



# Saint Bernadette Catholic Church

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

## CLERGY

Fr. Robert Barras, Pastor  
Deacon Rick Ewan  
Deacon Jason Fossati  
Deacon Kevin Woodvine

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

## SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE-PLC

Tuesday, Thursday, 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

## REGULAR 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.

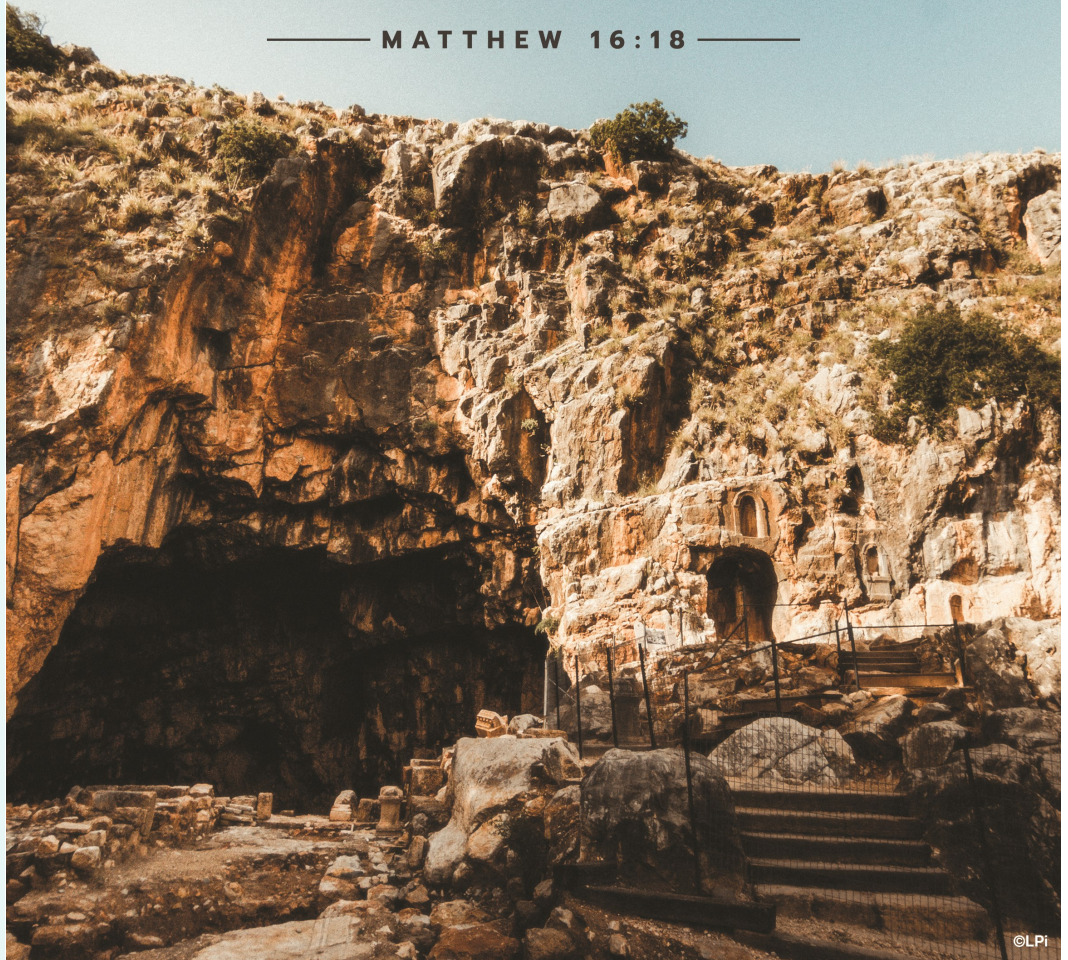
## MARRIAGE

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.



ST. PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES  
AND UPON THIS  
ROCK I WILL BUILD  
**MY CHURCH.**

— MATTHEW 16:18 —



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# Welcome

***New Members Welcome  
We're So Glad You Joined Us!***

Welcome to St. Bernadette! We're so happy you're here and would love to help you feel right at home.

If you'd like to learn more about the parish, we'd be happy to give you a walking tour of our campus or connect with you by phone or in person to answer any questions you may have. This is a wonderful opportunity to discover more about life at St. Bernadette and how you can grow in faith and community.

To schedule a tour or ask a question, please contact Suzanne at 832-915-5644 or [starons@stbchurch.org](mailto:starons@stbchurch.org). We're glad you're here—and we hope to meet you soon!

## Readings

**Sunday: Sts. Peter And Paul, Apostles** Acts 12:1-11/ Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

**Monday:**Gn 18:16-33/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-9, 10-11/Mt 8:18-22

**Tuesday:**Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 8:23-27

**Wednesday:**Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 8:28-34

**Thursday:**Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29

**Friday: Independence Day** Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5/Mt 9:9-13

**Saturday:**Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:14-17

**Next Sunday:14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 (1)/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

The parish offices will be closed  
on Friday, July 4.

