

# 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 p.m.

Weekdays: Monday 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 Spitere

## Director of Religious Education

Mrs. Lorna A. Francis 732-727-4343

## Director of Music

Mrs. Judy Gary

## Church Bingo Hall

732-721-8833

## Parish Fax

732-727-5188

**Parish Website:** [saintbernadettechurch.net](http://saintbernadettechurch.net)

## Online Donation:

[saintbernadettechurch.churchgiving.com](http://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., July 18-July 19 (Sixteenth  
Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

- 5:00 pm + Arthur and Eleanor DeLuca, r/o daughters
- 8:30 am + Rosa Gonzalez, r/o Ilsa Tong and family
- 10:00 am + Vedasto Santos, r/o LCSC Praise and Worship
- 11:30 am + Mildred Fernandes, r/o Ed and Flor Gualberto

**Mon., July 20 (Weekday)**

- 8:30 am + Christensen and Kelly Families, r/o Sheila Christensen and family

**Tues., July 21 (Weekday)**

- 8:30 am + Robert Murray, r/o mother, Angie Murray

**Wed., July 22 (Saint Mary Magdalene)**

- 8:30 am + Deacon Donald Zampella, r/o Tom O’Leary

**Thurs., July 23 (Weekday)**

- 8:30 am + Elina and Joseph Caputo, r/o Tereasa Caputo

**Fri., July 24 (Weekday)**

- 8:30 am + Philomena Scamardella, r/o Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Scamardella

**Sat., July 25 (Saint James)**

*There is no 8:30am Mass*

**Sat.-Sun., July 25-July 26 (Seventeenth  
Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

- 5:00 pm + Martin E. Conroy, r/o Carole Conroy
- 8:30 am + Stephen Kole, r/o father
- 10:00 am + People of the Parish
- 11:30 am + Thomas Jones, r/o the Jones Family

*\*Please Pray the Rosary for Peace\**

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**STEWARDSHIP...**

**The gift of your treasure!**

- Offering of July 11 - July 12.....\$7,448.00
- Online giving.....\$1,805.00
- Assessment Offering.....\$194.00

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**SPREADING THE WORD**

**16th Sunday of Ordinary Time**

*“The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom.”*

*MATTHEW 13:24, 37-38*

As children of God, we are all “good seeds.” We are blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God’s plan when we spend time in prayer every day, use our skills to help others, and share our financial gifts to help build God’s kingdom on earth. Through our example of gratitude and generosity we sow “good seeds” on earth and ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

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**ANNUAL CALENDAR MEETING**

All parish organization heads are reminded that the annual calendar meeting will take place on Wednesday, August 19th, at 7:00pm in the O’Dea Hall. Masks must be worn. 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 27th. If you cannot attend, a representative **MUST** be present.

**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



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!

### FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED

St. Mary's is now asking parishes to help as they are close to depleting their supply of food donations. Bins will be put out in the vestibule of the church starting the weekend of June 13th. You may also bring your donations directly to St. Mary's Church during the following times: Monday through Friday 8:00am to 12noon, Saturday 3:00pm-4:00pm, and Sunday 8:00am to 9:30am.



### 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: loose-leaf filler paper (wide rule), 3-subject notebooks, 5-subject spiral notebooks, report covers/folders, hand sanitizers, and gift cards (Walmart, Shoprite).

Supplies will be given out to students in need on Tuesday, September 8, at 7 p.m. in the Lourdes Center meeting room. If you have any questions, please call Karen Gumprecht, 732-721-2772. Supplies are needed for grades kindergarten through grade 12. We respectfully ask that you do not donate used items or old office supplies as we cannot distribute them. May God bless you for your generosity.



### KID'S CORNER

Read the Gospel and color



#### Sharing the Gospel

In flower or vegetable gardens, weeds may take root beside the good plants. If you spray poison on all the plants, you will get rid of the weeds, but you will also get rid of the good seeds too. Since Jesus has died, weeds have grown among the good seeds. He says not to do away with those who have sinned. He will separate the good seeds from the weeds when he comes again.

#### Mission for the Week

Help your parents in the garden. Watch how carefully weeds need to be pulled, so you don't pull up the good plants, too.

#### Gospel Game

Find the matching shadow



### 2021 MASS BOOK

Our 2021 Mass Book is now open. We once again ask that you please limit your Mass requests to no more than three. After three months, please feel free to come in and arrange for additional Masses. The donation for Masses are \$10, Blessed Mother Candles and Sanctuary Candles are \$20, and Wine and Hosts are \$50.

#### WORSHIP FOLDER FOR MASSES

*NO missalettes are available at this time*

Please go to the parish website, [saintbernadettechurch.net](http://saintbernadettechurch.net), scroll down to "Worship Folder" link, and print out the material beforehand to bring to church. Properly dispose of your worship aide after each mass. Thank you.

#### 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.

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The parish office will be open by appointment only on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9:00am-1:00pm. Please call ahead before coming to the office. If you do not have an appointment, you will not be allowed in. All Mass Intentions, candles, Wine and Hosts, and baptisms requests may be done via email or over the phone.

*Thank you in advance for your patience as we slowly return back to normal operating procedures.*



## 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 the month of July 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.**
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- 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.*