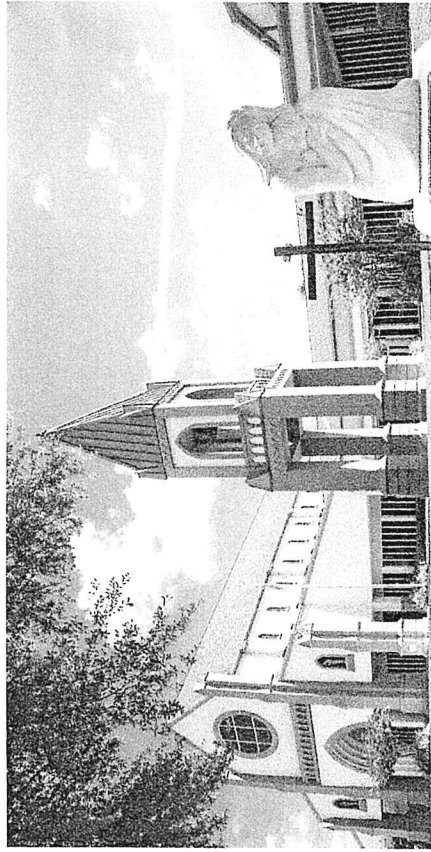


St. Bernadette Catholic Church



Our Annual Stewardship Renewal is an important event for the community of St. Bernadette. It is a time when we encourage each other to re-prioritize the way we use God's gifts by making commitments of time, talent, and treasure.

Renewing ourselves in these areas results in great spiritual benefits for us as individual parishioners — and also for the parish as a whole. This year, how will you use your gifts at St. Bernadette?

TIME: Do I make time for prayer? By myself and with my family?

TALENT: Is my talent at work at St. Bernadette, actively building the Body of Christ?

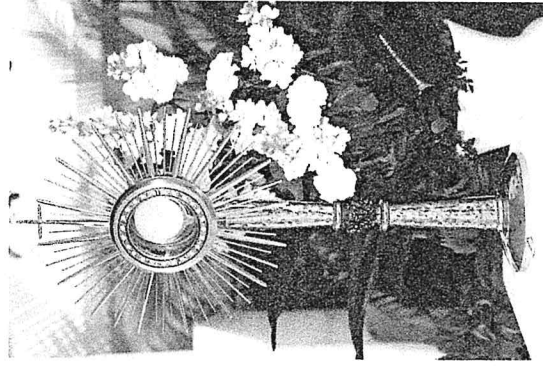
TREASURE: Do I give a proportionate amount of my treasure to the weekly offertory?



*We make a living by what we get;
We make a Life by what we Give*

Time

Preparing Yourself Spiritually



The Eucharist is at the center of a strong Catholic spirituality.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says, "Prayer and Christian life are inseparable." In fact, St. Paul tells us to "pray constantly." But as anyone who has ever tried to pray on a regular basis will tell you, prayer can be hard work. That is why we have to make a firm commitment to be persistent.

Just as we learn to budget our money or schedule occasions for service, we also have to be very specific when we make time for prayer. Many people set aside 30 minutes in the morning to sip a cup of coffee and read Scripture.

Others pray a Rosary on the way to work. Still others pray with children before bedtime, or pray with their spouse before retiring for the evening. Whatever the format, the important thing is that we make a conscious effort to spend time with the One we love most.

"Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus."

1 Thessalonians 5:17-18



ACTION STEPS for Spiritual Growth:

- ◆ Make Mass your top priority on Sunday
- ◆ Spend time each day in personal prayer
- ◆ Pray daily as a family

Talent

Your Role in Our Parish

Are you currently serving in a ministry at St. Bernadette? With hectic work schedules and family life, we all need time to relax and exercise — but we also need to rejuvenate ourselves through service. Reaching out

in love to others, while sometimes difficult, is nonetheless spiritually enriching. In fact, it is a necessary part of the Christian life.



Right here at St. Bernadette, there are many different ways you can serve others through parish ministries.

To learn more about our parish ministries, please refer to our parish ministry descriptions within this booklet—then sign up using your commitment sheet.



ACTION STEPS

To Increase Your Involvement:

- ◆ Recommit yourself to your current parish ministries
- ◆ Choose at least one new ministry to join
- ◆ Plan to attend parish-wide events

Treasure

Putting God First in Finances

Stewardship of treasure sometimes seems to overshadow the other two aspects of stewardship. But money is NOT the “bottom line” for the Christian steward. In reality, God wants to be the top priority in every part of our lives. Putting God first in our finances is just one part of making Him first in everything.

“Seek first the Kingdom of God, and his righteousness and all these things will be given besides.”

— Matthew 6:33

We do not have any hard-and-fast rules for financial support. We are simply asked “to give according to our means.” However, in Scripture, the Israelites were asked to give God 10% of their harvest, and thus the tithe has become a standard for most Christian communities, including at St. Bernadette. We ask that each family apportion their 10% tithe as follows:

***5% to St. Bernadette plus
1% to the diocese and 4% to other charities***



ACTION STEPS for Financial Generosity:

- ◆ Pledge based on a percentage of income
- ◆ Increase your percentage of giving
- ◆ Use your offertory envelopes every Sunday or sign up for Faith Direct to give online

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Prayer & Liturgical Ministries

ALTAR ANGELS

Goals/Purpose: To develop an awareness of what the altar represents and develop a universal knowledge of the altar linens, holy vessels and liturgical colors.
Responsibilities: Making and/or washing and ironing altar linens for a beautiful altar.

Helpful Attributes: Sewing abilities

Time Commitment: Varies with duties

Training Required: None

Fingerprinting Required: No

Contact: Bonnie Beverly 252-402-0796 BLBeverlyRN@aol.com

ALTAR SERVERS (YOUTH)

Goals/Purpose: To minister at God's altar with reverence, dignity, and love.

