

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.

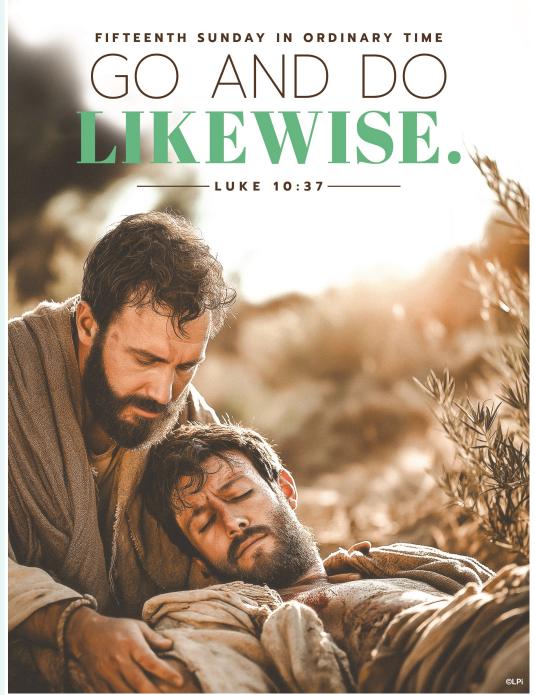
FUNERALS

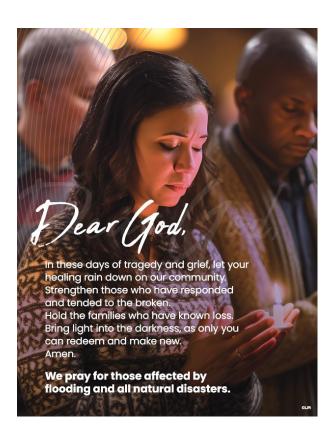
Please contact the parish office if there is a death in the family. The parish will cooperate with funeral arrangements.

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.







Readings

Sunday: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 (see 33)/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/ Mt 10:34—11:1

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10 -12, 13-15/Mt 12:14-21

Next Sunday: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 (1a)/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42

Faith Commitment of Treasure

Sunday June 29, 2025	\$ 16,563.62
Faith Direct**	<u>14,286.36</u>
Total Collection	\$ 30,849.98
Budget	34,571.73
Under budget	\$ (3,721.74)

^{**} 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 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: Aug 10 – Infirm Priests

 2025-Diocesan Services Fund
 as of July 1, 2025

 Goal
 \$ 159,000

 Paid to Date
 \$ 89,179

 Under Goal
 \$ (73,256)

Refresh and Renew Capital Campaign

As of July 1, 2025
Total Goal \$2,500,000
Total Pledges to Date \$2,997,973
Payments Received to Date \$1,864,436
Total Number of Donors 617
Expenditures to Date \$1,655,884

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!



Spiritual Life

Laura Breaux <u>breauxl@stbchurch.org</u>, 832-915-5643.

Access all Spiritual Life programs at

<u>www.stbchurch.org</u> => Parish Life => Spiritual Life

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 2nd

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 complete the inquiry form on the parish website www.stbchurch.org/grief-support.

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.





SAVE THE DATE!! St.

Bernadette will host an on-site adult retreat for men and women October 17-18, 2025. The theme is DIVING DEEPER into FAITH through PRAYER. All adult men and women are invited to attend. Childcare will be provided. Registration opens August 1 on the church website: www.stbchurch.org/retreats. Come and see!

Join In This Summer! Board and Card Game Group

All ages are welcome for some summertime fun and games! Join us Thursdays July 17, August 7 and 21 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

Suzanne Staron 832-915-5644 or starons@stbchurch.org

You Can Be Part of Our New Chair Project! Here's a couple of easy ways to lend a hand and leave a lasting mark! We're looking for volunteers to help with our new chairs, and your help—big or small—makes a difference. Please consider jumping in, especially as



summer can be a challenge for finding volunteers!

Chair Moving Volunteers! Adults and Teens Needed. Our new Parish Life Center/Church chairs are arriving! We need to put out the new chairs. We need adult and teen volunteers to help move chairs on Wednesday, July 23 (in the morning). This is a short-term, hands-on project and a great way to serve your parish while getting to know others. Volunteers will be lifting and moving chairs, and teens can earn service hours for school. New Volunteers are welcome! If you're interested in learning more or helping, please contact Suzanne Staron. Thank you for considering lending a hand!

