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### **The Woman at the Well**

She is never named, yet her encounter with Jesus is the longest between the Messiah and any other individual in the Gospel of John. Representing the lowest of the low — a female in a society where women were both demeaned and disregarded, from a

race traditionally despised by Jews, and living in shame as a social outcast — she not only has a holy encounter with Christ, but also receives eternal salvation. And, her testimony convinces an entire town to believe. The story of the woman as told in John 4:1 -42, depicts how Jesus, traveling through Samaria on his way to Galilee, sat down at a well in the town of Sychar. There, around noon, while His disciples are in town buying food, He encountered a Samaritan woman who came to draw water from the well. He asks her for a drink, a conversation follows — culminating in her salvation and many more from her town as well.

The story is significant for five key reasons: First, it shows Jesus' love for the world. The woman at the well was of low standing — gender, race, and marital status — yet they converse as equal partners. It reminds us of Jesus' compassion for all people, not just some. Second, it reminds us only Jesus can offer salvation. Jesus offers living water — eternal life. This water is not like regular water but rather comes from God Almighty and lasts forever.

Third, it shows the importance of offering our testimony. When the woman believed, she immediately ran off to tell others. Her words made an impact. As Scripture tells us, “Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman’s testimony”. Fourth, it underscores how Jesus is the Messiah. He says He’s the Messiah, and the woman and the townspeople believe Him. As the Samaritans told the woman at the end of the story, “We know that this man really is the Savior of the world”.

And fifth, it reveals yet again how Jesus was rejected by His own people. That the woman was a Samaritan yet believed is probably not an extraneous fact but rather the point. The account of the woman at the well comes shortly Jesus’ encounter in John 3 with the Pharisee Nicodemus — a race and class of people her polar opposite.



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#### MASS INTENTIONS MARCH 12 TO 18 2022

- Saturday 4:00 PM.....All Parishioners
- Sunday 10:00 AM.....All Parishioners
- Monday 8:00 AM .....Geraldine Bacon
- Tuesday 8:00 AM.....All Parishioners
- Wednesday 8:00 AM .....All Parishioner
- Thursday .....All Parishioners
- Friday.....All Parishioners
- Donations accepted and appreciated

# ST BERNADETTE CHURCH ~ 75 YRS OF MAKING MEMORIES

**Join Us!**

**Sunday, May 01, 2022**

**St Bernadette Church**

**75th Anniversary**

**Celebratory Mass**

**10:00 am**

**Celebrant**

**Msgr Terrence Flemming**



## CHRISTIAN SERVICE CELEBRATES 40+

Founded in 1981, by Deacon Emile and Anona (Cookie) Adams, our Christian Service Ministry serves 7500 to 9500 bag lunches per year, in addition to a plethora of food staples donated by local groceries. The ministry operates five days a week. Lunches are made and packed in paper bags daily and then distributed to all who request them. Supported by a group of faithful volunteers with help from our Vocational Rehabilitation Ministry, Christian Service remained open throughout the course of the pandemic.



Stella Academy, our tenant and community partners, donated 133 boxes of food prior to the Christmas Holidays. All the food was distributed to the needy in less than four days. Recently, the ministry required some "upgrades". Our serving window needed to be replaced. We also purchased a new freezer and refrigerator making it possible to recycle the old domestic refrigerators and freezers we used previously. This was made possible by your generous donations. Thank you for your continued support!

**Join us for  
Bible Study**

**1st and 3rd Thursday  
1:00 & 7:00 PM  
Via ZOOM**

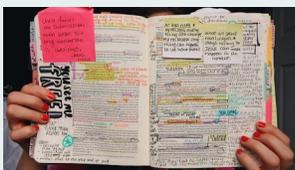
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**7:00 pm Meeting  
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## Parts of a Church—The Tabernacle

Within Catholicism, Eastern Orthodoxy and in some traditions of Anglicanism and Lutheranism, the tabernacle is a box-like or dome-like vessel for the exclusive reservation of the consecrated Eucharist. It is normally made from precious metals, stone or wood, and is lockable and secured to its altar or adjacent wall to prevent the consecrated elements within from being removed without authorization. We believe the Eucharist contains the real presence of Jesus, and thus use the term tabernacle, coming from the Old Testament tabernacle, which was the locus of God's presence among the Jewish people.



