



SAINT BERNADETTE OF LOURDES PARISH
“WHERE MIRACLES HAPPEN”

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MAY 19, 2024 — PENTECOST SUNDAY

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

PENTECOST SUNDAY

On this day we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit into our world to stay with us always. Three months ago we began our journey from Lent to Easter, from winter to spring, from darkness to light, from death to new life. It is a journey of conversion and transformation, not only for those who were baptized, confirmed, or received their first communion during this time, but for all of us. The arrival of the Holy Spirit fulfills Jesus' promise to his disciples and blesses us as we lived our new lives in the Risen Lord.

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

Pentecost Sunday

Saturday, May 18

4:30pm Catherine Walker

Sunday, May 19

9:00am Regina Marie Dengel

11:00am Patrick & Marguerite Murphy and Family

Monday, May 20 - Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of The Church

8:30am Wallace and Concetta Miller

Tuesday, May 21 - St. Christopher Magallanes

8:30am Sheila Longworth

Wednesday, May 22 - St. Rita of Cacia

8:30am Rev. William A. Wright

Thursday, May 23

8:30am Kate DelViscio

Friday, May 24

8:30am Healing of Marie Seiler

The Most Holy Trinity

Saturday, May 25

4:30pm Living and Deceased of St. Bernadette Parish

Sunday, May 26

9:00am Walter and Regina Weinrich

11:00am Joseph H. Bradley



FOR YOUR SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

This 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

Next week's readings will be:

First Reading - Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40

Second Reading - Romans 8:14-17

Gospel - Matthew 28:16-20



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 12, 2024

Weekly: \$10,243 target of \$15,000

\$7,174 (Collection) + \$3,069 (Parish Giving)



May	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*

The children in our 2nd grade class celebrated their First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 4th. The students prepared for this sacrament by reading, studying, and developing a deeper understanding about the real presence of Jesus in the bread and wine. They had a special class with Father John asking questions and learning about this special sacrament. We ask the community to continue to pray for all our first communicants as they continue on their journey as followers of Jesus.

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.



The St. Bernadette Food Pantry is open all year round. We especially need your support during the summer months.

The many families who are struggling need your help especially during the summer. Your help enables them to supplement their grocery list because students are out of school during this time. With many people vacationing, our food pantry becomes greatly depleted as well.

Please continue to donate to the St. Bernadette Food Pantry. It is so very much needed and so greatly appreciated. Gift cards and monetary donations can be brought to the Rectory labeled "Food Pantry."

The Food Pantry is open to receive donations every Sunday at 12 noon, in the Wright Center. Thank you so much for your support!

PRE-JORDAN CLASS & BAPTISMS

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THE PASTOR'S COLUMN

And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit

Today in the Church we celebrate the Solemnity of Pentecost, the remembrance and celebration of the Holy Spirit's descent upon the Apostles and Mary. The Spirit's mission to us is to bring our unredeemed humanity into the life of God. He is the one who gives us life, the one who brings us into interactions with God. Through our Baptism and especially our Confirmation, the Holy Spirit is present within us. He is the re-creating, rejuvenating gift of God's presence within. We are temples of the Holy Spirit, the same Spirit that created the world in the first place and gave us God's life within us.

This life is within each of us as individuals and as the Church. If we look at the Apostles we readily see how different they were. Jesus did not change them; he did not make them into a set of pre-packaged models. He left their differences and now he unites them by anointing them with the Holy Spirit. With the anointing comes their union – union in diversity. At Pentecost, the Apostles understand the unifying power of the Spirit. They see it with their own eyes when everyone, though speaking in different languages, comes together as one people: the people of God, shaped by the Spirit, who weaves unity from diversity and bestows harmony because in the Spirit there is harmony. He himself is harmony. (Pope Francis, Pentecost 2020) This is part of the fulfillment of Jesus's Desire: that we may be One.

Don't get me wrong, I am not trying to make a political statement about Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. Diversity for the sake of diversity is ridiculous. However, diversity for the sake of sharing gifts and talents, stories and backgrounds, experiences and knowledge for the building up of the body of Christ on Earth is a beautiful thing. And when we allow ourselves to be drawn out of ourselves and into community we see God working in miraculous ways even if it is not accompanied by great gusts of winds, people speaking different languages, or tongues of fire.



This week we received the sad news of Mrs. Montie's decision to retire as Principal of St. Bernadette of Lourdes Parish School. Mrs. Montie has worked tirelessly in our school as a teacher and a principle and it will be hard to imagine our school community without her. She taught many lessons but the most important lesson she taught countless students throughout the years is about the love of Jesus and Mary and how to be the hands and feet of Jesus in the world. We thank her for her years of dedicated service and love she has given to our community and wish her well in her new journey.



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, Ron Spade, 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.

HIGH SCHOOL REUNIONS

Bonner-Prendie Class of '74 to hold 50th reunion

Monsignor Bonner- Archbishop Prendergast High School, Class of 1974, is planning their 50th Class Reunion, 6- 10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 27 at Paxon Hollow Country Club, 850 Paxon Hollow Rd., Broomall.

The Reunion Committee is currently searching for current email addresses to send out notices with the details. Class members are asked to send name and email address to bonnerprendie50threunion@gmail.com.

Bonner-Prendie Class of '69 to hold 55th reunion

The Bonner & Prendie Classes of 1969 have scheduled their 55th High School Reunion for Sunday afternoon September 29th from 3 to 7 at the Paxon Hollow Country Club.

The ticket price is \$69.00 which includes food and an Open Bar.

There will be a limit of 250 tickets sold WITH NO TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR.

Music by DJ Steve Kurtz of 92.1

Checks to "MBAP Class of 69 Reunion" to 403 N Lansdowne Ave, Drexel Hill, Pa 19026 or Credit Card Purchases to the link below:

<https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=mspCqT>

DELCO PRO-LIFE MEETING

Please join us for our monthly Delco Parishes Pro-life Meeting on Wednesday, May 22, at 7pm at St. Dorothy Parish. The meeting will be in the Rectory basement conference room. Entrance is from the parking lot. Your prayers and suggestions are most welcome. *Jesus, protect and save the unborn.*

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.dcpchester.org

Mother's Home: 610-583-HOME www.mothershome.org

Crisis Pregnancy Resource Hotline: **610-626-4006**

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY MARRIED

Matthew and Brittany (Diehl) Moran



The Venerable Fulton J. Sheen once said about the Church, "Even though we are God's *chosen people*, we often behave more like God's *frozen people*--frozen in our prayer life, frozen in the way we relate with one another, frozen in the way we celebrate our Faith." [Bishop Fulton J. Sheen was declared Venerable by Pope Benedict XVI in June, 2012.] Today is a great day to ask the Holy Spirit to rekindle in us the spirit of new life and enthusiasm, the fire of God's love. Let us repeat Blessed John Henry Cardinal Newman's favorite little prayer, "*Come Holy Spirit:*"

**"Come Holy Spirit
Make our ears to hear
Make our eyes to see
Make our mouths to speak
Make our hearts to seek
Make our hands to reach out
And touch the world with your love. AMEN."**