

# *Saint Bernadette Church*

*Villanova & Princeton Roads  
Parlin, New Jersey*



## **Served by**

Rev. James W. Hagerman, Pastor  
Rev. Joseph Kabali, Parochial Vicar  
Deacon Donald Zampella

## **INVITES YOU TO CELEBRATE AND PARTICIPATE**

### **The Eucharist**

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

Weekdays: Tuesday through Friday at 8:30 a.m.

Monday at 7:00 p.m.

Holy Days: As Announced

### **Reconciliation**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)  
is celebrated every Saturday from 4:00 p.m. to  
4:30 p.m. and upon request.

## **Parish Offices**

20 Villanova Road  
Parlin, New Jersey 08859  
Telephone: 732-721-2772  
Fax: 732-727-5188

## **Office Hours**

Tuesdays-Fridays  
9:00 a.m.—2 p.m.  
Evenings: Monday and  
Thursdays  
6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

**Office of Religious Education** 732-727-4343

## **Director of Religious Education:**

Mrs. Lorna A. Francis

## **Director of Music:**

Mrs. Judy Gary

**Church Hall**

732-721-8833

**New Members:** We welcome all new parishioners and those who wish to return to the Church or to learn more of what we believe as Catholics. Every family moving into the parish is requested to register at the Rectory. If you move to another Parish, or change your address, please notify us.

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

“St. Bernadette Parish is a community of faith, energized by the Eucharist, for the support of those in need both spiritually and materially. We invite everyone to join us on this faith-filled journey.”

**ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS  
FOR THE WEEK**

**Sat.-Sun., January 14-January 15 (Second  
Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

5:00 pm + Mackenrott, Boyd, and  
Meaney Families, r/o Alice  
Maher and family

8:30 am + Nancy Giesler, r/o George  
Gatti

10:00 am + Roger Wimmer, r/o Anne  
Marks

11:30 am + Georgette Tobin, r/o The  
Triolo Family

**Mon., Jan. 16 (Weekday)**

7:00 pm + Erlinda Ermac, r/o The  
Occupation and Physical Therapy  
Dept. at Mathery School

**Tues., Jan. 17 (Saint Anthony)**

8:30 am + Michael Padilla, r/o The Keefe  
Family

**Wed., Jan. 18 (Weekday)**

8:30 am + Catherine Collins, r/o The  
Scheider Family

**Thurs., Jan. 19 (Weekday)**

8:30 am + Charles Winkler, r/o The  
Kilduff Family

**Fri., Jan. 20 (Weekday)**

8:30 am + Michael Fitzgerald, r/o Team  
5 Counters

**Sat., Jan. 21 (Saint Agnes)**

No 8:30 am Mass

**Sat.-Sun., January 21-January 22 (Third  
Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

5:00 pm + Joan Glavin, r/o Mr. and Mrs.  
Patrick Burns

8:30 am + Thomas Centar, r/o Dennis  
Bello

10:00 am + Fernando Medina Jr., Feliza  
and Juan Quimson, r/o Medina  
Family

11:30 am + Raymond Moran, r/o Gloria  
Moran and family

**BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE**

The Candle in Honor of Our Blessed Mother  
will be lit this week in memory of Jean Neira,  
r/o Tom Maher.

**WINE & HOSTS**

This week's Wine & Hosts have been donated  
in memory of Mary "Lovey" Rosinski, r/o  
husband Adam, son Adam Jr., and Bonnie.

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**STEWARDSHIP...**

**The gift of your treasure!**

Offering of Jan. 7- Jan. 8.....\$8,075.00  
Assessment Offering .....\$476.00  
CCD Offering .....\$54.00

**Your Weekly Envelope Offerings**

\$1-\$5.....61  
\$6-\$10..... 70  
\$11-\$20.....75  
\$21-\$30.....30  
\$31-\$39..... 9  
\$40 and Over.....50

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**DIOCESE COLLECTIONS**

The "Foundation for Catholic Education"  
collection will be schedule for the weekend of  
January 21st and 22nd. This is a diocesan  
fund that provides tuition assistance grants for  
students with financial need in the Catholic  
elementary and high schools of the Diocese of  
Metuchen. Without financial assistance, these  
students might not receive the gift of a  
Catholic education. The entire proceeds will  
benefit this foundation. Please be as generous  
as your means allows.