## Faith Commitment of Treasure

Sunday June 15, 2025	\$ 14,958.62
Faith Direct**	14,495.43
Total Collection	\$ 29,454.05
Budget	34,571.73
<b>Under budget</b>	<b>\$ (5,117.67)</b>

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

Online donations through Faith Direct help sustain our parish ministries and keep our offertory consistent during the busy summer vacation months. If you make the switch today, you'll be giving steady, consistent support to the parish ministries you care about most in the months ahead – even if you're out of town during summer weekends.

Sign up today by visiting [faith.direct/TX631](http://faith.direct/TX631) or call their Customer Service team at 866-507-8757.

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.

## Upcoming Second Collections

July 13 – St. Vincent de Paul Society Black Bag

Aug 10 – Infirm Priests

### 2025-Diocesan Services Fund as of June 17, 2025

Goal	\$ 159,000
Paid to Date	\$ 84,508
<b>Under Goal</b>	<b>\$ (74,492)</b>

### Refresh and Renew Capital Campaign as of June 17, 2025

Total Goal	\$ 2,500,000
Total Pledges to Date	\$ 3,000,653
Payments Received to Date	\$ 1,837,121
Total Number of Donors	617
Expenditures to Date	\$ 1,649,023

The Campaign Committee would like to thank all the families who have contributed to this campaign and have made it a great success. May God Bless Your Stewardship!



## Family Rosary

The Knights of Columbus, Spiritual Life Committee, and Faith Formation team invite you and your families to join us for a Family Rosary on **Monday, July 7 at 7:00 pm in the PLC.**

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.





**QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK**  
*INVITE PARISHIONERS TO REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE*

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading Question:**

In his miraculous escape from prison, Peter was convinced of God's saving work in his life. Where do you see God at work in your life?

**2nd Reading Question:**

As Paul was nearing the end of his life, he realized that God had rescued him from many dangers and threats. As you reflect on your life, can you see times when God's saving hand was present for you?

**Gospel:**

Jesus commissioned Peter to be the foundation ("rock") of his Church. Are there any roles or responsibilities you feel called to do in your parish?

**Christian Action**

NEIGHBORS SERVED BY YOUR CHRISTIAN ACTION IN 2025:

Date	Families	Individuals	# of Individuals Clothing	Electricity Assistance	# of Volunteer Hours
Jan-25	65	326	27	\$2,482.19	229.5
Feb-25	85	414	16	\$2,125.84	213
Mar-25	81	405	25	\$2,930.05	231.5
Apr-25	80	383	20	\$992.54	195
May-25	78	392	20	\$1,807.87	200.5
June 1-16, 2025	62	279	10	\$574.59	149

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. 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 ARE THANKFUL FOR ALL THE DONATIONS, BUT PLEASE DO NOT USE THE CHRISTIAN ACTION BIN AS A DUMP BIN! We DO NOT accept expired food items, glass containers, large items or furniture. Clothing and shoe donations are on pause. Donation days and hours at the Christian Action office are M-Th 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. THANK YOU.

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

**YOUR CHRISTIAN ACTION NEEDS THE FOLLOWING**

**ITEMS...** Brown grocery paper bag, Canned mixed vegetables, Cereal, Small bags or containers of laundry detergent, All-purpose cleaner, Deodorant, Pasta Sauce (no glass containers), Kid friendly snacks, Canned tuna, Bar Soap, Shampoo.

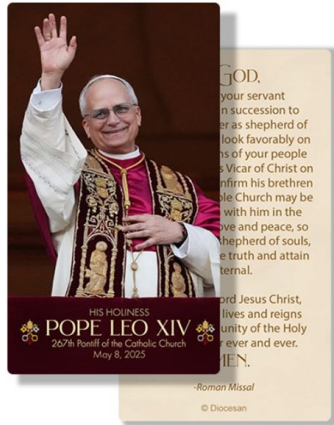
Thank you for keeping Christian Action in mind on your next trip to the grocery store.



## Free Prayer Card

### A Gift from the Parish Gift Store!

Stop by the Information Table in the Church Narthex starting weekend to pick up a special photo prayer card of Pope Leo XIV — a gift from the Parish Gift Store to thank you for your support. Each card features a beautiful image of our new Holy Father with a prayer for him printed on the back. Cards are available at no cost while supplies last.



Let's all keep our new Pope in prayer as he leads our Church forward in faith!

## Join In This Summer!

### Board and Card Game Group

All ages are welcome for some summertime fun and games! Join us **Thursday July 3 and July 17** from 1:00–3:00 pm in Room 201 of the Brandsma Building (yes, we have an elevator!).

