

The background of the entire graphic is a photograph of a church interior. In the upper center, a large crucifix is mounted on the wall. Below it, a priest is visible, holding a processional cross. The scene is dimly lit, with a purple and blue color cast. The text is overlaid on this background.

# SAINT BERNADETTE PARISH

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT | MARCH 17, 2024

WHOEVER LOVES HIS LIFE LOSES IT, AND  
*whoever hates his life in this world  
will preserve it for eternal life.*

JOHN 12:25

*be still and trust  
in my love*

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I hope you have had a blessed Lent up to this point! For me, Lent this year has been a bit of a roller coaster. There have been moments of great consolation and there have been moments where I would rather just give up and ditch all of my Lenten practices. Through it all, I find that the Lord continues to be faithful to me, even when I don't do my best in being faithful to Him. I pray that the same is true for you!

As we find ourselves about two weeks out from our celebration of Easter, I wanted to offer a few invitations:

1. If you have never had the opportunity to attend the celebrations of the Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil), I would invite you to consider doing so this year. I know that our Music Director, Brook, has some really amazing plans for the celebration of these liturgies. Additionally, we are going to have the opportunity to welcome a number of new members into our parish through RCIA, so it would be awesome to show them support by attending these celebrations. As we have reflected on the theme, "Be Still and Trust in My Love," these liturgies are a great opportunity to do just that!

2. On March 28th, Holy Thursday night, there is a tradition to visit 7 Altars of Repose. At the end of the Holy Thursday Liturgy, the Eucharist is removed from the tabernacle and placed in a different location to commemorate the time after the Last Supper when Jesus went to the Garden of Gethsemane for the Agony in the Garden. The practice of visiting the 7 Altars is a tradition that was started in Rome in an effort to comfort and console the Heart of Jesus in His agony before His crucifixion. This year, we have organized a 7 Altar pilgrimage immediately following the 7 PM Holy Thursday Liturgy. **See the next page for more information.**

3. On Good Friday, March 29 at 7 PM, we will have a showing of the film, "The Passion of the Christ" in our Church. This will be an opportunity for us to gather as a parish community to view the film and pray with it together. The film is rated R for graphic violence, so this is probably not an activity for children.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to reach me at [jmenkhaus@stbern.net](mailto:jmenkhaus@stbern.net), or call the Parish Office at 440-734-1300.

Peace, Fr. Joe

**P.S. Happy St. Patrick's Day!!**



**Second Collection** This week our parish will take up the Catholic Relief Services Collection to **reveal Christ's love** to our brothers and sisters in need. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief & support for struggling communities & to work for peace & reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).

#### + Intentions for the Week +

##### **Monday, March 18, Lenten Weekday**

9:00 Kathy Teckman

##### **Tuesday, March 19, Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00 Jeanne Rancour

##### **Wednesday, March 20, Lenten Weekday**

9:00 Immacolata Reale (Anniv)

##### **Thursday, March 21, Lenten Weekday**

8:00 Sallie Ethridge

##### **Friday, March 22, Lenten Weekday**

9:00 Milly Roth

##### **Saturday, March 23, Lenten Weekday**

8:00 Edward Noga

4:00 Rose English

##### **Sunday, March 24, Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

8:00 For the Parish

9:45 Christine Nolan Konys

11:30 Geraldine Pitts



Prayers of the congregation are requested for the repose of the soul of: **Dolores Schlachter.**

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And may perpetual light shine upon them.*

**Please pray for:** Aggie & Tom Howard; Joe Balombin; Joe Benedetto; Pam Foster; Eileen Jamieson; Mandi Petonic; Mercedes Aemilia Scullion & her Da; Bernadette Andrews; Martin Morisky; Mary Temesvari; Roberta Werner; James Faddoul; Herbert Hastings; Lynda Arth; The Bartko Family; Vicki Gannon; Lydia Caroline Milligan; Jose Quienones; Ellen Burch; Barbara Waitkus; Michael Knurek; Rob Geszler; Betty Logue; Evan; Janice Thomas; Susan Lewis; Charlotte Castleberry; Mary Burich; Michael Coyne; McKayla Coyne; Tom Seltel; John Keys; Mary Mertus; Bob Becker; Joan Riccardi; Peter Weiss; Dan Perillo; Leslie Ann Kosenta; Mark Barringer; Martha Hoover; Jillian Weiss; Greg Harrison; Carol Brown; Edward Presley.

