

# 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.

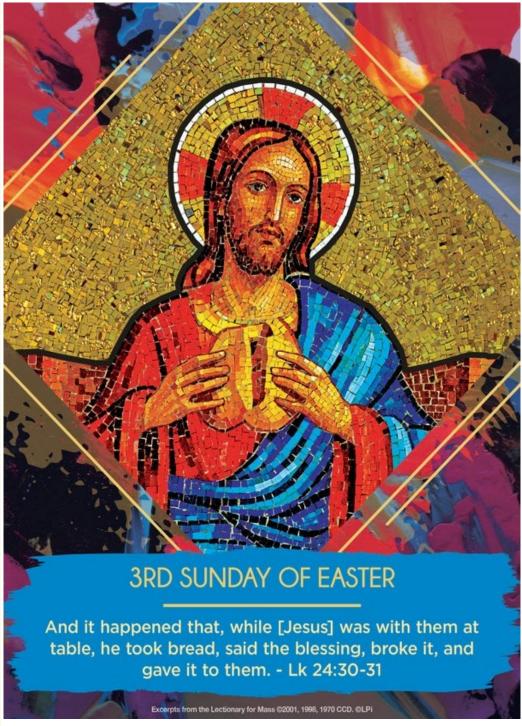
#### **FUNERALS**

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

#### **MARRIAGE**

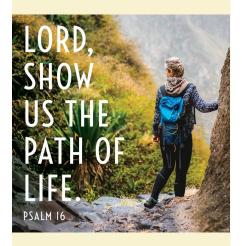
It is necessary for couples to contact the parish when the engagement is made. You should be a registered active member of the parish. Allow nine to twelve months for preparation for the sacrament. Extra time must be allotted if either of the parties has been married before.





# Welcome to St. Bernadette Church

Welcome to worship, Christian education and fellowship. May God bless and strengthen you here today.



# Readings for the Week

**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

**Monday:** Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29

**Tuesday:** 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6 -7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20

Wednesday: Administrative Professionals' Day Acts 8:1b-8/ Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40

**Thursday:** Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51

**Friday: Arbor Day** Acts 9:1-20/ Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59

**Saturday:** Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69

Next Sunday:4th Sunday of Easter Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/1 Pt 2:20b-25/ Jn 10:1-10

#### Faith Commitment of Treasure

 Easter Sunday April 9, 2023
 \$ 25,406.12

 Faith Direct\*\*
 14,588.25

 Total Collection
 \$ 39,994.37

 Budget
 33,245.22

 Over budget
 \$ 6,749.15

\*\* 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 12, 2023

 Goal
 \$ 143,000

 Paid to Date
 \$ 54,089

 Under goal
 \$ (88,911)

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.

# **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; Âfternoon 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 the 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

- ⇒ 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.

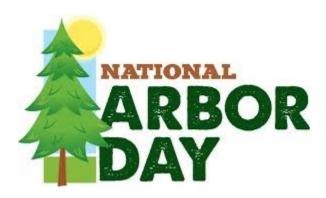
#### • Upcoming Events:

- ⇒ 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*; <u>https://www.stbchurch.org/vacation-bible-school-information</u>

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 <u>bartosm@stbchurch.org</u> - Marianne Bartos, JrHigh FF



# 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. <a href="https://stbchurch.org/parish-nursery">https://stbchurch.org/parish-nursery</a>

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





# Thank You, Volunteers!

As we celebrate our volunteers in April – **National Volunteer Appreciation** month, we want to offer special prayers

and thanks for all St. Bernadette volunteers. The thousands of hours that our volunteers contribute truly help to make our mission possible. Together, we build up the Kingdom of God and respond to the call of Jesus by using our diverse talents to serve one another. Thank you for inspiring us every day!

Jesus, we were created in the image of your love. Even now you call your Church to be your hands and feet, to offer loving service to one another in your name.

We give you thanks for the Spirit you send to sustain and strengthen us in our works of love. We give you thanks for the members you raise up to respond with special service, each in their own way, to the needs of the parish and community.

Please bless all who freely labor for your love, especially the volunteers who give of themselves to support St.

Bernadette Church. Bring to fulfillment the gifts they offer in hope of a better world and help us to see in one another the beauty that you bestow on each person.

Renew our hearts in grace and gratitude, that we may always find new reasons for joy.

Amen!

#### Why Be a Volunteer?

It's not for money, it's not for fame.

It's not for any personal gain.

It's just for love of fellowman.

It's just to send a helping hand.

It's just to give a tithe of self.

That's something you can't buy with wealth.

It's not medals won with pride.

