

# *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

## **Parish Office Telephone**

732-721-2772

Mass times - ext. 2

Secretary - ext. 3

Fr. Hagerman - ext. 3

Bookkeeper - ext. 4

Msgr. Szaroleta - ext. 5

## **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 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](http://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., March 24– March 25 (Palm  
Sunday of the Passion of the Lord)**

5:00 pm + Nicholas Cifelli, r/o wife, Terry  
8:00 am + Patrick and Annie Connor, r/o  
Jim and Bridget Bourke  
10:00 am + People of the Parish  
12:00 noon + Carlos Gonzalez, r/o Tom and  
Amy Mecka

**Mon., March 26 (Monday of Holy Week)**

8:30 am + Charles Crawford, r/o Moran  
Family  
7:00 pm + **No Evening Mass**

**Tues., March 27 (Tuesday of Holy Week)**

8:30 am + John Zampella Sr., r/o Deacon  
Don and Octavia Zampella

**Wed., March 28 (Wednesday of Holy  
Week)**

8:30 am + Fernando Rea Sr., r/o daughter  
and grandchildren

**Thurs., March 29 (Thursday of Holy  
Week)**

8:30 am + **No Morning Mass**  
7:00 pm + Living and Deceased Priests  
and Deacons of the Diocese of  
Metuchen

**Fri., March 30 (Friday of the Passion of the  
Lord)**

8:30 am + **No Morning Mass**  
3:00 pm + Good Friday Service

**Sat., March 31 (Holy Saturday)**

No 8:30 am Mass

**Sat.-Sun., March 31– April 1 (Easter  
Sunday of the Resurrection of  
the Lord)**

5:00 pm + **No Confession or Mass**  
7:30 pm + Easter Remembrance Envelopes  
8:00 am + Easter Remembrance Envelopes  
10:00 am + Easter Remembrance Envelopes  
12:00 pm + Easter Remembrance Envelopes

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

**BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE**

The Candle in Honor of Our Blessed Mother will be lit this week for the intentions of Ed and Flor Gualberto, r/o Pat and Dennis Dwyer.

**WINE & HOSTS**

This week's Wine & Hosts have been donated in memory of Theodore Berardicelli, r/o The St. Bernadette Choir members.

**PASCHAL CANDLE**

This year's Paschal Candle is donated in memory of the Deceased Members of the Harvey & Marks Families, r/o Anne Marks.

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**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

**Passion (Palm) Sunday**

Saturday, March 24th- 5:00pm

Sunday, March 25th- 8:00am, 10:00am, and  
12:00 noon

**Holy Thursday, March 29th**

7:00pm- Mass of the Lord's Supper  
8:30pm to 11:00pm- Adoration at the Altar  
of Reposition

**Good Friday, March 30th**

12:00 noon- Stations of the Cross  
3:00pm- Solemn Vigil of the Lord's Passion  
and Death

**Holy Saturday, March 31th**

12:00 noon- Blessing of the Food  
7:30pm- Solemn Vigil of Our Lord's  
Resurrection

**Easter Sunday, April 1st**

Masses will be celebrated at 8:00am,  
10:00am and 12:00 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

### 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.

March 30th: Deacon Don

Altar servers - Matthew Flores,  
David Flores, and  
Dani Yannuzi



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### HOLY THURSDAY COLLECTION

The collection on Holy Thursday, March 29th, will help benefit our Social Concerns Ministry.

### NEW LECTOR AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULES

The new schedules for Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers can be picked up by the sign in book in the altar servers' sacristy

### HAMS

Donations of hams will be greatly appreciated for Easter. We do not need turkeys this year. Please hand them directly to an usher for proper storage in the refrigerator. Thank you.

### DECORATORS NEEDED

We need volunteers to help decorate our Church for the Easter Celebration. Please come on Saturday, March 31st at 10:00am to help. All are welcome!

### BIBLE STUDY

#### THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW

**The Great Adventure Faith Journey continues!**

Bible study continues with the Gospel of Matthew. Our group meets on Thursdays, in Lourdes Center Meeting Room at 7:00pm. All are invited!

### BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS

The next Baptismal Preparation Class will take place on Monday, April 9, 2018 at 8:00p.m. in Lourdes Center.

### SPREADING THE WORD

#### Palm Sunday

*"Pilate again said to them, 'Then what shall I do with the man whom you call the King of the Jews?' And they cried out again, 'Crucify him.'"*

MARK 15:12-13

Jesus told us "whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me." Every day we are presented opportunities to help someone. Every day we have the opportunity to see the face of Jesus in others and be the face of Jesus to others. Pray for the strength and courage to stand up for those in need of our help.

### SOCIAL CONCERNS

Rice Bowl donations may be brought to the church on Palm Sunday (or to the Parish Office after April 9th) and placed in the basket that will be located in the church. Please feel free to cash your coins for paper currency or a check made out to *St. Bernadette Parish* (memo: Rice Bowl) Thank you for your faithful support.

