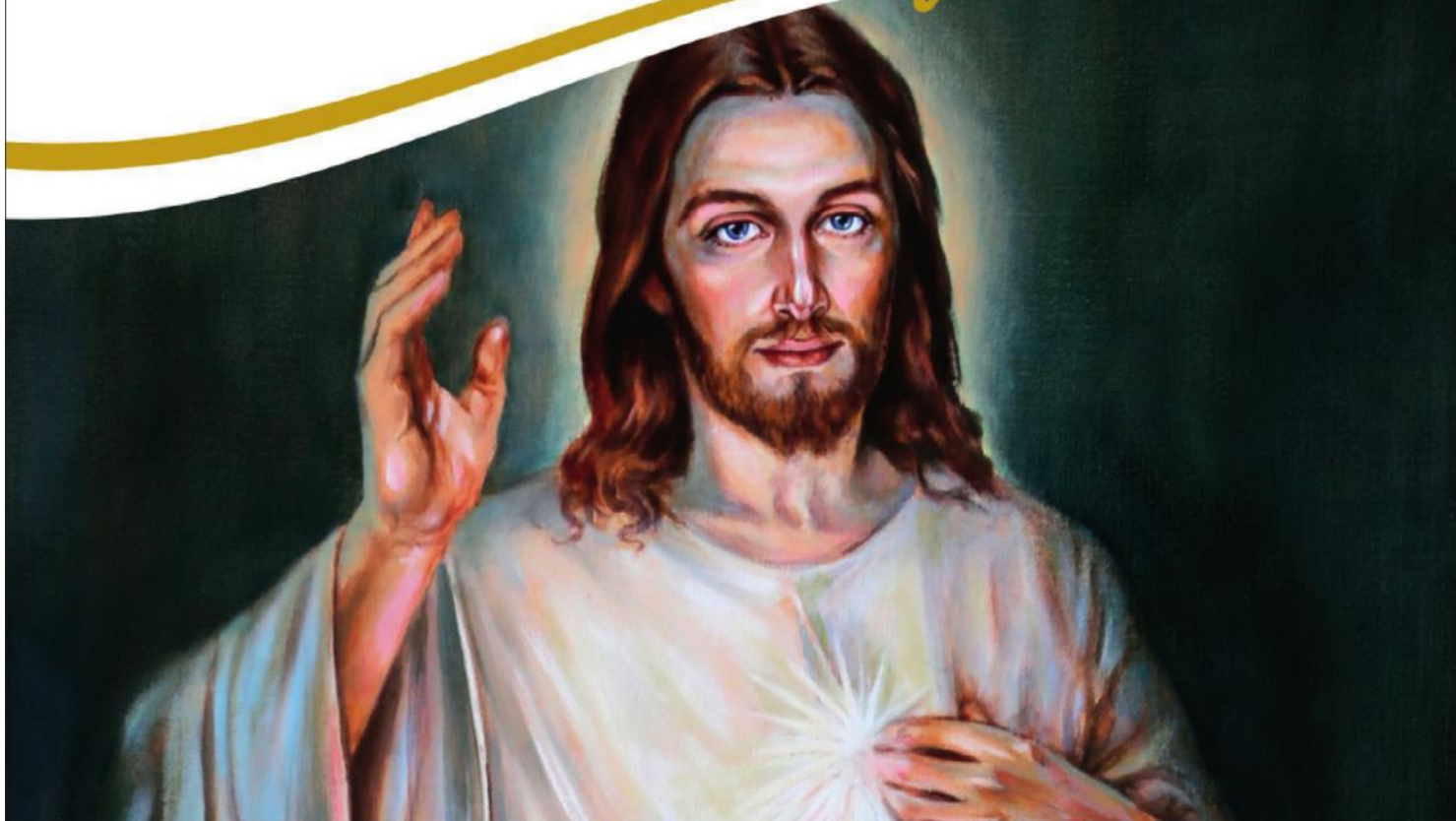


SAINT BERNADETTE PARISH
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER | APRIL 7, 2024

TRUST ME

and be not afraid



JESUS SAID, "HAVE YOU COME TO BELIEVE BECAUSE YOU HAVE SEEN ME?"

*Blessed are those who have
not seen and have believed."*

JOHN 20:29

Dear Parish Family,

“This Sunday we begin to reflect on the crowning truth of our faith in Jesus Christ. It is a truth documented by the New Testament, and was a matter of supreme importance in the faith and life of the first Christian communities. It was transmitted by tradition as a fundamental element of the faith; never was it neglected by true Christians...It is, in short, the truth of Christ’s Resurrection. The Apostles’ Creed tells us: “The third day he rose again from the dead,” and the Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed adds: “On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.” It is a dogma of the Christian faith, based upon a fact that historically took place and was verified. We shall seek to investigate “with minds bowed down,” the mystery expressed by the dogma and contained in the fact, by beginning with an examination of the biblical texts which attest it.”