**Sunday Collection, March 10th:**

**\$8,883.76**

# SAINT BERNADETTE PARISH

SEVEN CHURCH PILGRIMAGE, HOLY THURSDAY, 2024  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE 7PM MASS



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*be still and trust  
in My love*

JOIN US FOR FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP  
FOLLOWING THE PILGRIMAGE

## Come join us for the last St. Bernadette Lenten Fish Fry!

**Friday: March 22**  
in Dempsey Hall from 4:00-7:00PM

**Meals:** Fried perch, fried or baked cod and sides (mac n cheese, regular or sweet potato fries, coleslaw, mixed vegetables or apple sauce). Adult meals-2 sides; kids meal-1 side.

**A la carte:** Pierogies, cabbage and noodles, mac n cheese, fries, coleslaw, mixed vegetables, apple sauce and clam chowder.

**Cod Dinners are \$14. Perch Dinners are \$17. Kids meals range from \$5-\$6.**

**This year we are serving both Dine-In as well as Carry-Out.** Carry-Out Meals Only can be conveniently preordered on the parish website using a credit card via PayPal through 10:00AM on Fridays or at the Parish Office by cash or check or you can just come in Friday evening to order meals. To ensure freshness at your pick-up, pre-orders will be filled at the time of your arrival via a separate pre-order line. Wonderful St. Bernadette parishioners needed to work a shift or two at the Lenten Fish Fry. Sign up on the parish website under 'Lenten Fish Fry.'



## Palm Sunday Boy Scout Troop 225's Pancake Breakfast

Enjoy all the buttermilk, blueberry, and chocolate pancakes that you can eat! Unlimited sausage, orange juice, and coffee will also be served.

**When:** Sunday, March 24, 2024  
From 8am until 1pm

**Where:** St. Bernadette Church  
Dempsey Hall, 2256 Clague Road, Westlake

**Cost:** \$8 for adults  
\$6 for seniors and students ages 5-17  
Children 4 and under eat free  
\*Take-out available



**Easter flower envelopes are on the tables in the back of the Church & in the Parish Office. Please print *In Honor Of* and *In Memory Of* names clearly. Thank you!**



**Please Note: The Saturday Vigil Mass will move to 5:00PM on Saturday, April 6th. Confession will move to 4:00-4:45PM.**

**A Communal Penance Service with our cluster parish, St. Ladislav, at St. Bernadette Church will be held on Monday, March 18th at 7:00PM.**

**There will be a viewing of The Passion of the Christ on Good Friday, March 29th at 7:00pm in the Church. The movie is rated R, therefore, it is not recommended that children attend.**

### LENT SCHEDULE 2024

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday in Lent at 7:00PM in the Church

#### LENTEN FISH FRYS IN DEMPSEY HALL

Every Friday, except Good Friday, in Lent 4:00-7:00PM

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION DURING HOLY WEEK:

Monday, March 25th	9:30-10:30AM & 5:00-6:00PM
Tuesday, March 26th	Noon-1:00PM
Wednesday, March 27th	3:00-4:00PM
Thursday, March 28th	4:00-5:00PM

#### PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS:

Closed Monday, April 1st

### LITURGY OF HOLY WEEK

#### Sunday, March 24th, Palm Sunday

Blessing of Palms at Masses  
4:00pm Vigil; 8:00AM, 9:45AM & 11:30AM

#### March 28th, Holy Thursday

9:00AM	Morning Prayer
7:00PM	Mass of the Lord's Supper
9:00PM	Eucharistic Adoration concluding at Midnight

