



SAINT BERNADETTE OF LOURDES PARISH
"WHERE MIRACLES HAPPEN"

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MAY 12, 2024 — SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MASSES

SATURDAY VIGIL: 4:30PM
SUNDAY: 9:00AM AND 11:00AM

WEEKDAY MASS

MONDAY—FRIDAY 8:30AM

HOLY DAY MASSES

TIMES ANNOUNCED IN SUNDAY BULLETIN

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY: 3:30PM — 4:15PM

Pastor
Rev. John P. Masson (Ext. 104)
Email (frmasson@stbl.org)

Permanent Deacon
Deacon Thomas P. Fitzpatrick

Director of Religious Education
Marykate Murphy (Ext. 212)
School Principal
Mrs. Joanne Montie
Parish Business Manager
Robert J. Helmig (Ext. 103)
Administrative Secretary
Helen V. Kraus (ext. 101)
Parish Music Coordinator
Dorothy Toomey

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saint John wrote that when we love one another God's love is brought to perfection in us. What an appropriate reading for Mother's Day! For many of us, our mother's love may have seemed to be close to perfection, our first and greatest model of selfless love. As we worship God, who is love, let us pray for all those blessed women who have brought God's love to perfection in our lives.

Parish Information

NEW FAMILIES

Welcome to St. Bernadette Parish! To register in the parish, please email Deacon Tom Fitzpatrick at deacontom@stbl.org. He will get back to you to arrange a convenient time to meet with him to register. We are eager to greet new members of our parish community and look forward to meeting you.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

The rectory office hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00am to noon and 1:00pm to 5:00pm. **During the summer the rectory will close at 3:00pm on Fridays.** Items for the Sunday newsletter must be at the rectory by Monday at noon for publication the following Sunday.

BAPTISMS

Baptisms are held at 12 noon on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. **Parents must attend a Pre-Jordan class held in the Wright Center at 12 noon on the first Sunday of every other month. Registration for the class is required. In order to arrange for a baptism, the parents must be active members of the parish. To register, please call the rectory office at 610/789-7676 ext. 101.** Godparents should be practicing Catholics, confirmed and at least 16 years of age. If not from this parish, sponsors must have a letter of eligibility from their parish stating that they have been actively participating. St. Bernadette Parishioners must be registered and actively participating.

MARRIAGES

We request that couples contemplating marriage call the rectory to make an appointment with the priest. At this initial interview, the date and time of your request will be recorded and you will receive a copy of the Parish Wedding Guidelines.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK/COMMUNION CALLS

A priest will administer Holy Communion to parishioners who are unable to come to Church. If you desire, Eucharistic Ministers can bring Communion each week. Please contact the Rectory to be placed on our Sick List. Parishioners who are to undergo serious surgery at a hospital are encouraged to make an appointment at the Rectory before going to the hospital.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

St. Bernadette School offers sessions for Pre-School and Kindergarten and conducts full-time classes from first through eighth grades. PREP classes are held in the parish school for all students attending public school. PREP classes are held on Monday evenings at 6:30pm. Adults seeking religious instruction should call Marykate Murphy, Director of Religious Education at (610) 789-7676 ext. 212. The RCIA Program begins in October.

SAINT BERNADETTE PARISH ON FACEBOOK

We can be found at "Saint Bernadette of Lourdes Parish". Check out the page and "like" us to keep up with the latest parish news.

Entrance to the Chapel is through the Prayer Garden. The entrance code is 5076.

VISITS TO THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT can be made in the Chapel

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY takes place every Monday through Friday at 8:00am in the church.

DEVOTION TO ST. LEONIE AVIAT takes place every Tuesday at 7:00pm in the Chapel.

FLAME OF LOVE PRAYER CENACLE takes place Thursday at 7:00pm in the chapel.

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP meets in the Wright Center/chapel every Tuesday at 7:30pm.

RESPECT LIFE GROUP information can be obtained by calling Doris Hurd at 610-789-2708.

MUSIC MINISTRY is open to all who wish to share their time and talent in praise and thanksgiving to God – call Dottie Toomey at 610/449-4013 for rehearsal times.

MARTHAS AND JOSEPHS meet every Thursday in Church following the 8:30am Mass. All who wish to help clean the church are welcome to join us.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Ave Maria Council #4063 serve St Bernadette Parish invites interested men 18 years of age and older to join in fraternity and the service to our parish and greater community; contact jsavaresejr@gmail.com

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meetings are held every Thursday at 9:30am in O'Brien Hall.

ST. JOHN'S HOSPICE Casseroles to feed the homeless sponsored by St. John's Hospice in Philadelphia are collected in O'Brien Hall before the weekend Masses that precede the first Thursday of the month. Casserole pans are available in the main entrance of church. Call Mary at 610/789-6206.

