



SAINT BERNADETTE OF LOURDES PARISH
“WHERE MIRACLES HAPPEN”

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NOVEMBER 17, 2024 — THIRTY-THIRD 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
Email (deacontom@stbl.org)

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

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today and next Sunday we celebrate the final Sundays of the liturgical year. The readings at this time of year traditionally focus on the last days: the time when this world will come to an end. Consequently, we hear of tribulations and horrors, of “a time unsurpassed in distress.” We may scoff at such “The world is ending!” paranoia, but in the back of our minds we know that one day, one way or another, the earth will be no more. May our trust in a loving and merciful God console us.

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.

WEDNESDAY ADORATION takes place in church every Wednesday through May following the 8:30am Mass and concluding at 7pm with devotions and benediction.

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

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

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, November 16

4:30pm Mary C. McDonald

Sunday, November 17

9:00am JoAnn Colden

11:00am Patrick Murphy (20th Anniv.)

Monday, November 18 - Dedication of the Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul

8:30am Lawrence Donahue

Tuesday, November 19

8:30am Michael Johnson

Wednesday, November 20

8:30am Healing of Marie Seiler

Thursday, November 21 - Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30am John Hackett (9th Anniv.)

Friday, November 22 - St. Cecilia

8:30am Regina Marie Dengel

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Saturday, November 23

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

Sunday, November 24

9:00am Maria DiStefano

11:00am Paul Varricchio



FOR YOUR SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

This week's readings will be:

First Reading - Daniel 12:1-3

Second Reading - Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Gospel - Mark 13:24-32

Next week's readings will be:

First Reading - Daniel 7:13-14

Second Reading - Revelation 1:5-8

Gospel - John 18:33b-37



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

November 10, 2024

Weekly: \$12,721 target of \$15,000

\$8,269 (Collection) + \$4,452 (Parish Giving)



November	17	Young Disciples - O'Brien Hall
	28	Thanksgiving
December	1	First Sunday of Advent
	8	Live Nativity - Following 11am Mass



BLANKET AND WINTER CLOTHING 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!



WEDNESDAY ADORATION

Adoration takes place every Wednesday through May following the 8:30am Mass and concluding at 7pm with devotions and benediction. **However, Adoration on Wednesday, November 27 will conclude with devotions and benediction at 12 noon.** God bless you!

BIBLE STUDY

The Bible study with Deacon Tom Fitzpatrick, will continue every Thursday from 6pm to 7pm in the Wright Center. Entrance is through the white door on the porch side. Bring your friends and family and join in!

HOLIDAY BULLETIN DEADLINES

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



Let the Class of 2025 help you with your Thanksgiving baking! Order a LINVILLA pie today! Now through November 15th the St. Bernadette 8th 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
Apple Caramel Walnut
Pumpkin
Pecan**

**Dutch Apple Crumb
Coconut Custard
Sweet Potato
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.



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, toilet-ries and Clorox wipes, laundry detergent, cooking oil, condiments, microwavable meals, and canned meals.



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



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



Discover Your Vocation: Exploring the Permanent Diaconate Information Session
Are You Being Called? Join Us at One of Our Regional Information Sessions to Learn More.

UPCOMING REGIONAL INFORMATION SESSIONS

PHILADELPHIA

Nov. 23, 2024 Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul
 10:00 AM Saint John Neumann Room
 18th Street & Benjamin Franklin Parkway

DELAWARE COUNTY

Nov. 24, 2024 Annunciation of the BVM Parish
 4:00 PM 401 Brookline Blvd.
 Havertown, PA 19083

MONTGOMERY & BUCKS COUNTIES

Nov. 25, 2024 Immaculate Conception Parish
 7:00 PM Conahan Hall, beneath the church
 604 West Avenue
 Jenkintown, PA 19046

CHESTER COUNTY

Dec. 2, 2024 Saint Joseph Parish
 7:00 PM 338 Manor Avenue
 Downingtown, PA 19335

These sessions are open to Catholic men (and their wives, if married) aged 29 to 55 to join us for an in-person panel of clergy about discerning a vocation to the Permanent Diaconate and admittance to the School for Diaconal Formation program. Interested in attending one of these Permanent Diaconate Information Sessions?

Scan the QR Code:



Want to learn more visit <https://archphila.org/deacon> and check out our short documentary, "Called to Service."

*Also visit the School of Diaconal Formation website at:
<https://www.scs.edu/diaconal-formation>*



Registration for our favorite holiday event is open! Join us in O'Brien Hall on Saturday, 12/7 from 9am — 11am for a delicious pancake breakfast, arts and crafts, Santa letters, and a chance to share your Christmas wish list with Santa! Please follow St. Bernadette Home and School on Facebook and register using the link on the event page. It costs \$10 per person to attend (ages 2 and under are free). We can't wait to kick off the holiday season with our St. Bernadette community!

<https://forms.gle/k33nSSMuJyKwVviNA>



MASS & HEALING PRAYER SERVICE AT OUR LADY OF FATIMA

First Friday, December 6 at 6:45pm
"When the time is right, I the Lord will make it happen"
Isaiah 60: 22

All are invited to Our Lady of Fatima's Quarterly First Friday Mass and Healing Prayer Service on December 6. Praise and Worship begins at 6:45pm followed by the Mass and Healing Service. The pastor, Rev. Roland Slobogin, is the celebrant. Prayer teams will be available for individual healing afterwards. Witness stories are welcome. Martha's House will provide music.

Location: Our Lady of Fatima, 1 Fatima Drive, Secane

More Information: Check the website at

<https://www.archphilaccr.org>



The St. Bernadette Jr. Players proudly present the production of *Godspell*, Jr. Thursday, November 21 and Friday, November 22 at 7:30PM in O'Brien Hall. Tickets can be purchased at the door. Adults \$10, Children (6 and up) \$5. All proceeds benefit the production and new stage curtains.

Candygrams will be available for purchase as well as pretzels and water.

We are so appreciative of your support and look forward to seeing you!!

Gratefully,
Dottie Toomey and Maureen Russell

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK - Bill Albertson, Fred Amatucci, Elizabeth Burrichter Arginteanu, Hannah Atkins, Frank Barba, Anna Benoit, 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 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, 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.

EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD TRAVELING EXHIBIT

and

1st CLASS RELIC OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

at St. Andrew the Apostle

Sunday, December 1 in Msgr. McGettigan Hall

11am to noon

Join us for our CoffeeHouse Sunday with refreshments and lite fare and enjoy the Exhibit. The 1st Class Relic will also be available for veneration.

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>

EILEEN GEORGE PRAYER GROUP

Join us on Sunday, December 15 from 2pm – 3pm for a grace-filled Holy Hour with Bishop Chylinski. We will have Adoration, Confessions, and Benediction along with our Novena for Eileen George's intercession for our personal needs. Priests will be available for Confessions.

Location: Annunciation BVM Church, 401 Brookline Blvd., Havertown, PA — Enter on Brookline Blvd doors.

For questions contact:

Jeanmarie Lorello at 610-547-7308 (phone or text).

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