## St. Bernadette Catholic Church

2400 Bell Avenue | Rockford, IL 61103 | 815-968-0904 Parish Website: www.stbernadetterockford.com

#### **Parish Priests**

Rev. Kenneth Stachyra, Pastor

Rev. Ricardo Hernandez, Parochial Vicar

#### **Deacons**

Rich Gerdeman	(Retired)
Ron Meadors	815-637-4821
Gregg Cox	815-964-0528

#### Mass Schedule

Saturdays	4:45 PM (Sunday Obligation)
Sundays	.8:00 AM, 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

#### Weekdays:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday	6:30 AM
Monday-Saturday	8:00 AM

#### **Holy Days of Obligation**

6:30 AM, 8:00 AM, 12:10 PM & 5:30 PM

#### Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the Parish Office at 968-0904 to make arrangements. This can be done prior to the birth of your child.

#### **Sacrament of Marriage**

Call the Parish Office at least six months in advance. Individuals must be at least 19 years of age. No final wedding date guaranteed by phone. Couples must meet with the Pastor and participate in assessment and instructional process.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

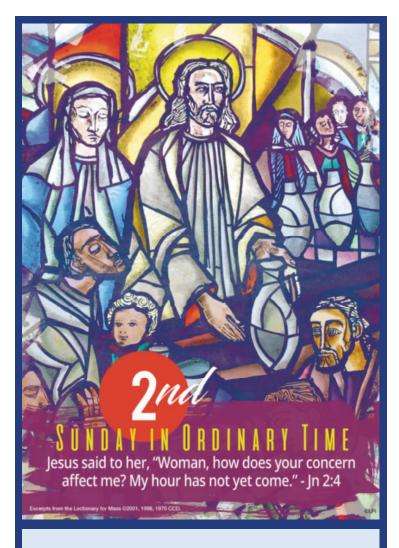
Saturday-After the 8:00 A.M. Mass Saturday-3:30 P.M.-4:15 P.M. Any Time by Appointment

#### **Religious Education**

Classes for public grammar school students Wednesday 6:30 - 7:30 PM Contact Religious Education Coordinator, Kevin Rilott, 815-494-0333

Bulletin Information: To advertise, contact our publisher, LPI, at 800-876-4574.

> The Second Sunday In Ordinary Time January 16, 2022



Parish Office Hours & Phone: 968-0904 Fax: 815-987-9476
Monday thru Wednesday 8:30 AM — 2:00 PM
Thursday & Friday 8:30 AM — 12:00 PM

#### Our Lady of Lourdes Eucharistic Adoration Chapel Hours ----- 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Wednesday ----- 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM

The chapel is located in the SW corner of the Parish grounds.

#### Other Parish Staff Phone Numbers:

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Business	Manager, Carrie	Flanagar	າ	968-09	904
Contempo	rary Choir, Kath	y Cecche	tti	973-06	332
Arts & Env	ironment, Kathi	e Welte		978-70	638
Seniors, D	iane Cattani— -			962-82	277
Ladies of	St. Bernadette, I	Mary Cox		964-0	528
Sacristan,	Carl Rossato -			968-54	138
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I	Kevin Rilott			815-494-03	333
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4:45 PM	Carm Cascio		8:00 AM	Alex Haffer	ıden
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9:30 AM Tom Hooker 11:00 AM John Corcoran Compassion Ministry Coordinators,

Ron & Becca Meadors ----- 637-4821 K of C Auxiliary #15530, Cyndi Haffenden — - - - 633-0106 Knights of Columbus

Council #15530 - - - John Corcoran, GK - - 815-742-6343

## WORSHIP WITH US

#### **MASS**

At this time, reservations are NO LONGER REQUIRED for Sunday and Weekday Masses.

Please note:

- Face masks and social distancing <u>ARE</u> again required starting on August 30, 2021, even for those who are fully vaccinated.
- We ask that you respect the social distancing needs for those who are not vaccinated or feel more comfortable being seated near others who are also wearing masks.
- Bulletins are again being distributed at all Masses
- Missals / songbooks have been returned to the pews
- Holy water is available at the exits of the church.
- The collection basket will remain at the entrance of the Church by the Blessed Mother statue.



#### THE MONEY COUNTERS NEED YOUR HELP:

Please mark the outside of your Sunday envelopes with the amount of your contribution and the check number or the word "cash". Thank you!

Online Giving is the electronic way to participate in

- St. Bernadette's weekly offertory. To sign up:
- 1. Visit our church website at stbernadetterockford.com and click on the online giving link.
- 2. Schedule your one-time or recurring gift.

