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SAINT BERNADETTE CATHOLIC PARISH

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To make arrangements, please contact the parish office.

Websites

St. Bernadette's on Facebook
www.facebook.com/groups/StBernadetteParish

St. Bernadette's Parish
www.stbernadettesparish.com/wp

Diocese of Madison
www.madisondiocese.org

Vatican www.vatican.va

Mass Schedule

Weekend

Saturday 5:00 p.m. (R)
Sunday 8:30 a.m. (B), 10:30 a.m. (R)

Weekday

Tuesday 4:00 p.m. (R) (Mass & Adoration);
Wednesday 8:00 a.m. (B); Thursday 8:00 a.m. (R);
Friday 8:00 a.m. (B)

Communion to the Sick & Shut-ins

If you have a loved one or know of someone who is homebound that would like to be receiving communion, please let Fr. Petrica know at steve.petrica@gmail.com so that he can make certain that they are able to receive this sacrament.

Anointing of the Sick

Call to request this sacrament anytime.

Sacrament of Penance

First Saturdays, 8:15-8:45 a.m. (R)
Third Saturdays, 8:15-8:45 a.m. (B)
Confession by appointment anytime.
Saturday confessions followed by Mass at 9:00 a.m.

Key: (B) Barneveld • (R) Ridgeway

FROM THE RECTORY

Fr. Steve Petrica



A Pastoral Visit From the Bishop

Next Sunday we will welcome the Most Rev. Donald J. Hying, the new bishop of our diocese, to St. Bernadette Parish. His visit is an opportunity for him to get to know us and our parish — and for us to meet him and start getting to know him, our chief pastor. He is a herald of the Gospel for us, a teacher of the faith, a shepherd, and the high priest for that part of Christ's faithful in the Diocese of Madison.

To allow enough time for the bishop's visit to be unhurried and fruitful, next weekend's schedule will be modified slightly from the usual.

Saturday

5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Bridget's as usual

Sunday

8:30 a.m. Pontifical Mass at Immaculate Conception
Followed by brunch reception
10:30 a.m. Mass is cancelled next week *only*

Work: Part of the Original State of Man

The Industrial Revolution of the 19th century catalyzed one of the most important developments in modern Church history. New relations between labor and capital led the popes and theologians to consider more deeply and to systematize what has come to be known as "the social teaching of the Church." Pope Leo XIII's 1891 encyclical *Rerum Novarum* ("New Things") was the first major milestone in that evolution, and it remains to this day an important reference point.

Work is part of the original state of man and *precedes* his fall; it is therefore *not* a punishment or curse. It only became toil and pain because of the sin of our first parents. The Fathers of the Church do not consider work to be servile, but always as part of what it means to be authentically human, and they tend to hold all its various expressions in honor. By his work and industriousness, man makes creation more beautiful. He summons the social and community energies that increase the common good, above all to the benefit of those who are neediest. Human work, directed to love as its final goal, becomes an occasion for contemplation, it becomes devout prayer, vigilantly rising toward the day that will not end. This reli-

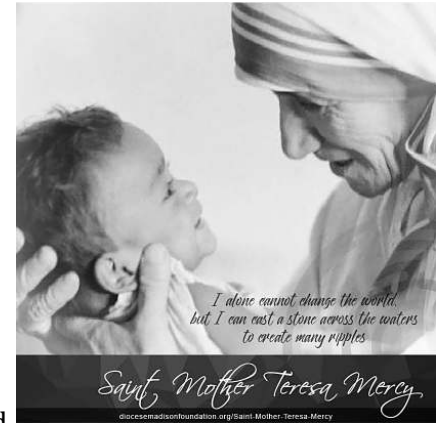
gious perspective confers on human work an enlivening and redeeming spirituality, which reflects the mysterious but real alliance between human action and the providential action of God. [This paragraph is adapted from paragraphs 256-257 and 265-266 of the *Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church*.]

Let this faith perspective inform and enliven your observance this Labor Day weekend!

The St. Mother Teresa Mercy Endowment Fund

I alone cannot change the world, but I can
cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples.
St. Mother Teresa

On September 5, the Church celebrates the feast of Saint Mother Teresa. In the Diocese of Madison, the Saint Mother Teresa Mercy Endowment provides financial support to ministries living out Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. Join Bishop Hying in creating ripples of mercy by supporting the endowment!