**HOTLINES-OUTREACH**

Action Pregnancy Center..... 732-828-1166  
Problem Pregnancy Center ..... 732-449-8676  
Drug Abuse ..... 800-322-5525

Natural Family Planning..... 800-334-0699  
"Pantry Sunday".....Donations accepted every Sunday  
Food Assistance..... 732-721-7418

### **HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS**

Monday, Jan. 16th.....CLOSED

### **SPREADING THE WORD**

#### **2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*“Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb...” ISAISH 49:5*

You have to do what God is calling you to do and I have to do what God is calling me to do. Guess what, each of us has been given a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don't let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God had given you and generously share them with others.

### **BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS**

The next Baptismal Preparation Class will take place on Monday, February 6, 2017 at 8 p.m. in Lourdes Center. Godparent Eligibility Certificates and baptismal donations may be presented at this meeting.

### **COLUMBIETTES**

Our Columbiettes will meet on Wednesday, February 8, at 7:30pm in Lourdes Center.

### **24 HOUR PRAYER LINE**

Our Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities has a 24 hour prayer line for those who desire prayer for special needs. If you, a family member or friend would like to be remembered in prayer for a temporary or permanent illness, please call us and leave a detailed message at 732-765-6431 or send an email: [catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com](mailto:catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com).

### **CUB SCOUT PACK 101**

Our next meeting will be Thursday, January 19th at 6:30 pm in the O'Dea Hall.

The Cub Scouts Program is designed for boys (kindergarten thru 4th grade) and their families to work together to learn new skills, build strong relationships, and become good citizens while having fun! For more information call Nicole Soper at 732-470-4659.

### **“SOUPER” BOWL 2017**

“Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those without a bowl of soup to eat.”

It is 22 years since the nationwide “Souper Bowl of Caring” was founded and has since raised more than \$10 million in cash and food for organizations that fight hunger. It has become a powerful movement that is transforming the time around Super Bowl weekend into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving. St. Bernadette's CCD students and Youth Group members will be at the doors of the church accepting donations on the weekend of February 4th and 5th learning what it's like to make a positive difference in the world. Please be a part of this movement that is sharing God's love with those in need. Your \$1 donation in their soup pots is just the ticket to assist local families. Our own previous best score to beat: \$1,200! Thank you on behalf of those who benefit from your kindness.

*What we have done for ourselves alone dies with us; what we have done for others and the world remains immortal.*

-Albert Pike

### **ALTAR-ROSARY SOCIETY**

The next meeting takes place on Monday, January 23 at 7:45pm in Lourdes Center. All are invited to come to Church at 6:30pm to pray the Rosary and stay for the Novena and Mass.

### **2016 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

If you wish to receive a contribution statement for your 2016 church donations, we ask that you please place your request in writing and include your name, address, and envelope number. Please include with your request a stamped, self-addressed envelope. You may place your request in the collection basket marked “Attention: Jo” also with a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

### **BUS TRIP TO RALLY FOR LIFE**

The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Respect for Life will be running a bus trip to the Rally for Life in Trenton, NJ on Monday, January 23, 2017. The bus ride is free of charge, but since space is limited all passengers must reserve their seats. Passengers will board the bus at Diocesan Center in Piscataway at 9:30am and return to the Diocesan Center between 2:00 and 2:30 pm. To reserve a seat or if you have any questions, email [amarshall@diometuchen.org](mailto:amarshall@diometuchen.org) or call 732-562-1990 ext 1543 or 1629.

### **HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND**

Parishioners who are homebound can have Holy Communion brought to them at home. Please contact the Parish Office by either calling (732-721-2772) or emailing ([secy@optonline.net](mailto:secy@optonline.net)) and leave your name, phone number, and a convenient time we can call. A Eucharistic Minister will contact you.

### **BINGO HELP NEEDED**

We are looking for volunteers to help out with Bingo on Fridays. Come pitch in for as little as 2 hours, or stay for the whole time and have some fun. No experience necessary. For more information contact Bob Siebert (732-727-0514).

### **OPEN HOUSE**

Saint Ambrose School will be having an open house Sunday, January 29th from 10:00-2:00 and Thursday, February 2nd from 6:30-8:00. Join us on Sunday, and create your own ice cream treat. Academic excellence for all students in grades PreK 3-8. Extended care is available daily from 6:30am-6:30pm. Tour the school and meet the staff. Families registering by February 3rd receive an early registration discount! Transportation available to families in Old Bridge, Sayreville, South Amboy, Matawan and Aberdeen. For more information call 732-679-4700 ext. 1010.

### **RELIGIOUS SEMINARS**

Come to Mount St. Mary House of Prayer in Watchung, for the following seminars:

**Sacred Time, Sacred Space.** On Weds., January 18th, from 9:30am-3:00pm, come and enjoy a personal, quiet day to enjoy God's presence. The day begins with communal prayer. Registration is \$20-\$30 (as you are able). Bring a bag lunch. For more info please call 908-753-2091.