We play games like Rummikub and Dominos—but feel free to bring your favorite! We will teach you how to play, if interested. If there is an interest in family friendly games such as Twister, etc. we are able to provide the space. Friends and families are welcome.

### Looking for a Game Space?

If you have your own group and need a spot to play, come join us during our game time!

## Time and Talent

**You're Invited: Learn a Powerful New Way to Listen and Lead.** All parishioners and volunteer leaders are invited to join us on Thursday, July 10 from 10-12 noon in the Parish Mini-Hall (Admin. Building) for a special presentation on Conversations in the Spirit: Listening to One Another to Hear What God Is Saying.

Our guest speaker, Fr. Clint Ressler, Pastor of St. Mary of the Miraculous Medal in Texas City, was invited by Pope Francis to attend the Vatican Synod for Parish Priests. There, he experienced firsthand the "Conversations in the Spirit" model—a powerful and prayerful way of listening that can help strengthen parish life, improve communication, and guide decision-making with faith and unity.

### Equipping Ministry Leaders

If you're a ministry leader, a volunteer, or someone who wants to see our parish grow in faith and connection, come learn how this model can help us listen

more deeply—to one another and to the Holy Spirit. There is no fee to attend.

RSVP is appreciated. Please RSVP to Suzanne at 832-915-5644 or [starons@stbchurch.org](mailto:starons@stbchurch.org). St. B's is hosting this special presentation for the Archdiocese Stewardship Networking Group.

**Parish Grounds Cleanup (Saturdays).** Help keep our parish grounds looking neat and a source of pride! All grounds care is done by volunteers, and families can get involved by picking up trash, weeding, raking, and sweeping. Adults (21+) can also help by mowing with a push or riding mower, edging, and using a leaf blower. Equipment and training are provided. This activity is great for all ages. Please wear closed-toe shoes and bring garden gloves if you have them.

As part of our Family Volunteering program, this can be a family experience. At least two family members, including at least one adult, are required to work together and experience volunteerism together. Please note that teen or child drop-off is not allowed for this activity. Service hrs. for NHS, etc. are available. Meet at the garage in the back parking lot at 8 am.



**Get Ready for Electronic Recycling at Ellington Saturday, July 12.** Start rounding up your old or broken electronics. The City of Houston is offering an electronic recycling drop-off day at the Ellington Airport/Clear Lake Neighborhood Recycling Center on July 12 (second Saturday), from 9 am - 3 pm or until the truck is full. Residents are invited to recycle unwanted televisions, cell phones, fax machines, DVD or VCR players, wire, printer cartridges, power cords, computers, monitors, printers, hard drives and other electronic devices. There is NO COST.

Consider reaching out to neighbors or seniors and offer to take their items as well. Donating or recycling consumer electronics conserves our natural resources and avoids air and water pollution. For more information including size limit on TV's: <https://www.houstontx.gov/solidwaste/clearlake.html>  
**PS.** For your safety, don't forget to wipe/destroy your computer hard drive before donating. For cell phones, remove your SIM and SD cards, and perform a factory reset to erase all personal information; then check that the device is no longer linked to your Apple ID or Google account.



## WFC, Jr High and High School Faith Formation

### JrHIGH and HIGH SCHOOL Information

(see below for JrH and HS specific info/ events)

- **Faith Formation Registration for 2025-2026 is open!** Register soon!
- **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: [www.stbchurch.org/safe-environment-virtus](http://www.stbchurch.org/safe-environment-virtus)

### JRHIGH\*

- **Social events for JrHigh** – Email with ideas for JrHigh activities this year!



### HIGH SCHOOL\*\*

- **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 cancellations. NO Bible study on July 2 and 9.
- **High School Youth Group** – Join the Saint Bernadette Youth Group on the website.



\*[www.stbchurch.org](http://www.stbchurch.org) => Faith Formation => JrHigh 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>

\*\*[www.stbchurch.org](http://www.stbchurch.org) => Faith Formation => High School

\*\*[sentmanatc@stbchurch.org](mailto:sentmanatc@stbchurch.org) Christopher Sentmanat, High School and Junior High FF, 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>



## Spiritual Life

For more information, contact Laura Breaux at [breauxl@stbchurch.org](mailto:breauxl@stbchurch.org) or 832-915-5643  
Access all Spiritual Life programs at [www.stbchurch.org](http://www.stbchurch.org) => Parish Life => Spiritual Life

### CHRISTIAN MEDITATION/CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP:

Join us every Tuesday and Thursday at 7 am, and every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at 7:45 am, in the **Marius Chapel of the PLC** for Contemplative Prayer. (We also meet on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at 7:30 am via ZOOM.) Come, be still, and know our God.



