

Saint Bernadette Church

Villanova & Princeton Roads

Parlin, New Jersey



Served by:

Rev. James W. Hagerman, Pastor
Rev. Msgr. Andrew L. Szaroleta, Senior Priest

*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. in the Weekday Chapel.

• Please keep your distance from one another and **a mask must be worn** at all times while in Church.

• Due to distancing, some of the pews are roped off to **limiting seating capacity** at this time.

Parish Offices

20 Villanova Road
Parlin, New Jersey 08859

Office Hours

• The parish office will be open **by appointment only** on Tuesday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
• Please call ahead before coming.

Parish Office Telephone

732-721-2772

Mass times - ext. 2

Secretary - ext. 3

Fr. Hagerman - ext. 3

Bookkeeper - ext. 4

Msgr. Szaroleta - ext. 5

Maintenance

732-707-4477

Mr. Jeff Spiteri

Director of Religious Education

Mrs. Lorna A. Francis 732-727-4343

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Director of Music

Mrs. Jill Russo

Church Bingo Hall

732-721-8833

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732-727-5188

Parish Website: saintbernadettechurch.net

Online Donation:

saintbernadettechurch.churchgiving.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., Dec. 5-Dec. 6 (Second Sunday of Advent)

5:00 pm + Gerald Kane, r/o Tom and Mary
Alice Maher
8:30 am + Lucille and Carmen Della Pietro,
r/o Toni and Carl Kellgren
10:00 am + Dorothy and Ralph Rizzo,
r/o Vincent Rizzo
11:30 am + Mildred Fernandes, r/o Linette
and Rudy Lewis

Mon., Dec. 7 (Saint Ambrose)

7:00 pm + Tarek Chtaih, r/o mom, Linda,
brother, George, and sissy, Chris

Tues., Dec. 8 (The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

8:30 am + Maximino and Leonor Castañeda,
r/o Ed and Flor Gualberto

7:00 pm + People of the Parish

Wed., Dec. 9 (Advent Weekday)

8:30 am + Zammit and Chevere family
members, r/o the family

Thurs., Dec. 10 (Advent Weekday)

8:30 am + James Giffin, r/o Octavia Zampella

Fri., Dec. 11 (Advent Weekday)

8:30 am + Emmanuel Zammit Jr., r/o Lilly
Zammit

Sat., Dec. 12 (Our Lady of Guadalupe)

There is no 8:30am Mass

Sat.-Sun., Dec. 12-Dec. 13 (Third Sunday of Advent)

5:00 pm + Michael A. Nealon, r/o the
Nealon Family
8:30 am + Ray Osowski, r/o wife, Barbara
10:00 am + Joseph and Lucille Gogliucci,
r/o Barbara and Peter Anderson
11:30 am + Aris Francisco, r/o Ed and Flor
Gualberto

Please Pray the Rosary for Peace

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

The Candle in Honor of Our Blessed Mother will be lit this week in memory of Chang Wah Tong, r/o Ilsa Tong.

WINE & HOSTS

This week's Wine & Hosts have been donated in memory of Jack Maher, r/o the Maher Family.

STEWARDSHIP...

The gift of your treasure!

Offering of Nov. 28– Nov. 29.....	\$6,997.00
Assessment Offering.....	\$40.00
Online Giving.....	\$1,160.00

Your Weekly Envelope Offerings

\$1-\$5.....	6
\$6-\$10.....	6
\$11-\$20.....	24
\$21-\$30.....	13
\$31-\$39.....	4
\$40 and Over.....	61

DEC 24th, CHRISTMAS EVE MASS SCHEDULE

4:00pm, 6:00pm, and 10:00pm

No 8:30am Mass

DEC 25th, CHRISTMAS DAY MASS SCHEDULE

10:00am and 12:00noon

No 8:30am Mass

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Masses for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception will be celebrated on Tuesday, December 8th at 8:30am and 7:00pm. While attendance is not obligatory, we welcome you nonetheless.

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

Second Sunday of Advent

"Prepare the way of the Lord..."

MARK 1:3

We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, puts us on the path to holiness and is an example for others to be holy, too. We are responsible not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well.

SENIORS MEETING

The December Seniors meeting is cancelled. The next Seniors Meeting will be on Monday, March 8, 2021, when the Election Nomination process will resume.

