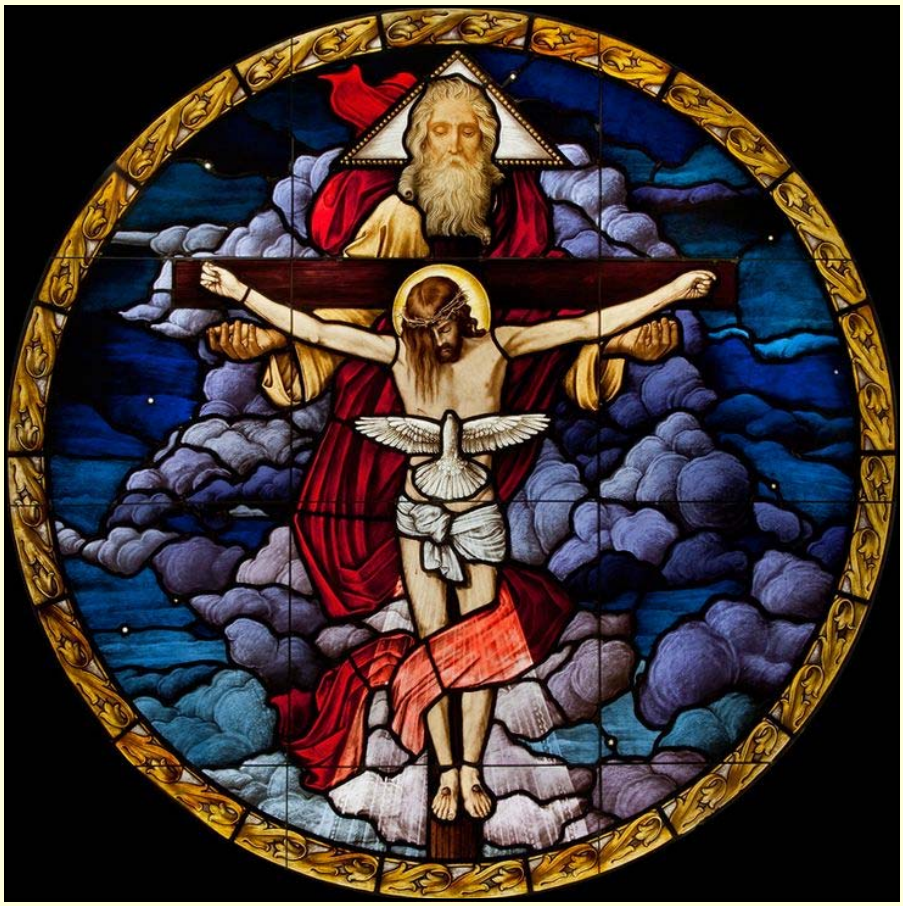

Glory to the Father,

the Son,

and the Holy Spirit;

to God who is,

who was,

and

who is to come.

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May 27, 2018 — Most Holy Trinity

Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil: 4:30pm

Sunday: 7:00am, 9:00am and 11:00am

Sunday (Summer): 8:00am and 10:00am

Weekday Mass

Monday—Thursday 8:30am

Friday—4:00pm

Holy Day Masses

Vigil Mass: 7:00pm — Holy Day: 8:30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30pm — 4:15pm

Pastor
Reverend Christopher J. Papa
Resident
Rev. Hugh J. Dougherty
Weekend Assistant
Reverend John T. Kelly, S.J.
Permanent Deacons
Deacon Thomas P. Fitzpatrick
Deacon Michael J. Kubiak
Deacon Francis B. Burke, Retired

Director of Religious Education
Marykate Murphy
School Principal
Mrs. Joanne Montie
Parish Business Manager
Robert J. Helmig
Administrative Secretary
Helen V. Kraus
Parish Music Coordinator
Dorothy Toomey

MOST HOLY TRINITY

We say "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit," not in the *names* of the Father, Son, and Spirit. For God, though three persons, is One. This is perhaps the most central mystery of our faith. Today we have the opportunity to reflect on the reality that God, though One, was able to send the Son and the Holy Spirit to us, to save us and to be with us forever.

