

## Bible Quiz #46

The Book of Exodus  
(Chapters 26 - 31)

1. What was kept in the holy of holies behind the veil? - **The ark of the commandments (26:33).**
2. What was the duty entrusted to Aaron and his sons? - **They were asked to keep lamps burning regularly (27:20, 21).**
3. What are the priestly vestments? - **A breast piece, an ephod, a robe, a brocaded tunic, a miter, and a sash (28:4).**
4. What was kept on the shoulder of Aron? - **Memorial stones of the sons of Israel as a reminder before the Lord (28:12).**
5. When was the altar made sacred? - **After consecrating it for seven days (29:37).**
6. What was the purpose of the census the Israelites took? - **To pay a forfeit for one's life so no plague may come upon them (30:12).**
7. How much is a registered person to give to the Lord as forfeit? - **A half-shekel (30:13).**
8. Who was expected to pay the forfeit to the Lord? - **Twenty years or more who entered the registered group (30:14).**
9. Why was the Sabbath to be kept something sacred? - **Because the Lord wants us to be holy (31:14).**
10. Who inscribed the tablets of the commandments? - **God's own finger (31:18).**

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## Jubilee Pilgrims of Hope 2025

Pilgrimage of Jubilee Churches  
in the Diocese of Lafayette



**Saturday,  
June 7, 2025**

St. Peter - New Iberia  
St. Mary Magdalene - Abbeville  
Cathedral of St. John - Lafayette  
Monastery of Mary, Mother of Grace - Laf.  
St. Landry - Opelousas

\* We will not have time to visit  
Monastery of Mary, Mother of Grace  
at the Monastery nor St. Landry  
Church in Opelousas.  
Sign up sheets are in the vestibule.



# St. Bernadette Catholic Church

## Bayou Vista

### May 11, 2025



#### Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday  
8:30 am to 3:30 pm  
(Closed for Lunch)

#### Physical Address:

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Morgan City, LA 70380

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#### Pastor

**Rev. Thainese Alphonse**  
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#### Parish Staff

**Bookkeeper:** Lois Bosworth  
*Mon. 8:30am - 3:30pm, Tues. & Thurs. 8:30am - 12pm*  
**Secretary/DRE:** Becky W. Meranta  
*Wed./Thurs. 8:30am - 3:30pm*  
**Church & Rectory House Keeper:** Melinda Frederick  
*Tues., Thurs., & Fri. 8:30am - 12pm*  
**Maintenance:** Kim Meranta - *Wednesday*

#### Sacraments

##### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 3:15 - 3:50pm;  
Sundays and weekdays 20 minutes before Mass.

##### Sacrament of Baptism:

Contact the office to schedule a meeting with the pastor, at the parents' convenience, one month prior to the desired Baptism date. Baptisms are celebrated on Sunday after 10:30am Mass.

##### Sacrament of Marriage:

Couples wishing to get married should call the office at least six months prior to the anticipated date of the wedding to begin the marriage preparation.

##### Marriage annulment:

Contact the pastor for easy guidance.

##### Anointing the Sick:

Call during office hours to schedule an appointment.

##### Youth Faith Formation:

2025 - 2026 classes will begin in September.

All grades (Kindergarten - 8th) will be meeting from 5:45 - 7:00 pm on Wednesdays.

PLEASE REGISTER EARLY  
(Registration forms are located in the vestibule.)



#### Holy Mass

Weekends:

Saturday - Anticipated Mass 4:00 pm  
Sunday 7:30 am & 10:30 am

Weekdays: Tuesday - Friday 12:10 pm



## Our Mission & Vision Statement

"St. Bernadette Catholic Church in Bayou Vista, Louisiana, is an active Church parish in the Diocese of Lafayette that continues the Sacramental Traditions of Jesus Christ as handed down by the Apostles. We strive to live lives of Communion and Participation as we seek to fulfill the mission bestowed on us by Christ."

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# Mass Intentions

## Tuesday, May 13th 12:10 pm

†John Ourso  
†Danny Peterson.

## Wednesday, May 14th 12:10pm

†Gene Bosworth.

## Thursday, May 15th 12:10 pm

†John Ourso  
†Danny Peterson  
†Albert Solet.

