



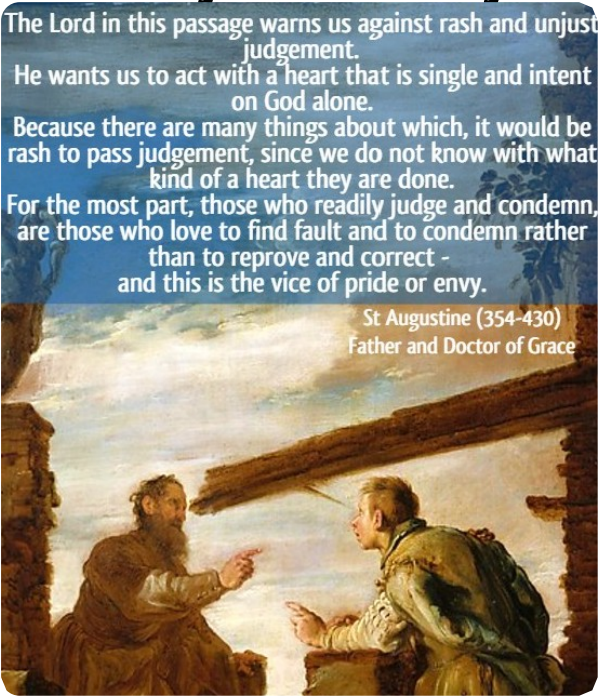
St. Bernadette Catholic Church

Bayou Vista

March 2, 2025

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8th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Holy Mass

Weekends: Saturday - Anticipated Mass 4:00 pm
Sunday 7:30 am & 10:30 am
Weekdays: Tuesday - Friday 12:10 pm

St. Bernadette Church Offerings

February 22-23, 2025
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Ash Wednesday is March 5th.

Masses will be celebrated
at 12:10 pm & 6:00 pm.
**Faith Formation students
are required to attend
6:00 pm Mass.**

Fr. John Anthony Boughton, C.F.R. will be conducting a Lenten Mission at St. Joseph Church in Patterson beginning Monday, March 10 through Wednesday, March 12th at 6:00 pm. Each night the mission will start with Mass. **ALL ARE INVITED!**

LENTEN MISSION

- ### Bible Quiz #44
- The Book of Exodus (Chapters 17 - 20)
- What is the meaning of Massah and Meribah? **The place of the test and the place of quarrelling (17:7).**
 - How was Moses able to keep his hands steady until sunset? **Aron and Hur supported his hands on both sides (17:12).**
 - Name the two sons of Moses and the meaning of their names? **Gershom means “I am a stranger in a foreign land. Eliezer means “My father’s God is my helper; he has rescued me from Pharaoh’s sword” (18:3,4).**
 - What was the role of minor judges appointed by Moses as suggested by his father-in-law? **The more difficult cases they will have to refer to Moses, but all the lesser cases to be settled by themselves (18:26).**
 - When did the Israelites arrive in the desert of Sinai? **On the first day of the third month after their departure from the land of Egypt (19:1).**
 - While Moses was speaking with God, in what way did God answer him? **With thunder (19:19).**
 - If you take the name of the Lord in vain, what will happen to you? **God will not leave you unpunished (20:7).**
 - Why did the Lord bless the Sabbath day and made it holy? **Because for six days he made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them; on the seventh day he rested (20:11).**
 - What was the reward if you honor your father and mother? **They may have long life in the land which the Lord is giving them (20:12).**
 - What is the meaning of , “I choose for the remembrance of my name”? **“Where I make my name I need to be remembered”; at the sacred site where God wishes to be worshipped and his name revered (20:24 and its footnote).**

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Preparing for Lent: A Journey to the Foot of the Cross: Part 2

A Final Word: Keep It Simple, Stay Faithful

It is tempting to view Lent as a time for ambitious personal reinvention, but its purpose is much deeper. Rather than overburdening ourselves with excessive resolutions, we should focus on a few meaningful sacrifices and spiritual disciplines. Lent is a lifelong journey—one that the Church guides us through year after year. Even when we fail in our resolutions, Lent reminds us of our weakness and our need for God’s grace.