Responsibilities: Assisting the priest at Mass, weddings, and funerals.

Helpful Attributes: This ministry is open to all males and females who have celebrated their first Holy Communion.

Time Commitment: Varies – will be scheduled to help at Masses as needed.

Youth altar servers also meet quarterly during the year. Training sessions are scheduled throughout the year as needed.

Training Required: Parish training provided.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Tim Dube

Contact: 561-632-3681 tdube@advancednc.com



ART & ENVIRONMENT

Goals/Purpose: To create a beautiful and prayerful environment for our liturgies.

Responsibilities: Creating decorative arrangements and displays to enhance the environment for liturgical celebrations.

Helpful Attributes: Creative & constructive ideas; love for our Catholic liturgies

Time Commitment: Varies with commitment.

Training Required: Parish training provided.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinators: John & Donna Francavilla

Contact: 772-873-9055 772-359-9422 dfrancav@irsc.edu

DIVINE MERCY

Goals/Purpose: What is Mercy? St. John Paul II called Mercy "love's second name." It's a particular mode of love when it encounters, poverty, injustice, suffering and sin. Mercy is compassionate love. What is Divine Mercy ministry? A ministry devoted to building the Body of Christ through a worldwide network of Cenacles. This guided study program for prayer communities includes the study of Sacred Scriptures, The Catechism of the Catholic Church, and the Diary of St. Faustina.

Responsibilities: To learn more about the mercy of God, learn to trust in Jesus, and live your life as merciful to others, as Christ is merciful to you.

Helpful Attributes: A willingness to pray and to understand that the Lord wants us to do these works of mercy—even the strongest faith is of no use without works.

Time Commitment: Weekly classes on Wednesday & Thursday.

Training Required: None

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Marie Hussain 954-803-8517 rajcoomarie@aol.com

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND

Goals/Purpose: To assist the priest in the distribution of Holy Communion to the sick and homebound.

Responsibilities: To fulfill monthly or daily assignments for the distribution of Communion and other duties as outlined in the handbook. A willingness to visit the sick and homebound, including hospitals and nursing homes.

Helpful Attributes: A strong commitment to Christ and to the Church as evidenced by a life lived in conformity with all that the Church teaches.

Time Commitment: Varies

Training Required: Diocesan training provided.

Fingerprinting Required: Yes

Coordinator: Ann Marie Burchell 772-429-1321 annieb608@yahoo.com

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTRY OF HOLY COMMUNION

Goals/Purpose: To assist the priest in the distribution of Holy Communion.
Responsibilities: To fulfill monthly or daily assignments for the distribution of Communion and other duties as outlined in the handbook.
Helpful Attributes: A strong commitment to Christ and to the Church as evidenced by a life lived in conformity with all that the Church teaches.
Time Commitment: Willingness to commit to a schedule of service for a weekend Mass.

Training Required: Diocesan training provided.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Kathleen & Don Cupples
Contact: 772-249-1232 dcupples@sprintmail.com

HEARTS ON FIRE PRAYER GROUP

Goals/Purpose: To bring its participants into a closer personal relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ. People who come experience the power and presence of the Holy Spirit.

Responsibilities: To gather weekly to praise and worship the Lord and to seek to live a Spirit-filled life. The format of the group typically begins with song, praise and worship, sharing the inspired word of God through both scripture and charismatic gifts of the holy spirit, a teaching, prayer petitions and faith sharing. After prayer meeting there is an opportunity for individual healing prayer.

Time Commitment: We meet Thursdays from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Rosina Ciocca rmciocca@msn.com 856-264-0055

HOSPITALITY & USHERS

Goals/Purpose: To make the warmth and welcome of Christ more real in our Parish.

Responsibilities: Greet parishioners as they enter the church. Seat parishioners if crowded. Facilitate the offertory collection and communion lines. Hand out bulletins at the end of Mass.

Helpful Attributes: Ability to make people feel welcomed, wanted, and special. A handshake or friendly greeting is all it takes to enhance a person's sense of belonging.

Time Commitment: Willingness to serve at Saturday, Sunday, and/or Holy Day Masses. Commitment to a schedule (about once per week) and dress code.

Training Required: Parish training provided.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Troy Black 772-475-4948 troymaryann@hotmail.com

LEGION OF MARY

Goals/Purpose: The object of the Legion of Mary is the glory of God through the Holiness of its members developed by prayer and active co-operation in Mary's and the Church's work. The unit of the Legion is called a praesidium, which holds a weekly meeting where prayer is intermingled with reports and discussion. Members participate in the life of the parish through apostolic works.
Responsibilities: Daily prayer to include the Rosary and Tesser. Active members perform many Legionary works in the spirit of faith in union with the Blessed Mother Mary and Holy Spirit. Works include visitations to nursing homes, hospitals and the home bound to list a few. The Legions works promote personal contacts and is under the direction of the Pastor of St. Bernadette Church to serve the needs of the church and its membership.

Time Commitment: ACTIVE MEMBER: Weekly meetings at St Bernadette on Saturdays 9:00 AM-10:30AM ; AUXILIARY MEMBER: Daily praying of the rosary and Tesser, 30 minutes a day in your own home.

Training: Handbook Study

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Ellen J. Hale ellen.hale@att.net 772-332-2446

MINISTRY OF THE WORD (LECTOR)

Goals/Purpose: We proclaim God's Word during the Mass.

Responsibilities: Personal prayer, a commitment to continuously improve technique and preparation the week prior to your assigned Mass. Lectors must adhere to the Lector schedule, procedures and dress code.

