

Everyone who exalts himself  
will be humbled, and  
he who humbles himself  
will be exalted.

Luke 14:11

**SAINT BERNADETTE OF LOURDES PARISH**  
“WHERE MIRACLES HAPPEN”

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**AUGUST 28, 2022 — TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

**SUNDAY MASSES**

SATURDAY VIGIL: 4:30PM

SUNDAY: 9:00AM AND 11:00AM

**WEEKDAY MASS**

MONDAY—FRIDAY 8:30AM

**HOLY DAY MASSES**

TIMES ANNOUNCED IN SUNDAY BULLETIN

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

SATURDAY: 3:30PM — 4:15PM

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**Parochial Administrator**  
Rev. John P. Masson (Ext. 104)

**Resident**  
Rev. Hugh J. Dougherty

**Permanent Deacon**  
Deacon Thomas P. Fitzpatrick

**Director of Religious Education**  
Marykate Murphy (Ext. 212)  
**School Principal**  
Mrs. Joanne Montie  
**Parish Business Manager**  
Robert J. Helmig (Ext. 103)  
**Administrative Secretary**  
Helen V. Kraus (ext. 101)  
**Parish Music Coordinator**  
Dorothy Toomey

## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells guests at a feast to accept their invitations with humility, to be satisfied with the lowest place at the table. We are guests at a feast today, invited by our Lord to this wonderful Eucharistic meal. We come with humility, acknowledging our imperfections and sinfulness. Jesus also tells the host to invite those who are not well-off, who cannot repay him in kind. Our host today at this feast is Jesus, who offers his very Body and Blood for our redemption. There is no way we can truly repay him for his generosity and mercy. Let us give thanks for his constant invitation.

## Parish Information

### NEW FAMILIES

Welcome to St. Bernadette Parish! To register in the parish, please email Deacon Tom Fitzpatrick at [deacontom@stbl.org](mailto:deacontom@stbl.org). He will get back to you to arrange a convenient time to meet with him to register. We are eager to greet new members of our parish community and look forward to meeting you.

### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

The rectory office hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00am to noon and 1:00pm to 5:00pm. **During the summer the rectory will close at 3:00pm on Fridays.** Items for the Sunday newsletter must be at the rectory by Monday at noon for publication the following Sunday.

### BAPTISMS

Baptisms are held at 12 noon on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Parents must attend a Pre-Jordan class held in the Wright Center at 12 noon on the first Sunday of every other month (please refer to the bulletin for exact dates). Registration for the class is required. In order to arrange for a baptism, the parents must be active members of the parish for six months. To register, please call the rectory office at 610/789-7676. Godparents should be practicing Catholics, confirmed and at least 16 years of age. If not from this parish, sponsors must have a letter of eligibility from their parish stating that they have been actively participating for six months. St. Bernadette Parishioners must be registered and actively participating for six months to receive a letter of eligibility.

### MARRIAGES

We request that couples contemplating marriage call the rectory to make an appointment with the priest. At this initial interview, the date and time of your request will be recorded and you will receive a copy of the Parish Wedding Guidelines.

### SACRAMENT OF THE SICK/COMMUNION CALLS

A priest will administer Holy Communion to parishioners who are unable to come to Church. If you desire, Eucharistic Ministers can bring Communion each week. Please contact the Rectory to be placed on our Sick List. Parishioners who are to undergo serious surgery at a hospital are encouraged to make an appointment at the Rectory before going to the hospital.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

St. Bernadette School offers sessions for Pre-School and Kindergarten and conducts full-time classes from first through eighth grades. PREP classes are held in the parish school for all students attending public school. PREP classes are held on Monday evenings at 6:45pm. Adults seeking religious instruction should call Marykate Murphy, Director of Religious Education at (610) 789-7676 ext. 212. The RCIA Program begins in October.

### SAINT BERNADETTE PARISH ON FACEBOOK

We can be found at "Saint Bernadette of Lourdes Parish". Check out the page and "like" us to keep up with the latest parish news.

*Entrance to the Chapel is through the Prayer Garden. The entrance code is 5076.*

VISITS TO THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT can be made in the Chapel

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY takes place every Monday through Friday at 8:00am in the church and on Wednesday evenings along with the Miraculous Medal Novena at 7:00pm in the Chapel.

UNITED HEARTS OF JESUS AND MARY meet every Monday evening at 7pm in the Chapel.

DEVOTION TO ST. LEONIE AVIAT takes place every Tuesday at 7:00pm in the Chapel.

