



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, and Friday:

8:30 am

Wednesday: 7:00 pm

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am, * 11:00 am,

and 5:00 pm

*Live streamed on YouTube

RECONCILIATION

Please see inside front cover for
Lenten reconciliation schedule

BAPTISM

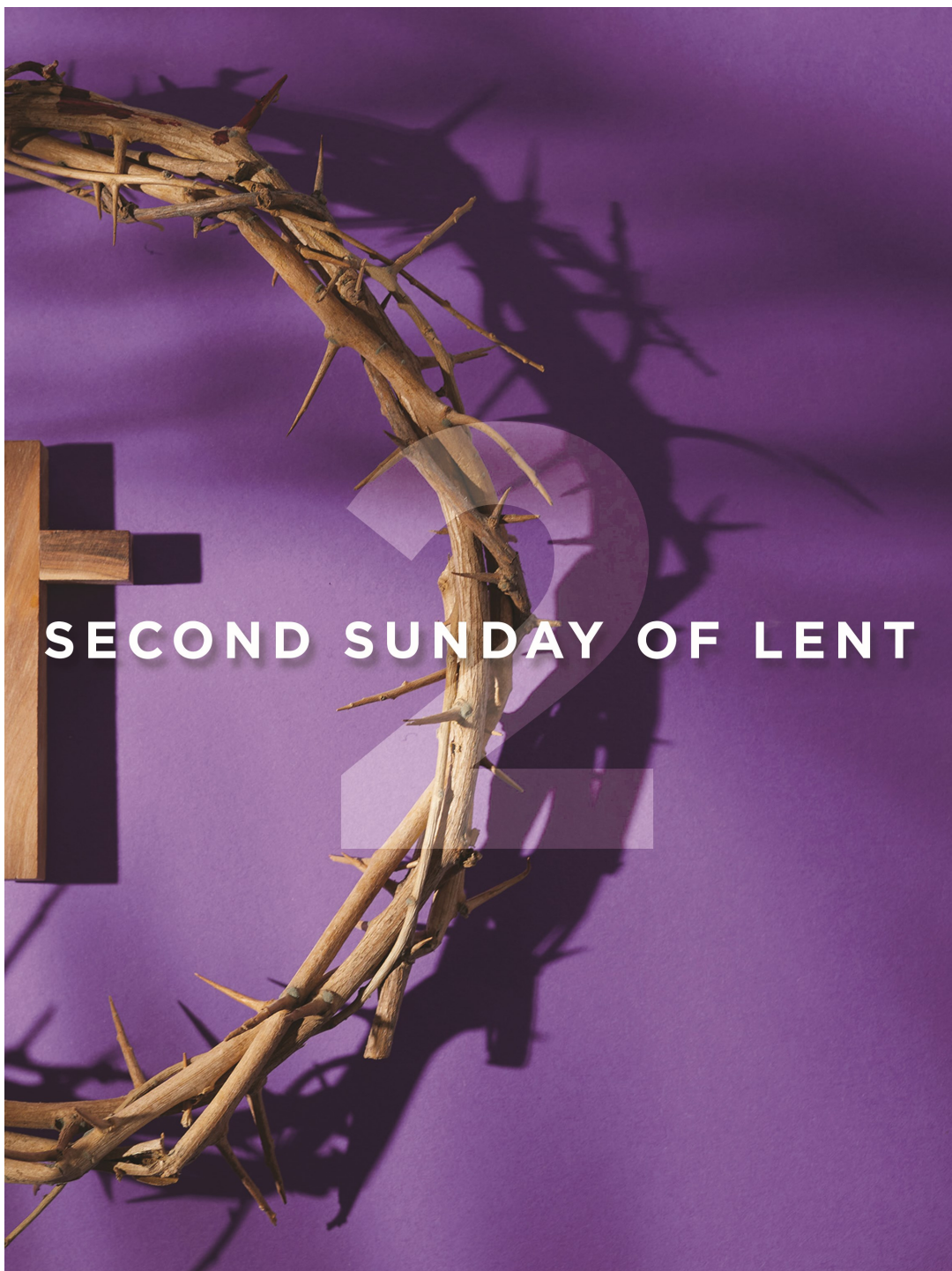
To begin the process of having
your child baptized, please call the
office or visit our website.