Helpful Attributes: Proclaiming God's Word at Mass requires committed individuals to have a strong voice and a desire to make God's Word be heard clearly and come alive to the congregation.

Time Commitment: Preparation during the week leading up to your assigned Mass - approximately 4 hours.

Training Required: Diocesan and Parish training provided.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Maryellen McGarry 772-359-5416 marymac13@aol.com

MUSIC & CHOIR

Goals/Purpose: To provide uplifting music that elevates the Holy Mass, focuses our attention on the Holy Eucharist, and draws us into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.

Responsibilities: A commitment to rehearse with your respective ensemble and to bring a joyful attitude and a willingness to learn beautiful music.



Adult Choir – Leads the singing at the 10:45am Sunday liturgy and at special liturgical and non-liturgical musical events throughout the year. Singing a wide range of styles, this choir loves singing harmony. Open to all ages!
Time Commitment: Rehearses once a week on Wednesday evenings from 6:30pm-8:30pm. Even if you don't know how to read music but you love to sing you are still encouraged to join. We will help you learn.

For God's Grace (Contemporary Christian Music Ensemble) – Leads the music at the 9 am Sunday liturgy. If contemporary praise and worship music is more your style then For God's Grace is for you! Membership is open to all ages high school and beyond, vocalists and instrumentalists. (Auditions are held for placement purposes only, membership is open to all.)
Time Commitment: 2-3 rehearsals a month on Tuesdays at 7pm.

Children's Choir – Sings at different liturgies throughout the year and is open to all children from 8 to 14 years of age. Kids are challenged to grow musically and spiritually as we develop their voices for the glory of God.
Time Commitment: Rehearsals are on most Wednesday nights 5:00—5:45 pm.

Cantors – Lead the congregation in singing hymns and songs and occasionally sing solos. Looking for joyful smiles and pretty voices to encourage the congregation to participate fully and sing with you.

Time Commitment: You'll most likely practice during the week, either with your ensemble or with the accompanist, then sing Sunday morning. The Director of Music will help train you to make you feel comfortable.



Handbell Choir – Love music but don't want to sing? No problem. Ringers in the Handbell Choir provide special music for various liturgies and other musical events throughout the year. Can you count to 8? Great! Then you can be a part of the Handbell choir! Bells are provided. What more could you ask for?
Time Commitment: Rehearse 2-4 times a month, usually Mon or Tues at 7pm

Instrumentalists – Love playing an instrument? The music ministry NEEDS you! Piano, guitar, bass, drums, strings, woodwinds, brass, percussion, etc. Reading music is required and being somewhat proficient is preferred.
Time Commitment: Varies with ensemble.

Fingerprinting Required: No
Director of Music: Nathan Shrake
Contact: 651-208-6026 Nathan@stbernadetteslw.org

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Goals/Purpose: To encourage every parishioner to commit to regular prayer time in Eucharistic Adoration. Eucharistic Adoration is praying before the Eucharistic Jesus exposed in the monstrance, and gives us opportunities for adoration, thanksgiving, reparation, and supplication. Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration is held in the Monsignor Cosmo G. Saporito Chapel directly behind the main altar and is open 24 hours a day, 6 days a week, from Monday at 9:00am through Saturday at 7:00am. Call the parish office for the chapel door code.

Responsibilities and Time Commitment: Everyone is encouraged to commit to spending one hour a week in Eucharistic Adoration in the chapel. Whatever hour you choose is most pleasing to the Lord, especially those hours that accompany him through the middle of the night.

Training Required: Guidance provided by Coordinator.

Fingerprinting Required: No
Coordinator: Stephanie Cassidy
Contact: 772-343-8166 772-418-7412 poppins2@comcast.net

POWERHOUSE OF PRAYER

Goals/Purpose: An intercessional prayer ministry. Our focus is on the special intentions of our St. Bernadette Parish Family as submitted to us, as well as those special intentions brought forth by each of us as individuals. Because of the unique purpose of this ministry, our primary mode of prayer while we are together as a group is more spontaneous than structured.

Responsibilities: Gather to pray as a group for one hour a week in the Family Life Center, currently every Monday. Anyone is welcome to pray with us at any time without committing to this ministry.

Helpful Attributes: An appreciation for the power of intercessional prayer in our lives and in the lives of those for whose intentions we pray. A desire to join with others in group prayer.

Time Commitment: One hour per week.

Training Required: None

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Arlene Parnofello 772-871-2198 apdb8471@aol.com

SACRISTANS

Goals/Purpose: To prepare the liturgical space and liturgical articles for the celebration of the Mass. The name sacristan is derived from the Latin "sacer" which means "sacred."

Responsibilities: Preparing the vessels, sacristy, sanctuary and assembly for Mass. The sacristan oversees the 'behind the scenes' preparation for liturgy - that is, prepares hosts, wine, candles, and other supplies.

Helpful Attributes: To be a sacristan is truly a holy call. A devotion to the understanding of the Eucharist is paramount. A sacristan is expected to learn the different vessels used in the Mass, their importance and proper care.

Time Commitment: It is expected that a sacristan will accept a minimum weekly commitment for at least one Mass. However, this can be flexible with the possibility of doing more or less based upon individual circumstances. The sacristan is expected to be present at a minimum of 30 minutes prior to Mass or other liturgical function, and for 30 minutes thereafter to ensure that all tasks are completed.

Training Required: Parish training provided.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Adele Lamour 772-879-7892 lamourade@yahoo.com

"THE WORD" PRAYER GROUP

Goals/Purpose: To share the love of our Lord Jesus Christ through Scripture, song and praise. We offer comfort, support and spiritual peace of mind in a loving, close knit community. When we gather, our understanding and appreciation of God's word increases dramatically as we share in a friendly, devout Catholic atmosphere.

