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THE HOLY FAMILY

"Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel,
for those who sought the child's life are dead." - Mt 2:20

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December 28, 2025

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Liturgy

Weekend

Saturday: 5 PM (Vigil)

Sunday: 8 AM, 10 AM, & 5 PM

Weekday

Monday - Friday: 6:30 AM

Monday - Saturday: 8:30 AM

Holy Day

Vigil: 5 PM

Holy Day: 6:30 & 8:30 AM, 5:00PM

Adoration Chapel

Open 24 hours with key card. Call Office for details.

Healing Rosary

Friday: 6:30 PM

Reconciliation

Monday-Saturday 8:00 - 8:25 AM

Saturday: 3 - 4 PM

Or by appointment: (480-905-0221)

Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick

Call the Parish Office 480-905-0221

Baptism

Preparation classes required. Please contact the Parish Office for information about the preparation process.

Marriage

Nine months notification and preparation classes required. Call Parish Office for additional information.

Parish Office Hours

M-Th: 8 AM - 12 Noon; 1 PM - 5 PM

Friday: 8 AM - 1 PM

Saturday & Sunday: Closed



Parish Mission Statement

We exist as a Eucharistic community to celebrate, proclaim, and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ in Word and Sacrament for the Glory of God.

Parish Staff

PastorFr. Don Kline
Parochial VicarFr. Christopher Gossen
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Young Adult Coordinator.....Ashley Kaschl
Director of Adult Education.....Deacon Peter Auriemma
Director of Marriages and Annulments.....Mitzi Palma



Parish School: Saint John XXIII Catholic School Community

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday: 7:30 am – 3:30 pm

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Holy Family

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I find today's Gospel passage to be incredibly powerful. Today we hear of Mary and Joseph fleeing with Jesus to Egypt. They are fighting to stay alive because an unhinged king is seeking the death of newborn boys. There are so many emotions as they are forced to flee from their home and all that is familiar. One can imagine the Holy Family struggling with the reality of loss, disappointment, frustration, confusion, just to name a few. Perhaps it is easy to see that they were not so unlike many other families.



I think it can be tempting to dismiss the Holy Family as almost floating through life, untouched by the troubles of the world. That is just not true. Look at the birth of Our Lord. The Savior of the world was born in a cave where animals do all the things animals do. The Holy Family are in a place that was for animals because there was no room for them in the inn. This is hardly ideal. Then the Holy Family must flee to a foreign country to avoid the king who is set on murdering children. The struggles were great and the moments of comfort and joy were fleeting. Surely there was another way! Couldn't God just provide an inn for them. Couldn't God just "take care" of Herod? Why did He allow the Holy Family to struggle so much?

This question is not an academic one for most of us. Haven't you asked yourself the same question, in the context of a family struggle? We all come face to face with some sort of injustice or undeserved illness, some crisis in our family -- an unexpected death, an accident, physical or emotional abuse, someone slanders you, your health or your employment fails, and God can seem very distant. You may find yourself asking the question: Why did this happen?

The answer to this haunting question is hidden within this passage. Yes, God could have provided an inn for the Christ child to be born in, but He didn't. Yes, God could have bumped off Herod and solved Mary and Joseph's problem, but He didn't. Perhaps this hardship was necessary in ways we don't understand but for the Holy Family, they had to live in faith and with total dependence and trust on God. Perhaps it was necessary for the whole of creation to see that God desires for us to trust in Him especially in the difficult moments.

All wisdom for us can ultimately be found at the foot of the Cross and in Our Lord. Jesus will not fully answer our deepest questions about why difficult or tragic things happen in this life. Instead, He offers us His very own sacrifice, which He makes present to us and our families in the Mass. Yes, somehow, it was necessary for the Lord to go through His own sufferings, innocent though He was. Because He has also suffered so much for us, we in turn can suffer for Him. Our sufferings have meaning, even before we understand why they were necessary, because our Lord's suffering had meaning. It is at the foot of the cross that we will find the answers we need in this life.

So, on this Feast of the Holy Family, if you and your family face obstacles and suffering as we approach the New Year, know that all is not lost! In fact, in Jesus, nothing is lost. Hope is always available to those who believe and trust that Christ has come to save us. Even when all seems lost, Our Lord draws close. He is with us in our struggles... to strengthen the weary heart and to ease our burdens. "Cast your worries upon Him for He cares for you." (1 Peter 5:7)

My heart is filled with joy and gratitude for all God is doing in our parish. May our Patroness, most powerful St. Bernadette obtain for each of us the grace to one day meet God face to face and may Our Lady be our solace and guide in every endeavor, joy, and trial! And may the Holy Eucharist be our wisdom and strength!

