



THE SHRINE CHURCH OF *St. Bernadette*

8201 - 13th Avenue

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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](http://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, December 15th

8:00 For the People of the Parish  
9:30 Giovanni & Laura Mezzacappa  
11:00 Peter Balzano  
12:30 Stefana Oddo

## Monday, December 16th

7:00  
9:00 Mammolito Family

## Tuesday, December 17th

7:00 Adalgisa Santori  
9:00 Antonietta & Nunzio Iannone

## Wednesday, December 18th

7:00 Christopher Lambert  
9:00 Concetta Di Bartolo

## Thursday, December 19th

7:00 James Mack  
9:00 Antonio & Adelina D'Angelo

## Friday, December 20th

7:00 Salvatore Basile  
9:00 Michael Comito

## Saturday, December 21st

7:00 Ralph Stroffolino  
9:00 Anthony Anastasio  
5:30 Ragonese Family

## Sunday, December 22nd

8:00 For the People of the Parish  
9:30 Salvatore & Rosaria Sferrazza  
11:00 Luigi Brucculeri  
12:30 The Vittorioso Family

Mark Advocate	Eloisa Lyons
Linda Anthony	Janet Maffia
Paulette Badalamenti	Joseph McKie
Debbie Bouroudis	Carl McLaughlin
Sarah Brodine	Peyton Miklas
Cheryl Brown	Darlene Morales
Julia Bruzzese	Robert Morror
Nicholas Campanella	Debbie Neuer
Agatha Cilmi	John Quigg
Thomas Currie	Maria Rossillo
Maria De Bernardo	Lorraine Ruggiero
Cathy Deterro	Susan Albi Russo
Brain Dowling	Mark Sailor
Deborah Irene Ferrin	Sophia Sakovsky
Ariana Freeman	Geri Sanatapola
Joseph Francis Garbrielle	Ralph Sangiorgio
Baby Brenden Gregory	Maria Sanyenero
Marilyn Guerra	Jennie Saurino
George Guida	Marci Schackner
Peter Iallonardo	Khanum Simonyan
Alexandra Iallonardo	Eric Spring
Eleanor Iaverone	Linda Swalling
Martin Johnson Jr.	Tommy
Janette Joseph	Joseph Trovato
Marie & Michael LaGallo	Roseanna Ursino
Carmine Leone	Lyn Vincenti
Ariana Lore	Weick Family

## Memorial Gifts For The Week Of December 15, 2019

### Memorial Gift of Bread

In Memory of: Dennis P. McCarthy  
Requested by: The Terrone Family



### Memorial Gift of Wine

In Memory of: Tommaso Chieco  
Requested by: The Karagiannis Family

### Memorial Gift of Flowers

In Memory of: Tommaso Chieco  
Requested by: The Karagiannis Family



### Memorial Gift of Altar Candle

Special Intention for: Sean J. Dougherty  
Requested by: Loving Mom & Dad



In Memory of: Dennis P. McCarthy  
Requested by: The Cutrona Family

### Memorial Gift of Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of: The Ferro Family  
Requested by: Marie Robbins

In Memory of: The Ghisone Family  
Requested by: Marie Robbins



### Purgatorial Society

Joseph Napoli  
Joseph Esposito  
Rosalia Ilardo  
Eugene Silvestri  
Dennis P. McCarthy

### REST IN PEACE

John Zunino  
Nicholas S. Panaro



**Sunday Collection**

Weekly Goal:

\$7,500

Amount Received:

\$6,034

Shortfall:

\$1,466

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

**Christmas Schedule...**

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**Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24, 2019**

7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 5:30 PM

**New Year 's Eve, Tuesday, December 31, 2019**

7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 5:30 PM

Midnight Mass - 12:00 AM

**Christmas Day, Wednesday, December 25, 2019**

8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM & 12:30 PM

**New Year's Day, Wednesday, January 1, 2020**

7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:00 AM

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St. Bernadette traditional Giving Tree Program has begun. Kindly take an ornament, purchase the gift indicated on it, and return the **unwrapped** gift by Friday, December 20, to the Rectory during regular business hours. Your donations will go to the following organizations, Heart Share, Hour Children and Providence House.

