

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., Dec 30-Dec 31 (The Holy
Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph)**

5:00 pm + Joseph and Lucille Gogliucci,
r/o Barbara and Peter Anderson
8:30 am + Thomas Napurano, r/o Joanne
Napurano
10:00 am + Aloysius Kubacz, r/o Elaine
Kubacz
11:30 am + People of the Parish

**Mon., Jan 1 (Solemnity of Mary, the Holy
Mother of God)**

10:00 am + Mackenrott, Boyd, Meaney,
and Maher Family, r/o Mary
Alice Maher

No 7:00pm Mass

**Tues., Jan 2 (Saints Basil the Great and
Gregory Nazianzen)**

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

Wed., Jan. 3 (Christmas Weekday)

8:30 am + Alice Maher, r/o Mildred and
Stan Fernandes and family

**Thurs., Jan. 4 (Saint Elizabeth Ann
Seton)**

8:30 am + Loretta Hagerman, r/o Richard,
Hilda, and Joey Risi

Fri., Jan. 5 (Saint John Neumann)

8:30 am + Frances B. Stoneburg, r/o Dennis
Bello

Sat., Jan. 6 (Christmas Weekday)

No 8:30 am Mass

**Sat.-Sun., Jan. 6-Jan. 7 (The Epiphany of
the Lord)**

5:00 pm + Alice Maher, r/o John and Marie
McCormack
8:30 am + Ann and Joseph Tagliaboschi,
r/o Jerry and sons
10:00 am + Frances B. Stoneburg,
r/o Edward Lynskey
11:30 am + Alice Maher, r/o Ed and Flor
Gualberto

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

The Candle in Honor of Our Blessed
Mother will be lit this week in memory of
Thomas Hall, r/o Kathie Hall.

WINE & HOSTS

This week's Wine & Hosts have been
donated in memory of the Thomas Hall, r/o
Kathie Hall.

STEWARDSHIP...

The gift of your treasure!

Offering of Dec 23- Dec 24.....\$8,673.00
Assessment Offering.....\$41.00
CCD Offering\$5.00

**JAN 1st, NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS
SCHEDULE**

10:00am

There is no 7:00pm Mass

SPREADING THE WORD

**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and
Joseph**

*"...as the Lord has forgiven you, so you
must forgive."*

COLOSSIANS 3:13

Forgiveness— one of the hardest things for
people to do. It's amazing how long we
can hold a grudge or be angry with
someone. As we celebrate the feast of the
Holy Family, take this opportunity to give
the gift of forgiveness to someone— maybe
someone in your family, maybe a friend,
maybe a co-worker or neighbor or, maybe
yourself. Pick up the phone or text
someone right now.

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

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

I would like to offer a special Thank You to all of you in our parish community who support the parish through out the year. Your stewardship shows your commitment to God and the Church! Have a Blessed New Year!

Fr. Jim

SENIORS

There is no Seniors meeting for the months of January and February. The next meeting will be March 12, 2018.

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) and leave your name, phone number, and a convenient time we can call. A Eucharistic Minister will contact you.

HURRICANE MARIE CHARITY FUNDRAISER

The Knights of Columbus Council of Our Lady of Peace in Fords is sponsoring a special fundraiser to benefit the victims of Hurricane Marie in Puerto Rico. They will have a Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner on Friday, January 5th from 5:30pm-8:00pm. The dinner will be held in their parish center (no stairs) off Franklin Avenue. Menu will include spaghetti with marinara sauce, meatballs, salad, bread, dessert, coffee and tea. Soda, ice tea, and water will be available. BYOB (beer and wine only). Cost is \$10/adult and \$5/children 12 and under, and a special family price of \$20. All proceeds will go to benefit Hurricane Marie victims. Take out is also available. For more information call Tony at 732-23-4473 or email Bigt9199@yahoo.com.

UNDECORATORS NEEDED

We will be undecorating the Church on January 7th after the 11:30am Mass. Any and all help is greatly appreciated!

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS

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

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. Thank you!

OUR FOOD PANTRY NEEDS HELP!

Our Social Concerns committee is requesting your assistance to help replenish our Food Pantry. With the greater need from the holidays our Food Pantry items are low. Please consider bringing in donations and help us prepare for the upcoming holidays. Holiday type food items greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance for all of your help.

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.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office will be closed on January 1, 2018.

COLUMBIETTES

Our Columbiettes will meet on Wednesday, January 10, at 7:30pm in Lourdes Center.

DIOCESE COLLECTIONS

The collection for the "Together in Charity" will be taken up as a second collection the weekend of January 6 and 7, 2018. The entire collection will benefit Catholic Charities' Parish Emergency Assistance Fund.

