

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

RECONCILIATION

Wednesdays 5:30-6:30 pm or by
appointment.

BAPTISM

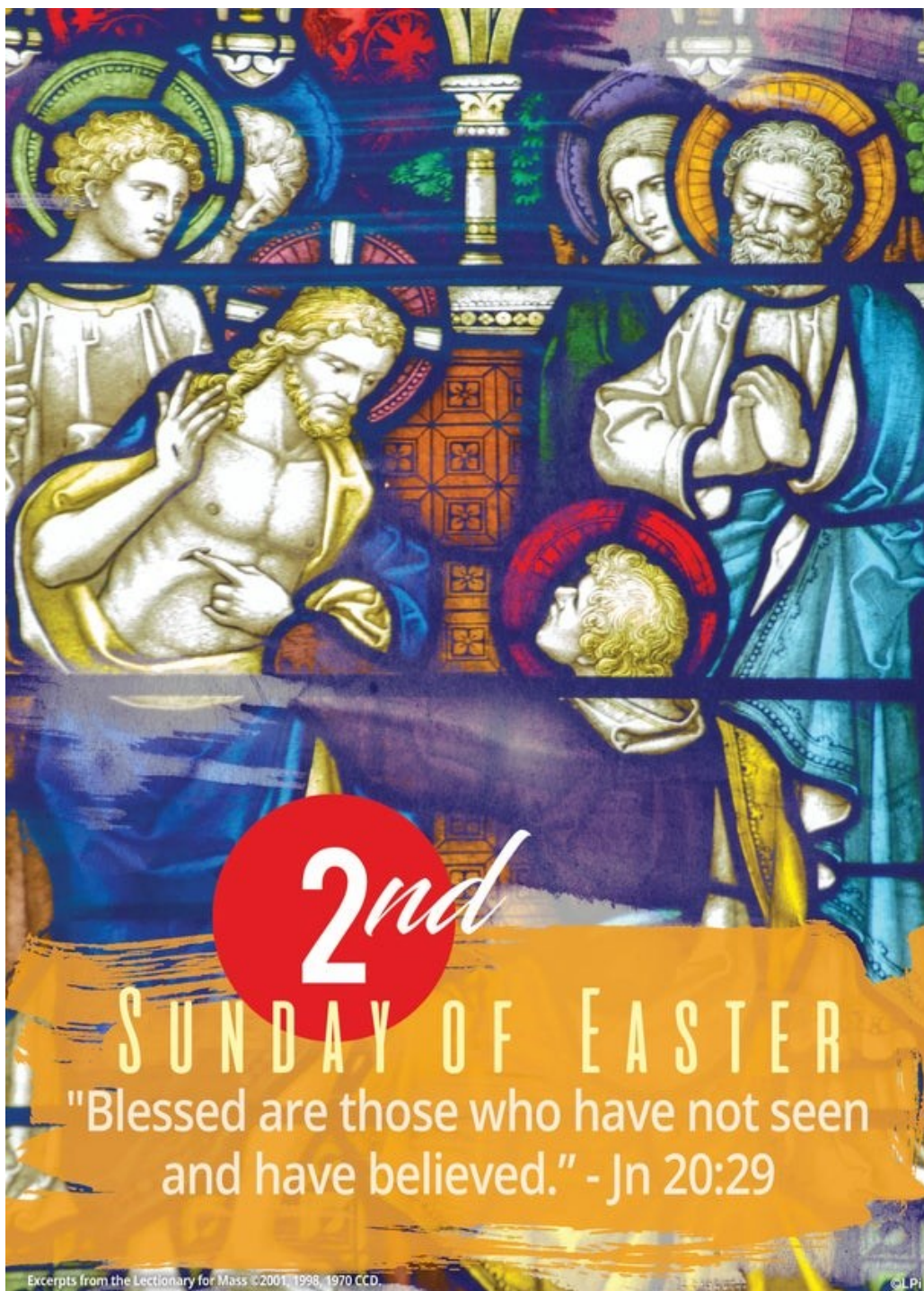
To begin the process of having your
child baptized, please call the office
or visit our website.

FUNERALS

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

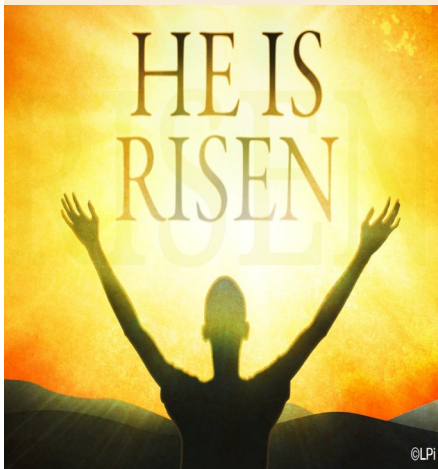
MARRIAGE

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

Happy Easter! Indeed, the season lasts 50 days. Welcome as we continue celebrating our risen Lord.



