

# *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., May 13-May 14 (Fifth Sunday of Easter)**

- 5:00 pm + Mother’s Day Envelope
- 8:30 am + Mother’s Day Envelope
- 10:00 am + Mother’s Day Envelop
- 11:30 pm + Mother’s Day Envelope

**Mon., May 15 (Easter Weekday)**

- 7:00 pm + Concetta Zammit and Lucy Zammit Waters, r/o Nicole Szczesny

**Tues., May 16 (Easter Weekday)**

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

**Wed., May 17 (Easter Weekday)**

- 8:30 am + Libby Flynn, r/o Tom Maher

**Thurs., May 18 (Easter Weekday)**

- 8:30 am + Edward Marks, r/o Anne Marks

**Fri., May 19 (Easter Weekday)**

- 8:30 am + Mr. and Mrs. Michael and Irene Nealon, r/o Nealon Family

**Sat., May 20 (Easter Weekday)**

No 8:30 am Mass

**Sat.-Sun., May 20-May 21 (Sixth Sunday of Easter)**

- 5:00 pm + Maureen Maresca, r/o Deacon Don and Ocatvia Zampella
- 8:30 am + Grace Treubert, r/o The Kiernan Family
- 10:00 am + Reba Family, r/o daughter Barbara
- 11:30 pm + Joseph O’Pecko, r/o wife and family

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

**BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE**

The Candle in Honor of Our Blessed Mother will be lit this week for the intention of the Catherine Geletei, r/o the family.

**SANCTUARY CANDLE**

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in memory of Norma L. Valeña, r/o Martha V. Molato and family.

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**STEWARDSHIP...**

**The gift of your treasure!**

Offering of May 6 - May 7.....\$11,085.00  
 Assessment Offering.....\$455.00  
 CCD Offering .....\$67.00

**Your Weekly Envelope Offerings**

\$1-\$5.....56  
 \$6-\$10.....70  
 \$11-\$20.....81  
 \$21-\$30.....53  
 \$31-\$39.....10  
 \$40 and Over.....58

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**SPREADING THE WORD**

**5th Sunday of Easter**

*“The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.” 1 PETER 2:7*

Everyone is given unique gifts. Many people are able to recognize their talents and abilities, but there are many people who are unsure of their gifts. This may make them feel worthless. If you know someone who is struggling for a direction in life, give them a little encouragement. Help them discern how they might use their skills. No gift is too small or insignificant.

**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

### **BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS**

The next Baptismal Preparation Class will take place on Monday, June 5, 2017 at 8 p.m. in Lourdes Center. Godparent Eligibility Certificates and baptismal donations may be presented at this meeting.

### **SENIORS**

Tickets for the annual Seniors Picnic, which will be held at the Lourdes Center on Wednesday, June 14th are available. Members are \$10.00 and Non-members will be \$20.00. Music, beer, wine, and dessert are included. Seniors Club membership is open to any person 55 years or older. For any information please contact Bob Siebert at 732-727-0514.

### **2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal *Ambassadors for Christ***

The Ozanam Family Shelter is just one of 103 programs sponsored by Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen. Last year, over 54,000 people from all walks of life, all races, all religions, and all economic levels received assistance from Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen. Your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal makes it possible for Catholic Charities to provide quality services to the poor, vulnerable and all people in need. Visit our secure online site at [diometuchen.org/BAA](http://diometuchen.org/BAA).

### **FESTA di SAN ANTONIO**

Good Shepherd Parish at Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary Church, 625 Florida Grove Rd., in Woodbridge will be hosting its annual Festa di San Antonio honoring St. Anthony on Saturday, June 10th from Noon to 7pm in Msgr. Gambino Hall. Includes Italian food and desserts (eat in/take out), raffles, activities and games for children and more. Please bring a non-perishable food item for donation to the parish food pantry. For information call (732) 826-4859 or visit [www.goodshepherdpanj.org](http://www.goodshepherdpanj.org).

### **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.

### **CUB SCOUT PACK 101**

Join us on Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm at in the O'Dea Hall for our next meeting. The Cub Scouts Program is designed for boys and their families to work together to learn new skills, build strong relationships, and become good citizens. For more information contact Nicole Soper at [nacsuper@gmail.com](mailto:nacsuper@gmail.com).

### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL SAVE THE DATES**

Our 29th year of Community Vacation Bible School, sponsored by the combined churches of Sayreville, South Amboy and Parlin, will be held from *Monday, July 17, through Friday, July 21*, at St. Bernadette Church. *Over The Moat* is our theme this year. Volunteers will be needed. Please call Lois Ann Smith at 732-721-4596 for more information and to volunteer. You may also email [LoisAnn613@aol.com](mailto:LoisAnn613@aol.com) with CVBS in the subject box. Registration will be available shortly.

