



St. Bernadette Catholic Church

Bayou Vista

June 15, 2025

Decode the Holy Trinity

Use the key below to decode each word

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God our Father, who by sending into the world the Word of truth and the Spirit of sanctification made known to the human race and Your wondrous mystery, grant us, we pray, that in professing the true faith, we may acknowledge the Trinity of eternal glory and adore Your Unity, powerful in majesty. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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WHO ARE WE?
Hope Gathering is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit Christian organization that desires to come alongside hurting widows bringing hope, comfort, community, and purpose.

hopegathering.org

HOW DO WE DO THIS?

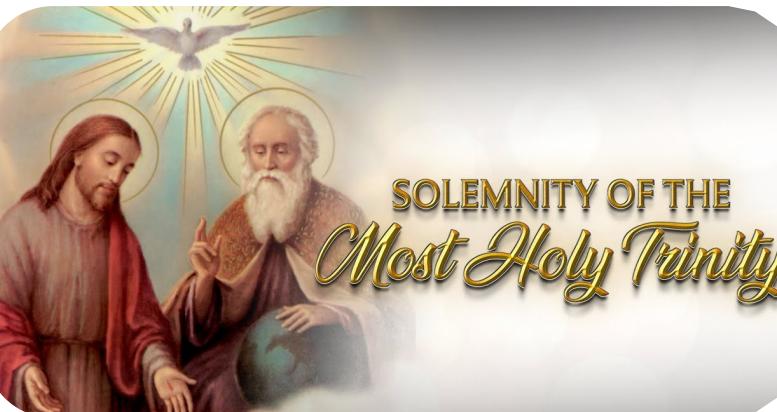
LOCAL HOPE GATHERING COMMUNITIES
Through monthly Hope Groups we see God bring healing and transformation to the lives of women across the country. Our goal is to help each woman find hope and healing in Christ-centered communities, discover her purpose and walk with expectation into the next season God has for her. No widow should have to travel this journey alone.

HOPE BOXES
Hope boxes are tangible reminders that someone cares and that there is HOPE. Each box is lovingly assembled by women in our Hope Gathering communities.

SPECIAL EVENTS
WEEKEND OF HOPE
An annual retreat where seeds of HOPE are sown.
LUNCHEONS OF HOPE
Annual celebrations of the work the Lord is doing to bring Hope and healing to widows

* Contact Sybil Lasseigne for more information. 985-518-7772

Office Hours:	Physical Address:	Contact Us:
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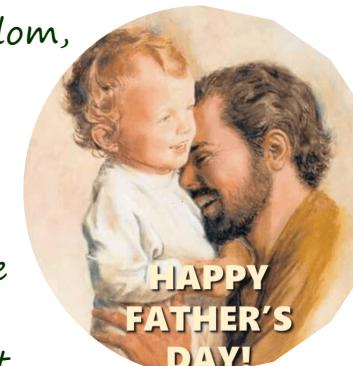


**SOLEMNITY OF THE
Most Holy Trinity**

Happy Father's Day

Gracious God, on this Father's Day we're especially thankful for the fathers and father figures in our lives. Hold them in your good care.

Give them patience, wisdom, and strength, that through them their families may experience your unconditional love. Bless that who long to be fathers and those for whom this day is difficult.

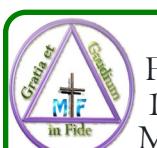


Amen.

My dear parishioners,

This weekend we have a mission appeal priest and during homily time, he might share with you about his mission stories. As the doctrine of Holy Trinity is important and the basis of Christianity, I like to share some basic teachings of the Church, which will certainly help you to deepen your faith. These teachings are on the third page.

Fr. Thainese Alphonse



Fr. Richard Dee Du is a priest of the Missionaries of Faith (MF). He will be at St. Bernadette Parish on June 14/15 weekend to appeal for the needs of the MF Missions in India, Myanmar, Samoa, the Philippines, and Vietnam, especially for the education, formation and maintenance of seminarians studying for the religious life and the priesthood.

Please welcome Fr. Richard with generosity in your heart. Every penny goes a long way in the missions. Thank You and God speed!