Calling Cookie and Brownie Bakers for Chair Moving Volunteers and Other Future Events!

Let's sweeten the day for the volunteers doing the *heavy lifting* (literally) moving chairs in the Parish Life Center/Church! We need a volunteer to bake cookies, brownies or other sweet treats and package them (3–4 per baggie) to thank these helpers for their hard work. We are also looking for volunteers who are interested in baking for future activities. This is a great family summer project to do together while spreading kindness! If you'd like to bake for this project or other future projects, please call or email Suzanne. Let's show our appreciation, one sweet treat at a time!

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.

St. Bernadette Early Childhood Connections REGISTRATION INFORMATION 2025 - 2026



What do families say about St. B's ECC?

We're very happy! My daughter loves school and is always happy to go. She is making friends and knows her teachers



care about her. The communication through the app with pictures is amazing! Many programs in the area do not offer that amazing perk. We absolutely love seeing pictures of parts of her day. We're super happy with our decision to choose St. Bernadette's! Elizabeth B., Mother of Josephine, 2

I love the ECC and the way it has provided a family friendly introduction

into education. I recommend it highly to all my friends and family members. Keri L., parent of Raelynn, 5

You all are doing amazing work in ECC. We love the teachers. I love seeing Will grow and learn at ECC. We look forward to taking part in the summer program!

Jennifer A., parent of Will, 4

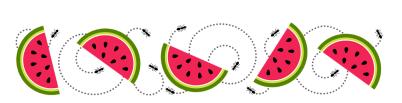
Very happy and pleased with the school curriculum, the teachers, and all the staff members. It feels like home being a part of this school. Thank you to each and every one of you for making our children's futures so bright and making it so memorable for them. Saima M., parent of Rohaan, 4 and Aarzan, ECC graduate

This program is a gem in the Clear Lake area in my opinion. Heather L., parent of Audrey, 5, and Abbey, ECC Graduate

We absolutely love the program and my children have

made lifelong friends. We appreciate you all so much. Megan H., parent of Rachel, 4 and Derek, ECC Graduate

Thank you for making ECC a wonderful and a safe place for our children. Rina T., parent of Devyn, 2



Summer is a great time to register for Preschool Mother's Day Out

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

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

CURRENT REGISTRATOIN FEE: \$250 Days and Tuition:

- 2 days Monday/Wednesday (1s & 2s ONLY) \$305
- 2 days Tuesday/Thursday \$310
- 3 days Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday \$440
- 3 days Monday/Wednesday/Friday (1s & 2s ONLY) \$430
- 4 days Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday \$510 Pre-K Friday \$80

Ages 1-year-old to 5 years-old 9:05 am -2:00 pm All classes must have a minimum for the class to be offered.

Discounts:

<u>Sibling Discount -</u> 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 reg fee will be charged to account after initial registration fee received.

<u>Military Discount</u> - 10% off total amount of tuition with proof of Active Military ID Card.

Back to School Meet and Greet Monday, August 25, 2025

First Day of School Tuesday, August 26, 2025



Christian Action

NEIGHBORS SERVED BY YOUR CHRISTIAN ACTION IN 2025:

Date	Families	Individuals	# of Individuals Clothing	Electricity Assistance	# of Volunteer Hours
May-25	78	392	20	\$1,807.87	200.5
Jun-25	86	388	10	\$2,555.93	220
July 1-6, 2025	17	74	0	\$1,001.36	33

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 and food. 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



RED APPLES FOR IMMACULATE HEART

OF MARY! Deadline to bring the red apples back to school supplies for Immaculate Heart of Mary is coming up on July 20, 2025!



BACKPACK DRIVE! GREEN APPLES!

Deadline to bring the green apples backpacks for Hope



Active and CCISD is coming up on July 20, 2025! If you're having a hard time finding a 21" backpack, you can bring any backpack 18" or bigger. Thank you!

YOUR CHRISTIAN ACTION NEEDS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS...

- ♦ Canned pasta
- ♦ Small bags or containers of laundry detergent
- ♦ All-purpose cleaner
- ♦ Deodorant
- ♦ 1 lb bag/box Spaghetti
- ♦ Canned tuna
- ♦ Shampoo
- ♦ 1lb bag of rice
- ♦ 1lb bag of dry beans
- ♦ Toothpaste
- ♦ Adult and Children toothbrushes.