If you have any questions about online giving, call Carrie in the Church office (815) 968-0904.



Ruthie's Kitchen is located at Zion Lutheran Church in Rockford. Ruthie's provides hot meals on weekends for our neighbors who are struggling or homeless.

Before Covid, we had a crew from St. Bernadette that prepared lunch on an occasional Saturday. We have been asked to help again — WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED? We would like to form a St. Bernadette Crew. If you can help, you would be asked to assist in preparing a lunch in the Zion Lutheran kitchen & help serve the lunch you prepared. You would be working with fellow parishioners from St. Bernadette Church no more than one Saturday every other month.

If you can help or would like more information, please contact Kevin at 815-494-0333/stbre@comcast.net.

#### DONATIONS TO THE CHURCH FOR 2021

Any donations intended for 2021 must have been dated 2021 and received by January 6, 2022; otherwise, the donation will be credited to 2022.

By the end of January, the Parish Office will be sending year end statements to all parishioners who have made contributions of \$250.00 or more.

#### This is my home ... We are Family January 9 Sunday Envelopes \$ 6,316.00 Sunday Offertory 298.00 6,614.00 1,400.00 On Line Giving 8,014.00 Votive Lights 40.00 Maintenance \$ 320.00 National Appeal 350.00 Christmas 645.00 Total: \$ 9,369.00 Thank you for your continued support of our Parish! **Parish Support**

#### Without Life Nothing Else Matters

Babies are dying at a greater rate than ever before. There are many reasons for this, however, the increase in promiscuity & the increased use of the so-called "pill," which is an abortifacient, cause thousands of abortions in a day in America alone. Government sanctioned & taxpayer funding of Planned Parenthood is also another part of this ongoing war on the unborn.

St. Teresa of Calcutta once said, "If there is no respect for life in the womb, there will be no respect for life outside of the womb." The senseless murders & the chaos in our streets for the past few years have turned her statement of fact into a prophecy fulfilled.

We at the Pro-Life Corner believe that the darkness which has descended upon not only America, but the rest of the world, is a direct result of abortion on demand & the promotion of euthanasia. God, the Creator of all life, will not be mocked.

It was once said, "If we refuse to be ruled by God, then God will allow us to be ruled by tyrants." We don't know who said that but that, too, is becoming a prophecy fulfilled. We believe when slavery ended in America, that is when God poured out his blessings upon America. Let us throw ourselves on the mercy of God, our Creator, and unceasingly ask Him for an end to abortion & euthanasia. Then & only then can we have peace in our hearts, in our families, & in the streets of America. Chris & Frank - Pro Life Corner

Bulletin Humor: People are funny: they want the front of the bus, the middle of the road, and the back of the church.



#### FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

For the Love of Jesus and Mary, and for the Salvation of Souls You are most welcome and encouraged to join us on every First Saturday for any or all of the devotions listed below:

8:00 am Holy Mass

8:30—9:00 am Confession in the Church

8:30—9:00 am Fellowship, coffee, juice and donuts in the Parish Center

9:00—9:30 am 5-minute talk on a faith topic, the Holy Rosary & selected prayers



At St. Bernadette, you can purchase flowers for the Blessed Virgin Mary statue and the altar in memory of your loved ones. Orders can be placed through the Office before noon on the Wednesday of the week of your choice.

Cost is \$25.00 and \$40.00, respectively.



#### Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program

Volunteers for Catholic Charities Long-Term Ombudsman Program visit nursing home residents & provide confidential assistance.

Ombudsmen provide information on the rights of nursing home residents & advocate for individuals to receive the highest quality of life & care. Catholic Charities provides this non-denominational service to elders in 9 counties of Northern Illinois & works in conjunction with the Illinois Department on Aging. As a volunteer ombudsman, you will be able to make a difference & have a rewarding experience as an advocate for residents of long-term care facilities.

Training sessions for volunteers will soon be scheduled. For more information or to register to attend the training, please call Christine Adams at 800-369-0895 or e-mail at cadams@rockforddiocese.org.

We hope you will please consider becoming a volunteer for the Catholic Charities Long-Term Ombudsman Program.



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MASS FOR LIFE WITH BISHOP MALLOY
SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, AT 10:00 A.M.
St. Mary Catholic Church
10307 Dundee-Huntley Road, Huntley, IL

"A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world." Pope St. John Paul II

On January 22, the Church in the United States observes the annual "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children." You are invited to join Catholics from throughout the diocese in a special Mass for the respect of human life celebrated by Bishop David J. Malloy at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary Parish in Huntley, IL. If unable to attend in person, the Mass for Life will be live streamed on the St. Mary Catholic Church Huntley YouTube channel. It can be viewed live or at a later time.



