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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.



Sunday, July 24th

8:00 For the People of the Parish
 10:00 Concetta DiBartolo
 12:00 Rosalia Abbatesa

Monday, July 25th

7:00 Teresa Cimino
 9:00 Rozalia Matuszewski

Tuesday, July 26th

7:00 John Barra
 9:00 Tommaso Chieco

Wednesday, July 27th

7:00 Louis Adames
 9:00 Michael Marchesano

Thursday, July 28th

7:00 Joseph McLaughlin Sr.
 9:00 Gloria Vilella

Friday, July 29th

7:00 Josephine Quercia
 9:00 Marie & Louis Marano

Saturday, July 30th

8:00 Special Intention Peter Fortunato
 5:30 Robert Ottofaro

Sunday, July 31st

8:00 For the People of the Parish
 10:00 William Carestia
 12:00 Dr. Laurence deFazio

Rest In Peace
 Leontine Leoncini



PRAY FOR

Michael Albano
 Anna
 George Anthony Jr.
 Louis Battaglia
 Debbie Bouroudis
 Sarah Brodine
 Cheryl Brown
 Nicholas Campanella
 Marylou Chiarello
 Marie Desiderio
 Brian Dowling
 Ray Gangi
 Josephine Giagnorio
 George Guida
 Marco Jamie Jardina
 Stephen March
 Joseph McKie
 Ann Mogavero
 Nicola Muriale
 Bernadette O'Neill
 Anthony Pelle
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 Susan Albi Russo
 Mark Sailor
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 Joseph Trovato
 Weick Family
 Marco Wilen
 Elaine W.

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.

Memorial Gift for the Week of July 24, 2022

Memorial Gift of Bread

Special Intention of: Michael Albano
 Requested by: His Loving Sister Pat

In Memory of: John Zagami
 Requested by: His Loving Mother



Memorial Gift of Wine

Special Intention of: Michael Albano
 Requested by: His Loving Sister Pat

In Memory of: John Zagami
 Requested by: His Loving Mother

Memorial Gift of Flowers

Special Intention of: Michael Albano
 Requested by: His Loving Sister Pat



In Memory of: John Zagami
 Requested by: His Loving Mother

Memorial Gift of Altar Candle

In Memory of: John Zagami
 Requested by: His Loving Mother



In Memory of: Vito DeTommaso
 Requested by: His Loving Children

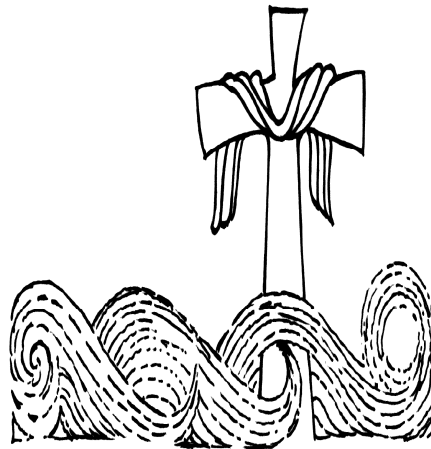
Sunday Collection

Weekly Goal:
\$7,500
Amount Received:
\$2,540
Shortfall:
\$4,960

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

Thank you for supporting our Parish.

Msgr. Caserta



**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 24, 2022**

You were buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead.

— *Colossians 2:12*

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

Announced Mass Book

ST. Bernadette 2023 Mass Book is now open.

Hours are as follows:
Monday-Friday
9:00 am-11:30 am
and
1:00pm-3:30 pm

NO MASSES TAKEN OVER THE TELEPHONE



THE MARK OF THE MAKER

If things created are so full of loveliness, how resplendent must be the One who made them! The wisdom of the Worker is apparent in such handiwork.

—St. Anthony of Padua

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**



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Abraham bargains with God to spare the city (Genesis 18:20-32).

Psalm — Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me (Psalm 138).

Second Reading — Buried with Christ in baptism, we were also raised with him; all our transgressions are forgiven (Colossians 2:12-14).

Gospel — Jesus speaks of God's sure response to those who pray (Luke 11:1-13).

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

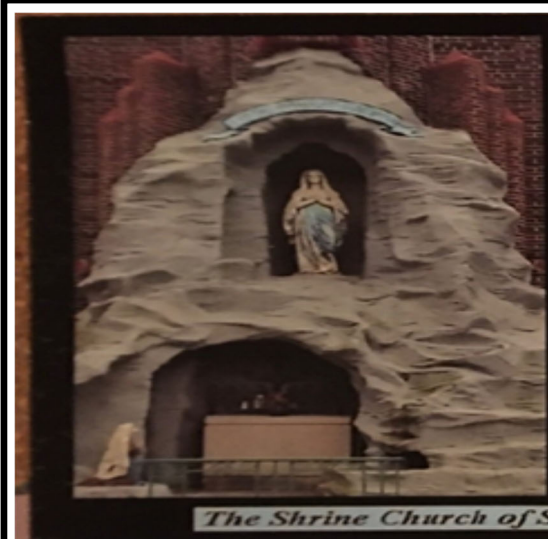
Sunday: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

