

# *Saint Bernadette Church*

*Villanova & Princeton Roads  
Parlin, New Jersey*



## **Served by:**

Rev. James W. Hagerman, Pastor  
Rev. Joseph Kabali, Parochial Vicar  
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

Fr. Kabali - 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](http://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., July 22-July 23 (Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

- 5:00 pm + Living & Deceased members and friends of Billetz, Scalia, Varga, & Carbajal families, r/o Andrew, Cristina, Billetz, & Nelly Carbajal
- 8:30 am + Julia McCarroll, r/o Debra and James Crupi
- 10:00 am + Thomas Jones, r/o wife & family
- 11:30 am + JoAnn Lee, r/o Ed and Flor Gualberto

**Mon., July 24 (Weekday)**

- 7:00 pm + Philomena Scamardella, r/o Mr. and Mrs. Scamardella and family

**Tues., July 25 (Saint James)**

- 8:30 am + Leonor Cammayo Guzman, r/o Eucharistic Ministers

**Wed., July 26 (Saints Joachim and Anne)**

- 8:30 am + Vito Vicino, r/o Michael and Lisa Vicino

**Thurs., July 27 (Weekday)**

- 8:30 am + Bang and Mueller Family, r/o Eleanor Bang and family

**Fri., July 28 (Weekday)**

- 8:30 am + Deceased members of the Hagerman Family

**Sat., July 29 (Saint Martha)**

- No 8:30 am Mass

**Sat.-Sun., July 29-July 30 (Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

- 5:00 pm + Pietro Albano, r/o Barry, Sofia, Justine, Barry Jr., Gianna, Miranda, and Brandon Muller
- 8:30 am + Robert and Steven Kole, r/o father
- 10:00 am + Luisa Rea, r/o daughter and grandson
- 11:30 am + Fernando Medina Sr. and Fernando Medina Jr., r/o Medina Family

**BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE**

The Candle in Honor of Our Blessed Mother will be lit this week in memory of Michael and Irene P. Nealon, r/o Nealon Family.

**SANCTUARY CANDLE**

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in memory of Living & Deceased members of the Billetz, Scalia, Varga, & Carbajal Families and friends, r/o Andrew, Cristina, Keith Billetz, & Nelly Carbajal.

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**SPREADING THE WORD**

**16th Sunday of Ordinary Times**

*“The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom.”*

*MATTHEW 13:24, 37-38*

As children of God, we are all “good seeds”, blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God’s plan when we share our talents and our financial gifts to help build God’s kingdom on earth. Through our stewardship we sow “good seeds” on earth to ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

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**ANNUAL CALENDAR MEETING**

All organization heads are reminded that the annual calendar meeting will take place on Wednesday, August 2nd, at 7:00pm in the Lourdes Center. Dates and times of all meetings, social events, trips, classes, fundraisers, etc. should be emailed (secy@optonline.net), mailed, or brought to the Parish office no later than Monday, July 24th. If you can not attend, a representative **MUST** be present.

**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

### **GOLF OUTING**

The Sisters of Mercy 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Golf Classic will take place on Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, at the beautiful Spring Lake Golf Club. "Fore" all the details on this event, which benefits our retired Sisters, please contact Linda Cavallo at [lcavallo@mercyamidatlantic.org](mailto:lcavallo@mercyamidatlantic.org) or call 908-756-0994 ext. 4006.

### **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.

### **PARISH OFFICE SUMMER VACATION**

The Parish Office staff will be taking their summer vacation from August 8th-12th. The office will be closed at that time

### **ALTAR SERVERS WANTED**

Serving the people of God while we worship in the church is a way of growing closer to God and serving at the Altar is a special privilege. If you child has an interest in being an Altar Server, call the parish office (732-721-2772) and leave your name, phone number, and a good time to call. Deacon Don will answer all your questions and make arrangements to have them trained.

### **BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS**

The next Baptismal Preparation Class will take place on Monday, August 7, 2017 at 8 p.m. in Lourdes Center. Godparent Eligibility Certificates and baptismal donations may be presented at this meeting.

### **LIVE CHRIST SHARE CHRIST Praise and Worship**

LCSC will not be having meetings in July and August. Gatherings will resume on Saturday, September 9th.

### **FREE DINNER AND A MOVIE**

Sunday, August 6th, the Knights of Columbus of South Amboy is hosting a free Potluck Spanish/American dinner and a movie night at 308 4th Street, South Amboy. Doors open at 4:00pm, diner starts at 5:00pm. Bring a dish (hot or cold) or dessert to share. The free movie is "*For Greater Glory*" starts at 6:00pm. It celebrates Christ the King, Our Catholic Faith, and the Mexican Catholic Revolution. Due to some violence, it is not recommended for young children.

### **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](mailto: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.