Parish Information

NEW FAMILIES

Welcome to St. Bernadette Parish! To register in the parish, please come to the rectory on Sunday mornings between 9:00am and 12:00noon. 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. CCD classes are held in the parish school for all students attending public school. CCD 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.

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

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

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

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

HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE takes place in the chapel on the last Sunday of the month at 7:00pm.

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

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP meets in the chapel every Tuesday at 7:30pm - call Tom Fitzgerald at 610-446-3667.

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.

ST. BERNADETTE MARTHAS AND A JOSEPH are a dedicated group who clean the church every Thursday after the 8:30am Mass; new volunteers always welcome—call Johanna Ryan at 484-988-2414.

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 amdhillkofc@gmail.com

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meetings are held ever 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 place in bags and left in the vestibules of church. Any monetary donations or donations of gift cards should be sent to Fr. Papa. If you have a question, call the Food Pantry at 610-789-7676 ext. 213.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, May 26
4:30pm Michael Marinelli

Sunday, May 27
7:00am Living & Deceased of St. Bernadette Parish
9:00am William Bowen
11:00am Vincent Salomone (1s Anniv.)

Monday, May 28
8:30am Paul Varricchio

Tuesday, May 29
8:30am Deceased Members of Miller Family

Wednesday, May 30
8:30am Leo & Sally Kurdziel

Thursday, May 31 - Visitation of Blessed Virgin Mary
8:30am Antoinette Ritchie & Judith Ritchie Freind

Friday, June 1 - St. Justin
4:00pm Monica C. Joyce

Saturday, June 2
4:30pm James Dougherty

Sunday, June 3
8:00am Peg Fitzgerald (3rd Anniv.)
10:00am Luigi & Theresa Prescenza

PLEASE NOTE . . .
The Summer Mass schedule will begin the weekend of June 2-3.
During the Summer, Masses will be at 4:30pm on Saturday and at 8:00am and 10:00am on Sunday.
This schedule will continue through Labor Day Weekend (September 1-2).

FOR YOUR SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

This week's readings are:
First Reading - Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40
Second Reading - Romans 8:14-17
Gospel - Matthew 28:16-20

Next week's readings will be:
First Reading - Exodus 24:3-8
Second Reading - Hebrews 9:11-15
Gospel - Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 28 Memorial Day Holiday - **rectory closed**
June 3 Pastoral Visit - Bishop McIntyre (10am Mass)

PRE-JORDAN CLASS

BAPTISM

Baptisms are held at 12 noon on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month (**Since the Summer Mass Schedule begins on Sunday, June 3, Baptisms in June, July and August will take place at 11:00am**). Parents must attend a Pre-Jordan class (if they have not previously attended a class) held in the Wright Center at 12 noon on the first Sunday of every other month. **The next class is Sunday, June 3.** Registration is required. To register, call the rectory office at 610/789-7676 ext. 101.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY MARRIED

Taylor & Jennifer (Carney) Danaher

PASTORAL VISIT

The Most Reverend John J. McIntyre
Sunday, June 3

Bishop McIntyre will be visiting our parish for a pastoral visit on Sunday, June 3. He will be celebrating the 10am Mass on Sunday and will greet parishioners in O'Brien Hall immediately following the Mass. While we can appreciate that this is a very busy time of the year, we hope that you will make every effort to attend the Mass and/or reception while Bishop McIntyre is here. Thank you — hope to see you next Sunday!

BERNADETTE SOCIAL CLUB

Fun for Seniors

The St. Bernadette Seniors meet in the Wright Center for lunch at 12:30pm (doors open at 12 noon) on the **second Friday of the month**. We are an over 55 group, and new members are always welcome. **Our next meeting is Friday, June 8. This will be our last meeting until September.** Please call Pat Lyons at 610-789-2516 for more information. Have a wonderful and safe summer.