Wishing you all a very Blessed and Merry Christmas.



Once again St. Bernadette's will have a **Christmas Tree Memorial Garden** around our **Nativity Scene** in the Grotto, and if necessary, in the Garden of the Angels on the Sacred Heart side of the Church. This year for the first time St. Bernadette will also have Christmas Wreaths. Parishioners are invite to purchase a tree, wreath in memory or honor of a loved one. The trees will be decorated with white lights and carry a large memorial card with the person's or family 's name. The wreaths will be decorated with a red bow and a memorial card. Lights are not available for the wreaths. The trees and wreaths will provide a lovely Christmas remembrance for loved ones. The cost of each tree is **\$200.00** and **\$50.00** for each wreath. Please stop be the rectory as soon as possible to purchase your tree and wreath. The number will be strictly limited and available on first come first served basis (Trees and Wreaths will be placed in alphabetical order).



**SACRED HEART MEMORIAL GARDEN**

**I am pleased to announce that we have more room for additional stones. Please reserve a stone to honor a loved one living or deceased. Please call or stop by the rectory and speak to Anna for more details (718-837-3400).**

**What a wonderful way to remember your loved ones.**



The Flower Club of St. Bernadette is now accepting donations for the **Christmas** decoration of our church. The offering is **\$25.00** per plant and may be bought at the rectory from Monday through Friday during the usual office hours. At the end of the year, we will publish a list of donors and you will be remembered in the Masses and prayers of the parish during Christmas season. In this time of rising costs, the parish counts, even more, on your generosity to continue our tradition of a beautifully decorated church in which to celebrate the birth of our Savior.

**Draw Closer to God with Evening Prayer and Scripture Study.**

The St. Bernadette Reflection Group begins meeting again on Monday Evenings (except Holidays and Holy Day Vigils) in The Rectory at 7pm—8:15pm. Come join us and bring a friend!

St. Bernadette Choir seeks singers, particularly male voices. The ability to read music is desired, but not mandatory. If you would like to praise God in singing and are available for 11am Sunday Mass with rehearsals on Tuesdays evenings from 7pm- 8:30pm please leave a message at the rectory (718-837-3400).

**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, we can not issue any letters of recommendations, or sponsorship certificate, etc.

Thank you.  
Msgr. Caserta

**St. Bernadette Church 80 + 1 Raffle Club**

Congratulations to the 80+1 Raffle Winners for December 6th. There's still time to purchase your tickets 56+ 1 chances to win are left. Your ticket will be re-entered after each drawing!! See flyers in back of church for more information!!

Week 12 Winners are:

Kerry Burke: \$150.00  
Vincent J. Dougherty: \$150.00

STILL TIME TO PURCHASE TICKETS!!

Next drawing is Friday, December 13th.

Diocesan Pilgrimage  
Oberammergau  
The Passion Play  
Visit to: Wurzburg,  
Rothenburg, Rebensburg  
Passau, Salzburg & Munich

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

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For a Brochure Call  
Peters Way Tours  
516-605-1551 x 17  
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.



**St. Cecilia Society**

St. Bernadette Church is pleased to announce the establishment of the St. Cecilia Society. Named after the patron saint of church music, the society's aim is to help with the cost of guest musicians and soloists for special occasions like Christmas, Holy Week, and other solemn ceremonies. A gift to the society will be acknowledged in the bulletin and may be made for the living or the deceased. As costs for special musicians continue to rise, your gift will keep beautiful music part of our worship here at St. Bernadette. As always your generosity will be greatly appreciated and your loved ones will be remembered in the prayers of the parish. To make a donation to the society please call or visit the rectory during usual business hours.



**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.

**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.

**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](http://www.futuresineducation.org)



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