### **PRECANA MINISTRY NEEDS A NEW LEADERSHIP COUPLE**

The St Bernadette's PRECANA ministry greatly needs a married couple willing to be trained by the retiring team leaders to run the PRECANA class. The PRECANA class is held on a single Sunday twice yearly. Attendance at a PRECANA class is mandatory for every couple wishing a Catholic wedding. St. Bernadette's will not be able to continue to offer these classes unless a parish couple is found to take over. Please help us continue to offer PRECANA by contacting Larry & Mary Lou Butts at 732-251-6582.

### **RETROUVAILLE PROGRAM**

Do you feel lost, alone, or bored in your marriage? Thinking about a separation or divorce? Are you frustrated, hurt, or angry with your spouse? Are you constantly fighting or do you just shut down? The Retrouvaille program sponsored by the Family Life Office/Diocese of Metuchen consists of a weekend experience for couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. The next program begins September 15-17. For more information please call the Family Life Office 732-243-4573.

### **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

### **SENIORS**

There will be no Senior meeting in July or August. The next Seniors Meeting will be Monday, Sept. 11, 2017.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Middlesex County Right to Life is requesting volunteers to help staff their booth at the Middlesex County Fair the week of August 7th-13th. You would be paired with an experienced staffer for a 2-hour block. For more information or to volunteer contact Gerry Blinstrub at 732-251-5879.

### **SILVER AND GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen. Renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service in the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen. Sunday, September 17 at 4:00pm. Application forms may be secured by contacting the parish office or by logging on to the diocesan website: [diometuchen.org/marriage-enrichment/](http://diometuchen.org/marriage-enrichment/). Forms must be signed by your priest, pastoral minister or deacon and returned to the Family Life Office by the parish office. Application forms will be accepted by the Family Life Office until the deadline for registration, Friday, September 1st. A confirmation letter with further details will be sent once your application has been processed. For further information, please call the Family Life Office at 732-562-1990 ext. 1705 or 4573 or [mfonseca@diometuchen.org](mailto:mfonseca@diometuchen.org).

### **REMINDER TO ALL PARISH ORGANIZATIONS**

The weekly bulletin is sent to the publisher on Tuesday mornings. All information must be in to the parish secretary a minimum of two weeks prior to publication to ensure it is printed in the bulletin. Thank you!

**2018 MASS BOOK IS NOW OPEN**

Now that our 2018 Mass Book is open, we once again ask that you please limit your Mass requests to no more than three. You may have one to three names for each Mass requested. There is no limit to the number of Blessed Mother Candles, Sanctuary Candles and Wine and Hosts requests. (There are still quite a few openings for candles and Wine and Hosts for 2017.) The donation for Masses is \$10. The donation for Blessed Mother Candles and Sanctuary Candles is \$20. The donation for one week's Wine and Hosts is \$50.

**SUMMER ENVELOPES**

We thank our parishioners who mail or deliver your weekly envelopes to the parish office while you are out-of-town on vacation. As you know, our parish expenses and obligations do not take a vacation when you do, so it is very helpful to be able to rely on your continued support even when you cannot personally attend Mass here. Once again, we appreciate your continued support of our parish.

**DIOCESAN OFFICE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

July 26, 2017 marks the 27th anniversary of the signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the nation's first comprehensive civil rights law addressing the needs of people with disabilities. Our Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities remains a resource for parishes offering ways to extend ADA to include all those with special needs (those with visible and invisible disabilities; those in the light and those still living in the shadows). For more information including a free brochure please contact our Office for Persons with Disabilities at 732-765-6432 or e-mail: [catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com](mailto:catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com) and leave your name, telephone number and mailing address.

**CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF ST. PADRE PIO**

Come join us for an unforgettable and extraordinary event, in celebrating the life of St. Padre Pio as told by Father John Aurilia, St. Padre Pio's personal secretary. Mass will be celebrated by Father Chester H. Carnia, pastor, celebrante, and homilist of Most Holy Redeemer Church. Event takes place on Friday, July 28th with a Mass at 7:00pm and conference at 7:45pm. For more information call Most Holy Redeemer at 732-566-9334.

**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!

**SHOPRITE FOOD AND GIFT CARDS**

ShopRite cards are available for purchase before and after all weekend Masses. St. Bernadette receives 5% from all card purchases. Checks are accepted. This is a great way to financially support your parish without it costing you anything!

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

- Sunday .....
- Monday (C) 7:00pm.....Mass/Novena
- Tuesday (OD)7:30pm.....Bingo
- Wednesday .....
- Thursday (C) 6:30pm.....Cantors  
(C) 7:00pm.....Music Reh  
(LC) 7:00pm.....Bible Study
- Friday (OD)12:00pm.....Bingo
- Saturday (C) 4:00pm.....Confession  
(LC) 6:00pm.....Couples
- Sunday .....