

# St. Bernadette Catholic Church

2400 Bell Avenue | Rockford, IL 61103 | 815-968-0904  
Parish Website: [www.stbernadetterockford.com](http://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

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*The Third Sunday  
In Ordinary Time  
January 23, 2022*



## 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...  
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives  
and recovery of sight to the blind,  
to let the oppressed go free.  
- Lk 4:18*

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## 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

Monday ----- 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:

Business Manager, Carrie Flanagan ----- 968-0904  
Contemporary Choir, Kathy Cecchetti ----- 973-0632  
Arts & Environment, Kathie Welte ----- 978-7638  
Seniors, Diane Cattani ----- 962-8277  
Ladies of St. Bernadette, Mary Cox ----- 964-0528  
Sacristan, Carl Rossato ----- 968-5438  
Religious Education, Kevin Rilott ----- 815-494-0333  
stbre@comcast.net

Sacristan and Adoration Chapel Coordinator:  
Kevin Rilott ----- 815-494-0333

RCIA Coordinators  
Steve & Luana Francisco ----- 815-540-8883

Head Ushers:  
4:45 PM Carm Cascio 8:00 AM Alex Haffenden  
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



## OPEN HOUSE

All Saint's Catholic Academy is holding an Open House for all potential future students and families on Sunday, January 30, 2022 from 10:00 am to 11:30 am. Teachers will be available to answer questions and give tours. If this date doesn't work for you, call the school office at 815-962-8515 and schedule your own private tour. We look forward to meeting you!

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus is meeting on February 8 at 7 pm in the parish hallway.

**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](http://stbernadetterockford.com) and click on the online giving link or visit the page directly at: <https://www.osvhub.com/st-bernadette/funds>
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.

**VOLUNTEER**

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](mailto:stbre@comcast.net).

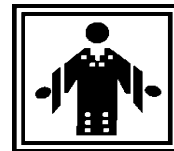
### DONATIONS TO THE CHURCH FOR 2021

2021 Contribution letters for tax reporting are available for pick-up in the parish office.

If you would like your letter sent by mail or email please contact the parish office. 815-964-0904

This is my home ...	
We are Family	
<u>January 16</u>	
Sunday Envelopes	\$ 6,576.00
Sunday Offertory	\$ 155.00
	\$ 6,731.00
On Line Giving	\$ 570.00
	\$ 7,301.00
Votive Lights	\$ 48.00
Maintenance	\$ 30.00
National Appeal	\$ 4,085.00
Stole Fees	\$ 200.00
Christmas	\$ 10.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 11,674.00</b>

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish!



## FROM THE PASTOR

### MESSAGE FROM FATHER KEN

Due to a lack of staffing, we are no longer able to do funeral luncheons. If we can staff the funeral ministry, we will be able to resume the funeral luncheons.

Sorry for any inconvenience.

If anyone would want to volunteer for this important ministry, please contact the parish office.

In Christ,  
Father Ken



Bulletin Humor: God Himself does not propose to judge a man until he is dead. So why should you?

Sunday, January 23, 2022



**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



“Give us the grace – When the sacredness of life before birth is attacked, to stand up and proclaim that no one ever has the authority to destroy unborn life.”

St. Pope John Paul II

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**



Are you letting Jesus proclaim the Good News to you in your marriage? Sign up today to attend one of the next in person Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences on one of the following dates:

- February 11-13 in Madison, Wisconsin
- April 22-24 in Brookfield, Wisconsin
- June 24-26 in Geneva, Illinois

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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.

**MEMORIAL GIFTS**

Did you know that memorial gifts are another way to remember your loved ones throughout the year? There are two ways. Many people like to have a Mass offered to remember a deceased loved one on that person’s birthday, anniversary of death or other special day. The offering for such a Mass is \$10.00, & you simply need to contact the parish office to schedule the Mass.

A more significant way to remember a deceased loved one is through a memorial contribution. Like Mass offerings, memorial contributions can be made for any special occasion. They are also a great idea at the time of death. You simply need to state in the obituary, “Memorial contributions to St. Bernadette Church appreciated.” The benefits of a memorial contribution include:

- \*The gift may be as large or as small as a donor prefers.
- \*Memorial contributions can be used for any of the operating needs of the parish, including scholarship assistance for school children, maintenance, parish ministries, upgrading of facilities, etc.
- \*For large memorial gifts, the parish can work with the donor(s) to determine a way to use the gift according to the interests & preferences of the individual who is being memorialized through the gift.

**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](mailto:adowning@rockforddiocese.org) or call 815-633-6311.

**Upcoming Gatherings:**

**Thursday, January 13th** ~ 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 email Fr. Downing by January 17th, so we can order books.



