

# 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

#### **REGULAR 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

#### **BAPTISM**

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

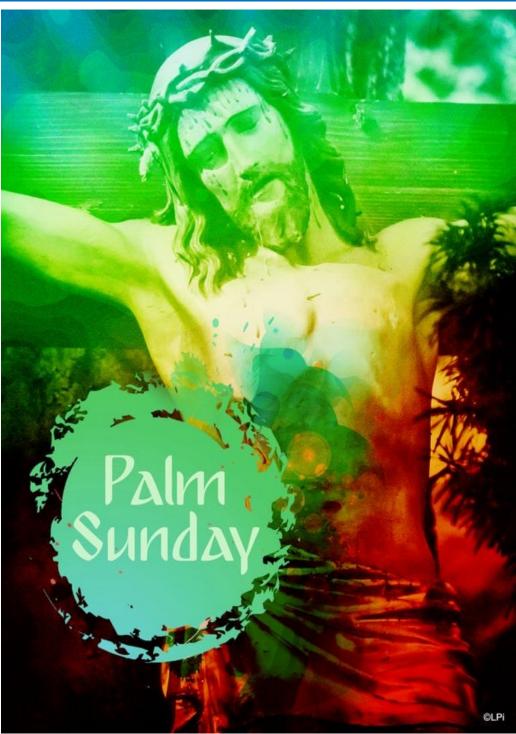
#### **FUNERALS**

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

Hosanna in the highest! Welcome as we bless the One who comes in the name of the Lord!



## Readings for the Week

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Holy Week begins Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8 -9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54 Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

**Tuesday:** Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/

Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

**Wednesday:** Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Holy Thursday, Evening Mass of the Lord's

**Supper:** Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12 -13, 16-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15 **Friday: Good Friday** Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Luke 23:46)/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/

Jn 18:1—19:42 Saturday: Holy Sa

Saturday: Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30)/Gn 22:1-18 /Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mt 28:1-10

Next Sunday: Easter Sunday Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4/Jn 20:1-9

#### Faith Commitment of Treasure

 Sunday March 19, 2023
 \$ 12,238.24

 Faith Direct\*\*
 14,569.04

 Total Collection
 \$ 26,807.28

 Budget
 33,245.22

 Under budget
 \$ (6,437.94)

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

#### **Second Collection:**

Catholic Relief Services \$ 6.648.00

**Upcoming 2nd Collections** 

April 7 – Holy Land Collection-Good Friday April 30 – Home Missions Collection

#### 2023-Diocesan Services Fund

As of March 21, 2023

 Goal
 \$ 143,000

 Paid to Date
 \$ 36,227

 Under goal
 \$(106,773)

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.



#### **April 2: Palm Sunday**

Regular Mass Schedule Sunday Masses will begin in the Plaza, weather permitting

**April 6: Holy Thursday** 

7 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Adoration (*Livestreamed*) 9:30 pm Night Prayer and close of Night Watch (PLC)

#### **April 7: Good Friday**

12 pm Stations of the Cross (Church)

7 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion with Adoration of the Cross and Communion (Livestreamed)

#### **April 8: Holy Saturday**

8 pm The Great Easter Vigil will begin in the Plaza with the Easter fire

#### **April 9: Easter Sunday**

6:30 am Mass in the Church 8:30 am Mass in the Church (*Livestreamed*) 11 am Mass in the Church 11:15 am Mass in PLC

No Sunday evening Easter Mass

## **Elementary Faith Formation**

Happy Sunday!

Don't miss out on our **Out of this World** VBS! Sign Up today! We need volunteers too! All who are entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade in the Fall of 2023 through Adult are welcome to volunteer.





