



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

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 5:00 pm
*Live streamed on YouTube

RECONCILIATION

See inside for Lent schedule

BAPTISM

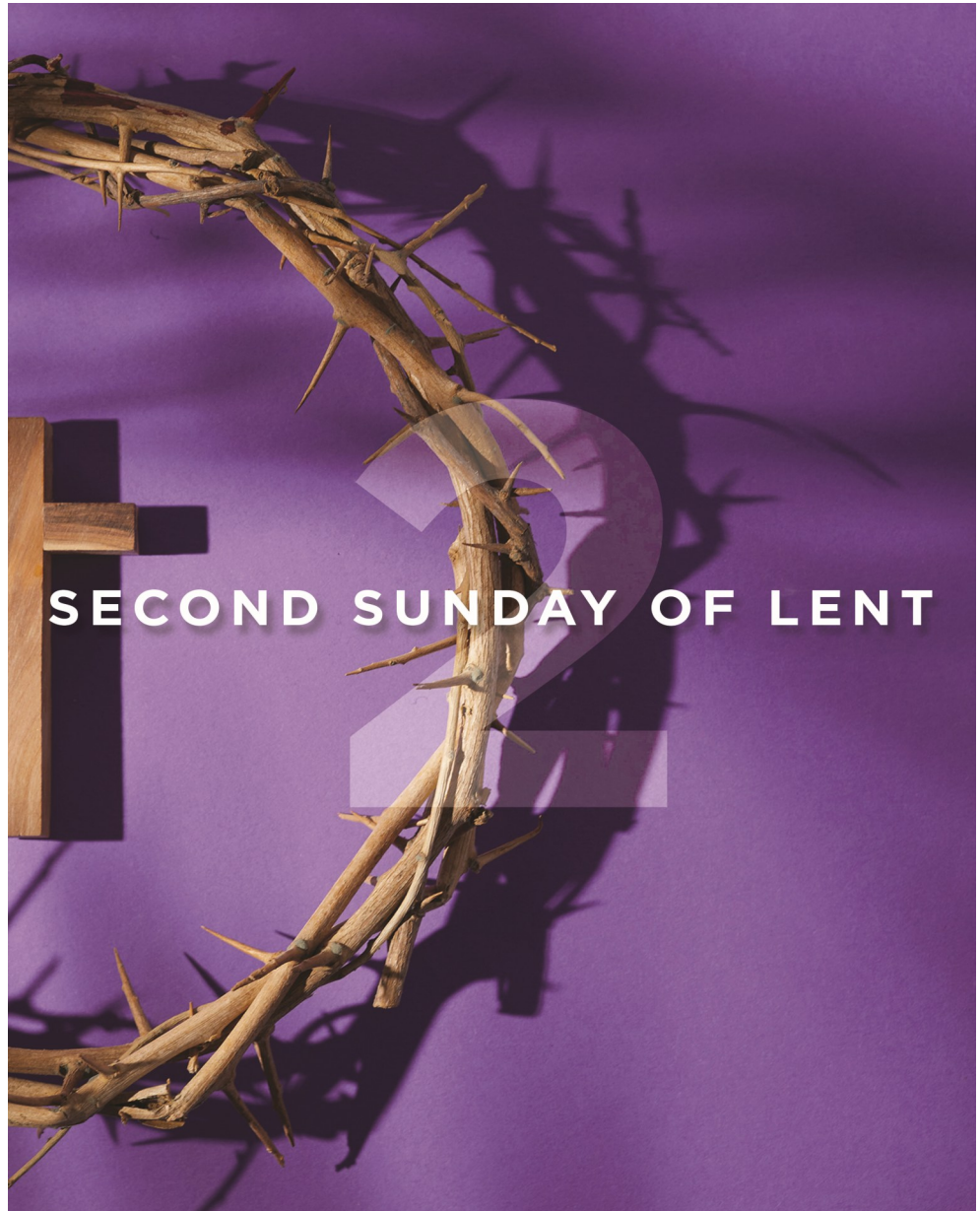
To begin the process of having your child baptized, please call the office or visit our website.

