



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-9:15am
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

St. Bernadette Catholic Church

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 13, 2026

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Dear friends,

This weekend we celebrate Welcome Back Weekend and the beginning of another exciting ministry year at St. Bernadette Parish!

Our hope for this year is about much more than programs and activities. We want our parish to be a place where each of us grows in our love of Christ and love of neighbour—and where everyone can experience a genuine sense of belonging and community.

This year, we are taking another step forward. Coffee Sunday will take place every Sunday, and our Soubirous Café will be open most weekends, giving us more opportunities to linger after Mass, meet someone new, renew friendships, and simply enjoy being together as a parish family.

Building a vibrant parish community takes all of us. Our Parish Vitality Ministry will continue finding new ways to welcome and connect people—and we need your help!

I encourage you to come and see the many ways you can become involved. Perhaps this is the year God is inviting you to take one new step.

There is much to look forward to. Let us continue building a joyful, welcoming and faith-filled parish community—together!

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Chris

PARISH TEAM

Pastor:

Father Chris Lemieux

Associate Pastor:

Father Sean Jacob

Deacon Assistant:

Deacon Ron Vaz

Office Administrator:

Aquila D'Costa

Family Life Coordinator:

Monika Matelski

Youth Minister:

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SACRAMENTS

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

First Confession/Communion, Confirmation: Please contact the Parish Office.

Christian Initiation of Adults: For adults requiring Baptism, Confirmation, or reception into the Catholic Church, please contact the Parish Office.

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 the Parish Office.

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. If you live outside of our parish boundaries but worship here, registration is key for official requests. [Click here to register](#) today!

PRAYING FOR OUR PEOPLE



We pray for all those who are sick in our parish, for: **Violet Azavedo, Anne Sinclair, Albertina Caruso, Maura D'Costa, Sylvia Mondal, and Peter Dwyer.**

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Francia Bartolome, Flordeliza Petalver, and Rachel Barry.**

ANNIVERSARIES

If you are a registered member of St. Bernadette's, we would love to celebrate and witness the anniversary of your marriage as a parish community. Please contact the Parish Office or Welcome Desk, with your anniversary dates.

This month we celebrate with:

Sep 1	Ron & Ada Larock	(43 yrs)
Sep 4	Marcia & Bruno De Jesus	(5 yrs)
Sep 4	Harry & Sylvia Prabhu	(49 yrs)
Sep 6	Janet Lee Martell & Terence Winter	(1 yr)
Sep 8	Malcolm & Gillian Victor	(36 yrs)
Sep 9	Deo & Che Cruz	(31 yrs)
Sep 9	Maria & Anesley Seevaratnam	(20 yrs)
Sep 22	Carlos & Maria Da Silva	(42 yrs)
Sep 23	Kresstine Fernando & Nirmal Patel	(9 yrs)
Sep 25	Daniel & Susana O'Shea	(27 yrs)

WELCOME BACK WEEKEND!



SEPT 12TH — 13TH



Welcome Back Weekend Is Here! We're back and ready to move forward together.

Our **Ministry Expo** is open and showcasing the incredible work that happens when we pool our talents. Don't miss this opportunity to reconnect with friends and discover new ways to contribute. Whether you can lend a hand occasionally or commit to a regular role, there's a place for you.

Enjoy **BBQ** after the Saturday 5pm Mass, **Breakfast** after the Sunday 8:30am, 10:15am and Noon Masses, and a **Coffee Social** after the Sunday 5pm Mass.

We look forward to welcoming you this weekend as we join together in our shared mission, bringing others closer to Christ. A suggested donation of \$8 per person or \$20 per family for the BBQ or Breakfast is appreciated.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 12

5:00pm ~ Maria Theresa Vu

Sunday, September 13

8:30am + Curtis Yecla

12:00pm Missa Pro Populo

5:00pm + Allan D'Souza

7:00pm + Victor Doliveira

Monday, September 14

8:00am + Michael Ruel

Tuesday, September 15

8:00am + Verónica Ego-Aguirre

Wednesday, September 16

7:30pm + Jaime Villafuerte

+ Marge Gillespie

~ Rita's family

Thursday, September 17

8:00am ~ In thanksgiving for Romeo Paguio

Friday, September 18

8:00am ~ Barb Poulin

Saturday, September 19

9:00am + Consuelo Madrid

+ Julian Patrick Ireland

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

~ In thanksgiving for the Mathew family

SOUBIROUS CAFÉ OPENS SEPT 20



We are pleased to launch our **Soubirous Café** on **Sunday September 20**, after 8:30am, 10:15am, and Noon Masses, in the Parish Hall. Building on the spirit of our Coffee Sundays, the café offers a welcoming place for faith, fellowship, and community.

The café will be open most Sundays, except on holiday weekends. Coffee, tea, hot chocolate, and juice are complimentary, with a small fee for treats.

Stay a little longer after Mass, enjoy a refreshment, and connect with fellow parishioners.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY



Children's Liturgy will resume on **Sunday September 27** during the 10:15am Mass. We invite our youngest parishioners (toddlers to age 9) to attend these engaging sessions which present the Sunday Mass readings through skits, activities, songs, or crafts.

HURONIA HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE



Saturday September 26, 2026

Pilgrimage to the Canadian Martyrs' Shrine

Only a few spots remaining!

