



**SAINT BERNADETTE OF LOURDES PARISH**  
"WHERE MIRACLES HAPPEN"

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**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3 — THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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**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

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**Pastor**

Rev. John P. Masson (Ext. 104)  
Email ([frmasson@stbl.org](mailto:frmasson@stbl.org))

**Retired Priest**

Rev. Lawrence F. Crehan

**Retired Deacon**

Deacon Thomas P. Fitzpatrick  
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**Director of Religious Education**

Marykate Murphy (Ext. 212)

**School Principal**

Mrs. Fran McElhenney

**Parish Business Manager**

Robert J. Helmig (Ext. 103)

**Administrative Secretary**

Helen V. Kraus (ext. 101)

**Parish Music Coordinator**

Dorothy Toomey

### THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In this month of November, we Catholics remember in a special way all those who have died. We pray for and to our loved ones who have passed away, secure in the hope that they are, in the words from today's Gospel, "not far from the kingdom of God." Jesus teaches us today that loving God with all our being and loving our neighbor as ourselves will put us on the road to eternal life. Let us take that to heart as we thank and praise God for the promise of heaven.

## Parish Information

### NEW FAMILIES

Welcome to St. Bernadette Parish! To register in the parish, please email Deacon Tom Fitzpatrick at [deacontom@stbl.org](mailto: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.

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

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

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](mailto: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](mailto:foodpantry@stbl.org).

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### **Saturday, November 2 - All Souls**

10:00am Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

#### **Saturday, November 2**

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

#### **Sunday, November 3**

9:00am Michael Johnson

11:00am Kathleen Simone

#### **Monday, November 4 - St. Charles Borromeo**

8:30am Carol Ann Coyle & Family

#### **Tuesday, November 5**

8:30am Deceased of the Holley & McConnell Families

#### **Wednesday, November 6**

8:30am Marie Condo

#### **Thursday, November 7**

8:30am Joanne Anzideo

#### **Friday, November 8**

8:30am Mae McDonough

#### **Saturday, November 9 - Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

#### **Sunday, November 10**

9:00am Matthew Sweeney

11:00am Brian DiMario



### FOR YOUR SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

#### **This week's readings will be:**

First Reading - Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Second Reading - Hebrews 7:23-28

Gospel - Mark 12:28b-34

#### **Next week's readings will be:**

First Reading - 1 Kings 17:10-16

Second Reading - Hebrews 9:24-28

Gospel - Mark 12:38-44



### 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

### FINANCIAL FACTS

October 27, 2024

**Weekly: \$9,165 target of \$15,000**

**\$6,566 (Collection) + \$2,599 (Parish Giving)**

### WELCOME TO THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

**August Matthew Vent**



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| November | 3    | PreJordan Class                         |
|          | 9-10 | Bethlehem Carvings                      |
|          | 10   | 2nd and 7th Grade Pinning Mass - 9:00am |
|          | 17   | Young Disciples - O'Brien Hall          |
|          | 28   | Thanksgiving                            |



### BLANKET AND WINTER CLOSING DRIVE

For the whole month of November we will be collecting gloves, hats, scarves and blankets for our very own, "Be a Blessing Initiative"- Outreach for the Homeless". This entity was established by our food pantry. It will provide an extension of our already great works in our parish extending that out into the community. The Life Center of Delaware County will be the recipients of your kindness and generosity. Please look for labeled bins in the vestibules of the church to accept your donations. Thank you in advance for contributing to a wonderful cause. God Bless!

### HURRICANE RELIEF EFFORT

As we come to a close on the St. Bernadette Hurricane Relief effort, we would like to thank everyone who was involved in any way possible. We appreciate the amazing response for all our Hurricane Relief donations. Thank you again for making a difference in the lives of others. God bless!

### HOLIDAY BULLETIN DEADLINES

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| <b>December 1</b>  | <b>due noon – Monday, November 18</b>    |
| <b>December 8</b>  | <b>due noon – Monday, December 2</b>     |
| <b>December 15</b> | <b>due noon – Tuesday, December 10</b>   |
| <b>December 22</b> | <b>due noon – Monday, December 16</b>    |
| <b>December 29</b> | <b>due noon – Monday, December 16</b>    |
| <b>January 5</b>   | <b>due noon - Wednesday, December 18</b> |





## JERUSALEM CARVINGS

Dear brothers and sisters,

Next weekend the group from the Holy Land have a display of beautiful religious handmade olive wood carvings, from Bethlehem in the Holy Land. The Christians of the Holy Land have been suffering and continue living in hard economical situations. Many of them have fled the Holy Land which decreased their population from 37% to 5%. Our mission is to help support these families by selling their religious carvings, which is a major source to their income to help them work and live in dignity in the Holy Land. Your support through purchasing these items, 200 families will be helped, also it will support peace in the middle east.