FLAME OF LOVE PRAYER CENACLE takes place Thursday at 7:00pm in the chapel.

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP meets in the Wright Center/chapel every Tuesday at 7:30pm.

RESPECT LIFE GROUP information can be obtained by calling Doris Hurd at 610-789-2708.

MUSIC MINISTRY is open to all who wish to share their time and talent in praise and thanksgiving to God – call Dottie Toomey at 610/449-4013 for rehearsal times.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Ave Maria Council #4063 serve St Bernadette Parish invites interested men 18 years of age and older to join in fraternity and the service to our parish and greater community; contact [jsavaresejr@gmail.com](mailto:jsavaresejr@gmail.com)

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meetings are held every Thursday at 9:30am in O'Brien Hall.

ST. JOHN'S HOSPICE Casseroles to feed the homeless sponsored by St. John's Hospice in Philadelphia are collected in O'Brien Hall before the weekend Masses that precede the first Thursday of the month. Casserole pans are available in the main entrance of church. Call Mary at 610/789-6206.

### FOOD PANTRY

Non-perishable food items for the Food Pantry can be placed in bags and left in the vestibules of church. Any monetary donations or donations of gift cards should be sent to Fr. Masson. If you have a question, call the Food Pantry at 610-789-7676 ext. 213.

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

*Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Saturday, August 27**

4:30pm Maria McMenamin

**Sunday, August 28**

9:00am Living & Deceased of St. Bernadette Parish

11:00am Joan Malin

**Monday, August 29 - Passion of St. John the Baptist**

8:30am Peggy Forbes

**Tuesday, August 30**

8:30am Rosemary Lista

**Wednesday, August 31**

8:30am Bernia Faia and all Seminarians

**Thursday, September 1**

8:30am Mary Buccafurni

**Friday, September 2**

8:30am Frank Schultz

*Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Saturday, September 3**

4:30pm Lt. James H. Carson

**Sunday, September 4**

9:00am Living & Deceased of St. Bernadette Parish

11:00am Ted LaMonaca (5th Anniv.)



**FOR YOUR SPIRITUAL REFLECTION**

**This week's readings are:**

First Reading - Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

Second Reading - Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a

Gospel - Luke 14:1, 7-14

**Next week's readings will be:**

First Reading - Wisdom 9:13-18b

Second Reading - Philemon 9-10, 12-17

Gospel - Luke 14:25-33

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

August	28	Blood pressure screening after Mass
September	6	First day of school
	10-11	Bethlehem carvings (in main vestibule)
	19	First night of PREP
	24	Home & School and CYO "Welcome Back" Mass - 4:30pm

**SYMPATHIES AND PRAYERS**

We extend our sympathies and prayers to the family and friends of Anthony Loro who was recently buried from our church.

**BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING**

The nurse will be available to take your blood pressure after the Masses **this Sunday, August 28**. Please see her in the room off the sanctuary (former cry room).

**2022 MASS BOOK INTENTIONS**

The Mass book for **August** through **December** is now open. The rectory is open from 9am - noon and 1pm - 5pm Monday through Thursday and on Friday afternoons from 1pm - 3pm.

**FIND OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. BERNADETTE PARISH**

*Don't be left in the dark!!*

If you wish to find out what's happening in the parish now and in the future and/or receive important updates, just go to the link listed below. We ask that you enter **ONE email address per family** since the program we are using has a limit on the number of email addresses we can use. Tell your friends, too. They might want to see what we are planning now and in the future.

<https://mailchimp/stbl/email-list>

This link can also be found on the parish website and on the parish facebook page.

**PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL**



Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

**LEAVE YOUR LASTING LEGACY TO THROUGH PLANNED GIVING**

**What is a "Planned Gift"?** It is a gift given to charity through a will, contract or trust. Planned Giving is charitable giving that is planned, often deferred, and usually spread out over an extended period of time. Through various types of bequests to St. Bernadette of Lourdes Parish you may secure an estate-tax charitable deduction for the value of your gift while providing much needed support for years to come. You may prefer to include in your will or trust a sum of money, a percentage of your estate, a specific item, or a piece of real estate that you wish to give to St. Bernadette Parish.

**Designate your Planned Gift by including St. Bernadette Parish in your Will.** A bequest may take the form of cash, securities, real estate or other property. You should specify that St. Bernadette Parish is to receive a certain amount or percentage of your estate, specific assets or the remainder of your estate after providing for your heirs.

- Bequests can include a specific dollar amount, assets, securities, real estate, insurance policies, IRAs and personal property.

