

SAINT Bernadette PARISH

MARCH 15, 2020 | 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT | LEMAY, MISSOURI

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND

Saturday 4:00 pm Sunday Vigil
Sunday 8:00 and 10:30 am

PSR CLASSES 9:00 to 10:15 am
Sunday Mornings September to April

WEEKDAY

Monday through Thursday 8:00 am
Friday Communion Service 8:00 am

HOLIDAY LITURGY

Vigil (day before) 6:00 pm Holyday: 8:00 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00 to 3:30 pm or by appointment

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Robert Reiker	Pastor
Dn. Michael L. Buckley	Part-time Deacon
Dn. Phillip Warren	Part-time Deacon
Sister Ruth Emke, SSND	Office Manager
Mrs. Sue Majchrzak	PSR Director
Mr. Joe Simpson	Music Director

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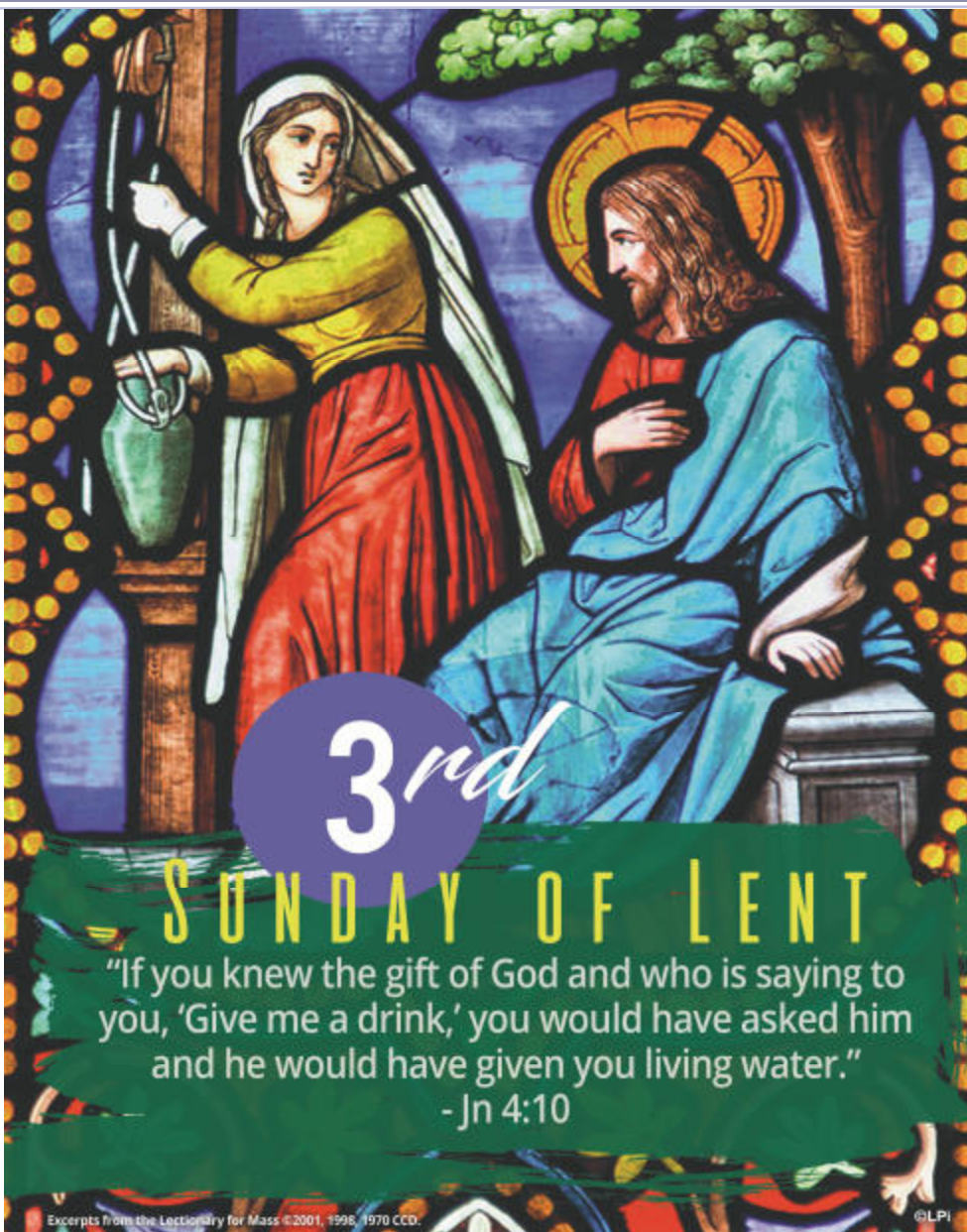
Monday-Thursday 8:30 AM—3:30 pm
Friday 8:30 AM—12:30 pm

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

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CHECK OUT OUR PARISH WEBSITE

www.churchofsaintbernadette.org



MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of God, in the Parish of St. Bernadette, understanding ourselves to be a part of the Universal Church, have received the call of His son Jesus through Baptism and Confirmation, to be His disciples and to spread and promote the Kingdom of God in faith and prayer through Christian worship, education, and service. The Council, strengthened by the Holy Spirit, and nourished by the Sacraments, attempts to listen to the needs and furnish leadership to the people of St. Bernadette. We do this to serve our God and to develop in our parish, His presence as the source and cause of our common Christian life and holiness.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Please stop by or call the Parish Office to register. Enjoy the benefits of "belonging to your Parish."