COMEDY NIGHT FUNDRAISER

The South Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 426 are holding a comedy night Saturday, January 6, 2018 to benefit hurricane relief. Doors open at 7:00pm and the show starts at 8:00pm. Dinner and show tickets are \$35.00 in advance, \$45.00 at the door. Comedians feature Donna Vaicels, Tim Hayes, and Sean Morton. For ticket reservations call 201-240-1091.

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).

SOCIAL CONCERNS

Our Social Concerns Committee will meet on Wednesday, January 10, at 7:30pm in O'Dea Hall.

A JOURNEY THROUGH GREIF

Grief is a long process of untangling ourselves after the loss of a cherished loved one. *Who am I now? How do I find the strength to go on?* The program is offered as a support for all persons who have recently lost a loved one and are struggling with the mourning process. Let us help you as you help yourself. The group will be meeting Monday evenings (7:30pm-9:00pm) for seven weeks from January 15 - February 26, 2018. Meetings are located at St. Thomas Parish Hall (Old Bridge). For more information contact Deacon Patrick at 732-251-4000 ext. 8218. There is no program fee but pre-registration is required.

ALTAR-ROSARY SOCIETY

The next meeting takes place on Monday, January 22 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.

GENTLE REMINDER TO LOCK YOUR AUTO AND SAFEGUARD YOUR VALUBLES

We ask God not to lead us into temptation, so we should not lead others in temptation by leaving autos unlocked or valuables visible. Nor should we offer money or rides to panhandlers - even those who, without permission, beg in our parking lot. The Church and State's social service agencies assist those *truly* in need and weed out those who take advantage of others' goodwill. If you see panhandlers or anyone suspicious on or near parish property, please inform a clergyman or staff member.

YOUTH GROUP SPAGHETTI DINNER

St. Bernadette Youth Group is sponsoring their annual spaghetti dinner/tricky tray on Sunday, January 21, 2018 from 4:00-6:00pm. No dinners will be served after 6:00pm. Calling for the tricky tray will begin at 6:30pm. The menu includes spaghetti, meatballs, sausage, salad, bread and dessert. Takeout orders will be available. Admission for adults is \$6.00 and \$5.00 for kids ten and under. Any questions call 732-727-4343.

LIVE CHRIST SHARE CHRIST

Please join us for the next meeting of LCSC Praise and Worship which will be held on Saturday, January 13th at 9:15am in the Lourdes Center. Our speaker will be Monsignor Andy. With the Season of Lent commencing four weeks from this date, he will lead a discussion on the vices known as the “seven capital sins”, as out lined in the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Come and bring a friend.

CUB SCOUT PACK 101

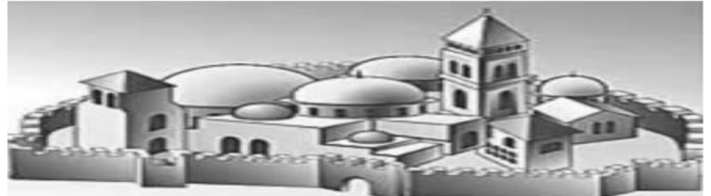
Our next meeting will be Monday, January 8th 6:30 pm in the Lourdes Center. The Cub Scouts Program is designed for boys (kindergarten thru 4th grade) and their families to work together to learn new skills, build strong relationships, and become good citizens while having fun! For more information contact Nicole Soper at nacsuper@gmail.com.

EYEGASSES & 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.

SPACE IS RUNNING OUT FOR THE PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

Come join Fr. Jim on an all inclusive trip to the Holy Land, May 8-17, 2018. Price is \$3,495 per person which includes air fare, hotels, and dinners. You need to sign up by the end of the month to guarantee a spot. Brochures may be found at the front of the Church.



CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

The next CDA meeting will be January 15th at 7:45pm in O’Dea Hall.

- THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE’S**
Sunday.....
MondayParish office is closed
 (C) New Year’s Day Masses.....10:00am
there is no 7:00pm Mass
Tuesday (C)4:30.....Kids Choir
 (LC-mr) 7:30pm.....RCIA
 (OD) 7:30pmBingo
Wednesday (LC-mr) 8pm.....K of C
 (LC).....CCD
Thursday (C) 6:30pm.....Cantors
 (C)7:00pm.....Music Reh
 (LC).....CCD
Friday (OD)12:00pm.....Bingo
Saturday (LC-mr) 9:15.....Holy Name
 (C) 4pm.....Confession
 (LC-mr) 6pm...Couples For Christ
Sunday.....**Epiphany**
 (C) 12:30pm....undecorated church

May God be with you through the New Year and fill your life with comfort, love, and cheer. May this day and these days ahead, hold many blessing for you and yours.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

COVER SHEET

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!

Please Pray the Rosary for Peace

