

**The Deacon’s Bench**

**Deacon Jim Carper, Parish Life Director**

The deacon’s bench, historically, is where the deacons sat during church services in the early protestant church. It seemed an appropriate title for this small section of our Church Bulletin; since it is an opportunity for me to share with you what’s going on in our Parish, from my point of view.

**All Hallows Eve and the Catholic Church**

“The origin and traditional customs associated with Halloween require no other explanation than that they are examples of the kinds of festivity that served as a means of celebrating the various holy days of the Catholic Liturgical Year.” Fr. Steve

**Holy Halloween –**

**Sunday, October 28, 2018 – 10:00 AM Mass**

Children are invited to wear their Halloween Costumes to the 10:00 AM Mass on Sunday October 28, 2018 and to receive a special blessing. There are **Christian Origins of Halloween:** Halloween is a name that means nothing by itself. It is a contraction of "All Hallows Eve," and it designates the vigil of All Hallows Day, more commonly known today as All Saints Day. (Hallow, as a noun, is an old English word for saint.)

**AACCFE Pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Rome -**

**Sunday, October 28, 2018 – 10:00 AM Mass**

Anderson and Audrey Shaw of the African American Cultural Center for Evangelization will be leading a Pilgrimage to the Holy Lands and to Rome. Pilgrims are invited to this special Mass here at St. Bernadette Church and will receive a special blessing. This is our usual 10:00am Mass and all are welcome to attend.

**Believing and Giving**

Many church leaders have a real hang-up about asking people to give. There is nothing greater than the Kingdom of God. There is no more significant cause than the church. I am very much against fundraising, but I am in favor of teaching people to give. Fundraising is what I call collecting money from other people in return for a product, service, reward, or recognition. But in giving, we simply challenge ourselves to give out of our own resources for spiritual reasons. The result of fundraising is that funds are collected. The results of teaching people to be givers are that funds are collected and disciples are developed.

**Why We Celebrate Mass on Sunday...**

**Every Week**

**Sunday Mass fulfills God’s law.**

The Third Commandment is, “Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day”. The Christian Sabbath is Sunday, and Catholics keep the Sabbath holy by fulfilling the obligation to attend Mass. **Weekly worship follows**

**Jesus’ example.** Jesus was in the habit of going to the synagogue on the Sabbath day. **Sunday is a day of thanksgiving.** Eucharist means thanks. It is right and just to give thanks to the Lord our God, and the Mass is the best prayer to offer thanks. **Community prayer is essential.** Christians pray together by nature, and the Mass is the premier form of communal prayer. **Weekly Eucharist is solid spiritual food.** It is important to eat properly every day. It is the same with our spiritual life. We need to be spiritual-food conscious if we wish to avoid emptiness, spiritual weakness, vulnerability to temptation and sickness due to sin.

**Come Home to St Bernadette**

<b>Last Sunday’s Collection.....\$9,990.00</b>	
<b>Christian Service Collection.....\$2,614.00</b>	
<b>Intentions for the Week</b>	
<b>Saturday 5:30PM</b>	<b>+Darius Bell</b>
<b>Sunday 8:00AM 10:00AM</b>	<b>Angelica Anuluoha Intentions of All Parishioners</b>
<b>Monday 8:00AM</b>	<b>Intentions of All Parishioners</b>
<b>Tuesday 8:00AM</b>	<b>Intentions of All Parishioners</b>
<b>Wednesday 8:00AM</b>	<b>Intentions of All Parishioners</b>
<b>Thursday 8:00AM</b>	<b>Intentions of All Parishioners</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>October 14th</b>	
<b>28<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>	
<b>First Reading</b>	<b>-Wisdom 7:7-11(143B)</b>
<b>Psalm</b>	<b>-90:12-13,14-15,16-17</b>
<b>Second Reading</b>	<b>-Hebrews 4:12-13</b>
<b>Gospel</b>	<b>-Mark 10:17-30 or 10:17-27</b>
<b>October 21st</b>	
<b>29<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>	
<b>First Reading</b>	<b>-Isaiah 53:10-11(146B)</b>
<b>Psalm</b>	<b>-33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22</b>
<b>Second Reading</b>	<b>-Hebrews 4:14-16</b>
<b>Gospel</b>	<b>-Mark 10:35-45 or 10:42-45</b>