Responsibilities: Our mission is to share our Lord with all His riches with each other and those with whom we come in contact.

Helpful Attributes: All that is required is a sincere desire to worship our Lord - be it through prayer, song, praise or silence. All are welcome. Please join us!

Time Commitment: We meet for approximately 1 1/2 hours weekly.

Training Required: None.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Stella DiGiorgio 772-873-9023 digiorgios@bellsouth.net

Family & Faith Formation Ministries

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Goals/Purpose: Carrying out the command of Jesus to "go therefore, and make disciples of all nations." To minister to children and youth, forming them in the Catholic Faith.

Responsibilities: In addition to parents, Catechists (teachers) are the child's teachers in the formation of Faith. Catechists also share their faith with other adults.

Helpful Attributes: A love of our Catholic faith and a desire to share it with others. Come join our staff of catechists; We need your stewardship in sharing your stories of faith and love for the Mass! Share this joy with our St. Bernadette children and youth.

Time Commitment: Classes are generally 1 hour with some preparation time needed. Classes are held during the months of September- May following the public school calendar.

Training Required: Diocesan and Parish training provided.

Fingerprinting Required: Yes

Director of Family Faith Formation: Eric Seibenick 772-336-9956
eric@stbernadetteslw.org

YOUTH MINISTRY

Goals/Purpose: To empower young people to live as disciples of Jesus Christ in the world today; to draw young people to responsible participation in the life, mission, and work of the Catholic faith community; to foster the total personal and spiritual growth of each young person by helping those individuals to recognize her/his own giftedness; to encourage young people to make a stewardship response to that giftedness. Comprehensive youth ministry is ministry that is to, with, by and for youth.

Responsibilities: To create a safe environment and acceptance of all young people so that they feel comfortable sharing their relationship with God and others.

Helpful Attributes: Patience, understanding, cheerfulness, and a sense of humor- willingness to be open to the youth of the parish.

Time Commitment: 2-3 hours per week

Training Required: Diocesan and parish training provided.

Fingerprinting Required: Yes

Youth Ministry Director: Catherine Shrake

Contact: 772-336-9956 561-386-9046 catherineym@stbernadetteslw.org

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Goals/Purpose: To provide the parents and families of children who are to be baptized with a proper understanding of and reverence for the Liturgy and significance of that sacramental event.

Responsibilities: To help parents, guardians, and godparents fully understand the privileged commitment they are undertaking for a child and themselves through the sacrament of Baptism. Members of this ministry teach and facilitate the parish's baptism preparation session in order to make it meaningful and place those who attend into a more relaxed and prayerful state of mind as the Baptism day approaches.

Helpful Attributes: Appreciation and reverence for the sacrament of Baptism and its importance in the spiritual lives of the child, parents and godparents. Willingness to learn more about the Church's teachings relating to the sacrament of Baptism. Ability to convey warmth and empathy.

Time Commitment: Requires attendance at the evening baptism preparation training session, scheduled at various times during the year depending upon the number of children to be baptized.

Training Required: Parish training provided.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator 1: Father Antony Lopez, O.C.D. 772-336-9956

Coordinator 2: Joe Kremer & Kay Younginger 904-805-1474

youngingerkay08@gmail.com

FAMILY LIFE

Goals/Purpose: To provide social and spiritual opportunities for families to have fun together while growing in Christ together, and to develop a network of Christian families who can support each other in their work of Catholic parenting.

Responsibilities: Assist with planning, setup, and cleanup of events designed for families. Also need on-site babysitters for parent faith-formation events.

Helpful Attributes: Desire to help Catholic families become happy, healthy, and holy.

Time Commitment: Flexible: once a month, once a week, or 2-3 times per year depending on events and your schedule.

Training Required: No

Fingerprinting Required: No, unless you would like to be a baby sitter.

Youth Ministry Director: Catherine Shrake

Contact: 772-336-9956 561-386-9046 catherineym@stbernadetteslw.org

BIBLE STUDIES

Goals/Purpose: Study together the "Word of the Lord" to discover the full meaning of the Bible, which can give new insights and nourishment to our faith experience.

Responsibilities: All members share the responsibility of creating an atmosphere of loving support and trust in the group by respecting the opinions and experience of others, and by affirming and encouraging one another.

Helpful Attributes: Willingness to learn and share.

Time Commitment: 20 minutes per day and one hour meeting per week. Daytime and evening groups available.

Training Required: None

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Rita Rioux 450-458-4930 ritarioux@bell.net

MOMMY & ME

Goals/Purpose: To provide a safe and Christ-like place for women to find lasting friendships through their common bond of motherhood. To learn from each other ways to keep a Christ-centered home, to share their love of God with their children and to find opportunities for their children to experience the joys of being a steward by serving others.

Time Commitment: We meet every second Thursday at 7:30 PM and weekly with the children on Wednesdays at 11 AM, followed by a picnic on the beautiful church grounds.

Helpful Attributes: A desire to meet new friends and to share the joy and challenges of being a mother in our world.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Laura Dube 772 203-6533 mommydube@gmail.com

PROJECT CHILDREN'S LITERACY

Goals/Purpose: To assist the staff at Parkway Elementary School in providing engaging literacy experiences to at-risk elementary school children in our community. This ministry exists to provide the opportunity for members of our parish to share in the educational, spiritual and social growth of the youngest and most impressionable members of our community. With the assistance of quality children's literature and reliable instructional methods, our ministers play an integral part in building the foundations our children need to succeed in school, and to become avid readers and writers. Our ministers draw inspiration from the incomparable teacher, Jesus, and accept his proclamation that we are the light of the world. We are determined to let our lights shine for all, particularly for the at-risk elementary students in our community.