FUNERALS

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

MARRIAGE

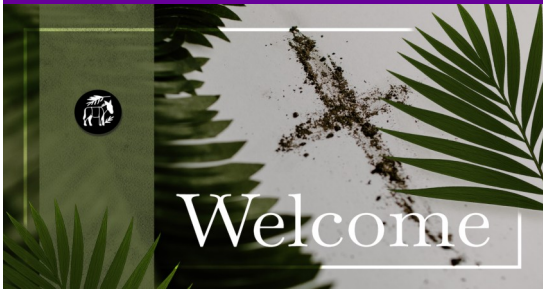
It is necessary for couples to contact the parish when the engagement is made. You should be a registered active member of the parish. Allow nine to twelve months for preparation for the sacrament. Extra time must be allotted if either of the parties has been married before.



In the transfiguration of Jesus, Peter, James, and John are fearful when they hear God's voice speak from the cloud. As the season of Lent continues, what are some fears you are facing?



WELCOME



Readings for the Week

- 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: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

LENT PENANCE SERVICES

**Thursday, March 12 at 6:30 p.m.
at St. Bernadette**

*During Lent the Sacrament of Reconciliation will not be offered on Wednesdays. Other opportunities to celebrate the sacrament at local churches at 6:30 p.m.:

- March 3 – St. Paul (Nassau Bay)
- March 4 – St. Luke (Houston)
- March 5 – St. Mary (League City)
- March 10 – St. Helen (Pearland)
- March 17 – St. Hyacinth (Deer Park)
- March 26 – St. Mary (LaPorte)

Learn more at www.stbchurch.org/len

Confession Tip: Has It Been a While?

If it's been a long time or you're feeling nervous, don't worry. When you arrive at St. B's, you'll receive a simple guide that walks you through each step, including the words for the Act of Contrition. Just follow along and come as you are.

FAITH COMMITMENT OF TREASURE

Sunday Feb. 15, 2026	\$ 28,435.62
Online Giving**	14,630.56
Total Collection	\$ 43,066.18
Budget	34,752.31
Over budget	\$ 8,313.86

** Online giving is a weekly average based on a monthly total

Upcoming Second Collections March 15 – Catholic Relief Services

2026-Diocesan Services Fund – Goal - \$170,925

Refresh and Renew Capital Campaign As of Feb. 17, 2026

Total Goal	\$ 2,500,000
Total Pledges to Date	\$ 3,027,124
Payments Received to Date	\$ 2,276,472
Total Number of Donors	650
Expenditures to Date	\$ 2,060,694

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!

A Simple Way to Give This Lent

Lent is a sacred season of prayer, sacrifice, and generosity. As we prepare our hearts for Easter, we are invited to reflect on the blessings God has given us and how we can share them with others. One meaningful way to live out this Lenten call is through eGiving.

eGiving is a simple, secure way to give online, making it easy to support our parish all year long. Please consider eGiving to support our parish and sustain ministries, programs, and services that strengthen our community and serve those in need every day.

It's easy to get started. Here are the ways to sign up:

- Call ParishSOFT Customer Service at 866-930-4774 option 6
- Scan the QR code
- Text "Give" to 346-209-9877

Thank you and may God bless your generosity.



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ROSARY AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAYS OF LENT:

Rosary and stations of the cross in the Church

- 5:30 p.m. child friendly Stations of the Cross
- 6:00 p.m. Rosary
- 6:30 p.m. Parish Stations of the Cross



CHRISTIAN ACTION

832-915-5677, 832-915-5678

NEIGHBORS SERVED BY YOUR CHRISTIAN ACTION IN 2026:

Date	Families	Individuals	# of Individuals Clothing	Electricity Assistance	# of Volunteer Hours
Jan-26	85	384	15	\$3,342.99	133.5
Feb 1-22, 2026	56	260	8	\$1,962.97	119

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 a.m.) to pick up bags of supplemental groceries on Tuesday or Thursday (9:30 - 11:00 a.m.). No walk-ins. Families in need are eligible for food assistance once a month.

Office Hours for Christian Action: Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Closed Friday, Saturday, Sunday.

40 DAYS OF CHRISTIAN ACTION: Do something special this Lent: 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 or view it online at <https://www.stbchurch.org/christian-action>. Your donations may be dropped off in the green bin in the narthex of the church or at Christian Action (M-Th 9-12 p.m.). Thank you for walking this Lenten journey with us, and helping to assist a neighbor!

