



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 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.
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, January 2nd

8:00 For the People of the Parish
 10:00 Sara & Carl Cunningham
 12:00 Special Intention Michelle Hassell

Monday, January 3rd

7:00 Carmen Marie DiRienzo Carmody
 9:00 Fortunato & Matuszewski Families

Tuesday, January 4th

7:00 John G. Barra
 9:00 Dec'd Members of the Sangorgio Family

Wednesday, January 5th

7:00 Frank Procaccio
 9:00 Anthony Scriaretta

Thursday, January 6th

7:00 The DiMauro Family
 9:00 Michael Trapani

Friday, January 7th

7:00 Anthony Accardo
 9:00 Purgatorial Society

Saturday, January 8th

8:00 Giulia Muriale
 10:00 Gerard & David Zito

Sunday, January 9th

8:00 For the People of the Parish
 10:00 Peter Balzano
 12:00 Dec'd Members of the Herlihy & Oliveri Families

Michael Albano	Weick Family
Louis Battaglia	Santo Zito
O. Beyrouti	
Debbie Bouroudis	
Sarah Brodine	
Cheryl Brown	
Julia Bruzzese	
Nicholas Campanella	
Brain Dowling	
Ray Gangi	
George Guida	
Eleanor Iaverone	
.Janet Maffia	
Joseph McKie	
Nicola Muriale	
Bernadette O'Neill	
Jon Raugas	
Susan Albi Russo	
Mark Sailor	
Oaoline Sciarrino	
Sally Testa	
Joseph Trovato	

In the event of recovery or improvement, please contact the rectory. A persons name will be removed after several weeks unless notification to remain is received.

Purgatorial Society

Antonio Perez
 Josephine Morale
 Laretta Cannar
 Joseph T. Oddo
 Thomas Paul Albi
 Emil D'Argenio
 Michael Marchsano
 Connie LaRocco
 Germano DiPaolo
 John Shovlin
 Tom York
 Mary Ann Gambale
 Rosemarie Tufariello
 Ann Tafori
 Melba DiGiallonardo
 Enzo Detore
 Vincent DiDonato
 Dennis Egan
 Louis Biondo
 Michael Hong
 Kosta Bantis
 Thomas Fitzgerald

Rest in Peace

John Gannon





**The Epiphany of the Lord
January 2, 2022**

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem!
Your light has come,
the glory of the Lord shines upon you.

— *Isaiah 60:1*

Parish Registration

To our St. Bernadette Community, if you are not already an active and 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

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

The Epiphany of the Lord

At the Mass during the Day

O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever

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.



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**



The Holy Name Society

As a spiritual gift to Jesus Christ, The Holy Name Society is asking for volunteers to pledge a daily Rosary for each day during Advent with the intention being for lapsed Catholics, especially those in our family and friends. Make your pledge at the rear of the church after all Sunday masses.

*Shrine Church of St. Bernadette
2021*

80+1 Raffle Club

Two - \$150.00 drawing each week for 40 weeks
Beginning September 24, 2021 through June 17, 2022

Winners will be re-entered in subsequent drawings

Bonus Drawing - \$1,000.00 on April 16, 2022

Tickets can be purchased through the Rectory,
School Office or CCD Office
For information call the Rectory - 718-837-3400

Tickets are \$50.00 each

Don't miss out - Purchase your ticket early!
Tickets will be sold on an ongoing basis

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Epiphany of the Lord;
National Migration Week
- Monday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus
- Tuesday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
- Wednesday: St. John Neumann
- Thursday: St. André Bessette
- Friday: St. Raymond of Penyafort; First Friday
Julian Calendar Christmas

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The LORD shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalm — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The mystery has been made known that the Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrived, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?" (Matthew 2:1-12).

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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.



Diocesan Pilgrimage
World Meeting of Families, Rome
Visit to Assisi, Siena & Florence

Join Pope Francis,
The Office of Family Life
And the Diocese of Brooklyn

June 20-30, 2022

For a Brochure Call
Regina Tours
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Diocesan Pilgrimage
Oberammergun
The Passion Play
Visit To: Wurzburg
Rothenburg, Rebensburg, Passau,
Salzburg & Munich

May 17-26, 2022
Bishop Octavio Cisneros
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Chaplain

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The Epiphany of the Lord

Gifts are everywhere at this time of year. Christmas gifts. Hostess gifts. Hidden gifts. Wrong-size gifts. Unexpected gifts. Unwanted gifts. Unreciprocated gifts. And in today's readings we hear about even more gifts: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. But we know intuitively (or, one hopes, eventually!) that gifts are symbols of something much deeper and less tangible. The gift of God's Son is, of course, at the heart of our Christmas festivities. We are not—and never—alone, because “God is with us.” (Thus the name Emmanuel.) But wait, that's not all! The liturgy reminds us over and over that this is a “holy exchange.” As Christ came to share in our humanity, we come to share in his divinity. The full significance of that mystery is a gift we have yet to unwrap completely.

WHAT KIND OF GOD IS THIS?

Christmas is a season of abundance. Christmas cookies and carols. Parties and presents. Mangers and mistletoe. The same is true in our church. Within a period of nine days we celebrate Christmas, the Holy Family, Mary Mother of God, and today the Solemnity of the Epiphany. Truly an embarrassment of liturgical riches. (And we are not finished yet!)

However, for many people, Christmas is already over. Trees litter the curbside or make their way back to the attic. Presents are put away or returned. We prepare to go back to school or work. But as Christians we have barely dipped our toes into the profound mystery of a God who walks among us. What kind of a God is this whose kingdom is not limited by our borders, fears, expectations, or imaginations? Today's psalm reminds us, “Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.” Diversity and inclusion are not new to God's agenda.

TRADITIONS UNCOVER MEANING

Two traditional rituals, one liturgical and one domestic, help underline the meaning of the Epiphany. The Proclamation of the Date of Easter is an option for inclusion at Mass today. This text which formally announces the dates of the upcoming major feast days reminds us that Christmas is best honored in the context of the whole story of salvation that culminates in Easter. Or as writer Nathan Mitchell reflects, the wood of the crib becomes the wood of the cross.

The second tradition connected to Epiphany is the blessing of the door of one's home with chalk. It includes a prayer for protection for all who enter therein. One explanation of this tradition ties it to the Passover in the Book of Exodus: the marking of the doorposts with the blood of the lamb kept the Israelites safe. This tradition too offers a connection between Christmas and Easter.

As we continue to mine the richness of this season we hum along with the angels, *Gloria in excelsis Deo!*

Today's Readings: Is 60:1–6; Ps 72:1–2, 7–8, 10–11, 12–13; Eph 3:2–3a, 5–6; Mt 2:1–12

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JOURNEY TOWARD GOD

In our celebration of the Epiphany, two interwoven themes are present in the readings today. God is beginning something new, and God gathers all of humanity to participate. For Isaiah, God's bright light, manifested in the people of Israel, attracts and summons people from many nations to Jerusalem. In the letter to the Ephesians, God's grace makes the Gentiles co-heirs and co-partners in the gospel. Matthew tells the story of the fulfillment of God's promises to Israel through the birth of Jesus, and simultaneously leading foreigners to share in these same promises. With the birth of Jesus, God chose a particular people, in a particular time and place, to enter most directly into the human story. Today's readings teach that God did this in order to gather all people, all cultures, into unity with God. Like the magi, we are drawn into a journey toward God, becoming co-partners in God's work.
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a;
Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13;
Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17;
Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-4,
3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30;
Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7;
Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

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