



### Mission Statement

We, the faith community of St. Bernadette, strive to better know, love and serve God, through the teachings of His Son Jesus Christ and the graces provided to us through His Holy Spirit and the Sacraments.

### Calendar of Events August 31<sup>st</sup> - September 8<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, August 31  
Mass

Sunday, September 1  
Reconciliation, Mass, Coffee and Donuts

**Monday, September 2 - Labor Day - OFFICE CLOSED**  
Mass

Tuesday, September 3  
Choir Practice  
OCIA formerly RCIA at Nativity of Mary

Wednesday, September 4  
Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation

Thursday, September 5  
**CANCELLED - CCW Board Meeting**  
The Wild Goose small group study at Nativity of Mary

Friday, September 6  
Mass, Altar Angels Church Cleaning, One City Café

Saturday, September 7  
Mass, Pantry Collection

Sunday, September 8  
Reconciliation, Mass, Pantry Collection,  
Coffee and Donuts

### St. Bernadette Contribution Report August 25

Regular Collection	\$	4,618.00
Loose Plate	\$	218.50
Mustard Seed	\$	1.00
Pantry	\$	97.00
Assumption of Mary	\$	70.00
Diocesan Life & Justice	\$	40.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,044.50</b>

Your donation can be made online.  
Visit our website: [stbernadettekcmo.org](http://stbernadettekcmo.org)



or text to donate 833-840-3006

### Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, August 31  
4:30 pm People of St. Bernadett  
and Nativity of Mary

SUNDAY, September 1 - Collective Mass  
8:30 am † Dan Marra by Noda Scherer  
CCW

MONDAY, September 2  
8:30 am Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, September 4  
8:30 am **Tom & Margaret Hall**  
**53<sup>rd</sup> Wedding Anniversary**  
**by Tom Hall**

FRIDAY, September 6  
8:30 am † Alice Douglass by Mary Douglass

Saturday, September 7 - Collective Mass  
4:30 pm † Eddie Grace by Kathleen Grace  
† Jim & Ginny Applegate  
by Mary Woods & family  
St. Bernadette Memorials

SUNDAY, September 8  
8:30 am † Catherine Heegn  
by Steve & Sarah Smitka  
† Indicates Deceased

### Need to meet with Fr. Bryan?

Need a consultation with Fr. Bryan  
click the link below  
[https://calendly.com/fatherbryan/30min?](https://calendly.com/fatherbryan/30min?month=2024-01)  
**month=2024-01**  
or call the parish office to schedule an appointment. In case  
of an imminent emergency outside of normal office hours  
please call: 816-653-0068



#### Pope Francis:

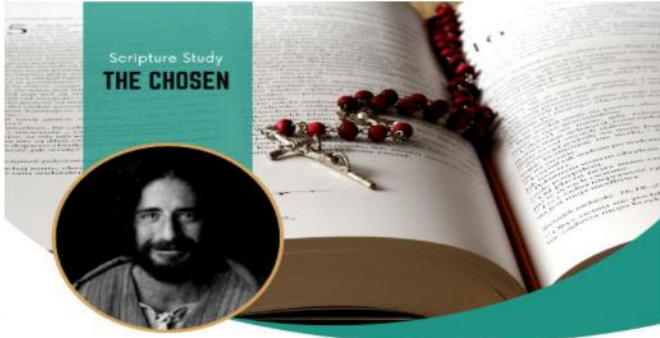
That each of us listens with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit.

#### Bishop Johnston

For good weather so that our farmers can harvest their crops successfully.



Have you been attending St. Bernadette Church and never registered? We are so happy you are here to celebrate the Most Holy Eucharist with us. If you wish to become a member of St. Bernadette Church go to our website at [stbernadettekcmo.org](http://stbernadettekcmo.org) click on "CHURCH" you will see the "BECOME A PARISHONER" button. WELCOME TO ST. BERNADETTE, we are so glad you are here! You can also pick up a registration form in the vestibule and return it to the office. We, The Faith Community of St. Bernadette, strive to better know, love, and serve God, through the teachings of His Son Jesus Christ and the graces provided to us through His Holy Spirit and the Sacraments.



