

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

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., May 5– May 6 (Sixth Sunday of Easter)

- 5:00 pm + the Reba Family, r/o family
- 8:30 am + Rose and Mario Maresca, r/o Domenick Maresca and family
- 10:00 am + Charles W. Talian, r/o wife and family
- 11:30 am + Manuel & Angelita Medina and Fernando Medina Sr., r/o the Medina Family

Mon., May 7 (Easter Weekday)

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

Tues., May 8 (Easter Weekday)

- 8:30 am + Muriel Antonelli, r/o the Bathe Family

Wed., May 9 (Easter Weekday)

- 8:30 am + Michael Taris, r/o Jerry and Marge Scheider

Thurs., May 10 (The Ascension of the Lord)

- 8:30 am + People of the Parish
- 7:00 pm + John A. Flanagan, r/o the Flanagan Family

Fri., May 11 (Easter Weekday)

- 8:30 am + Olga and Colleen Overmere, r/o the Overmere Family

Sat., May 12 (Easter Weekday)

No 8:30 am Mass

Sat.-Sun., May 12– May 13 (Seventh Sunday of Easter)

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

Please Pray the Rosary for Peace



BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

The Candle in Honor of Our Blessed Mother will be lit this week in memory of Maher, Mackenrott, Boyd, and Meaney Families, r/o Mary Alice Maher.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in memory of Paul Morello, r/o the Maher Family.

STEWARDSHIP...

The gift of your treasure!

Offering of Apr. 28- Apr. 29.....\$8,109.00
 Assessment Offering.....\$15.00

Your Weekly Envelope Offerings

\$1-\$5.....55
 \$6-\$10.....62
 \$11-\$20.....75
 \$21-\$30.....37
 \$31-\$39.....11
 \$40 and Over.....53

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION ASCENSION THURSDAY

Masses for Ascension Thursday, May 10th, a Holy Day of Obligation, will be celebrated at 8:30am and at 7pm. There is no Vigil Mass.

OFFICE CLOSED

The parish office will be closed on Tuesday, May 8th. There will be **no** evening office hours on Thursday-May 10th, Monday-May 14th, and Thursday-May 17th.

Please plan to pick up any keys ahead of time.

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

SPREADING THE WORD **6th Sunday of Easter**

“This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends”
JOHN 15:12-13

Do you love Jesus? Do you consider Him your friend? Jesus says that if we love Him we would be willing to offer whatever we have to Him, not because we want praise and glory, but simply because we love Him. Does your giving seem mechanical out of obligation or do you share freely out of love?

2018 MASS BOOK IS FILLED

While Mass intentions for this year have all been booked, many dates for the Blessed Mother Candles, Sanctuary Candles, and Wine and Hosts are still available for your family intentions and remembrances. The 2019 Mass Book will open in July, 2018.

BISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL

Lighting a Fire in the Heart of Our World

Thousands of Catholics in the Diocese of Metuchen are directly or indirectly served through diocesan agencies and programs funded through the Bishop’s Annual Appeal. Some of these include: forming our seminarians to serve as our future priests; providing the catechists, youth ministers and lay leadership in our parish with the proper training; formation opportunities for our music ministers, readers and others with key roles in our parish liturgies; providing counseling services and basic material needs for the less fortunate; and much more. As an extra incentive, our parish will receive a rebate of 50% of the amount collected over our parish goal to be used for our local needs. Thank you to all you have already given to the Bishop’s Annual Appeal. If you have not yet made a gift, it’s not too late to participate.

LIVE CHRIST SHARE CHRIST PRAISE AND WORSHIP

The next Praise and Worship meeting will be held on Saturday, May 12 at 9:15am in the Lourdes Center. The meeting will be devoted to Our Blessed Mother Mary with the recitation of the Holy Rosary and meditation on the Joyful Mysteries. Please join us on this Mother’s Day weekend to share an experience or memory of a mother. All are welcome. Bring a friend.

CUB SCOUT CAMP CARD

On the weekend of May 5th and 6th, Cub Scout pack 101 will be selling Camp Cards for \$5.00 each after every service. These cards contain over \$100.00 in local coupons. Help support our local pack by purchasing one of these card.

CUB SCOUT PACK 101

Our next meeting will be Monday, May 7th at 6:30 pm in the Lourdes Center Classroom 101.

ADOPT A SOLDIER

The Catholic Daughters have been supporting soldiers that are deployed for many years through a program called “Adopt a US Soldier”. Our last soldier has returned home and we would like to once again support someone in need while they defend our country. If you know of a deployed service member from our parish or are a family member of a deployed soldier, please contact Marie Chuntz at 732-718-4193 or email her at tiamariac@aol.com.