Church Administration Ministries

Responsibilities: Your choice! Read to the children; engage in one on one conversations; listen to children; read with them and help them develop fluency and vocabulary; or work on other literacy skills.

Helpful Attributes: Keen listening skills, respect for all children and a sense of humor.

Time Commitment: Flexible. Attendance at one-hour monthly meetings is encouraged.

Training Required: Initial meeting to review materials. On-the-job-training as needed. Parish workshop also provided.

Fingerprinting Required: Yes

Coordinator: Rita Banashek 772-359-3335 philcary@aol.com

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Goals/Purpose: RCIA is the process by which adults become members of the Roman Catholic Church. The process is concerned with the total formation of the person into believing with the Church community (doctrinal formation), living with the Church community (practical formation), praying with the Church community (liturgical formation), and serving the Church community (apostolic formation). The central and unifying principle of the Rite is conversion. This gradual development culminates in the celebration of the initiation sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist at Easter.

Responsibilities: To be able to share your faith stories as either a catechist, sponsor, or discussing the Holy Scriptures.

Helpful Attributes: A love of our Catholic faith and a desire to share it with others.

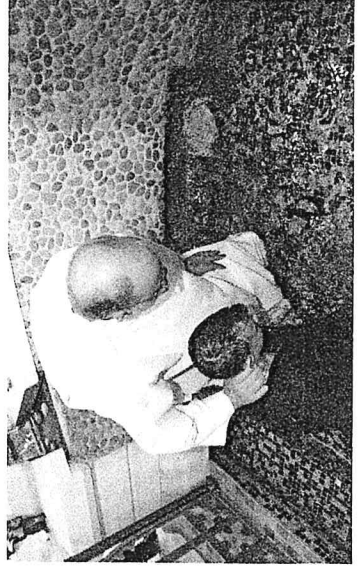
Time Commitment: Generally classes are held once a week for an hour and a half, with some advance preparation time needed.

Training Required: Diocesan and parish training provided.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Sonny Gaudet

Contact: 772-336-9956 772-240-2272 sonny@st.bernadetteslw.org



CLEANLINESS WITH GODLINESS

Goals/Purpose: To keep our church and facilities clean for our fellow parishioners and guests.

Responsibilities: To be faithful to your assigned team.

Helpful Attributes: Gratitude for our parish facilities and a desire to keep them beautiful.

Time Commitment: 1-2 hours per week usually on Saturdays 8:30-9:30 AM

Training Required: None

Fingerprinting Required: None

Coordinator: Carol Lindner carollindner@bellsouth.net 772-370-4066

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Goals/Purpose: To support the short-term and long-term financial goals and needs of our stewardship parish.

Responsibilities: Explore, conceptualize, plan, and oversee the execution of appropriate and effective parish-wide fundraising programs and activities.

Helpful Attributes: Creativity; initiative; willingness to "think out of the box" to explore a variety of fundraising options and "best practices"; understanding and appreciation of the diverse dynamics of our St. Bernadette parish family in order to assess potential appeal and success of the Committee's efforts.

Time Commitment: Weekly meeting with some sub-committee involvement.

Training Required: Parish training provided.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Eric Seibenick 772-336-9956 eric@stbernadetteslw.org

GOOD SHEPHERD MINISTRY

Goals/Purpose: Taking seriously our common call as Christians to provide for the safety of our brothers and sisters while they are at our parish.

Responsibilities: To provide a safe and happy environment for our parishioners.

Helpful Attributes: Friendly, able to assist when needed.

Time Commitment: 1-2 hours per week

Training Required: Will be provided by Church and facilitator.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Mike Rios 772-324-1539 mrios0707@yahoo.com

FINANCE COUNCIL

Goals/Purpose: To provide advice and counsel to the Pastor as required by the pastor on matters concerning the financial state of the Parish.

Responsibilities: The Council will participate in the preparation of:

- Annual Budget of Income and Expenditures
- Annual Financial Report of the Parish
- Review the independent auditors' report.

Helpful Attributes: Professional status with an interest in financial matters.

Time Commitment: Minimum of four meetings a year plus support of the Pastor when requested.

Memberships: Members serve at the pleasure of the Pastor. All seven members are appointed by the Pastor for individual terms of not less than three years nor more than five years. All members of the Council may vote when a consensus vote is requested by the Pastor.

Presiding Chair: Father Victor Ulto

Council Facilitator: Ken Guntkowski kguntkowski@aicinvest.com

LITTLE FLOWER MINISTRY

Goals/Purpose: To assist the Pastor in maintaining accountability, including strong internal control procedures, regarding the counting of the weekly offertory collections. We take very seriously our responsibility to be accountable for the stewardship gifts of treasure of our St. Bernadette Parish Family.

Responsibilities: Sort, count, summarize and prepare deposit of the weekly offertory collection, as well as any special collections for specific purposes. Maintain appropriate internal control procedures during the process.

Helpful Attributes: An appreciation of and respect for the stewardship gifts of treasure from our St. Bernadette Parish Family; accuracy and attention to detail; strict confidentiality. Members of this ministry are selected by the Pastor. Those interested in serving are encouraged to inform the Pastor of their interest.

Time Commitment: Approximately 3 hours weekly

Training Required: Parish training provided

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator 1: Patricia Davis 772-873-0358 patdavis27@hotmail.com

Coordinators 2: Anne Clark 772-340-4999 jimanne208@gmail.com

SOCIAL MINISTRY

Goals/Purpose: To create opportunities for our St. Bernadette parish family to have fun together!

Responsibilities: Develop and coordinate social activities that promote joyful Christian fellowship and community.

Helpful Attributes: Outgoing, personable, enjoy working with others. We welcome any other skills that would help in implementing social activities.

