



# 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,

This weekend we celebrate the great feast of the Lord's Ascension—a feast that fills us with hope. As Jesus ascends to the Father, He doesn't abandon the people He came to save – but He entrusts us with a mission – blessing them and promising the Holy Spirit.

The Ascension reminds us that our hope is not wishful thinking, but the well-founded confidence that God is faithful and that He fulfills every promise He makes.

As disciples of Jesus, we are called to live with that same hope—to keep our eyes fixed on heaven while our feet remain firmly planted in the mission before us.

This past weekend, we shared our Annual Stewardship Report, and I encourage you to take time to review it. It's a beautiful reminder of the many blessings God has poured out upon our parish family. Through your faith, generosity, and willingness to serve, we continue to grow together as a vibrant community of missionary disciples.

There's much to be grateful for—growth in sacramental life, parish engagement, youth ministry, outreach, and so many ways we build up the Body of Christ.

As the Lord ascends, He sends us forward with confidence. Let us continue to share the gifts God has entrusted to us and move into the future with gratitude, faith, and hope.

Yours in Christ,

*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 25	Kaweem & Marisa Hall	(14 yrs)
May 29	Egbe & Kelvin Omoregie	(5 yrs)
May 29	Floro & Immaculada Dabu	(50 yrs)
May 30	Dezwing & Bapsy Fernandes	(62 yrs)

## PENTECOST BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION



Pentecost commemorates the "birthday" of the Church and so as we celebrate this special day, we will enjoy cake and fellowship after Sunday 8:30am, 10:15am, 12:00pm, and 5:00pm Masses in the Hall.

## PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed on Victoria Day, **Monday May 18. Mass will begin at 9:00am.**

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday May 16

500pm ~ In thanksgiving for the wedding anniversary of Manny & Evelyn Umali

### Sunday May 17

830am + Fred Blakeley  
1200pm Missa Pro Populo  
500pm + Carolyn Bell  
700pm + Benito M. Bautista Jr.

### Monday May 18

900am + Antonio Patulot

### Tuesday May 19

800am + Walstan Ann

### Wednesday May 20

730pm + Cline Pearson  
+ Jaime Menendez  
~ Fr. Sean Jacob  
~ Margaret Vukelich  
~ In thanksgiving for Betty Bujold

### Thursday May 21

8:00am + Robert St. Denis

### Friday May 22

8:00am ~ Rev. Basil O'Sullivan

### Saturday May 23

9:00am + Dylan Gilmour  
+ Marie Doliveira  
+ Walter J. Cook  
+ Dora Jerry  
~ John & Anne Nazareth

## SENIOR'S LUNCHEON



The Catholic Women's Group will be hosting a Senior's Luncheon on **Tuesday May 26, at 12:00pm**. Come out for a lovely afternoon of fellowship and fun.

Tickets cost \$10 per person; it includes one Bingo card. Purchase tickets at the Welcome Desk or Parish Office. Everyone is welcome—bring a friend!

## UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

This Sunday (May 17th) our second collection (offered at the time of the Offertory) is for the Pope's Pastoral Works. If you forget to drop it, a collection basket will be at the back of the church after Mass.

Last Sunday (May 10th) our second collection was for the DCDSB Children's Foundation – which helps children and schools in need in our region. With Mother's Day and the Stewardship Report, these events overshadowed this collection. Please drop donations in the Offertory (envelopes are with ushers and in the pews). We will hold off on submitting these donations until the end of May.

## 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 May 22 – Radiate**

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



Take your taste buds on a world tour to the Altar Servers International Food Festival on **Sunday May 31**, in the Parish Hall following the Sunday 8:30am, 10:15am, and 12:00pm Masses. Enjoy delicious dishes from around

the world while helping raise funds for our Altar Servers Ministry.

For more information please contact:

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## AROUND THE PARISH

### Sunday, May 17

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

10:15am Children's Liturgy (Hall)

1:30pm Baptism Prep Class (Hall)

### Monday, May 18 \* VICTORIA DAY \*

9:00am Mass

### Tuesday, May 19

8:00am Mass

1:45pm Legion of Mary (Council Room)

### Wednesday, May 20

10:20am St. Bernadette CES Mass (Church)

6:15pm Confession

7:30pm Mass

7:30pm Daughters of Isabella (Council Room)

### Thursday, May 21

8:00am Mass

10:00am Funeral - Alfred Blakeley

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

7:00pm Building Council Meeting (Hall, Kitchen Side)

7:00pm Catholic Women's Group (Hall, Stage Side)

### Friday, May 22

8:00am Mass

8:30am Adoration

8:30am Confession

2:30pm Communion Outreach Mass (Harwood)

7:00pm EDGE

### Saturday, May 23

9:00am Mass

10:00am QUO VADIS (Council Room)

11:00am Baptisms

1:00pm Confirmation

3:45pm Confession

5:00pm Mass

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