### The Chosen Scripture Study September - November

This Faith Formation Series is a Scripture Study on The Chosen TV Series. Deacon Jim Olshefski will open each session with prayer, watch the episode, then break open the scripture related to that episode. Sessions will be held on Monday evenings from 6:30 - 8:30. Season one dates are September 9 & 16, October 7, 14, 28, and November 4, 11, 18. More information and registration are on the Cathedral website at: [www.kcgolddome.org/chosen](http://www.kcgolddome.org/chosen)



### Come for an evening of sharing, giving, learning and fun!

Bring a friend and join us at our evening DCCW (Diocesan Council of Catholic Women) Quarterly meeting on Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 530 pm- 830 pm at St. Mark Catholic Church, 3736 S Lee's Summit Rd, Independence, MO 64055. Bring your favorite food dish to share as we learn about our Missouri migrant farmworkers.

Reserve your seat by noon on Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>; call Beverly South @ 816-304-1568 (leave a message please) or email her at [marydccw@gmail.com](mailto:marydccw@gmail.com).

Thank you! Beverly South, on behalf of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women

Email: [marydccw@gmail.com](mailto:marydccw@gmail.com) Web site: [www.dccwkcsj.org](http://www.dccwkcsj.org)

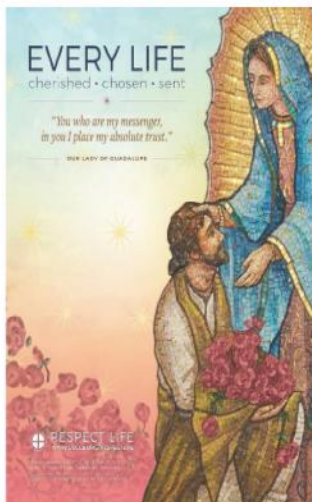
### Learn about Amendment 3!! September 18, 25

Amendment 3 will appear on Missouri's November 2024 ballot.

It is an extreme constitutional amendment that legalizes abortion at any stage of pregnancy. Please come to learn the language and meaning of the amendment at one of the following parishes:

September 18<sup>th</sup>  
Sacred Heart, Warrensburg

September 25<sup>th</sup>  
St. Therese North, Parkville



Wednesday, September 11, 2024  
Mt. Olivet Cemetery - Kansas City  
7601 Blue Ridge Kansas City, MO 64138  
at the First Responder's Memorial.  
5:30pm Music by the American Legion Band  
6:00pm-7:00pm Remembrance Ceremony

**MISSOURI CATHOLIC CONFERENCE**

**DID YOU KNOW?**

The Pro-Abortion Initiative Petition seeks to amend the Missouri Constitution and legalize abortion throughout ALL stages of pregnancy.



**BISHOP JOHNSTON** asks for your prayers and advocacy as the state of Missouri is validating signatures to determine if this constitutional amendment will be on the ballot in November.

**WHAT IT SAYS:**

1. This Section shall be known as "The Right to Reproductive Freedom Initiative."
2. The Government shall not deny or infringe upon a person's fundamental right to reproductive freedom...including but not limited to prenatal care, childbirth, postpartum care, birth control, abortion care, miscarriage care, and respectful birthing conditions.
3. The right to reproductive freedom shall not be denied, interfered with, delayed, or otherwise restricted unless the Government demonstrates that such action is justified by a compelling governmental interest achieved by the least restrictive means. Any denial, interference, delay, or restriction of the right to reproductive freedom shall be presumed invalid.
4. Notwithstanding subsection 3 of this Section, the general assembly may enact laws that regulate the provision of abortion after Fetal Viability provided that **under no circumstance shall the Government deny, interfere with, delay, or otherwise restrict an abortion that in the good faith of a treating health care professional is needed to protect the life or physical or mental health of the pregnant person.** ...
8. For purposes of this Section, the following terms mean: (1) "Fetal Viability", the point in pregnancy when, in the **good faith judgment of a treating health care professional and based on the particular facts of the case, there is a significant likelihood of the fetus's sustained survival outside the uterus without the application of extraordinary medical measures.**

**WHAT IT DOES:**

**THREATENS PARENTAL RIGHTS**  
By using "person", instead of adult or woman, anyone under the age of 18 could have an abortion or make any other reproductive decision without their parents' consent or notification.