# BUILT ON ROCK YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY! (AGES 18-35)

If you are between the ages of 18 to 35, we invite you to join us two
Thursdays a month at St. Bridget for our

Young Adult Ministry. Our goal is to provide ministry and community for young adults in the Rockford area while building up your faith and

relationship with the Church. We simply want to help you live life to the fullest. Through forming a strong community, you will be better able to go forth and live the Gospel message with family, friends, coworkers, and those you encounter daily. If you have any

questions, contact Fr. Downing at: adowning@rockforddiocese.org or call 815-633-6311.

#### **Upcoming Gatherings:**

**Thursday, January 13th**  $^{\sim}$  Join Fr. Downing from 6:30pm-7:45pm in the Parish Center Hall. We will be discussing what our priorities are for this New Year and how to start out the New Year on the right foot.

**Thursday, January 27th** ~ Our gathering will be a Teaching Mass by Fr. Grismer. We will meet at 6:30pm in the Church.

**In February**, we will begin a book study using *Living Joy* by Chris Stefanick. If interested in this book study, please

# Liturgical Ministers

Liturgical Roles: Jan. 22 - Jan. 23, 2022

**Eucharistic Ministers** 

Saturday, January 22:

4:45 P.M. Karen Gallagher

Sunday, January 23:

8:00 A.M. Pat Stroup

9:30 A.M. Sue Hammack

11:00 A.M. Andy Didier

#### **Lectors**

Saturday, January 22:

4:45 P.M. Rudy Wirth

Sunday, January 23:

8:00 A.M. Ron Welte

9:30 A.M. Phil Spataro

11:00 A.M. Mary Linn Green

#### WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the Week of January 16, 2022

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1

Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21

and 23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk

2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b,

2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a,

10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3,

5-7/Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10,

15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/

Lk 1:1-4: 4:14-21

#### Observances for the Week of January 16, 2022

Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Martin Luther King Day; St. Anthony, Abbot

Tuesday: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Wednesday:

Thursday: St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St.

Sebastian, Martyr

Friday: St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

Saturday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of

Unborn Children

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time;

St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St.

Marianne Cope, Virgin

#### -Mass Intentions-

#### FOR THE WEEK OF January 16 — January 23

#### Saturday & Sunday, January 15 — January 16

4:45 PM † Angelo Cascio (Carm & Mary Cascio)

† Mary Trapani (Fran Marchese)

8:00 AM Intentions of Father Ken Stachyra

(Fr. Matthew Rudden Auxiliary)

9:30 AM For Our Parishioners

11:00 AM † Diane Abel Judy (Elizabeth Powers)

† Matthew Newton (Elizabeth Powers)

#### Monday, January 17

8:00 AM † Nancy Ehrlich (Max Erhlich)

#### Tuesday, January 18

6:30 AM † James Flanagan (Carrie Flanagan)

8:00 AM † Mary Trapani (John & MaryAnne Goral)

#### Wednesday, January 19

6:30 AM † Faithful Departed

8:00 AM Intentions of Marianne Musso (Jessica Ruvolo)

#### Thursday, January 20

8:00 AM † Rose Flanagan (Carrie Flanagan)

#### Friday, January 21

6:30 AM † Melba Rilott (Family)

8:00 AM For The Protection of Unborn Children & For The End of Abortion (Marianne Musso)

#### Saturday, January 22

8:00 AM For the Health & Safety of All Children

4:45 PM † James & Lucretia Vogt (Family)

#### Sunday, January 23

8:00 AM Intentions of Father Ricardo Hernandez

(Fr. Matthew Rudden Ladies Auxiliary)

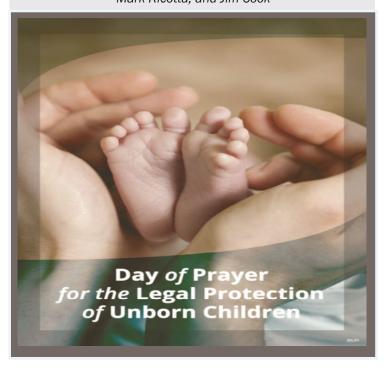
9:30 AM Special Intentions of Father Ricardo

(The Goral Family)

† Louis D'Agnolo (Family)

11:00 AM For Our Parishioners

Please Pray for the Repose of the Souls of: Edwin Hogan, Mary Mulé, Lucy Cassioppi, Mark Ricotta, and Jim Cook





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