St Bernadette Catholic Church 3825 Don Felipe Drive Los Angeles , CA



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The Second Sunday of Advent

Give comfort to those around you. Do what is right and just as you serve me and keep my love always in your heart. Be my true, faithful messenger. Strive always to grow in faith and to keep your heart blameless.

Baptizing Children at Advent?

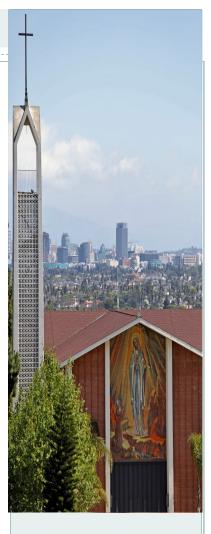
I was recently approached by a couple who was told by a well meaning friend:

"the Church does not permit baptisms during Advent."
In fact, the Code of Canon Law expressly states:
Can. 856 Although **baptism can be celebrated on any day**, it is nevertheless recommended it be celebrated ordinarily on Sunday or, if possible, at the Easter Vigil.



This establishes the possibility of celebrating baptism on any day of the year, though within that universal scope there are certain preferred days:
Sundays and, if possible,
Easter Vigil. Though Easter
Vigil is the most preferred, it usually applies more to adults than to babies.
If you have questions contact the Parish Office

(232) 293-4877



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MASS INTENTIONS DECEMBER 04 TO DECEMBER 10, 2021

Saturday 4:00 PM ... For All the Souls in Purgatory

Sunday 10:00 AM ...Repose of the Souls of Elaine Lopez, Dominic Cruz, Jonathon Cruz,

Donations accepted and appreciated

ST BERNADETTE CHURCH~ 75 YRS OF MAKING MEMORIES



The Wright Family

Please Share Your Memories
On April 28, 2022 the Parish
will celebrate its
75th Anniversary. Many of you
have stories, photos,
newspaper clippings,
memorabilia or maybe just
some happy memories.
No worries, we'll make copies
and return them to you.
Contact the office
(323) 293-4877 or

j.carper.sbcc@gmail.com

ADVENT IS A GREAT TIME TO BE RECONCILED

Please join us for: St Bernadette Bible Study

Every 1st and 3rd Thursday Noon and 7:00 PM Via ZOOM

NOON Meeting

ID 86373871437 Passcode: 239745 Contact: Carolyn James (323) 394-5441

> 7:00 pm Meeting

ID 81157058134 Passcode: 6FuFf7 Contact: Elsie Dixon



Holy Lord, in this time of Advent, we confess we are often distracted by the season's busyness, by the stress of commitment, and even by putting our own traditions ahead of the true meaning of Christmas. We also confess we often prefer being sentimental to being sacrificial. Forgive us for all the times we have missed seeing You in our midst, for all the times we have doubted Your presence, and for all the times we have failed to hold the holidays as holy days. Pour peace into our lives and let us be bearers of Your peace to others. Remind us, this is a season of waiting and preparation for the greatest Gift of all. In the Name of Jesus our Savior, we pray. Amen



The Second Candle of the Advent Wreath

The first candle, which is purple, symbolizes hope. It is sometimes called the "Prophecy Candle" in remembrance of the prophets, especially Isaiah, who foretold the birth of Christ. It represents the expectation felt in anticipation of the coming Messiah. The second candle, also purple, represents faith. It is called the "Bethlehem Candle" as a reminder of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem.

A Manger Full of Prayers



If you have a special prayer intention for the month of December, give it to Christ. Or, put it in his manger for the parish to pray on at every Mass during the Advent and Christmas Season. Simply take a straw colored strip of paper from the basket near the Altar Rail; write down your intention in a few words (example: "for an end to the virus") then put it in the manger. There is no limit to the number of intentions and, you can submit them as often as you wish.

"For the Troops" Christmas Card Update

"Thank you" to the many of you who completed Christmas Cards "For the Troops." At last count we completed 1320 cards. The cards will be included in care packages being shipped out to men and women in the Armed Services serving our country all over the world. Thank you for supporting those who protect us.



Why Do They Always Talk About Money? There was a time I sat where you are sitting...in the pews...with my family. Every time there was a financial appeal for something I would turn to my wife and say, "Here we go again." Now I am on the other side of the ambo, and things look a lot different. Christmas giving is important. People want to give at Christmas and every charity within reach offers an opportunity to do so. Our church should be among



the most meaningful places to invest our money and live out our faith. Jesus was a giver, and he gave us the ultimate gift: His life. God has given, every single one of us, the gift of his Son, Jesus Christ. Giving is a way we can participate in God's work through our church. Please be generous during this holiday season.

LITURGY SCHEDULE



Monday 8:00 am Mass Tuesday 8:00 am Mass Wednesday 8:00 am Mass 10:00 am Adoration **Thursday** Liturgy of the Word (recorded) Liturgy of the Word (recorded) **Saturday** Liturgy of the Word (recorded) 3:00 pm Reconciliation 4:00 pm Vigil Mass Sunday 10:00 am Mass

Other Sacraments (as Scheduled)

Your Parish Needs you and you Need your parish PLEASE REGISTER

By registering at St Bernadette, you are declaring your desire to be part of our Catholic faith community. Whether you jus moved to the area or you are a long-time resident, please consider registering at St Bernadette. Information is available on our website stbernadettela.org, as to how to register. If in doubt, ask Deacon Jim after Mass. In most cases, you will need to visit the parish office and fill out a simple form or register online.

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SUBMITTING ARTICLES AND ADS TO THE ST BERNADETTE BULLETIN?

All articles should be submitted to j.carper.sbcc@gmail.com for review before they will be considered for publication. The deadline to submit articles for the bulletin is Thursday morning, 10 days before the Sunday that you wish the article to appear. Half and full page requests are due 15 days in advance. The schedule changes for holidays, when the bulletin must meet early publisher deadlines. Submissions may be edited. Late entries may or may not be accepted at the discretion of the Bulletin Editor, and only if space permits.

Bulletin submissions must be created in Microsoft Word, as PDF format is unacceptable. The Bulletin Editor reserves the right to edit all aspects of any articles submitted, including grammar, color used, fonts, style, number of pictures use, size of space given, etc. If your article mentions to "call the parish office for more information" or you expect reservations to be taken by the office staff make sure you get them the appropriate information before the article goes to print.

To use pictures of children in the bulletin, you must have parental permission. It is suggested to have permission of adults prior to using their pictures in the bulletin.

Stella Elementary Charter Academy





Located just a few steps from St. Bernadette Church is Stella Elementary Charter Academy from the BrightStar Schools network. The entire team is proud and happy to service the Baldwin Hills community. Our goal is to ensure every Student Leader leaves our school with a heart of empathy, a mind of consciousness, and spirit of joy.

Currently, student Leaders in grades, TK, K, and 1st are located at St. Agatha at 2636 Mansfield Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90016 (on the corner of La Brea and Adams Blvd.). Our second, third, and fourth graders are located next door at 4196 Marlton Avenue, Los Angeles, CA, 90008. In a few years, all of our students will be located right next to St. Bernadette Church.

We invite you, your family, and friends to stop by and visit our campus to see the rigorous learning in all subject areas, as well as our enrichment classes in dance, art, and physical education.

Join our school family today!
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