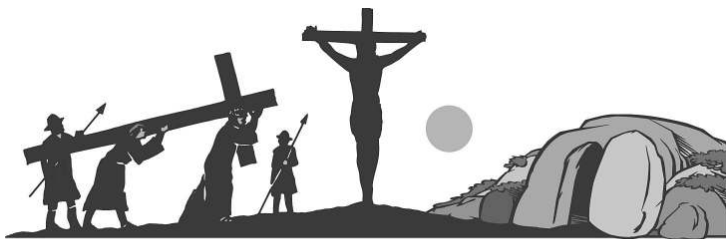


Grants from this year's distribution help to feed the hungry at food pantries, shelter the homeless, provide necessary services to families, supply bibles and catechisms for the imprisoned, and support St. Vincent De Paul councils throughout the diocese. To learn more or make a gift on-line, visit diocesemadisonfoundation.org. Checks can be sent to: Catholic Diocese of Madison Foundation, 702 S. High Point Road, Suite 223, Madison, WI 53719.

On the Cover

Pope Francis donned a hard hat at a special audience with pilgrims from the Diocese of Terni, Italy, in the Paul VI hall at the Vatican March 20, 2014 (Catholic News Service photo/L'Osservatore Romano). The accompanying CNS article reports:

Pope Francis said he had spoken to a young unemployed worker who said he and his wife and children have food thanks to their parish Caritas, "but I don't know what it means to have the dignity of working and bringing home bread for my family." The purpose of a job is not just to earn money; it is one of the key ways people exercise their intellect, creativity and physical energy in order to provide for their needs and those of their families, the pope said. If there is no work, this dignity is wounded."



STATIONS of the CROSS

Please Come: Blessing Our New Stations
Let's have a great turnout for this special event!

Saturday, September 14, St. Bridget's Church, Ridgeway
10:00 a.m. — Mass for the
Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Followed by a procession to bless
our new life-size outdoor Stations of the Cross

There is a long association between the Franciscan order and the Stations of the Cross devotion, which they promoted as a way to vicariously walk the actual Via



Fr. Zurek

Dolorosa in Jerusalem. So we will be fortunate to have with us Fr. Lawrence Zurek, OFM Conv., Administrator of the Basilica of Saint Josaphat, Milwaukee, to preach and bless the stations. This is a special occasion in the life of a parish, so please make an effort to attend!

Key Events on the Bible Timeline #36 Israel Asks for a King: I Samuel 8:1-22

After the death of Moses, the people of Israel were governed according to the biblical law, as administered by a series of judges. The last of them was Samuel, who attempted to install his own sons as his dynastic successors. Today's bible passage succinctly describes the result: "his sons turned aside after gain; they took bribes and perverted justice." (I Sam. 8:3) The elders of the people therefore came to Samuel and said, "Appoint for us a king to govern us like all the nations." (I Sam. 8:5) On one hand, they had a legitimate grievance, but on the other hand, their solution was not to return to the ways of God, but to emulate the neighboring pagan kingdoms. Samuel tells them that having a king will mean conscription, forced labor, taxation, and loss of personal liberty, but they are not deterred. Samuel relents, and Saul is anointed as the first king of Israel. Over the next several centuries the kings of Israel range from the very good to the extremely wicked.

We, too, are subject to the reign of God. We celebrate Christ the King, and look forward to the advent of the kingdom of God. Like the ancient Israelites, though, we sometimes find it easier to follow the "rulers of this present darkness." (Eph. 6:12) But as Jesus assures us, "the ruler of this world is judged!" (Jn. 16:11)

September, Month of Our Lady of Sorrows

Simeon said to Mary,
"Behold, this child is set
for the fall and rising of many in Israel,
and for a sign that is spoken against,
and a sword will pierce
through your own soul also."

Luke 2:34-35



Holy Father's September Prayer Intention: The Protection of the Oceans

This month, join Pope Francis in prayer that politicians, scientists, and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

Remember St. Bernadette Parish in your will!

St. Bernadette's Offerings Weekend of August 25, 2019

Envelopes	\$745.00
Loose offerings	293.50
Bldg. & Maint. offerings	166.00
Total	\$1,204.50
Same weekend last year	\$1,423.00
Difference	-218.50

*May the gift you have promised not be
an exaction, but a willing gift. (cf. II Cor. 9:5)*

Mass Intentions

"Remember me at the altar of the Lord."
—St. Monica to her son, St. Augustine

- Tuesday, September 3: St. Gregory the Great**
4:00 p.m. (R)
- Wednesday, September 4: Monthly Requiem**
8:00 a.m. (B)
- Thursday, September 5: St. Teresa of Calcutta**
8:00 a.m. (R)
- Friday, September 6—FIRST FRIDAY**
8:00 a.m.: Votive of the Sacred Heart (B)
- Saturday, September 7—FIRST SATURDAY**
9:00 a.m. Joseph & Constance Schmitz family (R)
5:00 p.m.: Of the Sunday People of the parish (R)
- Sunday, September 8: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:30 a.m. For all grandparents (B)
10:30 a.m. —CANCELLED THIS WEEK ONLY

*When requesting Mass intentions,
be sure to specify the date and time you'd like.*

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