



SAINT BERNADETTE OF LOURDES PARISH
“WHERE MIRACLES HAPPEN”

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JUNE 23, 2024 — TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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)

Retired Priest

Rev. Lawrence F. Crehan

Retired 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

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Summer has arrived and with it, unfortunately, the ever-present chance of summer storms. High winds, tornadoes, thunderstorms, and flash floods make these storms frightening and dangerous. The disciples were terrified when a violent squall came up while they were sailing on the Sea of Galilee. But not Jesus. He rebuked the storm and calmed the waves. Even the forces of nature obeyed him. May we turn to the Lord during the stormy periods of our own lives. May our faith give us comfort and courage, trusting his strength and his concern for us all.

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.



Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, June 22

4:30pm Deceased Members of the Snedeker Family

Sunday, June 23

9:00am Maria Di Stefano

11:00am Michael Glenn and Helen & Bud Brady

Monday, June 24 - Nativity of St. John the Baptist

8:30am Deceased Members of the Lopata Family

Tuesday, June 25

8:30am Colleen Bieau

Wednesday, June 26

8:30am James G. Mullen

Thursday, June 27 - St. Cyril of Alexandria

8:30am Edward Gutowski

Friday, June 28 - St. Irenaeus

8:30am Mary A. DiSciascio (10th Anniv.)

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, June 29

4:30pm Michael Liberatore

Sunday, June 30

9:00am James McAssey

11:00am Living and Deceased of St. Bernadette Parish



FOR YOUR SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

This week's readings will be:

First Reading - Job 38:1, 8-11

Second Reading - 2 Corinthians 5:14-17

Gospel - Mark 4:35-41

Next week's readings will be:

First Reading - Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24

Second Reading - 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

Gospel - Mark 5:21-43



**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

COFFEE CATECHESIS

THE PROPHETS' SIGNS FOR OUR TIMES

All are invited to join our Seminarian, Dominic Miranda, for Coffee Catechesis on Tuesday, July 2, July 9, July 16 and July 30. The Coffee Catechesis will take place in the Wright Center, 1st floor, following the 8:30am Mass. The topic will be "The Prophets' Signs for Our Times." Hope you are able to join us. God bless!

FINANCIAL FACTS

June 16, 2024

Weekly: \$10,215 target of \$15,000

\$7,593 (Collection) + \$2,622 (Parish Giving)



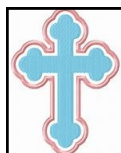
June	24 - 28	Vacation Bible School
July	2	Coffee Catechesis
	4	Independence Day
	7	PreJordan - 12 noon
	9	Coffee Catechesis
	16	Coffee Catechesis
	20 - 21	Mission Co-Op (Speaker)
	30	Coffee Catechesis

BAPTISMS/PRE-JORDAN

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**BULLETIN EARLY
TRANSMISSION SCHEDULE**

Any items for the **July 7** bulletins must be at the rectory **no later than noon on Monday, June 24.**



**WELCOME TO THE NEWLY
BAPTIZED**

Jameson Andrew Cerniglia



ST. BERNADETTE SCHOOL

On behalf of the faculty, staff and students of St. Bernadette School, I extend a heartfelt thank you to our parish family for your continued prayerful and financial support of our school during the '23-'24 school year, our 75th Anniversary. Through God's grace and your commitment may SBS continue to bring our children closer to the hearts of Jesus and Mary.



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

CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH

This weekend we welcome Rev. John E. Phelps who will speak to us about Cross Catholic Outreach.

Rev. John E. Phelps C.Ss.R. is a remarkable individual whose life work has centered on uplifting the youth and those who are financially challenged. Father John Phelps, a native of St. Louis, MO, attended St. Joseph Preparatory College and graduated from Mt. St. Alphonsus Seminary in New York. He was ordained as a Redemptorist Priest in 1968, and his mission to serve the poor truly began. Father John has ministered in various locations in the United States and overseas, including Detroit, Chicago, Tucson, Missouri, Oregon, and Indiana.

Father John Phelps joined Cross Catholic Outreach to extend his commitment beyond U.S. borders by serving the poorest of the poor in developing nations. Cross Catholic Outreach mobilizes the global Catholic Church to transform impoverished communities materially and spiritually for the glory of Jesus Christ.

Father John's dedication to uplifting others exemplifies compassion and service.



