

# St. Bernard Catholic Church

*(Established in 1787)*

## DAILY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:  
Mass 8:30 a.m.  
First Saturday 8:30 a.m.

## WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday 10:00 a.m.



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P. O. Box 220  
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St. Joseph Adoration Chapel:  
Any Time



## MISSION STATEMENT

In the total love for Jesus through the Heart of Mary,  
We St. Bernard Catholic Church commit to

**BE BOLD—BE CATHOLIC—BE CHRIST**

And faithfully pass it on...Heart to Heart. I.M.

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**Baptism:** Parents are asked to call the office. Baptisms will be held the 3rd weekend of the month or by special arrangement.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Confessions are held before each Mass, or call for an appointment.

**Communion of the Sick:** Please call when someone is ill or in the hospital.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Couples must contact the church at least six (6) months before the date of the wedding.

**Christian Burial:** Please contact the funeral home to make arrangements they will contact church and cemetery.

**Pastoral & Finance Meeting - Pastoral Council meetings will be announced.**



**Saturday November 14, 2020**

**Rosary 8:00 p.m.**

**4:00 p.m.** All Parishioners of St. Bernard Catholic Church; Bernard & Chase Naquin; Duke Collins; Donald Serpas, Sr.; William Ybarzabal; Pat Cassagne; Tim George;

Timothy George; Sal Gagliano; Mary Gagliano Jack, Mazie & Jake LaFond; Karen Smith; Donna Gonzales; Scotty Lopez; Beth Byrd Ruiz; Richie Byrd; Charles, Cornelia & Lori Robertson; Fr John; Louis & Lucille Freire; Perry & Deann Freire Bourdreaux; Adam & Evelyn Gonzales; and all on our Sick List especially Dwight Merkl

**Sunday, November 15, 2020**

**Rosary 9:30 a.m.**

**10:00 a.m.** Charles L. Smith; Gauthé Family; Agnes & Wallace Serpas; Jerry Wheat; HJ & Harold Lind; Josephine & Reese Nunez; Mike, Rosie & André Colletti; Dickie Stander; Merle King; Donald & Jeanette Evans Louise M. Alphonso; Heuitt & Alice Howard, Walter & Betty Melerine, Glen & Esther Menesses; Larry Gonzales, Jr.; Raymond Serpas; Frances Evans; Adam Serigne; Walter Guidry; Kathleen Terrebbonne; Chester Romero; The Romero Family; Joyce Frichter; Rudy Alphonso; Martin & Cecile Alfonso; Jerry, Vernon & Nathan Alfonso; Alfred Nunez, Sr. & Family; Jason Steele; Myra & Lisa Montelongo; Marlene Campo; Lindy LeBouef; Albert & Lorenza Acosta; Norbert Billiot, Sr.; Esther Assavedo Lazarus "Satch" Gonzales; and all Military Personnel & Families

**DAILY—Rosary 8 a.m.—Mass 8:30 a.m.:**

Monday	For Our Youth
Tuesday	All Sick & Dying
Wednesday	All Souls in Purgatory
Thursday	All Parishioners
Friday	Deceased Priests

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 18:35-43  
 Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 19:1-10  
 Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 19:11-28  
 Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 19:41-44  
 Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131;  
 Saturday: Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 20:27-40  
 Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6;

**Ministry Schedule**

*For Next Week:*

**Saturday, November 21, 4:00 p.m.**

Celebrant: Fr. Hoang

Lector: Catherine

Ministers of Communion:

Not at this time



**Sunday, November 22, 10:00 a.m.**

Celebrant: Fr. Hoang

Lector: Sharon

Ministers of Communion:

Not at this time

**Sanctuary Lamp**  
*Beth Byrd Ruiz*



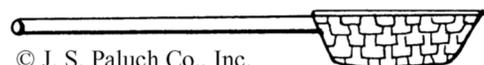
**Marian Candle**  
*Pat Cassagne*



**St. Joseph Candle**  
*Norbert Billiot, Sr.*



**Christian Giving**



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**November 7—8, 2020**

**Attendance: 77**

**Collection: \$1,734.00**  
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## **POPE FRANCIS' NOVEMBER PRAYER INTENTION**

“We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.”

