



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: 8:00 A.M. & 5:30 P.M.  
Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 AM & 12:00 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: 7:30-7:50 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.



**Sunday, March 8th**

8:00 For the People of the Parish  
10:00 Dr. Laurence deFazio  
12:00 Vincent Badalamenti

**Monday, March 9th**

7:00 Richard LoGatto  
9:00 Msgr. Saporito

**Tuesday, March 10th**

7:00 Lucia Accardo  
9:00 Berardino D'Angelo

**Wednesday, March 11th**

7:00 Thanksgiving for Marie Renee Luxama  
9:00 Gregoria Zizza

**Thursday, March 12th**

7:00 Fredrick Sapio  
9:00 Mary Ouattrocchi

**Friday, March 13th**

7:00 Johanna Gannon  
9:00 Pignataro Family  
7:30 Stations of the Cross

**Saturday, March 14th**

8:00 David O'Neill  
5:30 Paul & Margarita Maggio

**Sunday, March 15th**

8:00 For the People of the Parish  
10:00 Gioconda Favale  
12:00 Peter Balzano

**PRAY FOR**

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

**Memorial Gifts for the Week of March 8, 2020**

**Memorial Gift of Bread**

In Memory of: Paul Sellitto  
Requested by: The Trantino Family



**Memorial Gift of Sanctuary Lamp**

In Memory of: Paul Sellitto  
Requested by: The Luppino Family



In Memory of: Michele Tornabene  
Requested by: Mr. & Mrs. S. LaRocca

**Memorial Gift of Altar Candle**

In Memory of: Paul Rocco Sellitto  
Requested by: The Arndt Family



**Purgatorial Society**

- Angelo Cogliano
- Mary Markey
- Vincenzo Carandente
- Angelina Calicchio
- Rosa DeMarco



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**Sunday Collection**

Weekly Goal:  
\$7,500  
Amount Received:  
\$3,755  
Shortfall:  
\$3,745

Such recurring deficits continue to be alarming. Please keep up with your weekly giving.

Thank you for supporting our Parish.

Msgr. Caserta

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**There will be Stations of the Cross on the following Friday(s) at 7:30 P.M.**

- Friday, March 13th.**
- Friday, March 20th.**
- Friday, March 27th.**
- Friday, April 3rd.**
- Friday, April 10th.**



**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.



**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 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.



**TODAY'S READINGS**

First Reading — The LORD said to Abram: All the families of the earth shall find blessings in you (Genesis 12:1-4a)

Psalm — Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

Second Reading — God has called us to a holy life, not because of our works but according to grace (2 Timothy 1:8b-10).

Gospel — Atop a high mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John (Matthew 17:1-9).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from Lectionary for Mass © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Second Sunday of Lent;  
Daylight Saving Time begins;  
International Women's Day

Monday: St. Frances of Rome;  
Purim (Jewish observance) begins at sunset

Friday: Abstinence

**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.

**St. Bernadette Catholic Academy**

The mission of St. Bernadette Catholic Academy is to educate the whole child, fostering and stimulating in students an awareness of their Baptismal gift of Faith, recognition of their own God-given talents, and to empower students to mature into successful Catholic Christian adult citizens.

**CHANGE**

Lent is all about change and change is usually not easy. In order to change we have to leave something behind. Today we hear about a very old man who decides to answer God's call. Abram experiences a tremendous amount of change when he leaves everything behind, risking it all for God's promise. Jesus changes, is transfigured, right before the eyes of his disciples. The Lenten scriptures issue the call for us to change, to be transfigured, so that we, too, will soon share in the glory of God. What is it that the Lord is asking us to leave behind? Are we willing to take the risk for the promise made by God? These questions are at the heart of the Lenten journey of conversion.

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**CONGRATUATION TO THE 80 +1 WINNERS**

**WEEK #24**

Valerie Zito

Joe Dina Mancino

St. Bernadette will be hosting their 2nd Radio Bingo Night on Saturday, March 28, 2020. Come join us for a night of fun, games and dancing! \$40 admission fee includes sandwiches, snacks, dessert, soda, water, coffee, bingo games & tons of fun. Enjoy songs from the fifties through today when "name that tune" meets "bingo". Doors open at 6:30pm. Checks can be made payable to St. Bernadette Church and submitted to the rectory by Monday, March 16, 2020. Please see the flyers in the back of church for more details.



**Diocesan Pilgrimage  
52nd International  
Eucharistic Congress,  
Budapest  
Visits to:  
Vienna and Prague**

**September 13-21, 2020  
Bishop James Massa  
Spiritual Director**

**For a Brochure Call  
Regina Tours  
1-800 Catholi(c)x250  
avillegas@groupist.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](http://www.futuresineducation.org)**



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