



OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday, 9:00 am-5:00 pm

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil, 5:00 pm 8:30 am, 11:15 am, & 5:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday-Saturday, 8:30 am Wednesdays, 6:00 pm Main Church

ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday-Friday, 9:00 am-8:00 pm Good Shepherd Chapel

THE HOLY ROSARY

Prayed thirty minutes before all daily and weekend Masses except the 5:00 pm Sunday

HELPFUL INFORMATION

HEARING ASSISTANCE for MASS



If you or a loved one need hearing assistance for Mass, please visit the Welcome Center for an instructional card to help you connect to the sound system.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays from 3:30-4:45 pm, thirty minutes before each Sunday Mass, or by appointment.

WEDDINGS

Six months' notice is required. Additional information is available on the parish website.

NEWCOMERS

To register as a parishioner, please complete the form on our website under "I'm New" or pick up a registration form & other information at the Welcome Center in the Commons.

SPECIAL REQUESTS

Please inform the Parish Office if you have a family member in the hospital or homebound.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you or a loved one are seriously ill, please contact Fr. Jack or Fr. Shane as soon as possible for the Anointing of the Sick.

CHANGES

If you are moving or changing contact information, please notify the Parish Office.

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Monday: St. John of Kanty 8:30 am, +Evelyn Teresa Bishop Tuesday: Christmas Eve All Masses are for the People

Wednesday: The Nativity of the Lord

All Masses are for the People **Thursday: St. Stephen**

8:30 am, +Thomas Allen by Tom McGeehan

Friday: St. John the Apostle

8:30 am, +Lori Annette Proop by Elizabeth Miller

Saturday: The Holy Innocents

8:30 am, +Margaret Cipolla by M/M Charlie Mentesana & Louie

5:00 pm, +Fred Skillman by Cathy Meussner

Sunday: The Holy Family

8:30 am, +Fr. Eichhoff & Dcn. John Donnelly

5:00 pm, +Evelyn Bishop

To request a Mass, please call the Parish Office at (918) 299-9406.

What's Happening

DECEMBER

23—Christmas Pageant Practice

23—Children's Christmas Choir Final Practice

24—Children's Christmas Pageant

24/25—Second Collection for Retired Priests

24—Parish Office Closes for Christmas

JANUARY

6—Parish Office Opens

6—"Healing the Whole Person" Begins

7—Seekers of Truth Resumes

7—"The Father's House" Study Begins

7—Preschool Resumes

9—Thursday Morning Bible Study Resumes

12—Children's & Youth Faith Form, Resumes



Online Giving

Thank you for your generous support of our parish!

Christmas Schedule

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord [Christmas] (Holy Day of Obligation)

Tuesday, December 24th

3:30 pm Children's Christmas Pageant

*childcare available

4:00 pm Christmas Vigil Mass

*childcare available

7:00 pm Christmas Vigil Mass

*NO incense at this Mass 10:00 pm Christmas Vigil Mass

Wednesday, December 25th

10:00 am Christmas Day Mass

(N.B. No Masses at 8:30 am, 11:15 am, or

5:00 pm)

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)

Tuesday, December 31st

6:00 pm Vigil Mass for the Solemnity

Wednesday, January 1st

8:30 am Mass for the Solemnity

(N.B. No Mass at 6:00 pm)

Confession Schedule

Saturdays, 3:30-5:00 pm Sundays, 8:00-8:30 am, 10:30-11:15 am,

4:30-5:00 pm

Two priests are available for Confession this weekend on Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. The additional priest will be in the Marian Chapel but will be the celebrant at Mass, so he will leave 5 minutes before the Mass begins; the priest in the confessional will continue hearing confessions.

The Parish Office is closed Dec. 24th through Jan. 3rd; there is no Adoration in the Good Shepherd Chapel during this time. Children's and Youth Faith Formation is on break Dec. 22nd through Jan. 5th.

Communications



Scan the QR to connect with us on social media! St. Bernard's is on Facebook, Instagram, and X (Twitter).

Children's Faith Formation

Sharon Lechtenberg, Director

CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT

Thank you to all of our participants in the annual St. Bernard's Christmas Eve Pageant! Thank you to the children who portrayed the characters, the children's choir, the adults who helped everyone, Roni Probst who was our baby Jesus, and to Father Shane for reading our precious story.

<u>Sunday, Dec. 22nd & 29th, Jan. 5th</u> Children's Faith Formation does not meet but resumes Sunday, Jan. 12th.