### **Second Collection-Catholic Campaign for Human Development**

Please be generous the weekend of November 21-22, 2020, for the special collection, which supports the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the United States, forty million people live in poverty. Through this collection you support programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect will remain in our diocese to fund local antipoverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and work on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found [here](#).

### **CONVERSATIONS AROUND THE SOCIAL MISSION OF THE CHURCH**

The year 2020 has strained the faith of even the most devout Catholics! To get our bearing, it can be helpful to reflect upon the deep tradition of our faith and how it continues to speak to the needs of our world today. Please consider joining Catholic Charities Office of Justice and Peace for any one, or all of the sessions about critical issues of our day. Remaining presentations are on November 19 and December 10, 2020.



## ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY

November 17th

On Nov. 17, the Catholic Church celebrates the life and example of St. Elizabeth of Hungary, a medieval noblewoman who responded to personal tragedy by embracing St. Francis' ideals of poverty and service. A patron of secular Franciscans, she is especially beloved to Germans, as well as the faithful of her native Hungary.

As the daughter of the Hungarian King Andrew II, Elizabeth had the responsibilities of royalty thrust upon her almost as soon as her short life began in 1207. While she was still very young, Elizabeth's father arranged for her to be married to a German nobleman, Ludwig of Thuringia.

The plan forced Elizabeth to separate from her parents while still a child. Adding to this sorrow was the murder of Elizabeth's mother Gertrude in 1213, which history ascribes to a conflict between her own German people and the Hungarian nobles. Elizabeth took a solemn view of life and death from that point on, and found consolation in prayer. Both tendencies drew some ire from her royal peers.

For a time, beginning in 1221, she was happily married. Ludwig, who had advanced to become one of the rulers of Thuringia, supported Elizabeth's efforts to live out the principles of the Gospel even within the royal court. She met with friars of the nascent Franciscan order during its founder's own lifetime, resolving to use her position as queen to advance their mission of charity.

Remarkably, Ludwig agreed with his wife's resolution, and the politically powerful couple embraced a life of remarkable generosity toward the poor.

They had three children, two of whom went on to live as as members of the nobility, although one of them –her only son– died relatively young. The third eventually entered religious life and became abbess of a German convent.

In 1226, while Ludwig was attending to political affairs in Italy, Elizabeth took charge of distributing aid to victims of disease and flooding that struck Thuringia. She took charge of caring for the afflicted, even when this required giving up the royal family's own clothes and goods. Elizabeth arranged for a hospital to be built, and is said to have provided for the needs of nearly a thousand desperately poor people on a daily basis.

The next year, however, would put Elizabeth's faith to the test. Her husband had promised to assist the Holy Roman Emperor Frederick II in the Sixth Crusade, but he died of illness en route to Jerusalem. Devastated by Ludwig's death, Elizabeth vowed never to remarry. Her children were sent away, and relatives heavily pressured her to break the vow.

Undeterred, Elizabeth used her remaining money to build another hospital, where she personally attended to the sick almost constantly. Sending away her servants, she joined the Third Order of St. Francis, seeking to emulate the example of its founder as closely as her responsibilities would allow. Near the end of her life, she lived in a small hut and spun her own clothes.

Working continually with the severely ill, Elizabeth became sick herself, dying of illness in November of 1231. After she died, miraculous healings soon began to occur at her grave near the hospital, and she was declared a saint only four years later.

Pope Benedict XVI has praised her as a “model for those in authority,” noting the continuity between her personal love for God, and her public work on behalf of the poor and sick.

Patronage: Bakers; beggars; brides; charitable societies; charitable workers; charities; countesses; death of children; exiles; falsely accused people; hoboes; homeless people; hospitals; in-law problems; lacemakers; lace workers; nursing homes; nursing services; people in exile; people ridiculed for their piety; Sisters of Mercy; tertiaries; Teutonic Knights; toothache; tramps; widows.