FOOD PANTRY

Non-perishable food items for the Food Pantry can be placed in bags and left in the vestibules of church. Any monetary donations or donations of gift cards should be sent to Fr. Masson. If you have a question, contact Amy Sandman at foodpantry@stbl.org.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Saturday, May 11

4:30pm Special Intention

Sunday, May 12

9:00am Living and Deceased of St. Bernadette Parish

11:00am Janet McCarthy

Monday, May 13 - Our Lady of Fatima

8:30am Healing of Marie Seiler

Tuesday, May 14 - St. Matthias

8:30am Sophie Abbott

Wednesday, May 15 - St. Isidore

8:30am Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, May 16

8:30am Joseph Boyle

Friday, May 17

8:30am Joseph Boyle

Pentecost Sunday

Saturday, May 18

4:30pm Catherine Walker

Sunday, May 19

9:00am Regina Marie Dengel

11:00am Patrick & Marguerite Murphy and Family



FOR YOUR SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

This week's readings will be:

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 1:15-17, 20a, 20-26

Second Reading: 1 John 4:11-16

Gospel: John 17:11b-19

Next week's readings will be:

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

Gospel: John 20:19-23



PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION
SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2024

THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO PARTICIPATE:
ALL TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE & ALL ARE WELCOME!

- 12:30pm: Celebrate Corpus Christi Mass at St. Andrew with Archbishop James Patrick Green
- 1:30pm: Join outside of St. Andrew to participate in the procession
- 1:45pm: Join anywhere along our route on Turner Lane from St. Andrew to St. Bernadette
- 2:30pm: Join at St. Bernadette for Benediction and Closing Prayers
- 3:00pm: Join us at St. Bernadette in O'Brien Hall for our Procession Reception (refreshments)

PLEASE NOTE:

- Trolley transfers are available from 12-1pm from St. Andrew to St. Bernadette for parking purposes
- Turner Road will be closed to **all** traffic during the Procession
- Limited trolley seating available for the Procession (first come)
- Contact Nicky Verna for volunteer opportunities!

Questions: nverna@standrewdh.org or 610-259-1169

FINANCIAL FACTS

May 5, 2024

Weekly: \$14,353 target of \$15,000

\$9,794 (Collection) + \$4,559 (Parish Giving)



May	12	PreK & Kindergarten - 9am Mass
	27	Memorial Day
June	2	Corpus Christi Sunday Eucharistic Procession
	7	School Mass - 8:30am
	10	8th Grade Dance
	12	8th Grade Graduation - 7pm Mass
	14	School Closing Mass - 8:30am

WEDNESDAY ADORATION



The last day of Adoration will be Wednesday, May 29. The Wednesday Adorations will resume on Wednesday, September 4.



ST. BERNADETTE SCHOOL *What's Happening*

It is hard to believe that we are nearing the end of this fantastic school year! In 5th Grade, we are working on our most exciting project of the year, Multicultural Day Projects. The 5th graders imagine they are designers commissioned by a major toy company to create a doll that reflects a specific culture for that toy company's culture collection! This is the 5th graders' first time displaying a project for Multicultural Day, and they are having so much fun exploring Asian cultures and creating a project based on their research! This is such an exciting and educational opportunity for them to learn about different cultures and showcase their creativity!

BERNIE'S BRICKS . . . YOUR PARISH, YOUR SCHOOL, YOUR LEGACY

Pave the way towards a brighter future for our St. Bernadette Parish Community. Bricks are the perfect way to commemorate Marriage, Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Graduation, your Family, feature your business, memorialize a loved one shout out a beloved teacher, principal, staff member or Parish Priest! Brick pricing starts at \$100 and there are various options to personalize your purchase.

For additional information please visit

<https://polarengraving.com/saintbernadetteschool>

Buy your Bernie's Brick today & cement your legacy in the St. Bernadette Community!



St. Bernadette Scrip Program is the parish program where you purchase gift cards to your favorite stores and receive a rebate that can be applied towards school tuition, PREP, high school tuition or donated to the parish. The purpose of the program is to help St. Bernadette families earn cash back on everyday purchases and support the parish.

Thank you to the parishioners who offer their rebate back to the school & parish. Your donation and support is greatly appreciated! If you are a school family, you know the rebates add up and significantly reduce your tuition payment over the course of the year. Please tell a friend so more families can save!

Gift card sales are Sunday mornings from 9:30am - 11:00am in the Wright Center. On-hand inventory for purchase includes: Giant, ACME, ShopRite, Colonial Village, CVS, Sam's Boardwalk Pizza & Dairy Bar, JD McGillicuddy's, Amazon, Dairy Queen, Krispy Kreme, Freddy's, Chipotle, WaWa, Dunkin, Panera & Kohl's. VISA gift cards are available with no activation fee; \$25, \$50 & \$100. For national card orders — order by 7pm on Monday for pick up on Sunday. For more info and a full list of retailers, please visit: <https://www.st-bernadette.org/scrip-program>. Questions: email scrip4bernies@gmail.com

Thank you!