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SACRAMENTS

Baptisms
 Sunday after 10:30 am Mass. Registered parishioners should contact the Rectory Office at least three weeks prior to desired date. Baptisms are not usually celebrated during Lent.

Matrimony
 Registered Parishioners should make arrangements with the priest of the parish as soon as you are seriously contemplating marriage - at least six months prior to the wedding. Weddings are strongly discouraged during Lent and Octave of Easter.

Communion Calls
 Holy Communion is brought to the homebound of the Parish Family. If you would like Holy Communion or the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick for someone in your household, notify the parish office. Also notify us if someone is in the hospital or a nursing home.

PRAYER NETWORK
 Prayer Works! Parishioners are ready to pray for those in need. Ask and it shall be given to you. Contact Audrey at 487-6077.

BULLETIN DEADLINE
 Please send bulletin items to the Parish Office in writing by 2:00 pm each Monday for the upcoming weekend. You may choose to send them via email at secretary@stbernadettelemay.org

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 14	Brooke
4:00pm	
Sunday, March 15	George LaGasse
8:00am	People of the Parish
10:30am	
Monday, March 16	St. B Purgatorial Society
8:00am	
Tuesday, March 17	St. B Purgatorial Society
8:00am	
Wednesday, March 18	Rita Lorkowski
8:00am	
Thursday, March 19	
8:00am	
Friday, March 20	St. B Purgatorial Society
8:00am	
Saturday, March 21	People of the Parish
4:00pm	
Sunday, March 22	Rita Lorkowski
8:00am	
10:30am	

**Ministers for the Weekend
 March 22, 2020**

Lectors

4:00 pm	Kelly Brooks
8:00 am	Debby Beck
10:30 am	Roy Baum


Eucharistic Ministers


4:00 pm	Margie and Mike Gacioch
8:00 am	Nancy Buffa, Don Pieri Bill Wolk
10:30 am	Sr. Kathy, Virginia Jones

Altar Servers

4:00 pm	Nancy Daake
8:00 am	Jack Treiber
10:30 am	Ethan and Maria Hemme

Let us remember in prayer our parishioners and their loved ones who have completed their journey to God:

 Rita Lorkowski, aunt of Vicki Shaughnessy, who passed away on Feb. 27th

 Danielle Ball, daughter of David Ball, who passed away March 3rd.

**Financial Information
 March 8, 2020**

<i>Sunday Offertory</i>	
<i>Envelopes</i>	\$4,262.00
<i>Loose</i>	\$1,057.00
<i>Ash Wednesday</i>	\$20.00
<i>Easter Flowers</i>	\$ 95.00
<i>Prayer Day</i>	\$37.00
	<i>Total: \$5,471.00</i>
<i>Black/Indian Missions</i>	\$25.00



<u>Immediate Need</u>	Genevieve Zimmer
David Buffa	Ed Neiter
Nancy Williams	Eileen Howard
Dot & Paul Welker	Jean Koebbe
Pam Brown	Ray Blumenkemper
Jim Eckrich	Dale Baumann
<u>Long Term Need</u>	Joyce Baumann
Dorothy Matejka	Ken Smith
Fr. Gary Faust	Charles Jones
Rita Wiesehan	Wally Perks
Carole Benedick	

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◆◆◆◆◆ Fr. Bob's Column ◆◆◆◆◆

3rd SUNDAY OF LENT – FULL SPEED AHEAD TOWARD THE WATER OF BAPTISM!

In our readings today, Moses and Jesus provide life-giving water. Moses, in response to the people's grumbling about being thirsty, pleads to God for help. The Lord instructs Moses to provide for his people by striking the rock and creating a spring of refreshing water. Jesus, who is thirsty, meets a Samaritan woman who provides him with a drink of water. He goes on to teach that he can offer water that will become "a spring of water welling up to eternal life." This is the life-giving water of Baptism. During Lent some are looking forward to be baptized and the rest of us are preparing to renew our Baptism at Easter.



LENT – A TIME TO MAKE THE BIBLE A PART OF YOUR DAILY PRAYER LIFE

Pope Francis on Ash Wednesday teaches us:

"Lent is a favorable time to make room for the Word of God. It is the time to switch off the TV and open the Bible." Reading the Bible for some appears to be a daunting task. But God's Word to us is not as it may seem.



Here are some ways to begin Scripture reading during Lent:

+ First of all, start with one of the Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke or John. I suggest starting with Mark, the shortest and easiest of the Gospels to read. Just read a little bit at a time, like one event or teaching of Jesus, and then take 10 minutes to reflect on it.

+ Read the lectionary Scripture readings for each day of Lent, as listed in the bulletin or various reflection guides for Lent, often available on line.

