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Catholic Church

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THE HOLY FAMILY

He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man. - Lk 2:51-52

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FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY ~ 12/26/21

| PARISH OFFICE | MASS TIMES | OFFICE HOURS | WEEKLY CONFESSION |
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| Pastor Joe E. Dorner Deacon Scott Pearce Parish Email adminassist@ saint-berndette.org Address 2331 East Lourdes Drive Appleton, WI 54915 Phone: 920-739-4157 | Weekday Mass Times: Tuesday: 6:00 pm Wednesday: 8:00 am Thursday: 8:00 am Friday: 7:45 am Weekend Mass: Saturday: 4:00 am Sunday: 8:30 am 10:30 am | Monday: Closed Tuesday: 8:30 am - 12 noon Wed. & Thursday: 8:30 am - 2:00 pm Friday: Closed | Saturdays: 8:30 am - 9:30 am Tuesdays: 5:00 pm - 5:45 pm or by appointment. |
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Parish Mission Statement

“With enthusiastic spirit and welcoming hearts, we join together in our Catholic Faith to know, love and serve God through worship, education, service and mission opportunities for all.”

| Jan 1 & 2 | Sat. 9:30 am | Sat. 4:00 pm | Sun. 8:30 am | Sun. 10:30 am |
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| Accomp. | Mary Kinderman | Pat Vander Wielen | Lydia Jansen | Mary Kinderman |
| Cantor | Amy Hartl | Seraphim Choir | | Emily Behnke |
| Lector | S. Elise Cholewinski | Cindy Keep | Rick Lowery | Dennis Johnsen |
| E.M. | Paula Tulenko Colleen Baehnman Julie Lopas | Gloria Koth | Julie Lopas | Paula Tulenko |
| Greeter | Winter Family | Clarence & Barbara Weller Beverly and Jerry Running | Millie Mauthe Tammy DeYoung | Steidl Family Molly Wiggins |
| Server | Adrian Anderson | Sophie Kolberg 1 Open | Mike DeYoung Tom Schmit | Taelyn Kiepert Stella Spulak |
| Captain | Al Demers | Mark Koth | Pete Niles | Daren Mazier |
| Usher | Jerry Lopas 2 Open | Scott Boeckman Dave Hoks Rick Truymen | Duane Seipel Dick Chirstian Ruben Carranco | Jim Peterson 2 open |

Pope Francis' Intention

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

Bishop Ricken's Intention

That the light of Jesus Christ may expel all darkness in our hearts and the hearts of others.

Saint Bernadette Mass Intentions

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| Dec. 28 - 6:00 pm: | Mike Pappas |
| Dec. 29 - 8:00 am: | Jim McCabe |
| Dec. 30 - 8:00 am: | The Bradshaw Family |
| Dec. 31 - 7:45 am: | Mark & Arlene Hasseler |
| Jan. 1 - 9:30 am: | Norbert & Florence Horn |
| Jan. 1 - 4:00 pm: | Lois Mae Fulwiler |
| Jan. 2 - 8:30 am: | Fr. Harry Berryman |
| Jan. 2 - 10:30 am: | Living and Deceased parishioners St. Bernadette |

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

SUNDAY: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/ Col 3:12-21/Lk 2:41-52~*The Holy Family*

MONDAY: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/ Jn 20:1a, 2-8~*St. John, Apostle, Evangelist*

TUESDAY: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18~*The Holy Innocents, Martyrs*

WEDNESDAY: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35~*St. Thomas Becket, Bishop & Martyr*

THURSDAY: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/ Lk 2:36-40

FRIDAY: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/ Jn 1:1-18~ *St. Sylvester, Pope*

SATURDAY: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-2~*Mary, Mother of God*

GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Families can be very difficult things to negotiate. This is true not only of our families of origin, the current family of which we are a part, the family of our Church, our society, and our global family as well.

Everything human can be found in family stories. Those stories speak of wonderful life-giving successes as well as painful spirit-robbing abuses. Our greatest joys and our greatest wounds are usually connected with the experience of family.

