

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., July 23-July 24 (Seventeenth
Sunday In Ordinary Time)**

5:00 pm + Salvatore Muojo, r/o Ken and Nancy Meyer

8:30 am + Fernando Medina Jr., Juan and Feliza Quimson, r/o brother Fred

10:00 am + Deceased Members of the Bang and Mueller families, r/o Ellie Bang

11:30 am + Emmanuel Zammit, r/o Yvonne Gar

Mon., July 25 (Saint James)

7:00 pm + Patricia Finn, r/o Alice Maher and family

Tues., July 26 (Saints Joachim and Anne)

8:30 am + Thomas Jones, r/o family

Wed., July 27 (Weekday)

8:30 am + Irene Nealon, r/o Deacon Don and Octavia Zampella

Thurs., July 28 (Weekday)

8:30 am + John D'Agostino, r/o Stone Family

Fri., July 29 (Saint Martha)

8:30 am + Dolores Kominkiewicz, r/o The Reiss Family

Sat., July 30 (Weekday)

No 8:30 am Mass

**Sat.-Sun., July 30-July 31 (Eighteenth
Sunday In Ordinary Time)**

5:00 pm + Emmanuel Zammit, r/o Yvonne Gar

8:30 am + Robert and Stephen Kole, r/o father

10:00 am + Luisa Rae, r/o daughters and grandchildren

11:30 am + Wilfredo Cantor, Michael Cantor, Encarnacion Asis, r/o family

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in memory of the Living and Deceased Members of the Billetz, Scalia, and Vargas families; the Living and Deceased friends of the families, r/o Andrew, Cristina, and Keith Billetz.

NEW OFFERING ENVELOPES

We have changed our Offering Envelope provider. We expect the transition to go smoothly and you should not experience any delay in receiving your envelopes. If you have any problems, please let us know. Thank you!

PARISH PAY

You can also donate on line: Parish Pay.com then type in St. Bernadette's, Parlin then follow direction on the screen. We appreciate your continued support of our parish.

**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.

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

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.” (LUKE 11:9)

Jesus assures us that if we ask Him, God will take care of what we need. The problem is that in our culture we often confuse what we really *need* with what we simply *want*. Many people *need* very little. However, we usually *want* so much more. A good steward only asks God for what he needs.

METUCHEN CURSILLO WEEKENDS

Cursillo is a Spanish word meaning “short course”, — a short course in Christianity. A Cursillo Weekend is an “*Encounter with Christ*”. It is something which will strengthen your faith and bring you closer to Jesus. The men’s weekend is scheduled for September 22-25, 2016 and the women’s weekend is scheduled for November 3-6, 2016. Early registration is advisable, as space is limited. For more information call 732-738-1796 or email www.metcursillo.org

RETROUVAILLE PROGRAM

Has your marriage become unloving or uncaring, your relationship grown cold, distant -thinking about a separation or divorce? Are you already separated/divorced but both of you wish to try again— then Retrouvaille program may help you. Retrouvaille sponsored by the Family Life Office/Diocese of Meutuchen consists of a weekend experience for couples with six follow-up sessions.

The next program initiates the weekend of September 16-18, 2016. All inquiries are confidential. For further information please call the Family Life Office 732-562-1990 ext. 4573, Rich and Annette Colasuonno 732-236-0671, or Tom and Pat McTague 732-583-4468 (evenings).

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.

INDOOR FLEA MARKET

St. Bernadette’s Youth Group is having an Indoor Flea Market on Saturday, August 6th from 8:00am –2:00pm in the Gym. Tables are \$25.00 and space is filling up quickly! For more information call 732-501-2828. Come find some new treasures while supporting our Youth Group.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 27th at 7:30 pm in O’Dea Hall.

2016 MASS BOOK

While Mass intentions for the year are almost all booked, many dates for the Blessed Mother Candles, Sanctuary Candles, and Wine and Hosts are still available for your family intentions and remembrances.