Monday: St. James

Tuesday: Ss. Joachim and Anne

Friday: Ss. Martha, Mary, and Lazarus

Saturday: St. Peter Chrysologus; Blessed Virgin Mary



The Shrine Church of St. Bernadette

- Invites you to pray the Rosary -

Tuesdays

with Our Lady

in the Grotto

7:00pm - 7:45pm

July 5, 12, 19, 26

August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

The Shrine Church of St. Bernadette

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Thank You for your participation.



CONVERSATION WITH GOD

Prayer is our focus this weekend. In the Gospel, Jesus gives his disciples, and us, the Lord's Prayer, which we have cherished through the centuries. The first two words encompass much about our faith—unity among all Christians (Our), and a sense that we are in a deeply bonded relationship with God (Father).

In Genesis, we see Abraham in conversational prayer, in his creaturely humility before his Creator, seeking mercy and compassion for the innocent. The psalm is a lyrical prayer of thanksgiving and praise for the God who answered the sincere prayers of a people who had called out for help, showing them mercy. In Luke's Gospel, the disciples want to pray like Jesus, with the same intimacy—to experience God as Abba in the depths of their being.

Do we try to talk to God? Do we listen for answers? This relationship is always a work in progress.

"AND I TELL YOU,
ASK AND YOU WILL RECEIVE;
SEEK AND YOU WILL FIND;
KNOCK AND THE DOOR
WILL BE OPENED TO YOU."

LUKE 11:9



JULY

24

2022

Seventeenth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time

PRAY LIKE JESUS

Have you ever watched a master chef at work or a professional musician or athlete and wondered "How do they do that? They make it look so easy." We are naturally attracted to someone who excels at something, a person whose heart is obviously in their work, and we can't help but wonder if we are capable of anything like that. This was likely true for the disciples as well. They had seen Jesus at prayer on many occasions (this is especially true in Luke's Gospel) and it was obvious that someone, somehow was shaping/transforming the life of their teacher. Abraham, too, gives us an example of a conversation with God that goes beyond the ordinary approach to divine petitioning. Meanwhile, Psalm 138 assures us that when we cry for help God will answer—for Christ has become our mediator and we are one with him in baptism.

SNAKES AND SCORPIONS AND PRAYERS? OH, MY!

How often do we hear about snakes and scorpions at Mass? Well, today we do! Jesus uses these frightful (to most of us!) images for their shock value in order to emphasize how graciously and unfailingly our Father in heaven cares for us. The first reading sets the stage for our reflection. Who can hear the story of Abraham negotiating with God in the first reading and not smile at his audacity? The middle Eastern custom of bartering likely honed Abraham's skills in that arena. He even appeals to God's sense of honor, saying, "Far be it from you to do such a thing" [as to wipe out the innocent with the guilty]. Have we not all bargained with God at one time or another when we were desperately in need?

YOU HAVE HEARD THE WORDS OF MY MOUTH

Notice that the very first words of today's Gospel are "Jesus was praying." Of course, the disciples would be curious about a practice that was so central to Jesus' daily life. He was obviously good at it. Perhaps they wanted to know how they could more easily "influence" God themselves! They wanted to know what would work. Luke's version of the beloved Lord's Prayer (one of two found in the Gospels) is highlighted today in response to the disciples' request.

The two parables following the Lord's Prayer teach us about prayer both from the point of view of the one who prays and from God's point of view. The parable of the friend who knocks on the door at midnight illustrates prayer from the point of view someone who urgently needs something. Persistence is the key. The last section of the Gospel offers us a glimpse of prayer from God's point of view. If you seek, you will find; if you knock, the door will be opened. With Jesus as our mediator, we are assured of a hearing before our Father in heaven who is waiting to give good gifts to his children.

TODAY'S READINGS

Genesis 18:20–32
Psalm 138:1–2, 2–3, 6–7, 7–8
Colossians 2:12–14
Luke 11:1–13

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We are so excited about this ongoing fundraiser
set up just for our alumni and here's how it works:



\$50 Donation - purchase of a green leaf with your name and graduating year
\$100 Donation - purchase of a gold leaf "In Memory" or "In Honor" of an alumni's loved one

You may purchase as many leaves as you would like, but given the amount of spacing on the leaves, please provide only one name per leaf. If you would like to purchase a green or gold leaf, simply email Mrscordi@stbernbk.org with the information stated above.

Checks are made payable to St. Bernadette Catholic Academy and can be mailed to:



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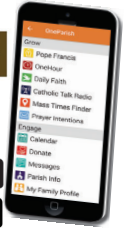
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