The "reserved Eucharist" is secured there for distribution at services, for availability to bring Holy Communion to the sick, and, especially in the Western Church, as a focal point for reflection, meditation and prayer. Until the very late 20th century, it was required the Christian tabernacle be covered with a tent-like veil (conopaeum) or have curtains across its door when the Eucharist is present within. By way of metaphor, Catholics and Orthodox alike also refer to the Blessed Virgin Mary as the tabernacle in their devotions, as she carried within her the body of Christ in her role as Theotokos – the Mother of God.



### LITURGY SCHEDULE

#### Season of Lent

#### Monday

8:00 am

Communion Service

#### Tuesday

8:00 am

Communion Service

#### Wednesday

8:00 am

Communion Service

10:00 am

Adoration

#### Thursday

Liturgy of the Word

(recorded)

#### Friday

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)

Mass Intentions



**“Draw Closer to the Heart of Jesus”**

**Ladies of St Bernadette!**

**Your Retreat Weekend is fast approaching.**

**April 08-10 and April 20-24**

**Join your Sisters in Christ for a  
refreshing and peaceful weekend**

**At Sacred Heart Retreat House**

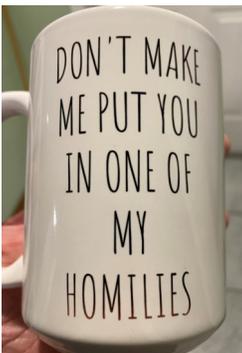
**Registering is easy. Go to the Website**

**[www.sacredheartretreathouse.com](http://www.sacredheartretreathouse.com) or call (626) 289-1353**

**Questions????**

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### VOLUNTEERS?

**Always Needed Forever Appreciated**

Elizabeth Andrew once said. “Volunteers are always needed and forever appreciated. ”Ready to get out of the house“ and maybe make the world a little better. We need your help. Give us a call at the office and find out what needs doing .

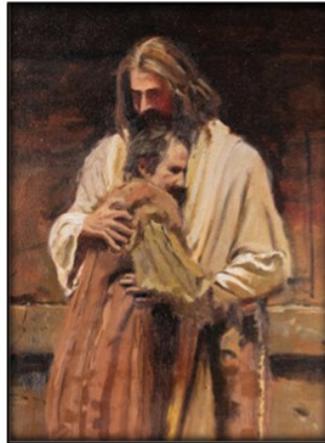
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**Special Lenten Presentation: "Forgiveness Heals"**



Presented by Members of  
Thursday Night Bible Study

All Are Welcome!

**Thursday, March 31, 2022**  
**7pm Zoom Meeting**

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*St. Bernadette Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary Court #162*

*are inviting all Girls in our Parish between the ages of 7-18 to*

**JOIN THE  
JR. DAUGHTERS!**

BE A PART OF OUR STORY



**SPIRITUAL**  
To supplement the formal instructional religious training received in the church, school or home.



**EDUCATIONAL**  
To encourage academic achievements and earn funds toward secondary education.



**CIVIC**  
To cultivate interests that will produce a more profitable use of leisure hours; to develop an appreciation of their duties as Catholics and citizens.



**SOCIAL**  
To nurture social graces, develop poise and self-confidence in social situations, and enjoy the companionship of other people in wholesome surroundings.



**LEADERSHIP**  
Train young girls to lead the cause of Christ while growing as individuals and exploring ideas, values, and faith with a supportive community of Claver peers.



**CONTACT US TODAY!**

If your child is a practicing Roman Catholic youth between the ages of 7 and 18 who have received their sacraments of Baptism and first Holy Communion, then contact us for an application for

membership is available in the Church Rectory.