Our needs, experiences, and unresolved baggage often color what we bring to our familiar relationships. They contribute to our level of defensiveness, how guarded and protected we become, and what prejudices we believe.

In order to break the cycle of dysfunction we have to remember that it is not only by human effort that we negotiate the difficult and challenging events of our lives.

There is a Divine Effort at work as well. For sure, the human effort can create quite a mess and easily destroy lives. This is true of



any family with which we are associated. Today's Feast of the Holy Family serves to help us understand that there is a Divine Story being told as well. It is a story of perseverance in the face of hardship, determination in the face of despair, healing when we see nothing but wounds, and light where there is darkness. Do we believe that God is always working, guiding, restoring, and leading? Unless we do, we will never be free from the imperfections and wounds that bind us and never be able

to understand what it really means to forgive. Pope Francis tells us that the "light which comes from the Holy Family encourages us to offer human warmth to other families." While this is most certainly true, we can only really begin to do this when we realize that we are still works in progress, not anchored to the wounds and sins of our past, and still a leading star in God's continually unfolding story of love. The Holy Family persevered and radiated warmth because they knew they were not alone. We can too.

Home Blessing

Please pick up a Home Blessing kit. These kits are available now and located in the narthex. Instructions for the blessing as well as blessed chalk are included in the kit for you to bless your home on the Epiphany (Thursday, January 6).





Parish Staff

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| Business Administrator | Jody Lueck |
| Administrative Assistant | Lydia O'Hagan |
| Faith Formation Coordinator | Claire Kalas |
| Communication Intern | Isabel DeBruin |
| Bookkeeper/Volunteer Coord. | Kristine Schreiter |
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| RCIA Coordinator | Deacon Scott Pearce |
| Music Ministry | Mary Kinderman |
| Music Ministry | Pat Vander Wielen |
| Facility Maintenance Tech. | OPEN - You? |
| Parish Housekeeper | Janet Sutheimer |
| Rectory Cook & Housekeeper | Janette Vanevenhoven |

Deadline for BULLETIN Requests:

Mondays at noon (2 weeks prior). Please send your bulletin requests to: commintern@saint-bernadette.org

Deadline for Mass ANNOUNCEMENT Requests:

Tuesdays at noon



Council Members

Secretary Trustee: Sue Taylor
Treasurer Trustee: Will McKinley

Pastoral Council: Dave Coopman, Gloria Koth, Mary Lietz, Julie Lopas (*Chair*), Jane Lowery, Drew Rippl, Susan M. Taylor, Jake Tennesen, and Jackie Zuleger

Finance Council: John Albright, Pete Niles, Ken Truymann (*Chair*), and Gene Wall

Envelope Fundraiser

We have begun our annual envelope fundraiser.

For more information and to participate, please see the Faith Formation bulletin board.

It is located on the narthex wall near the couches.

Thank you so much for your support!

Calendar of EVENTS

Monday Office Closed

Tuesday

5:00 pm Confession
6:00 pm Mass

Wednesday

6:30 am Men's Fellowship
8:00 am Mass

Thursday

8:00 am Mass
5:00 pm Church Cleaning (group 3)
7:00 pm Renewed Spirits Rehearsal

Friday

7:45 am Mass

Saturday

8:30 am Confessions
9:30 am Mass
4:00 pm Mass

Sunday

8:30 am RCIA Meeting
8:30 am Mass
10:30 am Mass

An evening of veteran camaraderie



**A thank you to
Jim Hyde & all
who helped
provide a
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Celebration for
our Veteran's at
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To pick up any scrip cards you order, visit the Xavier Scrip Office which is open **Monday-Friday 7:30 am - 12:00 pm.**

To obtain your virtual scrip download the app RaiseRight Fundraising. This can be done by searching for the app in your app store and clicking the download button.

Please contact the Xavier Scrip Office with any questions: scrip@xaviercatholicschools.org, 920-702-5510.

Baptism

Infant Baptisms are celebrated during or after Mass once a month (except during Lent). To properly prepare for this sacrament, parents are asked to contact the parish office and to attend a baptismal preparation class.

