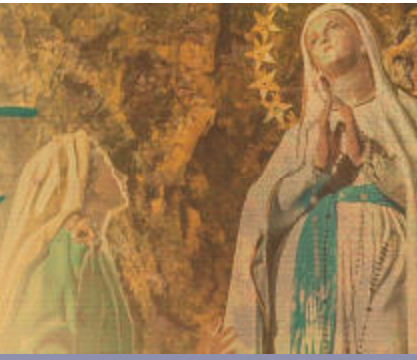


SAINT Bernadette PARISH



SEPTEMBER 26, 2021 | 26TH 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 |
| Dn. Michael L. Buckley | Deacon |
| Dn. Phillip Warren | Deacon |
| Sister Ruth Emke, SSND | Office Manager |
| Sister Kathy Kull, SSND | Liturgy Director |
| Mrs. Sue Majchrzak | PSR Director |
| Mr. Joe Simpson | Music Director |

PARISH OFFICE

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Pastor email: reiker@stbernadettelemay.org

Sr Ruth email:
secretary@stbernadettelemay.org

CHECK OUT OUR PARISH WEBSITE:
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)

GRATEFUL & GENEROUS



"Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing.
In all circumstances give thanks."

(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

STEWARDSHIP AWARENESS SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

A grateful and generous heart is the result of ...

Prayer

Spending our time listening to God and asking God
how He is calling us to use our gifts.

Participation

Sharing our time by becoming active in our parish ministries
or other charitable works.

Generosity

Offering our financial support of the mission and
ministries of our parish and the greater Church.



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ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL
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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.

-SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 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@stbernadetteleam.org



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| Fr. Bob Reiker | Rita Wiesehan |
| Phyllis Sandusky | Carole Benedick |
| Shirley Harris | Genevieve Zimmer |
| Barbara Eichhorst | Ed Neiter |
| Kathy Weber | Eileen & Harold Howard |
| Sandy Warren | Ken Smith |
| Fr. Gary Faust | Wally Perks |

Ministers for the Weekend of Sept. 25/26, 2021

| | <u>Lectors</u> | <u>Altar Servers</u> |
|---------|----------------|----------------------|
| 4:00pm | Sister Kathy | Nancy Daake |
| 8:00am | Mike Gacioch | Jim Flick |
| 10:30am | Sue Majchrzak | Greg Meier |

Thanks for praying for my grandson, Cole, who is now out of the hospital and recuperating at home.

Betty Czarnecki

Something to Ponder: I want to be like a caterpillar. Eat a lot. Sleep for a while. Wake up beautiful!



SUNDAY OFFERTORY REPORT FOR September 19, 2021

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|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Sunday Envelopes | \$2,043.00 |
| Sunday Loose Offering | \$ 712.50 |
| Online Electronic Giving | \$ 410.00 |
| Total Sunday Offering | \$3,165.50 |
| Weekly Budget Amount | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Year-to-date Budget | \$60,000.00 |
| Year-to-date Actual | \$53,601.00 |
| Budget surplus/(deficit) | \$(6,399.00) |
| Special Collections: | |
| Relief for Haiti | \$ 50.00 |

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 25

4:00pm Pete Freihaut

Sunday, September 26

8:00am Robert Emke Family
10:30am People of the Parish

Monday, September 27

8:00am Communion Service

Tuesday, September 28

8:00am Communion Service

Wednesday, September 29

8:00am Dottie Carrier

Thursday, September 30

8:00 am Communion Service

Friday, October 1

8:00 am Communion Service

Saturday, October 2

4:00 pm Harold Maurer

Sunday, October 3

8:00am Joe & Maretta Mullersman
10:30am People of the Parish

Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother

This series begins on:

- ◆ October 5th, for the Tuesday evening group, from 6:30pm - 8pm
- ◆ October 7th for the Thursday afternoon group, from 1:30pm - 3pm.

All are welcome to join! Call the Parish Office to register at 314-892-6882.

- 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -

Fr. Bob's Column

STEWARDSHIP AWARENESS SUNDAY – TODAY!

This weekend the Archdiocese of St. Louis will be celebrating its 21st “Stewardship Awareness Sunday”. Our St. Bernadette Parish will be renewing our Stewardship Commitment to the Lord and our Parish. We need to look back in gratitude and thank God for all the gifts that we have received, individually and collectively as a parish, over the past year.

Why do we continue to teach and promote “stewardship”? First, because we are disciples of Jesus. As Catholics we are called to imitate his life. Secondly, we are each called to be generous with the “first fruits” of our time, talent and treasure – to give the first and best of everything, not simply what we can make time for, or what we have leftover. Thirdly, because good faithful stewardship is what has built our Church.

Stewardship is not complicated to understand, but it is hard to do. Let us start by recognizing that everything is a gift from God our Creator and our Father. Being grateful for a gift or something someone does for us is exactly what we learned as kids from our parents: “Now say Thank You!”.