- Our last In-person Faith Formation will be April 30
- Elementary News goes out every Thursday via Evangelus. Not receiving them? Please contact me: Courtney Fossati at Fossatic@stbchurch.org

### WFC, JrHigh Faith Formation

- JrHigh Faith Formation Calendar
  - ⇒ Sunday, April 2 JrHigh WILL meet in person; parents, please walk your JrHigher to small group and check out at the end of class.
  - ⇒ 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.
  - Do you have your current Gospel Weeklies lesson packet? If you don't have your packet yet, it's available in the front office.
  - ⇒ JrHigh will meet again on April 16.
  - ⇒ Full calendar is on the webpage\*
- **Past Events:** 
  - ⇒ Faith Formation Soup Supper Night Thanks to all who helped and donated!
- **Upcoming Events:** 
  - ⇒ What do YOU want to do with other JrHighers over the summer? Send me an email\* with your
  - ⇒ Sign up to help with the Elementary VBS. Check out the webpage, Parish Life => VBS https:// www.stbchurch.org/vacation-bible-school-information

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 6th-8th or use this QR code.

Questions? email me bartosm@stbchurch.org

## **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

We invite you all to join our Prayer Shawl Ministry on the second Tuesday of the month at 11:00 am in the Tasker Room of the Parish Life Center. As we knit and crochet the shawls, we pray that those who will receive them may receive God's healing and comfort. The prayer shawls are then delivered to those in need.

If you know anyone who would benefit from our prayer shawls, please contact Lillian Teixeira, 281-488-4412



#### Saint Bernadette Monthly Breakfast

Please join your fellow parishioners, on Sunday, April 2, after the 8:30 AM Mass.

Prepared and served by the St. Bernadette **Knights of Columbus** Council 10959

#### Nursery

Calming Room April Schedule: A video and sound feed of the Mass is available while families sit in the room. Location: Down the left hallway of the church

- Saturdays: April 1, 15, 22, and 29 at 5 pm
- Sundays: April 2, 16, 23, and 30 at 8:30 am, 11 am, and 5:30 pm
- Thursday, April 6 and Friday, April 7 at 7 pm
- Sunday, April 9 at 8:30 am and 11 am

Please check the St. Bernadette nursery webpage for updates or stop by the nursery. <u>https://stbchurch.org/parish-nursery</u>

Calling all Parishioners: Join us in providing a fun and safe environment for the children in our nursery during our Sunday 8:30 am and 11 am Masses. Have opportunities for EVERYONE to be involved! To join our ministry, please contact Aurora Summa at 281-486-0337 x 254 or summaa@stbchurch.org . Adults must complete a 60 minute online Safe Environment training prior to volunteering, details to be provided.

## Calling all St. Bernadette High School grads of the Class of 2023!

On May 7, there will be a Mass at 5:30 pm and a reception following. For the reception after Mass, we will have a scrolling PowerPoint, and a place to set up your personal grad display. Send your Powerpoint page (by April 10) with your info to parkerc@stbchurch.org

Please include:

- Photo
- Name
- High school
- Plans for after high school (summer fun, college, etc.)

Wear your graduation colors/robe, bring items for "your table". Stay tuned for more details!

#### Christian Action

#### NEIGHBORS SERVED BY YOUR CHRISTIAN ACTION:

Date	Familie s	Individuals	# of Individuals Clothing	Financial Assistance	# of Volunteer Hours
Jan-23	118	580	237	\$696.75	268
Feb-23	135	658	7	\$1,230.85	267
March 1-22, 2023	125	641	1	\$425.97	311.5

Christian Action is here to serve registered parishioners and families in our community. We serve our neighbors in crisis living in the following zip codes: 77062, 77058, 77059, 77598. We assist with utilities, food, and clothing. We have a clothing distribution 4 times a year. Neighbors in need may call on Monday or Wednesday (9:30 - 11:30 am)

to pick up bags of supplemental groceries on Tuesday or Thursday (9:30 - 11:00 am). No walk-ins. Families in need are eligible for food assistance once a month. Christian Action donation drop off hours are Monday - Thursday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. We **DO NOT** accept expired food items, glass containers, large items or furniture.

Phone numbers for Christian Action: 832-915-5677, 832-915-5678

**YOUR CHRISTIAN ACTION NEEDS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:** Paper grocery bags, Peanut butter (no glass jars please), Canned mixed vegetables, Fruit Juice (no glass jars please), Canned Tuna. Thank you for keeping Christian Action in mind on your next trip to the grocery store.

