



THE SHRINE CHURCH OF *St. Bernadette*

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*Looking for a Catholic community?
St. Bernadette Church would like to welcome those who are searching for God
and meaning in their lives.
You are warmly invited to join us for worship in a faith-filled community.
Our priests are available for individual consultation.
Just call the rectory (718 - 837-3400)
to schedule an appointment.*

MASSES:

Saturday: 7:00, 9:00 A.M. & 5:30 P.M.
Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 A.M. & 12:30 P.M.
Daily: 7:00, 9:00 A.M.
Eves of Holydays: 7:30 P.M.
Holydays: 7:00, 9:00 & 10:00 A.M.

CONFESSIONS:

Monday to Friday: 6:30-6:50 A.M., 8:30-8:50 A.M.
Saturday: 6:30-6:50 A.M., 8:30-8:50 A.M.,
1:00 to 2:00 P.M., 4:30-5:20 P.M.

DEVOTIONS:

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Mon. after the 9:00 A.M.
Mass. Rosary - Mon.-Sat. after the 9:00A.M. Mass.

MARRIAGES:

Please call the Rectory Office at least 6 months in advance of the marriage date to make an appt. with a priest to discuss marriage plans. Please log on to www.pre-cana.org for complete information about marriage preparations in the Diocese.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday.
9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.
6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.
Closed Saturday, Sunday, and Legal Holidays.
Sick Calls Anytime.

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

For information and availability options please call (718) 894-4888

BAPTISMS:

Baptisms are scheduled on the Third Sunday of the month at 2:00 P.M. A Preparation Session is required for parents to attend on the Preceding Wednesday at 7:00 P.M. Registration of Baptism is necessary prior to preparation and date of Baptism. A Birth Certificate is also needed at the time of registration. Parents are required to make appointment before both the preparation meeting and the date of Baptism.

Parish Mission Statement

We, the faith-filled community of St. Bernadette, under the guidance of our Blessed Mother, pass on our Catholic heritage to future generations by following Christ's example of caring for His people. We accomplish this through the loving actions of welcoming and serving one another's spiritual and social needs.



PRAY FOR

Sunday, March 17th

8:00 For the People of the Parish
 9:30 Helen & Bill Fitzgerald
 11:00 Maria & Domenico Chieco
 12:30 Anthony Zucco

Monday, March 18th

7:00 Salvino & Salvatrice Giaccone
 9:00 Vincent Badalamenti

Tuesday, March 19th

7:00 Giuseppina Flippazzo
 9:00 Fortunato & Matuszewski

Wednesday, March 20th

7:00 George Robbins
 9:00 Lauren Brusa

Thursday, March 21st

7:00 Carmelina Vilardo
 9:00 Angelo & Rose Micciolo

Friday, March 22nd

7:00 Marianna & Francesco Catalano
 9:00 Antonio Vittorioso
 7:30 Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 23rd

7:00 Jean Martino
 9:00 Joseph Greco & Family
 5:30 The Maresca Family

Sunday, March 24th

8:00 For the People of the Parish
 9:30 Nicola Mastrogiovanni
 11:00 Grace Casertano
 12:30 Ralph Stroffolino

Mark Advocate	Joseph McKie
Linda Anthony	Carl McLaughlin
Debbie Bouroudis	Louis Mallory Meringolo
Esther Brock	Robert Morrora
Sarah Brodine	John Quigg
Julia Bruzzese	Patricia Registro
Nicky Castagna	Susan Albi Russo
Agatha Cilmi	Mark Sailor
Cathy Deterro	Sophia Sakovsky
Brain Dowling	Geri Sanatopola
Ariana Freeman	Ralph Sangiorgio
Joseph Francis Gabriele	Maria Sanyenero
Joseph & Veronica Gorini	Jennie Saurino
Baby Brenden Gregory	Adrienne Schiavone
Margherita Guarino	Eric Spring
Marilyn Guerra	Linda Swalling
George Guida	Tommy
Gene Horton	Jennifer Torre
Peter Iallonardo	Lyn Vincenti
Alexandra Iallonardo	Weick Family
Eleanor Iaverone	
Martin Johnson Jr.	
Phyllis Luca	
Patricia Laudano	
Carmine Leone	
Eloisa Lyons	
Janet Maffia	

