

# St. Bernadette Catholic Church

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## PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday (Vigil) 5:00pm  
Sunday 8:30am, 10:15am  
12:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:00pm

### WEEKDAY MASSES

#### MORNING MASSES:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,  
Friday 8:00am  
Saturday 9:00am

#### EVENING MASS:

Wednesday 7:30pm

## PARISH CONFESSIONS

Wednesdays  
6:15pm-7:15pm  
Fridays  
8:30am-9:30am  
Saturdays  
3:45pm-4:45pm

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Fridays  
8:30am-12:00pm  
All Other Fridays  
8:30am-9:30am

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

### WEEKDAYS:

Monday - Thursday  
9:00am-4:30pm

Friday  
9:00am-4:30pm  
(Phone calls only)

*Weekdays closed for lunch  
12:30-1:30pm*

### WEEKENDS:

Saturday 9:00am-12:00pm

### WELCOME DESK:

Before and after Saturday  
Vigil, and Sunday morning  
Masses

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Dear Friends,

We refer to Pentecost as the “birthday of the Church” because it was the very moment that the frail, weak, altogether ordinary and very human Apostles and disciples, guided and strengthened by the Lord – took on the mission for themselves. We celebrate our birthdays as a milestone event(s) in our lives, recognizing that if it weren’t for our parents – we wouldn’t be here. With Jesus the Church wouldn’t be here in the same way – but this is a big deal! Pentecost is a living reality continuing through each of us.

This weekend we also give thanks for the many parish volunteers we honoured on Saturday evening. Their generosity, service, and love for the Church are visible signs of the Holy Spirit at work in our parish family. Every ministry, every quiet act of kindness, every person who gives of themselves helps build up the Body of Christ.

One of the most important spiritual lessons of Pentecost is this: we must remain open to the Holy Spirit. God desires to work in us and through us—but the Spirit does not force His way into our lives. We must be willing to listen, to trust, and to say “yes” to where He is leading us. The Holy Spirit brings courage where there is fear, hope where there is discouragement, and joy where there is weariness. When we stay open to the Spirit, we become more faithful disciples and a stronger parish community.

May this Pentecost renew our hearts and help us continue moving forward together with faith, gratitude, and hope.

Affectionately in the Lord,

*Fr. Chris*

## PARISH TEAM

<b>Pastor:</b>	Father Chris Lemieux	<a href="mailto:pastor@stbernajax.com">pastor@stbernajax.com</a>
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## SACRAMENTS

**Baptisms:** A mandatory Baptism class must be attended, and all required registration forms must be completed. Please contact the Parish Office by phone or email at [office@stbernajax.com](mailto:office@stbernajax.com)

**First Confession/Communion, Confirmation:** Please contact our Lay Pastoral Associate.

**Christian Initiation of Adults:** For adults requiring Baptism, Confirmation, or reception into the Catholic Church, please contact our Lay Pastoral Associate.

**Christian Initiation of Young People:** For young people ages 7 to 16. Age-appropriate classes are offered to help young people receive all Sacraments of Initiation. Please contact our Lay Pastoral Associate.

**Marriage:** Please contact the Parish Office one year in advance. One of the priests will arrange an appointment with you.

**Sacrament of the Sick:** Please contact the Parish Office immediately.

## REGISTER AT OUR PARISH

Welcome to St. Bernadette's! Register to fully participate, access sacraments, connect with our community, and help us serve you better. [Click here to register](#) today!

## PRAYING FOR OUR PEOPLE



Praying for one another is an important part of our Christian Discipleship, the mission entrusted to us by Jesus.

We pray for all those who are sick in our parish, for: **Violet Azavedo, Anne Sinclair,**

**and Albertina Caruso.**

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Mary Suzanne Andrews, Luis Lopez, Keith Ramdeen, Camilla Parks and Alfred Blakeley.**

If you would like to be prayed for, please email us at [office@stbernajax.com](mailto:office@stbernajax.com), or call the office.

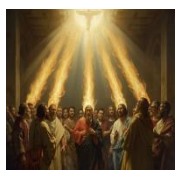
## ANNIVERSARIES

If you are a registered member of St Bernadette's and will be celebrating a wedding anniversary we would love to celebrate and witness your marriage as a parish community. Please contact the Parish Office with your names and upcoming anniversary dates.

**This month, we celebrate with:**

May 5	Michael & Prasadi	(14 yrs)
May 7	David & Dianne Valentim	(32 yrs)
May 8	Anne & Frank Bakermans	(44 yrs)
May 12	Father Chris Lemieux	(14 yrs)
May 13	Father Sean Jacob	(3 yrs)
May 14	John & Anne Nazareth	(54 yrs)
May 16	Manuel & Evelyn Umali	(56 yrs)
May 18	Arlene & Rufino Malabanan	(18 yrs)
May 18	Denise & Bill Fox	(52 yrs)
May 22	Grant & Suzanne Andrews	(61 yrs)
May 23	Julian & Sylvia Benedict	(27 yrs)
May 24	Ron & Rita Vaz	(37 yrs)
May 25	Kaweem & Marisa Hall	(14 yrs)
May 25	Deacon Ron Vaz	(2 yrs)
May 29	Egbe & Kelvin Omoregie	(5 yrs)
May 29	Floro & Immaculada Dabu	(50 yrs)
May 30	Dezwig & Bapsy Fernandes	(62 yrs)
May 31	Gwynn & Miguel Ramirez	(1 yr)