Olivewood carvings are a part of a tradition handed down from generations. Please stop at their table in the vestibule of church and purchase a nice gift from the little town in Bethlehem.

Thank you,  
God bless you



St. Bernadette's 16th Annual Turkey Trot will be held on Saturday, November 30, 2024. We hope our familiar faces will come out to support this community event and that some new faces will join us in virtual format from anywhere you live! All participants who register by 11/8/2024 will get a commemorative t-shirt, and those with the fastest time in their age group for the In-Person race will also receive a Turkey Trot medal!

**REGISTER FOR THE RACE/WALK TODAY:** <https://runsignup.com/Race/PA/DrexelHill/StBernadetteTurkeyTrot>

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Not interested in running/walking but want to support? Well, you're in luck! We are in need of volunteers such as street marshals to help keep our participants safe. The role of a street marshal is to assist with the flow of traffic. While we have road barriers in place, we need volunteers to stand guard at various intersections. Can you spare an hour of your time that day? If so, please sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AADA62FA4FBC25-52074102-16th#/>

### RACE REGISTRATION



### VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP



**This year the St. Bernadette Thanksgiving Food Drive is Sunday, November 24.** The food drive helps our fellow parishioners who are in need. Please leave any donations behind the last pew in the back of the church on the Blessed Mother side. If you wish to donate a frozen turkey please contact Amy Sandman at 610-931-5692. Any monetary donations should be sent directly to the rectory labeled Food Pantry. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

### ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE FOOD DRIVE

turkey gravy, canned yams, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, low sodium stock, macaroni and cheese, tomato sauce, pasta, soups & canned soups, canned fruit & vegetables, pancake mix and syrup, peanut butter and jelly, boxed or bagged side dishes, coffee and tea, hot chocolate, toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, cereal, snacks, crackers, other breakfast items, toilettries and Clorox wipes, laundry detergent, cooking oil, condiments, microwavable meals, and canned meals.

## ST. BERNADETTE PARISH PRESENTS

# Throw Back Game Night

November 16, 2024

O'Brien Hall

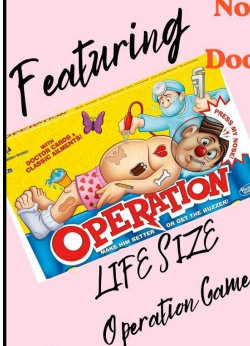
Doors open at 7pm

*With Free Wine Tasting,  
Dessert Bar  
and  
Food by McGillicuddy's*

Grab your friends and neighbors and join us for a comfy night of FUN and GAMES before the holiday rush begins! Lounge wear is encouraged and may be prizeworthy!

~ BYOB ~

(BEVERAGES AND BOARD GAMES!)



\$40 per Person

\$70 a Couple

Table options available

All guests over 18 are welcome.



REGISTER HERE:

<https://forms.gle/8vnuuywJEM4Y9JiWf8>



Contact Marykate Murphy - [mmurphy@stbl.org](mailto:mmurphy@stbl.org)  
Bernadette Hilferty - [bhilferty@comcast.net](mailto:bhilferty@comcast.net)  
with any questions

All proceeds will benefit St. Bernadette Parish

## ST. BERNADETTE SCHOOL — SUBSTITUTES/VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

St. Bernadette's is looking for certified teachers for Pre-K through 8th grade to add to our sub list. We are also looking for parent volunteers to help in our school Library, lunch room and school yard. If you are interested please call Maureen Booth at 610-449-5184 x 202.

## THE PASTOR'S COLUMN

**Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD alone!**

This past week we have celebrated those who have won the race, our family members and friends, fellow parishioners and even those we did not know in this world. We celebrated our older brothers and sisters in Faith, those that lived lives of Heroic Virtue on earth and continue their good work even now in heaven. We honored the Saints and continually ask them to help us along our journey towards Sainthood. Yes, we are ALL called to Sainthood! Then we remembered and celebrated the lives of all the faithful departed in the remembrance of All Souls Day. We pray that God's Mercy may be poured out liberally upon our beloved dead, especially those with no one to pray for them. We celebrate their lives and pray for their immortal souls. We continue this intention especially through this month of November.