### **COLUMBIETTES**

The Columbiettes will be having an officer meeting on June 14th, in O'Dea hall at 7:00pm. All officers are asked to attend. Our final member's meeting will be held on Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup> in O'Dea Hall. All members are asked to attend. We will be hosting our South East Chapter Meeting and holding election of officers for the Chapter. See you there!

### **DIOCESE COLLECTIONS**

The collection for the Catholic Communications Campaign will be taken up as a second collection the weekend, May 27 & 28. The proceeds will benefit the Catholic Communications Campaign (national and local levels) and the Catholic University of America.

*The world asks,  
"What does a man own?"*

*Christ asks,  
"How does he use it?"*

Andrew Murray

### **ST. MARY'S HIGH SCHOOL REUNION**

The class of 1967 is planning their 50th class reunion. Dinner is planned at the Molly Pitcher Inn in Red Bank on Saturday September 23rd. More details and invitations will be send out shortly. We are still looking for several classmates. For a full list of classmates whose whereabouts are unknown, please contact Sue Fuller Carl at [carl112949@aol.com](mailto:carl112949@aol.com).

### **HANDYMAN MINISTRY**

There are many ways to serve the Church. One important way is the giving of your time and talents. We are looking for parishioners with skills in the area of Painting, Carpentry, Plumbing, Electrical, and HVAC to becoming part of our Handyman Ministry. Call the Parish Office, 732-721-2772, to be placed on our "on-call" list for when a minor problem arises that you could assist with.

*"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms."*

1 PETER 4:10

### **LCSC PRAISE AND WORSHIP**

The next Praise and Worship meeting will be on June 10th in the Lourdes Center at 9:15am. At this meeting Deacon Don will speak on The Gifts of the Holy Spirit. All are welcome and encouraged to come and join us!

### **CARMELITES**

There will be no Carmelite meeting on Saturday, May 20th. The next meeting will be on June 17th at 9:00am in Lourdes Center.

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

To date, the Diocese has received pledges totaling \$46,357.75. and payments totaling \$37,724.75 from 221 parishioners. This represents 79.9% of our parish goal of \$58,000.00 Please prayerfully consider making a gift today.

### **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 offering training for all individuals interested in becoming hospice volunteers in several counties throughout New Jersey. Training will be provided by members of the VNAHG Hospice team on 3 consecutive Thursdays: June 8th, 15th, and 22nd from 9:30am till 3:00pm at VNA Health Group, 23 Main Street, Suite D1 Holmdel, NJ. There are many rewards and opportunities available to hospice volunteers though home visitation, administrative support and special projects to support our mission of caring and compassion. Volunteers must attend all 3 sessions. To register, please call Pauline De Palma, BSW (732) 224-6933. For more information about VNAHG volunteer services visit [vnahg.org/volunteering](http://vnahg.org/volunteering).

**MUSIC REHERSAL DATE CHANGE**

Music rehearsals originally scheduled for Thursday, May 25th have been moved to Tuesday, May 23rd, same time.

**METS BASEBALL GAME**

The South Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 426 are sponsoring an outing to Citi Field to see the Mets battle their divisional rivals the Phillies in a 4:10pm game. Cost of \$125 includes round trip motor coach transportation, reserved mezzanine seats, snacks and refreshments, Asdrubal Cabrera Bobblehead Doll, and \$24 worth of Mets Money that can be spent anywhere in the ballpark. For reservations call Steve 732-727-1707.

**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 time we can call. A Eucharistic Minister will contact you.

**WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH**

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

- Leonard Calalang
- Michael Carpentieri
- Christopher Cesare
- Alyssa Salagaj
- Paul A. Steffen
- Brittany Ungano
- The Cartagena Family
- The Cesare Family
- The Tecchio 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

**HOLY NAME SOCIETY BREAKFAST**

The Holy Name Society invites you to join them for their Communion Breakfast on Sunday, May 21st after the 8:30 am Mass at Friendly’s restaurant on Rt.9 south in Old Bridge. All are invited. Children 14 and above are welcome as well. Tickets are available for \$10 a person. For more information call Fred at 732-721-7022.

**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.

**BECOME AN USHER**

The role of the church usher is to welcome worshipers as well as help our guests and members experience the sacredness and joy of worshiping God. St. Bernadette Church is looking for volunteers to be ushers. For more information please call Fred at 732-721-7022.

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**THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE’S**

- Sunday** .....Mother’s Day  
(C).....CDA Bake Sale All Masses
- Monday (C) 7:00pm**.....Mass/Novena  
(OD)**7:45pm**.....CDA
- Tuesday (LC) 7:30pm**.....RCIA  
(OD) **7:30pm** .....Bingo
- Wednesday (LC) 8:00pm**.....K of C
- Thursday (OD) 6:30pm**.....Cub Scouts  
(C) **6:30pm**.....Cantors  
(C)**7:00pm**.....Music Reh
- Friday (OD)12:00pm**.....Bingo
- Saturday (C) 4:00pm**.....Confession  
(LC) **6:00pm**.....Couples
- Sunday (C)12:45pm**.....Baptisms