

# *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., April 30-May 1 (Sixth Sunday  
of Easter)**

- 5:00 pm + Colleen Overmere, r/o Noreen Kelly
- 8:30 am 45<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Jim and Lois Ann Smith
- 10:00 am + Aldo De Pinto, r/o Deacon Don and Octavia Zampella
- 11:30 am + Colleen Overmere, r/o Ralphy Totrone

**Mon., May 2 (Saint Athanasius)**

- 7:00 pm + Rose McGrath, r/o Angelina Falk

**Tues., May 3 (Saints Philip and James)**

- 8:30 am + Gary Siriday, r/o Karen Dunn and Heather Doehler

**Wed., May 4 (Easter Weekday)**

- 8:30 am + Ruth D'Souza, r/o Alice Russo

**Thurs., May 5 (The Ascension of The Lord)**

- 8:30 am + Ruth D'Souza, r/o Mildred Fernandes and Family
- 7:00 pm + Ruth D'Souza, r/o Jim and Eileen Ryan

**Fri., May 6 (Easter Weekday)**

- 8:30 am + Margaret and Charlie Marooney, r/o Margaret Marooney

**Sat., May 7 (Easter Weekday)**

No 8:30 am Mass

**Sat.-Sun., May 7-May 8 (Seventh Sunday  
of Easter)**

- 5:00 pm Mother's Day Envelopes
- 8:30 am Mother's Day Envelopes
- 10:00 am Mother's Day Envelopes
- 11:30 am Mother's Day Envelopes

*Pray the Rosary for peace!*

**BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE**

The Candle in Honor of Our Blessed Mother will be lit this week in memory of Irma Tornetti, r/o daughter and Ralphy Tutrone.

**SANCTUARY CANDLE**

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in memory Colleen Overmere, r/o The Kieselowsky Family.

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**STEWARDSHIP...**

**The gift of your treasure!**

Offering of April 23 - April 24.....\$8,045.00  
 Assessment Offering.....\$67.00  
 CCD Offering .....\$32.00

**Your Weekly Envelope Offerings**

\$1-\$5.....87  
 \$6-\$10.....67  
 \$11-\$20.....89  
 \$21-\$30.....41  
 \$31-\$39.....6  
 \$40 and Over.....43

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**SPREADING THE WORD**

**6th Sunday of Easter**

*"...do not let your heart be troubled or afraid." (JOHN 14:27)*

Our limited human understanding cannot begin to understand the immense power of God. Instead of trusting in God, we think we can control every outcome. Do you want to make God laugh? Tell Him your plans. The next time worry, anxiety or fear creeps in, thank God for all He has given you and trust He has a better plan for you.

**HOTLINES-OUTREACH**

Action Pregnancy Center..... 828-1166  
 Problem Pregnancy Center ..... 449-8676  
 Drug Abuse .....1-800-322-5525  
 Alacare .....1-800-300-2118

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

### **MAY CROWNING**

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

### **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.

### **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!

### **SENIORS**

Our next meeting will be held on Monday, May 9th at 12 noon in O'Dea Hall. A hot lunch will be served.

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. Membership 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 full. We still have a waiting list if you would like to put your name down. For more information call Bob Siebert 732-727-0514.

### **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.

### **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!

### **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.

### **CHRISMATIC MASS**

The Body of Christ Charismatic Prayer Community will be holding a Charismatic Mass followed by prayers for healing at St. Francis Cathedral Main Street, Metuchen on Thurs. May 12, 2016 at 7:30 PM. The Rev. Bill Halbing will be the Presider & Homilist. For more information please call Pam @ 732-491-6042.

### **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.

### **LIVE CHRIST SHARE CHRIST**

The next Praise and Worship Meeting will be held on Saturday, May 14th at 9:15 am in the Lourdes Center. Father Jim will speak on Pentecost. All are welcome to attend.

### **COLUMBIETTES**

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.

On Thursday, May 19, the South East Chapter will hold our May Crowning at 7:00pm with the meeting following. St. Lawrence Auxiliary will be the host.

### **THANK YOU**

The Cleaning Staff wants to express appreciation to the parishioners who have come forward to help us care for St. Bernadette's Church. We welcome the help anytime! Thank you so much.

### **BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

#### **Grace, Mercy & Peace**

To date, the Diocese has received pledges totaling \$46,924.21 and payments totaling \$43,554.39 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.