CHRISTIAN ACTION WILL BE CLOSED APRIL 10-11, 2023 IN OBSERVANCE OF EASTER.



# ST. BERNADETTE 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.

#### Registration is open! Scan the QR Code to find out more!

Current Families Registration Fee, Tuition Rates, and Class Options: Registration Fee \$200. 2 days – Monday/Wednesday (1s & 2s ONLY) \$235. 2 days Tuesday/Thursday. \$240. 3 days Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday \$345. 4 days Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday \$400. 5 days Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday (Pre-K 3s & 4s ONLY) \$465. 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 is Tuesday, August 29, 2023.

Summer 2023 Program: "Explore...Our World." is filled with hands-on, educational activities based on the idea that children learn best when allowed to EXPLORE! Weekly themes include Land Animals, Nature, Oceans, and Space. Children will participate in fun and stimulating age-appropriate lessons which reinforce readiness skills for each age group. Every child will receive a book which goes along with the week's exploration to add to their own library. There will be fun and exciting lessons in fine arts and gym, as well. June 6 - 30; 4 weeks - 12 days, Tuesdays-Wednesdays-Thursdays 9:30 am-1:30 pm. Class size limited to 12. Tuition \$390. Ages 1 to  $2^{nd}$  Grade. Explore is open to children who are 2 years old by Sept 1, 2023 through age 8 by Sept 1, 2023. Must have a minimum number of students for the class to be offered. Registration fee\* \$80 through 4/15. \$100 on 4/16. \*Sibling registration is ½ price and will be applied to account after registration. Explore T-Shirt\*\* and 4 books included.

\*\*Registration deadline for T-Shirt is May 1. After May 1, you may not get a T-Shirt.

Open registration begins March 20. Scan the QR Code above to find out more and to register! To guarantee your child's placement, the FULL Tuition amount is due by April 30. Late fee of \$10 will be added each day until paid. Space is limited. There is a minimum number of children required to offer the program. Registration fees, tuition fees and missed days are non-refundable. If you want to attend both Explore and St. B's VBS, please email Jennifer at <a href="mailto:nevinsi@stbchurch.org">nevinsi@stbchurch.org</a>.

Looking for a few good teachers! ECC needs qualified, loving, devoted, and energetic teachers, classroom monitors, and substitutes for the for the current school year and 2023-2024 school year! If you love working with children and would enjoy a part time career working with little saints, ECC is the place for you. Family friendly. Flexible days. No Working on Holidays. Short work days. Reach out today to find our more information or to schedule an interview. We have summer job opportunities too!

#### Time and Talent

Contact Suzanne Staron at 281-486-0337 x110 or email starons@stbchurch.org

**Reflection:** As you share your time and talent ask yourself: What touched you personally/how did you see God's hand in this activity?

- **Parish Lawn Care.** Adult volunteers are always welcome to assist with mowing and caring for the parish lawn. Parent/child teams can assist with raking and picking up trash. Volunteers meet in the garage in the back parking on Saturdays at 8 am. Help one time or once a month. New volunteers are welcome.
- **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.
- Make a Hope Bag. Hope Bags are gallon-size Ziploc bags that contain items that people who live on the street find useful. Bags are kept in the car, so when you encounter a person who is experiencing homelessness, you can offer the person a bag. Want to make bags, but don't feel safe giving them out? Drop them off at the Church's Time and Talent Office for others to distribute. To Make: Fill bags with any individually wrapped snacks such as breakfast or protein bars, peanut butter and cheese crackers, single-packaged nuts, Vienna sausage in pop-top can, bottled water or Gatorade. Other items can include: combs, hand lotion, lip balm, soap, hand sanitizer, toothbrush/toothpaste, plastic eating utensils, sunscreen, insect repellent and new socks. Please avoid items with alcohol such as mouthwash. Write a note of encouragement and include a Bible verse. Please also include: "For assistance with food, shelter, etc. call 211." You can drop items off at the parish office and label for Time and Talent so it gets to the right place.
- **Encourage a co-worker.** Often times you see these people more than you see your own family. Find ways that you can support one another, be it taking the time to talk and listen to someone you don't know very well or grabbing donuts or muffins for the office. Encouraging others will aid in your relationship as co-workers and as human beings.
- Save the Date! You don't want to miss this!!! Our Volunteer Appreciation Event is coming Sunday, April 23. If you are an active parish volunteer, you will receive an invitation in the US Mail. If you don't receive it before Easter, please call Suzanne at 281-486-0337 x110 or email starons@stbchurch.org as it may be lost in the mail. RSVP is needed and we hope you can join us!