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO HAVE DIED**

especially, **HELEN PERKINS**, the long time parishioner of our parish. May she and all who have died be received into Our Lord’s heavenly kingdom; and may those grieving the loss of loved ones be consoled and strengthened through faith and prayers.

**World Mission Sunday**

**NEXT WEEKEND,** we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support the mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world’s most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope’s missions in your prayers, and be generous in next week’s collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

## LOS ANGELES

### Celebrate Respect Life Month!

“By embracing the mission entrusted to him, St. Juan Diego helped bring Christ’s transforming love to cultures gripped by oppression and death. . . . Like St. Juan Diego, let us embrace our daily mission to help others encounter God’s transforming, life-giving love.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
2018-19 Respect Life Reflection



Adult Faith Formation & RCIA presents....

### *How Catholics Interpret The Bible*

*By Father Keke @ St. Brigid  
5214 Western Ave.*

*Tuesday October 16th*

*7:00 p.m. refreshments are served*

*If you are interested in receiving your sacraments contact:  
Norma Jackson 323-293-4877*

### Safeguarding The Children Committee

St. Bernadette is looking for 5 volunteers to participate on the Safeguarding the Children Committee. This team meets twice a year to discuss parish responsibilities and planning ways to educate the parish on this important issue. Those who are currently Parents in Child Rearing, Experts who work with community and families (Social Workers, Therapists etc...) or any interested adults from this parish. Please call Mrs. Jackson at 323-293-4877 or email your interest to normajean@pacbell.net

### Have You Remembered

#### St. Bernadette Catholic Church in Your Will or Trust?

Have you remembered your parish in your Will or Trust? For more information, please contact the Planned Giving Office at (213)637-7504 or email [plannedgiving@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:plannedgiving@la-archdiocese.org)  
Website [www.ADLAegacy.org](http://www.ADLAegacy.org)



### COFFEE HOUR

#### October

14<sup>th</sup> Rachel's Hope  
21<sup>st</sup> Shelly Rodriguez  
28<sup>th</sup> Rachel's Hope

#### November

4<sup>th</sup>  
11<sup>th</sup>  
18<sup>th</sup>  
25<sup>th</sup>

To have doughnuts available after mass we need more volunteers from the parish to sponsor them.

**HELP sponsor doughnuts.**

**Please call the rectory@ 323-293-4877**

**if you can assist. Thank you for your support!**

### Bible Study Sessions Starting October 18<sup>th</sup>

Please join us in studying the Bible and in experiencing the Living Word of God.

**Every first and third Thursday of the month in the hall 12:00pm-1:30pm and 7:00pm-8:30pm.**

**Movie Night 7pm "Hacksaw Ridge"**

### Did You Know?

Your child will make many friends throughout his lifetime. As children grow, their interests change and develop, and they meet many new people along the way. But as children make new friends, mutual respect should be the guiding principle of these relationships. Parents, talk to your children about how they should feel in a friendship — true friends care about each other and respect each other’s thoughts and feelings and personal boundaries. If your child isn’t receiving respect from her friends, she is learning to accept less than she deserves in a relationship. And if she is the one who doesn’t give respect to her friends, she is learning emotional power. For more information on teaching your children about true friendships, email [jvienna@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:jvienna@la-archdiocese.org).

### ST BERNADETTE SPECIAL MONTHLY COLLECTIONS

**1<sup>st</sup> Weekend: Christian Service collection**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Weekend: Debt-Reduction collection**