

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
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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., April 16-April 17 (Fourth Sunday of Easter)

5:00 pm + Joseph and Mary Bodnar, r/o
Margaret Horvath and children
8:30 am + Tiburcia Refuerzo, r/o Niece
10:00 am + Amado Acampado, r/o Fe
Aduincola
11:30 am + Colleen Overmere, r/o Terry,
Aiden, and family

Mon., April 18 (Easter Weekday)

7:00 pm + Eugene Laterza, r/o wife
Margaret

Tues., April 19 (Easter Weekday)

8:30 am + Rose Rasimowicz, r/o family

Wed., April 20 (Easter Weekday)

8:30 am + George Burdak, r/o Kristina
Gonzalez

Thurs., April 21 (Easter Weekday)

8:30 am + Thomas Woods, r/o family

Fri., April 22 (Easter Weekday)

8:30 am + Ruth DSouza, r/o Deacon Don
and Octavia Zampella

Sat., April 23 (Easter Weekday)

No 8:30 am Mass

Sat.-Sun., April 23-April 24 (Fifth Sunday of Easter)

5:00 pm + Mary Ann Dunne, r/o Noreen
Kelly
8:30 am + Rose and Mario Maresca, r/o
grandson Michael Maresca
10:00 am + Reba Fam, r/o daughter Barbara
11:30 am + Colleen Overmere, r/o Terry
Caputo

Pray the Rosary for peace!

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

SANCTUARY CANDLE

WINE AND HOST

STEWARDSHIP...

The gift of your treasure!

Offering of April 9 - April 10.....\$7,916.00
Assessment Offering\$431.00
CCD Offering\$57.00
Renovation Offering.....\$375.00
Updated Holy Land Offering.....\$1,578.00

Your Weekly Envelope Offerings

\$1-\$5.....71
\$6-\$10.....81
\$11-\$20.....88
\$21-\$30.....40
\$31-\$39.....7
\$40 and Over.....42

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.

SPREADING THE WORD

4th Sunday of Easter

*"The disciples were filled with joy and the
Holy Spirit." (ACTS 13:52)*

Because the disciples heard Our Lord's call,
they were able to spread the Gospel message
with strength and vitality. We, too, can
experience that same joy if we take time to
open our hearts, listen to God, ask for His
direction and allow the Holy Spirit to guide
our lives and our decisions.

HOTLINES-OUTREACH

Action Pregnancy Center.....828-1166
Problem Pregnancy Center449-8676
Drug Abuse1-800-322-5525
Alacare1-800-300-2118

Natural Family Planning.....1-800-334-0699
"Pantry Sunday".....Every Sunday
Food Assistance.....721-7418

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS

The next Baptismal Preparation Class will take place on Monday, May 2, 2016 at 8 p.m. in Lourdes Center. Godparent Eligibility Certificates and baptismal donations may be presented at this meeting.

OPEN HOUSE

Bishop George Ahr High School is having a Spring Open House on Monday, April 18th at 7pm. They are located at 1 Tingley Lane, Edison. For more information call 732-549-1108 ext 620 or visit www.bgahs.org.

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.

The Mobile Family Success Center of Middlesex County operated by Catholic Charities is a community-based, family-centered program providing support, information, and services to enrich the lives of children and adults in need of volunteers. For more information call Kendra Williams at 732-387-1220.

FAMILY COMMUNION BREAKFAST

The Holy Name Society will be having a Family Communion Breakfast on Sunday, May 15th, immediately following 8:30 Mass. All couples and families with teens are invited. It will be held at Bello's Family Restaurant on Washington Rd. in Sayreville. Tickets must be purchased in advanced, none will be available at the door. Tickets are \$10 and available from any Holy Name Society members. Join us for a morning of fellowship, food, and fun. All are welcome!

MOTHER'S DAY MASS REMEMBRANCE CARDS

Mother's Day Mass Remembrance cards can be found at the doors of the church. Returns must be received at the Parish Office no later than Monday, May 2, in order for names to appear in the bulletin. Please be sure to *print names clearly* and if you have several, please place them on a paper included with the envelope. What a wonderful way to show your mother how much you love her by having her remembered in Mass on Mother's Day.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Grace, Mercy & Peace

In his first encyclical, *Lumen Fidei* (The Light of Faith), Pope Francis writes, "Faith is no refuge for the fainthearted, but something which enhances our lives (no.53). It is your courage and commitment that allows our diocesan ministries to flourish. Without your gifts of time, talent and financial resources, the light of faith in our diocese would not shine as brightly. *Thank you for your continued support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal.*

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR GODPARENTS & CONFIRMATION SPONSORS

In order for someone to act as a Godparent or a Sponsor for Confirmation, they must have received the sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. If they are married, they must have been married in a Catholic Church or in a ceremony recognized by the Catholic Church. Godparents and Sponsors must also obtain a Letter of Eligibility from their parishes indicating that they are attending Mass on a regular basis and that they fulfill all requirements. If both Godparents are Catholic, they both must obtain letters.

SENIORS

Tickets for the Annual Senior's Picnic on June 15th in the Lourdes Center are available. Cost will be \$10 for members and \$20 for non members. Member ship is open to all those 55 years of age and older.