**MISLEADING**  
Referring to "miscarriage care" promotes the myth that a "right to abortion" is necessary to preserve care for miscarriages and ectopic pregnancies. This is false. Catholic hospitals have always provided comprehensive miscarriage care and will continue to do so regardless of the outcome of this petition.

**PUTS WOMEN AT RISK**  
Current Missouri laws\* require abortion providers to explain procedure risks and ensure access to hospital transfer if needed and to administer medication abortions in person in case of complications for the woman. These health and safety standards could be seen as an "interference" or "delay" and be eliminated, making it even less safe for women seeking an abortion.

**ALLOWS FOR ABORTIONS IN THE SECOND AND THIRD TRIMESTER**  
This amendment allows abortions at any time to protect not only the physical, but also the mental health of the woman. This means that a health care provider could justify a late-term abortion due to a woman's "emotional, psychological, [and] familial" concerns\*\*. An abortion provider would decide when a baby could survive outside the womb, leaving no clear protections for preborn children.

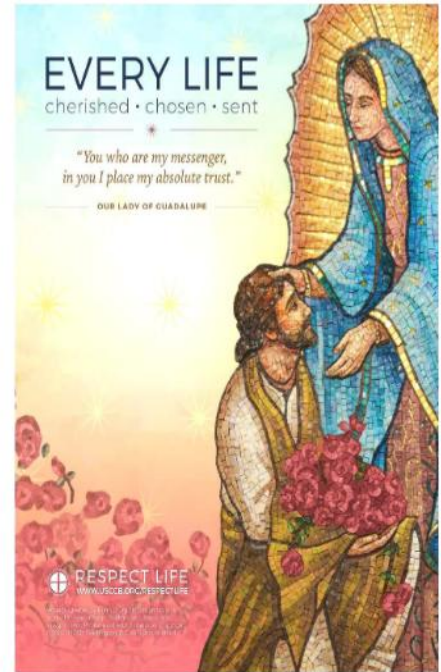
\*Missouri Revised Statutes, Sections 188.010 - 188.375  
\*\*Based on Doe v. Bolton

For more information, please contact The Diocese of Kansas City - St. Joseph Office of Life & Justice ([www.lifeandjusticeksj.org](http://www.lifeandjusticeksj.org))  
Deb Sheppard, Director: [sheppard@dioceseksj.org](mailto:sheppard@dioceseksj.org) | Chelsea Voboril, Program Coordinator: [voboril@dioceseksj.org](mailto:voboril@dioceseksj.org)

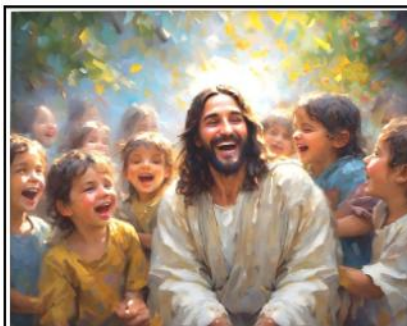
**WHAT CAN WE DO TO HELP PREVENT THIS INITIATIVE FROM HAPPENING?**

**PRAY!**

Dear Gracious God,  
By Your hand we received the gift of life at the moment of conception.  
Through the working of the Holy Spirit, You call us to live out our faith even in the midst of a troubled world. You call us to proclaim the truth of the Gospel of Life and Your love to all around us.  
We ask you to bless us as we share Your teachings on the dignity of all human life, especially the preborn and their mothers.  
Give us strength of heart and mind. Do not allow us to be discouraged as we make our voices heard to proclaim Your teachings that are now being threatened.  
Give us a clear voice as we work to overcome the trial before us for the sake of all people in Missouri.  
We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



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**RELAX, God put the wiggle in your children**

To Parents of Young Children, May we suggest.... RELAX! God put the wiggle in your children. Don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome! Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what is going on at the altar. They tire of seeing the backs of others! Quietly explain the parts of the Mass and actions of the priest, altar servers, lectors, choir, and others. Help them find the hymns and prayers in the hymnal or booklets. Sing the hymns, participate in the liturgy, and pray! Children learn about worship and liturgical behavior by copying you! If you have to leave Mass with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back.