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.



The Transfiguration of the Lord

Readings for the Week

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Lent

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps
116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19/Rom
8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9,
11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-
9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps
31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2,
3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-
28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/
Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps
103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1
-3, 11-32

**Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of
Lent** Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8,
12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn
6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/
Jn 2:13-25 Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/Ps
95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-
8/ Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26,
39a, 40-42

Parish Luncheon All are Welcomed!

Join us for a Parish Luncheon on
Wednesday, February 28, 2024, at
11:30am at the Parish Life Center.
Bring your favorite dish to share with
fellow parishioners. We will gather to
celebrate St. Patty's Day wearing
green and sharing the "luck of the
Irish" stories.
Please call Sharon Jacquet at 281-415
-0826 for further information and if
you would like to help with the event.
Looking forward to seeing you there.

Faith Commitment of Treasure

Sunday Feb. 11, 2024	\$ 16,517.12
Faith Direct**	<u>14,934.89</u>
Total Collection	\$ 31,452.01
Budget	<u>35,343.65</u>
Under budget	\$ <u>(3,891.63)</u>

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

Upcoming Second Collection: March 10 – Catholic Relief Services

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

Fasting and Abstinence Reminders

Abstain from meat on all Fridays of
Lent and Good Friday (*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 pm *child friendly* Stations
of the Cross
6:00 pm Rosary
6:30 pm Parish Stations of the Cross

Parish Penance Nights

Thursday, February 29 at 7 pm

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation
will **not** be offered at St. B on the
Wednesdays of Lent. Please take
advantage of the opportunities
throughout Lent at our area
churches at 7 pm:*

Feb. 27 - Mary Queen
Feb. 28 - St. Mary, LaPorte
Mar. 6 - St. Luke
Mar. 7 - St. Helen, Pearland
Mar. 12 - St. Paul, Nassau Bay
Mar. 13 - St. Hyacinth
Mar. 14 - St. Clare

Monthly Breakfast: Please join your fellow
parishioners for a delicious breakfast on Sunday,
March 3, after the 8:30 Mass in the Parish Life
Center. Breakfast is prepared and served by the St.
Bernadette's Knights of Columbus. Council 10959.
All proceeds go to the parish.



**Knights of
Columbus®**

First Monday Rosary: The St. Bernadette Knights of Columbus invites you
and your families to join us to pray the Rosary on Monday, March 4 at 7:00 pm
in the Church. The Rosary is a beautiful prayer that helps build faithful families
and communities. The repetition of the prayers is meant to lead us
into restful and contemplative prayer related to each mystery. Each
mystery is taken from the Gospels and leads us to a deeper
understanding of Christ.
All are welcome, even if this will be the first time you pray the
Rosary or if you pray the Rosary daily.



Charity Garage Sale: Saturday, April 6, 2024 from 7 am - 2 pm. To donate
items in support of our charities, please contact Rob Zabinski 281-908-6789.



Lenten Fish Fry: Prepared and served by Knights of
Columbus Council 10959. All Fridays during Lent Except
Good Friday 4:30 pm till 7:00 pm. Dine in or take-outs
available if you come into the Parish Life Center. \$ 12 per
plate. Fried catfish – French fries – hush puppies and coleslaw
are included.

Time and Talent Service Opportunities

During Lent, rather than solely focusing on giving up, let's shift our perspective to giving back. Consider using your time and talents to support your community. Here are some inspiring ideas to guide you during this season of giving.