- Real estate bequests may include the entirety or remainder of your estate after payment of expenses and any specific amounts designated to other beneficiaries.

**We are available to answer questions. Please call if you would like to discuss your planned gift to St. Bernadette of Lourdes Parish. Your consideration is greatly appreciated.**

Parochial Administrator, Fr. John P. Masson  
610-789-7676 (Ext. 104)

Business Manager, Robert J. Helmig  
610-789-7676 (Ext. 103)

**ST. BERNADETTE PREP REGISTRATION IS OPEN!  
REGISTER NOW AND TELL A FRIEND!**

PREP (Parish Religious Education Program) for students in Grades 1 through 8 who attend public school are held on Monday evenings from 6:30 to 7:45 PM in the Parish School building. Classes run from September to May. **The program's mission is to assist parents in their primary role as educators of their children in the Catholic faith.** The program provides sound catechesis on the teachings of the faith so that children may be formed in the Catholic tradition.

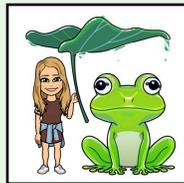
For information regarding the Parish PREP Contact: Marykate Murphy, Director of Religious Education  
(Office located in the WRIGHT CENTER)  
Phone: (610) 789-7676, ext. 212  
e-Mail: [MMurphy@stbl.org](mailto:MMurphy@stbl.org)

**We are looking forward to seeing our returning families and meeting new families!**

To register for the 2022-2023 PREP Year, please visit.

<https://st-bernadette.org/prep-online-registration>

Let's **F.R.O.G.** Together!



**GOD IS GOOD ALL THE TIME!  
ALL THE TIME GOD IS GOOD!**

**FINANCIAL FACTS**

**Sunday, August 14, 2022**

**Weekly: \$9,482 vs Target of \$15,000 (a)  
\$7,150 (Collection) + \$2,332 (Parish Giving)**

**Sunday, August 21, 2022**

**Weekly: \$8,269 vs Target of \$15,000 (a)  
\$5,583 (Collection) + \$2,686 (Parish Giving)**

**(a) Weekly target necessary to fund Parish operating expenses and avoid operating deficit.**



**MASS AND HEALING SERVICE**

**Our Lady of Fatima  
First Friday, September 2 at 7:00pm**

1 Fatima Drive in Secane  
610-532-5800

**Celebrant - Rev. Roland Slobogin  
Speaker - Kathleen McCarthy**

Praise, Music, Mass, Anointing of the Sick,  
Praying over Individuals for Healing and Witness Stories

**All are invited**



The St. Bernadette Scrip program is the parish program where you purchase gift cards to your favorite stores and receive a rebate that can be applied towards school tuition, PREP, high school tuition or donated to the parish. The purpose of the program is to help St. Bernadette families earn cash back on everyday purchases and support the parish. Thank you to the parishioners who offer their rebate back to the school & parish. Your donation and support is greatly appreciated! If you are a school family, you know the rebates add up and significantly reduce your tuition payment over the course of the year. Please tell a friend so more families can save!

Gift card sales are Sunday mornings from 9:30am - 11:00am in the Wright Center. Local on-hand inventory for purchase includes: Giant, ACME, ShopRite, Colonial Village, CVS, Sam's Boardwalk Pizza & Dairy Bar, JD McGillicuddy's, Dairy Queen, Krispy Kreme, Freddy's, WaWa, Dunkin, Panera & Kohl's. (You can pay your Kohl's charge with scrip gift cards.) Plan ahead for national card orders — order by 7pm on Monday for pick up on Sunday.

**For more info and a full list of retailers, please visit:**  
<https://www.st-bernadette.org/scrip-program>.

**Questions:** email: [scrip4bernies@gmail.com](mailto:scrip4bernies@gmail.com)

Thank you!

Susan Coyne & Karen Murphy, Scrip Coordinators

**ST. BERNADETTE SCHOOL**

**St. Bernadette School families** - please join us in O'Brien Hall on Sunday, September 11 following the 11am Mass for Sundaes on Sunday. We look forward to celebrating the start of another wonderful school year with a delicious ice cream treat!



## Welcome Back to St. Bernadette School

Happy New Year!!! I am pleased to welcome you back to the 2022-2023 school year. I would like to extend a special welcome to the 74 new families joining our Bernie's community this school year!!! Please check out our website for updated information. <http://www.st-bernadette.org/>

Father John Masson, our new Parochial Administrator, is excited to begin his parish ministry at St. Bernadette. Father John is a welcoming presence in our school as he works to bring us all closer to the hearts of Jesus and Mary. As always, we are extremely grateful to our parish families who support us through both their prayerful presence and financial generosity. Our school community prays for the health and well being of our parish family each day.