**As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me..."**

**Remember that the way we welcome children in the church directly affects the way they respond to the church, to God and to one another.**

**Let them know that they are at home in His house of worship.**

To Those Without Young Children:

**The presence of children is a gift to the church and a reminder that our parish is growing!  
Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents!**

### Please Pray For Our Parishioners

**Lake Stockton Healthcare Facility** - LaVern Fry  
**Lamar Court** - Clara Lenox  
**Monterey Park :**

Gisele Dube (rehab), JoVita Kleinman

**Seasons Rehab & Healthcare Center** - Jim Davis

**St. Anthony's Senior Living :**

John Henik, Genny Knaebel, Patricia Cook

**The Gardens at Jackson Creek** - Sarah Brough

**Trustwell Living Center**

Maxine Friederichs - Joann Walsh

**Villages of Jackson Creek** - Bea Robles

**Wilshire at Lakewood** - Joanne Ferdig

Glenn Albin, Kathy Albin, Damian Arredondo,  
 Virginia Arlint, Mary Carter, Jeanne Caster,  
 Patrick Chapin, Cookie Crosby, David Evans,  
 Nettie Gaughran, Ena Gonzalez, Lori Grotewiel,  
 Lucille Grotewiel, Diane Humphreys, Annie Kaber,  
 Jerry Kimberlin, Tony & Sandy Lalumia, Tom Lyndon,  
 Kathy Marlatt, Elias Martin, Greg Marquart,  
 Diane Martinez, John Neger, Bill Orrick, Charito Ovalles,  
 Dionisio Ovalles, Paul Pace, Diane Brandt Page,  
 Terry Plessner, Jean Precht, Nancy Reves, Bill & Helen Ruby,  
 Judy Saitta, Kimberly Sanders, Tattershall Family, CeCe  
 Theisen, Dora Toledo, Marcella Vaughn,  
 Helene Vavruska, Alicia Young

Healing and Hope after abortion. If you have had an abortion and are still grieving, **Project Rachel** can help. Visit [www.ProjectRachelKC.com](http://www.ProjectRachelKC.com) or call 816-591-3804, 913-621-2199 or 1-888-246-1504. Complete confidentiality is assured.



The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

- 1) Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-392-3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18)
- 2) Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911
- 3) After reporting to these civil authorities, report sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816-812-2500 or [crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org](mailto:crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org)

If the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee, or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, the Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816-392-0011 or [true.francis@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:true.francis@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.

