

# *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  
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## **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 28-January 29 (Fourth  
Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

5:00 pm + Vincent Zalar, r/o Lisa  
Zalar

8:30 am + Ramon Carrillo, Jr., r/o  
Lagrimas Carrillo

10:00 am + Thomas Cetnar, r/o Edward  
Lynskey

11:30 am + Lolita Maningas and Toni  
Maningas, r/o Edna Chan

**Mon., Jan. 30 (Weekday)**

7:00 pm + Philomena Scamardella, r/o  
Mr. and Mrs. Scamardella and  
family

**Tues., Jan. 31 (Saint John Bosco)**

8:30 am + Lucy Mehes, r/o Victoria  
De Baro

**Wed., Feb. 1 (Weekday)**

8:30 am + Francisco Medina, r/o Ilsa  
Tong

**Thurs., Feb. 2 (The Presentation of the  
Lord)**

8:30 am + Rich Drost, r/o Tom Maher

**Fri., Feb. 3 (Weekday)**

8:30 am + Michael Fitzgerald, r/o Mr.  
and Mrs. John Drwal

**Sat., Feb. 4 (Weekday)**

No 8:30 am Mass

**Sat.-Sun., February 4-February 5 (Fifth  
Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

5:00 pm + Martin E. Conroy, r/o Carole  
Conroy

8:30 am + Thomas Kearney, r/o Your  
Friends at Bingo

10:00 am + Charles Winkler, r/o Mr. and  
Mrs. Richard Robertson

11:30 am + Ezra Kennedy, r/o Moran  
Family

*\*Please Pray the Rosary for Peace\**

**BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE**

**SANCTUARY CANDLE**

**WINE & HOSTS**

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**STEWARDSHIP...**

**The gift of your treasure!**

Offering of Jan. 21– Jan. 22.....\$9,299.50

Assessment Offering .....\$105.00

CCD Offering .....\$113.00

**Your Weekly Envelope Offerings**

\$1-\$5.....62

\$6-\$10.....72

\$11-\$20.....81

\$21-\$30.....42

\$31-\$39.....8

\$40 and Over.....53

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**DIOCESE COLLECTIONS**

**Catholic Press Month** The annual drive to support our diocesan newspaper, “The Catholic Spirit”, is taking place next weekend, February 4th and 5th. “The Catholic Spirit” is now beginning its 22nd 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.

The **Collection for the Development of the Peoples** is scheduled for the weekend of February 11th and 12th. The proceeds benefit the Church in Latin America, the Church in Eastern Europe and the Catholic Home Mission.

**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

### **SPREADING THE WORD**

#### **4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.” MATTHEW 5:3*

This one confuses people. Replace the word “humble” for “poor” and it makes more sense. People that are humble recognize their dependence on God and trust that He will provide all that they need. Unfortunately, for many of us, pride and ego enters our lives and we think we can live without God. Remember – God first in all circumstances.

### **WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH**

Please welcome the following families and individuals who have joined St. Bernadette over the past month:

Joseph Giustino

*The Church needs you, your enthusiasm, your creativity, and the joy that is so characteristic of you. Go. Be not afraid. Serve!”*

-Pope Francis

### **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.

### **CUB SCOUT PACK 101**

Our next meeting will be Thursday, February 2nd 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

### **THANK YOU THANK YOU!!**

Thank you to all who came to the Youth Group Spaghetti dinner on January 15th. Your support of the Youth Group is greatly appreciated!

### **ST. BERNADETTE’S PARISH 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

We will celebrate our 60th Anniversary by having a concert her on Saturday, March 11th. The Garden State Jazz Orchestra will be performing. Tickets will be \$20.00 per person. More information forthcoming. Save the date on your calendars for this wonderful celebration of our parish!