Time Commitment: Varies

Training Required: None

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator 1: Brenda Foglia 772-343-7884 brenmarfoglia@bellsouth.net

Coordinator 2: Marianne Doughney 561-704-8010 saintpeterym@yahoo.com

ST. BERNADETTE ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Goals/Purpose: To provide an opportunity for the parishioners of our Parish to work together as a Stewardship community. This **annual** event is one of our largest Parish fundraisers and is held in the **Fall** of each year. This is **NOT** a Parish Golf League, but rather a working ministry of good stewards for our annual Parish fundraiser golf tournament. This annual event provides an outlet for golfers of our Parish and the surrounding area to come together each year for a day of fun and community camaraderie.

Responsibilities: Approximately 15 to 20 ministry stewards are needed each year to work on our various sub-committees. This annual event presents our parish committee members with an opportunity to use a variety of their gifted talents in organizing, planning and marketing. The time and talents of **MANY** for this annual fundraising event are needed each year.

Time Commitment: Varies according to the role a steward chooses to devote for their involvement. Planning and organization meetings usually occur **TWO** Tuesday evenings a month from mid-May until the end of October.

Training Required: None

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator/Chair: Bob Russo 772-336-8885 brusso1713@aol.com

Co-Chair: Jim Burchell 772-429-1321 jaburchell@comcast.net

STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

Goals/Purpose: To promote and foster Christian stewardship in our homes, in our parish, and in our community. To fulfill our mission we provide resources for worship, prayer, education, administration, outreach, and witness.

Responsibilities: In addition to serving as stewardship examples to the parish, the Council advises the pastor concerning stewardship and its role in the parish, as well as other aspects of parish life.

Helpful Attributes: An understanding and commitment to stewardship as a way of life with a deep and abiding faith and trust in God are necessary.

Time Commitment: The Council meets as a whole monthly, with additional meetings of sub-committees as a probability.

Training Required: Members of the Council continue to study about stewardship as well as attend workshops and seminars.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Membership: Members of the Stewardship Council are appointed by the pastor for a three-year term. However, those interested in serving are encouraged to inform the pastor of their interest and meet with the pastor to assist him in making appointments.

Presiding Chair: Chrissy Savage 772-785-9864 chrissysavage77@hotmail.com
Chair Designate: Arlene Parnofello 772-342-3292 apdb847@aol.com

TECHNOLOGY MINISTRY

Goals/Purpose: To make sure that the correct PowerPoint slides are being displayed during the Liturgy, aiding in the full participation of the congregation in prayer and song.

Responsibilities: Jokingly called the "One-Button" Ministry, members are asked to advance the PowerPoint slides that are projected at weekend liturgies, funerals, and weddings.

Helpful Attributes: This ministry caters to members' strengths. We'll consider anyone: simply pushing one button to the experienced techie. Those individuals with computer, sound engineering, film production, editing, graphic design or lighting backgrounds are also greatly encouraged to join!

Time Commitment: 2-3 hours a month.

Training Required: On the job training as needed

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Nathan Shrake 772-336-9956 Nathan@stbernadetteslw.org



Pastoral Service Ministries

BERNADETTE'S ANGELS

Goals/Purpose: To offer assistance to members of our parish family who are having difficulty coping due to illness or social isolation. We offer support through our prayers which are said individually by members of the ministry as well as collectively by the church parishioners. By supplying occasional meals, homemade soup, flowers and cards, we hope to provide additional support and comfort to those in need. Also, our Prayer Shawl Angels crochet or knit beautiful prayer shawls/lap blankets which have been blessed at a special Mass, to be gifted to those who are ill, suffering from loss, or depression. Depending on our assessment of the family's needs, we might provide food in a crisis situation or short-term support related to managing and running a household and give any referrals that may be appropriate. Thanks to the generosity of our members making voluntarily donations throughout the year, we have been able to assist less fortunate families with monetary gifts during the Christmas season.

Responsibilities: Members are required to make sick and/or homebound visits, and participate in the committees and activities related to the ministry's outreach programs. In addition, they are expected to attend the bi-monthly meetings. If this is not possible all members are responsible for reviewing the minutes of the bi-monthly meetings.

Helpful Attributes: Empathetic personality, generous nature, sensitivity and compassion for others who are suffering due to illness or social isolation. A strong desire to reach out to our neighbors in need. Also, any experience in healthcare or counseling is desirable but not necessary for membership.

Time Commitment: 1-2 hours per month.

Training Required: None (orientation provided)

Fingerprinting Required: Yes

Coordinator: Bonnie Schulaner 772-708-4019 bonnieleeford@yahoo.com

BIG APPLE MINISTRY

Goals/Purpose: To provide school supplies for students of an "adopted" school in the St. Lucie School District whose parents cannot afford to purchase them.

The ministry conducts its annual campaign during July for parishioners to purchase required supplies. These supplies are collected and delivered to the adopted school prior to the first day of class. They are distributed by teachers and staff to those students needing supplies.

Responsibilities: To help assemble school supply lists and assist parishioners when they pick and return their supplies to the Church; verify, store, inventory and pack supplies for delivery to the school.

