

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 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

Director of Music

Mrs. Judy Gary

Church Bingo Hall

732-721-8833

Parish Fax

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., Aug. 22-Aug. 23 (Twenty-First
Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

- 5:00 pm + Donald Moran and Joan Schulman, r/o Marilyn
- 8:30 am + Teresita Sabelino, r/o the Medina Family
- 10:00 am + Dale Marchall, r/o the Quiapo Family
- 11:30 am + Fernando Medina Sr. and Fernando Medina Jr., r/o the Medina Family

Mon., Aug. 24 (St. Bartholomew)

- 8:30 am + Nardo Pineda, r/o Edward and Nancy Quilon

Tues., Aug. 25 (Weekday)

- 8:30 am + John Flanagan, r/o family

Wed., Aug. 26 (Weekday)

- 8:30 am + Jerry Bang, r/o wife and family

Thurs., Aug. 27 (Saint Monica)

- 8:30 am + Ed Marks, r/o Anne C. Marks

Fri., Aug. 28 (Saint Augustine)

- 8:30 am + Raymond Boyle, r/o Sheila Christensen

Sat., Aug. 29 (The Passion of Saint John the Baptist)

There is no 8:30am Mass

**Sat.-Sun., Aug. 29-Aug. 30 (Twenty-First
Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

- 5:00 pm + Deacon Donald Zampella, r/o Jan and Gerald Fallon
- 8:30 am + People of the Parish
- 10:00 am + Deacon Donald Zampella, r/o the Waldman Family
- 11:30 am + Rose and Bruno Konefal, r/o Dorothy Beehler

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 Ann Finn and Muriel Smith, r/o Dennis and Mary Keller.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in memory of Rudolph Keller and James E. Smith, r/o Dennis and Mary Keller.

WINE & HOSTS

This week's Wine & Hosts have been donated in memory of Catherine Hall, r/o Dennis and Mary Keller.

STEWARDSHIP...

The gift of your treasure!

Offering of Aug. 15– Aug. 16.....\$5,365.00
 Assessment Offering.....\$45.00

Your Weekly Envelope Offerings

\$1-\$5.....19
 \$6-\$10.....3
 \$11-\$20.....12
 \$21-\$30.....6
 \$31-\$39.....6
 \$40 and Over.....47

WORSHIP FOLDER FOR MASSES

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. Properly dispose of your worship aide after each mass. Thank you.

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

21th Sunday of Ordinary Time

“Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid?” ROMANS 11:35

St. Paul reminds us of a central fact of stewardship. We cannot give the Lord anything - God already owns it all. God made everything. All we can do is return a portion of God’s many gifts back to Him. Sincere gratitude for our gifts opens our hearts to joyful generosity! Through your generous sharing, you just may be the answer to someone’s prayer.

RAFFLE TICKETS AND SHOPRITE GIFT CARDS

The Altar Rosary Society will be selling Shop Rite gift cards and raffle tickets for their 50/50 share raffle before and after the 10:00am mass beginning on Sunday, August 30th in the church vestibule.

LIVE CHRIST SHARE CHRIST

Praise and Worship

LCSC meetings will resume on Saturday, September 12th at 9:15am. We will celebrate the feast day of the Most Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Our Blessed Mother loves us and desires to protect us. Her mission is to guide her children toward her son Jesus so that we may know Him and see how much He loves us. All are welcome. Please join us. *All members must wear a masked* and social distancing will be enforced.

SEPTEMBER SENIORS MEETING

The first Seniors will be meeting will be September 14th at **1:00pm** in O’Dea Hall. Due to new restrictions, lunch will not be served at this meeting. *All members must wear a masked* and social distancing will be enforced. The election process for all Executive Board positions will take place at this meeting. Regrettably, there will be no flu shots offered this year.



PARISH OFFICE SUMMER VACATION

The Parish Office staff will be taking their summer vacation from August 24th-28th. The office will be closed at that time.

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, 732-425-0387. 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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD DRIVE

The Knights are having a food drive on Saturday September 5th from 10:00am-1:00pm in the Lourdes Center parking lot. All donations will benefit the St. Lawrence and Old Bridge food banks. For more information on the items most needed or for more information, please see the church website, call Chris at 908-510-1866 or email cduffett1@gmail.com.

ASK A PRIEST

Question: We are considering homeschooling our children. Does this present a problem when it is time for them to receive the sacraments? What must we do?



Answer: Homeschooling is legal in all fifty states and like other types of education, has its advantages and its drawbacks. There are many factors to consider, and each family has to decide what the best way to educate its children is. With religious education, many dioceses have a formal policy that outlines procedures and expectations, some of which include more than just academic information.

In general, though, an appointment with your parish priest to discuss your situation is the best first step. An opportunity to discuss what is available, what the expectations are for each sacrament, and how you can best prepare your child helps make your time of preparation more effective. The priest can direct you to good catechetical materials, parent information classes, and other choices and possibilities for your child. All parents need to be part of their child's religious education, taking a lead in instilling the values and beliefs of their faith. Communication and information helps us all to teach and preach the Gospel as Jesus did.

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. Once again, we appreciate your continued support of our parish.

Remember you can always donate online at saintbernadettechurch.churchgiving.com



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!

KID'S CORNER

Read the Gospel and color



Sharing the Gospel

God had sent great prophets to his people. Jeremiah, Elijah, and John the Baptist were faithful to God. They told God's people to love each other. But God's people would not listen. That is why God sent his Son Jesus to be your Savior. With Jesus' help, you can turn back to God. Because of Jesus, you can love others. Because of Jesus, you can look forward to heaven.

Gospel Games

Unscramble these Gospel words:

Jeramiah Christ Peter prophets Elijah
revealed Father John blessed

- Jhno _____
- Eilhaj _____
- Jeemirha _____
- prepohts _____
- Preet _____
- Crsith _____
- bsseeld _____
- reevalde _____
- Fearth _____

NEW LECTOR AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULES

The new schedules for Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers can be picked up by the sign in book in the altar servers' sacristy.

CCD

Registration for the 2020-2021 CCD School year is now open. If your child will be entering first grade in September 2020, please call Mrs. Francis, our CCD Director, at 732-727-4038. **Registrations 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. The fee for one student is \$75 payable on registration. *Forms have been mailed home to all current students. If you have not received your forms, please call the Religious Education Office.*

Please Note: Due to the ever changing regulations and unpredictable circumstances surrounding the CoVid-19 virus, we are unsure how CCD will be conducted for the 2020-2021 school year. Please register as you normally would and we will continue to update you as new information becomes available.

Thank you for your understanding!

- THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE'S**
- Sunday**
 - Monday**Parish Office Closed
 - Tuesday**Parish Office Closed
(LC- 101) 8:00pm.....4°
 - Wednesday**.....Parish Office Closed
 - Thursday**.....Parish Office Closed
(C) 6:30pm.....Cantors
(C) 7:00pm.....Music Reh
 - Friday**.....Parish Office Closed
 - Saturday** (C) 10:00am.....First Penance
(C) 4:00pm.....Confession
(LC) 6:00pm.....Couples
 - Sunday**

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 August for those unable to attend at this time.
- Those in vulnerable groups *should* stay home.
- If you have been around someone who has contracted the Coronavirus, you 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.**
- Temperature checks will be given before entering the Church.
- Please sanitize your pew area before and after use.

Seating

- Physical distancing is still in effect thus limiting seating capacity. 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!