

St Bernadette Catholic Church
3825 Don Felipe Drive
Los Angeles , CA 90008



Saturday/Sunday
May 24/25, 2025
Sixth Sunday of Easter

Mass Intentions for Saturday/Sunday May 24 & 25, 2025

Saturday, May 24, 2025 at 4:00 pm

Gwendolyn (Gwen) Grass (RIP), Carlos Ann Butler (RIP)

6th Sunday of Easter, May 25, 2024 at 10:00 am

**Cynthia “Bunny” Thompson (RIP), Clifford Snow (RIP),
Gwendolyn (Gwen) Grass (RIP), Ngozi Faith (Protection)**

Weekly Services Schedule May 26 to June 01, 2025

- ♦ **Memorial Day: Closed/Tuesday, May 27:
Adoration 7:30/Communion Service 8:00 am**
- ♦ **Wednesday /Thursday/Friday (May 28, 29, 30):
Adoration 7:30 am /Morning Mass 8:00 am**
- ♦ **Sat, May 31 The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Coffee & Donuts follows Sunday Mass
This Weekend’s Sponsor
”Women Moving in the Spirit”**



Lydia of Thyatira (Aug 03) Courageous Hospitality

In Acts 16, Lydia of Thyatira shows us the importance of praying, listening, and obeying. She is a woman who shows courageous hospitality. The story

of Lydia in the Bible reminds us to open our hearts, homes, and churches to all people. Lydia was probably a wealthy and well-known business person in a period when women were not given much time or space. She must have had an education and skill, possessing the strength and determination to work in a male-dominated society. The passage reveals she and her household were baptized. So, Lydia was clearly an influential and respected person in her family, as well. At the river, Lydia encounters Paul. She must have had a deep desire and listened keenly to what he had to say. Acts 16:14 states, “The Lord “opened her heart.” What does it mean to have “an open heart?” In this context, it seems Lydia was willing to be changed. She was not set in her ways. She did not go through life with her head down and her ears closed. She remained open to new ideas. It was this openness which led to her transformation. This is very much like Moses leaving his path to encounter the Lord in the burning bush (Exodus 3). Lydia steps out of her comfort zone. This change, this adjustment, results in her being claimed by Christ, fundamentally changing her life. She was called. Just as we are.

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Sixth Sunday of Easter (May 25)

How do we communicate with someone whose views are completely different than our own? How do we bring peace to a heated disagreement when everyone has valid arguments? Shouting louder than they are is not an effective strategy. If it were, the government of the United States would have brought world peace by now. The world is a noisy place. The internet feels even noisier. Our readings today offer us a way to navigate through all those things which interfere with our journey to be unified with God. This solution is older than time itself, but it seems like we often forget about it. LISTENING is that to which I refer. The

Council of Jerusalem, the praises of Psalm 67, John writing Revelation, the disciples at the Last Supper—all these situations required deep listening. Today, too, we must listen deeply if we hope for the Word of God to grow roots in our lives. You need not spend more than a few minutes listening in the Catholic Church to understand the Eucharist is the “source and summit” of our faith. Caribbean theologian Archbishop Gabriel Malzaire tells us Christians today are **“challenged to hold in tension the significance of what is celebrated at the altar and how that reality is lived in everyday life.”** In today’s gospel reading Jesus has already washed the disciples’ feet. We can know the Bible and go to church every day, but it is meaningless unless we are moved by compassion to action? What good are scripture and tradition if we refuse to listen to God’s voice crying out to us in the voice of the poor, the marginalized, and the discarded? We listen when we are told Christ’s ultimate show of love was his crucifixion. We can also listen to three other ultimate displays of God’s love: the incarnation, the resurrection, and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. These acts in salvation history remind us of God’s affirming love for the goodness of all of creation. They remind us of the redemption we have come to experience. In listening to God’s story, we are reminded we have to be God’s story for others in this noisy world—not just by speaking, but by listening.



Join us for Bible Study

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

1:00 pm Study
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Passcode: 689472

Leader/Contact:
Carolyn James
(323) 394-5441

7:00 pm Study
ID 811 5705 8134
Passcode: 6FuFf7

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Dacosta Collymore
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The Pope’s Job Description

Pope, (Latin papa, from Greek pappas, “father”), the title since about the 9th century CE, of the bishop of Rome, who is the leader of the Roman Catholic Church, the largest of the three major branches of Christianity. The title was formerly given, especially from the 3rd to the 5th century, to any bishop and sometimes to priests as an ecclesiastical title expressing affectionate respect. In Eastern Orthodox churches, the title is still used for the patriarch of Alexandria and for Orthodox priests. As the head of the Holy See, the pope leads the

central government of the Roman Catholic Church, making decisions on faith and morality for the world’s 1.3 billion Catholics. Doctrinally, in the Roman Catholic Church, the pope is regarded as the successor of St. Peter, who was head of the Apostles of Jesus. As bishop of Rome, the pope is thus seen to have full and supreme power of jurisdiction over the universal church in matters of faith and morals, as well as in church discipline and government. The basis of this doctrine of papal primacy is twofold, involving the place of St. Peter in the New Testament (in which there are various metaphors expressing Peter’s authority) and the place of the Roman church in history. The understanding of papal primacy developed as the church developed, two notable factors being the role of Rome as the imperial city until the 5th century and the religious and political role of the bishop of Rome afterward.

Papal Infallibility

This Catholic doctrine, which holds the Pope cannot make “doctrinal” mistakes when speaking ex cathedra, or **“speaking in the Name of God about Morals, Doctrine, or other related topics.”** This does not mean the Pope is perfect. It does mean the pope, acting as supreme teacher and under certain conditions, cannot err when he teaches in matters of faith or morals. This doctrine is based on the belief the church has been entrusted with the teaching mission of Jesus Christ and, in view of this mandate from Christ, it will remain faithful to this mission, through the assistance of the Holy Spirit. This doctrine is related to, but distinguishable from, the doctrine the grace promised to the church assures its perseverance until the end of time.