LIVE CHRIST SHARE CHRIST PRAISE AND WORSHIP

We celebrate the Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Saturday, December 12. Come join us at 9:15am in Lourdes Center meeting room to view a 58 minute documentary narrated by Jim Caviezel.



In 1531 in Mexico, the Virgin Mary appeared to an indigenous convert named Juan Diego. As a result, Our Lady of Guadalupe's image was miraculously imprinted on Juan Diego's cloak. Featuring interviews with leading theologians, historians and scientists, this film explores both the inexplicable mysteries behind the image, and the continued relevance of the Guadalupe apparition to the modern world. All are invited.

HELP IS NEEDED

The Cleaning Crew has lost several helpers. Our volunteers are in dire need of help. If you can spare an hour or so to share your time to help clean your church after the Friday 8:30 am Mass, it would be greatly appreciated! If you can join us, please call the parish office



Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

-PSALMS 51:10

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS

The next Baptismal Preparation Class will take place on Monday, December 7, 2020 at 8:00pm in Lourdes Center. Godparent Eligibility Certificates and baptismal donations may be presented at this meeting.

SHOP RITE CARDS AVAILABLE

Shop Rite Cards – The Altar Rosary Society is now selling Shop Rite cards at the main entrance of the church before and after all masses. Please consider purchasing some for you, your family, and friends. 5% of whatever we sell goes directly to the parish.



TAKE A BREAKING BREAD MUSIC BOOK HOME WITH YOU!!

You may take home a Breaking Bread music book for your personal use. Please clearly mark your name on the front. Also be reminded that there are *NO missalettes are available at this time*. Please go to the parish website, saintbernadettechurch.net, scroll down to "Worship Folder" link, and print out the material beforehand to bring to church. Thank you.

ADVENT CANDLE SALES

Our Altar Rosary Society will be selling Advent Candle sets during the month of November. Advent began on November 29th. The cost is \$10 per box and includes the prayers that are said each week. Look for them in the front lobby after all weekend Masses.



SIMBANG GABI

Simbang Gabi is a series of Masses for nine consecutive days honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary in preparation of the coming of our Lord Jesus. You are invited to celebrate



Simbang Gabi on Saturday, December 19th, at 7:00pm at St. Bernadette Church. Seating are limited, only the capacity of church is 100-125, its first come first serve. There will be a live streaming. For more information, email georgesantos695@gmail.com.

CHRISTMAS MASS REMEMBRANCE ENVELOPES

Christmas Mass Remembrance envelopes must be received at the parish office *no later than Friday, December 11th*, in order for names to appear in the Christmas bulletin.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS OFFERING ENVELOPES

Christmas Flowers offering envelopes will be placed in front of the tabernacle. Please be sure to return your envelopes as soon as possible. Your donations help cover the cost of our Christmas flowers which, as with everything, increases each year.



JESSE TREE SOCIAL CONCERNS

Our Jesse Tree will be located near the tabernacle. If you would like to participate in assisting families and individuals in need for Christmas, please take a tag, purchase the gift, wrap the gift and replace the tag on the outside of the gift, and return it to the church.

It is very important that all gifts be returned to the church by *Sunday, December 13th*, in order for them to be distributed on December 14th to all families and organizations. If they are not returned to the church by 12:00pm on Sunday, December 13th, they will not get to the intended receiver.

Please note: Due to COVID-19 the Salvation Army is not doing their traditional Angel Tree tags this year, instead they are doing an Amazon gift registry; more details will be provided as they become available. If you have any questions, please call Karen at 732-721-2772.

SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

We look forward to Christmas and to the peace of Christ. This Christmas as we eat and drink there will be many less fortunate. But Christ comes for all, regardless of age or nationality or religion or wealth. He comes to bring peace when there is unrest in the world, and he calls us to help. As we look forward to Christmas we light this second candle in the hope of peace and as a promise to work with Christ to bring it.



A PRAYER AS I PUT ON MY MASK

God, Our Father, as I prepare to go out into the world, help me to see the sacrament in the wearing of this cloth – let it be “an outward sign of an inward grace” - a tangible and visible way of living love for my neighbors, as I love myself.