2017 MASS BOOK

Our 2017 Mass Book is now 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. After three months, please feel free to come in and arrange for additional Masses. 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 2016.) 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.

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

DISABILITY AIDS AVAILABLE

The Office for Persons with Disabilities, Diocese of Metuchen, has a number of donated disability aids on hand which we would be happy to make available to anyone in the parish who might have need of them. They include wheelchairs, crutches, walkers, canes, porta-potties, and other items. If you have any questions, please feel free to email us at catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com or call 732-765-6432. To request prayers for yourself or others, please call our 24 hour prayer line: 732-765-6431.

CAREGIVER HELP AVAILABLE

Interfaith Network of Care, Inc., (INC) has openings in our Respite program. This is an ideal program if you are taking care of a loved one and they reside with you, and you and they can each use a change of scenery and a much needed break. We provide a 4 hr. break once a week. While your loved one is with us; we share a hearty, nutritious meal, music, pet therapy, and do mind exercises and bingo. For more information, call (732) 247-1655.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS

The next Baptismal Preparation Class will take place on Monday, August 1, 2016 at 8 p.m. in Lourdes Center. Godparent Eligibility Certificates and baptismal donations may be presented at this meeting.

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU

A special Thank You to our Altar Rosary Society who, through their hard work and devotion to the parish, gave a \$4,000 contribution. A Thank You also goes out to the Knights of Columbus for their gift of \$300 to the parish. Thanks to all for sharing your time, talent, and treasure with the parish!

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.

ANNUAL CALENDAR MEETING

All organization heads are reminded that the annual calendar meeting will take place on Wednesday, August 3rd, 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 25th. If you can not attend, a representative MUST be present.

EYEGASSES & 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 Al McLaughlin at 732-727-4044.

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!

LCSC-PRAISE AND WORSHIP

There will be no meetings until September. Have a wonderful summer!

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

The Saint Bernadette Columbiettes wish to thank all who supported our recent 15th anniversary dinner dance. God bless you all!

SENIORS

There will be no Senior meetings in July or August.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Our 28th year of Community Vacation Bible School, sponsored by the combined churches of Sayreville, South Amboy and Parlin, will be held from Monday, July 25, through Friday, July 29, at St. Bernadette Church. "Barnyard Roundup" 23rd Psalm 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 forms can be found at the doors of the church. We look forward to seeing you there!

RELIGIOUS SEMINAR

Mount St. Mary House of Prayer in Watchung, is please to offer the following seminars:

Give My Regards to Broadway. The experience of going to the theater doesn't have to end when the curtain goes down. Spend an evening listening to and reflecting on the songs from Broadway musicals that touch on our human experiences and draw us deeper into the heart of God. Wednesday, August 10, 7:00-9:00 pm. Registration is \$20-\$30 (as you are able) and is required. For more information please call 908-753-2091 or email mshhope@mshhope.org.

Grief Recovery-learning a process to deal with grief. Join us for this gentle 4-step process for resolving grief caused by loss. Sunday, August 21, 7:00-9:00 pm. Registration is \$45-\$55 (as you are able) and is required. For more information please call 908-753-2091 or email mshhope@mshhope.org.

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!

THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE'S

- Sunday**
- Monday (LC, Gym) 9:00am**.....CVBS
(C) 7:00pm.....Mass/Novena
- Tuesday (LC, Gym) 9:00am**.....CVBS
(OD) 7:30pmBingo
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- Wednesday (LC, Gym) 9:00am**.....CVBS
(OD) 7:30pmK of C
- Thursday (LC, Gym) 9:00am**.....CVBS
(LC) 6:00pm.....Cantors
(LC) 6:30pm.....Music Reh
- Friday (LC, Gym) 9:00am**.....CVBS
(OD) 12 noonBingo
- Saturday (C) 4:00pm**.....Confession
(OD) 6:30pm.....Couples
- Sunday**