

# Saint Bernadette Catholic Church

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

#### **CLERGY**

Fr. Robert Barras, Pastor Fr. Dominic Pistone, in Residence Deacon Kevin Woodvine

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Friday, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:30 am Wednesday: 7:00 pm Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm Sunday: 8:30 am,\* 11:00 am, and 5:30 pm \*Live streamed on YouTube

### RECONCILIATION

See schedule of Lenten Penance Services inside.

### **BAPTISM**

To begin the process of having your child baptized, please call the office or visit our website.

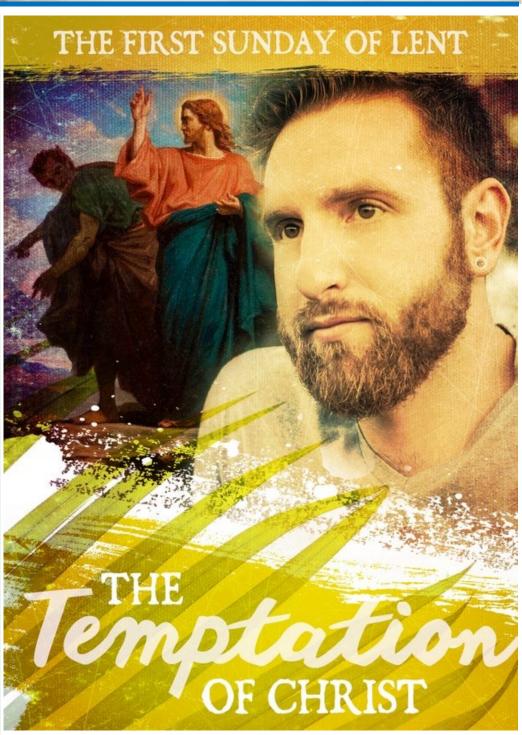
#### **FUNERALS**

Please contact the parish office if there is a death in the family. The parish will cooperate with funeral arrangements.

### **MARRIAGE**

It is necessary for couples to contact the parish when the engagement is made. You should be a registered active member of the parish. Allow nine to twelve months for preparation for the sacrament. Extra time must be allotted if either of the parties has been married before.





# Welcome to St. Bernadette Church

Welcome to worship on the first Sunday in Lent. A warm welcome to visitors joining us today.



# Readings for the Week

**Sunday: 1st Sunday of Lent** Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (see 3a)/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

**Monday:** Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

**Tuesday:** Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6 -7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

**Wednesday:** Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

**Thursday:** Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

**Friday:** Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3 -4, 507a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

**Saturday:** Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Lent Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 (22)/2 Tm 1:8b-10/ Mt 17:1-9

# Faith Commitment of Treasure

 Sunday Feb. 12, 2023
 \$ 14,177.12

 Faith Direct\*\*
 14,552.45

 Total Collection
 \$ 28,729.57

 Budget
 33,245.22

 Under budget
 \$ (4,515.65)

\*\* Faith Direct is a weekly average based on a monthly total

Upcoming 2nd Collections: March 19 – Catholic Relief Services

2023-Diocesan Services Fund

As of Feb. 14, 2023

 Goal
 \$ 143,000

 Paid to Date
 \$ 7,193

 Under goal
 \$(135,807)

Thank you for your continued commitment to St. Bernadette Parish. We pray for your continued generous support of God's work here at St. Bernadette.

### Lent 2023 at St. Bernadette

### **Fasting and Abstinence Reminders**

Abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all Fridays of Lent (health permitting, all Catholics 14 years old+).

Fast on Good Friday by all Catholics ages 18-59:

1 full meal + 2 small meals (no snacking; drinking fluids is allowed).

### Fridays of Lent

### Rosary and Stations of the Cross in the Church:

5:00- child friendly Stations of the Cross

6:00 pm- Rosary

6:30 pm- Parish Stations of the Cross.

We will also have outdoor Stations of the Cross posted around our Outdoor Prayer Circle (next to Christian Action in the rear parking lot) as well as online resources.

Fish Fry dinners sold by the Knights of Columbus from 4:30-6:30 pm.

**Monday Soup Suppers** 

Begin this Monday at 5:30 pm in the Parish Life Center. In person and "To Go" options.

**The Sacrament of Penance** 

All Services begin at 7:00 pm

March 7-St. Mary, La Porte
March 8-St. Luke
March 9-St. Bernadette

March 14-St. Paul
March 16-St. Helen
March 21-Mary Queen

**Lenten Adoration Challenge** 

Make Adoration one of your Lenten prayer practices! Go to our website to learn more about different opportunities and Adoration times at St. Bernadette.

**Spring Morning of Service** Saturday, March 25 at 8:30 am.

<u>Small faith sharing groups</u>: Order the reflection book online and reflect with family and friends.