God Bless,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Fr. Don Kline".

Fr. Don Kline

Feast of the **MOTHER OF GOD**

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This feast day is a holy day of obligation celebrated on January 1. Masses are offered at these times:

December 31 at 5:00 PM (vigil)

January 1 at 6:30 and 8:30 AM



Please make a note of the holiday schedule for the parish office and Grotto Gift Shop:

December 29—open until noon

December 30—open until noon

December 31—closed

January 1—closed

January 2—closed

The clergy and parish office staff wish you blessings in the New Year!

Please join us Saturday, January 3rd for an information session in the Parish Hall following the 8:30 am Mass.

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Holy Family

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MY FAMILY

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A heartfelt thank you to the many volunteers who make it possible to offer the programs and events that make St. Bernadette and St. John XXIII school so special. You are the hands and feet of Christ!
God Bless You!

Interested in volunteering? Call the parish office at 480-905-0221 to explore the opportunities.

EXPLORE A RETURN

All of us have family members and friends who have left the Catholic Church. Our parish will be offering a 6-session class for those considering a return to the faith.

Learn about the faith, ask questions and discuss disagreements or objections.



- Topics include: the existence of God, the Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, the Sacraments, the Mass, God's love and mercy, the Church, marriage and divorce, the sex abuse scandal, as well as all the other hot topics in our culture today like abortion, same sex attraction, transgenderism, immigration and more.
- It cannot hurt to ask. If they say yes, they can call the parish office (480-905-0221) to register or to obtain further information. Classes start January 20th at 6:30 and will run for 6 consecutive Tuesdays. Deadline for registration is January 15.
- Please pray for the success of this class.



Give with Joy!

Please consider St. Bernadette's as you plan your year-end tax deductible donations.

Your donations support parish ministries, evangelization, operating expenses and so much more. We are a 501(c)(3) organization. To get a tax deduction for year-end donations, you must donate by December 31st.

Thank you for your continued support. May God continue to bless our community and may 2026 be a faith filled year for us all!



READINGS AND INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Dec. 27	5:00 PM	Gabrielle & Kyle Haste
Sunday, Dec. 28	8:00 AM	† Marielene Lornet
	10:00 AM	St. Bernadette Parishioners
	5:00 PM	Gloria Armendariz
Monday, Dec. 29	6:30 AM	† Robert & Avis Zucarelli
	5:00 PM	Elizabeth Chambers
Tuesday, Dec. 30	6:30 AM	† David Firkins
	8:30 AM	† Dominic Svorinic
Wednesday, Dec. 31	6:30 AM	† Dwight Shelton
	8:30 AM	Michele Pretka
	5:00 PM	St. Bernadette Parishioners
Thursday, Jan. 1	6:30 AM	† Rita K. Allen
	8:30 AM	Legion of Mary deceased members
Friday, Jan. 2	6:30 AM	Planchard Family
	8:30 AM	† Wendy Hanchette
	7:30 PM	Young Adults
Saturday, Jan. 3	8:30 AM	Tom & Barb Fox
	5:00 PM	† James Klaczak
Sunday, Jan. 4	8:00 AM	Lisa & Scott Bennion
	10:00 AM	St. Bernadette Parishioners
	5:00 PM	† Michael Wogan

Readings *of the Week* OLPI

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/

Ps 128:1-5/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Monday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6/Lk 2:22-35

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-10/Lk 2:36-40

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-13/

Jn 1:1-18

Thursday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8/Gal 4:4-7/

Lk 2:16-21

Friday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1-4/Jn 1:19-28

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6/Ps 98:1, 3c-6/Jn 1:29-34

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13/

Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-1

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SEAT FOR
YOU



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Religious Education

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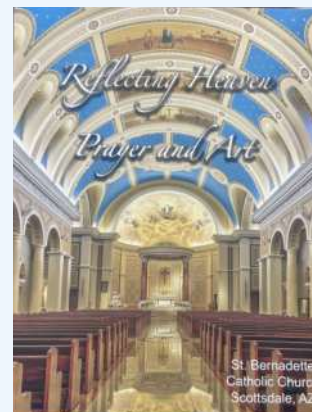
Family Catechesis

Help make an impact in the lives of the children of our Parish and share your gifts at the same time!

Catechists, Teachers, and Volunteers are needed to support our very important Religious Education programs!