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS! 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! Free Will Donations are accepted at the door. Proceeds will go to CHRISTUS Point of Light Clinic (<https://christusfoundation.org/programs/christus-point-light-clinic/>) and The Mercy Tree (<https://www.themercytrees.org/>). Mark your calendars!

Date	Hosting Ministry	Soup
March 2	Faith Formation	Potato Soup
March 9	Men of the Cross/Women at the Well	Chili
March 16	Music & Worship	Taco Soup
March 23	Couples for Christ/Christian Action	Chicken Noodle Soup

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION

Please reach out if you are not receiving Thursday e-mails!
Fossatic@stbchurch.org

VBS 2026 Registration is here! Come explore the nature of God with friends! We welcome all participants entering Pre-K through 5th grade and we need all junior high, high school, and adult volunteers too!



WFC, JRHIGH & HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION

JrH AND High School Information

(see below for JrH and High School specific events)

Faith Formation Today! – Doors open to the gym at 3:30 p.m.

Brave (High School) Summer Camp – Brave 2026 will be from June 28th to July 3rd. Registration full. Email to be added to the waitlist!

Expedition (Junior High) Summer Camp – Expedition 2026 will be from June 3rd to June 6th. Register on the JrH website.

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 * and HIGH SCHOOL** Events

- High School Bible Study - weekly event. Wednesday High School Bible Study will be from 5:30 pm-6:30 p.m. Location: Brandsma Youth Room. Check email for cancellations.

*www.stbchurch.org => Faith Formation => JrHigh 6th-8th



**www.stbchurch.org => Faith Formation => High School



**sentmanat@stbchurch.org Christopher Sentmanat, High School and Junior High FF, 6th-12th.

YOUR INVITATION TO COMMUNITY AND CONNECTION

This Lent, consider stepping outside your comfort zone and trying something new—perhaps by sharing a meal and conversation with someone you haven't met yet!

You are warmly invited to a **Parish Potluck** on **Thursday, March 19, 2026, at 11:30 a.m.** in the Parish Life Center at St. Bernadette Church. Come enjoy a joyful time of food, fellowship, and fun as we gather to grow in community and get to know one another better.



Bring your favorite spring-themed dish (enough for 6–10 people) to share. If cooking isn't possible, store-bought items such as sandwich trays, pizza, or fried chicken are perfectly welcome. Drinks will be provided.

We also welcome a few helping hands with food serving and clean-up. Most importantly, bring yourself—and consider inviting a friend! Whether you are new to the parish or have been here for years, this is a wonderful opportunity to meet new people, reconnect with familiar faces, and share laughter around the table.

You are also welcome to stay for **board games from 1:00–3:00 p.m.**, a relaxed and fun way to continue the fellowship.

We look forward to seeing you there! Questions? Call Suzanne Staron at 832-915-5644 or email starons@stbchurch.org

MUSIC & WORSHIP

Cristina Garcia -Luense
832-915-5616
worship@stbchurch.org

Formation for NEW Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Wednesday,
March 18 at

7:45 p.m. in the
PLC Tasker
Room. Must be a
fully initiated
Catholic
(Baptized &
Confirmed) If married, marriage must
be recognized by the Church. Living
a life in good standing with the
Church.



Scan the QR code to sign up
for a ministry or email Cristina
at worship@stbchurch.org so
we can prepare for you to join us! All
volunteers must take our online Safe
Environment Formation: visit
www.stbchurch.org/safe-environment-virtus or email
safeenvironment@stbchurch.org



SPIRITUAL LIFE

For more information concerning Spiritual Life, contact Laura Breaux at breauxl@stbchurch.org, 832-915-5643.
Access all Spiritual Life programs at www.stbchurch.org/spirituality.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION/ CONTEMPLATIVE

PRAYER: This Lent, make a special offering of silent prayer to God in the company of other prayer pilgrims before the Tabernacle in the side chapel of the church on **Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 7:00 a.m.**, and on the 3rd **Saturday (March 21st) at 7:45 a.m.**
Come, sit in the silent presence of the Spirit of Christ where God's love is revealed to all who call, Maranatha...Come, Lord Jesus!



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: All are invited to join our Prayer Shawl Ministry on the **second Tuesday** of each month at **10:00 a.m.** in the **Tasker Room** of the **Parish Life Center**. 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.