*Reflect on the significance of service and helping others in your busy life as you share your time and talent. Ask yourself:
What makes these acts of kindness important to me?*



Please Join Us This Coming Saturday, St. B's Morning of Service, March 2, 8:00-10:30 am. Individuals and families can help refresh the Church and Church grounds during Lent in preparation for Holy Week and Easter. A large variety of tasks both inside the Church and outside will be available to select. Parent/child teams are welcome. If you have gardening gloves or a knee pad for weeding, please bring it. Sign up at: <https://www.stbchurch.org/time-talent> or call Suzanne. Check-in at the garage in the back parking lot. Service hours for school are available for teens.

Power wash the parish sidewalks. Enhance the appearance of the parish grounds by power washing a sidewalk. We have a power washer available, and volunteers are welcome to assist during weekdays based on their schedules. For more details, contact Suzanne.

Make a Paracord Lanyard for the Military. Create a paracord lanyard to show appreciation for service members and first responders. Each lanyard provides 5 feet of cord, useful in emergencies. Donations will be sent to Operation Gratitude. Drop off items at the Time and Talent Office by March 20. Teens can earn 1 service hour for every 5 lanyards. Details at <https://www.stbchurch.org/time-talent>.



This Lent, embrace a new challenge! Try 40 days of sending thoughtful or encouraging words in a letter or email to people you know, 40 acts of kindness, or 40 meaningful phone calls to the people who matter most to you.

Join our At Home Service Project for the Homeless! We need individuals and families to help wrap plasticware for Mercy Tree, which provides hot lunches to local individuals experiencing homelessness or in need. Here's how you can help: Purchase plastic forks, spoons, and knives, along with paper napkins. Roll 1 fork, 1 spoon, and 1 knife in 1 or 2 napkins and secure the bundles with string, tape, or small rubber bands. If you're unable to assemble the items, you can donate the items to Time and Talent for others to assemble. Mercy Tree provides meals 7 days a week, feeding about 20 people per day. Please drop off completed items or items to donate at the parish office, labeled as Time and Talent, so it gets to the right place. Teens can earn 1 service hour for every 50 packs made. For questions, call Suzanne.

Declutter for good. Each day during Lent put aside one item you no longer need, and after the 40 days are up donate the items.

Engage in a DIY Living History Project: Interview seniors, veterans, or grandparents about their past experiences and the social issues they faced. By documenting their stories, we preserve valuable memories and help create intergenerational understanding. Join us in honoring the rich tapestry of our elders' lives.

Make a Snack Pack. Create snack packs for volunteers helping with special projects. Decorate a lunch sack with words of encouragement, artwork, stickers, etc. and include 2 store-bought, non-perishable snack items (crackers, nuts, trail mix, cookies, chips, granola bar, fruit cup, dried fruit, etc.). Drop off packs at the Time and Talent Office. Teens earn 1 service hour for every 10 bags filled and decorated.



For more information on these or other St. B's volunteer opportunities, please call Suzanne at 281-486-0337 x110 or email starons@stbchurch.org

WFC, Jr High and High School Faith Formation

JrH AND High School Information: (see below for JrH and High School specific events)

- Upcoming Dates:
February 25 – Regular Faith Formation
⇒ **JrHigh parents** – sign your JrHigher in at the table and sign them out from small group – thank you!
March 24 – Stations of the Cross during Faith Formation time
- Did you complete the Circle of Grace lesson? If you have not completed this at home lesson with your JrHigher or High Schooler, please do so soon. Once completed, submit the “completion” form. More details are in the Thursday emails.
- Do you get the Thursday emails? If not, email ** us.
- How can I help? The first step is to take Safe Haven, our safe environment approval process: <https://www.stbchurch.org/safe-environment-virtus>

JRHIGH: JrHigh Special Events: Let me know what ideas you have and what days/times work for your family. I am here for YOU!!

HIGH SCHOOL:

- Attention all High School Seniors! The Father Marius Zadinski Memorial Scholarship is accepting applications. Applications for the scholarship are available at the church office or church website. The letters, applications, and transcripts must be received by the Church office no later than March 25, 2024 by 4:00 pm.
- High School Bible Study- weekly event! Wednesday High School Bible Study will be from 5:30 - 6:30 pm. Location: Brandsma Youth Room. Check email for cancelations.