Susan Coyne & Karen Murphy
Scrip Coordinators

Vacation Bible School

**PRESS RELEASE:
REGISTRATION IS NOW LIVE!**

SAINT BERNADETTE PARISH
is hosting Vacation Bible School this summer!

Assorted Saints and the Virtues of Faith, Hope & Love is for children rising to PreK4 through children rising to 2nd Grade. There will be 5 FUN-FILLED DAYS of exciting lessons, cool crafts, fun games, upbeat music, creative skits, hands-on activities and delicious snacks.

Hurry to the Launch Pad! Discover the Virtues in the Assorted Saints Hot Air Balloon!

Dates: JUNE 24th - JUNE 28th
Times: 9am - 12pm
Location: St. Bernadette Parish

Don't miss out on this spiritual adventure of a lifetime!

REGISTER HERE:
stbl.flocknote.com/register

All children are welcome regardless of Church affiliation.

Please contact Marykate Murphy ~
mmurphy@stbl.org with any questions.



For the month of April, the St. Bernadette Food Pantry helped four families. Food and gift cards were provided so that individuals could purchase other staples on their grocery list. Monetary donations and gift cards are provided through the generosity of our parishioners. If you wish to provide a gift card or a monetary donation please drop it off at the rectory labeled "Food Pantry".

Parishioners volunteer their time to help out in the food pantry after the 11am Mass each Sunday. Parishioners brought the bags over from the back of the church and unpacked them, sorted food items and restocked the shelves. Others assisted by folding bags and tidying up the pantry. We thank them all for their time and efforts.

Please consider volunteering. It is a great opportunity to serve others, especially our youth who are home from school on summer break. What a great way to relieve idle time and boredom. The Food Pantry is open every Sunday in the Wright Center at 12 noon to receive, and/or distribute food to those in need.

Thank you to our volunteer regulars, Peter Medora and our Food Pantry Manager, Marissa Sandman, for their continued dedication to the Food Pantry.

On behalf of the Food Pantry, we thank you for your continued support and generosity with your donations, gifts, prayers, talents and resources - together as one family and one Body in Christ Jesus.

THE PASTOR'S COLUMN

SO THAT THEY MAY BE ONE JUST AS WE ARE ONE.

When I was a teenager growing up if the phone rang anyone around would answer it. When I would answer the phone with a simple “hello” most people on the other end of the phone would ask “Denny?” or even start talking as if I were my Dad. When I would say “No, that’s my dad. I’ll get him for you.” They would respond with: “Wow, you really sound like your dad.” What frustrated me as a teenager became something that I was proud of later, being compared to my Dad.

That’s what Jesus is asking for, that people may see the Father when they see us. This is his desire in this High Priestly Prayer that he prays during the Last Supper. He first prays for unity with him and the Father, and then among him and the apostles, which is the part we hear today. Then he prays for all who will hear the word through the preaching of the Apostles. That means us, you and me! Jesus, the night before his Passion, is thinking of us.

He asks His Father that we may be one as they are one. Sent out into the world but of God because we are one with him. It is not to make robots or replicas for world domination but so that we may share the Joy of Jesus Christ completely. As we are in this time right after the Ascension we are reminded that Jesus was sent out by the Father and returned to the Father. As he returned to the Father he brought humanity with him. This is our source of unity with the Father and the answer to the desire of Jesus’s Prayer. It is for us now to seek out and desire that unity, to act like, sound like, and pray like Jesus. And when people interact with us, the Church, we hope in all humility that the prayer of Jesus Christ will be answered and people will experience the Love of God the Father.

Happy Mother's Day!!!

The first place we learn of God the Father’s unconditional Love is from the Love of our Mothers. It is a great day to celebrate our Mothers and all those special women who are mother figures to us. May God bless our mothers!





