

Saint Bernadette Church

*Villanova & Princeton Roads
Parlin, New Jersey*



Served by:

Rev. James W. Hagerman, Pastor
Rev. Msgr. Andrew L. Szaroleta, Senior Priest
Deacon Donald Zampella

*We Invite 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: Monday at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday through Friday at 8:30 a.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

Office Hours

Days:

Tuesday - Friday

9:00 a.m.- 2 p.m.

Evenings:

Monday and Thursday

6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Parish Office Telephone

732-721-2772

Mass times - ext. 2

Secretary - ext. 3

Fr. Hagerman - ext. 3

Bookkeeper - ext. 4

Msgr. Szaroleta - ext. 5

Parish Fax

732-727-5188

Office of Religious Education 732-727-4343

Director of Religious Education

Mrs. Lorna A. Francis

Director of Music

Mrs. Judy Gary

Church Bingo Hall

732-721-8833

Parish Website

saintbernadettechurch.com

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."

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.

**ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK**

**Sat.-Sun., Jan. 27-Jan. 28 (Fourth
Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

- 5:00 pm + Vincent Zalar, r/o Lisa Zalar
- 8:30 am + Matthew Corey, r/o Edward Moore
- 10:00 am + Thomas Nugent, r/o Margaret Marooney
- 11:30 am + Roberto Villajuan, r/o Ed and Flor Gualberto

Mon., Jan 29 (Weekday)

- 7:00 pm + Jerry Bang, r/o wife and family

Tues., Jan 30 (Weekday)

- 8:30 am + Philomena Scamardella, r/o Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Scamardella

Wed., Jan. 31 (Saint John Bosco)

- 8:30 am + Patricia Salardino, r/o The Keefe Family

Thurs., Feb. 1 (Weekday)

- 8:30 am + Loretta Hagerman, r/o Joe, Ann, Ann, and Joseph Walter

Fri., Feb. 2 (The Presentation of the Lord)

- 8:30 am + Tyrone McDonnell, r/o Scheider Family

Sat., Feb. 3 (Weekday)

- No 8:30 am Mass

Sat.-Sun., Feb. 3-Feb. 4 (Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

- 5:00 pm + Alice Maher, r/o Gayle Stuart
- 8:30 am + Stephen Caruso, r/o Barbara and Robert Kazalonis
- 10:00 am + Ruth H. Shanley, r/o Barbara Shanley
- 11:30 am + Tarek Chtaih, r/o Bathe Family

Please Pray the Rosary for Peace

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

SANCTUARY CANDLE

WINE AND HOST

STEWARDSHIP...

The gift of your treasure!

- Offering of Jan 20– Jan 21\$8,454.00
- Assessment Offering.....\$204.00
- CCD Offering\$108.00

Your Weekly Envelope Offerings

- \$1-\$5.....61
- \$6-\$10.....73
- \$11-\$20.....93
- \$21-\$30.....35
- \$31-\$39.....10
- \$40 and Over.....46

ASH WEDNESDAY

Masses for Ash Wednesday, February 14th, will be celebrated at 8:30am and 7:00pm. There will be a 4:00pm Prayer Service.

ASH WEDNESDAY COLLECTION

The Ash Wednesday Collection will go to our Social Concerns Ministry. Please be as generous as your means will permit so that we may continue to help needy families in our area.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross are prayed every Friday during Lent at 7 p.m. Stations will be prayed on Good Friday at 12 noon.

HOTLINES-OUTREACH

- Action Pregnancy Center..... 732-828-1166
- Problem Pregnancy Center 732-449-8676
- Drug Abuse 800-322-5525
- Alacare 800-300-2118

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

SPREADING THE WORD

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary time

“Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties.”

1 CORINTHIANS 7:32

How much anxiety do we bring upon ourselves by constantly worrying about not having enough or attaining more things? God won't necessarily give you everything you want, but He will provide everything you need. Try this - use the word “pray” instead of the word “worry” in the future.

**2018 BISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL
LIGHTING A FIRE IN THE HEART OF
OUR WORLD**

Please watch your mailbox for a letter from Bishop Checchio coming to you this week announcing the 2018 Bishop’s Annual Appeal. The campaign will again be conducted during Lent and our parish can earn a rebate of 50% of the amount collected over goal.

Through your support of the Bishop’s Annual Appeal you help those in our diocese whose needs are the greatest—the poor, the homeless, and those struggling with illness or grief. Among other needed pastoral ministries, your gift also supports our priority ministries of Evangelization & Communication and enhances the work of forming our youth. The many pastoral, educational and charitable ministries of the Diocese of Metuchen would not be possible without a generous contribution from every household. Please be as generous as your means allow.



WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

On the weekend of February 10th and 11th we will celebrate World Marriage Day. There will be an opportunity for couples to renew their marriage vows at all Masses. Both spouses need to be present for the renewal.