### **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.

### **WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA**

Our Lady's Blue Army invites you to join them for a celebration on May 7 at the World Apostolate of Fatima Shrine, located at 674 Mountain View Rd., Washington, NJ. Fr. Andrew Apostoli, CFR, renowned author/speaker, explains the *Five First Saturdays*, leads the Rosary/15 min. meditation *requested by Our Lord and Our Lady*, and celebrates Holy Mass. For more information call 908-689-1700 or email [www.bluearmy.com](http://www.bluearmy.com).

### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

Children's Liturgy takes place every second and fourth Sunday at the 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Mass. We are always looking for new liturgists. Children must be of in the first grade or above to attend. If you have any questions, please call Donna at 732-525-8480.

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 4th at 8:00 pm in the Lourdes Center.

### **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS**

Our next meeting will be held on May 2nd at 7:45 in the Lourdes Center.

### **GOLF OUTING**

The South Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 426 is holding their annual golf outing on Thursday May 12th at Cruz Farms Golf Course in Farmingdale. Registration begins at 8:30am with tee-off at 9:00am. Cost is \$100 and includes 18 holes, golf cart, lunch, dinner, and many prizes. For more information call Ray at 732-721-2025 or Wayne 732-406-2340.

**REV. CHECCHIO ORDINATION MASS**

The Diocese of Metuchen will provide a live satellite broadcast of the Episcopal Ordination of The Most Reverend James F. Checchio on Tuesday, May 3rd. Live coverage will begin with a 1:30 pm procession leading up to the 2:00 pm liturgy. You may access the live stream of the Mass via Diocese of Metuchen website: [diometuchen.org/ordination](http://diometuchen.org/ordination).

The May 3rd Episcopal Ordination mass will be broadcast live on air on station EWTN (check with your television provider for channel listings in your area) and simultaneously streamed online via the following website; EWTN-Global Catholic Network, [www.ewtn.com](http://www.ewtn.com).

**CUB SCOUT PACK 101**

Our next meeting will be Thursday May 5th at 6:30 pm in the Gym.

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](mailto:jjdbjsscott@comcast.net)

**SPECIAL MASS GIVEN**

Join us on June 12th at 12 noon at the Cathedral of Saint Francis in Metuchen for a special Year of Mercy Mass for persons who are sick, disabled, their caregivers, family and friends. Experience the love of God who consoles, pardons and instills hope! Enter through the Holy Door at the Cathedral (another door or threshold may be substituted for the sick or persons with disabilities) and receive the grace unique to this special extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy. All are invited to gather for light refreshments and fellowship after Mass. For more information: email [catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com](mailto:catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com) or call 732-765-6432.

**THANK YOU**

The Youth Group would like to thank all those who purchased baked goods from our bake sale on April 2nd and 3rd. Your support helped make our sale a big success! Thank you again!

**RELIGIOUS SEMINARS**

Mount St. Mary House of Prayer in Watchung, is please to offer a seminar titled *Mary, Undoer of Knots*. In his first year as Pontiff, Pope Francis encouraged the whole Christian community to pray to Mary, Undoer of Knots. Come for an evening to reflect deeply with Mary, and offer her the knots in your life. Wednesday, May 4th, from 7-9 p.m. Registration is \$20-\$30 (as you are able) and is required. For more information please call 908 -753-2091 or email [msmhope@msmhope.org](mailto:msmhope@msmhope.org).

**EYES FOR THE NEEDY**

Please drop off all used eyeglasses in the mail box located on the veranda of the church

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

- Sunday (C) 10:00am**.....May Crowning
- Monday (C) 7pm**.....Mass/Novena
- (OD) 7:45pm** .....CDA
- (LC) 8:00pm**.....Bapt. Prep
- Tuesday (C) 4:30pm** .....Kids Choir
- (LC) 7:30pm**.....RCIA
- (OD) 7:30pm** .....Bingo
- (LC) 7:30pm**.....Adult Conf
- Wednesday (LC) 8:00pm**.....K of C
- Thursday**.....
- (C)8:30am**.....Ascension Thursday Mass
- (C)7:00pm**.....Ascension Thursday Mass
- (Gym) 6:30pm**.....Cub Scouts
- Friday (OD) 12:00pm**.....Bingo
- (OD) 6:00pm**.....Girl Scouts
- Saturday (LC) 9:15am**.....Holy Name
- (C) 4:00pm**.....Confession
- (C) 6:00pm**.....Couples
- Sunday** .....Mother's Day