Therefore as your pastor I remind you to say “Thank You!” to our Lord by reading and praying over the mailing you are receiving, especially the Stewardship Commitment Card. Then commit yourself to prayer, to participating in parish activities, and to generous and regular giving to the Sunday Offertory collection. You can return your Commitment Card next Sunday in the collection or send it to the Parish Office.

So many of you have been doing this for years. The Lord would say to you, “Well done, good and faithful servant.” And I personally congratulate you for being a generous and willing steward here at St. Bernadette Parish. Plus, your St. Bernadette Parish Family thanks you!

KNEE REPORT #20

Well, the Doc said two more weeks with the immobilizer on my “slow to heal” knee. But he did say I could walk over to church occasionally if I don’t stand too much when I get there. So we will see what that means.

It was great to see a good number of you last weekend at the fellowship times after Masses in Feckter Hall, plus to get a snack or a donut!

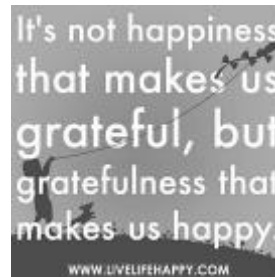
Fr. Bob's Column Continued



Fr. Bob's Column Continued...

Prayer from Pope Francis:

“God of All Creation, we thank you for all of your good gifts, especially the many resources that are available to us to live happy and healthy lives. Because of our attachments, our greed, and our tendency to complicate things, we pray that you might give us the grace to see things differently. Clear away the obstruction of our attachments so that we might be attentive to loving people more than possessions. Liberate us from greed and overconsumption so that we can care for our



Common Home and all of your creatures. Free us from unnecessary busyness and worry so that we might use our time well, for your glory and not for ourselves. We know that this will not be easy. We need your grace. Give us the courage to resolutely commit to living together in a

simpler, more sustainable way. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Reaching out to others instead of sitting idly by....sharing our gifts with those who need them...this is the connection between today's readings



from the Book of Numbers and Mark's Gospel. Moses had asked God for help in shouldering the load of responsibilities for the Israelites but some were resentful and Joshua even snatched to Moses about those who did not receive formal invites to participate but were sharing God's words as they were also moved by God. Mark's passage then takes the premise further as the Apostle John registers his complaint with Jesus about a man, not of their group, performing saving works in Jesus' name. Jesus does not rebuke John but gives credit where it is due. To be for the Lord and passionate about promoting the saving grace of Jesus will bring us our ultimate reward. Do we believe in our words and actions for Jesus? Can we look forward, without hesitation, upon everyone we see and realize we all need God's love? Written by Jim Flick

WEEKLY READINGS - September 26, 2021

Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Stewardship Sunday
Nm 11:25-29
Jas 5:1-6
Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Monday: St. Vincent de Paul, Priest
Zec 8:1-8
Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs
Zec 8:20-23
Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a
Jn 1:47-51

Thursday: St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12
Lk 10:1-12

Friday: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Bar 1:15-22
Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: The Holy Guardian Angels
Bar 4:5-12, 27-29
Mt 18:1-5, 10

Next Sunday: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday
Gn 2:18-24
Heb 2:9-11
Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

**Free Virtual Financial Management Webinar
Sponsored by the Archdiocesan Stewardship
Office**

Compass Catholic Ministries – “It’s Not Your Money” by Joe Galloway

- “It’s Not Your Money” is a book written by Joe Galloway.
- Joe is associated with Compass Catholic Ministries whose mission is to help people manage their money and charitable giving based on common sense financial techniques and Biblical wisdom.
- On Thursday, 9/30 from 7:00 – 8:15 pm and on Saturday, 10/2 from 9:00 – 10:15 am, Joe will give a free virtual financial webinar (via Zoom) based on his book.
- Topics include establishing a household budget, debt reduction, saving money, building wealth and more.
- All participants will receive a free copy of Joe’s book.
- Registration is required.
Please contact **Dave Baranowski** at (davidbaranowski@archstl.org) to register. Be sure to include which day you will attend to receive the correct Zoom meeting link.

- PARISH ACTIVITIES -

- ◇ PSR, Sunday 9:00 - 10:15 in school
- ◇ 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 Saturday. 8 am & 10:30am Sunday morning
- ◇ Rosary at 10am in Church Sunday, October 3rd.



Presiders:

Father Steve Bauer will continue to be our presider for Mass for the next few weeks.

Don't Forget!

Fill out your Stewardship Card and turn it in, either in the Sunday collection or at the Parish Office.



If you have not received the Stewardship mailing, please let Sister Ruth know.

(Phone: 314-892-6882 or drop into the office.) We might need to update your contact information. You might also like to send in your email address if you have not already done so.

Special Collection next Sunday to support the **Permanent Diaconate** in the Archdiocese. You can use your envelope or give online.



Laughter is Good for the Soul!

- ◆ What do you call an empty can of Cheese Whiz? Cheese Was.
- ◆ Have you ever tried eating a clock? It's time consuming.

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