

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. 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

Mon., Feb. 5 (Saint Agatha)

- 7:00 pm + Murial Smith, r/o Larry and Evie Mullane

Tues., Feb. 6 (Saint Paul Miki and Companions)

- 8:30 am + Anne Woods, r/o Tom O'Leary

Wed., Feb. 7 (Weekday)

- 8:30 am + Katherine Szaroleta, r/o Bill and Mary Bauer

Thurs., Feb. 8 (Weekday)

- 8:30 am + Stephen Caruso, r/o Sandie and Eddie Katz

Fri., Feb. 9 (Weekday)

- 8:30 am + Alfeo Molato Jr., r/o Martha V. Molato and family

Sat., Feb. 10 (Saint Scholastica)

- No 8:30 am Mass

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

Please Pray the Rosary for Peace

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in memory of Alfeo Molato Jr., r/o Martha V. Molato and children.

WINE & HOSTS

This week's Wine & Hosts have been donated for the intentions of Flor and Ed Gualberto, r/o Anne Marks.

STEWARDSHIP...

The gift of your treasure!

Offering of Jan 27-Jan 28.....	\$8,436.00
Assessment Offering.....	\$111.00
CCD Offering	\$70.00

Your Weekly Envelope Offerings

\$1-\$5.....	60
\$6-\$10.....	75
\$11-\$20.....	96
\$21-\$30.....	40
\$31-\$39.....	8
\$40 and Over.....	45

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

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.

SPREADING THE WORD

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary time

“Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed...He told them, ‘Let us go on to the nearby village that I may preach there also. For this purpose I have come.’”

MARK 1:35,38

In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes— healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus makes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we find that strength to do what He wished us to do. Be sure to find time every day to be with God..

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 now. The application process is now online through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment. Online applications must be completed (including supporting documentation) by no later than *Saturday, March 31, 2018*. 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 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.

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 15th 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!

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.

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.

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.

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.

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

A second donation will be taken up the weekend of February 10th and 11th for the Diocese Winter Collection.

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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

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.

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

You should have received a letter from Bishop Checchio 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.



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.

SENIORS

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

CUB SCOUT PACK 101

Our next meeting will be Monday, February 5th 6:30 pm in the Lourdes Center room 101. 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 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).

WINE TASTING

St. John Vianney High School is having their annual wine tasting on Saturday, February 10th from 7:00pm-10:00pm. Come sample wines, spirits, and beers from over 40 distributors, light fare of tapas dishes, DJ, vendors, 50/50 and gift baskets raffles. Tickets are \$40 in advanced and \$45 at the door. For more information email MLangdon@sjvhs.com or call 732-739-0800 ext 135.

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.

THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE'S

Sunday (C) all MassesSouper Bowl
Weekend

Monday (C) 7:00pm.....Mass
(LC) 7:00pmBapt Prep
(LC-101) 6:30pm.....Cub Scouts

Tuesday (C) 4:30pmKids Choir
(OD) 7:30pmBingo
(LC) 7:30pmRCIA

Wednesday (LC)CCD
(OD) 7:00pm.....Parish Council
(LC) 7:00pm.....K of C

Thursday (LC)CCD
(C) 6:30pm.....Cantors
(C) 7:00pm.....Music Reh

Friday (OD) 12:00noon.....Bingo

Saturday (LC) 9:15am.....LCSC
(C) 4:00pm.....Confession
(LC) 6:00pm.....Couples
(C) all MassesWorld Marriage Day
(C) all Masses ...Alt. Rosary Bake Sale

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(LC/Gym) 6:00pm.....Youth Group