STAND FIRM IN THE LORD

It is not hard to imagine, in this age of wars, evil groups bent on the destruction of humanity, and political follies, that the words of Saint Paul were so accurate, even for his time. It seems that the world never changes. Paul says, "Many . . . conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is their destruction . . . Their minds are occupied with earthly things" (Philippians 3:18, 19). The result is the destruction of innocent people and of the Earth itself. But Paul says to the Philippians, "our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ" (3:20). He will "change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body" (3:21). Note that he says "body" rather than "bodies." He is talking about the whole community of believers, who, following the example of Jesus and of Paul, will come into the glory of God. So "stand firm in the Lord" (4:1).
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REST IN PEACE

Joseph Basile
 Josephine Buetti

Second Sunday of Lent March 17, 2019

The LORD is my light and my salvation;
 whom should I fear?
 — Psalm 27:1



Sunday Collection

Weekly Goal:
\$7,500
Amount Received:
\$5,234
Shortfall:
\$2,266

Such recurring deficits continue to be alarming. Think of making a small sacrifice each week - a latte, bringing lunch instead of eating out, half a pack of cigarettes a week (better for your health), or any other money saving gesture - and putting that savings into your weekend envelope. It might seem trivial, but every little effort mounts up. It also is a good means to practice some simple penance and self-denial. God will definitely bless you for it. Please keep up with your weekly giving. Thank you for supporting our Parish.

Msgr. Caserta

Fast & Abstinence Regulations for Lent

Catholics from 18-59 years of age are bound by the laws of fast and abstinence. Fast Days (when one full meal and two small meals not equaling the main meal is allowed) are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Days of Abstinence (when eating meat is not permitted) are Ash Wednesday, all the Fridays of Lent, and Good Friday.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

There will be Stations of the Cross on all the Fridays of Lent at 7:30 PM. We will have guest preachers for this devotion.

Friday Night Stations of the Cross

Our guest preachers include:

- March 15 - Deacon Anthony Martucci (St. Bernadette)
- March 22 - Fr. Anthony Sorgie (Immaculate Conception/ Assumption, Tuckahoe, NY)
- March 29 - Fr. Michael Gelfant (St. Finbar)
- April 5 - Fr Joseph Holcomb (St. Andrew, Flushing)
- April 12 - Deacon Jorge Castillo (Secretary/MC to Bishop Cisneros)

Something New For Lent

If you are looking for a simple, spiritually profitable, online resource for Lent, try BestLentEver.com. This is a FREE Lenten meditation program consisting of short written reflections and/or brief video spots for every day of Lent from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday. They only take about ten minutes a day and are excellent sources of prayer and reflection. I will be using them myself. Why not join me?

Msgr. Caserta

St. Bernadette Flower Club is now accepting donations for the Easter decoration of our church. The offering is **\$25.00 per plant** and may be purchase at the Rectory during the usual office hours. We will publish a list of donors in our parish bulletin, and you will be remembered in the Masses and prayers of the parish during the Easter Season. In this time of rising costs, the parish counts, even more, on your generosity for a beautifully decorated church.



80 + 1 RAFFLE WINNERS

Congratulations To The

Week 25 Winners:

**Peter Ragone
Anthoula & Bobby
Hatzigeorgiou**

Next Drawing is Friday,
March 15, 2019.

“GOOD LUCK”

Parish Registration

To our St. Bernadette Community, if you are not already a registered parishioner, please stop by the rectory office and speak to Anna to register. If you are not registered, or not using your weekly envelopes, we can not issue any letters of recommendations, or sponsorship certificate, etc.