NEW! WOMEN'S RETREAT: JOURNEY

WITH JESUS All adult women (18+) are encouraged to attend this Easter season retreat **April 17- 18, 2026**, focusing on the journey of faith with Jesus through the Gospel lens of the walk to Emmaus. The retreat presenter is Chris Twardowski. The retreat begins on Friday evening (7 p.m.-9 p.m.), April 17, and resumes Saturday morning, April 18 at 9 a.m. and concludes with the 5 p.m. Saturday liturgy. **Registration opens today, March 1** at www.stbchurch.org/womens-retreat.



Save the date! Women's Summer book study is scheduled for six (6) consecutive Thursday evenings, 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m., May 28 – July 2! The book we'll study is Henri Nouwen's **Following Jesus**. Mark your calendars and watch the bulletin for registration information after Easter in April!

TIME AND TALENT LENT SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

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

Parish Lent Projects: Lent is a special season to reflect on how we share our time, talents, and gifts in service to others. We invite you to consider volunteering at St. B's — whether you're able to help with a one-time project or feel called to join an ongoing ministry.



Join us for an Indoor Painting Party on **Saturday, March 21 at 9:00 a.m.!** No

experience is necessary—just bring a willing spirit and wear old clothes. Adults and older teens can assist. Families with younger children can participate in the sock rolling party (below) at the same time. We'll provide the supplies, and a light lunch will follow. Please RSVP so we can plan for materials. Come help us freshen up some of our spaces and enjoy some fellowship along the way! Sign up at: <https://www.stbchurch.org/time-talent>

Let's Roll! (Sock Rolling Party for the Homeless) Join us on Saturday, March 21 at 9:00 a.m. to help label and roll socks into pairs for

distribution to those experiencing homelessness. Volunteers of all ages are welcome, and those under 18 may participate with a parent or guardian. Service hrs. for school clubs are available. **Space is limited.** Please sign up to help at: <https://www.stbchurch.org/time-talent>



Christian Action will be providing the socks; however, if you would like to donate additional new athletic socks (men's or women's, solid colors), it would be greatly appreciated. Any kind of athletic sock. Please, no dress socks or socks with patterns. Socks can be dropped off in the Christian Action bin in the Church narthex or at the Time and Talent Office before March 21.

Help Feed our Painting Crew! We are looking for a few adult volunteers to help provide simple hospitality for our Painting Party volunteers on Saturday, March 21 starting at 10:00 a.m. Volunteers are needed to help set up light refreshments onsite and offer a welcoming presence for those generously giving their time and talents. At home volunteers can make salads, fruit and vegetable trays, cookies or other sweets. This is a great way to support the project if you're not able to participate in the painting itself. If you are able to assist, Please sign up to help at: <https://www.stbchurch.org/time-talent> or call Suzanne at 832-915-5644.

Make Bird Feeders to Keep Houston Beautiful & 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 bird chart and bird feeder directions can be found at www.stbchurch.org/time-talent

Lenten Service Opportunity flyers are available in the church narthex. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Suzanne Staron at 832-915-5644 or email starons@stbchurch.org



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Family

Rosary: The Knights of Columbus, Spiritual Life Committee &



the Faith Formation team invite you and your families to join us for a Family Rosary on Monday, March 2, at 7:00 p.m. 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.

Fish Fry: All Fridays during Lent. Except Good Friday. 4:30 p.m. till 7:00 p.m.

(Or, until we run out of fish and shrimp).

Dine in or take-outs available inside the Parish Life Center \$12⁰⁰ per plate. Fried Catfish - OR - Fried Shrimp.



Includes French fries, hush puppies and coleslaw or potato salad.

Save the Date – Friday, April 10

The St. Bernadette Knights of Columbus invite you to save the date to attend our annual charity fundraising event - Casino Night! Doors open at 6:15 p.m., gaming is from 6:45 p.m. to 9:45 p.m. with the event ending at 10:30 p.m.

The event will be held at the Bay Area Community Center in Seabrook, TX. This is a wonderful facility, and the evening promises to be a great time for all!

