



2805 Bayou Road
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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.

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

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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 September 25, 2021****Rosary 8:00 p.m.**

4:00 p.m. All Parishioners of St. Bernard Catholic Church; All members on our "Tree of Giving"; Bernard & Chase Naquin; Duke Collins; Donald Serpas, Sr.; William Ybarzabal; Pat Cassagne; Sal Gagliano; Mary Gagliano; Jack, Mazie & Jake LaFond; Karen Smith; Donna Gonzales; Scotty Lopez; Beth Byrd Ruiz; Richie Byrd; Charles; Cornelia & Lori Robertson; Lena Torres; Louis & Lucille Freire; and all on our Sick List, especially Ms. Elsie Smith; and Dwight Merkl

Sunday, September 26, 2021**Rosary 9:30 a.m.**

10:00 a.m. All members on our "Tree of Giving"; Charles L. Smith; Rene Nunez; Esther Gonzales; Gauthier Family; Agnes & Wallace Serpas; Jerry Wheat; HJ & Harold Lind; Josephine & Reese Nunez; Mike, Rosie & André Colletti; Arnold Serigne; Dickie Stander; Merle & Leonard King; Lisa King Lopez; Larry Gonzales, Jr.; Raymond Serpas; The Romero Family; Jason Steele; Albert & Lorenza Acosta; Norbert Billiot, Sr.; Lena Torres; O'Neil Serigne; 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
Saturday (only First Saturday)	8:30 a.m.

Ministry Schedule**For Next Week:****Saturday, October 2, 4:00 p.m.**

Celebrant: Fr. Hoang

Lector: Catherine

Ministers of Communion:

Not at this time

**Sunday, October 3, 10:00 a.m.**

Celebrant: Fr. Hoang

Lector: Maureen

Ministers of Communion:

Not at this
time**Sanctuary Lamp**
Beth Byrd Ruiz**Marian Candle**
Fr. Michael Finnegan**St. Joseph Candle**
Fr. Jerry Dabria**READINGS
FOR THE
WEEK:**

Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21,29,22-23;
Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56

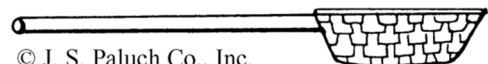
Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10,13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;
Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a,5-6,7b-12; Ps 19:8-11;
Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5,8-9; Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12,27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Mt 18:1-5,10

Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11;
Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

Christian Giving

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September 18, - September 19, 2021**Attendance: 72****Collection: \$ 1,795.00****Poor Box: \$ 258.35**

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 26, 2021

The law of the LORD is perfect,
refreshing the soul;
the decree of the LORD is trustworthy,
giving wisdom to the simple.
— Psalm 19:8

PROCLAIM THE WONDER OF GOD

The gift of the Spirit is given freely, not according to human expectations, but according to the generosity of God. Joshua wants Moses to stop Eldad and Medad from prophesying in the camp, when they were not with the others as the spirit was bestowed on them. Moses, so close to God's mind in the matter, wishes everyone could possess the spirit of God and proclaim it to the nations.

Psalm 19 celebrates the perfection of God's law, and how it brings joy and delight. It is better than the finest gold or the sweetest honey. Moreover, God gives the wisdom of the prophets to everyone, especially the simple and lowly ones, even to children. It is the "little ones" who proclaim the wonder of God to all.

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THE PRESENCE OF GOD

In all our thoughts and actions we ought to remember the presence of God, and account all lost in which we think not of God.

—St. Bernard of Clairvaux

FEAST OF FAITH

The Lord's Prayer

The Eucharistic Prayer ends with the great "Amen," the acclamation of assent by the assembly. Then the Communion rite begins with the Lord's Prayer. We pray this prayer in many contexts, both inside and outside the Church's liturgy. Here, in the context of the Mass, the Lord's Prayer is profoundly eucharistic. When we ask for our "daily bread," we are asking for the gift of the Eucharist. When we ask God to forgive us as we forgive others, we are seeking forgiveness and purity of heart before we approach the altar to receive the sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood—"so that what is holy may, in fact, be given to those who are holy" (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 81).

At Mass, a prayer for peace is inserted between the prayer and the doxology. In this prayer, called the embolism, the Church asks God for freedom—freedom from sin and all anxiety and distress. We are living in an in-between time; even as we rejoice in Christ's presence, we await his coming in joyful hope.