WE PRAY FOR THE SICK - Bill Albertson, Fred Amatucci, Elizabeth Burrichter Arginteanu, Hannah Atkins. Dan Bigioni, Tom Blisard, Pamela Bower, Joseph Bradley, Marie Bree, Chrissy Campbell, Theresa Caputo, Michael Carroll, Peter Celucci, Robert & Joanne Christopher, Elaine Cole, Jennie Colianni, Mike Connors, Quinn Connors, Dennis Conway, Dave Costella, Tom Coyle, Barbara Cunningham, Laurel Dee, Michael DeEmilo, Frances Diegnan, MaryEllen Diehl, Christopher DiMarto, John DiSalvatore, Gabriella DiSaverio, Darrin Dougherty, Dawn Dougherty, Michael Dougherty, James Drumm, Lexi Dunn, Bernie Dupras, Jason Durkee, Matthew Dwyer, Bruce Einstein, Emily Einstein, Marie Feola, Patrick Flanigan, Jr., Emily Flynn, Jerry Flynn, Joe Flynn, Maggie Franz, Stu Glatsky, Christine Grosso, Joan Grycewicz, Ed Gutowski, Rachel Hagan, Ruth Harold, Greg Harvey, Kim Hayman, Pat Henningsen, Kenneth Hernandez, Judith Holmes, Baby Lila Holmes, Adrian Hughes, Baby Rita May Hughes, John Huver, John Ingle, Ashley Juliano, David Kisella, Carla King, Linda King, Wilmer Lehman, Steven Little, Theo Lockhart, Betsy Long, Avi Lurie, Michele Malolie, Patricia McDevitt, Kathy Martin, James Maynard, Neil McClelland, Helene McCole, Jean McCormack, Karen McIlvaine, Sean McKeefery, Theresa McKeefery, Rosie McKenna, Emily Meakim, Theresa Merlini, Christopher Milecki, Sue Mitchell, Will Mooney, Eileen Morris, Karyl Murray, Stephen Murray, Matthew Nicholas, Nancy Nicholas, Roman O'Brien, Nicole Pagett, Fr. Francis Pileggi OSF, Steve Piperno, Joseph Polto, Joseph Pozzuolo, Sharon Pozzuolo, Christopher Rafferty, Lucy Rapp, Mary Rhodunda, Alicia Ridge, Dan Rock, Rich Rogge, Anna Rokos, Evelyn Runk, John Rusenko, Tony Anthony Sarmiento, Marie Seiler, Shane Seningen, Michael Shane, Pamela Shapiro, Amy Sheeler, Theresa Sherwin, Marion Sloan, Kristin Sorrentino, Kevin Spaziani, Joe Subio, Daniel Suskevich, Kathleen Coyle Tewey, Emily Tong, Renee Trivelis, Mario Turchiarolo, Jim Tyson, Annie Walker, Lily Walker, Zoe Wallace, David Weaver, Jim Weaver, Jerry Weiss, Mary Wieners, Susan Sterner Wood and those suffering from serious illnesses & incurable diseases.

HOSPITAL SICK CALLS - Emergency sick calls may be made to the rectory at any time. If surgery or admission to the hospital is scheduled, please call the rectory ahead of time to make arrangements to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. Due to the privacy act, if you are in the hospital and wish to see a priest while you are there, you must register as a Catholic when admitted or make sure a family member does so for you to assure a visit by a priest or Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist.

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

Baby Bottle drive for Mother's Home in Darby will be distributed after masses on Mother's Day weekend Masses. They can be returned after Masses on Fathers Day weekend. **THANK YOU** for your generosity in helping Mothers and Children.

RESOURCES

Rachel's Vineyard Post-Abortion Healing:
877-HOPE-4-ME www.rachelsvineyard.org
A Baby's Breath 24-Hour Hotline:
484-580-6436 www.ababysbreath.org
Delaware County Pregnancy Center: www.dpcchester.org
Mother's Home: 610-583-HOME www.mothershome.org
Crisis Pregnancy Resource Hotline: 610-626-4006



PHILADELPHIA CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC CONFERENCE

"Prophecy For Our Time"

Are YOU Ready?

Holy Spirit, Empower Us!

**Saturday, May 18 from 9:00am to
Pentecost Vigil Mass at 5:00pm
with The Most Rev. John McIntyre presiding
Epiphany of Our Lord Church - Plymouth Meeting**

Speakers:

*Christine Watkins - Daniel O'Connor and
Fr. Rick Wendell*

More info and to register, go to

<https://archphilaccr.org>

All are invited!

CUB SCOUT PACK 92

Cub Scout Pack 92, which meets at Holy Child Academy in Drexel Hill, would like to congratulate the 8 students from St. Bernadette Parish who have recently earned their religious medals.

The following scouts were presented the Parvuli Dei award by Archbishop Perez on May 4th at a special Mass at St. Peter & Paul Cathedral: **Declan Bowes - 5th grade, Joseph Gigante - 5th grade, Patrick Hernandez - 3rd grade**

Five scouts from St. Bernadette's second grade earned their Light of Christ medal but were unable to attend the presentation Mass due to their First Communion: **Benjamin Carratura, Cole Christie, Beau Lancianese, Joseph Quinn, Christian Schreiber**

Congratulations to all eight of the scouts for all of their hard work in earning these awards!

If your child is interested in scouting, please contact Shawn Quinn, Cubmaster of Pack 92, at spquinn78@gmail.com for more information. Boys and girls from kindergarten to 5th grade are welcome.

RETRouvaille: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy and provide help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program will be held August 9 - 11 and again on October 4 - 6 at the Family Life Center in Malvern. For information or to register visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.