Helpful attributes: Friendly and energetic personality, able to work in small groups, good interpersonal and communication skills.
Time Commitment: Periodic/monthly meetings lasting 1-2 hours...
Training Required: None
Fingerprinting Required: No
Coordinator: Marie Cardone 561-632-3217 mariemcardone@icloud.com

BIRTHDAY MINISTRY

Goals and Purpose: To remember our parishioners on their special day. Birthdays are a time to celebrate the lives that God gave us and to thank God and our parents for giving us life. Members of the ministry call fellow parishioners on their birthday and offer birthday wishes on behalf of the entire parish.
Responsibilities: Commit to make phone calls from home to convey our message of life, love and caring to your assigned parishioners on their birthday.
Helpful Attributes: Desire and ability to convey a warm and caring greeting to truly brighten one's special day. This ministry welcomes those who might otherwise have limited mobility but would enjoy making telephone calls from home to fellow parishioners.
Time Commitment: Varies based on your availability. You can make calls once a month or several times a year. We work with your schedule.
Training Required: None, but you will receive a suggested script for calls.
Fingerprinting Required: No
Coordinator: Meghan Hyden 772-577-8686 mshyden@gmail.com

CANA COMPANIONS

Goals/Purpose: To provide engaged couples who are to be married at St. Bernadette Parish with a guide who serves as a liaison with the priest/deacon as their wedding date approaches.
Responsibilities: Contacting and communicating with couples who will be married at St. Bernadette. Facilitating wedding rehearsals and ceremonies in the church.
Helpful Attributes: Friendliness, a desire to help couples make their special day well-planned and stress-free.
Time Commitment: Being available for any questions the couple may have. Being present at their wedding rehearsal and ceremony.
Training Required: Minimal
Fingerprinting Required: No
Coordinator: Linda Riccio 772-285-4745 lcruce@bellsouth.net

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Goals/Purpose: Provides a safe place for those who have lost a loved one to mourn emotionally, physically, and spiritually. The group endeavors to help those who are grieving realize they are not alone and to provide a faith-based environment of hope.

Responsibilities: The ministry head develops a list of invitees. A facilitator for each of the two groups (spring and fall) prepares letters of invitation and becomes the contact person for those attending the group. Two facilitators lead each group through the seven sessions.

Helpful Attributes: Compassion and concern for others, good listening skills, a strong desire to help others during a very difficult time in their lives due to the loss of a loved one.

Time Commitment: Lead one of the groups (spring or fall) once a week for seven consecutive weeks; time to prepare letters of invitation and gather responses for those facilitators taking on that responsibility.

Training Required: Parish training provided by facilitators who have been diocese trained.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Diane Jones 772-344-1771 suraut@aol.com

COLUMBIETTES COUNCIL #13042

Goals and Purpose: A Catholic women's organization (single or married) that promotes spiritual, social, intellectual and economic welfare to its members. The Columbiettes assist and support the Knights of Columbus, St. Bernadette Church and the community.

Responsibilities: To share time, talent and treasures as good stewards by assisting and participating in projects.

Helpful Attributes: Have a willingness to be a member of a group and share time, talents and treasures.

Time Commitment: Varies with commitment. General meeting once a month.

Training Required: None

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Joanne Banville 772-340-3311 jbanville@hotmail.com

COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (CCW)

Goals/Purpose: To support, empower and educate all Catholic women in Spirituality, Leadership and Service. The St. Bernadette CCW is an affiliate of the National Council of Catholic Women, the Florida CCW and the Palm Beach Diocese CCW.

Responsibilities:

Spirituality: To create a community of women who are rooted in our religious beliefs by worshipping together and practicing devotion to our Blessed Mother.

Service: To address and faithfully answer the needs of people in our parish family, our community and our world through specific action.

Leadership: To develop and offer support to our members through workshops and education which create stronger Council structure.

Legislative Advocacy: To be credible in our expression of common beliefs concerning human rights and social justice in issues relating to Gospel values.

Helpful Attributes: A commitment to making stewardship a way of life for Catholic women.

Time Commitment: Monthly

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Jevene Caracello 772-408-3152 jevenecaracello@gmail.com

DIVORCED & SEPARATED

Goals/Purpose: To help support our brothers and sisters as they journey through the life changes caused by separation and divorce by meeting and sharing with others who are also hurting in this way. To enable our Church and St. Bernadette Parish to be actively involved in the lives of those facing the associated difficulties and problems of separation and divorce.

Time Commitments: We meet Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 PM.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Alice Pachon 201-981-7993 aspachon@aol.com

FUNERAL PLANNING MINISTRY

Goals/Purpose: To assist bereaved family members plan a funeral Mass for their loved one. To greet and guide them on the day of the liturgy.

Helpful Attributes: People are vulnerable during times of grief, so patience and compassion are vital to this ministry. An ability to organize is also essential.

Time Commitment: Varies with commitment.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Cathy Lavin cathy-lavin2@msn.com 772-345-7592

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13042

Goals/Purpose: We are a council of Catholic men who are dedicated to the basic principles of our Order: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. These principles are the foundation upon which all of our projects are based. We strive to be good stewards for our church and community.

Responsibilities: Be an active member by participating in the planning or execution of projects. Our projects include one or more of the following objectives: spiritual, social, service or fundraising for charities. Attend the monthly Council meeting on the fourth Thursday of every month.

Helpful Attributes: A Catholic man, who is a registered parishioner of St. Bernadette, having a desire to participate with brother knights in projects to benefit those in need.

Time Commitment: Varies with commitment.

Training Required: None

Fingerprinting Required: No

Grand Knight: Jeffrey Kohuth 772-812-3003 jeffreykohuth@yahoo.com

MARTHA'S HANDS

Goals/Purpose: To offer light refreshments after funeral Masses.

Responsibilities: Set up and supply light hospitality; clean up afterward.

Helpful Attributes: Like to cook a special dessert or two to share with others.

Time Commitment: Occasionally, for 2-3 hours.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Kathleen Kearney 845-596-1167 scanlan108@aol.com

PRISON MINISTRY

Goals/Purpose: Bringing the word of God and the Sacraments of the Catholic Church to men, women and juveniles who are incarcerated. This is a diocesan-wide ministry.

Responsibilities: Priests hear confession and celebrate Mass. Deacons and lay ministers assist at Mass, bring the Eucharist to inmates when authorized to do so, Communion Services and prayer meetings, facilitate Bible discussion sessions and provide spiritual guidance.