## PENTECOST BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION



Pentecost commemorates the "birthday" of the Church. As we celebrate this joyful feast this weekend, please join us for cake and fellowship following the Sunday 8:30am, 10:15am, 12:00pm, and 5:00pm

Masses in the Parish Hall.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday May 23

500pm + Nat Noronha

### Sunday May 24

830am + Ranee Raja

1200pm Missa Pro Populo

500pm + Jack Cooke

700pm + The Pinto Family

### Monday May 25

800am + Desmond Grieve

### Tuesday May 26

800am + Perfeita Dias

### Wednesday May 27

730pm + Souls in purgatory that have no one to pray for them

+ Carlos Oliveira

+ Rosa Edo

+ Phyl Birch

+ Antonietta Falcone

### Thursday May 28

8:00am + John Early

### Friday May 29

8:00am ~ Wedding anniversary of Floro Dabu Jr. & Emma Dabu

### Saturday May 30

9:00am + Jean - Marie Leduc

+ Luis Lopez

~ Members of Legion of Mary

~ In thanksgiving for Dezwig & Bapsy

Fernandes

## UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Next weekend, **May 30 and 31**, our second collection, taken at the time of the Offertory, is for ShareLife. If you miss the collection during Mass, a basket will also be available at the back of the church following Mass.

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY

### COMMUNION

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion training and refresher sessions will be held in the Church on the following dates:

**Sunday May 31, 2:00pm-3:30pm**

**Friday June 5, 6:00pm-7:30pm**

**Saturday June 6, 11:00am-12:30pm**

We invite and encourage all ministers who currently serve, as well as parishioners interested in serving in this ministry, to attend one of these sessions. We hope many will take this opportunity to participate.

## FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

JUNIOR EDGE (Grades 1-4) | 6:30pm-8:00pm

**Monday May 25 – The Final Battle**

EDGE (Grades 5-8) | 7:00pm-8:30pm

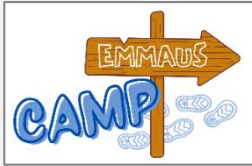
**Friday June 12 – Flame Keeper**

SUMMIT (Grades 9-12) | 6:00pm-8:30pm

**Sunday May 24 – I am the Bread of Life (Pt. 2)**

## SUMMER CAMPS 2026

### PARISH SUMMER CAMP



This July, we launch a new Parish SUMMER CAMP which features two weeks of camp faith-filled fun! CAMP EMMAUS features a walk with Jesus as His disciples

with large group games, stem-based activities, crafts, no-bake cooking, outdoor play, and more! Choose one week or both weeks – each week features a different curriculum!

### Summer Camp & Dates:

Day Program for Grades 1-6

WEEK ONE: July 6-10 | 9am-3pm

WEEK TWO: July 20-24 | 9am-3pm

Evening Program for Grades 7-12

WEEK ONE: July 6-10 | 6pm-9pm

WEEK TWO: July 20-24 | 6pm-9pm

### Participant Registration fees:

Day Program | Register here: <https://bit.ly/4IPdI7I>

ONE WEEK: \$100/child | \$70 for additional siblings

BOTH WEEKS: \$170/child | \$140 for additional siblings

Evening Program | Register here: <https://bit.ly/3PsjQGJ>

ONE WEEK: \$30/youth

TWO WEEKS: \$60/youth

Payment may be made by cash, cheque (payable to St. Bernadette Parish), or credit/debit at the Parish Office.

## ALTAR SERVERS FUND RAISER



Altar Servers International Food Festival will be held on **Sunday May 31**, following Sunday 8:30am, 10:15am, and 12:00pm Masses in the Hall. Enjoy worldwide dishes while supporting our Altar Servers Ministry. For more information contact: Brayden Sarang: [braydenms2009@gmail.com](mailto:braydenms2009@gmail.com) 289-892-3457  
Darian Sarang: [dariansarang17@gmail.com](mailto:dariansarang17@gmail.com) 289-892-7990

## ROAD CLOSURE NOTICE

On **Saturday June 6**, due to the Ajax Parade from 1:00pm–2:00pm, roads around the church will be closed from 12:45pm.

## AROUND THE PARISH

### Sunday, May 24

Sunday Masses 8:30am, 10:15am, 12:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:00pm

Pentecost Birthday Celebration following 8:30am, 10:15am, 12:00pm, and 5:00pm Masses (Hall)

10:15am Children's Liturgy (Hall)

6:00pm SUMMIT Night (Hall)

### Monday, May 25

8:00am Mass

11:00am Funeral - Luis Lopez

6:30pm Junior EDGE (Hall)

### Tuesday, May 26

8:00am Mass

11:00am Senior's Luncheon (Hall)

1:45pm Legion of Mary (Council Room)

### Wednesday, May 27

7:30am Notre Dame CSS - Chapel Mass (School)

6:15pm Confession

7:30pm Mass

### Thursday, May 28

8:00am Mass

6:15pm Choir practice for 12:00pm (Church)

6:30pm Vitality Ministry Meeting (Council Room)

### Friday, May 29

8:00am Mass

8:30am Adoration

8:30am Confession

9:30am Our Lady of Victory Rosary Makers (Hall)

7:00pm Jesus Youth (Hall)

### Saturday, May 30

9:00am Mass

3:45pm Confession

5:00pm Mass

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