## Friday, May 16th 12:10 pm

†Souls in Purgatory.

Jonathan Delatte,  
Chris Hardy,  
Nick Gardemal,  
Matt Bosworth, Cameron  
Campos, Matthew S.  
Landry, Luke Zweigle,  
Kadin Dinger, Caleb Von  
Buelow, Bart Von Buelow,  
Rebecca Rotolo, Jennifer  
Hebert, Jonathan Jensen,  
Logan Gros, Liam  
Guillotte, Elise  
Buonopane, Alex Mund,  
Jonah Foreman, Carson  
LeBlanc.

### St. Bernadette Church Offerings

May 3 - 4, 2025



Offering.....\$ 4,937.00

Insurance.....\$1,292.00

Thank you for your generosity!

*"Our life finds fulfilment when we discover who we are, what our gifts are, where we can make them bear fruit, and what path we can follow in order to become signs and instruments of love, generous acceptance, beauty, and peace, wherever we find ourselves."*

Pope Francis message, 61st World Day of Prayer for Vocations, April 21, 2024.



## Liturgical Ministries

| Date            | Mass     | Sacristan         | Lector            | Min. of Comm. | Altar Servers                |
|-----------------|----------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------------------|
| Saturday May 17 | 4:00 pm  | Melinda Frederick | Kathleen Louviere | Judy Brannon  |                              |
| Sunday May 18   | 7:30 am  | John Trevino      | Roz Meranta       | —             |                              |
|                 | 10:30 am | Maria Landry      | Pete Lipari       | Pete Lipari   | Dylan Connor<br>Luke L. Koen |

## Saturday, May 17th

### Anticipated Mass 4:00 pm

†NJ Hebert †Trey Smith †Thomas Rivet, Jr  
†Thomas Rivet III †Thomas Rivet IV †Jim Aloisio  
†Clarence & Ella Walker †Ray LaHoste, Jr  
†Raymond LaHoste, Sr. v†Peggy & Albert Hebert  
†Red & Yvonne Anne Adams †Claire Torres Ingalls  
†Patricia & Donald Torres, Sr. †Holy Souls in Purgatory  
†Mary Bernard Blanchard  
†Tracey Peterson & John Ourso Families.

## Sunday, May 18th

### 7:30 am

†Albert Solet †Luke Gulliot  
†Maria & Ruben Trevino †Ruby & Roland Crappell.

### 10:30 am

†Rose Lipari †Ruth Wiggins †Terry Wiggins  
†Carlo Streva, Sr. †Alice & Lester Waguespack  
†Scholler & McGinnis Families - Living & Deceased  
†Landry & Justilian Families - Living & Deceased  
†Garris Family - Living & Deceased.



Gerald Hotard, AnnaLee Daigle, Kevin Theriot, James Bergeron, Kenny Guillot, Daisy Roberts & Family, Don Campos, Alice Waguespack, Susan Legendre, Darryl Dimaggio, Alice Boudreaux, Michael Silva, Ryan Arcemont, Karen Duhon, Maddi Duhon, Mynette Zimmer, Jane Mayo, Dalton Dupree, Lisa Morel, Mary Ann Lambert Adams, Elma Braus, Cherie Schlatve, Matt Braus, Nelwyn LaHoste, Jamie Huffman, Maria McGinnis, Sonya Meranta, Wilson Acosta, Sr., Christie Mayea, Steve Meranta, Kenny Meranta, JY & Elaine Mula, Benny Castalano, Audie Pete, Blaine St. Romain, Robert David, Jr, Robert Paul David, Gert Simoneaux, Kristi Wisdom, Juanita Prestenbach, Barbara Rivet, Bill Vincent, Judy Cornwell, Ella Ryker, Brenda Dawson, Mike Reed, Rhodes Family, Jarret Matte, Carl Written, Mary Liles, Jean Derise, Barry Clark, Ross Mire, Ina Miller, Greg Verret, Father Wilber Todd, Doug Pillsbury, Aubry "Poochie" Sutton, Paul Wooten, Merian Rock., Horace Pete, Jr., Carolina Rodrigue, Wayne Meranta, Ernie Meranta, Darlene Aucoin, David Rossen, Wybra Duay, Stuart Aucoin, Andy Robichaux, Robin Bailey Jeansonne, Crue Hotard, Vanessa Solet, Dawn Spinella, Laila Claire Gardemal, Cynthia Athinson, Logan Gros, Ella Ryker, Special Intentions, Belinda Fabre Lee, Rosa Rosado, Armando Rosado Glen Cormier, SJ Sampey, Ruby Breaux, Barbara D. Aucoin, Sarah Ford.