--www.stbchurch.org => Faith Formation => JrHigh 6th-8th
**bartosm@stbchurch.org
Marianne Bartos, JrHigh FF, 6th-8th



www.stbchurch.org => Faith Formation => High School
**sentmanatc@stbchurch.org
Christopher Sentmanat, HS FF, 9th-12th

Christian Action

NEIGHBORS SERVED BY YOUR CHRISTIAN ACTION:

Date	Families	Individuals	# of Individuals Clothing	Electricity Assistance	# of Volunteer Hours
Jan-24	67	309	20	\$1,540.57	187
Feb 1-18, 2024	29	135	12	\$0.00	71

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 electricity, food, and clothing. We have a clothing distribution 2 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. We **DO NOT** accept expired food items, glass containers, large items or furniture. **Phone numbers for the food pantry: 832-915-5677, 832-915-5678**

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS ARE HERE!

The St. Bernadette Music & Worship Ministry is excited to share their homemade **Taco Soup** at our Lenten Soup Supper this Monday evening, February 26. Soup will be served starting at 5:30 pm until 7:00 pm or until we run out! The Lenten Soup Suppers are hosted in the Parish Life Center (PLC) each Monday throughout the Lenten Season. This is a family and community building time and we hope everyone will attend! Donations are accepted at the door

Date	Hosting Ministry	Soup
Feb 19	Knights of Columbus	Gumbo
Feb 26	Music & Worship	Taco Soup
March 4	Faith Formation	Potato Soup
March 11	Christian Action	Chicken Noodle Soup
March 18	Men of the Cross/Women at the Well	Chili

which are distributed to well-vetted outreach agencies in our community. Proceeds will go to PRO TERRA SANCTA (<https://www.proterrasancta.org/en/>) and KNOM Radio Mission (<https://knom.org/>).

***PLEASE NOTE THAT THE "TO GO" OPTION WILL NOT BE OFFERED THIS YEAR.**

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. Your donations may be dropped off in the green bin in the narthex of the church or at Christian Action (Monday thru Thursday 9 am - 12 pm). Thank you for walking this Lenten journey with us, and helping to assist a neighbor!

YOUR CHRISTIAN ACTION NEEDS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS... Small jars of cooking oil, Toilet Paper, Pasta, Pasta Sauce (no glass jars), Instant Potatoes, 1# bag of rice, 1# bag of dry beans, Jelly (no glass jars)

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

Spring Break Service Projects



March 14: Crafting or Refreshing the PLC! Looking for something to do during Spring Break? Join us on Thursday, March 14, from 1-2 pm in the Parish Life Center. We'll have a few craft projects to make for individuals who are homebound as well as supplies to spruce up and refresh the PLC in preparation for Easter. You can choose your project, and service hours will be available for teens. All ages are welcome. Teens and children can participate with an adult.

March 14: Just for Fun! We'll also have a shamrock earing activity on March 14 at 1 pm for those interested in making something fun! All supplies will be provided. All ages are welcome. Teens and children can participate with an adult.

March 10 and 17: Caring for the Environment. Join us on Saturday, March 10 or 17 at 8:00 am to help care for the parish grounds. Weather permitting. Help pull weeds, pick up trash, sweep, rake, etc. Children and teens can participate with an adult. Service hours are available. Meet in the garage in the back parking lot.

Make Bird Feeders to Keep Houston Beautiful and Care for God's Creation. Help take care of birds by making homemade bird feeders to hang in your yard! Fun for all ages. Once you hang your bird feeder watch and reflect on God's creation while identifying the birds coming to the feeder. A brief reflection question, a bird chart, and bird feeder directions can be found at www.stbchurch.org/time-talent see Service Section

Donate your used bike to make a difference! Freewheels Houston provides safe transportation to refugees, homeless veterans, and low-income youth. Their volunteers will clean and repair your bike, ensuring it's ready for someone in need. Consider organizing a bike donation drive in your neighborhood. Spread the word on Nextdoor or Facebook. Learn more about Freewheels Houston at <https://www.stbchurch.org/time-talent>.



