

# THE BERNADETTE GAZETTE

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### Welcome!

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www.bernadita.org sbcguam@gmail.com And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit." Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

## Discipleship of FAITH & PRAYER

### **CLERGY**

Fr. Krzysztof Szafarski, Pastor

### **OFFICE HOURS**

MON, WED, & FRI

9am - 12pm / 2pm - 4pm

SATURDAY 10am - 2pm

**CLOSED** 

Tuesday, Thursday, Sunday, Holy Days of Obligation & Holidays

#### MASS SCHEDULE

MON, TUE, WED & FRI - 6:00pm

SATURDAY

(Vigil Mass) 5:30pm

**SUNDAY** 

6am, 7:30am, 9am

11:30am (Pohnpeian Mass)

#### CONFESSION

30 minutes before each Mass or by appointment. Please call the office for an appointment.

#### VISITATION OF THE SICK

If you know of a Parishioner who is sick and/or Homebound & wishes to receive Holy Communion, we kindly ask you to stop by or call the office & speak with Fr. Krzysztof.

#### **CANDLES**

Votive (glass) - \$4.50 each Baptism - \$5.00 each

### IN TODAY'S GOSPEL...

Jesus gives the Holy Spirit primarily in the breath of forgiveness. If the disciples give forgiveness (absolution) to repentant sinners, God himself will justify them.

The mighty power previously held by Jesus himself now falls into the hands of the apostles. Why? After all, several hours earlier, they had denied Him, left Him, sinned by running away? Precisely, that is why!!! For who is better suited to be a judge of human deeds than he who was a guilty person who was spared something worse than the death penalty? Only those who have experienced mercy and forgiveness DEEPLY are merciful.

Peter denied Jesus in order to save himself (Mt 26:69–75). And yet, after the betrayal, "he went out (outside) and wept bitterly." This "outside" (in greek "exo") in several places in the Bible has the meaning of renunciation of everything, loss of all goods, relationships and life chances, even damnation in eternal darkness. It means a place of punishment and despair (Mt 5:13; Mt 8:12; Rev 22:15; Mt 25:30; Mt 22:13). BUT GOD ENDS EVERYTHING with one swing of the priest's hand. The movement of the priest's hand in the confessional can be interpreted as a cross. Or as if God wanted to "wave away" our sins. No one in the world can ignore our sins, only God. The Pharisees were right when they said that if a man forgave sins, he would blaspheme. So how can we understand the granting of this authority to the apostles? Did Jesus commit blasphemy? No way! It is simply Him, in the Holy Spirit, who will grant forgiveness (absolution). The Holy Spirit is the presence of God in the priest.

In the event of healing the paralytic in the gospels, Jesus says to him: "Son!" Before forgiving him, he called him son. He made him a child of God, that is, someone loved. Before he healed him, he first adopted him as his son. Why? Because feelings either heal or cause disease. Feelings determine three-quarters of our life decisions! If so much depends on feelings, if so much depends on love, how much more depends on Him who is Love itself; from Him who is infinitely greater than feelings!

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### **PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **WEEKDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY MASS OFFERINGS**

Deadline for mass intention offerings for these days is every Wednesday.

## ROSARY RALLY IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Plaza de Espana, Agana; 2:00pm noon, Every 13th day of the month

### **PRO-LIVE CONFERENCE**

Bishop Baumgartner Catholic School Gymnasium, May 25, 2024, From 8:00am to 12:00pm (noon)

## WE ARE IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST IN THE CLEANING OF OUR CHURCH

Please see he sign-up sheet is located at the entrance of the church.

#### **CCD AND RCIA ANNOUNCEMENT**

CCD and RCIA 2024-2025 registration is open, Registration Forms are available at the entrance of the Church or on the parish website (bernadita.org), Please see parish website or poster at the bulletin board for required documents.

### TOTAL COLLECTIONS May 11-12, 2024

5:30PM	\$349.00	RESTRICTED DONATION:	\$390.00
6:00AM	\$381.50	NEOCATECHUMENAL WAY:	\$317.00
7:30AM	\$453.00	ASCENSION MASSES (5/9/24):	\$160.00
9:00 AM	\$365.50		
11:30AM	\$275.50		
TOTAL:	\$1824.50		

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY!

MAY GOD BLESS YOU ABUNDANTLY!

### **BAPTISMS** (1st & 3rd Sat.)

- Baptism Information Form must be filled out by mother or father. Form may be picked up from the Parish Office.
- 2. A copy of the child's official birth certificate from Public Health.
- 3. Submission of Godparent(s) Sponsor Form from parish priest where they attend mass. If the sponsor(s) are parishioners of Santa Bernadita, they must call to make an appointment to meet with the priest.

Baptism Class & Baptism will not be scheduled until all required documents have been submitted to the office.

### **MARRIAGE PREP**

- Request for Sacrament of Matrimony Form must be filled out by couple and submitted to the Parish Office.
- 2. An appointment will be scheduled for couple to meet with the priest.

### **FUNERALS**

- Family member must come in to the Parish Office to obtain Funeral Arrangement Form.
- Prior to confirming dates with Funeral Home, please contact the Parish Office for availability.

You may request for the necessary Form by emailing the office.

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

### **ANIMAS** (MASS FOR THE DEAD)

**RECENT DEATHS:** 

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:** 

Michael A. Adriano

Ist Death Ann. - Alejandra I. Blas

Ricky Guevara

### **ANIMAS:**

David, Benito Paul & Teresita C. Cruz; Ignacio C. & Victoria F. Cruz; Vicente S.A. & Teresita M. Mesa; Joaquin S.A. & Maria S.A. Mesa; Lorenzo A. & Lorenzo M. Manibusan; Milagros Bejerana; Manuel B. & Consolacion Q. Sudo; Sylvia Sudo; Sharleen S. & Vincent M. Aguon; Francisco L. & Dolores S. Lizama; Dorothy L. & Tanya M. Guzman; Patsy Ann S. Manglona; Joseph Anthony Cruz Mesa; Antonia Velasco & Jesus Lujan Borja; Elaine V. & Manuel Tenorio; Juan C. Cruz; Eileen Nauta Guevara; Elaine T Meno, Ricardo A. Castillo, Ricardo B. Castillo Jr.

### ENBIDA (MASS FOR THE LIVING) and OTHER INTENTIONS

### **THANKSGIVING & SAFE JOURNEY:**

For ALL THE MEN & WOMEN IN THE ARMED FORCES most especially those deployed and far from their families

#### ST. PEREGRINE:

For all the Victims of War in the World, the Abused, the Elderly, the Homeless, and those who have strayed from their Faith and Struggling in Life

### FOR THE SICK, HEALING, RECOVERY & THANKSGIVING:

Jay Bejerana; Carmen Fejeran-Valino; Dorothy Cruz Bevins; Jesus Ninete; Mr. & Mrs. Dominador & Maria Soledad D. Laxamane & family;