This year our school theme is a *Year of Virtues* or *living a grace-filled life by displaying the virtues of courtesy, fairness, gratitude, generosity, peace, empathy, forgiveness, integrity and fortitude.* Each month our school community will focus on a different virtue as we model and practice living our faith in words and actions.

All of us at St. Bernadette School are eager and excited to begin what promises to be a positive, productive year. May God bless each of our families in the year ahead as we journey together in FAITH, HOPE and JOY!

### CALENDAR: First Three Weeks of School

#### Tuesday, August 30

**PreK and Kindergarten Information Night:** All parents of students in PreK3, PreK4, and Kindergarten are invited to attend this important evening meeting to learn about your child's program and to meet your child's teacher. The meeting begins at 6:30pm. in O'Brien Hall. O'Brien Hall is located under the church.

#### Tuesday, September 6

Opening Day for Grades 1-8, 8:00am to 1:00pm (Drop off begins at 7:45am); Please send your child(ren) to school with a snack, a lunch and at least one water bottle

Kindergarten Preview Day (Please see the teacher's letter for your time)

#### Wednesday, September 7

Grades 1-8, 8:00am to 2:55pm

Opening Half Day for Kindergarten, 8:00am to 11:30am

PreK Preview Day (Please see the teacher's letter for your time)

#### Thursday, September 8

K-8, 8:00am to 2:55pm

PreK Preview Day (Please see the teacher's letter for your time)

**7:00pm Back to School Night for Grades 1-4:** Parents are expected to attend this important evening meeting to learn about your child's program and to meet your child's teachers. The meeting begins at 7:00pm in O'Brien Hall.

#### Friday, September 9

K-8, 8:00am to 2:55pm

**8:30am Opening Mass for students in 1st through 8th grades:** *Parents are most welcome to join us as we pray for a healthy, joy-filled year of learning and growing in faith, grace, academic excellence and friendships.*

PreK 3 and PreK 4 Welcome Session 9:00am-10:45am

#### Sunday, September 11

**Sundaes on Sunday,** 12 noon to 1:00pm. A fun way to celebrate the beginning of the school year with ice cream sundaes served in O'Brien Hall immediately following the 11:00am Mass.

#### Monday, September 12

Opening Day for PreK3 and PreK4. A warm, loving welcome to our youngest learners!!!!

#### Thursday, September 15

Go Gold; dress down for \$1.00 to support pediatric cancer research; lemonade sold at lunch for \$1.00.

**7:00pm Back to School Night for Grades 5-8:** Parents are expected to attend this important evening meeting to learn about your child's program and to meet your child's teachers. The meeting begins at 7:00pm in O'Brien Hall.

#### Saturday, September 24

4:30pm Mass followed by Family Bingo and Pizza; sponsored by our CYO and Home and School