It's for that feeling deep inside.

It's that reward down in your heart.

It's that feeling that you've been a part.

Of helping others far and near, that makes you be a Volunteer!

To learn more about volunteering at St. Bernadette Church, contact Suzanne Staron at 281-486-0337 x110 or <a href="mailto:starons@stbchurch.org">starons@stbchurch.org</a>

#### **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 1-12, 2023	55	274	0	0	75

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
- Cerea

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



#### QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

#### First Reading:

Peter's first public speech in Jerusalem focuses on Jesus' connection to King David. In other words, Peter spoke of God's fidelity to Israel in Jesus' resurrection from the dead. What would you like to know about Jesus' Jewish roots?

#### Second Reading:

Peter encourages his community to "conduct yourselves with reverence during the time of your sojourning" (life on earth). How might you show respect to others this week?

#### Gospel:

We hear how the two disciples on the road to Emmaus finally recognized the risen Jesus in the blessing and breaking of the bread. What helps you recognize the presence of Jesus in your life?

# **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 OR 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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



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 months- helps to prepare the engaged couple to enter into life together as one.

For more information and to complete the inquiry form, please visit https://www.stbchurch.org/ holy-matrimony

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.

#### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

April 23 thru April 29, 2023

Sat. Vigil 5:00 pm: Shirley Manha+
Sun. 8:30 am: All Parishioners
Sun. 11:00 am: Frank McGrath+
Sun. 5:30 pm: Giorgio Spezzapria

Mon. No Mass

Tues. 8:30 am: The Faithful Departed

Wed. 7:00 pm: Those Preparing for 1st Eucharist
Thurs. 8:30 am: The Ill and Homebound
Fri. 8:30 am: All St. Bernadette Volunteers

Sat. No am Mass

#### PLEASE REMEMBER OUR PARISHIONERS:

Mary Helen Vaughn, 04/23/1984; Mary Ann Stockton, 04/23/2001; George Martin, 04/23/2015; Winfred Ann Tinney, 04/24/1988; Philip Shaner III, 04/24/2003; Raymond Blumenstein, 04/24/2019; Rita Lendecky, 04/25/2011; Elizabeth Bunnell, 04/26/2007; James Maloney, 04/26/2004; Janice Haddican, 04/26/2014; Edward Perry, 04/27/1986; Anna Ryan, 04/27/1987; Maria Davalos, 04/27/1999; James Glynn, 04/27/2003; Joseph Rebokus, 04/27/2004; Josephine Sobrino, 04/28/1981; Eileen Carrow, 04/28/1998; Anita Martin, 04/28/2009; Alice Pearson, 04/28/2009; Albert Armand, 04/28/2018; Enzo Prati, 04/29/1991; Kenneth Gerken, 04/29/2012 on the anniversaries of their entrance into Heaven.

# Bereavement Ministry

We will begin a new program called *Seasons of Hope: A Support Group for the Bereaved.* It is a six consecutive week program.

Our next series will begin on Saturday, June 3 beginning at 9 am.

Seasons of Hope is centered on Jesus Christ and grounded in the healing wisdom, tradition, and practice of the Catholic Church. For those searching for hope, a Seasons of Hope group is a nurturing link to the Church, the Almighty, and other people of faith who are also mourning.

We are asking of individuals to please register for *Seasons of Hope*. You may register by calling Deacon Kevin Woodvine at 281-486-0337 x104 or by email <a href="www.stbchurch.org">www.stbchurch.org</a>/grief-support



Katherine A. Guzman April 8, 2023

John A. Koerschner April 16, 2023

> Rene Duarte April 4, 2023







Save the Date of Thursday, October 19 (6-9 pm) to attend the St. Bernadette's Knights of Columbus First Annual charity fund-raising event at TopGolf in Webster!

All participants will receive 3 hours of golf, dinner, and drinks and the event will benefit several worthy charities (Christus Point of Light Clinic in Dickinson, St. B's Christian Action, Helping Hands, American Wheelchair Mission, Special Olympics, Habitat for Humanity, and Mercy Tree)

Event details will be communicated a few months prior to the event.

We're now seeking charitable donations to cover the cost of this event so that 100% of event revenue will go to the charities. Please prayerfully consider supporting the event.

For information as to how you can help sponsor and support this event, please contact Event Chairman Kyle Zandy at <a href="mailto:kzandy5953@gmail.com">kzandy5953@gmail.com</a> or 281-620-1102; or Grand Knight Phil Prasek at <a href="mailto:paperasek@comcast.net">paprasek@comcast.net</a> or 832-483-3769.



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