



ST. BERNARD CATHOLIC CHURCH

**4th Sunday of Advent | Christmas Eve
December 24, 2023**

Pastor

Rev. Garrett McIntyre

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Reed Bellingham

Breaux Bridge

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honey

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song

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jubilation

IN THE HEART.

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DEC 25	Rev. Pius T. Ajiki	Stephen Melancon	Dcn. Scotty Baudoin
DEC 26	Rev. George Bede Ajuruchi	Diego Padilla	Dcn. Harris Bergeron
DEC 27	Rev. Alexander Albert	Miguel Pagan	Dcn. Glen Bertrand
DEC 28	Rev. Thainese Alphonse	Giovanni Ranzino	Dcn. Jose Blanco
DEC 29	Rev. Anthony Anala	Braden Scalisi	Dcn. Reggie Bollich
DEC 30	Rev. Rick Andrus	Logan Simon	Dcn. Gerald Bourg

Let Us Pray

Eternal Father, we lift up to you these and all the clergy and religious of the world. Sanctify them. Heal them; guide them. Mold them into the likeness and holiness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Vocations Prayer Cross

To schedule your week, please call the office, 332-2159, or email michele@stbernardch.com.

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Anticipated Mass

4:00pm

Sunday

7:00, 9:00, 11:00am | 4:00,

6:00pm

Christmas Day

8:00, 10:00am

DAILY MASSES

Tuesday | 5:30pm

Wednesday | 6:30am

Thursday | 5:30pm

Friday | 12:00pm

Saturday | 8:00am

SACRAMENTS

CONFESSION

Saturday | 3:00-3:45pm
& 30 Minutes Before All
Masses & By Appointment

MATRIMONY

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least 10 months in advance for
reservations.

BAPTISM

Expectant parents should contact
the Church Office to register for the
baptismal seminar.

FEAST DAYS

December 25

The Nativity of the Lord

December 26

St. Stephen

December 27

St. John the Evangelist

December 28

The Holy Innocents

December 27

St. Thomas Becket

SUN 24	MON 25	TUES 26	WED 27	THURS 28	FRI 29	SAT 30
4th Sunday of Advent Mass @ 7am, 9am, 11am	Christmas Mass @ 12am, 8am, 10am	Mass @ 5:30pm	Mass @ 6:30am	Mass @ 5:30pm	Mass @ 12pm	Mass @ 8am
Christmas Vigil Mass @ 4pm & 6pm	CLJ @ 6pm Church Office Closed	Confessions @ 5pm That Man is You @ 5:15am Church Office Closed	Confessions @ 6am Ultreya @ 7pm	Confessions @ 5:00pm Church Office Closed	Confessions @ 11:30am Church Office Closed Martha's Guild @ 7:30am Church Office Closed	Anticipated Mass @ 4pm Confessions @ 7:30am, 3pm
Confessions @ 6:30am, 8:30am, 10:30am						
Christmas Concert @ 3pm						

ATTEND MASS TWICE!
4th Sunday of Advent & The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)



DECEMBER **24** Every Sunday Is A Holy Day

Choose One Mass

- Saturday Vigil | 4PM
- Sunday | 7AM, 9AM, 11AM
- Christmas Eve Vigil | 4PM, 6PM

DECEMBER **25** The Nativity of the Lord

Choose A Different Mass

- Christmas Eve Vigil | 4PM, 6PM
- Christmas (Candlelight) | 12AM
- Christmas Day 8AM & 10AM

Epiphany Fest

JAN 6 | 5:30PM



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MASS & CANDLE INTENTIONS

Mondays & Wednesdays | 6AM Rosary
 Tuesdays | 5:15PM Perpetual Help Novena
 Thursdays | 5:15PM Divine Mercy Chaplet

