

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., August 13-August 14 (Twentieth
Sunday In Ordinary Time)**

5:00 pm + Emmanuel Zammit, r/o
The Mangi Family

8:30 am + Linda Kole, r/o husband
Robert

10:00 am + Victor Reyes, r/o Reyes
Family

11:30 am + Jeanette and Joseph Pacewicz,
r/o Mr. and Mrs. Bruno
Serafin

**Mon., Aug. 15 (The Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary)**

7:00 pm + Rev. Lawrence Smith,
r/o Fr. Jim

Tues., Aug. 16 (Weekday)

8:30 am + Ruth D'Souza, r/o Myra and
Kenny D'Silva

Wed., Aug. 17 (Weekday)

8:30 am + John Kaba, r/o Janice and
Frank Hoffman

Thurs., Aug. 18 (Weekday)

8:30 am + Edna Kwiatkowski, r/o James
and Marilyn Jablonski

Fri., Aug. 19 (Weekday)

8:30 am + Robert Erdek, r/o grandsons
Ryan and Kyle Erdek

Sat., Aug. 20 (Saint Bernard)

No 8:30 am Mass

**Sat.-Sun., August 20-August 21 (Twenty-
First Sunday In Ordinary Time)**

5:00 pm + Emmanuel Zammit, r/o
The Mangi Family

8:30 am + Matthew Zogby, r/o Uncle
Donnie and Aunt Maureen
Maresca

10:00 am + Gloria Dean, r/o Bob and
Dora Siebert

11:30 am + Olga and Emil Overmere Sr.,
r/o Emil and Foster Overmere

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

The Candle in Honor of Our Blessed Mother will be lit this week in memory of Linda Kole, r/o husband Robert.

WINE & HOSTS

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

STEWARDSHIP...

The gift of your treasure!

Offering of Aug. 6 - Aug. 7.....\$10,379.00
Assessment Offering\$337.00
CCD Offering\$20.00
Renovation Offering.....\$1,812.00

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 at Parish Pay.com. Just go to the website and type in St. Bernadette's, Parlin, then follow direction on the screen. Once again, we appreciate your continued support of our parish.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS

The next Baptismal Preparation Class will take place on Monday, September 12, 2016 at 8 p.m. in Lourdes Center. Godparent Eligibility Certificates and baptismal donations may be presented at this meeting.

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

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Do you think I have come to give you peace on Earth? No, I tell you, but rather division.” (LUKE 12:51)

Living a stewardship lifestyle means stepping out of our comfort zone when needed. Many of us like to play it safe, not cause waves, stay in the middle of the road. In today’s world we are called to be informed and take a stance for life, marriage, and religious liberty.

SENIORS

There will be no Senior meetings in August.

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.

NEW LECTOR BOOKS HAVE ARRIVED

The new lector books are here and may be found in the Sacristy.

2016 MASS BOOK

While Mass intentions for the year are 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 IS NOW OPEN

We 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. 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.

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 Al McLaughlin at 732-727-4044.

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.

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.

BIBLE STUDY CLASS

On Thursday, September 29 at 7:00 pm in the Meeting Room of Lourdes Center, Fr. Jim will be offering an eight (8) week Bible Study on the Gospel of John. Each gathering will be about an hour long. It is open to all - especially for those who never attended a Bible Study before. On Thursday, September 22 at 7:00 pm in the Meeting Room of Lourdes Center, there will be an Introduction to the Bible Study class. There is a book that goes along with this Bible Study. So, if you plan on attending, please call the office to register so that enough books may be ordered. Come and explore the great Gospel of John!

LCSC-PRAISE AND WORSHIP

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

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RELIGIOUS SEMINAR

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

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 msmhope@msmhope.org.

Maximilian Kolbe: Saint of Auschwitz. Pope John Paul II declared Maximilian "the saint of our difficult century". Come and learn why his life journey as Franciscan friar, missionary, and martyr speaks to today's issues and how we can witness to the message of Jesus. Wednesday, August 24, 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 msmhope@msmhope.org.

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 8, at 7 p.m. in the church vestibule. If you have any questions, please call JoAnn at 732-727-5858. Supplies are needed for grades kindergarten through grade 12. May God bless you for your generosity.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Catholic Charities is looking for volunteers to participate in one-on-one activities and be a role model to young people. Requirements: minimum of 3 hours a week, live in or near Middlesex County or Franklin township. For more information contact Jeanette Cullen at 732-738-1323 or jcullen@ccdom.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.....Columbiette Bake Sale, all Masses
 (LC) 9:00am.....Couples
Monday (Gym) 5:00pm.....Couples
 (C) 7:00pm.....Mass/Novena
Tuesday (Gym) 5:00pm.....Couples
 (OD) 7:30pmBingo
Wednesday (LC) 8:00pm.....K of C
Thursday (LC) 6:00pm.....Cantors
 (LC) 6:30pm.....Music Reh
Friday (OD) 12 noonBingo
Saturday (LC) 9:00am.....Carmelites
 (C) 4:00pm.....Confession
 (LC) 6:00pm.....Couples
Sunday (C) 12:45pm.....Baptisms