

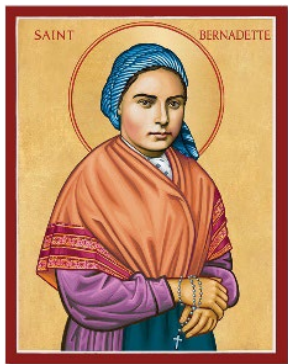
Sunday April 24, 2022 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter DIVINE MERCY

# St. Bernadette Catholic Church

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**Monday to Friday**

900am -12:30pm 1:30pm-3:00pm

**Saturday & Sunday 9:30am to 1:30pm**

## PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

**WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday (Vigil) 5:00pm – Sunday 8:30am 10:15am 12:00pm 5:00pm 7:00pm**

**WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday – 8:15am Wednesday 7:30pm**

**Saturday 9:00am (Begins with Devotions to St. Bernadette)**

**PARISH CONFESSIONS Wednesdays 6:30pm-7:15pm Fridays 9:00-9:45am Saturdays 4:00-4:45pm**

## PARISH STAFF

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## SACRAMENTS

### **Sacrament of Baptism**

**Baptisms every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month. Mandatory Baptism**

*Preparation offered virtually at this time.*

**Sacrament of Marriage ~ contact the Parish Office at least one**

*year in advance and a priest will make an appointment with you.*

**Sacrament of the Sick ~ contact the Parish Office right away.**

## PARISH SCHOOLS

### **St. Bernadette Elementary**

Penny Delaney, Principal 905-683-0571

Agnes Sararus, Parish Rep 647-970-1978

### **St. Teresa of Calcutta Elementary**

Sheena Paul, Principal 905-426-7065

Linda Sarang, Parish Rep 416-523-2062

### **St. James Elementary**

Manuela Michelin, Principal 905-427-3327

Jennifer Del Monte, Parish Rep 289-660-1810

### **Archbishop Denis O'Connor Secondary**

John Di Vizio, Principal 905-427-6667

Tim Lee Loy, Chaplain 905-427-6667

### **Notre Dame Secondary**

Sonya Melim, Principal 905-686-4300

Jeannine Henry, Chaplain 905-686-4300

## ...from Our Pastor...



Dear Friends,

The Lord is Risen, Alleluia! Easter brings great joy and we celebrate God's total and complete love for us, which we see in his constant, unfathomable and unbridled mercy and forgiveness not only for us, but for the whole world. Jesus doesn't give up on us; we can't give up on ourselves or each other. As much as we might be tempted to at times, we are reminded that there's no one who is irredeemable. St. Thomas doubts, and Jesus is patient and meets Thomas where he is at rather than expecting more of him. This week, let's think about that! Do we have people in our lives, maybe even ourselves whom we need to forgive, embrace, love, accept as they are? Modelling ourselves on Christ, let us extend ourselves in mercy!

I remain, faithfully yours...

*Fr. Chris*

## For Our New Parishioners

If you are just joining our community, please click on "I'm New" on our parish website, come to the parish office or email [office@stbernajax.com](mailto:office@stbernajax.com) to set up a time to stop by. Our pastoral team members want to welcome you!

## Keeping Our Community Together in Worship, Prayer & Fellowship

We welcome everyone to full capacity in the church once again! For those who are not quite ready for this and wish to maintain social distancing, please consider attending Mass with the community in the Parish Hall (livestreamed); just let one of the Ministers of Hospitality know you'll be there!

## Sunday Mass on YouTube

Livestreamed Masses can be found on the link below  
The link: <https://bit.ly/2HqxVRO>

[APRIL 24 – Sunday Livestream – 1015am](#)

[MAY 1 – 1200PM \(NOON\)](#)

[MAY 8 – 10:15am](#)

[MAY 15 – 12:00PM \(NOON\)](#)

## Praying for Our People



We pray for all those who are sick in our parish, in particular for *Helen Clarke, Joan & Bert Leung, Roman & Vesna Zakrajšek, Nigel Boos, Jean Villafuerte, Carmen Flores, Ray Khan, Theresa Noonan*

We pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died from our parish, especially *Joe Dickson*.

## April Anniversaries

April 17<sup>th</sup> Rodante & Rose Marie Moncog (50 years)

## Parish Fund Raising Committee

Faizul & Vinette Rahim, Betty Bujold, Julia Beattie, Linda Sarang, Denise Carson, Victoria Ferreira, Ron & Susana Munarriz, Roy & Rhea Nazareno

## Upcoming Events in the Parish

### Celebrating Our Parish



This year is the 70th Anniversary of St. Bernadette's Parish.

We are looking for suggestions on how you would like to see our parish's milestone celebrated. Also, if you have any archived material or photos that you would like to see included in the celebration in some way please let us know. Please contact Suzanne Cloutier at [scloutier@bell.net](mailto:scloutier@bell.net) or phone 905-619-8014 with your ideas and suggestions.