Pastor

Rev. Thainese Alphonse
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Parish Staff

Bookkeeper: Lois Bosworth
Mon. 8:30am - 3:30pm, Tues. & Thurs. 8:30am - 12pm

Secretary/DRE: Becky W. Meranta
Wed./Thurs. 8:30am - 3:30pm

Church & Rectory House Keeper: Melinda Frederick
Tues., Wed., Thurs., & Fri. 8:30am - 12pm

Sacraments

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 3:15 - 3:50pm;
Sundays and weekdays 20 minutes before Mass.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Contact the office to schedule a meeting with the pastor, at the parents' convenience, one month prior to the desired Baptism date. Baptisms are celebrated on Sunday after 10:30am Mass.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Couples wishing to get married should call the office at least six months prior to the anticipated date of the wedding to begin the marriage preparation.

Marriage annulment:

Contact the pastor for easy guidance.

Anointing the Sick:

Call during office hours to schedule an appointment.

Youth Faith Formation:

2025 - 2026 classes will begin in September.

All grades (Kindergarten - 8th) will be meeting from 5:45 - 7:00 pm on Wednesdays.

PLEASE REGISTER EARLY
(Registration forms are located in the vestibule.)

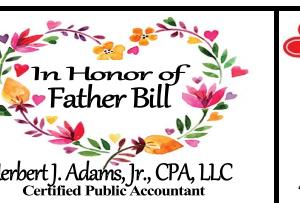
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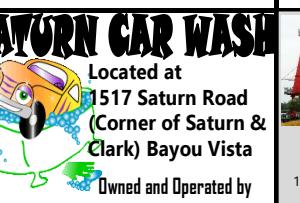
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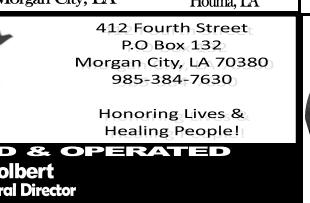
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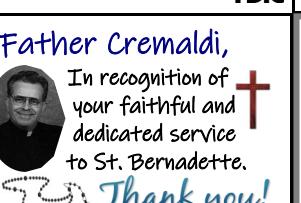
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Mass Intentions

**NO Masses on
Tuesday, Wednesday,
& Thursday
this week.**

Friday, June 20th 12:10 pm

†Danny Peterson
†John Ourso
†Souls in Purgatory
†Steubenville Youth
& Chaperones.



RAISING FOR THE ROOF As most of you know, our church roof is leaking. We applied for a matching grant from Catholic Extension in October 2024. While waiting for their response, we repaired the flat roof, which was leaking badly, in February 2025 for an amount of \$24,000. We were able to do that with money from our checking account and because of a generous donation of \$10,000 from an anonymous donor.

The estimate for the main roof of the church is \$60,000. The Parish Pastoral Council met on Monday, May 26, 2025. After discussing the project, it was decided that we must fix the roof immediately to avoid further damage. But where will we get the money?

Some happy news is that on June 9, 2025, the Catholic Extension notified us of a promise that they will give up to \$15,000 as a grant if we raise the same amount. The money must be raised within the next couple of months.

This is the economy of the project:

Stipulated amount with us:

CDLP savings in the diocese: \$ 12,000
Knights of Columbus: \$ 5,000
Ladies Altar society: \$ 2,000
Catholic Extension grant: \$ 15,000

Total \$ 34,000

The amount we must raise is \$26,000.

Please do your best in donating for this cause. If writing a check, please put "for church roof" in the memo.

Fr. Thainese Alphonse

**St. Bernadette Church Offerings
June 7 - 8, 2025**
Offering.....\$3,402.00
Thank you for your generosity!

Saturday, June 21st Anticipated Mass 4:00 pm

†NJ Hebert †Trey Smith †Jim Aloisio †Bonnie Collins
†Zip Deroche †Thomas Rivet, Jr †Thomas Rivet III
†Thomas Rivet IV †Clarence & Ella Walker
†Ray LaHoste, Jr †Raymond LaHoste, Sr.
†Peggy & Albert Hebert †Red & Yvonne Anne Adams
†Claire Torres Ingalls †Patricia & Donald Torres, Sr
†Holy Souls in Purgatory †Mary Bernard Blanchard
†Tracey Peterson & John Ourso Families.