Our Seniors are planning a bus trip to Atlantic City to the Golden Nugget Casino on Wednesday, June 29th. Reservations for the bus are now being taken. For more information call Bob Siebert 732-727-0514.

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To date, the Diocese has received pledges totaling \$46,924.21 and payments totaling 42,705.89 from 236 parishioners. This represents 93.5% of our parish goal of \$50,200.00 Please prayerfully consider making a gift today. Every gift is important, and every gift is appreciated.

CASINO NIGHT & GIFT AUCTION

Saint John Vianney High school invites to you to join them on Friday, April 22nd at Eagle Oaks Golf & Country Club for a fantastic evening of fun at their 3rd Annual Casino Night and Gift Auction Gala. Enjoy a cocktail hour of passed hors d'oeuvres, a buffet dinner with carving stations, coffee, tea and desserts along with a cash bar, casino tables, live DJ, basket auctions, live auctions, Mega Cash Raffle and more... Reservations due by April 6th. For more information call 732-739-0800 ext. 121 or email pasquale@sjvhs.com.

BINGO

Bingo is played at St. Bernadette's on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. and Friday at 12 noon. Volunteers are always welcomed! Come! Play Bingo and make some new friends!

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

Our Catholic Daughters will be having a bake sale after all Masses on April 16th and 17th.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all who came and donated to our Social Concerns Committee Spring Clothing Drive on April 16th. It was a big success because of you. Thank you again for your support!

CCD

If your child will be entering first grade in September, please call Mrs. Francis, our CCD Director, at 732-727-4343. Registration are by appointment only. At the time of registration you must present a baptismal certificate and you must be currently registered in St. Bernadette Parish and the fee for one student is \$75 payable on registration.

COLUMBIETTES

We would like to say "Thank you" to all who attended our "First Annual Tea Party". It was a lovely afternoon of relaxing music, visiting, and, of course tea sandwiches, desserts and numerous "teas" to select. We are hoping to see many of you next year! Lois Ann Smith & Kathy Jessen co-chairs.

On April 21st, Bayshore Columbiettes will host our South East Chapter Meeting at 7:30pm. Members are reminded to confirm attending so that the President knows how many to prepare for. Our "Right to Life Baby Shower" will take place at this meeting.

On May 11th at 7:30 the Columbiettes will hold their May Crowning and elections in the LC meeting room. Women 18 and over are welcome to join this organization. Applications may be found in the vestibule of the church or by calling Lois Ann Smith at 732-266-9195.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The next meeting will be held on April 20th at 8:00pm in the Lourdes Center.

MAY CROWNING

Our May Crowning will take place on Sunday, May 1, at the 10 a.m. Mass.

RELIGIOUS SEMINAR

Come spend the evening with a joyful Dominican Sister to celebrate *Dominican Jubilee*, the 800th jubilee of the confirmation of the Order. Deepen your knowledge of Dominican spirituality and the gift the charism of preaching offers to our Church and around the world. Tuesday, April 26th from 7-9 p.m. Registration is \$20-\$30 (as you are able). For more information please call 908-753-2091.

HELP IS NEEDED

Our volunteers who clean the Church every Friday morning after mass are in dire need of help. If you can spare an hour or so to share your time to help clean your church after the 8:30 Mass, it would be greatly appreciated!

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

-PSALMS 51:10

OPEN MIC NIGHT

South Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 426 will hold their next Open Mic Friday April 29 at 308 Fourth St., South Amboy at 8pm. If you play a musical instruments or like to sing you are cordially invited. Snacks and refreshments are available. For more information call 732-721-2025.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

NFP is a wonderful way to practice family planning while honoring your spouse, your body, and God. Find out the facts, myths and blessings of NFP. Information sessions take place at St. John Neumann Pastoral Center in Piscataway on April 20th from 1:30-3:00pm and 7:00-8:30pm. There is no fee for this session but pre-registration is requested. For more information contact: Family Life Office 732-562-1990 ext. 1705 or mfonseca@diometuchen.org.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

ASCENSION THURSDAY

Masses for Ascension Thursday, May 5, a Holy Day of Obligation, will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m. and at 7 p.m. There will not be a Vigil Mass.

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY

Our Altar Rosary Society will meet next Monday, April 25, at 7:45 p.m. in Lourdes Center. Membership in our Altar Rosary Society is open to all women of the parish, 18 years of age and older, who are in good standing with the Catholic Church.

CUB SCOUT PACK 101

Our next meeting will be Thursday April 21st at 6:30in O'Dea Hall. We will be making Stomp Rockets.

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 Jeff Scott at 732-432-7944 or email at jjdbjsscott@comcast.net

THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE'S

SundayCDA Bake Sale
(Gym) 9:00am.....Couples
(C) 12:45pm.....Baptism
Monday (C) 7pm.....Mass/Novena
(OD) 7:45pmCDA
Tuesday (C) 4:30pmKids Choir
(LC) 7:30pm.....RCIA
(OD) 7:30pmBingo
(LC) 7:30pm.....Adult Conf.
Wednesday.....CCD
(LC) 8:00pm.....K of C
ThursdayCCD
(C) 6:00pm.....Cantors
(C) 6:30pm.....Music Reh
(OD) 6:30pm.....Cub Scouts
Friday (OD) 12:00pm.....Bingo
Saturday (C) 4:00pm.....Confession
(LC)6:00pm.....Couples
Sunday