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Coffee and Donuts

We will be having coffee and donuts after mass in Iverson Hall on Sunday, October 3rd. Everyone is welcome to mingle and enjoy good conversations. This will be an ongoing event every first Sunday of each month.

* Saint Jerome

Most of the saints are remembered for some outstanding virtue or devotion which they practiced, but Jerome is frequently remembered for his bad temper! It is true that he had a very bad temper and could use a vitriolic pen, but his love for God and his son Jesus Christ was extraordinarily intense; anyone who taught error was an enemy of God and truth, and Saint Jerome went after him or her with his mighty and sometimes sarcastic pen.

He was above all a Scripture scholar, translating most of the Old Testament from the Hebrew. Jerome also wrote commentaries which are a great source of scriptural inspiration for us today. He was an avid student, a thorough scholar, a prodigious letter-writer and a consultant to monk, bishop, and pope.

Saint Augustine said of him, "What Jerome is ignorant of, no mortal has ever known."

Saint Jerome is particularly important for having made a translation of the Bible which came to be called the Vulgate. It is not the most critical edition of the Bible, but its acceptance by the Church was fortunate. As a modern scholar says, "No man before Jerome or among his contemporaries and very few men for many centuries afterwards were so well qualified to do the work." The Council of Trent called for a new and corrected edition of the Vulgate, and declared it the authentic text to be used in the Church.

In order to be able to do such work, Jerome prepared himself well. He was a master of Latin, Greek, Hebrew, and Chaldaic. He began his studies at his birthplace, Stridon in Dalmatia. After his preliminary education, he went to Rome, the center of learning at that time, and thence to Trier, Germany, where the scholar was very much in evidence. He spent several years in each place, always trying to find the very best teachers. He once served as private secretary to Pope Damasus. After these preparatory studies, he traveled extensively in Palestine, marking each spot of Christ's life with an outpouring of devotion. Mystic that he was, he spent five years in the desert of Chalcis so that he might give himself up to prayer, penance, and study. Finally, he settled in Bethlehem, where he lived in the cave believed to have been the birthplace of Christ. Jerome died in Bethlehem, and the remains of his body now lie buried in the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome.

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Did you ever notice how often the angels are referred to during Mass? We commonly meet them in the Confiteor (“I ask blessed Mary, every virgin, all the angels and saints”), prefaces (“with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven”), the Roman Canon (“we pray that your angel may take this sacrifice”), and Eucharistic Prayer IV (“countless hosts of angels stand before you to do your will”). Last week and this week angels abound as we celebrated Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael yesterday and will honor the Guardian Angels on October 2.

September 29 was originally the feast day for Michael alone. Gabriel and Raphael joined him in the 1969 reform of the Church calendar. The celebration of the Guardian Angels has been observed since the sixteenth century in Spain. Pope Clement X assigned the feast to the first free day after St. Michael’s in 1670, and there it has remained. Take some time this week to reflect on these, God’s messengers and our protectors, and maybe even celebrate with a little angel food cake!

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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.

Prayer for Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude; you are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control. The Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster. During this hurricane season, we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son in our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem where a storm-less eternity awaits us. Amen.

Please Pray for Our Sick

Manuel Alfonso; Debbie Gonzales; Charles Duhe; Aiden Smith; Madeline Colletti Cimino; Gene Perez; Patricia Fincher; Donald Campo; 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; Danny Morales; Riley Richards; Hyacinth Serpas; 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 Assevedo; 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; 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; Carolyn Serpas; Dwight Merkl; Ella Butler; Joann Billiot; Victoria Sanders; Isiah Acosta, Fr. Raymond Guillot, Mark Ostendorf, Ronnie Austion; Barry Adams, Bonnie Martin, Archie Turgeau, Jesse Moore, Sharon Serpas, Joe & Cheryl Vassil; Fay Whitehead, Victor Marchese

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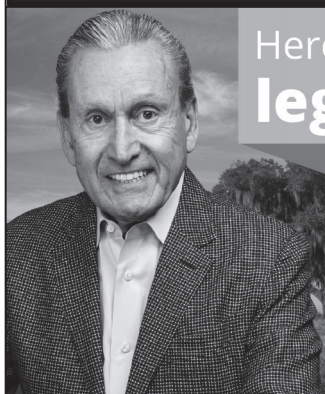
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