

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.”

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 20, 2015**

**ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THIS WEEK**

Sat.-Sun., 19-20

5:00 pm + Nicholas Cifelli, r/o Kathie Hall

8:30 am + Larry Maresca, r/o Cousin,
Michael Maresca

10:00 am + Parishioners of St. Bernadette's

11:30 am + John Lee, r/o JoAnn Lee

Mon., Sept. 21 (St. Matthew)

7:00 pm + Kevin Campbell, Jr., r/o Sharon
& Chrles Blagas

Tues., Sept. 22 (Weekday)

8:30 am + Alfeo Molato, Jr., r/o Wife &
Children

Wed., Sept. 23 (St. Pius of Pietrecina)

8:30 am + Albert Zielinski, r/o Anita
Daino & Barry Waldman

Thurs., Sept. 24 (Weekday)

8:30 am + Bill & Barbara Buckler, r/o
Mother

Fri., Sept. 25 (Weekday)

8:30 am + Kathy Stefanelli, r/o Mary
Alice Maher

Sat., Sept. 26 (Weekday)

(No 8:30 am Mass)

**Sat.-Sun., Sept. 26-27 (TWENTY-SIXTH
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)**

5:00 pm + Kathryn Connors, r/o Connors
Family

8:30 am + Francis Adams, r/o Gerald &
Ann Fallon

10:00 am + Leonard Bellas, r/o Dolores
Shuleski

11:30 am +Parishioners of St. Bernadette's

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

The Candle in Honor of Our Blessed Mother will be lit this week in memory of **Patricia Dinan**, r/o Mother.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in memory of **Alice Schwankert**, r/o husband, Fred.

WINE & HOSTS

This week's Wine & Hosts have been donated in memory of **Patricia Dinan**, r/o Mother.

STEWARDSHIP...

The gift of your treasure!

Offering of Sept. 12-13.....\$8,593
Assessment Offering of Sept. 12-13....\$ 112
Parish Improvement Sept. 12-13.....\$ 132
CCD Offering of Sept. 12-13.....\$ 44
Peter's Pence Offering.....\$1400

Your Weekly Envelope Offerings

\$1-5.....87
\$6-\$10..... 87
\$11-\$20.....92
\$21-\$30.....40
\$31-\$39..... 7
\$40 and Over.....48

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

A 11-day pilgrimage to Italy (including Milan, Padua, Venice, Siena, Assisi, Rome, the Vatican and more) is planned for May 16 to 26. The cost is \$3,695 double occupancy. Air transportation, land transportation services, tour guide, hotel with baggage handling, breakfast, dinner and more is included. Brochures are available at the doors of the church.

Hotlines - Outreach

Action Pregnancy Center..... 828-1166
Problem Pregnancy Center 449-8676
Drug Abuse1-800-322-5525
Alacare1-800-300-2118

Natural Family Planning..... 1-800-334-0699
"Pantry Sunday"..... Every Sunday
Food Assistance..... 721-7418

PAPAL VISIT

The Diocese of Metuchen has reserved 10 buses leaving from various locations across the diocese to attend the Papal Mass on September 27 in Philadelphia. The closest bus will leave from St. Thomas the Apostle in Old Bridge. Bus seats are now being reserved on a first-come, first-serve basis. No tickets are required. It is open to the public and will be held outdoors at Benjamin Franklin Parkway with the altar situated near the Philadelphia Art Museum. Mass is at 4 p.m. The round trip bus reservation and pilgrimage package will be approximately \$55 per person. Each one is responsible for their own meal costs on that day and also any train/shuttle expenses from the parking lot to the event site and back. You must be prepared to walk several miles. To reserve a bus seat you should go to www.diometuchen.org/WMOF or by phone at 732-562-1990 ext. 1543 weekdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. About 1 to 2 million are expected to attend and people should be prepared for a day that includes significant walking and standing. It will be a standing event. No general seating will be available. The Mass is a standing event. There will be no refunds. You must carry a cell phone and the buses are not wheelchair accessible.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

All are invited to attend the 5 p.m. Mass next Saturday, September 26, and the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, September 27, at which time the Anointing of the Sick will take place. Anyone over the age of 65 may receive this sacrament. Please spread the word to family, friends and neighbors who may be suffering from any type of physical or emotional illness so that they may receive the blessings that come from an anointing.

LOUNGE CHAIR AVAILABLE

An adjustable lounge chair is available at no cost. Call Jackie at 732-721-7235.

CCD

CCD schedules have been mailed out to all registered students. If you did not receive a schedule, please call the CCD office at 732-727-4343.

SENIORS

The next Senior Social will take place on Friday, September 25, in O'Dea Hall at 6 p.m. Membership in our Seniors Club is open to all those 55 years of age and older.

ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Our Knights of Columbus are sponsoring an all you can eat Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, October 4, from 8 a.m. until 12 noon in O'Dea Hall. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. Stop by for some delicious pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice, coffee and tea.

17TH ANNUAL DINNER & DANCE

St. Bernadette's 17th Annual Dinner/Dance fundraiser, benefitting our Renovation Campaign, will be held in Lourdes Center on Saturday, November 14, from 6 p.m. until midnight. Music and dancing for all ages. The donation is \$35 per person and the attire is: "Dress to Impress". For tickets please call Ed Gualberto at 732-947-2497; Flor Gualberto at 732-613-9174 or Mary Fitzsimmons at 732-721-2772. Reservation forms are available at the doors of the church. Checks may be made payable to: St. Bernadette Church and mailed to the attention of: Mary Fitzsimmons, 20 Villanova Road, Parlin, N.J. 08859. Please take a minute or two to check out the photos located at the entrances of the church of previous years' dinner dances.

