

# SAINT Bernadette PARISH



MAY 16, 2021 | THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD | LEMAY, MISSOURI

## MASS SCHEDULE

### WEEKEND

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

### WEEKDAY

Monday through Thursday 8:00 am  
Friday Communion Service 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	Deacon
Dn. Phillip Warren	Deacon
Sister Ruth Emke, SSND	Office Manager
Mrs. Sue Majchrzak	PSR Director
Mr. Joe Simpson	Music Director

## PARISH OFFICE

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[www.churchofsaintbernadette.org](http://www.churchofsaintbernadette.org)

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 8:30 AM—3:30 pm

Friday 8:30 AM—12:30 pm

## PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

PSR CLASSES 9:00 to 10:15 am

Sunday Mornings September to April

phone: 314-892-6882 (Parish Office)

## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Jesus said to his disciples, "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." - Mk 16:15-16A

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## 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.

## Mass from St. Bernadette



Scan code with your smart device to link to the livestreamed Mass. Or connect through YouTube or St. Bernadette website.

# THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

## 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

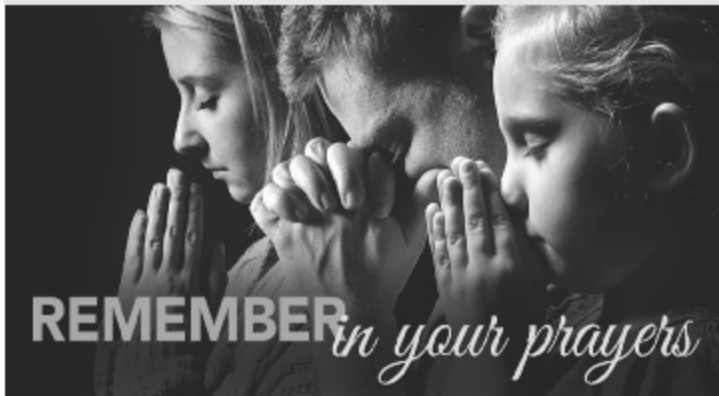
Holy Communion is brought to the homebound of the Parish Family. If you would like Holy Communion or the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick for someone in your household, notify the parish office. Also notify us if someone is in the hospital or a nursing home.

### 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](mailto:secretary@stbernadettelemay.org)



Fr. Bob Reiker	Rita Wiesehan
Sister Phyllis Ann Price	Carole Benedick
Phyllis Sandusky	Genevieve Zimmer
Shirley Harris	Ed Neiter
Jerry Johnson	Eileen & Harold Howard
Barbara Eichhorst	Ken Smith
Cathy Weber	Wally Perks
Sandy Warren	Viola Finch
Fr. Gary Faust	

### *Ministers for the Weekend* May 22/23, 2021

#### Lectors

4:00 pm	Nancy Daake
8:00 am	Patrick Shaughnessy
10:30 am	Jan Buckley

### *Financial Information*

May 9, 2021

### Sunday Offertory

Envelopes	\$3,798.00
Loose	\$2,776.00
Online Giving	\$ 180.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$ 95.00

**Total: \$6,669.00**

## *MASS INTENTIONS*

### Saturday, May 15

7:00pm

**People of the Parish**

### Sunday, May 16

8:00am

**Robert Emke Family**

10:30am

**Kathryn Proot**

### Monday, May 17

8:00am

**Communion Service**

### Tuesday, May 18

8:00am

**Communion Service**

### Wednesday, May 19

8:00am

**Dale Baumann**

### Thursday, May 20

8:00 am

**Communion Service**

### Friday, May 21

8:00 am

**Communion Service**

### Saturday, May 22

4:00 pm

**Thomas Raymond Behrmann**

### Sunday, May 23

8:00am

**St. B Purgatorial Society**

10:30am

**People of the Parish**

### Catholic Radio

Covenant Network offers informative and inspiring Catholic radio programming. In addition to daily Mass, we also pray the Rosary, the Regina Caeli, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and other prayers. You will find live call-in shows, question and answer programs about Catholic teaching, music, as well as faith-nourishing programs on Scripture, saints, and Church history. You can listen on the radio, the Covenant Network app on your phone or on our website [OurCatholicRadio.org](http://OurCatholicRadio.org). Tune in on AM 1460 or 96.7 FM and find out how Catholic radio will change your life.



# - THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD -

## Fr. Bob's Column

### FEAST OF THE ASCENSION – “Stop gawking!”

As the Apostles watch Jesus ascend into heaven, two mysterious-looking characters wondered out loud to them, “Why are you gawking up at the sky?” Calmly they tell the Apostles that Jesus is gone and will no longer be walking around and eating with them. Ah! But he will be with them in a new way: he will be with them through the



Holy Spirit as they travel around preaching about the Kingdom of God that Jesus started with his Death and Resurrection. Even more exciting is the mystery of how he will be eating with them as they partake of the Eucharistic meal of Jesus' Body and Blood in Holy Communion.

Jesus Christ, our Risen Lord, is still with us today in 2021 – walking with us and eating with us. The Ascension into heaven did not end Jesus' presence with his followers; it only transformed it into a spiritual sacramental presence. So for all of us, let us not be gawking up into the heavens to look for Jesus. He is here still with us in our daily life and in our Sunday worship! Praise God!