Representation: A queen distributing alms; woman wearing a crown and tending to beggars; woman wearing a crown, carrying a load of roses in her apron or mantle.

## **ST. BERNARD CATHOLIC CHURCH—PHASE 3**

**We are in Phase 3 and we have opened the church to all who feel safe and/or want to come. We can now have 75% occupancy. With that there are a few things to keep in mind:**

**You will be coming to a small area with a large number of people and the social distancing might not be maintained.**

**You will be coming to a small area where people may or may not be wearing masks. We will leave that up to each individual. Remember that wearing a mask does not protect you, but keeps your germs to yourself. Also by wearing the mask for a period of time you are breathing in much CO<sub>2</sub> which can cause some to pass out or have other issues.**

**You will be coming to this small church that we all love and care about to receive our Lord Jesus Christ in the Eucharist and this may take some strong faith that you will stay safe in doing so. If anyone is not comfortable attending there is no judgment it is understood.**

**We ask that if you feel bad in anyway the day before and/or the day of Mass please stay home. If you have any of the underlying conditions that will make getting sick with the virus or anything else harder on you, please stay home. Probably the majority of St. Bernard's parishioners fall into the category of being over 65 and we know some have other health issues and some do not. This is a time to use your faith to pray and listen to the Lord to make your decision along with medical advice hopefully from your physician.**

**If you do not want to be in church with a lot of people but still want to physically attend a mass, please remember we are having daily Mass at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and rarely is there more than 4 people. We hope in the near future we can continue with the home visits to our shut-ins when all parties are comfortable.**

**Continue to do your best to socially distance from others, but remember it is not a guarantee it can happen in the church. Please keep this in mind when you come up to receive the Eucharist and try to give a little space. Upon receiving the Eucharist you will not hear Fr Hoang say the Body of Christ he will just make a small sign of cross with the host and place in your hand.**

**There will be no passing of the collection basket. Please drop your donation in the basket by the bulletins. For the sign of peace, please just wave or nod to others.**

# Blessed are you who fear the LORD.

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Coming to the end of the Church year, we can wonder how we got “extreme unction” out of “anointing of the sick.” “Extreme” comes from a Latin phrase, in extremis, which in English refers to the last struggle of a dying person. “Last rites” is a phrase in common usage, and refers to the fact that years ago everyone waited until the last crisis of illness to summon the priest. The goal of anointing had always been healing and forgiveness, but in time it began to be seen as a preparation for death. In a hard world, almost anything from a hangnail to a sneeze could be life-threatening, so perhaps the change was inevitable. The emphasis on the penitential aspects was heightened, even to the odd practice of Rome in the twelfth century, when the sick person was sprinkled with ashes mixed with holy water and given a hair shirt as a sign of penance. The reformers thankfully overlooked some of these oddities of history, and today the sacrament of the sick is much more generously applied to persons in a wide range of situations. Still, it is a sacrament of reconciliation, and for that reason is not celebrated for an infant or toddler, although there is a rite for a visit to a sick child not including anointing or Communion.

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## Phase 3—Continuing

**ALL VULNERABLE INDIVIDUALS** should continue to shelter in place. Members of households with vulnerable residents should be aware that by returning to work or other environments where distancing is not practical, they could carry the virus back home. Precautions should be taken to isolate from vulnerable residents.

All individuals, **WHEN IN PUBLIC** (e.g., parks, outdoor recreation areas, shopping areas), should maximize physical distance from others. Social settings of more than 50 people, where appropriate distancing may not be practical, should be avoided unless precautionary measures are observed.

**LARGE VENUES** (e.g., sit-down dining, movie theaters, sporting venues, places of worship) can operate under moderate physical distancing protocols.

## ADORATION CHAPELS

The Deanery Adoration Chapel located at OLPS invites you to come spend a little time with the Lord in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Come for a few minutes or consider becoming a “**committed adorer**” for a particular hour. OLPS 8 am to 8 pm Monday-Friday. If anyone would like to be on the committee at OLPS please contact them. OLPS is need of adorers if you can commit please call them. Our Lady of Lourdes has Adoration on the first Wednesday of the month. St. Bernard has Adoration on Thursday. Please consider spending an hour with the Lord.

