CINNAMON PECAN BREAD PUDDING

From U Club Classics. Chef Katie's recipe for an all-time favorite dessert at the University Club of MSU. Try it and you'll see why!

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*Yield: 8-10 servings*

**Ingredients**

**Bread Pudding:**
- 10-12 oz. cinnamon-pecan rolls or cinnamon swirl bread, chopped (about 7-8 cups)
- ¾ c. sugar
- 4 eggs
- 2 c. half and half
- 2 c. milk
- 1 T. vanilla

**Caramel Sauce:**
- ½ c. caramel (store bought caramel topping)
- 4 c. heavy cream

**Preparation**

**For the bread pudding:**

In a bowl, whisk together sugar and egg yolks. Add in the half and half, milk and vanilla and whisk together until no lumps. Spread chopped bread evenly in a 9 by 13-inch baking dish. Pour custard mix over the top. Let sit for 20 minutes. With your hands, break and smoosh apart the pieces of bread.

Preheat oven to 350°F. Bake for 35-40 minutes. Test for doneness by jiggling the pan. Bake until middle doesn't wiggle.

**For the caramel sauce:**

On the stove, heat caramel and heavy cream until warm and mixed. Pour over bread pudding. Let sit for 10 minutes before serving.