Mon. Dec. 25, 12:00AM: Pro Populo (For the people), **Mon. Dec. 25, 8:00AM:** May G. Dore' & Vida Dore' Gary, Leonard "Tin" Champagne, Belle T. Huval & Herbert Pontiff, Darrell "Joey" Boudreaux, Fred LaPorte, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Lorraine L. Castille, J. Harry(Bth) & Verna B. LeBlanc, M/M Clement Bergeron, Lou Ella & Enol Latiolais, Roger & Marian Guilbeau, JC Guilbeau, Clifton & Marie Guilbeau, Albin & Leona Frederick, Bibian Webre, Carl Johnson, M/M Herbert Landry & Pamela, Molly, Billy, & Jacque Delhomme, Ruby & Norille Menard, Rose & Felix Boudreaux, Bill Friedman, Sr., John F. Boudreaux, Harold L. Champagne, Dale "T-Paul" Robin, Brandon Latiolais, Ernest Guidry, Jackie Comb, Herbert & Margaret Patin, Pic & Elsie Guidroz, Tommy & Errol Guidroz, Kenneth & Dee Broussard, Brent David, Dave & Helen Parsons, Cecile Angelle, Roland James Pellerin, Kearney & Evelyn Broussard, Simeon & Clea Broussard, Adley Tribe, Alton & Verna Broussard, Ludon & Lillian Louviere, Louella Choplin & Melissa Courville, Estrellita A. Padernal, Gerald & Velma Reed, John & Nita Mayeux, Johnny Monson, Tyler Monson, Edward Langlois, Mary Jane Latiolais, Ashley & Ron Hebert, Lea & Allen Charpentier, Ronnie Garritt, David P. Keller, Rebecca Bertrand, Lee & Shirleymae Watson, Clarence Sonnier, Lee Lavergne, Sally Lincoln, Judy Usie, John Sonnier, Michael LaJack, Mona Guidroz, Ginger LaJack, Holy Soul Purgatory, Louis Lavergne **Mon. Dec. 25, 10:00AM:** Sandy & Rose Green, Raymond, Patsy, D.D., & Mae LeBlanc, Zachary & Augustine Thibodeaux, Pat & Paul Thevenet, Pearl D. & Leed Usie, Edwin & Edaise Albert, Jimmy K. Blanchard, Robert "Bob" Thibodeaux, Kelli Romero, Freddy & Mildred Cormier, Barbara Broussard, Phyllis Romero, Glen Thibodeaux & Todd Walker, Belaire & Thevenet Families, Antoine & May Dugas, Russell Vincent, Sr. & Rusty Vincent, Rose & Felix Boudreaux & Bill Friedman, Sr., Roy & Ludy Bernard, Theriot Fly., Guidry Fly., Landry Fly., Thibodeaux Fly. **Tue. Dec. 26, 5:30PM:** Edna Belaire, Marcel & Helen Hebert & Mary Lynn Hebert Thibodeaux, Bonnie Champagne **Wed. Dec. 27, 6:30AM:** Joyce W. Gunckel(Bth), Whitney & Yuline Guidry & Francis & Marie Menard, Irene W. Broussard(Bth), Marie Menard(Ann) **Thu. Dec. 28, 5:30PM:** Paul LaLande, Jr.(Ann) & Louis LaLande(Ann), Allen Blanchard, Sr., Mae & Jimmie Zeringue Fly., Ernest Guidry, Gay Castille & Rose Green, Jackie Comb, John LaCombe, Jr.(Bth), Shane Castille, Odile Carriere, Herbert Carriere, Jacob Antoine, Mitchell, Michael LaJack, John Sonnier, Lee Lavergne, Clarence Sonnier **Fri. Dec. 29, 12:00PM:** Kit & Jean Castille & Fly., Gloria & Dennis Brasseaux, Leo & Gussie Delahoussaye, Sandy & Rose Green, Simon G. Cormier, Kelly Blanchard(Ann), Roy & Eliza(Ann) Theriot, Marty Watkins, Betty & Bridget Frederick, Martha(Ann), Alice, & Oswald(Bth) Frederick **Sat. Dec. 30, 8:00AM:** Brenda Landry **Sat. Dec. 30, 4:00PM:** Laura Lanoux, Charlie Nargassans(33rd Ann), Dr. Donald(Bth), Theresa, Marty & Doc LeVasseur, Melba Hebert, Louella Choplin & Melissa Courville(Bth), Ophe & Isabelle Hebert, Beverly Hebert, Elliot Bienvenu **Sun. Dec. 31, 7:00AM:** John Allen Cormier, Lorraine, Trent & Elyse Cormier, M/M Clovis Thibodeaux, M/M Felix "Pete" Cormier, Dudley LeBlanc, Ronald & Rosa Latiolais, Ruby & Norille Menard, Mickey Champagne, Barbara & Sonny Gautreaux, Dale & Don Gautreaux, Rudy Horne, Thomas & Anna Dean Peltier, Annette Babineaux, Yvonne C. Guidry, Geraldine Devillier, Bonnie Champagne, JoAnn Brewer, Ginger LaJack, Jacob Antoine, Mitchell, Matt Sonnier, Logan Sonnier, Dustin LaJack, Lee Lavergne, Clarence Lavergne, Louis Lavergne, Louis **Sun. Dec. 31, 9:00AM:** Nathan Dupuis, Edna Belaire, Darrell "Joey" Boudreaux, Fred LaPorte, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Sandy & Rose Green, Larry LeBlanc, Dylan Ron Vergara Cananea **Sun. Dec. 31, 11:00AM:** Theresa Comb, Karen Summers, Norma & John Boudreaux, Sr., Melanie Spano, Terry & Simon Melancon **Sun. Dec. 31, 5:00PM:** Pro Populo (For the people) **Church Candle Intentions:** Irene W. Broussard & Joyce W. Gunckel(Bth), Margie R. Degeyter & M/M Melvin Rivers **Chapel Candle Intentions:** Darrell "Joey" Boudreaux, Fred LaPorte, Jimmie Marks(Bth)

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Jan 01: Solemnity of Mary

Jan 07: 175th Anniversary Campaign

Jan 21: Maintenance & Improvement



ST. BERNARD CATHOLIC CHURCH

MASS READINGS & REFLECTION

FIRST READING | "Your house and your kingdom shall endure forever before me; your throne shall stand firm forever." (2 Sm 28:16)

PSALM | Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord. (Ps 89)

SECOND READING | The revelation of the mystery kept secret for long ages but now manifested through the prophetic writings and, according to the command of the eternal God, made known to all nations to bring about the obedience of faith. (Rom 16:25-26)

GOSPEL | "Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus." (Lk 1:31)

FROM OUR PASTOR | As we observe these final days of Advent, the Lord calls us to joyful anticipation of the birth of Christ. Place yourselves in the scene in today's Gospel. The Blessed Mother hears the powerful and promising words of the angel Gabriel. Mary must have been filled with joy even if she didn't quite understand the totality of the message. Like Elizabeth and John, may we also be filled with the joy of the Holy Spirit once we acknowledge the presence of the Incarnate Word. May the coming Christmas celebrations bring each of you joy rooted in the saving grace of Christ our King.

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