Sunday, June 22nd

7:30 am

†Albert Solet †Luke Gulliot †Maria & Ruben Trevino
†Ruby & Roland Crappell.

10:30 am

†Rose Lipari †Ruth Wiggins †Terry Wiggins
†Carlo Streva, Sr. †Alice & Lester Waguespack
†Scholler & McGinnis Families - Living & Deceased
†Landry & Justilian Families - Living & Deceased
†Don Lasseigne Family.



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Liturgical Ministries

Date	Mass	Sacristan	Lector	Min. of Comm.	Altar Servers
Saturday June 21	4:00 pm	Julia Hepler	Larry Hotard	Julia Hepler	Luke
Sunday June 22	7:30 am	John Trevino	Francis Bergeron	—	
	10:30 am	Carlo Streva, Jr	Olivia Guillot	Katherine Sharp	Parker L. Elijah Connor

The Most Holy Trinity

The mystery of the most Holy Trinity is a basic doctrine of Faith in Christianity, understandable not with our heads but with our hearts. It teaches us that there are three distinct Persons in one God, sharing the same Divine Nature, co-equal and co-eternal. Our mind cannot grasp this doctrine which teaches that $1+1+1 = 1$ and not 3. But we believe in this mystery because Jesus, who is God, taught it clearly, the evangelists recorded it, the Fathers of the Church tried to explain it, and the Councils of Nicaea and Constantinople defined it as a dogma of Christian faith.

Biblical Basis

There are only vague and hidden references to the Trinity in the Old Testament. But the New Testament gives clear teachings on the Holy Trinity.

- 1) **At the Annunciation:** God the Father sent His angel to Mary, God the Holy Spirit came upon her, the power of the Most High overshadowed her, and God the Son became Incarnate In her womb.
- 2) **At the Baptism of Jesus:** When the Son received the baptism of repentance from John the Baptist, the Father's Voice was heard, and the Holy Spirit appeared as a dove and descended upon Jesus.
- 3) **At the Ascension:** Jesus commissioned his disciples to baptize those who believed, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- 4) **In John's account:** In John's Gospel, chapters 15-18, we have a detailed account of Jesus' teaching of the role of each person of the Holy Trinity:
 - a) God the Father creates and provides for His creatures.
 - b) God the Son redeems us and reconciles us with God.
 - c) God the Holy Spirit sanctifies us, strengthens us, teaches us, and guides us to God.

Pilgrims of the Jubilee Churches on Saturday, June 7, 2025

Don & Gayln Cordray, Fr. Thainese, Allison Cook, Amanda & Wesley Burgess, Rick & Rickey Frederick, Carlo Streva, Jr., Julie Hepler, Maria Landry, Lois Bosworth, Kathy Shilling, Betty Hebert, Sybil Lasseigne, Cindy Viola, and Dylan Brewer.



Importance of Christian Life

- 1) All prayers in the Church begin in the Name of the Holy Trinity and end glorifying the Trinity.
- 2) All Sacraments are administered anointed, our sins are forgiven, our marriages are blessed, and our Bishops, priests and deacons are ordained) in the name of the Holy Trinity.
- 3) When Church bells ring thrice daily, they remind us to give glory to the Holy Trinity for the incarnation of Jesus and his redemption of all of us.
- 4) We bless ourselves, and the priest blesses us, in the name of the Holy Trinity.

Life Messages

Let us...

- 1) **Respect ourselves and others** because everyone is the temple of the Holy Spirit where all Three Persons of the Holy Trinity abide.
- 2) Have the firm conviction that the **Trinitarian God abides in us**, that He is the Source of our hope, courage, and strength, and that He is our final destination.
- 3) **Practice the Trinitarian relationship of love and unity** in the family relationships of father, mother, and children because by Baptism we become children of God and members of God's Trinitarian family.
- 4) **Practice the I-God-my neighbor** vertical and horizontal Trinitarian relationships in this life by loving God and our neighbors.