Youth Faith Formation

Mary Poston, Director

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

Enjoy Christmas break! We are not having any Youth Faith Formation until Jan. 12th. Then we will resume our normal schedules!

Confirmation students need to have their sponsor's information turned into Mary. If you have any questions, please contact her via email.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Youth will not be meeting on Wednesdays for these joyous days! We resume January 8th!

Preschool

Tara Sudler, Director

Preschool is closed for Christmas Break and resumes on Tuesday, Jan. 7th.

If you want to learn more about our Preschool, contact Tara at (918) 299-9432 or tsudler@stbernardstulsa.org.

Faith & Family

Deacon Tim Sullivan

THE BIGNESS OF JESUS

Sometimes it's hard to wrap our minds around the identity of Jesus. We're getting ready to celebrate His birth as an infant, and just a few weeks ago we were celebrating the Solemnity of Jesus as King of the Universe.

It seems so much easier to warm up to the infant Jesus born in a manger. His innocence, simplicity and helplessness are so endearing.

On the other hand, we have the description of Jesus from the Letter to the Colossians. There, we read that "In Jesus were created all things in heaven and on earth...all things were created through him and for him...that in all things he himself might be preeminent."

In the Gospel of John, we're told that Jesus, the Word, "was in the beginning with God...All things came to be through him, and without him nothing came to be...What came to be through him was life, and this life was the light of the human race."

From the Book of Revelation, we learn that the Word will lead the armies of heaven, bringing down "the fury and wrath of God the almighty."

So, we are comforted by the gentleness of the baby Jesus, who even as an adult was loving, forgiving and kind. Yet, this same Jesus can be fearsome and all-powerful.

"And no one can say 'Jesus is Lord,' except by the Holy Spirit." 1 Corinthians 12:3

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We always need more Eucharistic adorers! Please contact the Parish Office at (918) 299-9406 if you are able to take an hour.

Thursdays 4:00-5:00 pm

Fridays 3:00-4:00 pm 4:00-5:00 pm

Mass Assignments

Hannah Schilling, Director

WEEKEND OF DEC. 28/29, 2024

Saturday - 5:00 pm

<u>Servers</u>: Jared Robak, *1 Server Needed*<u>Readers</u>: Margaret Hingey, Ellen Barton
<u>EMHCs</u>: Luke Bland, Lonnie Iannazzo
<u>Ushers</u>: Bob Potwora, George Layman, Ed
Yob, Randall Young, Phil Doerpinghaus

Sunday — 8:30 am

<u>Servers</u>: Isabel Engelbrecht, Emma Hansen <u>Readers</u>: Charles Harrison, Linda Clancy <u>EMHCs</u>: Luke Bland, Bonnie Niebergall <u>Ushers</u>: Ed Dill, Diane Bechtel, Mary Ellen & Terry Gordon, Annie Jones

Sunday - 11:15 am

<u>Servers</u>: Piper Wilson, Jett Wilson <u>Readers</u>: Mary Poston, Becky Brambl <u>EMHCs</u>: John Grace, Lisa Williams <u>Ushers</u>: Manuel Matos, Hari Rama, Michel

Shahwan, Julian Urrea, Gina Wilson

Sunday — 5:00 pm

Servers: Brad Walker, 1 Server Needed Readers: Louanne Smith, 1 Reader Needed

EMHCs: 2 EMHCs Needed

Ushers: Rene & Valerie Knapp, Nila

Bennett, 1 Ushers Needed

Thank you all for serving our parish family!

Parish Life

Hannah Schilling, Director

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE & DONUTS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

As the new semester of Youth Faith Formation kicks off, we need more volunteers to serve at our Sunday morning receptions between the 8:30 am and 11:15 am Masses. These receptions are only possible with the help of volunteers.

Would you consider signing up to serve one weekend this Spring? The time commitment is relatively low (9:00-10:30 am on Sunday morning), and it is always a lot of fun! If you have any questions or want more information, please email Hannah Schilling directly at: parishlife@stbernardstulsa.org.

CHRISTMAS GREETERS NEEDED

We are looking for smiling, kind faces to help welcome folks to the Christmas Eve/
Christmas Day Masses. The time commitment is minimal, but the impact is great! This is a fun opportunity for all ages. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Hannah at parishlife@stbernardstulsa.org.

