

The Parishes of
Saint Mary in Bremen &
Saint Bernadette in Lancaster



He Was Lifted Up

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

- From today's First Reading, Acts 1:1-11

The Ascension of the Lord

May 24, 2020

St. Bernadette Parish

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St. Mary Parish

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Cover Picture: **The Ascension**
Mosaic (19th century) in Ascension Chapel

In the Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary, Lourdes, France

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The St. Bernadette Parish Office is in the Mary Good Center, across the back parking lot from the school. Hours: 9 AM-1 PM, Monday through Friday.

St. Bernadette School is located at 1325 Wheeling Road, Lancaster, OH 43130-8701

The Parish Website is www.stbernadetteparish.net

Flocknote: text STBERN or STMARY to 97000 to be added to our news, updates, and reminders.

Sacramental Life

Baptism

To have a child baptized, parents must register and attend a class as a couple. Try to attend before your child is born. At least one parent and godparent must be practicing Catholics. Please call or email the church office for information or to register.

Confession

The priest is available for Penance at St. Bernadette on Saturdays at 8:30 AM and 3:00 PM, and on Thursdays at 5:30 PM. Confessions are offered Sundays at St. Mary Bremen at 8:00 AM. Every Catholic priest is available whenever needed.

Anointing and Care of the Sick

The priest gives the Anointing of the Sick to one who is dangerously ill, facing major surgery, or suffering from the ravages of old age. Call the parish office to inform us if a loved one is in need of pastoral care in sickness, particularly with an extended absence from attending Mass.

Holy Matrimony

Couples wishing to marry should contact the parish office six months before a wedding. Why so long? Because this Sacrament, not just the ceremony, requires serious preparation. And the Church needs to be involved in that preparation. The Church needs to support couples through the years of married life and offers programs to enhance married life. To learn about these programs, watch the bulletin.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration takes place each Wednesday at St. Bernadette with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 9:00 AM and Benediction and Reposition at 2:00 PM. Exposition also takes place each Thursday at St. Bernadette from 7:00 PM until MIDNIGHT. On the first Thursday of the month we offer a Eucharistic Holy Hour at St. Mary in Bremen after the morning Mass. All are welcome to come as you are able, or stop in for prayer anytime.

Collar Corner

Are you wondering what next week will look like when we can celebrate the Mass publicly again? Same here! The fact is we will have to be patient and flexible, but above all very grateful to God to be back. We will obviously follow all the government and diocesan regulations and apply them reasonably to our local parish level. Almost all extra-liturgical programming will be on break for the summer (as is usual anyway) and the offices will only take private appointments. Remember: if you are sick or at risk, please make use of the continuing dispensation and stay home. For some other practical considerations: 1. Masks are encouraged, but not required. 2. Make minimal contact with all surfaces. 3. Space seating in family groups. 4. Maintain distancing in Communion lines. 5. No extra liturgical roles. 6. Reduced congregational singing. 7. Silence after Mass, no gathering inside. 8. Homebound Communion calls please go through the office. 9. Confessions anonymously only in the confessional.

Mass and Adoration begin again this Wednesday, with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 2:00 PM. For the time being, Morning Prayer will be discontinued as the usual participants are almost all in various risk groups. Thursday night will be a special Solemn High Latin Mass with the Principal Organist at St. Joseph Cathedral, Nicole Simental, providing the organ music and Gregorian Chant. Adoration will follow.

A gentle reminder: we have been faithful to paying our employees and bills. As you are able, please continue your pattern of generosity so that this crisis does not have a long-term effect on our operations. We are extremely appreciative!

As the children finish up school and have a modified closing to the year, we are certainly close to them in prayer. We are in awe of both teachers and parents who help us to continue the learning process remotely during this time, despite many significant challenges. May God bless you all for your hard work!

Finally, Memorial Day blessings to our great nation, especially on those who serve or have served in the armed forces. Everyone is grateful for your sacrifices!

In Our Lord and Our Lady,
Father Tomson

Daily Mass & Podcast

EWTN broadcasts Mass on radio and television every day, as does Word on Fire with Bishop Robert Barron. CREDATIS is available on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, and all the major platforms. It offers a varying series of short spiritual reflections.

Hear the Word of the Lord

May 24, The Ascension of the Lord	Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 47 Ephesians 1:17-23	Matt 28:16-20
May 25, Monday <i>St. Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doctor of the Church; St. Gregory VII, Pope; St. Mary Magda- lene de' Pazzi, Virgin</i>	Acts 19:1-8 Psalm 68	John 16:29-33
May 26, Tuesday <i>St. Philip Neri, Priest</i>	Acts 20:17-27 Psalm 68	John 17:1-11
May 27, Wednesday <i>St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop</i>	Acts 20:28-38 Psalm 68	John 17:11-19
May 28, Thursday	Acts 22:30-23:11 Psalm 16	John 17:20-26
May 29, Friday	Acts 25:13-21 Psalm 103	John 21:15-19
May 30, Saturday	Acts 28:16-31 Psalm 11	John 21:20-25
May 30, Saturday Latin Mass Vigil of Pentecost	Acts 19:1-8 Psalm 106	John 14:15-21
May 31, Pentecost Sunday	Acts 2:1-11 Psalm 104 1 Corinth 12:3-13	John 20:19-23

Intentions at Mass

Sunday, May 24		<i>Private Mass</i>	For the People of Both Parishes
Monday, May 25		<i>Private Mass</i>	Sharron Rider
Tuesday, May 26		<i>Private Mass</i>	Celebrant's Intention
Wednesday, May 27	8:20 AM	St. Bernadette	Ray Bolster
Thursday, May 28	8:20 AM	Bremen St. Mary	Louis Niemann
Thursday, May 28	6 PM	St. Bernadette	In Thanksgiving for my Vocation
Friday, May 29	8:20 AM	St. Bernadette	For Jolene Mestervic
Saturday, May 30	9 AM	St. Bernadette	Celebrant's Intention
Saturday, May 30	4 PM	St. Bernadette	James Mahon IV
Sunday, May 30	8:30 AM	Bremen St. Mary	Rita Kelley
Sunday, May 31	10 AM	St. Bernadette	For the People of Both Parishes

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