Mass intentions are still available for 2018 and can be scheduled at the rectory during regular business hours. What a wonderful way to remember a deceased loved one on their birthday, anniversary of death, etc. Mass intentions can also be made for "special intentions" designated for the living.

FINANCIAL FACTS
Envelopes Mailed Out in May, 2018 -- 1,237

Sunday, May 20, 2018
Envelopes Used: 255
Weekly: $10,177 vs Target of $15,000 **(a)**
$8,203 Collection + $1,974 Parish Giving
Mass Attendance: 692
Poor Box: $131

Sunday, May 21, 2017
Envelopes Used: 316
Weekly: $13,264 vs Target of $15,000 **(a)**
$11,154 Collection + $2,110 Parish Giving
Mass Attendance: 767
Poor Box: $110

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

As followers of Christ Jesus, we are reminded that all things including life itself are a gift from God. What matters to God is not the gift, but the giver. Giving is God's invitation to a way of life. It helps us to overcome our selfishness and love of things. What we do with what we have been given is a sign to God and to the world of the depth and meaning of our commitment. By recalling that all is gift, we therefore must strive to be generous with the financial gifts, both great and small, that God has bestowed upon us. Thank you for your support and your generosity to God and to St. Bernadette Parish. St. Bernadette Parish has enlisted ***Parish Giving*** to provide its parishioners and supporters with the opportunity to use Electronic Funds Transfer as an alternative method for giving. **The Program is free of charge for parishioners.** More information about Parish Giving is available on our Parish web site: **www.stbl.org** on the "Parish Giving" page.

SUMMER VACATION IS FAST APPROACHING
DON'T FORGET YOUR PARISH

Summer vacation time will be here soon and many of us will be going away with our families to enjoy fun and relaxation. Unfortunately, the bills at St. Bernadette's never take a vacation. Salaries still need to be paid, electric bills need to be paid, etc. There are several ways you can continue to support your Parish even though you might be away:

- **Mail your Sunday Offering to the Rectory;**
- **Use Parish Giving at www.stbl.org to contribute via debit or credit card;**
- **Use your bank's online payment system to send your offering, or**
- **Double-up on your offering before you go away or when you return.**

Thanks to everyone, in advance, for your support. We hope everyone has a happy and healthy summer.

St. Vincent De Paul
Serving those in Need

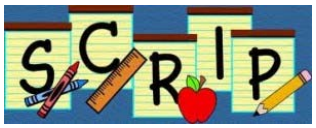
St. Bernadette Parish will be hosting a clothing drive to benefit the Society of St. Vincent de Paul on **Saturday, June 23 from 9am to 2pm**. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be using the services of GreenDrop to support their clothing drive. Look for the GreenDrop truck in the school parking lot where an attendant will be available to assist you with your donations.

Please place your donations of usable men's, women's and children's clothing in plastic bags or boxes. Household items such as: kitchenware, games/toys, small appliances under 50 pounds, electronics, sporting goods, books, CDs & videos are also accepted. Unfortunately, furniture, large appliances, TVs or computer monitors cannot be accepted.

For a full list of acceptable items or to learn more about GreenDrop visit www.gogreendrop.com

BABY BOTTLE DRIVE for MOTHER'S HOME

Can you help a mother and baby in need? Please join us as we continue with the Baby Bottle Drive. Simply fill them with change or place a check in the bottle then return them to church at any Mass on Father's Day weekend (June 16 and 17). All proceeds benefit the Mother's Home in Darby. The Mother's Home provides housing and care for mothers and their babies who are experiencing a crisis pregnancy. Please help us help them.