Please prayerfully consider offering your time and talents!

Parish Contact: Patrick Klein
pklein@saintbernadette.com
480.905.4435



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Finding Living Waters
in the Desert



Desert Outdoor Center
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February 27 - March 1

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- Powerful Worship, Devotions, and Prayer
- Team Games & Activities
- Campfire Nights
- Leadership & Life Skills
- Talent Shows, Hiking & More!

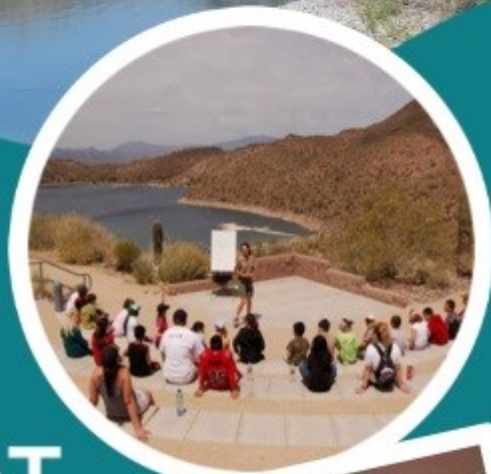
CONTACT



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480-905-0221



St. John XXIII 2025 Christmas Concert



This Week at St. Bernadette

Masses

Monday through Friday mornings at 6:30 and 8:30 AM
Saturday mornings at 8:30 AM

Daily Confessions

Before daily Mass 8:00 - 8:25 AM
Saturdays 3:00 - 4:00 PM

Sunday
28
8:00 AM LITURGY
10:00 AM LITURGY
5:00 PM LITURGY

Monday
29
No scheduled events

Tuesday
30
No scheduled events

Wednesday
31
5:00 PM VIGIL MASS—SOLEMNITY OF MARY, HOLY MOTHER OF GOD – A holy day of obligation.

Thursday
1
6:30 & 8:30 AM—LITURGY-SOLEMNITY OF MARY, HOLY MOTHER OF GOD – A holy day of obligation.

Friday
2
6:00 PM Healing Rosary
7:30 PM First Friday Candlelight Mass

Saturday
3
7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
9:00 AM Exodus 90 Kick off
9:15 AM Prayer Cenacle
4:30 PM Vespers
5:00 PM LITURGY

Sunday
4
8:00 AM LITURGY
10:00 AM LITURGY
5:00 PM LITURGY



**Friday Night
Healing Rosary**
every Friday in the Church
and on Zoom at 6:30 PM

Zoom Link:
<https://bit.ly/fridayhealingRosary>

Use meeting ID **674 186 578**
and password **Rosary**

Parish Ministries & Organizations

SACRAMENTAL MINISTRIES

OCIA	Shirley Smalley	480-905-0221
Infant Baptism	Shirley Smalley	480-905-0221
Marriage Prep	Mitzi Palma	480-905-0221

PASTORAL MINISTRIES

Annulments	Mitzi Palma	480-905-0221
Funerals	Deacon Frank Nevarez	480-905-0221
Ministers of Care - Homebound	Deacon Al Homiski	480-905-0221

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Linens	Barbara Nevarez	480-905-0221
Knights of the Altar	John Fennewald	573-318-8605
Art & Environment	Brina Ziemann	480-905-0221
Lectors	Donna Homiski	480-905-0221
Ushers	Mike Smalley	602-799-2256

EDUCATION & FORMATION MINISTRIES

Family Catechesis	Patrick Klein	480-905-0221
Lisieux Sorority	Amy Emory	480-905-0221
Men's Bible Study	Parish Office	480-905-0221
Women's Bible Study	Parish Office	480-905-0221

PRAYER & WORSHIP MINISTRIES

Eucharistic Adoration	Kim Klein	480-905-0221
Friday Night Healing Rosary	Mike Smalley	480-905-0221
Legion of Mary	Cathy Smith	403-580-9605

SERVICE MINISTRIES

Culture of Life	Claire Wagner	480-905-0221
St. Vincent de Paul	Help Line	480-905-4439
Meals for Families in Crisis & New Moms	Rachel Bears	602-402-0220

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Boy Scouts	Tim Whitney	602-403-4121
Knights of Columbus	Dennis Logue	
K of C Ladies Auxiliary	Irma Stewart	602-695-4049
Sociable Seniors	Shirley Shanholtz	480-905-0221

PARISH LIFE MINISTRIES

Finance Council	Mike Smalley	602-799-2256
Parish Council	Don Tellis	602-370-3271

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