## “Well done my good and faithful servant. .”

In golf a short put is called a *gimme*. In tennis a high, lofting return near the net is called a *lob*. In baseball four balls will get you a *walk*. And in basketball a ball passed to a tall forward or center over the goal is called a *slam dunk*. For a writer seeking to convey a message about the nature and consequences of being a good steward, today’s Gospel reading is a *gimme*, a *lob*, a *walk* and a *slam dunk*. We can learn that God created each of us with a vast array of talents, abilities and gifts, and free will to choose to accept and use them for ourselves and for others; or to reject them. What an awesome God! What an awesome gift! What an awesome responsibility! What an awesome reward for being a good steward! But the consequence for failing to be the good stewards God expects us to be is awesome. Take some time this week to reflect several times on the Gospel passage for today. How have we done with our stewardship?

## Please Pray for Our Sick

Manuel Alfonso; Debbie Gonzales; Charles Duhe; Aiden Smith; Madeline Colletti Cimino; Gene Perez; Patricia Fincher; Donald Campo; Edna O’Rourke; Bernard Naquin, Jr.; Dorothy Easley; Devin Dimadigo; Kylie Gritter; David Naquin; Sheri Fernandez; Christina Landry; Brett Gagliano; Brendan Graf; Emile Evans; Landon Ansardi; Kayla Vogelaar; Mindy Casanova Dardar; Wilmoy & Florine Shows; Brett Bergeron; Allen Nunez; Eleanore Erato; David Casanova; Danny Morales; Riley Richards; Hyacinth Serpas; Jerrilee Odinet; Karley Draper; Hailey Martin; Lorraine Daroca; Barbara Simpson; Michael George; Joy Fernandez; Marianne Marks; Kimberly Mones; Avery Cantrelle; Rita Bauer; Sandy Thurman; Talor Gutierrez; Erica Stewart; Maggie Serigne; Valerie Wheat; Hunter Hoffmann; Christina Gardner; AJ Arnone; Evis; Michelle Matthews; Fr. Charley; Don Clark; Thelma Lee; Janey Yates; Connie St. Pierre; Tino Mones; Patrick Campo, Sr.; Michael Fernandez; SE Kreiger; Pasqual Alfonso; Henry Dietrich; Sidney Evans, Jr.; Hope Serigne; Mr. & Mrs. Caesar; Mary Barker; Bob Couch; Linda Gagliano; Rhonda Riley; Lisa and Samantha; Paul Remick; Justin Serpas; Rene Poche; Lisa Montelongo; Bobbie Schmitt; Barbara Robin; Becky Couture Riker; Linda Melerine; Stephen Lobre; Barney Koons; Romona Lucas; Paul Serigne; Taylor Tycer; Dan Assevado; Wendy Walls; Kaleah Kate Ma; Robert Oalman; Noah Campo; Arley Jaramillo; Robert Burns; Peter Peterson; Anna Morales; Elsie Smith; Philip Deogracias; Beverly Bachemin; NS; Ryan Peltier; Lonny Becnel; Kerry Robertson; Jimmy & Dolly Brien; Margie Palmeri; Misty Morales; Katie Caluda Sanpart; Carol Morales; Michele Morales; Kim Juminias; Charlotte Luna; Elba Quiles; Branden David; Ralph Ziegler; Sylvia Guillot; Ryan Guerra; Hillary Miller; Phillip Acosta; Sherrie & John Graf; Linda Barrett; Stanley Alfonso; Steve Navarre; Marie George; Frances Edwards; Michael Pizzuto; Alfred Pizzuto; Alexis Binschul; Jeff Meche; Jordan Serigne; Ms Birdie; Arnold & Earline Serigne; Carolyn Serpas; Dwight Merkl; Ella Butler; Barbara Perez; Joann Billiot, Victoria Sanders



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