ST. BERNADETTE GROCERY CLUB AND NATIONAL SCRIP PROGRAMS

Scrip is a way to save money on St. Bernadette School tuition, CCD registration and high school tuition. For Grocery Scrip, 4% is returned on every dollar spent at Acme, FreshGrocer, Giant, Pathmark, SuperFresh, Kohl's, Swiss Farms and Colonial Village and can be purchased by anyone. Grocery scrip is available daily for purchase from the home sellers:

- Megan Kearney 610-446-4219
- Karen Rollo 610-789-1531
- Carolyn Frank 610-220-8716
- On Monday from 6:30pm – 8pm in the school gym (When CCD is in session)

Our National Scrip Program includes gift cards to hundreds of retailers, airlines & restaurants providing a 3% tuition voucher for every dollar spent. This scrip is ordered through Megan Kearney. For a complete list of participating companies, go to www.st-Bernadette-org.

If you have any questions, call Megan Kearney at mbkearney95@verizon.net or 610-446-4219.

ST. BERNADETTE SCHOOL
What's Happening

From the 5th Grade

The 5th grade has been engaged in a wide variety of exciting activities these past few months. In the fall, the 5th graders submitted an essay and video on the topic of Congressional and Supreme Court term limits for the Citizenship Challenge organized by the Rendell Center for Civics and Civic Engagement. The 5th grade won 3rd place in the Citizenship Challenge among over 250 submissions. They wrote and performed a skit and answered questions from a panel of judges, including Former Governor Ed Rendell and Judge Marjorie Rendell. As a result of their 3rd place finish, the students were also invited to participate in a Literature-Based Mock Trial about the book *Shiloh*. The students wrote the script for the trial and played the role of lawyers, witnesses, the defendant and jury in the Philadelphia Courthouse with Judge Marjorie Rendell presiding.

The 5th grade also worked on STEM projects using K'nex in order to build an eco-friendly vehicle that could overcome an obstacle.

The 5th grade hosted an International Day at the school. Students conducted research about different countries and created impressive displays of food, landmarks, souvenirs, maps, animals, and more to teach the school about different cultures in our world.

MOTHER'S MORNING OUT

Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday 9:00am — 11:30am
For pre-school age children at least two years of age.
Must be two by September 1, 2018
Supervised Free-Play Time, Prayer and Snack Time,
Coloring Time, Exercise and Song Time
We Change Diapers!! Classes held in the Wright Center
Maximum class size - 12 children with two instructors
Now accepting registrations for September 2018
Registration forms can be found on the
school website: st-bernadette.org

ALTAR SERVERS

We invite any students in grade 5 or older to join the Altar Servers. Our plan is to host a meeting for all current and future altar servers to discuss this wonderful and fulfilling ministry. If you have any questions please contact Deacon Mike Kubiak at deacon.mike.kubiak@comcast.net or 484-432-9898.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK - Fred Amatucci, Joe Anderson, Joseph Anthony, Tommy Bellenghi, Pamela Bower, Joseph Bradley, Marie Bree, Jarod Callan, Theresa Caputo, Michael Carroll, Elaine Cole, Dennis Conway, Dave Costella, Charlie Craig, Barbara Cunningham, Vinnie D'Ambrosio, Ann Davis, Laurel Dee, Michael DeEmilio, Joan DiJoseph, Christopher DiMarto, Gabriella DiSaverio, Julia Donohue, Darrin Dougherty, Dawn Dougherty, Michael Dougherty, James Drumm, Jeff Dudley, Ed Dugan, Jack Dunn, Bernie Dupras, Jason Durkee, Jeffrey Edwards, William Egbert, Marie Feola, Patrick Flanigan, Emily Flynn, Jerry Flynn, Joe Flynn, Sherry Fon, Toni Fonzo, Walt Forsyth, Sr. Rose Foulk, Maggie Franz, John Gavin, Dolores Georeno, Christine Grosso, Joan Grycewicz, Rachel Hagan, Christian Hampton, Kim Hayman, Lizzy Hennessy, Judith Holmes, Baby Lila Holmes, Christopher Hunt, Frank Iacone, John Ingle, Ashley Juliano, David Kasella, Thomas Laskey, Wilmer Lehman, Steven Little, Betsy Long, Michele Malolie, Elaine Marino, Michael Marino, Dalton Martin, Kathy Martin, Larry Martin, James Maynard, Neil McClelland, Helene McCole, Karen McIlvaine, Barbara McLaughlin, Theresa Merlini, Leo Miller, Jerry Misterman, Bob & Janice Molluro, Bridget Morris, Charlie Morris, Dan Murphy, Matthew Nicholas, Sydney Nihill, Sr. Eleanor O'Connell, SJ, Carmen Pettin, Leslie Pogwist, Pearl Polto, Sharon Pozzuolo, Michele Re, Dan Rock, Mimi & Rich Rogge, Anna Rokos, Kathi Rosenberry, Evelyn Runk, Rev. Michael Scuderi, Michael Shane, Bridget Sharpe, Marion Sloan, Rob Smith, Kristin Sorrentino, Caroline Tamaccio, Emily Tong, Mario Turchiarolo, Carol Tyson, Jim Tyson, Dan Visintin, Annie Walker 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.