DEACON DON'S BOOK CLUB

Deacon Don's Book Club will discuss "A Listening Heart" by Brother David Steindl-Rast. The book club meets at 109 Princeton Road at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. You must purchase your own copy of the book.

PAST PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION

Our Columbiettes are sponsoring a Past President's Reception honoring Kathy Jessen and all Past Presidents on Saturday, October 10, at 6 p.m. in Lourdes Center. Tickets are \$30 per person for dinner and dancing. Please call Lois Ann at 732-721-4596.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration will take place on Wednesday, October 7, immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Benediction will take place at 6:30 p.m. All are invited to come and spend some time with Our Lord in prayer. You will find a sign-up sheet in the main vestibule of the church.

COUCH NEEDED

A parish family is in need of a couch. If you have one you no longer use, please call Marlene at 732-397-2781.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

Our Catholic Daughters will meet this Monday, September 21, at 7:45 p.m. in O'Dea Hall. Membership in the Catholic Daughters is open to women of the parish, 18 years of age and older, who are in good standing with the Catholic Church.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS BAKE SALE

Our Catholic Daughters will sponsor a Bake Sale next weekend, September 26 & 27, in the main vestibule of the church. Please support them with a purchase or donation so that they can continue to do their charitable projects.

BINGO

Bingo is played at St. Bernadette's on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. and Friday at 12 noon. Volunteers are needed to collect money for Tuesday games. If you can volunteer on Tuesdays from 6:30pm/7pm for an hour or two, it would be greatly appreciated. Kitchen help and floor help is also needed. Call the Parish Office if you would like to help at 732-721-2772. Over \$1500 is given out in prizes at each bingo.

BENEFIT SPAGHETTI DINNER

All are invited to attend a benefit spaghetti dinner this Sunday, September 20, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Thomas Knights of Columbus Council #4815 located at 61 Pine Street in Old Bridge. Tickets are \$12 per person and are available thru Interfaith Network of Care by calling 732-247-1655 or sending a check to INC, 62 South Main Street, Milltown, N.J. 08850 and note "spaghetti dinner". The menu includes: spaghetti, meatballs, bread, salad, dessert, soda, coffee and tea. A cash bar will be available. Door prizes too! Reservations will be accepted for tables of 8 or more. No tickets will be sold at the door. Cut off date is September 13.

SILVER & GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

This year's "Silver and Gold Wedding Anniversary" celebration will be on Sunday, October 25. The celebration is an Evening Prayer Service and will be held at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen at 4 p.m. Bishop Bootkoski will preside. Eligible couples must be Catholic or Interfaith in good standing with the Catholic community and a resident of a parish within the Diocese of Metuchen, married in 1965 or 1990. Applications are available at the Parish Office.

SOCIAL CONCERNS CLOTHING DRIVE

Our Social Concerns Committee will conduct our fall clothing drive on Saturday, October 10. Please help us fund our programs by donating clothing, small appliances, household items, toys, small furniture, linens, blankets, curtains, drapes, bedspreads, pillows, handbags, shoes (do not need to be packaged separately). No large furniture will be accepted. We will have a truck available in the parking lot on Saturday, October 10, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Tax receipts will be available. Student Assistants needing community projects may volunteer from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. or as much time as needed. Call JoAnn at 732-727-5858. We regret that we are **unable** to accept any donations **before October 10**. Donations left on the church property will be discarded.

MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE!

Our Music Ministry is always looking for new members. September is a great time to join in the song and share your time and talents. Adults please consider doing so at Thursday night rehearsals and Saturday at 5 p.m. Mass. Students in second grade or older are welcome on Tuesday afternoons and Sundays at 10 a.m. If interested, please visit the choir area after Mass or call Judy at 732-236-2579.

MUSICIANS NEEDED

Our Contemporary Ensemble is seeking additional musicians. An acoustic guitar player to add some "extras" at Thursday night rehearsals and Sundays at 11:30 a.m. Mass. A piano player to play periodically at Sunday Mass as well as assist at Christmas and Easter Masses. The ability to sight read and transpose are necessary. If interested, please visit the choir area after Mass or call Judy at 732-236-2579.

"Please pray daily for vocations to the priesthood and religious life."

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A.)

If you wish to become a member of the Catholic Church or if you are in need of First Eucharist or Confirmation, call the Parish Office at 732-721-2772 and leave your name and phone number. The program takes place on Tuesdays in Lourdes Center at 7:30 p.m.

K OF C MEMORIAL MASS

Our Knights of Columbus will celebrate their annual Memorial Mass for deceased members on Sunday, October 11, at 8:30 a.m.

MURDER MYSTERY DINNER

Our Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a "Murder Mystery Dinner" on Saturday, October 24, at 7 p.m. in Lourdes Center. Tickets are \$35 per person. More info to come

GIVE THE GIFT OF FAITH

More and more Catholics are responding to the idea of giving a gift that perpetuates our Catholic faith. Please consider remembering St. Bernadette's in your will. By doing so, you establish a legacy of love for others by enabling the Church to continue the expansion of our Catholic faith through its ministries. For more information call 732-562-2431.

THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE'S

Sunday (C) 12:45pm.....Baptisms
Monday (C) 7pm.....Mass/Novena
(OD) 7:45pm.....Cath. Daught.
Tuesday (C) 4:30pm.....Kids Choir
(LC) 7:30pm.....RCIA
(OD) 7:30pm.....Bingo
Thursday (C) 6:30pm.....Cantors
(C) 7pm.....Music Reh.
Friday (OD) 12noon.....Bingo
(OD) 6pm.....Senior Social
Saturday (C) 5pm.....Anoint.Mass
(C) 5pm.....Bake Sale
(LC) 6pm.....Couples for
Christ
Sunday (C) 11:30am.....Anoint.Mass
(C) After all Masses....Bake Sale