

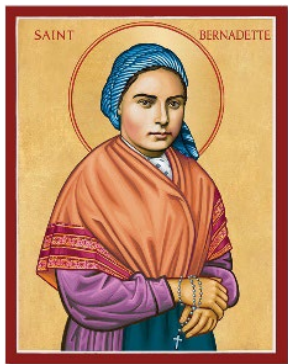
Sunday May 8, 2022 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

# 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**

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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,

This Sunday we celebrate World Day of Prayer for Vocations; Good Shepherd Sunday and Mother's Day. We pray this weekend for all men and women discerning religious vocations, for all of us following the Lord in whatever way He is calling us to, including mothers for whom their motherhood constitutes an important part of their vocation. The selflessness and generosity of the women in our lives so often models the Lord's generosity and this weekend especially reminds us

all that we have much to be grateful, to be thankful for; our vocations, the vocations of others including our moms .

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>

[MAY 8 – 1015am](#)

[MAY 15 – 1200PM \(NOON\)](#)

[MAY 22 – 1015am](#)

[MAY 29 – 1200pm \(NOON\)](#)

## Change of Mass Time

Saturday May 14, mass will be celebrated at 815am, rather than at 900am. The Archdiocese of Toronto celebrates the Presbyteral Ordination of new priests, and both of our priests will be in attendance that day.

## Praying for Our People



We pray for all those who are sick in our parish, in particular for *Roman & Vesna Zakrajšek, Nigel Boos, Jean Villafuerte, Ray Khan, Theresa Noonan & Carmen Flores, Ida-Mae Haynes.*

We pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died from our parish, especially *Joe Dickson, Michael Ryan, Dominic Nunes, Charles McGrath & Jim Dulny.*

## May Anniversaries

May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Tito & Estrelita Caguada (53 years)
May 5 <sup>th</sup>	Lasantha & Prasadi Wijethunge (10 years)
May 12 <sup>th</sup>	Fr. Chris Lemieux [ordination] (10 years)
May 14 <sup>th</sup>	John & Anne Nazareth (50 years)
May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Daniel & Rosemary Walo (50 years)
May 28 <sup>th</sup>	Stan & Lovina Rodrigo (25 years)

## 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.

In honour of our 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, a photo directory will be created to commemorate this celebration. All families and parishioners will be invited to have their pictures taken. This event will take place from June 13<sup>th</sup> to June 29<sup>th</sup>. More details will follow at a later date. Come and join us and become part of our amazing parish community!

### Mother's Day Blessings

On Sunday May 8<sup>th</sup>, our priests will bless all mothers at the end of each Mass. For families that wish to come for a more personal blessing, Fr. Chris & Fr. Kevin will offer blessings of moms in cars behind the church (near the garden tool shed). From 1:15pm to 2:15pm.

### Meet Our Local Provincial Politicians

On Sunday May 15 at 200pm, all three aspiring local candidates for Member of Provincial Parliament will be at St. Bernadette (Parish Hall) to meet and answer questions of our parishioners. Fr. Chris encourages as many as possible to attend. Amber Bowen (Lib), Patrice Barnes (PC) and Christine Santos (NDP) were invited to attend. **It's important for Catholics to vote in an informed and responsible manner.**

### Pray for our Future Priests

On Saturday May 14, 2022, Cardinal Collins will ordain four men to the Holy Priesthood at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. We remember those men in our prayers:

- Rev. Mr. Alexander D'Silva
- Rev. Mr. Adam Pantaleo
- Rev. Fraser MacLaren
- Rev. Eduardo Lopez

# The Youth of St. Bernadette



On Friday May 13, we meet in the parish hall at 700pm 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 May 9 we meet with our students in grades 3 & 4 for another JUNIOR EDGE

Night. 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).

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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 for guests are available for pick-up at the parish office.

Congratulations to all our Confirmandi who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday! May the 7 Gifts of the Holy Spirit be activated now in your lives as you continue to discover more deeply your relationship with God and His Church! We now look forward to your post-Confirmation retreats in June, details to come!



## St. Bernadette's Young Adult Group

Come and join us for a special **Pints with Padre: Pub Quiz Edition!** We will get together **on Friday, May 20 at 700pm**. The location is still to be determined so join our growing community on our private Discord server to vote on our next location (<https://discord.gg/N7QECVgEVG>)! If you have any questions or would like more information, please e-mail Fr. Kevin – [associate@stbernajax.com](mailto:associate@stbernajax.com)

## Camp for High School Students



There will be an overnight camp experience for our High School youth run by HopeStone Catholic Formation. The High School

Leadership Camp is an overnight summer camp for students in grades high school, which combines fun and faith in an exciting camp experience. Activities include ziplining, kayaking/canoeing, swimming, ropes courses, archery, a giant swing, daily Mass & an intentional program to foster discipleship and leadership through a personal faith response.

