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## The 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, drive out demons. Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give." This calling continues today. Jesus calls us (just as he called the twelve) to continue His loving ministry in the world. Each of us is a unique creation of God vested with a very special combination of "Gifts" (talents and abilities)



At baptism, we receive the water of God's love and the oil of service, completed in confirmation (as well as in marriage and ordination.) The needs of God's people are as great today as then. In a world of addiction, suicide, confusion, poverty, and injustice, Jesus still sees people 'like sheep without a shepherd'. He calls each of us, male and female, young and old into His service. If we combine the first reading: : "You will be my chosen people, and you will serve me as priests", with the last: "The harvest is great but the laborer's are few."

In Europe and North America ordained priests are few, many parishes are "priestless", and seminaries are half-empty. Is there is message here from God? We all share the priesthood of the faithful that is ours through baptism: we are given there the role of serving the Christian community in any way we can. Even where fewer priests are being ordained, the church is thriving in some places where the Christian community is reduced to basics. Each of us is a unique creation, with a special combination of Talents, Time and Treasure. Discern first your gifts, ask God for guidance and direction and then answer the call.



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*"Trust in the LORD with all your heart" Proverbs 3:5*

## What is Juneteenth?

Juneteenth commemorates June 19, 1865, the day enslaved African Americans in Galveston, TX, learned they were free. President Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863, but it only applied to Confederate states. In Texas, a Confederate state, where there was no large Union Army presence, slavery continued — even after the 13th Amendment was passed. Many in the state were unaware of the news. Finally, in June of 1865, Major General Gordon Granger and Union troops landed in Galveston, Texas to tell the enslaved African-Americans living there, the Civil War had ended and they were now free. According to the Texas State Historical Association, Granger stayed in Texas for six weeks, following the announcement, to encourage newly emancipated Texans to sign labor agreements with former plantation owners while waiting on support from the Freedmen's Bureau. The year after emancipation, in 1866, formerly enslaved Black Texans began celebrating the event with annual "Jubilee Day" festivities. This commemoration is now known as **Juneteenth**.



## The Women Behind Father's Day

The first known Father's Day service occurred in Fairmont, West Virginia, on July 5, 1908, after hundreds of men died in the worst mining accident in U.S. history. Grace Golden Clayton, the daughter of a dedicated minister, proposed a service to honor all fathers, especially those who had died. It did not become an annual event, as few people of the local area knew about it. In 1909, Sonora Smart Dodd of Spokane, Washington, was inspired by Anna Jarvis and the idea of Mother's Day. Her father, William Jackson Smart, was also a single parent who raised Sonora and her five brothers by himself, after his wife Ellen died giving birth to their youngest child in 1898. While attending a Mother's Day church service in 1909, Sonora, then 27 years old, came up with the idea. Within a few months, Sonora had convinced the Spokane Ministerial Association and the YMCA to set aside a Sunday in June to celebrate fathers. She proposed June 5, her father's birthday, but the ministers chose the third Sunday in June so that they would have more time after Mother's Day (the second Sunday in May) to prepare their sermons. On June 19, 1910, the first Father's Day events commenced: Sonora delivered presents to handicapped fathers, boys from the YMCA decorated their lapels with fresh-cut roses (red for living fathers, white for the deceased), and the city's ministers devoted their homilies to fatherhood. The widely publicized events in Spokane struck a chord that reached all the way to Washington, D.C., and Sonora's celebration put the idea on the path to becoming a national holiday. However, the holiday did not catch on right away, perhaps due to the perceived parallels with Mother's Day. The first bill was introduced in Congress in 1913, but in spite of encouragement from President Woodrow Wilson, it did not pass. Eight years later, President Calvin Coolidge signed a resolution in favor of Father's Day "to establish more intimate relations between fathers and their children and to impress upon fathers the full measure of their obligations." In 1966, President Lyndon Johnson signed an executive order that the holiday be celebrated on the third Sunday in June. Under President Richard Nixon, in 1972, Congress passed an act officially making Father's Day a national holiday. (Six years later, Sonora died at age 96.)



### Join us for Bible Study

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

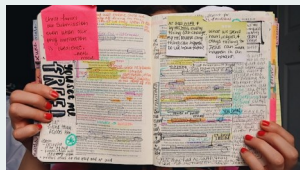
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**Contact:  
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(323) 394-5441**

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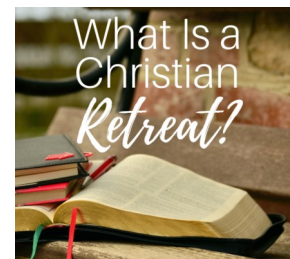
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(310) 410-2962**



### Why Go On Retreat???

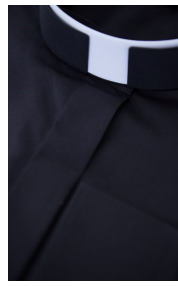
1. You Need Rest: Even God took time to rest when He created the world! Retreats allow us to dedicate time to the Lord and restore ourselves.
2. Your Savior Needed a Retreat: Christ periodically took time to step away from the world, and even from His disciples, to be alone with His Father.
3. You Need Community: Retreats are perfect opportunities to build community with people, especially people who also care about their faith.
4. You Need to be on God's Time: Adhering to a schedule focused on our heavenly Father, we do everything in a different light and for a different reason.
5. You Need Reflection: Retreats have the potential to change our lives in the future; they also give us a chance to look back at our past.
6. You Need Prayer: Retreats give us a unique opportunity to concentrate on prayer more than we do in everyday life.
7. Your Life Needs to get Wrecked: Retreats can wreck us. Images we had of God can be transformed and relationships we thought were good can be exposed as bad when we connect with God on retreats.
8. You Need Reconciliation: Many retreats offer opportunities to clear our lives of which block us from loving God fully by receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
9. You Need to Receive Jesus to be a Disciple: If we take our Christian lives seriously, we realize we were created to receive Christ in our own lives, & share Him with others.
10. You Need to Be Open to Changing Your Life: Retreats will not magically transform our lives, but retreats can show us how to change our own lives. Retreats can be the crucial beginnings to a transformative journey with Christ.