Celebrate the Shrine's 100th anniversary and 400 years since St. Jean de Brébeuf arrived in Huronia. Includes visits to see Martyrdom sites, Mass and free time at Martyrs' Shrine.

7:45am departure | 6:30pm return | \$50 per person
Register and pay at the Parish Office or Welcome Desk.

Pilgrimage Parking Notice: Please note that the school parking lot will be closed on Saturday, September 26 due to a fundraiser. Pilgrims are asked not to park in the school lot. The lot is expected to reopen around 4:30 – 5:00pm.

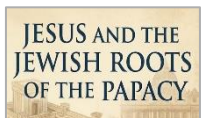
THAT MAN IS YOU!



The Revelation of the Father calls men to discover the heart of God the Father reflected in their own hearts. Through food, fellowship, and faith, men are invited to grow in heroic love, faithful commitment, and spiritual fatherhood. Join us **Saturday mornings starting September 19, from 7:30am to 9:00am** in the Parish Hall. Scan the QR code to register. For questions, contact David Ellis at 647-992-8524 or davidfellis2012@gmail.com. All men are welcome!



FAITH STUDIES



Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Papacy

Monday, September 21 at 9:30am

Join us for a video presentation by Brant Pitre exploring Jesus' words to Peter and the Jewish roots of the papacy. Discover how ancient Jewish tradition sheds new light on Scripture and the foundation of the Church. All are welcome!

CATHOLIC MOM'S GROUP



The Catholic Mom's Group is a ministry geared towards uplifting the vocation of motherhood. It really does take a village to raise children and as moms, we are not meant to figure it out all on our own. Connect and pray with catholic moms in the parish! Put your feet up with a cup of tea and feel encouraged and refreshed! We meet monthly starting **September 30th**.

For more information, including time and location, please contact Cathy Haynes at haynes.cathy@gmail.com

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

INFORMATION SESSIONS & REGISTRATION

Registration for the Sacraments **is now open**. Parents must attend an Information Session held in the parish hall. Registration should be completed with all the requirements submitted at the same time (preferably at the Information Sessions). Registration forms are now available on our parish website, Welcome Desk, and the parish office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION INFO SESSIONS

Thurs. Oct. 1 at 6pm

Sat. Oct. 3 at 10am

Requirements:

- Registration Form
- Baptism Certificate
- Registration Fee \$60

CONFIRMATION INFO SESSIONS

Thurs. Oct. 1 at 7:30pm

Sat. Oct. 3 at 11:30am

Requirements:

- Registration Form
- Baptism Certificate
- First Holy Communion Certificate
- Registration Fee \$100

All questions may be directed to Monika Matelski at family@stbernajax.com or 905-683-1533 X-203.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul sincerely thanks everyone for the generous donations in support of our "Bundle Up" drive. Your support makes a real difference, helping individuals and families in our community.

HARVEST DINNER



The Parish Vitality ministry will be hosting a Harvest Dinner on **Saturday October 17, at 6:30pm**, in the Parish Hall. Tickets are now available at the Parish Office and Welcome Desk.

Cost: Adults \$30, and Kids \$20 (*ages of 6-12 years old*).

For more information, please contact Linda Sarang at 416-523-2062, linda4791@gmail.com or Julia Beattie at 905-683-1373.

PARISH MINISTRIES & GROUPS

There is a place for everyone at St. Bernadette Parish! Interested in learning more? Contact the Parish Office, visit us at the Welcome Desk, or complete our [Volunteer Form](#). Our Volunteer Coordinator will follow up with you to answer questions, connect you with ministries and groups, and help you find a place that best matches your interests.

Liturgical Ministries

Altar Servers	Baptism Coordinators
Choir – Saturday 5:00pm	Communion to the Homebound – Private Homes
Choir – Sunday 8:30am	Communion to Retirement & Long-Term Care
Choir (Children) – Sunday 10:15am	Eucharistic Ministers
Choir – Sunday 12:00pm	Lectors
Choir – Sunday 5:00pm	Ministry of Hospitality
Choir – Sunday 7:00pm	Wedding Coordinators

Faith Formation Ministries

Bible Study	Confirmation
Faith Studies	First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion
Christian Initiation of Adults	Marriage Preparation
Christian Initiation of Young People	

Youth Ministries

Jr. EDGE Youth Ministry	SUMMIT Teen Ministry
EDGE Youth Ministry	Jesus Youth
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd	Children's Liturgy

Faith, Family, Fellowship & Service

Catholic Mom's Group	Legion of Mary
Catholic Women's Group	Parish Vitality
Collection Counters	Quo Vadis
Flowers & Decorating	Rosary Makers
Funeral Receptions	Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Gardening Committee	Soubirous Café
Helping Hands	That Man Is You
Hope & Life for Widows	Volunteer Screening
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MINISTRY EXPO

COME, SEE & GET INVOLVED!



SATURDAY BBQ

FOLLOWING THE 5 PM MASS



SUNDAY BREAKFAST

FOLLOWING THE MORNING MASSES



COFFEE SOCIAL

FOLLOWING THE 5 PM MASS

SUGGESTED DONATION: \$8 PER PERSON | \$20 PER FAMILY

Donations will be collected at the entrance to the hall.

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