

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 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

Mon., May 22 (Easter Weekday)

- 7:00 pm + Anthony and Josphine Malara, r/o sons

Tues., May 23 (Easter Weekday)

- 8:30 am + Ruth DSouza, r/o Peter and Irene Caruso

Wed., May 24 (Easter Weekday)

- 8:30 am + People of the Parish

Thurs., May 25 (The Ascension of the Lord)

- 8:30 am + Deborah Fernandez, r/o Flanagan Family
- 7:00 pm + Jean Wojcik, r/o Peter and Irene Caruso

Fri., May 26 (Saint Philip Neri)

- 8:30 am + Pamela Del Duca, r/o Jerry Muroski

Sat., May 27 (Easter Weekday)

No 8:30 am Mass

Sat.-Sun., May 27-May 28 (Seventh Sunday of Easter)

- 5:00 pm + Eleanor DeLuca, r/o daughters
- 8:30 am + The Geletei Family, r/o the family
- 10:00 am + Paddy Crowe, r/o Terry, Aiden O’Donnell and family
- 11:30 pm + Fernando Medina, Fernando Medina Jr., r/o Medina family

WINE & HOSTS

This week’s Wine & Hosts have been donated in memory of Joseph O’Pecko, r/o wife and family.

STEWARDSHIP...

The gift of your treasure!

Offering of May 13 - May 14.....\$9,295.00
 Assessment Offering.....\$253.00
 CCD Offering\$55.00

Your Weekly Envelope Offerings

\$1-\$5.....55
 \$6-\$10.....79
 \$11-\$20.....91
 \$21-\$30.....40
 \$31-\$39.....8
 \$40 and Over.....55

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION ASCENSION THURSDAY

Masses for Ascension Thursday, May 25, a Holy Day of Obligation, will be celebrated at 8:30am and at 7pm. There is no Vigil Mass.

SPREADING THE WORD 6th Sunday of Easter

“For it is better suffer for doing good, if that be God’s will, than for doing evil.”

1 PETER 3:17

The old line says, “if you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans.” Many of us are diligent in our planning, making sure things are progressing smoothly, then disaster strikes, we don’t get the result that we intended. An unforeseen problem arises. Many times we may respond negatively. Why me? I did everything right! Here’s the thing— God had a different and better plan in store for you.

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

CUB SCOUT PACK 101

Join us on Thursday, May 25th, at 6:30pm at in the Lourdes Center 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.

SENIORS PICNIC

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

As baptized Catholics, we are all *Ambassadors for Christ*. Like the first disciples, we are sent into the Lord's vineyard with a mission of bringing hope and goodness to our world. Some things are possible for us as individuals, but some need the combined efforts of many. The 2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal is an opportunity for us to come together to serve as *Ambassadors for Christ*. By contributing to the life of the Church through our support of the many and varied diocesan ministries, we reflect our commitment to evangelization, priestly vocations, religious formation for our youth, assisting the poor, and so much more. All of the money donated goes to these and all of the pastoral and charitable ministries mentioned in the Appeal brochure and none is used for administrative costs. Thank you for your generous support.

GUEST PRIEST

One the weekend of May 27th and 28th St. Bernadette welcomes Rev. Farrell McLaughin from Cross Catholic Outreach to celebrate all Masses.

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 with CVBS in the subject box. Registration will be available shortly.

COLUMBIETTE MEMORIAL MASS

Please bring pictures of your loved ones who have passed and place them on the altar at the Memorial Mass being held on Monday, June 5th at 7:00 p.m. Our Columbiettes will hold a Memorial Service as well as Installation of Officers during this regularly scheduled Mass. We will be presenting our second annual scholarship immediately following the mass. Everyone is invited to attend! Questions - Lois Ann 732-266-9195

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 15th 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!

MUSIC REHEARSAL DATE CHANGE

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

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.

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.

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.

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 visit www.goodshepherdpanj.org or call (732) 826-4859.

RCIA

The last RCIA meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 23rd in the Lourdes Center at 7:30pm.

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!

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.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

To date, the Diocese has received pledges totaling \$48,407.75. and payments totaling \$38,984.75 from 227 parishioners. This represents 83.5% of our parish goal of \$58,000.00 Please prayerfully consider making a gift today.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The parish offices will be closed Monday, May 29th in honor of Memorial Day.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

The last before the summer Social Concerns meeting will be on Wednesday, June 14th at 7:30pm in Lourdes Center.

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 on July 1st 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.

OUR LADY'S BLUE ARMY

"And have you spread through the world what our heavenly Mother requested of you?" Starting Saturday, June 3, World Apostolate of Fatima will honor the plea of Our Lady on Dec. 10, 1925 requesting First Saturdays for five consecutive months. Schedule is as follows: Confessions are 10:30-1:30 pm; Rosary w/15 minute meditation 11:30 am; Holy Mass 12:00 Noon. Holy House: 2:30 pm: Children's video & explanation of "Last Vision" sculpture. 3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet. For more information call (908) 689-1700 ext. 210 or email www.wafusa.org

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.

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.

THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE'S

- Sunday (C) 12:45pm**.....Baptisms
- Monday (C) 7:00pm**.....Mass/Novena
- (LC) 7:45pm**.....Alt. R
- Tuesday (LC) 7:30pm**.....RCIA
- (OD) 7:30pm**Bingo
- (C) 6:30pm**.....Cantors
- (C) 7:00pm**.....Music Reh
- Wednesday**
- Thursday (C) 8:30am**.....Ascension
- Thursday Mass
- (C) 7:00pm**.....Ascension
- Thursday Mass
- (LC) 6:30pm**.....Cub Scouts
- Friday (OD) 12:00pm**.....Bingo
- Saturday (C) 4:00pm**.....Confession
- (LC) 6:00pm**.....Couples
- Sunday (LC) 6:30pm**.....Youth Group