More at www.stbchurch.org/lent



# **Early Childhood Connections**

**REGISTRATION INFORMATION 2023-2024** 

ECC strives to meet the needs of the children of our diverse community. We welcome all children. Our positive Christian learning environment recognizes the uniqueness of each child as we work with parents to prepare their child for success.

In selecting the number of days of attendance for your child, a parent should consider his/her child's interest, readiness, social skills, and emotional development. Final placement of each child will be determined by direct observation of the child in the classroom by the teacher and director.

St. Bernadette Early Childhood Connections strives to place each child in the best learning environment. Our teaching staff is highly qualified and teacher requests are not accepted.

No child will be considered registered until the Registration fee has been paid and all registration forms have been completed. (See page 2 for class days of attendance, tuition and fees, and family discount.) There are NO REFUNDS of registration fee.

In addition to the online registration information, we require **BACK TO SCHOOL** paperwork consisting of a Student Health Record (must be signed by child's physician), an Acknowledgment/ Release/Permission form, Food Allergy Care Plan (if applicable,) and an Automated Tuition Express form. A copy of each child's immunization record is required, as



well. These forms will be posted online by the end of June. The forms MUST be printed, completed, and submitted to the ECC Office by August 1. A \$50 late fee will be charged on August 11 for any packet not submitted in a timely manner. NO child will be admitted on the

first day of school without these required forms. Registration is open! Scan the QR Code to find out more!

# Jr. High Faith Formation

### •JrHigh Faith Formation Calendar

- ⇒ Sunday, February 26 JrHigh will NOT meet in person. Check your email for the link to the extras for this Gospel Weeklies lesson. If you don't have your packet yet, it's available in the front office.
- ⇒ **Did you get the Thursday and Sunday emails?** If not, check your junk mail, if not there, email me to make sure I have your correct email address.
- ⇒ Sunday, March 5 JrHigh will meet in the PLC.
- ⇒ Full calendar is on the webpage\*

### • Upcoming Events:

- ⇒ Faith Formation Soup Supper Night save the date to help make soup, bring soup, serve, and/or clean up our night is March 27.
- ⇒ JrHigh Expedition Summer Camp Registration is OPEN! It will be June 26-30 at Forest Glen. Spots are limited, so register soon on the JrHigh webpage\*, the qr code, or via the Thursday email link. Register your spot now full payment due by March 31.

Be sure to check your email for more JrHigh opportunities and links to the JrHigh pages for at-home Gospel Weeklies resources!!



\*<u>www.stbchurch.org</u> > Parish Life > Faith Formation > JrHigh  $6^{th}$ - $8^{th}$  or use this qr code.

Questions? email me: <u>bartosm@stbchurch.org</u> Marianne Bartos, JrHigh FF

# Current Families Registration Fee, Tuition Rates, and Class Options.

Registration Fee \$200 **Tuition Days** \$235 2 days – Monday/Wednesday (1s & 2s ONLY) \$240 2 days Tuesday/Thursday \$345 3 days Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday \$400 4 days Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/ Thursday 5 days Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/ Thursday/Friday \$465 (Pre-K 3s & 4s ONLY)

Ages 1-year-old to 5 years-old 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

All classes must have a minimum for the class to be offered.

### **Discounts**

Sibling Discount: 10% off total tuition of all children in the same family. Family Discount: Non-Refundable Registration Fee

First Child = \$200; Second child in family = \$125;

All other children in family = \$50.

Military Discount: 10% off total amount of tuition with proof of Active

Military ID Card

### **Extended Day Options**

**Breakfast Bunch**: 8:00-9:00 am - For an additional fee. **MAGIC**: 1-2 pm OR 1-3 pm - For an additional fee

Back to School Meet and Greet on Monday, August 28. First Day of School Tuesday, August 29, 2023.

Jennifer Nevins – Early Childhood Connections 281-486-0337 x114 or Direct line: 832-915-5700 Email: nevinsj@stbchurch.org



### **Christian Action**

NEIGHBORS SERVED BY YOUR CHRISTIAN ACTION:

	Date	Families	Individuals	# of Individuals Clothing	Financial Assistance	# of Volunteer Hours
2	Jan-23	118	580	237	\$696.75	268
: [	Feb 1-15, 2023	91	444	5	\$730.85	150

Phone numbers for the food pantry: 832-915-5677, 832-915-5678.

### LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS ARE COMING!

Lenten Soup Suppers will begin this Monday, February 27! The Lenten Soup Suppers are hosted in the Parish Life Center (PLC) each Monday throughout the Lenten Season. Soup Supers begin at 5:30 pm and soup is served until 7 pm

or until we run out! This is a family and community building time and we hope everyone will attend! Donations are accepted at the door which are distributed to well-vetted outreach agencies in our community. "To go" Lenten Soup containers for \$10/container (32 oz) will be available for those unable to join us in the PLC. Proceeds will go to CHRISTUS Point of Light Clinic and Hope Active for the School Supply Drive.

