

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., Feb. 10-Feb. 11 (Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

5:00 pm + Martin Connors, r/o Connors Family

8:30 am + John Cifelli, r/o mom

10:00 am + Josephine Marino, r/o Jeanne and Victoria Monte

11:30 am + Deacon David Tutrone and Francesco Tornetti, r/o wife and daughter

Mon., Feb. 12 (Weekday)

7:00 pm + Katherine Szaroleta, r/o Gary and Margret Walman

Tues., Feb. 13 (Weekday)

8:30 am + Frank D'Angelo, r/o Debra and James Crupi

Wed., Feb. 14 (Ash Wednesday)

8:30 am + Alice Flanagan, r/o Flanagan Family

4:00 pm Prayer Service

7:00 pm + Freddie Miranda, r/o Ed and Flor Gualberto

Thurs., Feb. 15 (Thursday after Ash Wednesday)

8:30 am + Bob Domino, r/o Emil, Foster, and Mary

Fri, Feb. 16 (Friday after Ash Wednesday)

8:30 am + Remigio Javier, r/o Jun and Lil De La Crosta

Sat., Feb. 17 (Saturday after Ash Wednesday)

No 8:30 am Mass

Sat.-Sun., Feb. 17-Feb. 18 (First Sunday of Lent)

5:00 pm + Hannah Campbell, r/o Noreen Kelly

8:30 am + Robyn Buffolino, r/o Mike Maresca

10:00 am + Alice Maher, r/o Frank Matt

11:30 am + Living and Deceased Members of the Bathe Family, r/o William Bathe Jr.

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

The Candle in Honor of Our Blessed Mother will be lit this week in memory of Alice Flanagan., r/o Judith P. Listwan.

STEWARDSHIP...

The gift of your treasure!

Offering of Feb 3– Feb 4.....\$8,951.00
Assessment Offering.....\$581.00
CCD Offering51.00

Your Weekly Envelope Offerings

\$1-\$5.....59
\$6-\$10.....67
\$11-\$20.....85
\$21-\$30.....46
\$31-\$39.....8
\$40 and Over.....58

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.

February 16th: Clergy- Fr. Jim

Altar servers– Kayla Gricko and Erin Anthony

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

PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

The Parish offices will be closed on Monday, February 19th for Presidents' Day.

SPREADING THE WORD

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary time

"Brothers and sisters, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God."

I CORINTHIANS 10:31

Do a quick check of your priorities. Where does God rank in that list? If He's not first, you have some work to do. Putting God first in everything helps us from putting other "gods" (like pride and ego, money and possessions to name a few) before God. Before marking a decision, ask yourself am I doing this for the glory of God or for the glory of me?

TEA PARTY

St. Bernadette Columbiettes is hosting their 3rd Annual Tea Party on Sunday, April 15th at 2:00 p.m. in Lourdes Center. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Join us for a fun afternoon with homemade tea sandwiches, desserts and tea. There will be a hat contest and much more. Contact Kathy Jessen at 732-721-2522 with questions.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL ASSISTANCE

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen Catholic elementary or high school may do so now. The application process is now online through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment. Applications must be completed by no later than *March 31*. 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 on February 12th at Perth Amboy Catholic - Primary School. Register by going to www.diometuchen.org/schools/tuition-assistance and following the Workshops link or call (732) 562-1990 ext. 1610.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

CRS Rice Bowl is Catholic Relief Services' Lenten faith-in-action program for parishes, schools and families. Participating Catholics fast, pray and give during Lent, following Jesus' call to live in solidarity with the poorest and most vulnerable. CRS Rice Bowl offers a variety of resources to bring Lenten spirituality to life for families, individuals, parishes and schools. A cardboard or homemade Rice Bowl is the traditional tool used to collect your Lenten alms. Rice Bowls will be found at the end of your pew, starting *February 10th and 11th*. We ask each family to please take one and use it to collect your heartfelt and generous donations for so many who struggle to survive. A calendar is provided with each cardboard Rice Bowl to provide inspiration for your Lenten journey. Daily reflections, weekly prayers, meatless recipes and stories of hope from around the world will inspire you through the 40 days of Lent. CRS Rice Bowl supports hunger and poverty alleviation efforts in communities around the world, as well as in your own local community. Rice Bowl donations may be brought to the church on Palm Sunday and placed in the basket that will be located in the church. Thank you for your faithful support.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Come to the best breakfast deal in town!