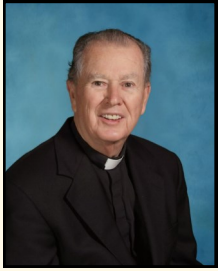
WE PRAY FOR THE SICK - Bill Albertson, Fred Amatucci, Elizabeth Burrichter Arginteanu, Hannah Atkins. Frank Barba, Dan Bigioni, Tom Blisard, Pamela Bower, Joseph Bradley, Marie Bree, Chrissy Campbell, Theresa Caputo, Michael Carroll, Anne Casey, Peter

Celucci, Robert & Joanne Christopher, Elaine Cole, Jennie Colianni, Mike Connors, Quinn Connors, Dennis Conway, Dave Costella, Tom Coyle, Barbara Cunningham, Laurel Dee, Michael DeEmilo, Alicia DeStefano, 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 Glatzky, Christine Grosso, Joan Grycewicz, Rachel Hagan, Ruth Harold, Greg Harvey, Gail Hawthorne, 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 Piperino, 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.



The St. Bernadette Food Pantry is open all year round. We especially need your support during the summer months. The Food Pantry is open to receive donations every Sunday at 12 noon in the Wright Center. Gift cards and monetary donations can be brought to the Rectory labeled "Food Pantry." Thank you so much for your support!



WELCOME!!

We are very happy to welcome Fr. Lawrence F. Crehan (Fr. Larry) who was ordained in 1974 and is now retired as of June 17, 2024. Fr. Larry has been the Pastor at Queen of Peace Parish in Ardsley and will now be living here at St. Bernadette Parish. We are very fortunate to have Fr. Larry with us and hope that you will welcome him and make him feel at home when you see him.

12th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

We are approaching the 24th anniversary of a thrilling, gripping, and terrifying film called “The Perfect Storm.” It was especially for me because I have a fear of deep water, probably because I never learned to swim.

Based on a true story, the film tells of the courageous men and women who risk their lives every working day, pitting their fishing boats and rescue vessels against the capricious forces of nature. It’s the story of the “Andrea Gail” a commercial fishing vessel that was lost at sea with all hands on Halloween of 1991, when they were confronted by 3 raging weather fronts which unexpectedly collide to produce the greatest, fiercest storm in modern history – “The Perfect Storm.” It was no help to have handsome George Clooney at the helm in the movie version!

Mark’s gospel is often sparing in detail, but we can well imagine the fear in the hearts of even these professional fishermen later to be called “Apostles” when such a storm arises with them in a relatively small fishing boat. But Mark adds that someone else was with them in the boat. We know Him as Our Lord and God, a most powerful person whom we know can take away all fears. And He’s asleep, of all things! (May I observe that “Even God can take a nap”?) And so, He is forced to wake up and then scold the very wind and waters that He created and tell them to quiet and still. Of course, the men had to ask themselves “What sort of man is this?” Later, they would learn about Him for sure.

Now what about us? What do we do with all our twenty plus centuries of Christian dogma tucked away somewhere? We can’t just regard this episode as a fun story for a Summer’s Day.

One reaction we could have, with not a little effort on our part at select times, is to pack up all our fears and figuratively lay them at Christ’s feet. If it’s too difficult to do it at once, do it one step at a time.

Here’s a little story I like called “The Bishop.” One Saturday night a newly ordained priest received a last-minute assignment from his bishop to deliver the Sunday homily at the bishop’s cathedral. “But how can I do this?” he asked the bishop. “I’ve never before preached to a large congregation such as yours, and I have nothing prepared!” To which the bishop replied, “Trust the Lord, young man. Just trust the Lord.”

Later that night the young preacher leafed through the bishop’s bible, searching for inspiration. He came upon some typed notes the bishop had tucked in the bible. After reading them over the priest liked them so much that he took them to the pulpit next morning. The young priest impressed the congregation with words having a wisdom in them beyond his years. After Mass, many people thanked him for his excellent preaching. Then the bishop himself came through the crowd and said “Young man, you preached the homily I was going to deliver tonight. Now what shall I do?” “Trust the Lord, bishop,” said the young man. “Just trust the Lord!”

God love you and give you His peace.

WHAT'S HAPPENING!!