**Living in Joy.** Join us as we discuss practical ways to nurture our joy as Christians in the midst of trials. Seminar will be held on Tuesday, January 24th from 7:00pm-9:00pm. Registration is \$20-\$30 (as you are able). For more info please call 908-753-2091.

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The next meeting will be Wednesday, January 18th, in Lourdes Center at 8:00pm

### **OUR FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

Our Social Concerns committee is requesting your assistance to help replenish our Food Pantry. With the greater need of the holidays, as well as the recent decreased in the amount of donations, our Food Pantry items are low. Please consider bringing in donations and help us restock from the holidays. Thank you in advanced for all of your help.

### **RETROUVAILLE PROGRAM**

Has your marriage become unloving or uncaring-thinking about a separation or divorce? Are you already divorced/separated but both of you wish to try again? The Retrouvaille program sponsored by the Family Life Office/Diocese of Metuchen consists of a weekend experience for couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. The next program begins February 10-February 12, 2017. For more information please call the Family Life Office 732-243-4573. All inquiries are confidential.

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

There will be a Parish Council meeting on February 1st at 7:00pm in O’Dea Hall. All Parish group are encouraged to attend.

**YOUTH GROUP SPAGHETTI DINNER**

St. Bernadette Youth Group is sponsoring their annual spaghetti dinner/tricky tray on Sunday, January 15, 2017 from 4:00-7:00pm. The menu includes spaghetti, meatballs, sausage, salad, bread and dessert. Takeout orders will be available. Admission for adults is \$6.00 and \$4.00 for kids ten and under. Calling for the tricky tray will begin at 6:15pm. Any questions call 732-727-4343.

**DEACON DON’S SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB**

“The Strangest Way: Walking The Christian Path” by Robert Barron will be the 2017 Spiritual Book Club featured book. Robert Barron is a Monsiour in the RC Church. The book club will begin meeting on Wednesday, February 8th at 7 p.m. Please purchase the book and bring it to the meeting. It can be purchased online new for approximately \$15.00 at cheapbooks.com or one of the many others online stores. You will need to read the introduction and the first two chapters prior to first meeting. For more information about the location of the meeting call Deacon Don at 732-727-4241.

**PROJECT RACHEL**

If you or someone you know is suffering after an abortion, confidential and non-judgmental help is available! Experience God’s merciful love and begin the journey of healing. Project Rachel offers free, confidential help and accompanies those seeking forgiveness, healing, and peace after losing a child to abortion, wherever a person might be in their healing journey. Call Project Rachel’s local toll -free helpline number: 877-877-4300 or visit HopeAfterAbortion.org (Spanish speakers may visit EseranzaPosaborto.org)

**EYEGLASSES & AMERICAN FLAGS**

Our Knights of Columbus are collecting eyeglasses in any condition for Eyes for the Needy. If you have American Flags in any condition, our Knights will see to it that they are disposed of in the proper manner. These items may be placed in the mailbox located on the front veranda of the church. If you have any questions, please call the parish office 732 -721-2772.

**HELP IS NEEDED**

If you can spare an hour or so to share your time to help our volunteers clean the church after the Friday 8:30am Mass, it would be appreciated!

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**THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE’S**

- Sunday (C) 12:45**.....Baptism
- (OD) 4pm**.....Youth Group Spag. Dinner
- Monday**.....**Office Closed**
- (C) 7pm**.....Mass/Novena
- (LC) 7:45pm**.....CDA
- Tuesday (C)4:30**.....Kids Choir
- (LC) 7:30pm**.....RCIA
- (OD) 7:30pm** .....Bingo
- Wednesday (LC) 8:00pm**.....K of C
- Thursday (OD) 6:30pm**.....Cub Scouts
- (C) 6:30pm**.....Cantors
- (C)7:00pm**.....Music Reh
- Friday (OD)12:00pm**.....Bingo
- Saturday (LC) 9:00am**.....Carmelites
- (C) 4pm**.....Confession
- (LC) 6pm**.....Couples For Christ
- Sunday (OD) 4pm**.....Rain date for Youth Group Spag. Dinner

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**REMINDER TO ALL PARISH ORGANIZATIONS**

The weekly bulletin is sent to the publisher on Tuesday mornings. All information must be in to the parish secretary a minimum of two weeks prior to publication to ensure it is printed in the bulletin. Thank you!