### Family and Friends Asking for Prayers

**Darrell Harris**, father of Mary Flannery; **Michael Shortino**, son of † Marguerite; **Denny O'Sullivan**, friend of Jeff & Teresa Thomas, **Deanna & Walt Cunningham**, aunt and uncle of Judy Carneal; **Nicole Friend**, granddaughter of Rosie Sosna; **Alivia Donovan**, great-granddaughter of Rosie Sosna; **Melany Donovan**, granddaughter of Rosie Sosna; **Jim Shepherd**, uncle of Teresa Thomas; **Maria Teresa B. Ana**, niece of Natty Pricer; **Phil Rotert**, former parishioner; **Andrew Lawrence**, grandson of † Ed & Rosie Sosna; **Maria Richichi**, niece of Nettie Gaughran; **Ruby Grace Comfort**, granddaughter of Bill & Helen Ruby; **Dr. John Saladino**, son-in-law of † Marguerite Shortino; **Travis Nalley**, son-in-law Jerry and Mary Snow; **Luan Miller**, mother of Robin (John) Reed; **Anne Marie and Paige**, Medina family; **John Vaughn and family**, son of Marcella Vaughn; **Mrs. Noti**, friend of Helene Vavruska; **Rosie Dorge**, sister of † Art (Genny) Knaebel; **Regina Seufferling**, aunt of Linda Sapenaro; **Larry & Connie Barringhaus**, brother & sister-in-law of Aloise; **Greg Novak**, brother of Mike & Ed; **Shaun Brandt**, son of Willy; **Cisco Arevalos**, friend of Shaun Brandt; **Christy Mayer**, niece of Liz Tattershall; **Monica Ehlers**, niece of Liz Tattershall; **Richard Habigar**, brother of Liz Tattershall; **Ruth Hunnicutt**, friend of Virginia Arlint; **Debbie Huffmaster**, family friend of the Linton's; **Ruth Eissler**, former parishioner; **Mitch Mervosh**, son-in-law of † Ed and Rosie Sosna; **Rob Crosby**, son of Cookie; **Tom Sosna**, son of † Ed and Rosie; **Easton Elaine Epperson**, great-granddaughter of Kathleen and † Michael Mendenhall; **Arnold Richichi**, brother of Nettie Gaughran; **Laura Conroy**, granddaughter of † Mary Conroy; **Melinna Becerra**, fiancée to Sosna's grandson; **Andrea Marchese**, daughter of Patty; **Carol Lankford**, sister of Jean Fahlstrom; **Anthony Pricer**, son of Naty; **Mike Axon**, son-in-law of Beth (Coons) Osborn; **Bob Lamb**, relative of the Brandt family; **Lisa**, daughter of Betty Medina; **David Arlint**, son of Virginia; **Lindsay Jarquio**, daughter of Kim (Todd) LeSage; **Dan Habiger**, family of Liz Tattershall; **Lyman Braydon**, brother of † Rhoda and Cyndy; **Janet Como**, daughter-in-law of Jo Como; **Dean Kahler**, nephew of Mary (David) Kahler; **Brandon Lyndon**, grandson of Tom Lyndon; **Rosemary LeVota**, former parishioner; **Cheryl Martin**, friend of Liz Tattershall; **Isabella Angotti**, former parishioner; **Cathy Coffman**, friend of Claudia Dugan; **Benny Yslas**, friend of Chuck Linton; **Terry Burkes**, Linton family member; **Jack Robert Crosby**, grandson of Cookie; **Harold Mortis**, brother-in-law of Mary (Jerry) Snow; **Deverick Renner**, son of Erin Merrill and great-grandson of Tom & Mary Day; **David Tattershall**, son of Don and Liz; **Logan Ruby**, grandson of Bill & Helen; **Rose Marra**, daughter of Dan; **Dana Ruark**, daughter of Dee Phillips; **Joseph Shortino**, son of † Marguerite

Miss anyone?

Please contact Judy Carneal at [judy@stbernadettekcmo.org](mailto:judy@stbernadettekcmo.org) or 816-451-3515