## Msgr Loretto (Mac) Gonzalez Celebrating 45 Years a Priest

Please Join us  
Sunday, June 25, 2023  
Following the 10:00 am Mass



Mass Intentions

### Daily and Sunday St. Bernadette Church.

To request an intention please include the following: Is it for an individual? or family? Is the

person Living? Deceased? Name of the person making the request? The Contact person's name? (If different than the requestor) Phone? Email address? Requested date of the Mass? Is the intention for a special occasion, such as a birthday, or an anniversary? Are the prayers for the healing of a specific disease or condition?

### Spirituality During the Summer Months

**Plan time for renewal:** Take a minute and look at your summer months. Do you have spiritual goals? Do you plan to set aside some time of spiritual renewal? Go on retreat, visit a shrine, consider attending a conference, or even pick up a great spiritual book and go away for a day and enjoy your own retreat! Create some time that is based on silence.

**Schedule time for prayer:** Even if you don't have a prayer schedule yet ... create one ... Our prayers are what fuel our works of mercy and all we do in our daily life!

**Be active and enjoy life:** We all can benefit from having screen free time. Consider less screen time this summer and more active time!

**Consider being spiritually fed on the Sacraments:** At least one more time a week! The Eucharist is our spiritual strength, so why not find a Mass time which works with your summer schedule?

**If you are feeling burdened and overwhelmed, consider taking time out to pause, spend time with the Lord and grow closer to Christ, especially during these summer months.**



### Parish Retreat July 22, 2023

For More Information?  
See the Flyer on the Back of the Bulletin  
or Contact Carolyn James



Please submit your Bulletin Articles and Pulpit Announcements  
**AT LEAST TWO WEEKS IN ADVANCE.**

If you have questions, pls contact the office at (323) 293-4877



### LITURGY SCHEDULE

JUNE 19 2023

MONDAY

TO JUNE 25, 2023

12TH SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME

Monday, June 19, 2023

Juneteenth

Office and Christian Service

Closed

No Services

Tuesday, June 20, 2023

8:00 am

Communion Service

Wednesday, June 21, 2023

First Day of Summer

8:00 am Mass

Live-Streamed and In-Person

Thursday, June 22, 2023

8:00 am Mass

Live-Streamed and In-Person

Friday, June 23, 2023

8:00 am Mass

Live-Streamed and In-Person

Saturday, June 24, 2023

3:00 pm Reconciliation

4:00 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, June 25, 2023

10:00 am Mass

Coffee & Donuts

Parish Hall

Following Mass

Other Sacraments

(as Scheduled)

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### 1 Corinthians 15:58

*Oh Lord, help every worker to  
work wholeheartedly for the  
church. Help them to remember  
the work they do in the church is  
not in vain as Your Word  
declares Your work is never  
wasted.*



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## Mass Intentions for this Week

Saturday June 17, 2023:

Deceased Members of the Gordan Family  
In Celebration of African American Freedom  
this Juneteenth

Sunday, June 18, 2023:

Michael Guillemet (RIP)

For all the Souls in Purgatory

## Did you know? June 17-18 ACT to prevent heatstroke

A hot car is one of the most dangerous places for a baby or a young child. Cars can heat up to 19 degrees in 10 minutes, and cracking a window will not provide enough air for a child stuck in a hot car. Parents and caregivers can use ACT to help keep children safe. **Avoid** heatstroke-related injuries by never leaving children alone in the car, and locking cars to prevent children from getting in. **Create** reminders, like a stuffed animal, in the car to remind you that you need to get a child out when you exit. **Take** action. If you see a child alone in a car, call 911 immediately. For more information, visit <https://www.safekids.org/heatstroke>.



## All are Invited

Going on a retreat is a powerful way to process what is happening in your life. When you make the decision to escape (in a good way), you give yourself the time to reflect and heal without the constraints of your 'to-do' list and the demands of everyone around you. You give yourself the gift of self-care ... to be taken care of and put first. Giving yourself this gift can revive your soul, begin a journey of healing, and open yourself up to opportunities. It is a gift. A gift to give to you with love and care from you.

## St. Bernadette Catholic Church

Women Moving in the Spirit

Presents

"Lord, Teach Us How to Pray"

Carolyn James, Presenter

Saturday, July 22, 2023

8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.



Matthew 6: 9-13

St. Bernadette Catholic Church Hall  
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Continental Breakfast and Lunch

\$25 Registration Fee

Everyone is invited

Bring Your Bible!

### Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount \_\_\_\_\_

RSVP By July 17, 2023

Please Make Your Check Payable to St. Bernadette Catholic Church

Note: Women Moving in the Spirit

Mail to St. Bernadette Or Take to the Church Office

Please Contact: Carolyn James 323-394-5441 Or Carole Walker 323-547-6290