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

Today is a day when Christians are invited to reflect on the meaning of God's call and to pray that they may answer the call to dedicate their lives to serve the Church in a special way, *i.e.*, to shepherd the Church communities, particularly as pastors in their parishes and as superiors in their religious orders or congregations.

The Church presents to us in today's Gospel the figure of Jesus the Good Shepherd that we may reflect on the meaning of the religious vocation to priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life. Last Sunday we reflected on Our Lord's commission and charge to Peter, saying thrice, *"Feed my lambs."* In that way he made Peter a shepherd, a pastor. Our Lord continues his work of shepherding his people through Peter and his co-workers (the apostles and disciple), and through their successors, the Pope, the bishops, priests, deacons, catechists, and committed lay people.

The first thing we need to remember is that every single person here has a vocation! Each person here, whatever one's state in life, has been, and is being, called by God through the Holy Spirit to offer one's special gifts to benefit the rest of the community. Therefore, **"Vocations Sunday"** is not

just for the few selected for directly religious vocations; it is for **ALL** of us here.

On the one hand, each one needs to reflect on what one's particular calling is and how one can respond to it for the well-being of the whole parish community. Secondly, one needs to help others, and not be an obstacle to them as they respond to the particular calling and graces that God through his Spirit is giving one. If we will all actively respond to that call, what a wonderful community, we will be! For, by God's grace, *"We are his people, the sheep of his flock."*

Have you ever seen the painting done in the 1930s of a dog, looking with a cocked head, at an old gramophone? The name of the painting is *His Master's Voice*. This serves us today as a symbol of what Jesus is saying to us: *"The sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out."*

In Service of the Lord,

*fr. Thaisese Apfhouse*



## 7 Helpful Ways to Listen to God

### 1. Believe God desires to speak to you.

Trust God with the process and be willing to learn at His pace. Let God know how much you want to hear from Him. Remember, He is your heavenly Father who loves you deeply.

### 2. Cultivate quiet.

The world is a noisy, busy place, and so is our mind. When our thoughts race with too many concerns, we struggle to focus and listen.

To wait for God is to be still, to make quiet, to stop, to rest. Waiting for God instead of allowing our thoughts and emotions to spiral helps us to hear God more clearly.

### 3. Read the Bible as a conversation with God.

The Bible is God's Word to us. As we read, we are hearing from God as the Holy Spirit begins to engage our minds, drawing our attention to particular concepts. Meditating on the truths God brings to our attention is a way of continuing the conversation.

### 4. Rely on the Holy Spirit to be your helper, teacher, and guide.

Listening begins with God. His Word is living and active through the work of the Holy Spirit (Hebrews 4:12). Ask the Spirit to open your ears and empower you to perceive God's words to you.

### 5. Pray God's Word.

Let the words of a passage guide or inspire your prayer. As the Spirit helps us to pray, He brings situations, people, truths, praises, or confessions to mind.

### 6. Ask God questions.

Questions are a powerful way to go beyond the surface. They invite exploration and discovery as well as deeper intimacy with God.

We can ask questions about what we are reading:

- *What does this word mean?*
- *What do you want me to understand about this passage?*
- *How does this concept apply to my life?*

We can also ask:

- *Is there anything you want me to see about this situation?*
- *How can I look at this from your perspective?*
- *Why does this situation bother me so much?*
- *What is this really about?*

When God speaks, it always agrees with His Word and His character. As we learn more of God through regularly reading and studying the Bible, we discern His voice more easily.

### 7. Keep a prayer journal.

There is a spiritual and neurological connection between of writing and understanding. Journaling can be a form of listening as we express and explore. God often uses writing to help us listen as the Spirit works through our thoughts, discoveries, and insights.