PRAYER FOR OUR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY AND AMERICA'S 248TH BIRTHDAY

On Wednesday, July 3rd, the Eve of Independence Day, a special yearly prayer event will take place outside of St. Andrew Church in Drexel Hill. On the Mason Avenue side of the Church a group of Patriots will gather in prayer and song to celebrate America's 248th Birthday AND to Pray for our Religious Liberty. In light of the growing Religious Persecution happening in recent years, we will lift our voices in prayer and song to the Lord in Thanksgiving for the Freedoms we have enjoyed these many years, and in petition for His continued blessings on our Great Nation. Please join us outdoors at 7:30pm in front of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, as we plead with Almighty God for the conversion of our country, His mercy on our land, and a return to the true freedom envisioned by our founding fathers. Bring your rosary and feel free to bring a chair or blanket. In case of rain, we will pray in the Chapel at Saint Charles Borromeo Church on Dennison Avenue. The chapel can be entered from the parking lot on the left side of the Church as you are facing it. For more information please text/call Raphael (610-613-7481)

EILEEN GEORGE PRAYER GROUP

July 14, August 11, September 15, from 2-3pm

Join us for the Prayer Group in the spirit of Eileen George and her Meet the Father Ministry. We meet on a monthly basis to pray for specific intentions through Eileen's intercession, to study and reflect on her teachings, and to pray for her beatification & canonization. There will be Adoration, Confession and Benediction.

Social to follow. ALL ARE INVITED. For more information about Eileen, visit www.EileenGeorge.org.

Location: Annunciation BVM Church, 401 Brookline Blvd., Havertown, PA

PRO-LIFE SPRING 2024 GIVEAWAY!

This Pro-life Spring 2024 Giveaway benefits Generation Life and the Pro-Life Educational Foundation in our 5-county area. Raffle tickets are \$100 each with only 1000 being sold. Grand prize is \$5000, 2nd Prize is \$1000, 3rd Prize is \$500. Drawing is June 27. Generation Life's young adults proclaim the pro-life and chastity messages to young people; the Pro-Life Educational Foundation funds public and social media advertising with the pro-life and chastity messages. For tickets, please contact Carla Santoleri at 610-361-8447, Teresa Santoleri at 302-345-7867 or visit GenerationLife.org to donate by credit card.

FOOD ADDICTS IN RECOVERY

Are you having a hard time controlling the way you eat? Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous, FA is a recovery program for people who suffer from food obsession, overeating, bulimia and under-eating. The program is based on the Twelve Steps of AA. Everyone is welcome to this free meeting, including those who think they may have a food problem or those who are concerned about someone who may. FA is FREE and open to all women, men, and teens who want to stop eating addictively. Meetings are held every Wednesday at 1:30 PM at St. Kevin School, 2nd Floor. For more information, please call Joanne at 484-848-6301 or visit www.foodaddicts.org.

HELP REVIVE PHILADELPHIA CURSILLO!

The Philadelphia Cursillo is taking steps to revive itself. If you experienced a Cursillo weekend in another (arch)diocese and if you are interested in connecting with Cursillo again, please contact Fr. Bill Waters, OSA at h2ososa@aol.com.

BIKING FOR BABIES PHILLY RIDE FOR LIFE

June 29th, 2024 - 8:15am (Mass at 7:15am)

Like you, we want to give bold witness to the goodness of human life. Join the Philly Ride for Life and become a joyful advocate for human dignity through Christian formation, pregnancy center support, and charitable cycling. All proceeds will support the formation of Biking for Babies young adult missionaries and pregnancy resource centers from the greater Philadelphia area. Event is suitable for all experience levels, including a family fun ride.

Location: Sts. Philip and James Parish, 723 Lincoln Highway East, Exton, PA 19341

To learn more: Visit <https://www.bikingforbabies.com/local-rides/>

CATHOLIC SUPPORT FOR MENTAL HEALTH

Be Encouraged: Catholic Support for Mental Health Website (archphila.org/support) Resources to assist with healing, accompaniment and flourishing. The Archdiocese of Philadelphia has launched a website with resources to support those who are experiencing mental health struggles and those who love them. The website offers links to find Catholic clinicians, local crisis response phone numbers and ministries that can assist with recovery and healing. In addition, there are tools to help parishes, schools and institutions cultivate a deeper awareness of and responsiveness to these realities, suffered by so many. Visit the Be Encouraged website at archphila.org/support.