## Liturgical Roles: Jan. 29 – Jan. 30, 2022

### Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, January 29:

4:45 P.M. Sarah Hyser

Sunday, January 30:

8:00 A.M. Pat Stroup

9:30 A.M. Michael Schaer

11:00 A.M. David Hindenburg

### Lectors

Saturday, January 29:

4:45 P.M. Jim Reader

Sunday, January 30:

8:00 A.M. Marianne Musso

9:30 A.M. Jeff Metters

11:00 A.M. Deanna Didier

## WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

### Readings for the Week of January 23, 2022

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

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/

Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc,

2/Mk 16:15-18

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-

28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11,

12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a,

6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15,

16-17/Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6,

15-17 [cf. 15ab]/

1 Cor 12:31–13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

### Observances for the Week of January 23, 2022

Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

Monday: St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Tuesday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

Wednesday: Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops

Thursday: St. Angela Merici, Virgin

Friday: St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Saturday:

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Celebrate

Catholic Schools Week

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## **-Mass Intentions-**

**FOR THE WEEK OF January 23 — January 30**

**Saturday & Sunday, January 22 — January 23**

- 4:45 PM † James & Lucretia Vogt (Family)
- 8:00 AM Intentions of Father Ricardo Hernandez  
(Fr. Matthew Rudden Ladies Auxiliary)
- 9:30 AM Special Intentions of Fr. Ricardo (Goral Family)  
† Louis D'Agnolo (Family)
- 11:00 AM For Our Parishioners

**Monday, January 24**

- 8:00 AM Increased Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary  
(Marianne Musso)

**Tuesday, January 25**

- 6:30 AM † Lucy Cassioppi (John & MaryAnn Goral)
- 8:00 AM † John Vitale (Marcia Vitale)

**Wednesday, January 26**

- 6:30 AM † DarLynne Holquist (Marianne Musso)
- 8:00 AM † Daniel & Joan Kelly (Joe & Cookie Scandrol)

**Thursday, January 27**

- 8:00 AM † Gene Readette (Marilyn Groves)

**Friday, January 28**

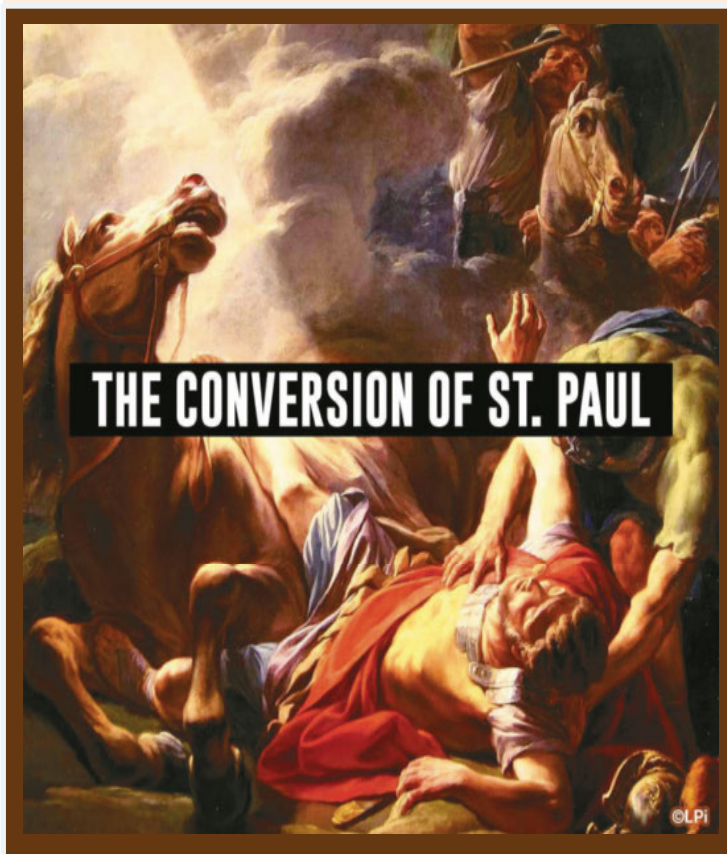
- 6:30 AM † DarLynne Holquist (Marianne Musso)
- 8:00 AM † Sandra Torrance (Family)

**Saturday, January 29**

- 8:00 AM † The LeFevre Family
- 4:45 PM For Our Parishioners  
† Mary Trapani (Carm & Mary Cascio)

**Sunday, January 30**

- 8:00 AM Intentions of Deacon Gregg Cox  
(Fr. Matthew Rudden Ladies Auxiliary)
- 9:30 AM † Gloria Stien (Ingham Family)
- 11:00 AM † Erin Vesely (Mary Ellen Sankaran)



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