Our Knights of Columbus will be having a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, March 4th from 8:00am-12noon. Come and get your fill of regular, blueberry, and chocolate chip pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice, coffee, and tea! Adults are \$5.00 and children under 12 are \$3.00. All proceeds benefit Knights of Columbus charities.



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!

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.

ALTAR-ROSARY SOCIETY
The next meeting takes place on Monday, February 26 at 7:45pm in Lourdes Center. All are invited to Church at 6:30pm to pray the Rosary and stay for the Novena and Mass.

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH
Please welcome the following families and individuals who have joined St. Bernadette over the past months:

Andrew Caiazza
Falon Tanko
Michelle Robertson
The Betzler Family
The Tweedly Family

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

-Pope Francis

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

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

Twenty-four percent – \$1.7 million dollars – of the funds raised by the 2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal is earmarked for Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen. Through more than 100 programs, Catholic Charities serves those most in need of our assistance. If you have yet to make your pledge to this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal, you will have the opportunity to do so the weekend, February 24/25, which has been designated as *Bishop's Annual Appeal In-Pew Weekend*. Help us reach our target of 100% participation. Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated.

2018 LENTEN INSTRUCTIONS
The following days of fast and abstinence are to be observed by all Catholics of the Diocese who enjoy the blessings of good health:

1. The days of "fast and abstinence" are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
2. All other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.
3. From the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday until the celebration of the Easter Vigil on the evening of Holy Saturday, the Easter fast should be observed so that, with uplifted and welcoming hearts, we may be ready to celebrate the joys of the Resurrection. This ancient tradition is encouraged, especially in those places baptizing catechumens at the Easter Vigil.

A GRATEFUL THANK YOU

The Social Concerns Ministry would like to extend a huge thank you to our parish family for making this year's Souper Bowl Of Caring a tremendous success. With the help from 15 of our smiling and very enthusiastic youth group/CCD students, we raised \$895.00. This money helps the Social Concerns Ministry to continue to assist our local community with food and various assistance throughout the year. We cannot do this without your continued support and generosity. Thank you again and may God meet your needs as generously as you meet the needs of others.

CUB SCOUT PACK 101

Our next meeting will be Monday, February 12th at 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.

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.

FIRST FRIDAY OF LENT FISH FRY

St. Stan's Holy Name Society is holding a fish fry on February 16th from 4:30-7:00pm. Fried or broiled flounder platters, fried shrimp platters, and combination platters available. All platters include French Fries, salad bar, coffee, tea, soda, and dessert. Adults are \$15.00, children under 12 are \$8.00. For more information and to purchase your ticket in advance, call 732-254-0212.

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.

SECOND COLLECTION

The *Capital Campaign Appeal* will be taken as a second collection the weekend of February 17th and 18th. Please remember to use your BLUE renovation envelopes. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE'S
Sunday (C) all MassesWorld Marriage Day
(C) all MassesAlt. Rosary Bake Sale
(LC/Gym) 6:00pm.....Youth Group
Monday (C) 7:00pm.....Mass
(LC) 6:30pm.....Cub Scouts
Tuesday (C) 4:30pmKids Choir
(OD) 7:30pmBingo
(LC) 7:30pmRCIA
WednesdayAsh Wednesday
(C) 8:30am & 7:00pm.....Mass
(C) 4:00pm.....Prayer Service
(LC) 7:30pm.....Columbiettes
.....**NO CCD**
Thursday (LC)CCD
(C) 6:30pm.....Cantors
(C) 7:00pm.....Music Reh
(LC) 7:00pm.....Bible Study
Friday (OD) 12:00noon.....Bingo
Saturday (C) 9:00am.....First Penance
(LC) 9:00am.....Carmelites
(C) 4:00pm.....Confession
(LC) 6:00pm.....Couples
(C) all MassesColumbiette Membership Drive
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