Looking at today's celebration and the reflecting on the Scriptures we are reminded of the foundational theme of the "Shema", Hear O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone ... We hear the original call to the Jews from Moses in the Book of Deuteronomy. And again in the Gospel of Mark, Jesus affirms this as the first and most important commandment while adding the second right behind to love your neighbor as yourself. Love of God finds its expression in our love for our neighbor. This connection was not a new revelation by Jesus but was heard in a new and fresh way when spoken by Him. It is a challenge for us to see our world through this lens, not just glasses we put on and take off as is convenient but a complete shift in perspective. If we love God with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our mind, and with all our strength then that is how we are called to love one another. This foundational perspective in our spiritual lives is an import part of our own journey towards Sainthood.

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Living out our Love of God and Love of Neighbor requires to take active roles in the communities in which we live. It is a privilege and responsibility to take part in local and national elections. Please remember to form your consciences with accurate information, be aware the issues and platforms, and vote according. Please continue pray for all candidates and our country that we may truly be One Nation under God.



Let the Class of 2025 help you with your Thanksgiving baking! Order a LINVILLA pie today! Now through November 15<sup>th</sup> the St. Bernadette 8<sup>th</sup> grade class will be taking orders for Linvilla Orchards pies just in time for Thanksgiving!

Pies are \$25 each and the following are available:

**Old Fashioned Apple  
Pumpkin**

**Dutch Apple Crumb  
Sweet Potato**

**Apple Caramel Walnut  
Pecan**

**Coconut Custard  
Lemon Meringue**

Order forms can be picked up at school or at the entrances to church.

Return the completed form to the school or to the rectory in an envelope marked 8th Grade Linvilla Pie Order with cash or check payable to: St. Bernadette Home and School. To pay via Venmo, complete the <https://forms.gle/WYn95WZZqiDNgZF19> and Venmo payment to: Bernies 25

**Online orders and payment via Venmo due by Sunday, November 17.**

**WE PRAY FOR THE SICK** - Bill Albertson, Fred Amatucci, Elizabeth Burrichter Arginteanu, Hannah Atkins, Frank Barba, Marcus Bianco, 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, Floyd Crouch, Barbara Cunningham, Laurel Dee, Michael DeEmilo, Alicia DeStefano, Frances Diegnan, Christopher DiMarto, John DiSalvatore, Gabriella DiSaverio, Darrin Dougherty, Dawn Dougherty, Michael Dougherty, Lexi Dunn, Bernie Dupras, Jason Durkee, Matthew Dwyer, Bruce Einstein, Emily Einstein, Marie Feola, Abby Fitzpatrick, Patrick Flanigan, Jr., Emily Flynn, Jerry Flynn, Joe Flynn, Maggie Franz, Stu Glatky, 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, Joseph Maturo, Patricia McDevitt, Kathy Martin, James Maynard, Donald Mayo, Neil McClelland, Helene McCole, Jean McCormack, Karen McIlvaine, Sean McKeefery, Theresa McKeefery, Rosie McKenna, Emily Meakim, Theresa Merlini, Christopher Milecki, Sue Mitchell, Will Mooney, Rita Morley, Eileen Morris, Baby Kyle Patrick Muldoon, Karyl Murray, Stephen Murray, Matthew Nicholas, Nancy Nicholas, Roman O'Brien, Nicole Pagett, Fr. Francis Pileggi OSF, Steve Piperno, Joseph Polto, Pearl Polto, Joseph Pozzuolo, Sharon Pozzuolo, Patty Quirk, 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, 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.



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](mailto:scrip4bernies@gmail.com)

Thank you!

Susan Coyne & Karen Murphy, Scrip Coordinators

### ST. LAURENCE — ALL CLASS REUNION

**Friday, November 29**

**5pm Mass — 6pm Open House**

**Buffet Dinner — Beer and Wine**

**Music and Dancing**

**\$10,000 total cash prizes drawing**

**(Grand prize \$5,000)**

**Swag**

**Bidding Baskets**

**Tickets are \$50 in advance, \$60 at the door**

**Purchase tickets and chances at**

**<https://saintlaurence.org/sls-alumni-1>**



## Archdiocese of Philadelphia

### Catholic Charismatic Renewal

### Archdiocesan Leadership Day

## Saturday, November 9, 2024

9:00 AM – Mass, Praise & Worship, Eucharistic Adoration AM is Free for all Prayer Group Members

11:30 AM Lunch and Leadership Workshop Afternoon is \$35.00 for all Current and Future Leaders!



**Rev. Stephen DeLacy**  
Vicar for Faith Formation with Youth and Young Adults



**Maria Richardson**  
Archdiocesan Delegate CCR

### Main Celebrant      Emcee

## *Epiphany of Our Lord Church*

3050 Walton Rd., Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462

**For more information and to register go to: <https://archphilaccr.org>**

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