Adult Faith Formation, Marriage, & Family Life

Dr. Christine Miller, Director sbtulsa.flocknote.com/Update

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Seekers of Truth: On break until Jan. 7. Meets Tuesdays, 6:30–8:30 pm in room F-4. On Jan. 7th, the group will begin with a talk on the Rosary by Fr. Don Calloway, and then watch Season 4 of *The Chosen*. Contact Sandra at 918-230-4779.

Thursday Morning Bible Study:

Thursdays, 9:30-11:30 am. Currently on break; resumes January 9th with a study of *The Psalms*. For information contact Sharon at slechtenberg@stbernardstulsa.org.

Sunday Readings Bible Study

Sundays, 9:45 am, room G-8.

The Father's House

Join Christine Miller for presentations and discussions based upon an easy-to-read book by Fr. James Brent, OP. We'll learn how the Most Blessed Trinity answers the deepest questions and longings of the human heart and grow in a personal relationship with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Tuesdays, 9:30-11:00 am, Jan. 7th-Feb. 25th. The class is also available on Family-Friendly Wednesdays with childcare, 6:30-8:00 pm. All adults may attend on Wednesdays. Children in childcare will receive a faith lesson related to the book each week. Sign up online by Dec. 20th to order your book through Christine. More copies will be available through Catholic Book and Gift in Tulsa. Details available at sbtulsa.flocknote.com/signup/138928. Ouestions? Trouble with Flocknote? Email aff@stbernardstulsa.org.

Healing the Whole Person

Grow in freedom and peace through a journey of inner healing guided by the exceptional presentations of Catholic psychologist Dr. Bob Schuchts and Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT. The evening includes a high-quality video presentation, prayer, and confidential small-group discussion. This class is for anyone who would like to heal from inner hurts (whether small or large), fear, anxiety, the struggle to forgive, etc. while growing spiritually in your relationship with Jesus. Mondays, Jan. 6th-March 24th, 6:00-8:00 pm. The course costs \$35. Details and sign-up at *sbtulsa.flocknote.com/signup/192704*. Questions? Contact Christine!

MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

Deeper in Grace for Parents (DIG)

Parents of Children's & Youth Faith Formation students are invited to join Fr. Jack, Fr. Shane, and Christine Miller on Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:45 in room G-6. Come by! Childcare is available in the preschool for little ones. Christmas Break follows the Faith Formation Schedule. No classes Dec. 22nd-Jan. 5th. We resume in the new year on Jan. 12th.

Moms Ministry

Meet other moms with school-aged children! We meet on Fridays, 10:00 am-12:00 pm in room G-8. Childcare is available for preschool-aged children each week and for older kids on distance learning days. We will try to accommodate homeschooling families as well. More information and sign up at sbtulsa.flocknote.com/signup/192703. Contact Christine with questions!

Family-Friendly Wednesdays— The Father's House

Beginning Jan. 8th, grow in your relationship with the Most Blessed Trinity and cultivate it in your children. See the entry in Adult Faith Formation for more details!

CHILDCARE MINISTRY

Childcare is available for the weekend Masses, Family-Friendly Wednesdays, Moms' Ministry, and more! We welcome children on a first-come, first-served basis until we reach capacity. Certain events require advanced registration. Questions? Contact Meghan Cancinos at childcare@stbernardstulsa.org.

Around Our Parish

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

From all of the staff of St. Bernard's, we wish you and your loved ones a holy, joyful, healthy, and peaceful Christmas day, Christmas season, and New Year!

THANK YOU FROM THE KNIGHTS!

The Knights of Columbus extend a warm and sincere "Thank you!" to our parishioners for their support over the last month. The parish donated 400 coats for the Coat Drive and bought all 100 boxes of cards again this year! Thank you!

PRIEST RETIREMENT COLLECTION

Our parish will take up a second collection for the Priest Retirement Fund at all Christmas Masses. Your generosity will help the diocese immensely as it strives for a strong financial position to support our retired priests now and into the future. Thank you!

Around Our Diocese

YEAR OF HOPE PROCESSION



The Diocese of Tulsa and Eastern Oklahoma invites all parishes and schools to attend the Opening Procession and Mass for the 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope next Sunday, December 29th

at 2:00 pm at Holy Family Cathedral. For more information about the Jubilee Year of Hope, the procession and more, scan the QR code!

SERRA CLUB

Join other Catholics from across our diocese in the Serra Club to pray for and support vocations! The Serra Club meets at the Church of the Madalene at 12:00 pm on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month, January through October. For more information, our parish contact is Annie Jones; please contact her with any questions at 918-740-2685 or tulsacubfan55@gmail.com.



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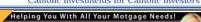
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