

# *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 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

**Mon., July 31 (St. Ignatius)**

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

**Tues., Aug 1 (Saint Alphonsus Liguori)**

8:30 am + Ruben Dumapit and Julius Dumapit, r/o Ed and Flor Gualberto

**Wed., Aug 2 (Weekday)**

8:30 am + People of the Parish

**Thurs., Aug 3 (Weekday)**

8:30 am + Michelle Nicolini, r/o Corby Family

**Fri., Aug 4 (St. John Vianney)**

8:30 am + Daniel Donnelly, r/o Donnelly Family

**Sat., Aug 5 (Weekday)**

No 8:30 am Mass

**Sat.-Sun., Aug 5-Aug 6 (The Transfiguration of the Lord)**

5:00 pm + Robert Erdek, r/o wife Helen and sons Michael & Thomas

8:30 am + Michael and Irene Nealon, r/o Nealon Family

10:00 am + Julio and Sylvia Fuentes, Dolores Rotger, r/o Bob and Maria Rotger

11:30 am + Sotero Sunga Sr., Wilfredo Cantor, Michael Cantor, r/o family

**BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE**

The Candle in Honor of Our Blessed Mother will be lit this week in memory of Alice Maher, r/o Gayle Stuart.

**WINE & HOSTS**

This week's Wine & Hosts have been donated in memory of Alice Maher, r/o Gayle Stuart.

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**STEWARDSHIP...**

**The gift of your treasure!**

Offering of July 22 - July 23.....\$8,984.00  
Assessment Offering.....\$23.00  
CCD Offering .....\$30.00

**Your Weekly Envelope Offerings**

\$1-\$5.....59  
\$6-\$10.....65  
\$11-\$20.....83  
\$21-\$30.....43  
\$31-\$39.....9  
\$40 and Over.....53

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**SPREADING THE WORD**

**17th Sunday of Ordinary Times**

*"We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose."*

*ROMANS 8:28*

Do you really trust God? Do you believe that all things work for good? Faith is a challenge for everyone at times. Putting our trust in God, in everything we do, means that God's plan for our lives may be different than our plan. When one door closes, another one opens. Trust in God, His plan is always better.

**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

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

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

Please join us on Saturday, September 9th, at 9:15a.m. in the Lourdes Center when LCSC Praise and Worship will resume our meetings. The topics will be *Forgiveness* and *You Are The Light Of The World*. Please bring your bibles. All are welcome.

## **CHURCH GARBAGE AND RECYCLING BINS**

Please be reminded that the garbage and recycling bins located behind the Church are not for personal use. They are for the parish buildings and activities only. If you need to dispose of large items (TV's, computers, other electronics, etc), please bring them to the Old Bridge Recycling Center located on Route 516, behind the Old Bridge Animal Shelter, Monday thru Saturday from 7am - 3pm. They will take them for free. For a list of items they will recycle, please visit [oldbridge.com](http://oldbridge.com) and type in the word "recycling" in the search box.

## **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, dinner 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.

## **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

## **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.

## **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. For more information or to volunteer contact Gerry Blinstrub at 732-251-5879.

## **BACK TO SCHOOL**

The Back-to-school container is in the main vestibule of the church ready to accept your donations of "new" Back-to-school items for our local community children. With your help, our goal is to be able to put together complete school bags for students this year. If you would like to make up a backpack or pencil box with some of the grade appropriate items, that would be greatly appreciated; however, as always, individual donations of the items listed below are much needed and appreciated and will go towards putting together a bag for the student(s).

Most students require the following: backpack, lunch bag, pencil box, #2 pencils, colored pencils, red pens, blue pens, black pens, pocket folders, glue sticks, crayons (24/box), markers, 12" rulers, highlighters, scissors, index cards, 1-subject spiral notebooks, book covers/book sox, composition notebooks and planner. Most especially needed are: 3-ring binders, loose-leaf filler paper (wide rule), 3-subject notebooks, 5-subject spiral notebooks, report covers/folders, gift cards (Walmart, Shoprite). Some children are in need of shoes and clothing as well.

Supplies will be given out to students in need on Thursday, September 7, at 7 p.m. in the church vestibule. If you have any questions, please call Karen Gumprecht, 732-425-0387. Supplies are needed for grades kindergarten through grade 12. May God bless you for your generosity.

## **SENIORS**

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

## **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.

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

## **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).

**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. 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.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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!

**WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH**

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

- Bernice Atibilla
- Catherine Krainski
- Robert McPartland
- Brandon Raife

- The Daley Family
- The DiPillo Family
- The Mannino Family
- The Monasterio Family
- The Ranasinghe Family
- The Santiago Family
- The Woroniecki 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

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- THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE'S**
- Sunday** .....
- Monday (C) 7:00pm**.....Mass/Novena
- Tuesday (OD)7:30pm**.....Bingo
- Wednesday (LC) 7:00pm**....Calendar Mtg
- (OD) 8:00pm**.....K of C
- Thursday (C) 6:30pm**.....Cantors
- (C) 7:00pm**.....Music Reh
- (LC) 7:00pm**.....Bible Study
- Friday (OD)12:00pm**.....Bingo
- Saturday (LC) 9:00am**.....Holy Name
- (C) 4:00pm**.....Confession
- (LC) 6:00pm**.....Couples
- Sunday** .....