

# WELCOME

Greetings in the Lord!

I write this greeting on the occasion of my 25th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood (August 7, 1993). As I reflect on this milestone in my own journey, I realize I am blessed to pastor our Saint Bernadette family. We are a Catholic community of believers striving to intentionally deepen our personal relationship with Jesus Christ through our common mission to bring God's Kingdom into our little neck of the woods. As the late theologian, Fr. Henri Nouwen, once wrote, "Community is first of all a quality of the heart. It grows from the spiritual knowledge that we are alive not for ourselves but for one another." We of Saint Bernadette are alive for one another!

I invite you to become a part of our mission, our family, and an instrument of God's will. Our promise to you is that we will always strive to help you be your best self even as your presence among us enriches our walk with the Lord. Together our care of one another will bring glory to God.

Peace,  
Fr. Jeff Nicolas, Pastor

## Treasure

Making a Consistent Gift to the Offertory

In prayerful Thanksgiving for the many blessings received from God, I/We intend to return to God, through the parish community, a proportionate financial gift.

### MY OFFERTORY PLEDGE TO SAINT BERNADETTE

Note that your financial commitment is kept private

\$  weekly monthly  
quarterly annually

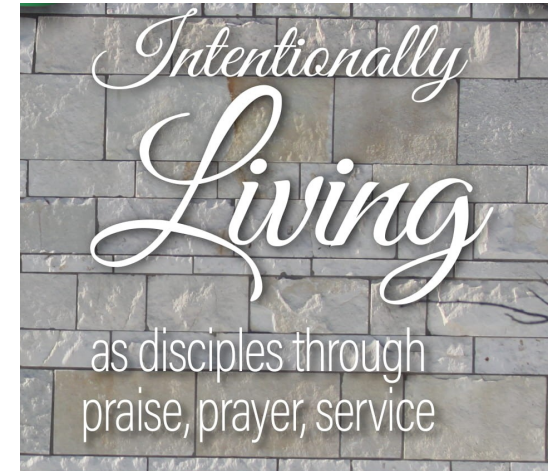
- I will use the Online WeShare Program. <https://stb2008.weshareonline.org>
- I will utilize the Envelope System.
- I will also make contributions to second collections, various parish activities, in-kind gifts, and/or other charities.



**NEW USERS:** To enroll in Online Giving, visit <https://stb2008.weshareonline.org>. Follow the steps to create an account using your checking or savings account or credit card.

**CURRENT USERS:** Update any address, phone, banking, or contribution amounts by logging into your account.

**QUESTIONS?** Call Tina @ 815-3102 or email [tinal@stb2008.org](mailto:tinal@stb2008.org).



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First and Last Name      One card per family)

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Street Address

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Primary Email for Parish News

I have children currently enrolled at St. Mary Academy

**PLEASE BRING YOUR COMPLETED COMMITMENT CARD TO MASS ON NOVEMBER 11/12 OR DROP OFF AT THE PARISH OFFICE.**

# Time

## Spending Time With God in Prayer

Prayer is the beginning of stewardship. Only when we spend time with God in prayer are we spiritually prepared to offer ourselves in service to others.

- ◆ Attend Mass every Sunday.
- ◆ Spend time in personal prayer daily.
- ◆ Pray together with my loved ones.
- ◆ Read the Bible for one hour a week.
- ◆ Pray the Rosary at least weekly.
- ◆ Spend time in prayer at Adoration.
- ◆ Go to confession every other month.

# Talent

## Using My Talents in Parish Ministries

Please read about the ministries listed below in our parish Stewardship Directory. When you sign up for a new ministry, the leader will call to explain how to get involved.

### WORSHIP

- \_\_\_\_\_ Adoration
- \_\_\_\_\_ Centering Prayer
- \_\_\_\_\_ Welcome Ministry
- \_\_\_\_\_ Usher
- \_\_\_\_\_ Altar Server
- \_\_\_\_\_ Lector
- \_\_\_\_\_ Communion Minister
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sacristan
- \_\_\_\_\_ Linen Care
- \_\_\_\_\_ Funeral Ministry

- \_\_\_\_\_ Spiritual Bouquets
- \_\_\_\_\_ Art & Environment
- \_\_\_\_\_ Worship Office Help
- \_\_\_\_\_ Worship Committee
- \_\_\_\_\_ Music—Instrumentalist
- \_\_\_\_\_ Music—Sunday Choir
- \_\_\_\_\_ Music—Saturday Choir
- \_\_\_\_\_ Music Men's Choir
- \_\_\_\_\_ Music Preparation Committee

### FELLOWSHIP

- \_\_\_\_\_ Coffee Ministry
- \_\_\_\_\_ Annual Fall Dinner
- \_\_\_\_\_ Knights of Columbus
- \_\_\_\_\_ Supper Club
- \_\_\_\_\_ Women's Book Club
- \_\_\_\_\_ Young at Heart (Senior Ministry)

### ADULT FORMATION

- \_\_\_\_\_ Adult Bible Background (ABB)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Faith Sharing/Bible Study
- \_\_\_\_\_ G.I.F.T. for Parents
- \_\_\_\_\_ Men's Leadership Bootcamp
- \_\_\_\_\_ Men's Ministry
- \_\_\_\_\_ Men's Scripture Study
- \_\_\_\_\_ Women's Ministry
- \_\_\_\_\_ Baptism Mentoring Couple
- \_\_\_\_\_ RCIA Team Member
- \_\_\_\_\_ Adult Formation/Retreat Team

### CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

- \_\_\_\_\_ Children's Liturgy (CLW)
- \_\_\_\_\_ G.I.F.T. for Children
- \_\_\_\_\_ Vacation Bible School (VBS)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Youth Ministry
- \_\_\_\_\_ Jr. High Youth Ministry
- \_\_\_\_\_ Scouting
- \_\_\_\_\_ Saint Mary Academy

### NEIGHBOR CARE—OUTREACH

- \_\_\_\_\_ Saint Vincent de Paul
- \_\_\_\_\_ Parish Twinning (Haiti)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Respect Life Committee
- \_\_\_\_\_ Eastern Area Community Min.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Jamestown Clothing Drive
- \_\_\_\_\_ Red Cross Blood Drive
- \_\_\_\_\_ Hunger Walk
- \_\_\_\_\_ St. John Center Collection
- \_\_\_\_\_ Diaper Bank
- \_\_\_\_\_ Youth for Food
- \_\_\_\_\_ Giving Tree
- \_\_\_\_\_ Habitat for Humanity

### NEIGHBOR CARE—PASTORAL CARE

- \_\_\_\_\_ Homebound Communion
- \_\_\_\_\_ Bereavement Committee
- \_\_\_\_\_ Intentional Caring Ministry
- \_\_\_\_\_ New Parent Meal Ministry
- \_\_\_\_\_ Angel Program
- \_\_\_\_\_ DivorceCare Ministry

### OPERATIONS

- \_\_\_\_\_ Receptionist Ministry
- \_\_\_\_\_ New Member Minister
- \_\_\_\_\_ Parish Recorder
- \_\_\_\_\_ God's Housekeepers
- \_\_\_\_\_ General Maintenance

### COMMUNICATIONS

- \_\_\_\_\_ Information Technology
- \_\_\_\_\_ Marketing

**FOR A FULL DESCRIPTION OF EACH  
MINISTRY REFER TO THE  
STEWARDSHIP BOOKLET OR THE  
PARISH WEBSITE.  
WWW.STB2008.ORG**