

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 8:30 a.m. (Mass/Novena)

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.

✚Masks are recommended for those who are unvaccinated. If you are feeling ill, as always, please refrain from attending mass until you feel better.



Parish Offices

20 Villanova Road
Parlin, New Jersey 08859

Office Hours

Open:

Tuesday - Friday
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Closed:

Saturday-Monday

✚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

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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. 28- Aug. 29 (The Twenty- Second Sunday in Ordinary Times)

- 5:00 pm + Deceased Members of Dwyer
and Kreegan Families, r/o Pat
and Dennis Dwyer
- 8:30 am Carla and Adamo Venturini's 50th
Anniversary, r/o Jerry and Ann
Fallon
- 10:00 am + Mark Bratus, r/o Jim and Eileen
Ryan
- 11:30 am+ Consolacion A. Magdangal, r/o Ed
Gualberto

Mon., August 30 (Weekday)

- 8:30 am + Robert Rotger, r/o wife, Maria
There is no 7:00pm Mass

Tues., August 31 (Weekday)

- 8:30 am + People of the Parish

Wed., September 1 (Weekday)

- 8:30 am + Gil Aguila, r/o Ed Gualberto

Thurs., September 2 (Weekday)

- 8:30 am + Frank Matarongolo, r/o wife

Fri., September 3 (Saint Gregory the Great)

- 8:30 am + Dolores Rotger, Ronald and
Raquel Miele, r/o Maria Rotger

Sat., September 4 (Weekday)

No 8:30 am Mass

Sat.-Sun., Sept. 4- Sept. 5 (The Twenty- Third Sunday in Ordinary Times)

- 5:00 pm + John and Lydia Alvarado, r/o the
Alvarado Family
- 8:30 am + Joan M. White, r/o Tim White
and family
- 10:00 am + Ralph V. Rizzo, r/o Vincent Rizzo
- 11:30 am + Carino DeRubeis, r/o Adalgisa
DeRubeis

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE

The Candle in Honor of Our Blessed Mother
will be lit this week in memory of Muriel
Smith, r/o Dennis and Mary Keller.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week in
memory of Edna McKinney, 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.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish office hours will be as follows:

Saturday-Monday: Closed

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00am-2:00pm

Masks are recommended if you are
unvaccinated. We would appreciate a call
to let us know you are on your way in, but
appointments are no longer necessary.

RETURN OF 7:00PM MONDAY MASSES

Starting on Monday, September 13th, our
Monday Masses will be returning to their
regular time of 7:00pm.

Please Pray the Rosary for Peace



HOTLINES-OUTREACH

Catholic Charities.....732-324-8200
Food Assistance.....732-721-7418
Mental Health and Addiction.....732-745-4186
Depression.....855-654-6735

Life Choices Resource Center.....732-516-0911
Life Call.....800-662-2678
Safe Haven.....609-888-7915

SPREADING THE WORD

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Be doers of the word and not hearers only...”

JAMES 1:22

It's easy to understand the definition of stewardship – living a grateful and generous life. The hard part is doing it! How do your actions reflect God's word? Do you share your time in prayer with God? Do you use your talent to help those in need? Are you generous with your financial resources? If not, what are you waiting for?

VIRTUS TRAINING

Protecting God's Children

VIRTUS is a training program that identifies best practices programs designed to help prevent wrongdoing and promote "rightdoing" within religious organizations. The *VIRTUS* programs empower organizations and people to better control risk and improve the lives of all those who interact with the Church.

We are offering *VIRTUS* training at St. Bernadette Parish for anyone in our parish who will be working with or around children. Whether you are a volunteer or a paid employee of St. Bernadette's...*if you work or are required to be around minor children you **MUST** attend a VIRTUS Training Session* and complete the requirements for fingerprinting.

The session is scheduled for Monday, September 13th from 7:00pm- 9:00pm. If you are interested in attending the class, please call or email the parish office. You will be sent a link to the class posted on the Diocese registration site.