**WE PRAY FOR THE SICK** - Bill Albertson, Fred Amatucci, Frank Barba, Dan Bigioni, Pamela Bower, Joseph Bradley, Marie Bree, Theresa Caputo, Michael Carroll, Peter Celucci, Robert & Joanne Christopher, Ron Christopher, Sr. Denise Clifford-SJ, Andrew Cole, Elaine Cole, Mike Connors, Quinn Connors, Dennis Conway, Dave Costella, Barbara Cunningham, Donna D'Ambrosio, Laurel Dee, Michael DeEmilio, Tom Dever, Frances Diegnan, Christopher DiMarto, John DiSalvatore, Gabriella DiSaverio, Tony DiLeva, Darrin Dougherty, Dawn Dougherty, Michael Dougherty, James Drumm, Lexi Dunn, Bernie Dupras, Jason Durkee, Matthew Dwyer, Marie Feola, Patrick Flanigan, Emily Flynn, Jerry Flynn, Joe Flynn, Maggie Franz, Kelli Gaglioti, Regina Gallagher, Stu Glatsky, Christine Grosso, Joan Grycewicz, Rachel Hagan, Ruth Harold, Greg Harvey, Kim Hayman, Pat Henningsen, Judith Holmes, Baby Lila Holmes, Adrian Hughes, Baby Rita May Hughes, Christopher Hunt, John Ingle, Ashley Juliano, John Keenan, Lori Keenan, David Kisella, Linda King, Wilmer Lehman, Bobby Liebling, Jr., Steven Little, Betsy Long, Michele Malolie, Dalton Martin, Kathy Martin, James Maynard, Frankie McCarthy, Neil McClelland, Helene McCole, Jean McCormack, Karen McIlvaine, Sean McKeefery, Theresa McKeefery, Rosie McKenna, Emily Meakim, Theresa Merlini, Christopher Milecki, Sue Mitchell, Marian Moran, Stephen Murray, Matthew Nicholas, Nancy Nicholas, Roman O'Brien, Nicole Pagett, Jamie Pastore, Steve Piperino, Joseph Polto, Sharon Pozzuolo, Christopher Rafferty, Lucy Rapp, Mary Rhodunda, Alicia Ridge, Dan Rock, Mimi & Rich Rogge, Anna Rokos, Evelyn Runk, John Rusenko, Tony Anthony Sarmento, Ronald Scarangelli, Marie Seiler, Michael Shane, Bridget Sharpe, Amy Sheeler, Theresa Sherwin, Marion Sloan, Kristin Sorrentino, Daniel Suskevich, Emily Tong, Mario Turchiarolo, Annie Walker, Lily Walker, David Weaver, Jim Weaver, Jerry Weiss, Mary Wieners, Lori Zytkonicz and those suffering from serious illnesses & incurable diseases. **HOSPITAL SICK CALLS** - Emergency sick calls may be made to the rectory at any time. If surgery or admission to the hospital is scheduled, please call the rectory ahead of time to make arrangements to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. Due to the privacy act, if you are in the hospital and wish to see a priest while you are there, you must register as a Catholic when admitted or make sure a family member does so for you to assure a visit by a priest or Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist.

### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

**BEGINS:** Tuesday, September 13, 2022  
**TIME:** 7:30pm – 9:00pm for 8 weeks  
**WHERE:** St. Bernadette Church  
 Wright Center (1<sup>st</sup> floor)

For more information contact **George Salloom @ 610-306-022** or email [georgesalloom@hotmail.com](mailto:georgesalloom@hotmail.com) or **Helen Kraus @ 610-789-7676 ext. 101** or email [helenk@stbl.org](mailto:helenk@stbl.org)



With the economy as it is, the food pantry is at the lowest it has ever been. If you are able, we would appreciate any donation you can make to help those in need. Please drop off any donations at the Wright Center on Sunday after the 11am Mass or they can be left behind the last pew in the back of church on the Blessed Mother side. Any monetary donations or gift cards are to be sent to the rectory labeled "food pantry". **Asking for help**—If you are able to carry the bags of food that are placed behind the last pew (on the Blessed Mother side) after the 11am Mass over to the Wright Center, that would be a great help. Thank you in advance. God bless you and thank you for your support of the food pantry.

**Raffle** Fundraiser **Take a chance to win!**  
 proceeds support the **SAINTS CYO FOOTBALL TEAMS**

#### FIRST PRIZE

YETI 65 Tundra Cooler



#### SECOND PRIZE

solo stove Bonfire 2.0



#### THIRD PRIZE

SHSB Saints Football  
 Custom Cornhole Set



**Tickets: \$10 or 3/\$25**  
**Venmo: SAINTS-CYO**



Include name and  
 phone number  
 in payment comment.

DRAWING: day after first home game in September

**THANK YOU**  
**FOR SUPPORTING THE**  
**SHSB FOOTBALL TEAMS!**



**ABBEYFEST**  
 IS  
**BACK!**

**AbbeyFest 2022**

**September 17 -Daylesford Abbey in Paoli**

Imagine praising God with some of today's top Catholic/Christian music artists with a crowd full of passionate believers alongside friends, family, priests, consecrated and religious! **AbbeyFest** continues to attract top Christian contemporary artists and is excited to announce its most impressive and diverse lineup to date! Our performances will include 9-time Grammy nominee Matt Maher; Micah Tyler with his hit song *Walking Free*; Jordan St. Cyr, The Vigil Project featuring Athenas; Connor Flanagan; The Philadelphia Catholic Gospel Mass Choir and God's Men under the direction of Tonya Dorsey.

There will also be open air confessions, a Kid Zone area for the little ones to play, food trucks with yummy food and treats, our Vendor Village filled with Catholic vendors and information, Mass celebrated by Archbishop Perez and our reverent candle-light Eucharistic Procession and Adoration.

If that sounds like the perfect experience, check out our lineup, full day's schedule and purchase your tickets on our website: [www.TheAbbeyFest.com](http://www.TheAbbeyFest.com). See you at AbbeyFest!