#### March 29th, Good Friday (Day of Fast and Abstinence)

9:00AM	Morning Prayer
Noon	Stations of the Cross & Children's Stations of the Cross
3:00PM	Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

#### March 30th, Holy Saturday

11:30AM	Blessing of Food (PAC)
8:30PM	Easter Vigil

#### March 31st, Easter Sunday

Masses at 8:00AM, 9:45AM & 11:30AM

### **WEDDING BANNES**

**II Dan Mueller and Maddy Hank**

### **Bulletin Sponsor of the Week The Welsh Home**

Please support our bulletin sponsors. Because of their generosity, our bulletin is supplied to our parish free of charge.

**Altar Servers needed during Holy Week. Please call or return this form to the Parish Office if you are able to assist at the altar.**

**Holy Thursday**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
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**Good Friday**

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2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

**Holy Saturday**

1. A. Bedell
2. C. Bedell
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

**Easter Sunday**

**8:00**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

**9:45**

1. A. Previts
2. J. Previts
3. \_\_\_\_\_

**11:30**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

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**Divine Mercy Sunday**

**What is Divine Mercy?** Divine Mercy is the love of God in the midst of our brokenness and sin, freely given to us, and it is up to us to accept it and trust in God.

**What is Divine Mercy Sunday?** Divine Mercy Sunday is the first Sunday after Easter. It is a day to celebrate and accept the infinite mercy and love that Jesus gives to each of us! Jesus told St. Faustina "On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the Fount of My Mercy" (Diary of St. Faustina, no. 699).

**How to prepare for Divine Mercy Sunday?** By going to Confession in the days leading up to this day (may be during Lent) and receiving Holy Communion on this Feast Day, Jesus will grant the grace of "complete forgiveness of sins and punishment" (Diary, no. 699). Jesus told St. Faustina: **"I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My Mercy"** (Diary, no. 1109).

**What about the Chaplet of Divine Mercy?** The Chaplet of Divine Mercy was given by God to St. Faustina Kowalska in the 1930s. Although it can be prayed at any time, Jesus revealed to St. Faustina His desire for a Novena of this Chaplet to be prayed in the nine days leading up to Divine Mercy Sunday, starting on Good Friday. Praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet also helps us to prepare to receive the graces of this day.

**Join us on Sunday, April 7th at 3:00pm** to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy as a community along with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament!

More information and how to pray the Chaplet is available in the back of the Church.

**"I desire that the whole world know My infinite mercy. I desire to grant unimaginable graces to those souls who trust in My mercy."** -Diary, no. 687

**St. Bernadette School**

Mrs. Goodwin's second-grade class mastering spelling and calculating values of coins simultaneously! Practical learning in action as students combine language skills with math, making lessons engaging and meaningful.



**Attention Junior High Parents:** Youth Ministry will **NOT** meet this Sunday, March 17th. We will meet again on Sunday, March 24th from 7:00-8:30PM in the PAC. The topic will be "Road Trip-What is the Eucharist?"

The Parish has hired a new maintenance person. We welcome Marc Frate to our parish and parish school.



One Wednesday a month, from Noon until 1:30 PM, all those who are “**YOUNG AT HEART**” **and over 50 (!)** are invited to attend a gathering in the Community Room. The purpose is to join with other parishioners, meet some new friends, enjoy lunch together, a short presentation of various kinds, and a time to chat together!

**Given limited spacing, reservations are necessary. Our maximum capacity is 30 – this number includes couples and individuals.**

**Join us for Young At Heart (YAH) on Wednesday, April 10th starting with lunch at Noon.**

**Topic: THE SEDER SUPPER: JEWISH PASSOVER THE MEANING, RITUALS , AND TRADITIONS**

**Presenter:** Rabbi Enid Lader, Newly Retired Rabbi of Beth Israel, The West Temple



**Please submit your registration with the lunch fee to the PARISH OFFICE.**

***Do not use the Collection Baskets at Church.***

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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