Dates: August 20 – August 24, 2022

Where: Camp White Pine, Haliburton ON

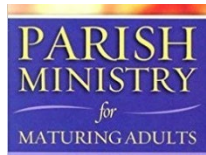
Cost: \$450.00 (early-bird pricing, register by May 15)

To register, please contact Monika Matelski [youth@stbernajax.com](mailto:youth@stbernajax.com).

## Community Pasta Dinner May 28th



Our Fund-Raising Committee is hosting a Parish Pasta Dinner on Saturday May 28, 2022 at 600PM 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)



## Ministry with Maturing Adults (MMA)

The next meeting for the MMA will be on May 10th, 2022 from 10 AM to 12 Noon on ZOOM. The topic is Services provided to Seniors in the Region of Durham, presented by the Hub Manager, Lorrie Houston, from Community Care Durham. The Speaker will cover existing benefits, services, and proposals under consideration for Seniors, by the government. If you would like to be included in the mailing list, please contact Anne Nazareth at [ajbnazareth@yahoo.ca](mailto:ajbnazareth@yahoo.ca)



## 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 100 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

In June of 1952, grade 1 of St. Bernadette's School became the first class to receive their First Holy Communion at St. Bernadette's mission church.

There were 23 of us in the class. We took part of our religion lessons at school and studied from the catechism. Then once a month, to prepare and practice for our big day, we walked from the school to the church which was located near the corner of Harwood Avenue and Hunt Street.

That day was very special for me. I remember my little white dress and putting on the veil. Father McGivney gave us our first communion.

Included in the photo at the altar of the mission church are Shirley Azzopardi, the twins Susan and Peter McGuire, Paul Hickling, John Stradling, Mike Walsh, and me Laura Hackney.

*By Laura Hackney-Koppens*

*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*

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

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

Saturday May 7

900am Mass  
1000am Meditation (Virtual)  
1100am Confirmation  
100pm Confirmation  
200pm Junior Legion of Mary (Council room)  
300pm Confirmation  
400pm Parish Confessions  
500pm Sunday Vigil Mass  
**Sunday May 8 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
830am, 1015am, 1200pm, 500pm, 700pm – Sunday Masses  
130pm – 230pm Car Blessing (parking lot)  
230pm Baptisms

**Monday May 9**

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

**Tuesday May 10 – Saint John of Avila**

815am Mass  
1000am Ministry with Maturing Adults (Virtual)  
645pm Legion of Mary (Council room)  
730pm RCIA (Hall)

**Wednesday May 11**

630pm Parish Confessions  
730pm Mass – Our Lady of Perpetual Help

**Thursday May 12 – Saint Nereus & Saint Achilleus**

815am Mass  
1000am St. Teresa of Calcutta School Mass  
300pm Archbishop Denis O' Connor School Mass  
600pm Militia Immaculata (Council Room)  
630pm Alpha (Hall)  
730pm Choir practice for 830am Mass

**Friday May 13 – Our Lady of Fatima**

815am Mass  
900am Parish Confessions  
915am – 100pm Adoration  
630pm EDGE (Hall)

**Saturday May 14 – Saint Matthias**

815am Mass  
1000am Girl Talk: A Mother Daughter  
Tea & Presentation (Hall)  
1000am Meditation (Virtual)  
200pm Junior Legion of Mary (Council Room)  
400pm Parish Confessions  
500pm Sunday Vigil Mass

**Sunday May 15 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

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

**Saturday May 7**

500pm Repose of the soul of Rita Louise Browne

**Sunday May 8**

830am For the deceased members of the Senior & Hovorka Families  
1015am Repose of the soul of Ed Ounjian  
1200pm Missa pro populo (mass for the people)  
500pm For the intention of Stephanie Hacklander  
700pm For the intention of Bjorn Franz Emile

**Monday May 9**

815am Repose of the soul of Kelly Anne Buttersworth

**Tuesday May 10**

815am Repose of the soul of Theresa A.

**Wednesday May 11**

730pm ~ For the intention of Filomena & Deswig  
~ Repose of the soul of Jim Dulny  
~ Repose of the soul of Jim Dulny

**Thursday May 12**

815am For Tom & Mary Goodwin for their 70<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary

**Friday May 13**

815am In thanksgiving

**Saturday May 14**

815am ~ Repose of the soul of Walstan & Anne Drego  
~ For the intention of John & Anne Nazareth for their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary  
~ Repose of the soul of Jim Dulny  
~ Repose of the soul of Dominic Nunes  
500pm Repose of the soul of Jimmy Gaza

**Sunday May 15**

830am Repose of the soul of Jim Dulny  
1015am Repose of the soul of Joe Dickson  
1200pm Missa pro populo (mass for the people)  
500pm For the intention of Evelyn & Manuel Umali  
700pm Repose of the soul of Rafael Bilog

**Mass Intentions This Week**



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