"FROM DEFIANCE TO RELIANCE: NAVIGATING YOUR SPIRITUAL LIFE AMIDST THE CHAOS OF ADDICTIONS"

Gethsemani Way - Uniting Catholics To Fight Addictions

Join us for a 24-hour spiritual healing retreat sponsored by Malvern Retreat House and Gethsemani Way, June 22-23. This retreat is for men and women seeking help for themselves, loved ones, family, spouse or family. It is an ecumenical retreat. Register: online at malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400. For more information on the retreat, contact Mark Christmyer at mchristmyer@parish.stnorbert.org

"The United States and the freedom for which it stands, the freedom for which they died, must endure and prosper. Their lives remind us that freedom is not bought cheaply. It has a cost; it imposes a burden."

--Ronald Reagan, Memorial Day speech, 1982

BURRS AT THE BEACH

The 31st Annual Burrs at the Beach celebration, presented by the Alumni and friends of West Philadelphia Catholic High school, will be held — rain or shine — on Sunday, June 24 from 1pm until 7pm at THE INLET ON OLDE (formerly Westy's Irish Pub), in North Wildwood. Proceeds assist needy Catholic students with tuition financial support.

Tickets are $20 in advance ($25 day of affair). For tickets and/or information, please contact Tom Dorian '61 at 484-431-0781 or Peg Sheffield Panichelli '65 at 610-420-0987.

VISITATION NUNS

5820 City Avenue
Philadelphia

The Visitation Nuns cordially invite you to their annual Sacred Heart Novena of Masses at 7:30pm from Thursday, May 31 through Friday, June 8 — the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart.

Rev. Stephen P. DeLacy will conduct the Novena. Since it was a Visitation Nun, St Margaret Mary Alacoque of the Monastery of Paray-le-Monial, France, who received the great Revelations of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Visitation Nuns throughout the world honor the Heart of Christ in a special manner, particularly by an annual public novena.

MALVERN RETREAT HOUSE

Friday, June 8 at 6:00pm to Saturday, June 9 at 6:00pm
Be A Man: A 24-hour Men's Retreat
with Fr. Larry Richards

Father Larry Richards has been a priest since 1989 for the Diocese of Erie, PA. He is the author of "Be a Man! Becoming the Man God Created You to Be", a #1 best seller for Ignatius Press, having sold over 100,000 copies. Be sure to register early as we expect an early full-house.
Location: Malvern Retreat House, Main Retreat House
Cost: $160.00 per person – single occupancy
Register: malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400

Saturday, June 9 at 6:30pm to Sunday June 10 at 2:30pm
The Catholic Alternative to Mindfulness
A 24 Hour Retreat

Mindfulness has come a long way from its days as an obscure Buddhist meditation technique known only to monks and a few New Age enthusiasts to what it is now—one of the hottest new spiritual practices of our day. Do We Need Mindfulness to be Mindful? Sue Brinkmann answers! As a Third Order Carmelite and researcher of that which is New Age, Brinkmann presents a compelling, authentic teaching from a Christian perspective.
Location: Our Lady's Hall, Malvern Retreat House
Cost: $150.00 per person includes accommodations and all meals.
Register: malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400.