### Altar Servers



"Not only a duty but a great honour, a true holy service" (St. Pope John Paul II)

The altar server ministry is a great place for young people to begin a life of service, of Christian Discipleship. It is a wonderful gift of service to your community, for your parents, relatives, and friends.

For the past few months, our altar servers have been doing a magnificent job. They have been serving at our masses, but we still need more boys and girls. If you have received your First Holy Communion, you can be an altar server.

If you are interested in becoming an altar server or have any questions, please speak to the priests, or email Mark Sarang at [mark7119@gmail.com](mailto:mark7119@gmail.com). Thank you!

### St. Bernadette's Young Adult Group

If you've been looking for a sign to get out more and hang out with new people, well, this is it. St. Bernadette's Parish is reviving the Young Adults Group! We are inviting all young adults to join us build community and grow in faith. Join us in person for **Pints with Padre** where we meet somewhere local to share our faith over pints. Join our growing community on our private Discord server to always be kept in the loop (<https://discord.gg/N7QECVgEVG>)! If you have any questions or would like more information, please e-mail Fr. Kevin at [associate@stbernajax.com](mailto:associate@stbernajax.com).



# The Youth of St. Bernadette



On Friday May 13, we meet in the parish hall at 7:00pm for our next EDGE Night. The Night is called "QUANTUM LEAP: Why Do I Have to Stand and Kneel So Much?" We continue to explore the importance of Holy Mass through a dynamic program which includes group games, reflection, group discussions, and prayer. For more information, please contact Monika Matelski [youth@stbernajax.com](mailto:youth@stbernajax.com).



On Monday April 25 we meet with our students in grades 3 & 4 for another JUNIOR

EDGE Night called: "Spiderman: A night on Joy & Faithfulness." Come and meet new friends and our awesome team of volunteers at 630pm-800pm in the parish hall! We have games, activities, and crafts ready for you! For any parents who wish to register their child, please contact Monika Matelski: [youth@stbernajax.com](mailto:youth@stbernajax.com).

## Totus Tuus



Our Parish is hosting a dynamic summer camp called Totus Tuus for our children and youth in grades 1-12. Young adult missionaries will be coming to our parish

in order to facilitate a program that focuses on the sacramental life through games, group activities, time with Scripture, daily Mass, and the whole lot of fun of a summer camp!

**DAY CAMP** grades 1 to 6: July 25-29 (900am - 230pm)

**EVENING CAMP** grades 7-12: July 24-28 (645pm-900pm)

**COST:** Day camp is \$75.00 (additional siblings \$50.00) & evening camp is \$20.00.

Prices are per camper and for the whole week!

Please contact Monika Matelski as registration is open and spots are limited: [youth@stbernajax.com](mailto:youth@stbernajax.com).



Father Chris has scheduled the dates for the Holy Communion Masses which will take place on Saturday May 21 and Saturday May 28. We look forward to this special day! Tickets available for pick-up at the parish office starting on Tuesday April 19.

We look forward to spending some intentional time of reflection and encouragement in the theological virtues of Faith, Hope, and Love as we come together with our Confirmandi parents and sponsors for an online retreat held on Saturday April 23 and Saturday April 30.

## Community Pasta Dinner

Our Fund-Raising Committee is hosting a Parish Pasta Dinner on Saturday May 28, 2022 at 6:00PM in the Parish Hall. All proceeds from this dinner will go towards our Parish Building Fund. Please see the bulletin boards for more information. **Tickets can be purchased from the Parish Fund Raising Team or at the Parish Office.** Please email Faizul or Vinette Rahim @ [faizulvinette64@gmail.com](mailto:faizulvinette64@gmail.com)



## Girl Talk: A Mother-Daughter Tea & Presentation

**Saturday May 14:** For girls Grades 6 to 8 & their Mom's (or guardian, aunt, mentor....) This event will run from 10 am to 1:00 pm with a \$10 (covers cost of food, drinks and a book). Our hope & desire is to help support mothers in their task of educating their daughters in Christian sexuality.

The presentation includes videos & activities, along with handouts for further information. And includes a copy of the book, *How to Find Your Soulmate*, by Jason and Crystalina Evert.

*Join us for a faith-filled look at what it means to be a girl in today's society.*

Contact: Rose Heron: [rose.heron@mailo.com](mailto:rose.heron@mailo.com) or 905-683-9055 or Susan [susangkennedy@gmail.com](mailto:susangkennedy@gmail.com) 905-427-6137





## St. Bernadette's Days of Dore...

*By Suzanne Cloutier*

My earliest childhood memory is being in church at the old mission church of St. Bernadette Parish. The church was housed in a wartime building belonging to Defence Industries Limited (DIL).