Above all, Lent is an invitation to love as Christ loved — to embrace self-denial, deepen our prayer, and serve others in charity. As we journey to the foot of the Cross, may we be transformed, so that when we reach the empty tomb on Easter morning, we may share in the fullness of Christ’s victory.

**“If we have died with Him,
we shall also live with Him”
(2 Timothy 2:11).**

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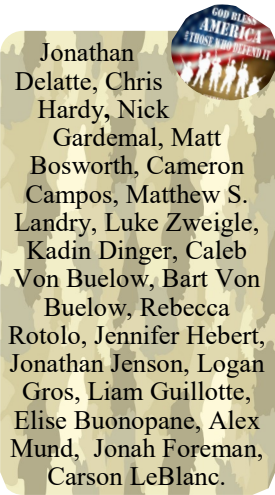
Tuesday, March 4th
†John Ourso †Danny Peterson.

Ash Wednesday, March 5th
12:10 pm
†Souls in Purgatory †NJ Hebert
†Trey Smith †Gene Bosworth
†Julia Hernandez
†Albert & Peggy Hebert.

6:00 pm
†Lynette Meranta †BreauX, Pete,
Wiggins, & Meranta Families
- Living & Deceased.

Thursday, March 6th
12:10 pm
†John Ourso †Danny Peterson
†Choker & Greg Cart.

First Friday, March 7th
12:10 pm
†Holy Souls in Purgatory †Julia Hernandez.



Saturday, March 8th
Anticipated Mass 4:00 pm
†NJ Hebert †Trey Smith †Clarence & Ella Walker
†Yvonne Anne Adams †Julia Hernandez †Floyd Verrett
†David Stansbury †Velma & Eldridge Williams
†Thomas Beadle †Bill Adams †Thomas Rivet, Jr
†Thomas Rivet III †Thomas Rivet IV †Ray LaHoste, Jr
†Raymond LaHoste, Sr †Mary Bernard Blanchard
†Peggy & Albert Hebert †Holy Souls in Purgatory
†Patricia & Donald Torres, Sr. †Claire Torres Ingalls
†Tracey Peterson & John Ourso Families.

Sunday, March 9th
7:30 am
†Albert Solet †Luke Gulliot †Maria & Ruben Trevino
†Ruby & Roland Crappell †William “Billy” Kennerson
†Kelly A. Dupre, Sr.

10:30 am
†Rose Lipari †Terry Wiggins †Ruth Wiggins
†Carlo Streva, Sr †Alice & Lester Waguespack
†Scholler & McGinnis Families - Living & Deceased
†Landry & Justilian Families - Living & Deceased.

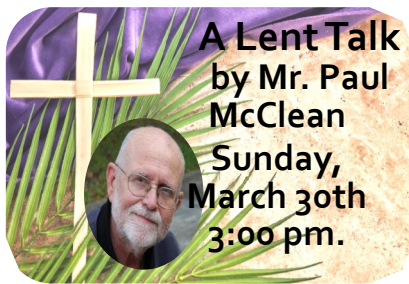


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FAITH FORMATION Gospel Weeklies
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In Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells a parable to teach us to worry about our own actions before we criticize things other people do. When we are good, Jesus says, we produce good from our heart. But when we do evil things, they come from our heart as well. The point is to keep our hearts pure by loving God and each other.

Ash Wednesday is this week on March 5. Pray that this Lent will help you and your family grow closer to God. Pray that your family will be bearers of good fruit for others in your life. Make Ash Wednesday a positive start for your Lenten journey. Mass will be celebrated at 12:10 pm and 6:00 pm.
God Bless! BWM, DRE



A Lent Talk
by Mr. Paul McClean
Sunday, March 30th
3:00 pm.

with Fr. Garrett McIntyre
Saturday, March 15th.
Our retreat will end after our 4:00 pm Mass.