MASSES FOR THE WEEK MARCH 1 THRU MARCH 7, 2026

Sat. Vigil	5:00 pm:	Nancy Gaskill+
Sun.	8:30 am:	For All Parishioners
Sun.	11:00 am:	The Dunn Family
Sun.	5:00 pm:	Peter Davy Negroni+
Mon.		No Mass
Tues.	8:30 am:	For the Sick of the Parish
Wed.	7:00 pm:	For the Souls in Purgatory
Thurs.	8:30 am:	For Disarmament and Peace (Pope Leo XIV's Request)
Fri.	8:30 am:	Teresa Phuong Nguyen+
Sat.		No am Mass

ST. BERNADETTE EARLY CHILDHOOD CONNECTIONS REGISTRATION INFORMATION 2026-2027



ECC is committed to meeting the needs of all children in our diverse community—we welcome every child!

Our positive, faith based learning environment honors the uniqueness of each child as we partner with parents to help prepare their children for success. St. Bernadette Early Childhood Connections provides a safe, nurturing setting filled with engaging learning opportunities designed to stimulate young minds during these important early years.

Even as operating costs continue to rise, St. Bernadette Early Childhood Connections is pleased to announce the intentional decision to reduce tuition for our 3-and 4-day options for the upcoming year. This reflects our commitment to supporting our families and community to remain accessible to our community.

When selecting the number of attendance days for your child, parents should consider their child's interests, readiness, social skills, and emotional development. A child is officially registered once the online Registration Process is completed, including payment of the non-refundable registration fee. In addition to the online registration, Back-to-School paperwork is required by August 3rd. More information will be shared in early July.

REGISTRATION DATES: CURRENT STUDENTS AND SIBLINGS – Monday, February 16, 2026. PARISH ONLINE REGISTRATION – Monday, February 23, 2026. OPEN ONLINE REGISTRATION - Monday, March 2, 2026.

Scan the QR Code to register or visit your www.MyProCare.com account. Jennifer Nevins – St. Bernadette Early Childhood Connections 281-486-0337 x114 or Direct line: 832-915-5700; nevinsj@stbchurch.org; www.stbchurch.org



Registration Fee, Tuition Rates, and Class Options.

Registration Fee: \$250*

Days/Tuition: 2 days Monday/Wednesday (1s & 2s ONLY) \$305; 2 days Tuesday/Thursday \$310; 3 days Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday \$410**; 4 days Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday \$465**; Pre-K Friday \$80. *Fee includes enrollment-related costs and classroom/school supplies. **Indicates reduced tuition rates. Ages 1 year-old to 5 years-old 9:05 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. All classes must have a minimum number for the class to be offered.

Discounts: Sibling Discount 10% off the Total Tuition of All Children in the Same Family. 10% off Registration Fees of All Children in the Family after the First Child. Military Discount 10% off the total amount of tuition with proof of Active Military ID Card.

Back to School Meet and Greet - Monday, August 24, 2026.
First Day of School - Tuesday, August 25, 2026

YOUNG ADULT NEWS

World Youth Day 2027: Sneak Peek Meeting

The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston invites all young adults (ages 18-39) to join us for a pilgrimage to WYD 2027 in Seoul, S. Korea, from July 30-August 10, 2027. This 10-day trip includes visits to Mirinae Holy Ground and Chon Jin Am (two sites from the life of St. Andrew Kim), several guided tours in Seoul, and the WYD experience. Join our sneak peek online meeting on March 10 at 7:30 p.m. to learn more about the trip and our plans for attending WYD 2027. Register by May 31, 2026, to reserve your spot! For more information or to register for the sneak peek meeting, go to www.archgh.org/wyd2027

STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION: WELCOMING THE TRAIL RIDERS

People of all ages gathered in our back parking lot to welcome the Texas Independence Trail Ride as it circled through St. B's this past week. The excitement of seeing the riders up close was matched by the joy of fellowship as families and friends visited while waiting for their arrival. It was a beautiful moment of community—neighbors greeting neighbors, children waving with excitement, and everyone sharing in the spirit of this special tradition.

The gathering also reminded us of our call to Catholic stewardship: caring for one another, offering hospitality, and appreciating God's creation reflected in the animals, the outdoors, and the shared gift of community. A heartfelt thank you to our many hospitality volunteers who helped make the event so welcoming, and to our generous cookie bakers who prepared and packaged treats for the trail riders and participants. Special thanks as well to our dedicated "pooper-scooper" crew who stepped in afterward to help care for our grounds. To all our volunteers, your willingness to serve reflects the joy of stewardship in action!