My father lifted me onto the kneeler so that I would be able to see the altar and the priest. I know that I must have been very young because my chin just rested on the pew ahead of me.

Often Mrs. Azzopardi played the organ (which was once in the DIL recreational hall) and there was one key that squeaked. Mass was said in Latin and the ladies of the parish were required to wear a hat in church.

St. Bernadette's parish didn't stay many years in this building, only until the new church, our present church was built.

**Do you have any memories or photos from the beginning of our parish? Please send me your stories or phone me and we'll share them!**

Suzanne Cloutier 905-619-8014 or scloutier@bell.net

Manresa Jesuit Renewal Centre

2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering, Ontario L1X 1V4

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**Saturday, May 7, 2022**

**9:30am – 5:00pm**

"Where is God in my pain? How is God working in my grief?"

Grieving a loved one can shake or give a new shape to our faith.

At this gathering, you will have the opportunity to share your grief story

in a community of faith and to reflect in a prayerful way on your experience,

to draw renewed strength and hope to continue the journey.

Facilitated by: Sr Claire Marchal and Mary Hyland

Suggested offering: \$50 (includes lunch)

**Please contact:** Mary Hyland – (905)441-0957



## **Around the Parish This Week...**

### **Saturday April 23**

900am Mass  
930am Confirmandi Parents & Sponsors Retreat (Virtual)  
1000am Meditation (Virtual)  
1100am Funeral  
200pm Junior Legion of Mary (Council room)  
400pm Parish Confessions  
500pm Sunday Vigil Mass

### **Sunday April 24 – Feast of the Divine Mercy**

830am, 1015am, 1200pm, 500pm, 700pm – Sunday Masses  
230pm Chaplet of the Divine Mercy (Church)

### **Monday April 25 – Saint Mark**

815am Mass  
930am Theology of the Body (Virtual)  
630pm Junior EDGE (Hall)  
700pm St. Vincent de Paul (Virtual)

### **Tuesday April 26 – Our Lady of Good Counsel**

815am Mass  
730pm RCIA (Hall)

### **Wednesday April 27**

930am Bible Study (Virtual)  
200pm Mass – Archbishop Denis O'Connor Highschool  
630pm Parish Confessions  
730pm Mass – Our Lady of Perpetual Help

### **Thursday April 28 – Saint Peter Chanel**

815am Mass  
630pm Alpha (Hall)  
645pm Legion of Mary (Council room)  
730pm Choir practice for 830am Mass

### **Friday April 29 – Saint Catherine of Siena**

815am Mass  
900am Parish Confessions  
900am Book Club (Virtual)  
915am – 100pm Adoration  
1115am Coffee with Andy (Virtual)  
700pm Fundraising Group (Hall)  
700pm Pints with Padre (Virtual)

### **Saturday April 30 – Saint Marie of the Incarnation**

900am Mass  
930am Confirmandi Parents & Sponsors Retreat (Virtual)  
1000am Apologetics (Virtual)  
1100am Fund Raising Group (Hall)  
200pm Junior Legion of Mary (Council room)  
400pm Parish Confessions  
500pm Sunday Vigil Mass

### **Sunday May 1 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

830am, 1015am, 1200pm, 500pm, 700pm – Sunday Masses

## **Mass Intentions This Week**

### **Saturday April 23**

900am ~ Repose of the soul of Leroy Williams  
~ Repose of the soul of Earl & Winnifred Chapman-Mortley  
~ For the intention of Father Dan Palillo  
~ Repose of the soul of John Edward Memery  
500pm Repose of the soul of Jimmy Gaza

### **Sunday April 24**

830am Repose of the soul of Onsang Lam  
1015am Missa pro populo (mass for the people)  
1200pm Repose of the soul of Carmen Alipio  
500pm Repose of the soul of Fernando Lazaro  
700pm Repose of the soul of Marcellina Mercer

### **Monday April 25**

815am Repose of the soul of Marcellina Mercer

### **Tuesday April 26**

815am For the intention of Shanti Persad

### **Wednesday April 27**

730pm ~ Repose of the souls of Maria & Donato Ciarlito  
~ Repose of the soul of Erman Mazzarolo  
~ Repose of the soul of Richard Pedrozo  
~ Repose of the soul of Joe Dickson

### **Thursday April 28**

815am For the intention of Pina Minicucci

### **Friday April 29**

815am Repose of the soul of Felicitas Espiritu

### **Saturday April 30**

900am Repose of the soul of Armando Mayo  
500pm Repose of the soul of Alfred Francis Browne

### **Sunday May 1**

830am No Intention  
1015am Missa pro populo (mass for the people)  
1200pm Repose of the soul of Kate Hudson  
500pm No Intention  
700pm For the intention of Richard Allen



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