Those wishing to help us support our soldiers may do so by donating new items in the box located in the vestibule of the Church. Needed items are: toothbrush/toothpaste, shampoo, soap, dental floss, baby wipes, lip balm, beef jerky (pork is not allowed), peanut butter, powered drink mixes, hot cocoa, tea, protein bars, cereal, snacks, etc. Thank you in advance!

CCD

Registration for the 2018-2019 CCD School year is now open. If your child will be entering first grade in September 2018, please call Mrs. Francis, our CCD Director, at 732-727-4343. **Registrations 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. The fee for one student is \$75 payable on registration.

SENIORS

The next meeting will be held on Monday, May 14th. Tickets for our picnic will be available for purchase.

SENIORS PICNIC

Tickets for the Annual Seniors Picnic on Wednesday, June 13, in the Lourdes Center, are now 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.

SUMMER CAMP

Bishop Ahr High School is now offering students an exciting and unique opportunity to explore a wide range of interesting and innovative summer classes. The summer camp program information is now available on the Bishop Ahr High school website, www.bgahs.org or you may call the school at 732-549-1108, ext. 620.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

To date, the Development Office has received pledges totaling \$44,748.42 and payments totaling \$35,042.64 from 215 parishioners. This represents 77.2% of our parish goal of \$58,000.00.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

This year's Community Vacation Bible School will be held the week of July 30th through August 3rd at St. Bernadette Lourdes Center. Registration forms are available in the vestibule of the church. Adult and teen volunteers are needed to prepare supplies prior and during the program. Contact Lois Ann Smith 732-721-4596 or 732-266-9195

FAIR SHARE RAFFLE

The Altar Rosary Society is sponsoring a 50/50 Fair Share cash raffle on June 25th. Tickets are a \$1.00 donation and will be available in the vestibule at all weekend Masses. Proceeds will go to help with church expenses.

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.



Holy
Name
Society

HOLY NAME SOCIETY BREAKFAST

The Holy Name Society invites you to join them for their Communion Breakfast on Sunday, May 20th after the 8:30am Mass at the Ocean Bay Diner, 1803 RT. 35 South, South Amboy. All are invited. Children 14 and above are welcome as well. Tickets are available for \$10 a person and will not be sold at the door. For more information, call Dennis at 732-525-2515 or email dbdwyer@optonline.net.

THANK YOU TO THE COLUMBIETTES!!!!

A big thank you to the Columbiettes for helping the Holy Name Society by taking over our ushering duties when needed. This wonderful group has covered for us in the past so we may attend and run our Holy Name Communion Breakfast. They will be stepping up to the plate again on Sunday May 20th when we hold out next Communion Breakfast at the Ocean Bay Diner, 1803 RT. 35 South, South Amboy. All are invited. Children 14 and above are welcome as well. If you can't make it to the breakfast on May 20th, be sure to attend the 10:00am Mass to see these lovely ladies in action.

RCIA

For over 30 years, this parish undertakes a process known as the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)*. It is a process for adults who desire to become Catholic as well as for Baptized Christians seeking the same. The process takes over several months and begins in September. There are weekly gatherings where people come together to share, grow, and understand the Catholic faith. It is a preparation process for the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Communion) at the Easter Vigil in the spring. The process is also open to Baptized Catholics who need to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion. These are not classes but a faith-sharing group. If you or anyone you know who might be interested in this process, please contact the office by either calling (732-721-2772) or emailing (secy@optonline.net) and leave a name and a phone number and a good time to call. Someone will follow-up with a phone call to answer any other questions one may have. Come and See!

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS

The next Baptismal Preparation Class will take place on Monday, May 7, 2018 at 8 p.m. in Lourdes Center. Godparent Eligibility Certificates and baptismal donations may be presented at this meeting.

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.

THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE'S

- Sunday (C) all Masses**.....Cub Scout
Camp Cards Sale
- Monday (C) 7:00pm**.....Mass/Novena
(LC) 8:00pm.....Bapt. Prep
(OD) 6:30pm.....Cub Scouts
- Tuesday (LC) 7:30pm**.....RCIA
(OD) 7:30pmBingo
- Wednesday (C) 6:30pm**.....Cantors
(C) 7:00pm.....Music Reh
(LC) 7:30pm.....Columbiettes
(OD) 7:30pmSoc C.
- Thursday (C) 8:30am**.....Ascension
Thursday Mass
(C) 7:00pm.....Ascension
Thursday Mass
- Friday (OD) 12:00pm**.....Bingo
- Saturday (LC) 9:15am**.....LCSC
(C) 4:00pm.....Confession
(Gym) 1:00pm.....Couples
(C) all Masses.....CDA Bake Sale
- Sunday**Mother's Day
(C) all Masses.....CDA Bake Sale