BIBLE STUDY

THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW

**The Great Adventure Faith Journey
continues!**

Bible study continues with the Gospel of Matthew. Our group will begin on Thursday, February 15 in Lourdes Center Meeting Room beginning at 7:00pm Please call the Office to registrar so adequate books and supplies may be ordered. All are invited!

SENIORS

There is no Seniors meeting for the month of February. The next meeting is March 12th.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS

The next Baptismal Preparation Class will take place on Monday, February 5, 2018 at 8 p.m. in Lourdes Center. Godparent Eligibility Certificates and baptismal donations may be presented at this meeting.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR
GODPARENTS & CONFIRMATION
SPONSORS**

In order for someone to act as a Godparent or a Sponsor for Confirmation, they must have received the sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. If they are married, they must have been married in a Catholic Church or in a ceremony recognized by the Catholic Church. Godparents and Sponsors must also obtain a Letter of Eligibility from their parishes indicating that they are attending Mass on a regular basis and that they fulfill all requirements. If both Godparents are Catholic, they both must obtain letters.

THANK YOU THANK YOU!!

Thank you to all who came to the Youth Group Spaghetti dinner on January 21st. Your support of the Youth Group is greatly appreciated!

DIOCESE COLLECTIONS

Catholic Press Month The annual drive to support our diocesan newspaper, "The Catholic Spirit", is taking place the weekend of February 3rd and 4th. "The Catholic Spirit" is now beginning its 23rd successful year of publishing and has a special role to play in your life as a practicing Catholic. Please support their good work by using the envelope in your collection packet. Any amount will be greatly appreciated.

2017 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you wish to receive a contribution statement for your 2017 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.

HANDMAN MINISTRY

There are many ways to serve the Church. One important way is the giving of your time and talents. We are looking for parishioners with skills in the area of Painting, Carpentry, Plumbing, Electrical, and HVAC to becoming part of our Handyman Ministry. Call the Parish Office, 732-721-2772, to be placed on our "on-call" list for when a minor problem arises that you could assist with.

"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms."

1 PETER 4:10

"SOUPER" BOWL 2018

"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 23 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 3rd and 4th 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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 7th, in Lourdes Center at 8:00pm

FREE THROW CONTEST

Our Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Free Throw Contest on Monday, January 29th. It will be at 7:00 pm in the Lourdes Center gym and is open for all boys and girls ages 9 thru 14. Please bring a copy of the child's birth certificate.

LOST AND FOUND

There are several items in our Lost and Found bin located in the vestibule of the Church. Please take a moment to see if any of it is yours. All items not claimed will be donated at the end of January 2018.

BAKE SALE

Our Altar Rosary Society will be having a bake sale after all Masses on February 10th and 11th. Satisfy your sweet tooth while supporting our Rosarians.

LIVE CHRIST SHARE PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Our next Praise and Worship meeting will be held on Saturday, February 10th at 9.15am in the Lourdes Center meeting room. The topic for our meeting will be 'LOVE'. Tom O'Leary will be speaking on the subject. Please bring your Bibles to share a scriptural reading and to join us in faith and fellowship on this Valentine's weekend! Everyone is welcome. Bring a friend.

CUB SCOUT PACK 101

Our next meeting will be Monday, January 26th 6:30 pm in the Lourdes Center. 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 contact Nicole Soper at nacsuper@gmail.com.

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 (Rediscovery) 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 9-11, 2018. All inquiries are confidential. For more details please call the Family Life Office 732-243-4573, Rich & Annette Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or Tom & Pat McTague 732-583-4468 (evenings).

BLESSING OF THE THROATS

In honor of the Feast of St. Blaise, the Blessing of the Throats will take place at the 8:30am Mass on Friday February 2nd.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

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

**SAVE THE DATE
WOMEN'S RETREAT**

The annual women's retreat at San Alfonso will be the weekend of April 20-22, 2018. All meals and conferences are included! You do not have to belong to any organization to attend. Registration forms may be found in the Columbiette Mailbox in the vestibule of the church. \$220.00 for the entire weekend! Please consider joining us! Contact Lois Ann Smith with any questions: 732-266-9195 or LoisAnn613@aol.com.

THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE'S

- Sunday (LC/Gym) 6:00pm.....Youth Group**
- Monday (C) 7:00pm.....Mass**
- (Gym) 7:00pmK of C**
Free Throw
- Tuesday (C) 4:30pmKids Choir**
- (OD) 7:30pmBingo**
- (LC) 7:30pmRCIA**
- Wednesday (LC)CCD**
- Thursday (LC)CCD**
- (C) 6:30pm.....Cantors**
- (C) 7:00pm.....Music Reh**
- Friday (OD) 12:00noon.....Bingo**
- (LC) 6:30pm.....Cub Scouts**
- Saturday (LC) 9:00am.....Holy Name**
- (C) 4:00pm.....Confession**
- (LC) 6:00pm.....Couples**
- (C) all MassesSouper Bowl**
Weekend
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