“The oldest written testimony to Christ’s resurrection is in the *First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians* (about Easter, A.D. 57). Paul writes: “*I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brethren at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me*” (I Cor 15:3-8).”

“As obvious, the Apostle speaks here of *the living tradition of the resurrection*, which had come to his knowledge after his conversion on the road to Damascus (cf. Acts 9:3-18). When he went to Jerusalem he met the Apostle Peter and also James, as is stated in the *Letter to the Galatians* (1:18 f.), and he now mentions them as the two principal witnesses of the risen Christ.”

Tomorrow we are reminded that to look directly at the eclipse, it is imperative to wear protective glasses. To experience the Resurrection of Jesus, we could not witness the resurrection event. But what we do gaze upon is a tomb that is empty. What we do experience is the effect that Easter had upon the lives of those early witnesses. Fearful Peter and fleeing Apostles boldly exclaimed that He is risen. The experience of Jesus risen from the dead changed their lives. It is that witness that Paul confirmed in his writings. During these days of the Easter season, may our lives of faith continue to grow. Be not afraid of questions or not understanding completely what it means that Jesus rose from the dead. But in faith take a risk of living life boldly and with meaning knowing that God in Christ has conquered all sin and yes death itself.

Happy Easter, Fr. Philip

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, April 8, 2024.

WEDDING BANNES

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+ Intentions for the Week +

Monday, April 8, The Annunciation of the Lord

9:00 Bob and Mona Jamieson

Tuesday, April 9, Easter Weekday

8:00 Gloria Gillespie (Anniv)

Wednesday, April 10, Easter Weekday

9:00 Dianne Haller (Anniv)

Thursday, April 11, Saint Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr

8:00 Tom Patton

Friday, April 12, Easter Weekday

9:00 Chris and Terry Krysiak—Wedding Anniversary

Saturday, April 13, Easter Weekday

8:00 Jack Murray

5:00 Jon Thompson

Sunday, April 14, Third Sunday of Easter

8:00 For the Parish

9:45 Matthew Galmarini

11:30 Parents of Felicia Madden



The Saturday Vigil Mass is now at 5:00PM through September. Confession is from 4:00-4:45PM.

Please pray for: James Tunney; Aggie & Tom Howard; 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.

Easter Sunday, March 31st: \$22,027.06

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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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In Honor Of:

Vione Eckert

Names current as of 4/2/24

Attention Junior High Parents: Youth Ministry will meet this Sunday, April 7th from 7:00-8:30PM in the PAC. The topic will be "Charisms of the Holy Spirit?"

Knights of Columbus 2024 Charity Raffle

Please help the Knights continue their charitable works throughout our Parish and in the community. We support seminarians, pregnancy centers, hunger centers, veterans, refugee programs, women shelters, youth activities at our school, inner city student activities, and more. Purchasing a \$5 raffle ticket funds our *Knights programs* while giving you 25 chances to win cash prizes ranging from \$500 to \$49,680. 100% of monies go to charity programs. The Knights will conduct after Mass sales April 13 & 14. Tickets can also be purchased online on the Parish Website and at the Parish Office by cash or check. Sales will continue through April 30. Learn more about the St. Bernadette Knights at <https://stbernadettekoc.wixsite.com/stbkoc>.



ST. BERNEDETTE GARDEN CREW The Garden Crew is looking to increase our volunteer base. Some of our activities will be to weed, rake, water, prune, plant & mulch. Our church, school & rectory grounds needs these basic services. Most of the activity would be focused on borders and flower beds. If you have a few hours a week, bi-weekly or monthly your help would be greatly appreciated. Another program we have is "Adopt a Plot." This is where a single, family or group of individuals would be responsible for certain assigned areas of St. Bernadette's grounds. Call or email me for details. If you are interested in volunteering call or text Dan Izuka at 440-821-3256 or email – danielizuka@gmail.com. We would be thankful for any amount of time you might be able to contribute.



Christ Present in Action Committee (CPA) Sandwich Making We start our activity at 1:15PM in Dempsey Hall. Feel free to bring sandwiches from home noting their contents. ***Our next sandwich making days are April 10th and April 24th.***

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

Parish School of Religion There is **NO** PSR on Monday, April 8th. Classes will resume on April 15th.