### **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 3rd.

### **LIVE CHRIST SHARE PRAISE AND WORSHIP**

Our next Praise and Worship meeting will be held on Saturday, February 11th at 9.15am in the Lourdes Center meeting room. The topic for our meeting will be 'LOVE'. Please bring your Bibles to share a scriptural reading and to join us in faith and fellowship on this Valentine's weekend!

### **OPEN HOUSE**

Saint Ambrose School will be having an open house on Sunday, January 29th from 10:00am-2:00pm and on Thursday, February 2nd from 6:30pm-8:00pm. Join us on Sunday, for Sundaes Sunday, and create your own ice cream treat...bring the kids! Academic excellence for all students in grades PreK3-8. Extended care is available daily from 6:30am-6:30pm. Tour the school, meet the staff, and explore all that St. Ambrose has to offer your children. 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.

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 1st, in Lourdes Center at 8:00pm

### **FREE THROW CONTEST**

Our Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a District Free Throw Contest on Saturday, February 18th, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. for boys and girls ages 9 through 14. A copy of child's birth certificate must be presented at time of registration.

### **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.

### **OLD BRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND FUNDRAISER**

This will be held on Saturday, February 4, from 7-11 pm at the St. Lawrence Parish Center 109 Laurence Parkway, Laurence Harbor, NJ. Tickets are \$55 per person and include buffet dinner, commemorative glass and samplings of local wineries, distillers, and micro brews. They will have 50/50, basket raffle, and a cork pull for prizes of wine. Also everyone is asked to bring a non perishable item to help the St. Lawrence food pantry. If interested, go to [www.tkob.org](http://www.tkob.org) or contact Aida Duffett at 908-930-0168.

### **RELIGIOUS SEMINARS**

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

**Disney and Spirituality.** Join presenter Laura M. Arvin as she explores the faith and life lessons in Disney films that touch the heart. Wednesday, February 8th, 7pm-9pm. Registration is \$20-\$30 (as you are able) and required. For more info please call 908-753-2091.

**Valentine's Couples Retreat.** A special evening for married couples. Nurture and celebrate the gift of love. Includes supper, a presentation, prayer, and sharing. Concludes with renewal of marriage vows at Mass. Tuesday, February 14th, 5:30-9:00pm. Registration is \$80/couple and required. For more info please call 908-753-2091.

**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.

**ALTAR-ROSARY SOCIETY**

The next meeting takes place on Monday, February 27 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.

**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 Monsignor 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.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOL TUITION ASSISTANCE**

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen Catholic elementary or high school may do so beginning January 30, 2017. The application process is now online through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment. Online applications must be completed (including supporting documentation) by no later than Friday, March 31, 2017. Applications are available in English and Spanish. Families that need assistance completing the online application, or need access to the technology to apply, may register for one of the Application Workshops that will be held throughout the Diocese in February and March by going to [www.diometuchen.org/schools/tuition-assistance](http://www.diometuchen.org/schools/tuition-assistance) and following the Workshops link.

**BAKE SALE**

Our Altar Rosary Society will be having a bake sale after all Masses on February 11th and 12th. Satisfy your sweet tooth while supporting our Rosarians.

**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).

**WORLD MARRIAGE DAY**

On the weekend of February 11th and 12th 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.

**RELIGIOUS ARTICLES SALE**

Our Columbiettes will be having a religious articles sale the weekend of February 18th and 19th in the vestibule of the Church and O’Dea Hall. Communion veils and gift items will be available as well as various religious articles. Any questions call Lois Ann 732-266-9195.

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**THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE’S**

- Sunday** .....
  - Monday (C) 7pm**.....Mass/Novena
  - Tuesday (C)4:30**.....Kids Choir
  - (LC) 7:30pm**.....RCIA
  - (OD) 7:30pm** .....Bingo
  - Wednesday (OD) 7:00pm**.....Parish Council
  - (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) 9am**.....Holy Name
  - (C) 4pm**.....Confession
  - (LC) 6pm**.....Couples For Christ
  - (C) all Masses** .....Souper Bowl
- Weekend

## COVER SHEET

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