Restoration Specialist

We who follow Jesus are the preachers and keepers of the memory of the Garden of Eden. Deep down in every human heart is the longing for the restoration of the peace, the love, the wholeness of Eden. Jesus came to tell us that restoration can take place only if our hearts are changed. If our outward practices do not flow out of a heart that knows God and loves God and all of God's creation, then those outward practices are empty and not authentic. If you, or someone you know, feel that hunger to come closer to God and God's creation, we invite you to join us at an Inquiry Session. Invite your relative or your friend to an RCIA Inquiry Session. Inquiry Sessions do not ask for commitments, they are a place to ask questions about God/Jesus or about the Catholic Faith. Inquiry Sessions are opened to anyone who is unbaptized, baptized into another Christian Denomination, or baptized Catholic but has not received BOTH sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. If you or anyone you know who might be interested in this process, please contact Tom O'Leary at 732-721-7857 or visit our website: saintbernadettechurch.net for more information about these classes.

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.

SUMMER AND FALL 50/50 FAIR SHARE RAFFLE

The Altar Rosary Society is sponsoring our annual 50/50 Fair Share Raffle.



By now you should have received your raffle ticket books in the mail. If you are interested in another raffle book, we have extras. A full book contains 10 tickets for \$10.00 or you may purchase individual tickets at \$1.00 each. You can return your purchased tickets by dropping them off or mailing them, with a check/cash enclosed, to the parish office. You may also drop them off at mass.



The winning tickets will be drawn on Monday, November 22, 2021. Please take a chance to help your parish and perhaps win some money just in time for the Holiday Season.

LIVE CHRIST SHARE CHRIST Praise and Worship

There will be no meetings in August. See you on September 11th. Have a wonderful summer!

SENIORS

There will be no Seniors meeting in August. The next Seniors Meeting will be Monday, Sept. 13th. Have a great summer!

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

To date, the Development Office has received pledges totaling \$51,017.75 and payments totaling \$49,956.50 from 220 parishioners. This represents 88.0% of our parish goal of \$58,000.00.

BINGO IS BACK!!!

It is our pleasure to announce the return of Tuesday night Bingo! Starting Tuesday, September 7th in O'Dea Hall at 7:30pm, we will have our first Bingo game since March 2020. Please help us spread the word about St. Bernadette Bingo returning. We are looking forward to seeing everybody again.



Be Bingo Volunteer!

Bingo is an important fundraiser for St. Bernadette Parish. Weekly bingo requires people in front of and behind the scenes to successfully operate. No experience necessary! You would work beside a fully training person currently in that position already. For more information or to volunteer, please contact the parish office at 732-721-2772. Please consider volunteering your time and talent to help out this very important fundraiser.

ST. BERNADETTE HAS A MONARCH WAYSTATION!

Monarch Waystations are places that provide food for monarchs to produce successive generations and fuel for their migration. Without milkweeds throughout the spring and summer, monarchs would not be able to produce the successive generations that lead to their migration each fall. Without nectar from flowers these monarch butterflies would be unable to make their long journey to overwintering grounds in Mexico.

We are very excited and grateful that our Green Thumb Brigade has worked so hard to help one of God's beautiful and amazing creatures!





BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

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 **Thursday September 9th**, 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.



"THOSE WHO SING PRAY TWICE" – St. Augustine

Our Music Ministry would like to invite new members to join in sharing their time and talents with our parish community.

New singers are always welcome in our **Adult Choir**. No previous musical experience is necessary. Rehearsals are Thursday evenings at 7:00pm. The Adult Choir typically sings at 5:00pm Mass each Saturday and periodically at 8:30am or 10:00am Masses on Sunday. Rehearsals will begin on September 23rd, and continue on a weekly basis.

We are currently seeking adult singers to serve as **cantors/leaders of song**. Cantors are considered by audition only.

Those who are interested in these musical ministries are encouraged to see our Music Director, Mary Kay Cullinan, after any weekend Mass for more information.

Thank you for your interest!

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS

The next Baptismal Preparation Class will take place on Monday, October 4th at 8:00pm in the Lourdes Center meeting room. Baptismal donations and Certificates of Eligibility for godparents will be accepted at the class.



