

# *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](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 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

**Mon., April 2 (Monday within the Octave of Easter)**

7:00 pm + Robert Erdek, r/o wife, Helen and sons, Thomas and Michael

**Tues., April 3 (Tuesday within the Octave of Easter)**

8:30 am + Raymond Boyle, r/o Sheila Christensen and family

**Wed., April 4 (Wednesday within the Octave of Easter)**

8:30 am + Lester Francis, r/o Barry and Margret Waldman

**Thurs., April 5 (Thursday within the Octave of Easter)**

8:30 am + Deceased members of the Waszkiewicz, r/o Loretta and Michael Martin

**Fri., April 6 (Friday within the Octave of Easter)**

8:30 am + Frances Foderaro, r/o Foderaro Family

**Sat., April 7 (Saturday within the Octave of Easter)**

No 8:30 am Mass

**Sat.-Sun., April 7– April 8 (Second Sunday of Easter)**

- 5:00 pm + Peter Cerbone, r/o Ralphie Tutrone
- 8:30 am + Jimmy Ferriero, r/o Flanagan Family
- 10:00 am + Carlos Gonzales, r/o Ken and Arlene Buchanan
- 12:00 pm + Katherine Szaroleta, r/o Mildred and Stan Fernandes

**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 Anna DePinto, r/o 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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**STEWARDSHIP...**

Offering of March 17-March 18....\$8,980.00  
Assessment Offering.....\$60.00

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Today, we gather to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ. We have sung wonderful hymns that speak of our praise, adoration, and joy! But, in reality, every Sunday in the Catholic Church is an Easter Sunday because we remember Christ’s resurrection each week. Thank you for your generous weekly offerings, your stewardship of your time, your talent, and your treasure. They make it possible for St. Bernadette Church to be able to preach the Easter message every day.

Our best wishes to you and your families for a Blessed and Joyous Easter!

Devotedly yours in the Risen Lord,

Father Jim  
and

The Staff of Saint Bernadette Church

**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

## **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.

## **SOCIAL CONCERNS**

Rice Bowl donations may be brought to the Parish Office after April 9th or 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.

## **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!

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

## **BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

To date, the Development Office has received pledges totaling \$32,549.42 and payments totaling \$23,924.76 from 162 parishioners. This represents 56.1% of our parish goal of \$58,000.00. Please prayerfully consider making a gift today.

## **SPREADING THE WORD Easter Sunday**

*"Think of what is above, not of what is on earth."*

*COLOSSIANS 3:2*

On this day we thank God for His son, Jesus, who died and rose for us. We celebrate and sing "Alleluia." Let's try to keep the joy of this Easter season in our heart throughout the year! Pray daily and listen for how He is calling each of us to joyfully use our gifts to fulfill His salvation plan.

## **SOCIAL CONCERNS CLOTHING DRIVE**

Our Social Concerns Ministry will conduct our spring 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.**

## **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.

### **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.

### **BLOOD DRIVE**

New Jersey Blood Services will be conducting a blood drive, Thursday, April 5, 2:00pm-8:00pm at Most Holy Redeemer Parish, in Desmond Hall. At this time, the blood supply is critically low, PLEASE HELP. Those wishing to donate blood, please call their parish office at 732-566-9334 to set up appointment times.

### **CAMPAIGN FOR PEOPLE WITH PHYSICAL AND INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES**

On April 14th, the Knights of Columbus will be having a drive to support those with physical and intellectual disabilities. They will be at the doors after each Mass. The funds generated from this drive are used to support local programs which help people with special learning needs. Please be as generous as possible.

### **SAVE THE DATE 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: LoisAnn613@aol.com or call 732-266-9195

### **SENIORS**

The next Seniors Meeting will be on Monday, April 9, with lunch at 11:30am, followed by the meeting at 12:00 noon. Tickets for the Annual Seniors Picnic on Wednesday, June 13, in the Lourdes Center, will be available. Cost will be \$12.00 for members and \$20.00 for non-members. Full Picnic menu, beer, wine, soft drinks, door prizes. DJ Joey S. will be doing the music & games. Membership is open to all those 55 years of age and older. For more information call Bob Siebert at 732-727-0514 or at Friday Bingo, from 9:00am-2:00pm.

### **A JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF**

This program on April 5th– May 31st is designed to help men and women work through the grief that one experiences in reaction to the loss of a loved one. Through education and confidential mutual support, we will come to understand that the grieving process has elements common to everyone though our losses are unique to each person. As we travel this journey together, we will learn coping skills, and begin to find new strengths within and hope to ease our way on this journey. The group is open to all members of the community regardless of religious affiliation. The group will meet on Thursdays for nine weeks at St. Ambrose Church from 6:30pm-8:30pm.

There is no fee but pre-registration is required. Please contact their parish office for more information at 732-679-5666.

### **TRICKY TRAY**

Sacred Heart Church in South Amboy will be hosting a Tricky Tray on Friday, April 20th in the Sacred Heart Memorial Hall at 529 Washington Ave., South Amboy. Tickets are \$15.00 and include coffee, teas, and dessert. Doors open at 6:00pm. First drawing is at 7:30pm. Reservations are required. Please call the Parish office at 732-721-0040.

**BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS**

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

**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.

**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 in advance 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 to our patients and family members from our offices in Homdel 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. For more information visit www.vnahg.org.

**COFFEE ANYONE?**

It seems like coffee and a good conversation go hand and hand. On April 8th, join us in O'Dea Hall right after all Masses for our first *Community Coffee*. Spend some time getting to know those you share Mass with in this relaxed informal setting. Light refreshments will be provided. Children are invited as well! Whether you like coffee, tea, or just a glass of water, stop by and join us for what we hope will become a monthly event.



**CUB SCOUT PACK 101**

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

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**THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE'S**

- Sunday.....Easter
  - (C) 8:00am.....Mass
  - (C) 10:00am.....Mass
  - (C) 12:00noon.....Mass
- Monday (C) 7:00pm.....Mass/Novena
  - (LC) 8:00pm.....Bapt. Prep
- Tuesday (C)4:30.....Kids Choir
  - .....No RCIA
  - (OD) 7:30pm .....Bingo
- Wednesday .....NO CCD
  - (LC) 7:30pm.....K of C
- Thursday .....NO CCD
  - (C) 6:30pm.....Cantors
  - (C)7:00pm.....Music Reh
  - (LC) 7:00pm.....Bible Study
- Friday (OD)12:00pm.....Bingo
- Saturday (LC) 9:00am.....Holy Name
  - (C) 4:00pm.....Confession
- Sunday (LC/Gym) all day.....Columbiette
  - Major Degree
  - (OD) 9:00-1:00pm.....Community Coffee