Take 1 minute to learn Hands Only CPR. Learn what to do if a family member, friend or other person needs help. Short training video by American Heart Association. Link can be found at <https://www.stbchurch.org/time-talent>.

For more information on any of these projects, contact Suzanne at starons@stbchurch.org or 281-486-0337 x110.

EARLY CHILDHOOD CONNECTIONS REGISTRATION INFORMATION 2024-2025



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. St. Bernadette Early Childhood Connections offers a safe and positive setting filled with learning opportunities to stimulate young minds during their early growing years.

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.

A child is considered registered once the online Registration Process is complete, including payment of the registration fee. The registration fee is non-refundable.

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 in early July. The forms MUST be printed, completed, and submitted to the ECC Office by August 1. **A \$50 late fee will be charged on August 16 for any packet not submitted in a timely manner.** Required forms must be submitted for the child to attend on the first day of school.

Exciting News New Hours 9:05 - 2:00 pm! Exciting News

Registration is open!

Scan the QR Code to register or visit your
www.MyProCare.com account.



Registration Fee, Tuition Rates, and Class Options:

Early Bird Registration Fee: \$200, Jan. 29 - Feb. 14;
Registration Fee: \$225, Feb. 15 - April 30; Late Registration Fee: \$250, May 1.

Days/Tuition: 2 days Monday/Wednesday (1s & 2s ONLY) \$275; 2 days Tuesday/Thursday \$280; 3 days Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday \$400; 3 days Monday/Wednesday/Friday (1s & 2s ONLY) \$390; 4 days Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday \$465; 5 days Monday through Friday \$540.

Ages 1-year-old to 5 years-old; 9:05 am – 2:00 pm

Stay and Play until 3 pm for an additional fee

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. ****2nd Child's registration fee will be charged to account after initial Registration fee received.** Military Discount: 10% off total amount of tuition with proof of Active Military ID Card.

Extended Day Option (Stay 'n Play) until 3 pm for an additional fee.

**Back to School Meet and Greet - Monday, August 26, 2024.
First Day of School is Tuesday, August 27, 2024.**

Summer 2024 Program

"Explore Our World: Land, Ocean & Space"

Explore Our World: Land, Ocean & Space provides hands-on, educational activities based on the idea that children learn best when allowed to EXPLORE!

Children will participate in fun and stimulating age-appropriate lessons which reinforce readiness skills for each age group. Exciting and creative lessons in fine arts and gym will be part of the daily curriculum. Fun snacks included every day! Each child in the program will receive a T-shirt.



Session 1 - June 4-20; 3 weeks, 8 days*. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

*Juneteenth is June 19, no class

Class size limited to 12. **\$340.**

Session 2 - July 9-25; 3 weeks, 9 days. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. Class size limited to 12. **\$375.**

Both Sessions \$650.

Registration fee = \$100 through 4/15/24.
and \$125 on 4/16/24 and thereafter.**



Explore is open to children who are 2 years old by Sept 1, 2024 through elementary age. Must have a minimum number of students for the class to be offered.

Registration for Current Families begins March 5 online at www.MyProCare.com.

Open registration begins March 20. Scan the QR Code for new families.

All the details

**Sibling registration is ½ price and will be added to your account after registration.

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

Payment Deadlines: Session 1 FULL Tuition must be paid by May 17; ½ of Session 2 Tuition must be paid by June 1, and final payment of tuition must be paid by June 14. Late fees will be applied. Registration fees, tuition fees and missed days are non-refundable. Sibling registration must be paid within one week of registration. Space is limited. There is a minimum number of children required to offer the program.

If you wish for your child to attend both Explore and St. B's VBS, please email Jennifer at nevinsj@stbchurch.org

Weekly registration is available for \$150/week, but students who register for entire session will be placed first. Session 1 placements will be confirmed by May 20. Session 2 placements will be confirmed by June 17.