Weddings

To begin your marriage preparation, please call the parish office to setup an appointment to meet with Father.

Communion for the Homebound

Please contact the parish office to arrange for regular or occasional visits by the pastoral staff to the homebound or shut-ins. Holy Communion is brought by Father or a Health

Ministry volunteer each month.

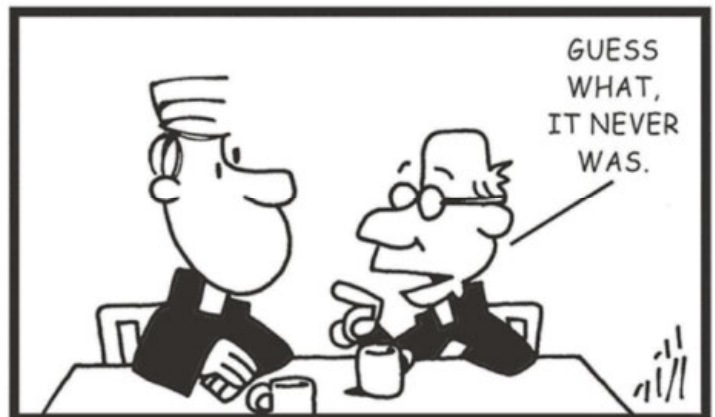
Eucharistic Assistance

If you are unable to come forward to receive the Eucharist, a Eucharistic Minister will come to bring Holy Communion to you at the start of the distribution of the Eucharist. Please either stand or raise your hand to indicate that you want to receive the Eucharist. We ask that you sit either in the church at the back to the left of the Baptismal font or in the chapel to facilitate easier distribution.

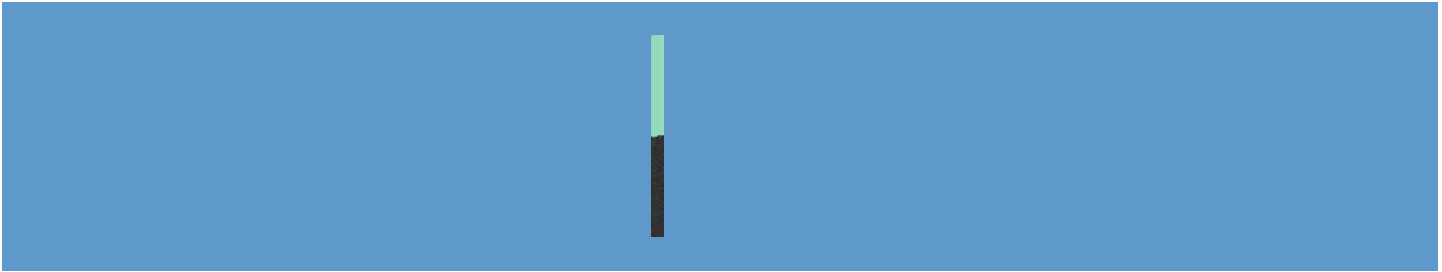
Prayer Requests

St. Bernadette has a Prayer Chain! If you would like to request a prayer, please contact the parish office or drop your request in the collection basket.

HOLY FAMILY







The Acts of the Apostles tells the story of **St. Stephen**, the first Christian martyr. A man filled with grace and power, he worked great wonders among the people. Some Jews debated with St. Stephen but could not match his wisdom and spirit. Eventually, a charge of blasphemy was brought up against him, and the local population demanded that he be tried and sentenced. He was seized and carried before the Sanhedrin.

Despite the danger he faced, in front of the Sanhedrin and his accusers, St. Stephen gave a long speech about the history of Israel and the blessings that God had given upon His chosen people. He talked about how Israel had become disobedient despite God's abundant mercy. This enraged his accusers, and eventually the crowd dragged him out of the city and stoned him to death.

Even in his final moments, St. Stephen displayed great forgiveness and even asked God not to hold the sins of his attackers against them. Hundreds of years after his death, he is still a role model for us to follow.

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