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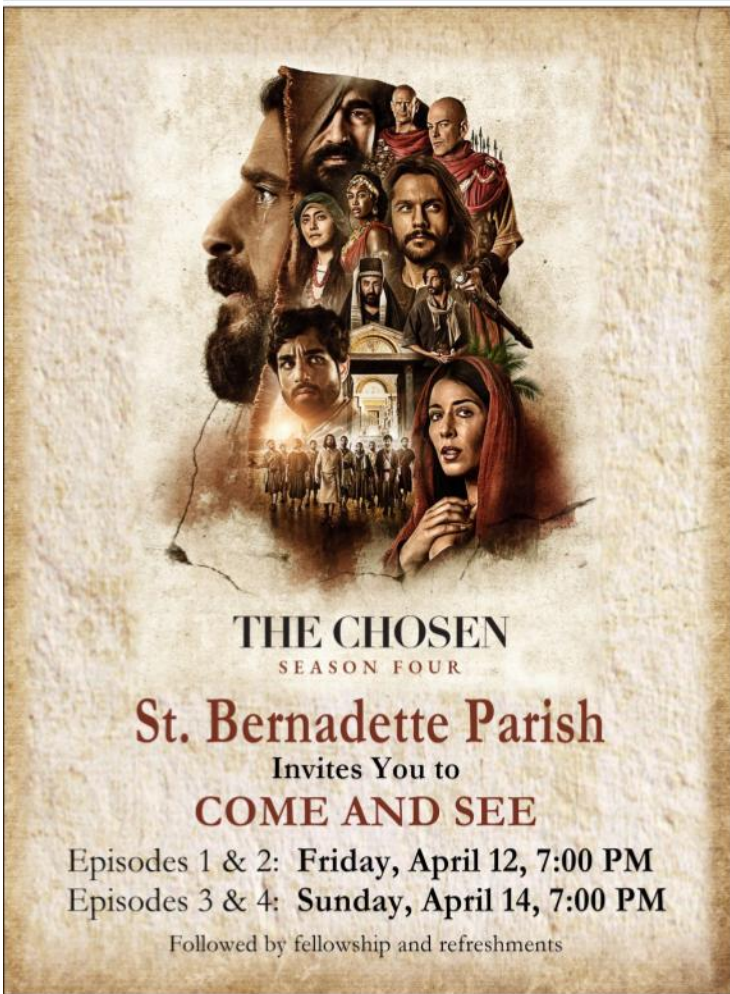
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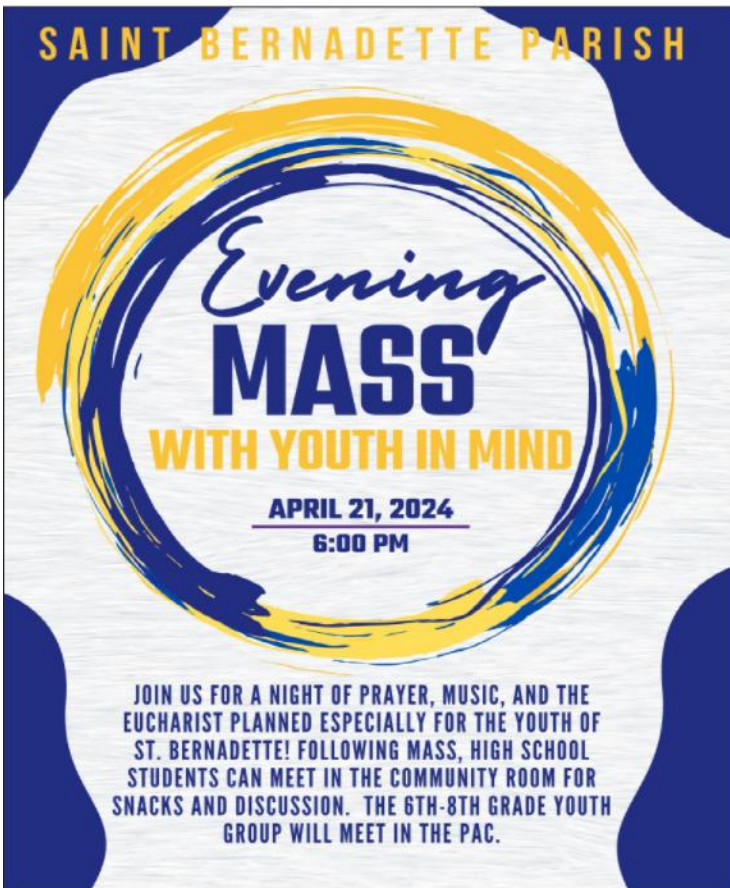
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Episodes 3 & 4: **Sunday, April 14, 7:00 PM**

Followed by fellowship and refreshments

SAINT BERNADETTE PARISH



Evening MASS
WITH YOUTH IN MIND

APRIL 21, 2024
6:00 PM

JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF PRAYER, MUSIC, AND THE EUCHARIST PLANNED ESPECIALLY FOR THE YOUTH OF ST. BERNADETTE! FOLLOWING MASS, HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS CAN MEET IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM FOR SNACKS AND DISCUSSION. THE 6TH-8TH GRADE YOUTH GROUP WILL MEET IN THE PAC.



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.

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