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Women Moving in the Spirit

The Catholic Church has its own versions of Memorial Day which dates back two millennia, to the days of the Roman martyrs. The liturgical calendar contains days which celebrate saints, men and women “who lived for Christ, who suffered with him, and who live with him in glory”. A memorial in the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church is a lower-ranked feast day in honor of a saint, the dedication of a church, or a mystery of the religion.



Praying for the Dead.
Ever have difficulties praying for those who have died.
Here are a few suggestions which prove helpful. Give thanks to God for the lives of the brave men and women who sacrificed for us all, and pray for their families, who also paid an agonizing price. **Pray for the souls of the dead** and for God in His merciful love to reward

their gift of great selflessness. **Attend Mass.** Most parishes offer Memorial Day Masses. Some invite veterans to wear their uniforms, have military members join in a procession, sing patriotic hymns, or recognize members of the armed forces with a blessing. Make a special effort to attend Mass on Memorial Day and offer it in thanksgiving for your freedoms and for the souls of those who won them. Remember their families, too, who suffered excruciating losses for our freedom. Pray for the safety of those who currently serve and in thanksgiving for their bravery. **Observe the National Moment of Remembrance.** In 2000, Congress passed the National Moment of Remembrance Act. It asks all Americans to pause at 3pm for one minute of silence, honoring those who died in service to our country. At 3pm, the Hour of Mercy, pause what you are doing and reverence these brave souls. Explain the National Moment of Remembrance to friends and family members and encourage them to join you. It's the perfect time to teach children or grandchildren the importance of remembering and honoring sacrificial love and devotion to God and our country. **Support Families of Fallen Soldiers.** There are many charitable organizations to support the families of fallen patriots. Search in your area and find one that speaks to you. **Make a special donation,** or donate your time by volunteering, as a way to show your gratitude for their sacrifices. **Offer Special Prayer Intentions.** Each time you pray today, especially within your family, thank God for the gift of freedom won for us by brave patriots who willingly sacrificed their lives. Pray for their families, who paid a painful price for the benefit of those they will never know. Pray for victims in war-torn countries who live in fear for their lives, facing war-time poverty and lacking what they need to live in dignity. Remember in your prayers the orphans, widows, and widowers of war. Pray for the safety and courage of all active military men and women, and for strength and provision for their families. Pray for victims of persecution, especially those unable to practice their faith. Pray our government leaders seek wise and prudent solutions to the complex problems in our world and dedicate their lives of public service to promoting peace. **Pray a special prayer for Peace.**



LITURGY SCHEDULE
MON. MAY 26, 2025 TO
SUNDAY, JUNE 01, 2025
THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Monday, May 26, 2025

St Philip Neri, Priest

MEMORIAL DAY

Parish Office Closed

Christian Service Closed

No Religious Services

Tuesday, May 27, 2025

St. Augustine of Canterbury

7:30 am Adoration

8:00 Communion Service

Live-Streamed and In-Person

Wednesday, May 28, 2025

7:30 am Adoration

8:00 am Mass

Live-Streamed and In-Person

Thursday, May 29, 2025

St Paul VI, Pope

7:30 am Adoration

8:00 am Mass

Friday, May 30, 2025

7:30 am Adoration

8:00 am Mass

Saturday May 31, 2025

The Visitation of
the Blessed Virgin Mary

3:00 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Mass

Sunday, June 01, 2025

The Ascension of the Lord

10:00 am Mass

Coffee & Donuts to follow





Junior Daughters
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Please help the KPC Jr. Daughters attend their Junior National Convention from July 16-20, 2025 in the Washington DC area.

This year's theme is
"InstaGod! Always On Time."

Donate money that matches your shoe size. For example, if you wear a size 8½, you will donate \$9.00, if you wear a size 10, donate \$10.00.

Donations can be given to the Ladies, church rectory or Zelle to kpcladiescourt162@gmail.com

CYGLA PRESENTS



05.25.2025
At 05:30pm

WEAR APPROPRIATE PAJAMAS
JOIN US FOR FOOD, SNACKS, AND A FUN TIME!
St. Bernadette Church Parish Hall

Responsible Management of God's Gifts

Catholic Stewardship is a concept which emphasizes the responsible management of God's Gifts which include TIME, TALENT and TREASURE. It encourages parishioners to recognize their role as stewards of these gifts, promoting a spirit of generosity and service within the community. The **Internation Catholic Stewardship Council** supports this teaching by providing resources and education for dioceses and parishes. Additionally, the United States Conference of Catholic Stewardship (**USCCB**) highlights stewardship shapes our understanding of life and our responsibilities as Christians. Key principals of Stewardship include: gratitude, responsibility, management and sharing resources in justice and love. Let us begin with being a **disciple**—a follower of our Lord Jesus Christ.



Did You Know???

May 24-25 || Age-appropriate curiosity in school-aged children

Last week, we covered young children and natural curiosity about their bodies. This week, we will explore natural curiosity behaviors in school-aged children (around 7-12 years old).

It is important to understand the difference between appropriate and inappropriate, as inappropriate behaviors could a sign of abuse.

Common curiosity at this age includes playing games with same-aged friends like "family" or "dating," or wanting privacy. Children at these ages may also begin to take an interest in members of the opposite sex and ask questions about relationships. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article "Differentiating age-appropriate curiosity from harmful sexual behavior" iacatholics.org/did-you-know/ Read the VIRTUS® article "Differentiating age-appropriate curiosity from harmful sexual behavior" [here](#).