Thank you.
Msgr. Caserta



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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Second Sunday of Lent; St. Patrick's Day
- Monday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem
- Tuesday: St. Joseph
- Wednesday: Spring begins; Purim (Jewish observance) begins at sun down
- Friday: Abstinence
- Saturday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

National Italian Apostolate Conference is sponsoring a

LENTEN DAY OF PRAYER IN ITALIAN

March 23, 2019

at Immaculate Conception Center in Douglaston
Fr. Mauro Gagliardi, Professor of Theology will preach
Holy Mass celebrated by Most Reverend Nicholas DeMarzio,
Bishop of Brooklyn

The arrival at the Center is scheduled for 9:30 am and day ends
at 3:00 pm

\$25 includes lunch

For more information or to register, please contact:

Msgr. Steven Aguggia at 718-229-8131

ST. BERNADETTE HOLY NAME SOCIETY

COME AND JOIN US

All men who are interested please contact Anna in the rectory at 718-837-3400, Monday—Friday between 9:00 - 12:00 and 1:00 - 4:00. This society will be one that is both Fraternal and Spiritual. Come and join our St. Bernadette community. We will aim to both raise funds for our church as well as have a good time doing it.

Annie the Musical

Jeff Samaha Theater Productions/Ridge Chorale present Broadway's most treasured family musical "Annie" Eight performances in Bay Ridge

Friday, March 22nd-8:00 PM:
Saturday, March 23rd-2:00 & 8:00 PM
Sunday, March 24th-2:00 PM
Friday, March 29th-8:00 PM
Saturday, March 30th-2:00 & 8:00 PM
Sunday, March 31st-2:00 PM

Order online at www.ridgechorale.com or call 718-989-9566
Our Lady of Angels Auditorium
74th Street and 4th Avenue Brooklyn, NY

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

By now, many may have failed in Lenten discipline to some measure or another: the daily doughnut is simply too alluring, or a furtive puff on a cigarette irresistible. There is meaning even in the failure, though, a kind of reminder that we cannot save ourselves. Part of the power of Lent is that we do it together, and although individuals decide on different ways to keep it, it is fundamentally the same journey. We fall, we get up, we keep moving. The desire to "give something up" for Lent is an age-old impulse in the Christian heart. We get better at it over the years, and move more deeply into the meaning and message of acts of sacrifice; so there is no shame in stumbling, as long as we are not discouraged by the failure and give up. We are clearing space in our lives, after all, and some of the things we desire to give up are worth rooting out completely anyway.

What do we do with the space we have cleared out by our sacrifice? The Lenten question of giving up is balanced by the Easter question of our response to Christ's embrace of us in love: "What are you taking on for Easter?"

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MONDAY NIGHTS

A social opportunity for the men of the parish to enjoy each other's company, watch some seasonal sports, and enjoy some snacks. A \$25 donation is asked and the men of the parish (18+) are cordially invited. All proceeds go to the support of the parish

**Diocesan Pilgrimage
Oberammergau
The Passion Play
Visits to: Wurzburg,
Rothenburg, Rebenburg,
Passau, Salzburg & Munich**

**May 12—21, 2020
Bishop Octavio Cisneros
Spiritual Director
Rev. Frank Schwarz
Chaplain**

**For a Brochure Call
Peters Way Tours
516-605-1551x17
kaitlin@petersway.com**

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Gives Back**

St. Bernadette can share in the profits. For each car, truck or van, running or not, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will give back to our church **\$50/\$100 per vehicle**. Maybe you don't have a vehicle, but a family member, friend or neighbor has an old or neglected vehicle in their driveway that they would like to dispose of. Call the Society of **St. Vincent de Paul @ 718-491-2525**

Thank You for your participation.



Give the Gift of Education- Be an angel to a student! As an angel, you enable a student who is at risk financially, to remain in his or her Catholic school. **100%** of your contribution is directed to the tuition, with the parents or guardians contributing their part. Your tax-deductible contributions can be made in honor or in memory of someone you hold dear, while assisting a child who might not otherwise be able to afford the benefit that a catholic school education offers. For further information please contact **St. Bernadette School Principal, Sr. Joan @ 718-236-1560** or **Futures in Education Foundation @ www.futuresineducation.org**



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**Thank you,
Anna**