

SAINT Bernadette PARISH



JULY 25, 2021 | 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | 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
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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)



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"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. - Jn 6:9, 11

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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.

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-SUNDAY, JULY 25, 2021-

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



Fr. Bob Reiker	Carole Benedick
Phyllis Sandusky	Genevieve Zimmer
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Sandy Warren	Wally Perks
Fr. Gary Faust	Viola Finch
Rita Wiesehan	

Ministers for the Weekend July 31/Aug. 1, 2021

Lectors

4:00 pm	Sister Kathy
8:00 am	Mike Gacioch
10:30 am	Sue Majchrzak

SUNDAY OFFERTORY REPORT FOR July 18, 2021

Sunday Envelopes	\$2,131.00
Sunday Loose Offering	\$ 725.50
Online Electronic Giving	\$ 585.00
Total Sunday Offering	\$3,441.50
Weekly Budget Amount	\$ 5,000.00
Year-to-date Budget	\$15,000.00
Year-to-date Actual	\$12,876.50
Budget surplus/(deficient)	\$ (2,123.50)

Online Giving - Have you checked it out? Just go to the Parish website (churchofsaintbernadette.org) and then click on the link for online giving. Give a single gift or set it up to automatically take care of your donations each week or month.

Mass Intentions

Beginning in August we have lots of dates available for Mass intentions. The usual offering is \$10. Just drop by the office if you have someone for whom you'd like to have a Mass offered.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 24

4:00pm **Special Intention, BR**

Sunday, July 25

8:00am **People of the Parish**
10:30am **Mary Agnes Liebscher**

Monday, July 26

8:00am **Communion Service**

Tuesday, July 27

8:00am **Communion Service**

Wednesday, July 28

8:00am **Richard Kunz**

Thursday, July 29

8:00 am **Communion Service**

Friday, July 30

8:00 am **Communion Service**

Saturday, July 31

4:00 pm **St B Purgatorial Soc**

Sunday, August 1

8:00am **St B Purgatorial Soc**
10:30am **People of the Parish**

- 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -

◆◆◆◆ Fr. Bob's Column ◆◆◆◆

KNEE REPORT #11

My knee told me the other day that it is getting bored with not carrying me over to church to see all of my St. Bernadette Parish Family and to hold me up as I would celebrate the Eucharist. So I had to remind my knee to be patient and that hopefully in a month I will have the surgery to make it functional again. This week I see my orthopedic surgeon again so that he can take fluid from the knee to make sure that no infection has crept back in. Let's pray together that those troublesome little bacteria do not find a way back again. I continue to pray for all of you at least twice a day in the Morning Prayer and the Evening Prayer of the Divine Office, also know now as the Prayer for All Christians.



TODAY – WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS!

Pope Francis has declared this weekend to be a time for the Catholic Church to pray for grandparents and the elderly. This is a brand new designation and it is timed to be the weekend closest to July 26th, the annual Feast of Saints Joachim and Ann, the grandparents of Jesus and the parents of Mary. Talk about grandparents proud of a grandchild, Ann and Joachim must have been so proud to tell all their friends and neighbors about their extraordinary grandson named Jesus. I bet they had photos of him in their wallet or purse to show everyone (or maybe holy cards)!

My first parish as a pastor was at the Shrine of St. Ann, the Mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary, at Page and Whittier, in North St. Louis, the next parish just north of Cathedral Parish. I loved it there and their annual

Novena of St. Ann, July 18-26, with folks coming each of these days to beseech St. Ann to help them and their family. St. Ann (and the man behind this very good woman, St. Joachim) are good patrons for all grandparents to ask for blessings on your grandchildren and on you as grandparents.



Statue from St. Ann's Shrine—St. Ann teaching Mary to read

Most all of us remember fondly our own grandparents and all they did for us. I know I was fortunate enough to have all four of my grandparents live into their mid-80's, so I knew them for a long time. My city grandparents, Robert Lee and Agnes Dougherty, were exceptionally devoted Catholics, and Grandpa worked as the head of maintenance at their parish, St. John the Baptist. My country grandparents, Henry and Teresa Reiker, lived on the Reiker farm in Franklin County all their lives and provided incredibly memorable experiences for me growing up.

GRANDPARENTS
fill the world
with LOVE

◆◆◆◆ Mark your calendars! ◆◆◆◆

On Sunday, August 8th, after the 10:30 Mass, there will be an ice cream social to celebrate Sister Kathy's 50th jubilee plus one of profession as a School Sister of Notre Dame. What better way to celebrate than with some ice cream? All are invited!

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

There is nothing ordinary about this Sunday's readings as they are meant to help us connect with God, share and grow in His love. Elisha didn't have to deal with the size of the crowd that followed Jesus. Yet, Elisha and Jesus both met the immediate needs of the people who hungered for more than just the food handed out to them. Elisha knew that in sharing, the one hundred Israelites would have leftovers because they were gratefully sharing with each other.

In John's Gospel, Jesus was looking for creativity from the future Apostles to help them learn to solve the needs of the five thousand locals who were hungry. The solution ultimately came in Jesus' sharing the loaves and fish by encouraging the crowd to share amongst each other. Are we recognizing the hunger we truly have to be with God and to share that feeling with those around us in our community? Do we know that our faith in God must be shared through our communal meal of the Eucharist at Mass?



Written by Sister Kathy & Jim Flick

WEEKLY READINGS - July 25, 2021

- Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
2 Kgs 4:42-44
Eph 4:1-6
Jn 6:1-15
- Monday: Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
Ex 32:15-24, 30-34
Mt 13:31-35
- Tuesday: Weekday**
Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28
Mt 13:36-43
- Wednesday: Weekday**
Ex 34:29-35
Mt 13:44-46
- Thursday: St. Martha**
Ex 40:16-21, 34-38
Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
- Friday: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**
Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37
Mt 13:54-58
- Saturday: St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest**
Lv 25:1, 8-17
Mt 14:1-12
- Next Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Ex 16:2-4, 12-15
Eph 4:17, 20-24
Jn 6:24-35

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God does not give us all we want.
God does not give us all we ask for.



God does us one better:
God gives us all we need!

- PARISH ACTIVITIES -

- ◇ Communion Service 8am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Mass on Wednesday.
- ◇ Perpetual Help devotions follow the 8am Mass on Wednesday.
- ◇ Confessions 3:00 - 3:30 pm Saturday
- ◇ Mass 4:00 pm on Saturday. 8am and 10:30am Sunday morning.
- ◇ Next Sunday, Aug. 1, Rosary in church, 10am



Presiders:

Wednesday, July 28st - Fr. Rich Heman

Saturday, July 31st- Fr. Victor Karls

Sunday, Aug 1 - Fr. Victor Karls



Sts. Joachim and Anne

This saintly couple are parents to Mary and grandparents to Jesus. We know very few facts about them. The only recorded stories of them are from an apocryphal gospel dating from the 4th Century AD called the Protoevangelium of James. The legend told in this document says that after years of childlessness, an angel appeared to tell Anne and Joachim that they would have a child. We can assume that Mary was raised in a Jewish family home faithful to God and to the religious traditions of her day such that she was led to respond wholeheartedly to God's request with faith, "Let it be done to me as you will."

Talk about being blessed! Not only did they raise a sinless daughter, they also scored a perfect grandson! It seems that Anne and Joachim performed their parenting responsibilities with grace. Their feast day on July 26th is a day to honor them and all grandparents for their contribution to our lives.,

(adapted from www.catholic.org/saints)

Happy Grandparents Day!

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