### KNEE SURGERY REPORT #1

As I am writing this, it is the afternoon before my Tuesday knee surgery to begin the three month long process of replacing my left knee for the third time. So as you read this, I should be back at St. Bernadette rectory, working on getting around the place in a wheel chair. After taking out the previous knee replacement, the orthopedic surgeon should have inserted a “spacer” in the knee area. It will be saturated with antibiotics to try to eliminate the destructive bacteria that started plaguing my knee again. Also I will have received a pic-line in my upper arm that will enable me to directly infuse by slow drip antibiotics into a main artery twice a day.



## Fr. Bob's Column Continued...

Hopefully after three months of successfully clearing out bacteria, a new knee replacement will be installed in August, and thus by September maybe I will be able to be back at the altar for Mass here at St. Bernadette's. I will miss you just as you were all coming back again after Covid. Continue to pray for me to recover well and be able to walk again easily so that I can serve this fine parish again.

In the meantime, I will be catching up on a lot of reading and watching sports and movies on TV. Let's hope the Cardinals stay hot all summer and that the Blues can make another run to the Stanley Cup. That will make the summer go quicker.

### MEANWHILE BACK AT THE RANCH...

Parish life at St. Bernadette's will continue with the very capable ministry of Sister Ruth, Sister Kathy, Deacon Mike, Deacon Phil, and so many other parish members who will keep things going smoothly. For weekend Masses we will be served primarily by three priests: Father Gan and Father Victor, both retired Redemptorists from Liguori, and Father Rich Heman, a retired diocesan priest, who will also be doing our one weekday Mass, Wednesday at 8am.

### ASCENSION



WEEKLY READINGS - May 16, 2021

<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>The Ascension of the Lord;</b> Acts 1:1-11 Eph 1:17-23 Mk 16:15-20
<b>Monday:</b>	<b>Weekday</b> Acts 19:1-8 Jn 16:29-33
<b>Tuesday:</b>	<b>St. John I, Pope and Martyr</b> Acts 20:17-27 Jn 17:1-11a
<b>Wednesday:</b>	<b>Weekday</b> Acts 20:28-38 Jn 17:11b-19
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest</b> Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 Jn 17:20-26
<b>Friday:</b>	<b>St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs</b> Acts 25:13b-21 Jn 21:15-19
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>St. Rita of Cascia, Religious</b> <i>Morning:</i> Acts 28:16-20, 30-31 Jn 21:20-25 <i>Vigil:</i> Gn 11:1-9 Rom 8:22-27 Jn 7:37-39
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b> Acts 2:1-11 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

**Mid-life Singles:** Are you looking for a renewed sense of connection & purpose during this pandemic? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT Catholic weekend retreat at King's House Retreat Center, Belleville, (20 min from downtown St. Louis), on June 4-6, 2021. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$210 including meals and a single room. Visit [www.ReflectRetreat.com](http://www.ReflectRetreat.com), e-mail [reflect.stlouis@gmail.com](mailto:reflect.stlouis@gmail.com), or call (314) 283-0044 for details.

**You are invited** to join us at the next meeting of the South County Separated, Divorced, Widowed, and Remarried Catholics (SCDC) on Thursday, May 27, 2021, 6:00 p.m., at Sylvan Springs Park Artillery Shelter House (across from the JB Cemetery) located near Sherman and Boundary Roads by the playground. Please bring a lawn chair and your own drink and snack. SCDC is a support group for the separated, divorced, widowed, and remarried of our community. SCDC offers social activities and a support group that provides the opportunity to share your personal story with caring people. For more information please call Michelle Wack at (314) 540-7400.

## - PARISH ACTIVITIES -

- ◇ Communion Service 8am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Mass on Wednesday.
- ◇ Bible Study on Tuesday, 1:30pm, Feckter Hall
- ◇ Perpetual Help devotions follow the 8am Mass on Wednesday.
- ◇ Bible Study Wednesday at 6:30pm in Feckter Hall
- ◇ Thursday, 10am, RCIA
- ◇ Confessions 3:00 - 3:30 pm Saturday
- ◇ Mass 4:00 pm on Saturday. 8am and 10:30am Sunday morning.

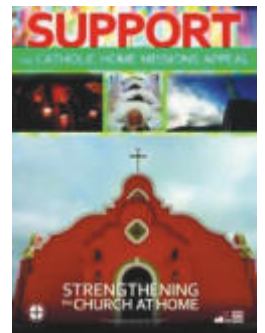


### Presiders:

Wednesday, May 19th - Fr. Rich Heman  
Saturday/Sunday, May 22/23 - Fr. Rich Heman

### Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Next week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, over 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).



### Just a reminder...

If you would like to give online, either a one time gift or your recurring, regular Sunday donations, please go to our St. Bernadette website



([www.churchofsaintbernadette.org](http://www.churchofsaintbernadette.org)). Click on **On Line Giving** and it will take you to a link. Click on the link and you'll be at our online giving site. Once you register just choose what you'd like to give and how.

And may you be blessed a hundredfold for whatever and however you support St. Bernadette Parish!



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