Liturgical Ministries

Date	Mass	Sacristan	Lector	Min of Comm.	Altar Servers
Saturday Mar. 8	4:00 pm	Melinda Frederick	Larry Hotard	Kathleen Louviere	
Sunday Mar. 9	7:30 am	John Trevino	Frances Bergeron	-----	
	10:30 am	Maria Landry	Pete Lipari	Pete Lipari	Koen Parker L. Elijah Coonor

Ask yourself...

- * What beam in my eye will I remove this Lent?
- * What fruit will I produce during Lent?
- * What two concrete things will I do to see more clearly and to contribute to Jesus' mission?

MOM WITH ONE EYE (A heart moving story)

My mom only had one eye. I hated her... She was such an embarrassment. She cooked for students and teachers to support the family. There was this one day during elementary school where my mom came to say hello to me. I was so embarrassed. How could she do this to me? I ignored her, threw her a hateful look and ran out.

The next day at school one of my classmates said, “EEEE, your mom only has one eye!” I wanted to bury myself. I also wanted my mom to just disappear. I confronted her that day and said, “If you’re only gonna make me a laughing stock, why don’t you just die?” My mom did not respond... I didn’t even stop to think for a second about what I had said because I was full of anger. I was oblivious to her feelings. I wanted to get out of that house and have nothing to do with her. So, I studied real hard. I got a chance to go abroad to study. Then, I got married. I bought a house of my own. I had kids of my own. I was happy with my life, my kids and the comforts.

Then one day, my mother came to visit me. She hadn’t seen me in years, and she didn’t even meet her grandchildren. When she stood by the door, my children laughed at her, and I yelled at her for coming over uninvited. I screamed at her, “How dare you come to my house and scare my children! GET OUT OF HERE! NOW!!!” And to this, my mother quietly

answered, “Oh, I’m so sorry. I may have gotten the wrong address” and she disappeared out of sight.

One day, a letter regarding a school reunion came to my house. So, I lied to my wife that I was going on a business trip. After the reunion, I went to the old shack just out of curiosity. My neighbors said that she died. I did not shed a single tear. They handed me a letter that she had wanted me to have. “My dearest son, I think of you all the time. I’m sorry that I came to your house and scared your children. I was so glad when I heard you were coming for the reunion. But I may not be able to even get out of bed to see you. I’m sorry that I was a constant embarrassment to you when you were growing up. You see.....when you were very little, you got into an accident, and lost your eye. As a mother, I couldn’t stand watching you having to grow up with one eye. So, I gave you mine. I was so proud of my son who was seeing a whole new world for me, in my place, with that eye. With all my love to you, Your Mother.”

“Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter in your brother’s eye” (Lk 6:42).

Let this Lent help us to remove our own splinter so that...

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Lent as a Time of Prayer

Lent calls us to deepen our prayer life, allowing God to transform us from within.

Ways to practice prayer:

- * Meditate on the Passion of Christ, especially by participating for the Stations of the Cross.
- * Spend time in Eucharistic adoration.
- * Read Scripture daily, particularly passages that reflect on repentance and God’s mercy.
- * Pray the Rosary
- * Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation often.

Through these practices, we allow ourselves to be drawn into a more intimate communion with Christ, who went into the desert for 40 days to prepare for His mission.

The Call to Charity: Almsgiving as Love in Action

Lent is also a time to live out the Gospel through acts of charity. **It teaches us not to pursue the self, but to live more for others.**

Almsgiving is not simply about donating money but about offering ourselves in service to others. It comes from a heart moved by compassion, mirroring the self-giving love of Christ.

Ways to practice almsgiving:

- * Support the poor through financial generosity or volunteering.
- * Offer time to those who are lonely or in need of encouragement.
- * Practice forgiveness and reconciliation with those we may have wronged.
- * Perform small, unnoticed acts of kindness.

Holy Week: The Culmination of Lent

Lent is a pilgrimage leading to the holiest days of the Church year—Holy Week. As we journey through Palm Sunday, the Triduum, and ultimately Easter, we walk alongside Christ in His Passion, death, and resurrection. The invitation is clear: to take up our cross and follow Him, knowing that beyond the suffering of Good Friday lies the joy of Easter Sunday.

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