



# 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 9:30am-12:00pm

### WELCOME DESK:

Before and after all weekend  
Masses

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Dear Friends,

This Sunday, Jesus reveals Himself to us as the Good Shepherd—the one who knows His sheep, calls them by name, and leads them to life. There's something comforting for us in this image. We aren't anonymous to God – we're not forgotten or overlooked. The Good Shepherd knows us personally—our struggles, our hopes, our wounds—and He calls us into a relationship of trust with Him.

Jesus also reminds us that His voice is distinct. In a world filled with competing voices—noise, confusion, and distraction—the voice of the Good Shepherd brings clarity, peace, and truth. Learning to recognize His voice is one of the most important tasks of the Christian life. We come to know it through prayer, through the Scriptures, and through the life of the Church. God's promise to us is not a distant or abstract promise. The Good Shepherd desires that we live life to the full—rooted in faith, strengthened by His grace, and sustained always by hope.

This week, let us take a moment each day to listen more intentionally for His voice. Let us trust where He leads and let us take comfort in knowing that we are never walking alone—the Good Shepherd is always guiding us toward life.

May we follow Him with confidence and hope.

Yours 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.

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Our Parish Stewardship Report will be released **next Saturday, May 2**. It highlights how the parish has used its time, talent and treasure to fulfill our mission over the past year. We invite all parishioners to take a moment to review and reflect on the life of our parish.

## 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 **Anthony Lawlor, and Jose DeMello.**

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

Apr 5	Francis & Ianessa Quinon	(16 yrs)
Apr 9	Andre & Michelle Duarte-Monteiro	(10 yrs)
Apr 17	Gerard & Yvonne Martins	(55 yrs)
Apr 18	Isaac & Andrea D'souza	(33 yrs)
Apr 18	Mary Ziel & Fernando Jr. Ramos	(16 yrs)
Apr 20	Lalu Sebastian & Sumi Laly	(17 yrs)
Apr 25	Christian Mendoza & Girlie Gomez	(11 yrs)
Apr 27	Noelyn & Ronald Sta Ann	(24 yrs)

## COFFEE SUNDAY



Everyone is invited to join us this weekend for **Coffee Sunday April 25 and 26**, after Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 8:30am, 10:15am, 12:00pm, and 5:00pm Masses in the Parish Hall. Stop by to enjoy coffee, light refreshments, and good conversation. All are welcome!

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S GROUP



The Catholic Women's Group invites all parishioners to their Mother's Day Plant and Bake Sale on **Sunday, May 3**, after all morning Masses. Come out and enjoy a delicious selection of homemade baked goods, along with beautiful plants and flowers to choose from, the perfect gifts to celebrate Mother's Day. We look forward to seeing you there.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday April 25

500pm + Mena Doyle

### Sunday April 26

830am + Lucita R. Ayo

1200pm Missa Pro Populo

500pm ~ Shanti Persad Ferdinand

700pm + Victoria Pepito

### Monday April 27

800am + Josefina Alejandria

### Tuesday April 28

800am + Felicitas Espiritu

### Wednesday April 29

730pm + Armando Mayo

+ Jim Dulny

+ Prudencio Mingi

+ Jose DeMello

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

### Thursday April 30

8:00am + Jaime Villafuerte

### Friday May 1

8:00am ~ Rozalynn O'Connor

### Saturday May 2

9:00am + Jim Martin Ocampo

+ Flynn Pavlovsky

+ Edward Payne

~ Lucy Mijung Lee family

~ In thanksgiving for the Justina Yooeun Lee family

## DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL BOOK FAIR

**This weekend, April 25 and 26**, the Daughters of St. Paul will be hosting a Catholic Book Fair in the Parish Hall before and after all Masses. Meet the sisters and explore a selection of Catholic books and faith-formation resources for all ages. The Daughters of St. Paul carry out their mission of evangelization through print and media. For more information, please visit their online store at [www.paulinestore.ca](http://www.paulinestore.ca) or call 416-781-9131.

## CAN YOU HELP US?

If you have a gently used laptop computer that we might use for our Parish PowerPoints or at the Welcome Desk – and would like to donate it, as we are trying to cut some of the expenses from our Parish Operating Budget.

Please email Father Chris or contact the parish office!

## FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

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

**Monday April 27 – Origin Story**

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

**Friday May 8 – Firewall**

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

**Sunday April 26 – I am the True Vine**

## 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.

## MARCH FOR LIFE

Everyone is invited to take part in the March for Life in Ottawa on **Thursday, May 14**. Transportation by coach will be provided, departing from Holy Family Church at 6:45am.

Cost: \$40 per person.

To purchase tickets or for more information, please email Ives Mazarolo: [imazz2000@yahoo.com](mailto:imazz2000@yahoo.com) or Ron Larock: [larockrm@gmail.com](mailto:larockrm@gmail.com)

## AROUND THE PARISH

### **Sunday, April 26**

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

**Coffee Sunday after Masses 8:30am, 10:15am, 12:00pm, and 5:00pm**

Daughters of St. Paul Book Fair after Masses 8:30am, 10:15am, 12:00pm, 5:00pm, and 7:00pm

10:15am Children's Liturgy (Hall)

6:00pm Summit Night (Hall)

### **Monday, April 27**

8:00am Mass

9:30am Faith Studies (Hall)

6:30pm Junior Edge (Hall)

### **Tuesday, April 28**

8:00am Mass

1:45pm Legion of Mary (Council Room)

6:00pm Christian Initiation of Adults (Hall)

### **Wednesday, April 29**

9:45am St. Teresa of Calcutta CES Easter Mass (School)

6:15pm Confession

7:30pm Mass

### **Thursday, April 30**

8:00am Mass

6:15pm Choir Practice - 12:00pm Mass (Church)

7:00pm Pastoral Council Meeting (Boardroom)

### **Friday, May 1**

8:00am Mass

8:30am Adoration

8:30am Confession

### **Saturday, May 2**

9:00am Mass

3:45pm Confession

5:00pm Mass

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