Readings for the Week

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy) Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Earth Day Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 (11a)/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

Faith Commitment of Treasure

Sunday April 2, 2023	\$ 23,481.74
Faith Direct**	14,588.25
Total Collection	\$ 38,069.99
Budget	33,245.22
Over budget	\$ 4,824.77

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

Upcoming 2nd Collections

April 30 – Home Missions Collection
May 21 – Catholic Communications

2023-Diocesan Services Fund

As of April 4, 2023

Goal	\$ 143,000
Paid to Date	\$ 51,627
Under goal	\$ (91,373)

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.

Welcome to St. Bernadette Church

Jesus is STILL alive! We want to extend a warm welcome to you today as we once again gather for a time of worship and appreciation to our Savior for what He has done, and WILL do for us.

If you are new to St. Bernadette Church, we'd like to thank you for coming. We hope that you'll be comfortable and feel at home. We look forward to getting to know you and sharing information about St. B's and the many activities available. If you would like to learn more about St. Bernadette Church, we would like to invite you to take a walking tour of the grounds and ask questions. Please call Suzanne Staron at 281-486-0337 x110 or email starons@stbchurch.org to schedule a tour or for more information.



Thank you to all those who prepared for and served for our Holy Week liturgies. From the people preparing music and decorating our worship spaces for many hours in advance to those who served during worship, it took many hands and serving hearts to put everything together for these high holy days. Thank you all for giving of yourselves for the glory of God!

Elementary Faith Formation

Elementary Faith Formation will meet one last time in The Parish Life Center (PLC) April 30!

- Morning Classes: 9:40 am -10:45 am
- Afternoon Classes: 4:00 pm-5:15 pm



VBS 2023 will take place June 12-15. You won't want to miss out! It will be "Out of this World"! We need volunteers too! Sign Up today using this QR code.



Please keep those about to make their First Eucharist in your prayers! First Eucharist weekend will be May 6 and 7.



WFC, JrHigh Faith Formation

• JrHigh Faith Formation Calendar

- ⇒ **We WILL meet today at 4:00 for JrHigh Faith Formation – Pizza and Jeopardy!** Even if you've missed some classes lately, join us today! **Bring your Gospel Weeklies!**
- ⇒ Thank you for a great 2022-23 Faith Formation Season!
- ⇒ **Registration is open for 2023-24** Faith Formation Season. Check out the webpage *
- ⇒ **Did you get the Thursday 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.
- ⇒ Full calendar is on the webpage*

• Upcoming Events:

- ⇒ **What do YOU want to do with other JrHighers over the summer?** Send me an email* with your ideas!
- ⇒ **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!!



* www.stbchurch.org > Parish Life > Faith Formation > JrHigh 6th-8th or use this QR code. Questions? email me bartosm@stbchurch.org - Marianne Bartos, JrHigh FF

Volunteer Appreciation Event

We appreciate all of our volunteers and want to say "thank you" for all you have done. Today is the last day to RSVP for the Volunteer Appreciation Lunch on Sunday, April 23. We hope that all active volunteers join us for fellowship and food. **Didn't get an invite?** If you didn't receive an invitation in the US mail, we are sorry to hear that, but no worries, it may just be delayed or lost in the mail. Simply email Suzanne at starons@stbchurch.org or call 281-486-0337 x110 for details and to RSVP. Please let us know as we hope you can attend.



Nursery

Families with small children - please stop by our new Church Library. It is located in the narthex. Take a book to enjoy during Mass and return for the following Masses. The Catholic Kid Bulletin and crayons are also available.

Please check the St. Bernadette nursery webpage for schedule updates. <https://stbchurch.org/parish-nursery>

If you have any questions, contact Aurora Summa at 281-486-0337 x 254 or summaa@stbchurch.org.



Christian Action

NEIGHBORS SERVED BY YOUR CHRISTIAN ACTION:

Date	Families	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
Mar-23	146	755	2	\$425.97	396
April 1-4, 2023	22	111	0	0	37.5

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
- Canned mixed vegetables
- Small jars of cooking oil
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes (adult and children)
- Size 4, Size 5 and Size 6 Diapers
- Cereal



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

St. B's Fitness Opportunities

Indoor Walking Group

Join the indoor walking group at 1:30 p.m. on Monday and Wednesdays in the Brandsma building gym. All ability levels are welcome; walk at your own pace. You are welcome to bring a friend. No registration is needed. Call Suzanne Staron at 281-486-0337 x110 for more information.