# Thank You for Sharing Your Time & Talent! Here's an update on recent needs...

Last Saturday, people came together for a Morning of Service to refresh the Church for Palm Sunday and Easter.

Seven people responded to the request to fix the kneelers. These volunteers have been at work identifying kneelers that need repair and starting the repairs.

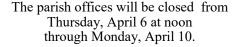
A family answered the call and cleaned up the sidewalk along El Camino. It looks fantastic and is safer for people who use the sidewalk.

Last Saturday, volunteers of all ages came together to make crafts, cards and birdfeeders to brighten the day of individuals who are homebound or in the hospital. Items are being distributed to parishioners who are homebound by our ministers to the sick as well as to local hospital and nursing home residents.

Every Saturday a group of volunteers care for the parish lawn.

Multiple volunteers have been busy baking cookies that have been given to volunteers working on special projects.

To these and to the countless other volunteers who make our ministries & activities at St. B's possible, <u>Well Done Good and Faithful Servant!</u>



Have a Blessed Easter Season



St. Bernadette Community Rosary
Monday, April 3, 2023
at 7:00 pm in the church
Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus
Council 10959



# MASSES FOR THE WEEK APRIL 2 THRU APRIL 8, 2023

Sat. Vigil 5:00 pm: All Parishioners Sun. 8:30 am: All Parishioners

Sun. 11:00 am: Helen and Jeff Cornwell+ Sun. 5:30 pm: Jacqueline Carlson

Mon. No Mass

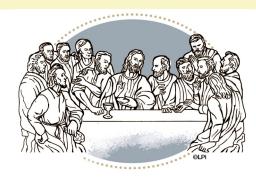
Tues. 8:30 am: Maria Guadalupe Saenz+

Wed. 7:00 pm: The Elect Thurs. 8:30 am: All Parishioners Fri. 8:30 am: All Parishioners

Sat. No am Mass

#### PLEASE REMEMBER OUR PARISHIONERS:

Raju Hajare, 04/02/2009; David Hebert, 04/03/1985; Edward Lednicky, 04/03/2006; Margaret Allister, 04/03/2008; Dean Shearer, 04/03/2018; Helen Cornwell, 04/03/2022; Frances Macbeth, 04/04/2006; John O'Bryan, 04/04/2015 Onorina Bernardon, 04/05/2003; Jeffrey Cornwell, 04/06/1982; William Alex Sr., 04/06/1983; Patricia Smith, 04/06/2002; Glenn Potts, 04/07/1989; Vilma Potts, 04/07/1989; Otho Linday, 04/07/1989; Evelyn Wolk, 04/08/1993; Jose Alvarez, 04/08/2003; Peter Hayek, 04/08/2011 on the anniversaries of their entrance into Heaven.



#### Christian Meditation

The task of meditation is to bring our distracted mind to stillness, silence, and attentiveness to God's presence within.

**In-person times** of Christian Meditation at St. Bernadette:

- Tuesday and Thursday morning at 7 am in the church building
- Third Saturday of the month at 7 am in the church building

**Zoom times:** Tuesday and Wednesday morning at 7:30 am.

The Zoom link and additional information can be found at: <a href="https://www.stbchurch.org/christian-meditation">https://www.stbchurch.org/christian-meditation</a>

# 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 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 Courtneyfossati@yahoo.com

Kathy LaBrode: (281) 782-1986 Klabrode@comcast.net



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>



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For updates and to see what's happening in the parish!

 $\frac{www.stbchurch.org}{About~Us} > News~and~Events > Calendar$