Date	Hosting Ministry	Soup	
February 27	Knights of Columbus	Gumbo	
March 6	Woment at the Well/Men of the Cross	Chili	
March 13	Christian Action	Chicken Noodle Soup	
March 20	Music & Worship	Taco Soup	
March 27	Faith Formation	Potato Soup	

### **40 DAYS OF CHRISTIAN ACTION**

**Do something special this Lent:** This year Christian Action is inviting you to join us in our 40 Days of Christian Action Calendar. Each day, you'll see an item to donate to Christian Action or an act of kindness to perform! You may pick up the calendars in the Narthex of the Church or at the Christian Action office. Your donations may be dropped off in the green bin in the narthex of the church or at Christian Action (Monday-Thursday from 9 am-12 pm). Thank you for walking this Lenten journey with us, and helping to assist a neighbor!

A HUGE THANK YOU TO THE CUB SCOUTS PACK 595 FOR THEIR LOCAL FOOD DRIVE DONATION TO YOUR CHRISTIAN ACTION FOOD PANTRY! Thank you for helping eliminate hunger in our community.

### YOUR CHRISTIAN ACTION NEEDS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS...

- ♦ Paper grocery bags
- ♦ Deodorant

♦ Instant Potatoes

- ♦ Jelly (no glass jars please)
- ♦ Kid Friendly Snacks (Granola Bars)
- ♦ Baby Wipes

Thank you for keeping Christian Action in mind on your next trip to the grocery store.

# Parish Gift Store Open

St. B's *Vision Gift Store* will be open next Sunday, March 5 from 9:30-10:30 am. **We have lots of new** 



merchandise. Shop for a wide variety of Catholic and Christian items. Rosaries, crosses, crucifixes, angel figurines, wedding gifts, Baptism gifts and more.

The Gift Store is located off the lobby of the Parish Life Center.

# **Blood Drive Update**

THANK YOU so much for participating in the Blood Drive on August 28! We collected enough blood donations to help save and sustain 48 lives! Thank you to you and everyone who donated at St Bernadette Catholic Church for the lives you have impacted.

If you missed the Blood Drive, a donation center is right down the street on Clear Lake City Blvd. You can give them code 1121 and St. B's will get credit for your donation. *giveblood.org* 

### Time and Talent

Lent is a time to "step it up" in our spiritual life, in preparation for Easter. One way a person can "step it up" is through performing extra works of service. Below are a few ideas.

As you share your time and talent ask yourself: What have you learned about yourself, your faith, and God through your service?

- ♦ **Lord, Hear Our Prayer.** Take time to pray for the requests on the Parish Prayer Heartline. Sign up to receive prayer requests through Evangelus. Do you have a prayer intention at this time? Send it to our Prayer Heartline at <a href="mailto:cantoybailo@gmail.com">cantoybailo@gmail.com</a>
- ♦ **Power wash the parish sidewalks.** Help make the parish grounds look nice for Easter by power washing a sidewalk. The parish has a power washer. Volunteers can help during the weekday as their schedule permits. Call Suzanne at 281-486-0337 x110 for more information.
- Beautifying the Community and Parish Grounds. Picking up litter can be a fun, simple, free activity that can have instant results for your Parish and your community. Take a few moments to walk around the beautiful and peaceful Church grounds and pick up sticks, pinecones and trash or as you go out for walks in your neighborhood. Just take a bag and some gloves and pick up trash along the way.
- ♦ **Chalk Messages.** Fill your driveway or sidewalk with positive chalk messages, Bible verses or drawings. As people in your neighborhood go for walks, they will enjoy your upbeat artwork.
- ♦ **Unplug from your iPhone or turn off your car radio on your commute**. The silence may be jarring at first, but you may find that you are able to concentrate better and will be more observant of your surroundings.
- ♦ Love on a Neighbor. Remember the "love your neighbor as yourself" verse from Mark 12? Let's take that literally and select a neighbor in and around your home to love on. Maybe you want to get to know them better and invite them to lunch or for coffee one day or decide that you want to help them get their home spruced up for spring arrival or simply bring their newspaper up to their door. Whatever you choose, let it be out of love for another.

For more information on these or other St. B's volunteer opportunities, please call Suzanne at 281-486-0337 x110 or email <a href="mailto:starons@stbchurch.org">starons@stbchurch.org</a>

# Marriage Preparation Mentor Couple Information Meeting



Calling all Catholic married couples, who have been married for at least 5 years in a sacramental marriage, to come to an informational meeting to learn about being a mentor couple for those who are seeking to celebrate the sacrament of Holy Matrimony.

At this meeting we will share with you St. Bernadette's marriage preparation process and the material that is in the mentor phase. Other mentor couples will be present to share their own experience and we will be happy to answer any questions that you may have.