Meet New People & Get Fit While You Sit

Join a welcoming group of people for the Get Fit While You Sit class. Participants socialize before and after a gentle DVD facilitated workout on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 10 a.m. in the Parish Life Center. These chair and standing routines will teach you skills for breathing exercise, relaxation and meditation. Participants can remain seated for the entire workout, if desired. The exercise routines will be presented with warmth, respect and an appreciation for each person's physical uniqueness and ability. Men and women are welcome. Wheelchair accessible. All ability levels are welcome. No fee or registration needed. Call Suzanne Staron at 281-486-0337 x110 for more information.



Get Involved at Your Parish

It's really not difficult!

Want to help and make a difference while getting to know more people? You've looked over your schedule and decided you have some time (even if it's not a lot) and a desire to volunteer. Now comes the difficult part: finding volunteer opportunities that are right for you and fit with your schedule. In truth, finding worthwhile and rewarding volunteer opportunities isn't a monumental challenge. St. B's Time and Talent Office can assist you in exploring the many opportunities available at the parish and can help you find an area that interests you and fits with your schedule, whether it's helping a couple times a year, monthly or weekly. We even have opportunities for parent/child teams. We always welcome new volunteers, provide training and guidance, and introduce you to others! We want you to feel comfortable getting started in service and we do need your help.

Call Suzanne Staron at 281-486-0337 x110 or email starons@stbchurch.org to discover how you can make a difference while getting to know people in the parish!

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."

"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 2nd 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* \$100. *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.

Registration is OPEN! Scan the QR Code above to find out more and to register!

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!

Jennifer Nevins – St. Bernadette Early Childhood Connections 281-486-0337 x114 or

Direct line: 832-915-5700

nevinsj@stbchurch.org

www.stbchurch.org



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

APRIL 16 THRU APRIL 22, 2023

Sat. Vigil 5:00 pm: Rene Rodriguez+
 Sun. 8:30 am: All Parishioners
 Sun. 11:00 am: Eleanor Carter Tuffly+
 Sun. 5:30 pm: Clare Bueno de Mesquita+
 Mon. No Mass
 Tues. 8:30 am: Faithful Departed
 Wed. 7:00 pm: Maureen Daily+
 Thurs. 8:30 am: Vu – Ho Family
 Fri. 8:30 am: Maureen Daily+
 Sat. No am Mass

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR PARISHIONERS:

Steve Gonda, 04/16/2008; Marion Tompkins, 04/17/1996; Frederick Lamb, 04/17/2001; John Garcia, 04/18/1994; Mary Francis Geraci, 04/18/1994; Walter Staron, 04/18/2016; Jack Temple, 04/19/2009; Larry Bolcik, 04/20/2002; Dolores Leon, 04/21/1988; Leo Wourms, 04/21/2015; Jeremy Alvarenga, 04/22/2001; Luis Guzman, 04/22/2003; Tina Ruggiero, 04/22/2011 on the anniversaries of their entrance into Heaven.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend for married Christian couples who value their relationship and desire a richer, fuller life together. It is a chance to look deeply into your relationship with each other and with God. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences May 5-7 or May 26-28. Contact Brian & Tina Little at 281-773-4014 for more information. Or go on-line to www.houstonme.org. Early registration is highly recommended.



“I shall spend every moment loving. One who loves does not notice her trials; or perhaps more accurately, she is able to love them. I shall do everything for Heaven, my true home. There I shall find my Mother in all the splendour of her glory. I shall delight with her in the joy of Jesus himself in perfect safety.”
 -St. Bernadette Soubirous

**Everyday Stewardship**

Recognize God in your Ordinary Moments

The early days of the first Christian community were not easy by any measurement. Jesus had been executed, and his disciples had to be discreet so as not to meet a similar fate. Jesus was now risen, but the truth of his resurrection was not accepted by all. However, the depiction of that early community in Acts 2:42-47 would lead someone to believe it was the opposite situation. We are told of community life where people lean on each other and share great joy. They ate and prayed together, and many wonders and signs were occurring to lift the community and bear witness to the power of Jesus Christ. They were disciples living out their faith, and it was their strong sense of stewardship that made all this possible in the face of threatening Roman and Jewish powers.

Today, we find the Church in a new turmoil. Increasing secularism, abuse scandals, and a lack of true fidelity place us once again in a time that is not easy. A friend of mine likes to say that any challenge of sin we encounter in the Church has its origin in a lack or misunderstanding of the stewardship way of life. We create our burdens by not using our gifts wisely and by turning inward selfishly.

Could we use the story in Acts of the early Church to help us today? If we begin with the decision to give of ourselves completely to God and His people, will we become agents of change? There is only one way to find out.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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parish!

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