Volunteer’s Appreciation Picnic:

Calling all Youth Parish Volunteers! Join us for a special day celebrating and honoring our Diocesan Youth Parish Volunteers! Parents and siblings, Youth Volunteers - altar servers, music ministers, faith formation helpers, lectors, etc., are invited to Camp Guggenheim, Saranac Lake, on August 11, 2025, from 10:00 AM to 2:30 PM for a joyful gathering filled with faith, fellowship, and fun. This event is a wonderful opportunity for youth to connect, listen to the vocation stories of special guest speakers, and enjoy games and activities designed to inspire and strengthen their faith. A delicious cookout of hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided. The day will culminate in a beautiful Mass celebrated by Bishop Terry R. LaValley—an experience that promises to be uplifting for both youth and their families. Don't miss out on this special occasion! The registration deadline is August 4, 2025. Register now at <https://www.rcdony.org/ya> We look forward to celebrating with you!



North Country Mission of Hope Golf Classic: The North Country Mission of Hope will hold its 21st annual McSweeney's / North Country Mission of Hope Golf Classic at the Barrick's Golf Course on Friday, August 8th, at 12:30 p.m. The format is a two-person scramble. There will be prizes, a silent auction, a gift basket raffle, and much more. McSweeney's Red Hots provide the meal. All proceeds from the tournament go to support the Mission feeding programs in Nicaragua. Please contact Deacon James Carlin @ jpcarlin1963@gmail.com for more information or to sign up a team.

With Heartfelt Gratitude

A sincere and joyful thank you to all who worked so hard to make our Chinese Auction and Craft Fair a wonderful success! From organizing donations and setting up tables, to preparing baskets, crafting goods, selling tickets, and staying through cleanup — your time, energy, and creativity brought this event to life. We are especially grateful to those who gave generously behind the scenes and to everyone who helped spread the word. Your efforts created a warm, welcoming atmosphere and helped support our parish in a meaningful way. May God bless each of you for your dedication and service!

Gratefully,
Fr. Tojo Chacko
St. Bernard’s & St. Edmund’s Parish

Mass & Envelope Schedule

Saturday 8/9	Sunday 8/10
4:00pm (SB) (L) Mona Siskavich (EM) Mona Siskavich (EM) Jessica Charland	8:00am (SE) (L) Neil Burgoyne (EM) Doug Trombley (EM) Sharlene Stanley
6:00pm (SE) (L) Donna Curry (EM) Nancy Miller (EM) Andy Miller	10:30am (SB) (L) Diane Barber (EM) Diane Barber (EM) Bonnie Relation
Counters (Week 1)	Mona Siskavich Barb LaDuke
August 3	August 10
Regular Collection Fuel Collection	Regular Collection

Thank You!

We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make our Annual Yard & Bake Sale a great success!

Whether you donated items, baked delicious treats, helped with setup and cleanup, sorted and priced, or volunteered your time during the sale — your generosity and dedication made all the difference. The spirit of teamwork and community was truly inspiring, and we are so grateful for your support.

Thank you to all those who helped with the Yard and Bake Sale. **We made \$4,879.54!** Your efforts not only raised vital funds for our parish but also brought people together in a joyful and meaningful way.

Thank you once again for your commitment and care!

With gratitude,
Fr. Tojo Chacko
St. Bernard’s & St. Edmund’s Parish

<u>Offertory Collections for Weekend of 7/20/25</u>
Regular Collection: \$4,886.00 Missionary Co-op: \$1,875.00 <i>Thank You</i>

Pray for the Sick: Betty Gregory, Shirley Guerin, Baby Walter, Bill LePage, Fred Cayea Jr., Veronica & Robert Demers, Amy Wilson, Dolan LaClair, Jimmy Kowalowski, Mary Denton.

Schedule of Holy Mass & Devotions

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 2nd, 2025

4:00pm(SB) Bailey & LaDuke Families by Barb & Bill LaDuke

6:00pm(SE) Rolland Dupuis by Richard & Kathy Dupuis & Family

Sunday, August 3rd, 2025

8:00am (SE) Barbara McDonald by Betty & Martin Gregory

10:30am(SB) For the People of the Parish

Monday, August 4th, 2025: Novena & Adoration

11:00am (SE) Funeral Mass for Linda Johnson

5:00pm (SE) Russell Bilow by Darlene & Family

Tuesday, August 5th, 2025:

9:00am (SB) John Bingel by Claire & Bernadette Kowalowski

Wednesday, August 6th, 2025:

No Mass

Thursday, August 7th, 2025:

9:00am (SE) Eileene Bosley by Court Little Rose #1300

Friday, August 8th, 2025:

9:00am (SB) Norman Charland by Patti & Jim Golovach

Next Weekend

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 9th, 2025

4:00pm(SB) Pauline, Walter & Francis Kowalowski by Claire & Bernadette Kowalowski

6:00pm(SE) Margo Rounds by JoAnn & Pat McNeil

Sunday, August 10th, 2025

8:00am (SE) For the People of the Parish

10:30am(SB) Joe Varin Sr. (Ann.) By Carolyn & Family

In addition to mass dedications, sanctuary candles which remain lit on the altar for a full week can be dedicated for your prayer intentions.

SANCTUARY CANDLE
(Week of August 3rd)

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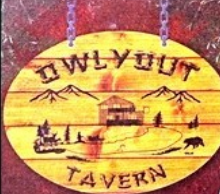


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Schedule of Holy Mass

Saturday	Sunday
4:00pm (SB) 6:00pm (SE)	8:00am (SE) 10:30am (SB)

Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday:
9:30am to 1:30pm or
by appointment

The sacrament of penance and reconciliation is available 20 minutes prior to each Saturday Evening masses, or anytime by appointment.

For the sacraments of baptism and RCIA please contact Deacon Lushia (518) 493-6671 or lushiak@westelcom.com. For the sacraments of marriage and anointing of the sick, please contact Father Tojo.

Abuse Reporting: If you have a complaint of suspected misconduct involving diocesan clergy, religious, employees or volunteers, contact Victim Assistance Coordinator, Terriane Yanulavich, Ph.D., LMHC, 5050 Route 374, Merrill, NY 12955; terrianeyanulavich@yahoo.com Phone: 518-569-0612; or Father Christopher Carrara, the Episcopal Vicar for Clergy; ccarrara@rcdony.org Phone: 315-393-2920 ext. 1340. If you have a complaint of suspected sexual abuse or related misconduct by the bishops, contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at 800-276-1562 or www.ReportBishopAbuse.org

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The Prayer of Saint John Vianney

I love You, O my God, and my only desire is to love You until the last breath of my life.

I love You, O my infinitely lovable God, and I would rather die loving You, than to live without loving You.

I love You, Lord and the only grace I ask is to love You eternally.

My God, if my tongue cannot say in every moment that I love You, I want my heart to repeat it to You as often as I draw breath.