The informational meeting will be after the 11 am Mass on Sunday, March 5.

For us to be properly prepared, we are asking you to please RSVP by Monday, February 27 by contacting Tom and Jen Argue by email <a href="mailto:jtargue@att.net">jtargue@att.net</a> or contacting Deacon Kevin Woodvine at <a href="woodvinek@stbchurch.org">woodvinek@stbchurch.org</a> or 281-486-0337 x104

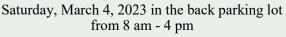
Marriage between two people is a life-long commitment and we want your relationship to be a joy-filled one for many years to come. The entire process – which can take 9-12 monthshelps to prepare the engaged couple to enter into life together as one.

For more information and to complete the inquiry form, please visit <a href="https://www.stbchurch.org/holy-matrimony">https://www.stbchurch.org/holy-matrimony</a>



If you are civilly married or married outside of the Catholic Church and have questions about being married in the Catholic Church and celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony, please contact Deacon Kevin Woodvine.

# Knights of Columbus Garage Sale





Donations are being accepted (they are tax deductible). To call for pickup of your donations, please contact Rob Zabinski at 281-908-6789. Thank you for supporting your St. Bernadette Knights!

# Masses for the Week

FEBRUARY 26 THRU MARCH 4, 2023

Sat. Vigil 5:00 pm: All Parishioners
Sun. 8:30 am: Karen Mrowka+
Sun. 11:00 am: Reginald H. Dodd+
Sun. 5:30 pm: All Parishioners

Mon. No Mass

Tues. 8:30 am: Those who are Homeless Wed. 7:00 pm: Charlotte Micocci+
Thurs. 8:30 am: Vu – Ho Family
Fri. 8:30 am: The Sick and Shut-In

Sat. No am Mass

### PLEASE REMEMBER OUR PARISHIONERS:

Norma Steber, 02/26/1989; Guy Stockton, 02/26/2004; Linda Gress, 02/26/2008; Pauline Countie, 02/26/2009; Rudy Tunello, 02/26/2009; Teresa Pryor, 02/26/2014; Linda Chamblee, 02/27/2014; Antoinette Hobokan, 02/27/2014; Diana Del Valle, 02/28/2020; John Durkota, 03/01/2012; James Stephenson, 03/01/2015; Thomas Ohnesorge, 03/01/2017; Mary Ella Kelly, 03/02/1981; Thomas Hughes, 03/02/2001; Genevieve Fallet, 03/02/2002; Kathryn Houk, 03/02/2005; Mary O'Brien, 03/02/2022; Natividad Jose, 03/03/2006; Susana Flores, 03/03/2019; Arthur McIntyre, 03/04/1994; William Lambert, 03/04/2005; Norman Block, 03/04/2022 on the anniversaries of their entrance into Heaven.



The remaining dates for the 2023 Baptism preparatory workshop schedule are: May 21, August 13, and October 15.

Parents are welcome to attend prior to the birth of your child. Godparents are encouraged to attend with the parents.

For more information and to register please visit: <a href="https://www.stbchurch.org/infant-baptism-class-registration">https://www.stbchurch.org/infant-baptism-class-registration</a>

# "GOD IS THE STRENGTH OF MY HEART"

As Catholics, we are called to serve one another and can do so thanks to the support provided by the annual Diocesan Services Fund (DSF). This week, we encourage all to give to DSF and help serve the

DSF

poor, feed the hungry, and support those in need throughout our community of faith. When you do, you remind all that God is the strength of our hearts.

# Strengthen Your Soul with Your Sisters and Saints

"She is clothed with Strength and Dignity" Proverbs 31:25

All women are invited to this one-day retreat. The retreat will include talks on courageous female Saints, time for reflection, discussion, break-out sessions, and fellowship with other sisters in Christ.

This one-day event, on Saturday, April 29, 2023 will be held in the PLC (Parish Life Center) at St. Bernadette. The day begins at 8:30 am and concludes at 3:30 pm. Breakfast and Lunch are included in the day.

Our guest speaker will be Tere Johnson. She has worked for many years at the parish and the chancery ministry level. She founded the Stella Maris Center based out of her home in League City. The Stella Maris Center promotes and supports happy, holy, and real family life.

We hope you will plan to attend so that we can come together to pray, learn, and renew our commitment to each other as a faith community.

Early bird price before April 15 is \$25. After April 15 the price is \$50.

Space is available for 75 women. Registration closes on April 23. No registrations at the door.

If you have questions, please contact: Jen Argue: (832) 405-1950 <u>Jtargue@att.net</u>

Courtney Fossati: (832) 244-2541 <u>Courtneyfossati@yahoo.com</u> Kathy LaBrode: (281) 782-1986 Klabrode@comcast.net





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