



PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASSES

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

WEEKDAY MASSES

EARLY MORNING MASS:

Wednesday 6:30am

MORNING MASSES:

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

EVENING MASS:

Wednesday 7:30pm

PARISH CONFESSIONS

Wednesdays

6:30pm-7:15pm

Fridays

8:30am-9:30am

Saturdays

4:00pm-4:45pm

ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesdays

6:15pm-7:15pm

First Fridays

8:30am-12:00pm

All other Fridays

8:30am-9:30am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

WEEKDAYS:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday

9am-4:30pm

Wednesday

9am-4:30pm, 6pm-9pm

Friday 9am-4:30pm for

Phone calls only

(Weekdays closed for lunch
12:30-1:30pm)

WEEKENDS:

Saturday 9:00am-1:00pm

Sunday 9:00am-1:30pm

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed November 2, 2025

St. Bernadette Catholic Church

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From the Pastor's Desk



Dear Friends,

This weekend, we celebrate the *Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed–All Souls' Day*—a profound reminder of the Church's belief in the Communion of Saints: that the living and the dead remain united in Christ's love. We do not forget those who have gone before us; we accompany them with our prayers, just as we trust that one day others will pray for us. In

praying for the souls in purgatory, we express both love and hope—love that continues beyond death, and hope in God's mercy that purifies and perfects all who long to see Him face to face. This feast calls us to remember that prayer truly binds us together as one family of faith, spanning heaven, earth, and those being purified for heaven. Let us pray for our departed loved ones, for the forgotten souls, and for one another—so that, strengthened by grace, we may all share eternal life in Christ.

On another note, while my priestly ministry takes me in many directions – celebrating sacraments, pastoral visits to the schools and the sick, meeting with our parish leaders, managing staff and preparing homilies – I want to remain as available as possible to parishioners. To help with this, I will generally be in the parish office on **Friday mornings** for brief phone conversations. If your concern requires a meeting, that is something that we can talk about. I appreciate your understanding that pastoral duties often take me beyond the office, and I'm grateful for your patience and prayers as we serve one another in Christ.

With love and prayers,

Fr. Chris

Sacraments

Baptisms – every 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 11:00am. A mandatory Baptism class must be attended and required registration forms completed. Please call the Parish Office or email office@stbernajax.com

First Confession/Communion – Please speak to Robert or email lpa@stbernajax.com

Confirmation – Please speak to Robert or email lpa@stbernajax.com

Christian Initiation of Adults – Adults requiring Baptism, Confirmation, or reception into the Catholic Church. Please speak to Robert or email lpa@stbernajax.com

Christian Initiation of Young People – For young people ages 7 through 16, age-appropriate classes will be offered to help our young people receive all Sacraments of Initiation. Please speak to Robert or email lpa@stbernajax.com

Marriage – Contact the Parish Office **one year in advance** and one of the priests will arrange an appointment with you

Sacrament of the Sick – Contact the Parish Office immediately

Parish Staff

Father Chris Lemieux

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Deacon Ron Vaz

Aquila D'Costa

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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



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, Jaime Villafuerte, and Faye Marechal.

We pray also for those who have died and their family and friends who mourn their passing.

Please let us know if you would like to be prayed for. Email us at office@stbernajax.com, or call the office.

Wedding 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:

Nov 1	Druce & Margaret Ayres	(56 years)
Nov 8	Wilfred & Noreen Pierre	(56 years)
Nov 14	Don & Dianne Paulin	(55 years)
Nov 16	Kamal & Gabriella	(26 years)
Nov 29	Ida & Joseph D'Souza	(56 years)

Coffee Sunday



We warmly invite you to join us next weekend for **Coffee Sunday - November 9**, following the 8:30am, 10:15am, and 12:00 noon Masses in the Parish Hall. Help us greet new faces as we continue to grow together at St. Bernadette's.

Help out with Alpha Meals



Alpha is looking for parishioners to help by cooking a casserole for one of our Thursday evening meals. If you can help with 1 casserole over the next 10 weeks, please send Robert LeBlanc, Our Lay Pastoral Associate an email at: lpa@stbernajax.com

Mass Intentions

Sunday November 2nd - All Souls' Day

Monday November 3rd

800am + The Medeiros family

Tuesday November 4th

800am ~ Julia Beattie

Wednesday November 5th

730pm + The Montes family
+ The Avellaneda family
+ Jose Gutierrez
+ Mena Doyle
~ Kelly Pierre

Thursday November 6th

800am + Jose Oliveira

Friday November 7th

800am + Bennett MacNeil

Saturday November 8th - All Saints Day

900am + Souls in Purgatory
+ Pedro Serquina
+ April Dawn Sararus
+ Deceased members of the Legion of Mary
500pm + The Franco Family

November – Month of All Souls

This **Sunday November 2**, we celebrate the Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed on All Souls' Day. Throughout November, the **Book of Remembrance** will be setup below the statue of Mother Mary, near the altar. You're invited to write the names of your deceased loved ones. Special envelopes will be provided for your Mass offerings.



Jr. Edge & EDGE Registration <http://bit.ly/45RGtdU>

\$40/youth or \$35/youth for 2 or more from same household for the whole year. All youth ministries run October to June.