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



WFC, Jr High and High School Faith Formation

JrHIGH and HIGH SCHOOL Information (see below for JrH and High School specific 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

JRHIGH*

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

HIGH SCHOOL**

Basketball VS Mary
Queen – July 17 at 2 pm.
All are free to come and support! Register on the
HS website to play.
(Check email and website for other sports events)

for cancellations.

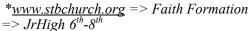
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High School Bible Study
- weekly event.

Wednesday High School
Bible Study will be from 5:30 -6:30 pm.

Location: Brandsma Youth Room. Check email

• **High School Youth Group** – Join the Saint Bernadette Youth Group on the website.



**<u>www.stbchurch.org</u> => Faith Formation => High School

**<u>sentmanatc@stbchurch.org</u> Christopher Sentmanat, High School and Jr High FF, 6th-12th





MASSES FOR THE WEEK

July 13 - 19, 2025

Sat. Vigil 5:00 pm: Pauline Reimers+
Sun. 8:30 am: All Parishioners
Sun. 11:00 am: Jan Perry Yap+
Sun. 5:00 pm: Personal Intention+

Mon. No Mass

Tues. 8:30 am: Henry Robledo Jr.+

Wed. 7:00 pm: Victims of Hill Country Flood Thurs. 8:30 am: Tom and Michelle Dotter+ Fri. 8:30 am: Orvil Orcino Bueno+

Sat. No am Mass

Indoor Walking Group

Walk into wellness! Embark on a journey to better health with our Indoor Walking Group. Join us every Monday and Wednesday at 1:30 pm in the Brandsma building gym. The Brandsma building entrance is only open for walkers from 1:30 to 1:40 pm, so don't miss your window!



All fitness levels are welcome, and you're encouraged to walk at your own pace. Feel free to bring a friend along for added motivation. No registration is required, and it's a fantastic opportunity to connect with others while staying active.



Oscar Maldonado June 28, 2025

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

1st Reading Question:

Moses taught the Israelites that the Lord is not remote but nearby to each of us. When was a time you felt especially close to God?

2nd Reading Question:

Today's reading is a poem composed by Paul to describe the divinity and supremacy of Jesus. How do you express your thoughts about Jesus to others?

Gospel Question:

In the parable of the good Samaritan, Jesus teaches the lawyer that a neighbor is anyone you treat with mercy. Who might you treat with mercy this week?

Daily Meditation: Luke 10:25-37

Who is my neighbor? (Luke 10:29)

When we read Jesus' parable of the good Samaritan, we might overlook this seemingly innocent question from the scribe. But Luke tells us that this man asked the question "because he wished to justify himself" (10:29). Whom did he not have to love? Whom could he ignore? Was there anyone he could dismiss or who didn't have a claim on his compassion? Essentially, he wanted to know how far he could go and still be "justified."

In response, Jesus told a parable that featured the one character this scribe would have found most difficult to love: a Samaritan (Luke 10:33). Samaritans were descendants of the people the Assyrians brought in to intermarry with the Israelites after a devastating war. They worshipped the Lord, but they did so according to a version of the Law that scribes like the man in today's Gospel rejected. They had even built their own temple instead of worshipping in the Temple in Jerusalem. Yet despite this history, Jesus presents two Jews who fail miserably while a Samaritan shows extravagant love.

It's this Samaritan whom Jesus told this scribe to love as his "neighbor" (Luke 10:36). And if he were to love the Samaritan, then he had to love everyone. No one was offlimits; *everyone* was his neighbor.

Who do you think Jesus might feature if he were to tell you this parable? Who do you have the hardest time accepting or loving? That person is your neighbor. Every person whom God created has a claim on you. Even the ones who look and think and act differently than you. Even the ones you find hard to love. Even the ones you consider "enemies." Especially them!

If this sounds too hard, know that Jesus is on your side. He wants to help you become more loving and more kind and forgiving toward everyone. So ask him, the One who loved his enemies perfectly, to soften your heart and move you to love just as he does.

"Jesus, teach me how to love all of my neighbors!"

Deuteronomy 30:10-14 Psalm 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37 Colossians 1:15-20

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