+ Especially read the Scripture readings for the coming Sunday and some commentary about them. I might suggest that you come to one of our St. Bernadette weekly Bible



Study groups – every Tuesday at 1:30pm and again on Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm, both in Feckter Hall and last for an hour and a half. Bring your Bible. No previous experience needed.

Father Bob's Column Continued



WEEKLY READINGS - March 15, 2020

Sunday	3rd Sunday of Lent Ex 17:3-7 Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
Monday	Weekday 2 Kgs 5:1-15b Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday	St. Patrick, Bishop Dn 3:25, 34-43 Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday	St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Dt 4:1, 5-9 Mt 5:17-19
Thursday	St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22 Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Friday	Weekday Hos 14:2-10 Mk 12:28-34
Saturday	Weekday Hos 6:1-6 Lk 18:9-14
Next Sunday	4th Sunday of Lent 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a Eph 5:8-14 Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Father Bob's Column Continued

+ Pray with the Psalms. These are the 150 prayers of God's Chosen People in the Old Testament, but still quite appropriate for our times too. They cover the range of human emotions from highest joy to a feeling of abandonment by God. There are prayers of praise and thanksgiving, and prayers of sorrow and contrition. Sometimes they seem obscure in their meaning but overall they can be good starters for your own personal prayer.

+ Buy a new Bible that is practical to use. Look for the Catholic edition; the New American Bible is the one we use in the liturgy.

+ Look into a couple of basic books on reading the Bible; perhaps stop at Catholic Supply in St. Louis or the Pauline Bookstore in Crestwood.

An old man said "Erasers are made for those who make mistakes." A youth replied, "Erasers are made for those who are willing to correct their mistakes!" Your attitude matters. So...Lent might be the time to work toward being willing to correct our mistakes...or make a needed attitude adjustment, so we can be more accepting of others.





For our next meeting, March 26th, we will be meeting in Feckter Hall and going to church as a group.

Our servers for Stations of the Cross

will be Wayne Winters and MaryAnn and Cathy Gillis. Everyone is welcome to attend and if you are 50 or older, you are also invited to come back to Feckter Hall for a short monthly meeting followed by light refreshments. This is a great time to meet our members, relax and maybe think about joining our group.

In other news, our annual trip to Fairmont Park is going to be June 9th. We will be leaving at 10:30 am and will return at 4:00 pm. Don't know how to bet on the ponies? Don't worry, I'm sure some of our regulars will give you hand!



Please be sure to check out the website:
www.churchofsaintbernadette.org

And our FaceBook page: Church of Saint Bernadette
Wishing you a blessed Lenten season.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

The parish support of the St. Vincent de Paul Society has been great. In February church donations totaled \$2,773.00. From the Parish Feast Day raffle of baskets the amount of \$643.00 was raised. And from your donations of clothing into the collection bin on the parking lot of church we received \$313.92. The total for the month was \$3,729.92 which all goes to helping our neighbors in need within our parish boundaries. May God bless each of you for your generosity in supporting this ministry of our St. Bernadette Parish. Don't forget that the "Poor Box" is in the back of church and always open to receiving your donations. Thank you!!

St. Vincent DePaul Parish in Soulard is hosting their annual **Dinner Auction on Saturday, March 21st from 5:30 - 10:00pm.** Tickets are \$75 each. There is a formal dinner. The huge auction will support the work of their food pantry, lunch window and dinner meals. They also want to expand their after school tutoring program for at-risk youth as well as help senior citizens with costs of medications. Call Laura Kelly for more information at 314-231-9328 or email: stvtstlevents@gmail.com.

- PARISH ACTIVITIES -

- ◇ Monday 7:00pm, Lenten Video, Series, Feckter Hall
- ◇ Tuesday, Bible Study, 1:30pm, Feckter Hall
- ◇ Wednesday after 8am Mass are Perpetual Help Devotions.
- ◇ Wednesday, Bible Study at 6:30pm in Feckter Hall
- ◇ Thursday, 1 - 2:30pm Lenten Video Series in Feckter Hall
- ◇ Friday, 8am, Mass followed by Stations of the Cross
- ◇ Friday, 6pm, Stations of the Cross
- ◇ Saturday, 3:00 - 3:30 pm, Confessions

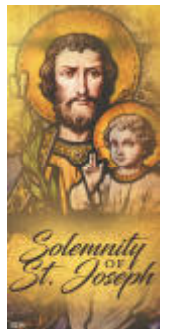


St. Patrick - Feast Day on March 17th



St. Joseph - Feast Day on March 19th

The Church has declared Joseph the patron saint of those who work with their hands, of travelers, of husbands, and of a happy death. And just as Jesus gave us his mother to be our mother as he hung dying on the cross, so the Church has declared Joseph the patron saint of the universal Church, to watch over it and guide it as he did the Christ child so many centuries ago.



Why do we make a big deal over the feast of a man we know so little about? Because what little we do know points to a man who can model for all of us what it means to be a man. Joseph was a loving husband and father, a man who worked with his hands, a man who watched over and cared for his family, and who had a deep faith in his God, even when things seemed to be working against him.

St. Joseph, pray for the Church and for all husbands and fathers of our parish. Guide us all to eternal peace. Amen.

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