Married and Single Young Adults!

Tell us how you really feel by
SCANNING HERE ==>



It only takes a minute and will help us better serve
our Young Adult Church!

MASSSES FOR THE WEEK

FEBRUARY 25 THRU MARCH 2, 2024

Sat. Vigil 5:00 pm: Benigno Dou+
 Sun. 8:30 am: Mary Demy+
 Sun. 11:00 am: All Parishioners
 Sun. 5:00 pm: All Parishioners
 Mon. No Mass
 Tues. 8:30 am: Omar Tristan+
 Wed. 7:00 pm: All Parishioners
 Thurs. 8:30 am: Ricardo and Ana Torres+
 Fri. 8:30 am: Anne Curtis+
 Sat. No am Mass

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR PARISHIONERS:

Judith Folco, 02/25/1991; Hilda Carmona, 02/25/1998;
 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; Carol Shay, 03/01/2023; 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 on the anniversaries of their
 entrance into Heaven.

You're Invited to a Board/Card Game Group:

Exciting news! Join our new Board/Card Game Group for some friendly gaming and socializing. Our next gathering is on Thursday, March 14 from 1:00 -3:00 pm in the Parish Life Center. We'll be playing Rummikub and Dominos, or bring your favorite game. Everyone is welcome, so feel free to bring a friend along. It's Spring Break, adults are welcome to bring children or grandchildren to come and play games with them. Let's have fun together! For more information, contact Suzanne Staron at 832-915-5644 or starons@stbchurch.org. Looking forward to seeing you there! *If you have a card or board game group and need a space to play, you're welcome to join us during the specified timeframe.*



Blood Drive a Success! St. B's recent blood drive on February 18 was a success! Thanks to the generous donors, we collected enough blood and plasma to potentially save up to 57 lives. It's heartwarming to note that among the donors were 4 first-time donors, including 2 teenagers! A big thank you to everyone who contributed to this noble cause!

Did you know that by donating blood at the local neighborhood center or another Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center drive, you can mention sponsor code 1121, and St. B's will receive credit for your donation? Your support helps us continue our lifesaving efforts.



Adult Spiritual Life

Holy Spirit Fellowship

Do you want to overcome discouragement, attachments, weakness, sinfulness, and suffering? Do you want to learn how Jesus Christ supports us with His Grace and satisfies our desire for holiness? Then come and join the St. Bernadette Prayer Group on the Fourth Sunday of the month at the Mini Hall at 1:00 pm to praise, worship, and listen to Fr. Michael E. Gaitley MIC, Jesus Mercy priest, on Consoling the Heart of Jesus. Everyone is welcome.

St. Bernadette 2024 Women's Retreat: Reclaiming Friendship

In a world plagued by loneliness, you are invited to encounter God personally through scripture. Let God reshape how you see and experience intentional relationships, deal with your past friendship wounds, and become a woman who is capable of the lifelong bond of true friendship.



This one-day retreat on Saturday, April 27, 2024 will be held in the Parish Life Center. The day will begin at 8:30 am with check in and breakfast. The retreat program will begin at 9 am and conclude at 4 pm.

Please register by scanning the QR code or by visiting: www.stbchurch.org/womens-retreat



Early bird price before April 15 is \$30.

Beginning April 15, the price is \$50.

Space available for 75 women. Registration closes on April 22. No registrations at the door.

If you have any questions please contact: Ann Prasek 832-689-8888 or Deacon Kevin at woodvinek@stbchurch.org or 281-486-0337 x104



Thank you to everyone who participated in our first Walking with Purpose series this past January/February. Please stay tuned for more information on the next series.

Bereavement Ministry

Seasons of Hope: A Support Group for the Bereaved 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 will begin our next 6-week series on Thursday, April 4 at 6:30 pm.

You may register by calling Deacon Kevin Woodvine at 281-486-0337 x104 or by email woodvinek@stbchurch.org or by completing the online registration form by scanning the QR code.



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