

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
Fax: 732-727-5188

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., 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

Mon., Feb. 6 (St. Paul and Companions)

7:00 pm + Fernando Medina, r/o Trudy
Edgeworth

Tues., Feb. 7 (Weekday)

8:30 am + Jerry Bang, r/o Eleanor Bang

Wed., Feb. 8 (Weekday)

8:30 am + Carol Parnagian, r/o Social
Concerns Ministry

Thurs., Feb. 9 (Weekday)

8:30 am + Alfeo G. Molato Jr., r/o wife
and children

Fri., Feb. 10 (Saint Scholastica)

8:30 am + Martin Connors, r/o Connors
Family

Sat., Feb. 11 (Weekday)

No 8:30 am Mass

**Sat.-Sun., February 11-February 12 (Sixth
Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

5:00 pm + John Geraghty, r/o Alice
Maher

8:30 am + Thomas Kearney, r/o Deacon
Don and Octavia Zampella

10:00 am + George and Pauline Delorenzc
r/o John and Leonora Ruzsala

11:30 am + 5th Anniversary William Fig,
r/o family

Please Pray the Rosary for Peace

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

The Candle in Honor of Our Blessed Mother will be lit this week in memory of Andy and Dolores Billetz, r/o Andrew, Cristina, and Keith Billetz.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

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

WINE & HOSTS

STEWARDSHIP...

The gift of your treasure!

Offering of Jan. 28– Jan. 29.....\$8,283.00
Assessment Offering\$102.00
CCD Offering\$66.00

Your Weekly Envelope Offerings

\$1-\$5.....64
\$6-\$10..... 75
\$11-\$20.....84
\$21-\$30.....55
\$31-\$39.....13
\$40 and Over.....45

SPREADING THE WORD

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.” MATTHEW 5:16

The generosity of being a good steward of your gifts has a positive effect on people and it is contagious! Good works encourages more good works. Let your light shine! Be careful to recognize that God is working through you and don't put yourself above the people you have been called to help.

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

DIOCESE COLLECTIONS

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

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.

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.

CUB SCOUT PACK 101

Our next meeting will be Thursday, February 16th 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.

LIVE CHRIST SHARE CHRIST 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!

ST. BERNADETTE'S PARISH 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

We will celebrate our 60th Anniversary by having a concert here 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!

COLUMBIETTES

Our Columbiettes will meet on Wednesday, February 8, at 7:30pm in Lourdes Center.

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.

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.

REMINDER TO ALL PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

The weekly bulletin is sent to the publisher on Tuesday mornings. All information must be in to the parish secretary a minimum of two weeks prior to publication to ensure it is printed in the bulletin. Thank you!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 15th, in Lourdes Center at 8:00pm

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Catholic Charities is looking for volunteers to participate in one-on-one activities and be a role model to young people. Requirements: minimum of 3 hours a week, live in or near Middlesex County or Franklin township. For more information contact Jeanette Cullen at 732-738-1323 or jcullen@ccdom.org.

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 and following the Workshops link.

WINE TASTING

St. John Vianny High School is having their annual wine tasting on Saturday, February 11th 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. Register on line at www.sjvhs.com or email mlangdon@sjvhs.com for more information.

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.

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 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 10-February 12, 2017. For more information please call the Family Life Office 732-243-4573. All inquiries are confidential.

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.

THANK YOU!

Thank you so much to everyone who attended the Simbang Gabi Mass on December 19th. \$263 of contributions were made during the Mass. We also wish to thank Ed and Flor Gualberto, George & Joyce Santos, Couples for Christ FFL, Block Rosary of St. Bernadette, those that contributed to the potluck dinner, and members of the CFC choir for their help in arranging the Simbang Gabi Mass.

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.

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 Altar Rosary Society.

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.

SENIORS

There is no Seniors meeting for the month of February. The next meeting will be March 13th. Mark your calendars and we will see you there!

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

The next meeting of our Catholic Daughters will be Monday, February 20th, in the Lourdes Center meeting room at 7:45pm.

PARISH PAY

You can also donate on line: Parish Pay.com then type in St. Bernadette's, Parlin then follow direction on the screen. We appreciate your continued support of our parish.

EYEGLASSES & 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. If you have any questions, please call the parish office 732-721-2772.

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.

THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE'S

- Sunday (C) all Masses**Souper Bowl Weekend
- Monday (C) 7pm**.....Mass/Novena
- (LC) 8pm**.....Bapt Prep
- Tuesday (C)4:30**.....Kids Choir
- (LC) 7:30pm**.....RCIA
- (OD) 7:30pm**Bingo
- Wednesday (OD) 7:30pm**.....Columbiettes
- (LC) 7:30pm**.....Soc. C
- Thursday (C) 6:30pm**.....Cantors
- (C)7:00pm**.....Music Reh
- Friday (OD)12:00pm**.....Bingo
- Saturday (LC) 9am**.....LCSC
- (C) 4pm**.....Confession
- (LC) 6pm**.....Couples For Christ
- (C) all Masses**Alt R. Bake Sale
- Sunday (C) all Masses** ...World Marriage Day
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