Helpful Attributes: To love God and to be willing to share His love with others.

Time Commitment: Visit institutions about twice a month for one or two hours.

Training Required: Diocesan training provided.

Fingerprinting Required: Yes

Coordinator: Deacon Gregory Quinn gquinn@ccdpb.org

PROJECT MOTHER TERESA

Goals/Purpose: Helping to feed the hungry by providing non-perishable food collected at all Masses on the last weekend of each month.

Responsibilities: To help collect the food brought in before Mass. Be at Mass approximately a half hour prior to the beginning of Mass. Help is also needed the following Monday to load the trucks that are receiving the food.

Helpful Attributes: An interest and willingness to help feed the hungry.

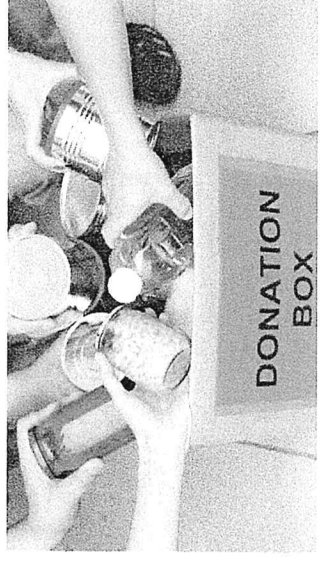
Time Commitment: Less than one hour per month a few times per year.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator 1: Veronica Lacoparra 772-871-6405 grandmaronny9@yahoo.com

Coordinator 2: Kathy Cole 772-206-6683 kathycole63@yahoo.com

Coordinator 3: Maggie O'Keefe 845-797-7547 damag1216@aol.com



RESPECT LIFE

Goals/Purpose: To educate parishioners on the true facts about pro-life issues of abortion, euthanasia, embryonic stem cell research and the death penalty.

Invite parishioners to action by prayer and participation in community pro-life activities and by supporting local pro-life organizations.

Responsibilities: Members will join together in prayer, keep abreast of pro-life issues and legislation, and provide opportunities for parishioners to actively promote the culture of life.

Helpful Attributes: An awareness of all life as being a gift from God.

Time Commitment: Monthly meetings.

Training Required: None

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator: Sue Campbell 772-489-5419 chucksuecampbell@comcast.net

ROSARY MAKERS

Goals/Purpose: To make rosaries which will be sent to Catholic missions throughout the world. We will also use these rosaries at St Bernadette for our children and as gifts for newly baptized and weddings.

Responsibilities: Training and materials will be provided, members of the Rosary Makers Ministry will be able to make rosaries at home.

Helpful Attributes: A willingness to turn your time into gifts of love and hope for others.

Time Commitment: Weekly on Mondays 1:00 to 3:00 PM.

Training Required: Provided by ministry coordinators.

Fingerprinting Required: No

Coordinator 1: Cathy Aiello 732-600-4294

Coordinator 2: Bonnie Beverly 252-402-0796 BLBeverlyRN@aol.com

PARISH NURSE MINISTRY

Goals/Purpose: To integrate our life in faith with the practice of nursing so that parishioners can achieve health, healing and wholeness of mind, body and spirit to strengthen our faith community. The Parish Nurse will provide health and wellness programs for families and advocate for those in need.

Responsibilities: The Parish Nurse is an active Florida licensed professional registered nurse practicing under the scope of the Florida Nurse practice act and follows all rules and regulations established by the Diocese of Palm Beach. The Parish nurse's primary responsibility is to care for our parishioners. This is achieved by providing health and wellness education, advocacy, assessment and referral to community-based agencies and encouraging a gearing relationship with God. The ministry is also actively engaged with other church ministries to achieve these goals.

Helpful Attributes: The ability of be kind and compassionate, can listen and be empathic, likes to help others and is attentive to parish needs. The parish nurse has knowledge of local community resources in order to refer parishioners in need of services as appropriate.

Time Commitment: Varies with educational programs and activities as scheduled. The ministry meets monthly for one hour for planning and reporting.

Training Requirements: Must be an active licensed RN in good standing with the State of Florida with CEU compliance and maintain BLS CPR and AED training. Malpractice insurance is required. AHCA level III screening required.

Fingerprinting Required: Yes. Protecting Gods Children training course required.

Coordinator: Carol Lindner RN BSN CEN carollindnet@bellsouth.net 772-370-4066

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Goals/Purpose: An international Roman Catholic voluntary organization dedicated to the service of those in need.

Responsibilities: St. Bernadette St. Vincent de Paul ministry consists of Catholic stewards who dedicate their time, energy and experience to help manage a crisis by providing one-time help. Good stewards are trained to handle cases by assessing the situation and determining the appropriate type and level of assistance.

Helpful Attributes: A keen awareness and understanding of the many and varied problems individuals and families encounter.

Time Commitment: SVDP meetings are scheduled on the last Monday of the month. SVDP teams usually serve for one week per month by answering hotline calls and visiting with clients.

Training Required: Parish training is provided.

Fingerprinting Required: Yes

Coordinator: Bonnie Schulaner 772-708-4019 bonnieleeford@yahoo.com

VOICES FOR GOD'S CHILDREN (Guardian Ad Litem)

Goals/Purpose: To encourage members of our St. Bernadette parish family to consider becoming an advocate for children through the Florida *Guardian ad Litem* program. This program is a partnership of community advocates and professional staff providing a powerful voice on behalf of Florida's abused, neglected or otherwise at-risk children. A *guardian ad litem* is a steward appointed by the court to protect the rights of and advocate for the best interests of a child involved in a court proceeding. Additional background on the goals and purpose of the program can be obtained at www.guardianadlitem.org.