Jesus, Our Lord, since my lips will be covered, uncover my heart, that people would see my smile in the crinkles around my eyes. Since my voice may be muffled, help me to speak clearly, not only with my words, but with my actions.

Holy Spirit, as the elastic touches my ears, remind me to listen carefully – and full of care – to all those I meet. May this simple piece of cloth be a shield and banner, and each breath that it holds, be filled with your love.

In your Name and in that love, I pray.



Author Unknown

DIOCESE COLLECTIONS

The collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will be taken up as a second collection the weekend of December 12th & 13th. The proceeds from this collection will be designated exclusively to support religious Sisters and Brothers of the United States.



Our classes have already begun for this year. RCIA is a process for adults who desire to become Catholic as well as for Baptized Christians seeking the same. If you or anyone you know who might be interested in this process, please contact Tom, the parish office at 732-721-2772, or visit our website: saintbernadettechurch.net for more information about these classes.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office will be closed December 24th, 25th, 28th, 31st, and January 1st. Please plan accordingly if you need to pick up keys for meetings.

THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE'S

Sunday.....2nd Sunday of Advent

(C) All Masses.....	Columbiettes
	Bake Sale
Monday (C) 7:00pm.....	Mass
(LC) 8:00pm.....	Bapt. Prep
(OD) 6:30pm.....	Cub Scouts
Tuesday (C) 8:30 am and 7:00pm.....	Feast of the Immaculate Conception
(LC) 7:30pm.....	RCIA
Wednesday (LC) 7:30pm.....	Columbiettes
(OD) 7:30pm.....	Soc. C
Thursday (C) 7:30pm.....	Ensemble Reh
Friday.....	
Saturday (LC) 9:15pm.....	LCSC
(C) 4:00pm.....	Confession
Sunday.....	3rd Sunday of Advent

Last day to Drop Off Jesse Tree gifts

(C) 2:30pm.....	Soc. C gift sort
(LC) 2:00pm.....	MFC
(OD) 2:00pm.....	Compassionate Friends

PROCEDURES FOR RETURNING TO WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND MASSES

- Masses will return to Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm; Sunday masses will be at 8:30 am; 10:00 am; and 11:30 am to allow time for disinfecting and cleaning. Vigil mass will still be recorded and posted on-line for those unable to attend at this time.
- Those in vulnerable groups *should* stay home.
- Those who are sick or symptomatic *must* stay at home.
- Please wash your hands before coming to Church.
- Do not park your vehicles next to each other – allow safe distance in the parking lot. There should be an empty parking space between each parked car.
- Please bring your own hand sanitizers. **Masks must be worn at all times.**
- Please sanitize your pew area before and after use.

Seating

- Physical distancing is still in effect thus limiting seating capacity. Some pews will be roped off to facilitate this.
- Families in the same household are allowed to sit together in a pew.
- Once capacity is reached, you will be asked to return after each mass if you desire to receive Holy Communion.

Holy Communion

- Proper distancing must be maintained while coming forth to receive Holy Communion. The floor will be marked accordingly.
- The Priest and Eucharistic Minister will wear a mask.
- There will be no sharing of the Chalice at this time.
- Reception of the Holy Communion will be *only in the hand* during this time – after receiving the Body of Christ, take a step to the side, remove your mask for a moment to consume the Sacred Host, then put your mask back on before returning to your seat.

Worship Service

- **NO missalettes are available at this time.**
- Go to the parish website, saintbernadettechurch.net, scroll down to “Worship Folder”, and print out the material beforehand to bring to church.
- Properly dispose of your worship aide after each mass.
- Altar servers are not to be utilized at this time.
- There will be NO Offertory Procession.
- There will be no shaking of the hands at the *sign of peace*. A simple bow or nod to your fellow parishioner is sufficient. No waving of hands or peace signs!
- Volunteers are needed to wipe down door handles, railings, elevator buttons and rest rooms after each Mass. *Please wipe down your pews after the mass.*
- Each individual is responsible to make healthy decisions that are appropriate for themselves and to be considerate towards your fellow parishioner. While the parish is making every effort to minimize the transmission of disease, all risk cannot be eliminated. Your help and participation is vital as well by sanitizing your area before and after you leave the Church.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding at this time!

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass remains in effect until further notice.