Junior Edge (Grades 1-4) | 6:30pm-8pm

Next Jr. Edge Night: Monday Nov. 10 (Parish Hall)

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

Next Edge Night: Friday Nov. 14 (Parish Hall)

SUMMIT Teen Registration: <http://bit.ly/3VjfDEY>

Suggested fee for the year is \$40/youth.

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

Next Summit Night: Sun. Nov. 2 (Parish Hall)

Missals 2026

Sunday Missals for 2026 will be available for purchase starting the weekend of **November 8 | 9**, at \$7 each.

Around the Parish

UPCOMING EVENTS	November 2-8		
	<u>Sunday November 2 - All Souls Day</u> Sunday Masses: 8:30am, 10:15am, 12:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:00pm 10:15am - Children's Liturgy 12:30pm - Christian Initiation of Adults - Breaking Open the Word (Council Room) 6:00pm - Summit Teen Ministry Night (Hall)	<u>Wednesday November 5</u> 6:30am - Mass 9:30am - Bible Study (Hall) 10:30am - Mass at Lakeridge Gardens 6:00pm - First Holy Communion Class (Hall) 6:00pm - Confirmation Discussion Group (Council Room) 6:15pm - Adoration (Church) 6:30pm - Confessions (Church) 7:00pm - Marriage Prep Course (Hall) 7:30pm - Mass	<u>Friday November 7</u> 8:00am - Mass 8:30am - Adoration (Church) 8:30am - Confessions (Church)
	<u>Monday November 3</u> 8:00am - Mass 9:30am - Faith Studies (Hall) 6:00pm - SSVP Meeting (Council Room) 7:00pm - Annual Mass for the deceased members of KOC	<u>Thursday November 6</u> 8:00am - Mass 10:00am - Ladies Craft Group (Stage Side) 10:00am - Hope & Life (Kitchen Side) 6:30pm - Alpha (Hall)	<u>Saturday November 8</u> 7:30am - St. Joseph's Men Prayer Group (Hall) 9:00am - Mass 9:30am - Christian Initiation of Young People Class (Council Room) 11:00am - Baptism 11:00am - First Holy Communion Class (Hall) 1:00pm - Confirmation Class (Hall) 3:00pm - Sacramental Parent Retreat (Hall) 4:00pm - Confessions (Church) 5:00pm - Mass
	<u>Tuesday November 4</u> 8:00am - Mass 1:45pm - Legion of Mary (Council Room) 6:00pm - Confirmation Class (Hall) 7:30pm - Christian Initiation of Adults (Hall)		
	November 9-15		
	<u>Sunday November 9</u> Sunday Masses: 8:30am, 10:15am, 12:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:00pm Coffee Sunday in the Hall after the 8:30am, 10:15am and noon Masses 10:15am - Children's Liturgy 12:30pm - Christian Initiation of Adults - Breaking Open the Word (Council Room)	<u>Wednesday November 12</u> 6:30am - Mass 8:40am - Archbishop Denis O'Connor CSS - Chapel Mass (School) 9:30am - Bible Study (Hall) 10:00am - Mass at Ballycliffe Lodge 6:00pm - First Holy Communion Class (Hall) 6:15pm - Adoration (Church) 6:30pm - Confessions (Church) 7:00pm - CWG Executive meeting (Council Room) 7:30pm - Mass 7:30pm - Daughters of Isabella (Hall)	<u>Friday November 14</u> 8:00am - Mass 8:30am - Adoration (Church) 8:30am - Confessions (Church) 9:00am - PA Day Camp (Hall) 7:00pm - Edge (Hall)
	<u>Monday November 10</u> 8:00am - Mass 9:30am - Faith Studies (Hall) 6:30pm - Junior Edge (Hall) 7:00pm - KOC officers meeting (Council Room)	<u>Thursday November 13</u> 8:00am - Mass 6:30pm - Alpha (Hall)	<u>Saturday November 15</u> 7:30am - St. Joseph's Men Prayer Group (Hall) 9:00am - Mass 9:30am - Christian Initiation of Young People Class (Council Room) 10:00am - Alpha Day (7 Hills Rd, Ajax) 11:00am - First Holy Communion Class (Hall) 1:00pm - Confirmation Class (Hall) 4:00pm - Confessions (Church) 5:00pm - Mass
	<u>Tuesday November 11</u> 8:00am - Mass 1:45pm - Legion of Mary (Council Room) 6:00pm - Confirmation Class (Hall) 7:30pm - Christian Initiation of Adults (Hall)		

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Ministry Volunteers Needed - inquire at the parish office or welcome desk

Visiting & Communion Outreach

The Visiting & Communion Outreach Ministries bring the love and presence of Christ to the sick, elderly, and homebound by offering prayer, companionship, and the gift of Holy Communion. Volunteers extend the care and engagement of the parish community to those unable to attend Mass, reminding them they are not forgotten.

Parish Vitality Ministry

The Parish Vitality Ministry supports community life by organizing parish breakfasts, dinners, and social events that bring people together. Rooted in Christian fellowship, this ministry helps strengthen the bonds of faith and friendship among parishioners, fostering a more vibrant, welcoming, and connected parish community.

Ministry of Hospitality

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