### SOCIAL CONCERNS CLOTHING DRIVE

Our Social Concerns Ministry will conduct our fall clothing drive on Saturday, April 21st. Please help us fund our programs by donating clothing, small appliances, household items, toys, reading books, small furniture, linens, blankets, curtains, drapes, bedspreads, pillows, handbags, shoes (do not need to be packaged separately). No large appliances or furniture will be accepted. We will have a truck available in the parking lot on Saturday, April 21st, from 9:00am until 1:00pm. Students who need service hours should call Karen to schedule your time in advance of the day at 732-425-0387. Tax receipts will be available. **We regret that we are unable to accept any donations before April 21st, therefore, any donations left on the church property will be discarded.**

### CHRISM MASS

On Monday, March 26th, Bishop James F. Checchio will celebrate the Chrism Mass with the priests of the Diocese. At this Mass, the Bishop will bless the Holy Oils which each parish receives for the rites of anointing. At the mass, all the priests make a **Renewal of Commitment to Priestly Service**, recommitting themselves to their Bishop and to their ministry to God and His People; the Bishop and all Priests then ask the people for a pledge of their prayerful support. All are strongly encouraged to join in the ancient, grace-filled Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen at 7:30pm.

### 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 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 by no later than *Saturday, March 31, 2018*. 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](http://www.diometuchen.org/schools/tuition-assistance) or call (732) 562-1990 ext. 1610.

### HOLY WEEK OFFICE HOURS

Thursday, March 29.....9am-12noon  
Friday, March 30.....CLOSED

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### 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.

### BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

To date, the Development Office has received pledges totaling \$31,504.42 and payments totaling \$22,879.76 from 151 parishioners. This represents 54.3% of our parish goal of \$58,000.00. Please prayerfully consider making a gift today.

### DIOCESE COLLECTIONS

The second collection scheduled for Good Friday, March 30th is designated for *The Holy Land Collection*. The single beneficiary of this collection is the Commissariat of the Holy Land which is responsible for the preservation of the shrines of the Holy Land and the Sacred Congregation of Oriental Churches.

### CUB SCOUT PACK 101

Our next meeting will be Monday, April 9th at 6:30 pm in the Lourdes Center meeting room.

## LIVE CHRIST SHARE CHRIST

### Praise and Worship

The next Praise and Worship meeting will be held on Saturday, April 14th at 9:15am in the Lourdes Center meeting room. All are invited to celebrate Easter by watching the movie 'RISEN', the timeless story of Jesus' Resurrection, as seen through the eyes of a non-believer! The movie runs for approximately one hour 45 minutes. Please bring a friend.

## MONTHLY CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Interfaith Network of Care will be hosting a Caregiver Support Group on the second Wednesday of each month, at 3pm in St. Paul's Social Hall located in the basement of the Education Building on West Lakewood behind the Church in Milltown. If you are caregiving to your spouse or to an elderly parent, this group is for you! Please RSVP to 732-247-1655. The group will be ran by Shonda Baker, MSW, Senior Well-Being Specialist, from Oaks Integrated Care. Refreshments will also be provided.

## DISCOVER THE JOY OF BEING A HOSPICE VOLUNTEER

If you have a warm heart, a listening ear, and the gift of compassion you can make a difference in the life of a hospice patient or family member. VNA Health Group is inviting individuals interested in becoming hospice volunteers in Monmouth, Middlesex, and Ocean counties. There are many rewards and opportunities available to hospice volunteers through administrative support, home visitations, companionship, pet therapy, or any alternative therapies. We are also seeking volunteers interested in providing support calls from our offices in Holmdel or Toms River. Training will be provided by members of the Hospice team. Please call Pauline De Palma, BSW 732-224-6933 or email your contact information to [pauline.depalma@vnahg.org](mailto:pauline.depalma@vnahg.org). For more information visit [www.vnahg.org](http://www.vnahg.org).

## WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

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

Mitchell St. Louis  
The Ksepka Family  
The MacLean 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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## THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE'S

**Sunday .....Palm Sunday**  
(C) 8:00am.....Mass  
(C) 10:00am.....Mass  
(C) 12:00pm.....Mass  
**Monday.....No 7:00pm Mass/Novena**  
(C) 8:30am.....Mass  
(OD) 7:00pm.....Soc C. ham dist.  
(LC) 7:45pm... .....Alt R.  
**Tuesday.....No Bingo or RCIA**  
(C)4:30.....Kids Choir  
(C)6:30pm.....Cantors  
(C)7:00pm.....Music Reh  
(LC-101) 8:00pm.....4th °  
**Wednesday (LC).....CCD**  
**Thursday.....Parish Offices closes**  
**12:00 noon**  
.....No 8:30am Mass  
(C) 7:00pm...Holy Thursday Service  
.....No CCD  
**Friday .....Parish Office Closed**  
.....No Bingo  
(C) 12:00 noon....Stations of the Cross  
(C) 3:00pm.....Good Friday Service  
**Saturday .....No Confession**  
.....No 5:00pm Mass  
(C) 10:00am.....Decorate Church  
(C) 12:00noon....Blessing of the Food  
(C) 7:30pm.....Easter Vigil Mass  
**Sunday.....Easter**  
(C) 8:00am.....Mass  
(C) 10:00am.....Mass  
(C) 12:00noon.....Mass