**FAITH SHARING SMALL GROUPS:** Faith Sharing Small Groups are meeting monthly with a new book entitled **Jubilee: Join the Journey of Hope**. If you are interested in joining a faith sharing small group, please complete the inquiry form at [www.stbchurch.org/small-faith-sharing-groups](http://www.stbchurch.org/small-faith-sharing-groups) or scan the QR code.



**GRIEF SUPPORT:** The St. Bernadette Grief Support will begin another session of *Seasons of Hope* in the Fall. Anyone grieving the loss of a loved one is welcome. In addition to the *Seasons of Hope* program, we now offer an on-going support group on the 2<sup>nd</sup> **Wednesday of each month at 6 pm in the conference room in the church office building.** If you are interested in attending *Seasons of*



*Hope* and/or the on-going support group, or know someone who might be, please go to the parish website [www.stbchurch.org/grief-support](http://www.stbchurch.org/grief-support).

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:** All are invited to join our Prayer Shawl Ministry on the **second Tuesday** of each month at **11:30 am** in the **Conference Room** of the church office. As we knit and crochet the shawls, we pray that those who will receive them will receive God's comfort, strength and love. The prayer shawls are then given to those in need of them. If you know of anyone who would benefit from our prayer shawls, please contact Lillian Teixeira, 281-488-4412.

**SUMMER OF HOPE:** Summer of Hope is an at-home retreat for individuals and/or families this summer. Take some time to dive deeper into God's abundant grace! It only costs a few minutes a day, or whenever you can carve out time to be in the presence of the Lord. Download your free at-home retreat guide today at [www.stbchurch.org/summer-of-hope-1](http://www.stbchurch.org/summer-of-hope-1).



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## MASSSES FOR THE WEEK

June 29 - July 5, 2025

Sat. Vigil 5:00 pm: Jan Lorwa+  
Sun. 8:30 am: Grace Gonzalez+  
Sun. 11:00 am: The Mulvany Family  
Sun. 5:00 pm: All Parishioners  
Mon. No Mass  
Tues. 8:30 am: Binoy Family  
Wed. 7:00 pm: Hector Manuel Salazar+  
Thurs. 8:30 am: Personal Intention  
Fri. 8:30 am: For All Veterans  
Sat. No am Mass

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**JULY 2023 and 2024**

*Please remember our parishioners  
on the anniversary of  
their entrance into heaven*

*Sean Bradfield  
Primitivo Perez*



## LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Peter testified to a dangerous and unpopular truth—that Christ was the Messiah. That courage, that trust in God, is the cornerstone of all we believe. Like Peter, we must always bear witness to the truth.

## GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

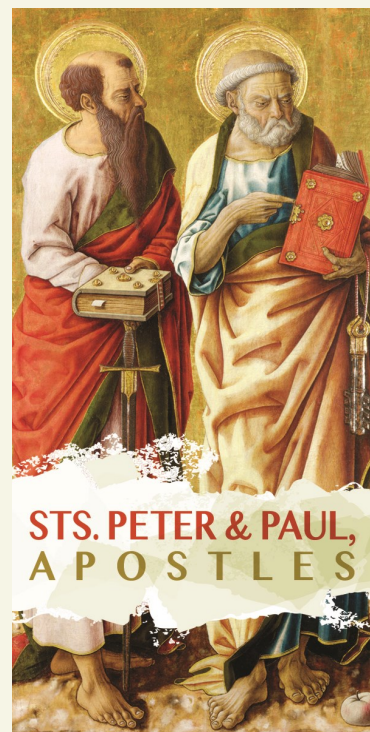
**June 29, 2025**  
**Sts. Peter And Paul, Apostles**  
**Matthew 16:13-19**

What do you call brothers who are born on the same day? Twins, of course. That is what we celebrate today in the inestimable saints, Peter and Paul. Wait: twins? Yes. The early Church believed that Peter and Paul were martyred in Rome on the same day. Since the day of martyrdom is celebrated as a saints' birth into eternal life, the result is striking: Peter and Paul are twins in God's family, the Church.

Who should care about this? Well, anyone who longs to live in a world marked by love and peace. Remember, the Romans believed that twins, Romulus and Remus, founded their city through an act of fratricide, the former murdering the latter. Sadly, the structures of this fallen world emerge through violence between those who should love each other. But in the Church, a new city has been founded upon this new set of twins, embodying the non-violent power of Jesus' cross and resurrection.

That's why traditional icons represent Peter and Paul in a fraternal and warm embrace. Contrasted with the violence of Rome's founders, it challenges us with a bold claim: do we believe that structures of merciful love are more powerful and lasting than those based on power, violence, and domination? Am I willing to see others in my life as my "twin," with whom I am called to give my life for Christ, or as my rival? Am I committed to living what is embodied in Romulus and Remus, or in Peter and Paul?

— Father John Muir



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