BLOOD DRIVE

New Jersey Blood Services will be conducting a blood drive, Thursday, September 30, 2021, from 1:30-7:30pm at Most Holy Redeemer Parish (133 Amboy Road) in Desmond Hall. At this time, the blood supply is critically low. To remain in compliance with the federal guidelines for social distancing. Please be aware that we do not test for COVID-19. Remember to eat, drink, and bring your Donor ID or ID with your name and photo. For an appointment, go to nybc.org/newjerseydrive - sponsor code 10712 or call 800-933-2566.

**SILVER & GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen and renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen on Sunday, October 17, 2021 at 3:30pm. Couples who celebrated their Silver or Gold anniversary in 2020 are also invited to attend. Registration is required. Please register online at: diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration.



If you are unable to access, please contact your parish secretary or the Family Life Office at 732-562-1543 or amarshall@diometuchen.org. Registration will close on October 7, 2021. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of Gratitude may be made online at diometuchen.org/donation-silver-and-gold or calling 732-562-1543.



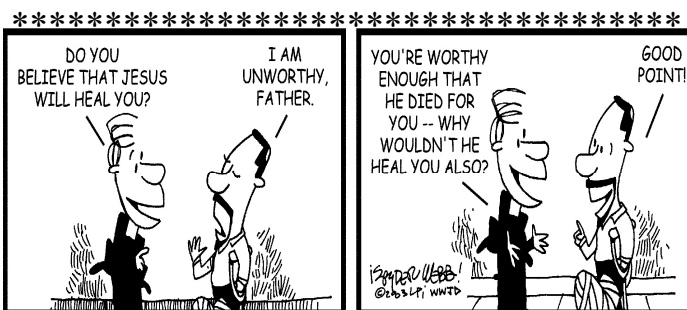
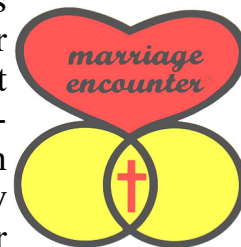
Inspire Family Life Center (51 Mt. Bethel Road, Warren, NJ), a brand new, pro-life pregnancy resource center, will be hosting an Open House on Sunday, September 12th from 10am -1pm. Come and see Inspire's beautiful facility and learn more about their life-changing Mission & Vision, how they will impact our local communities and how you can get involved. Please RSVP to info@inspirefamilylifecenter.com or send a text to 732-595-2392.

Visit InspireFamilyLifeCenter.com for more details.

*"We help mothers LOVE life.
We help families LIVE life!"*

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

With summer winding down, why not treat yourself to a Marriage Encounter Experience? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. Join us from the comfort of your home via Zoom for eight evening sessions, 7:00-9:30pm, presented on Monday and Thursday evenings from September 27th-October 21st. For an application call Tom & Ruth DeFalco 732-904-9636 or visit us at: wwme.org for more information.



KID'S CORNER

Read the Gospel and color



Sharing the Gospel

Wash your hands before you eat! Did you know that rule came from God, so that we would stay healthy? In today's Gospel, the Pharisees liked to wash their hands and follow God's rules, only because they liked to show off. Don't be like those Pharisees. When you follow God's rules, do the right thing out of love for God.

Puzzle

Find the matching pair



2021-2022 CCD SCHOOL YEAR

Registration for the 2021-2022 CCD School year is now open. If your child will be entering first grade in September 2021, 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.

The CCD registration forms have been mailed home to all current students. If you have not received a registration form, please call Mrs. Francis, our CCD director. If no one is available, leave a message with your child's name and a phone number where you can be reached.

If you have other questions about the 2021-2022 school year, please call Mrs. Francis at 732-727-4038 or email the religious education office at stbernced@gmail.com.



THIS WEEK AT ST. BERNADETTE'S

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday (LC) 8:00pm.....K of C

Thursday.....

Friday.....

Saturday (LC) 9:00am.....Holy Name

(C) 4:00pm.....Confession

(LC) 6:00pm.....MFC

Sunday

Monday* *Labor Day

**(C) 8:30amMass (there is
no 7:00pm Mass)**

Tuesday (OD) 7:30pm.....Bingo

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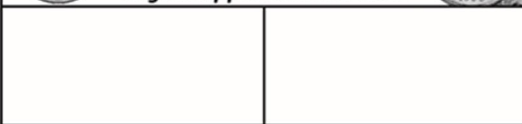


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