# VOTING

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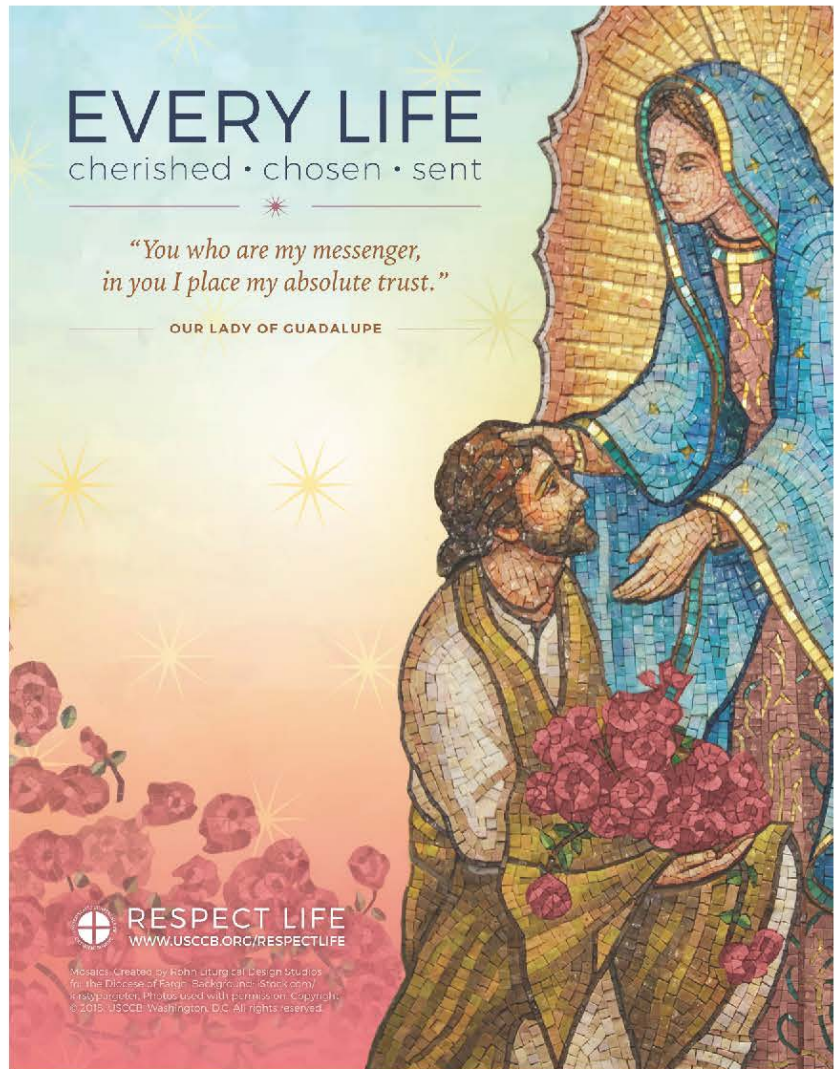
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- † Barringhaus Family
- † Elton & Cindy Cook
- L&D Michael Medina Family
- L&D Dee Phillips Family
- L&D Jeanette Wood Family
- L&D Muessig Family
- † Holloway & Slattery Families
- L&D Ed & Rosie Sosna Families
- † Rebecca Marie Lucke
- L&D Cookie Crosby Family
- L&D Bock & Doelling Families
- L&D Marguerite Shortino Family
- L&D McNamara & Palermo Family
- L&D Hall & Meis Families
- L&D Babich & Kauzlarich Families
- † Brandt & Marra Families
- L&D Dan Baker, Baker & Thies Families
- L&D Riegel & Magyar Families
- L&D Henggeler & Maddock Families
- L&D Fahlstrom & Lankford Families
- † Maureen Humphreys & Carl Bendert
- L&D Gaughran & Richichi Family
- L&D Family of CeCe LaFleur-Theisen
- L&D Gellhaus & Honeycutt Families
- L&D Javier, Bariuau, Pricer, Zulueta, Farhat & Ana Families
- L&D Arrighi & Basso Families
- L&D Cushing & Malkmus Families
- L&D Hohm & Knaebel Families
- L&D Carr/Calovich & Sapenaro Families
- L&D Burgio & Saitta Families
- L&D Gojmaric & Rozell Families
- L&D Thomas E. Grace Family
- L&D Don Merker Family
- L&D Scherer, Smith & Beykirch Families
- L&D Arrighi & Basso Families
- † Jean A. Bruce
- L&D Ray & Betty Rinas Family
- L&D Serraro & S.V. Gutierrez Families
- L&D Abbott and Ridder Families
- L&D Members of St. Theresa the Little Flower Ladies Auxiliary of K of C
- † Christian Glenn Bradley
- L&D Beem & Clauson Families
- L&D Henik Family
- † Plez J. Bradley
- † Bernard & Sammy Brown
- L&D Ted Miller Family

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