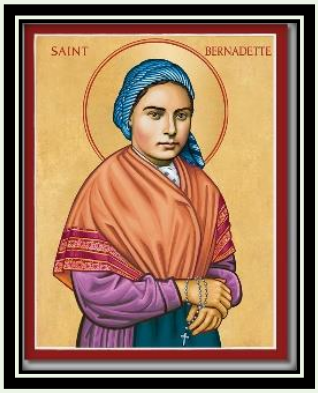


Parish Mass Schedule

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-9:15am
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 all weekend Masses

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From The Pastor's Desk



Dear Friends,

This Sunday, we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, bringing our liturgical year to a close. When we think of kings, we often imagine power, authority, wealth, and privilege. Yet Jesus reveals something different. His kingship is not about being served but about serving; not about exercising power over others but about loving them.

To proclaim Jesus Christ as our King is to acknowledge that He deserves more than a place in our Sunday worship. He deserves a place at the very centre of our lives. For us as everyday Catholic Christians, this means allowing His teachings, His example, and His love to shape the choices we make, the relationships we nurture, and the way we treat one another. It means choosing forgiveness over resentment, generosity over selfishness, and compassion over indifference.

As we celebrate Christ our King, perhaps we might ask ourselves one simple question: Does the way I live each day reflect the place I profess Jesus has in my life?

May Christ reign in our hearts, our homes, and our parish community, inspiring us to live with greater faith, love, courage, and joy!

In the Lord,

Fr. Chris

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Sacraments

Baptisms: A mandatory Baptism class must be attended, and all required registration forms completed. Please contact the Parish Office by phone or email at office@stbernajax.com

First Confession/Communion, Confirmation: Please contact the Parish Office.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults: For adults requiring Baptism, Confirmation, or reception into the Catholic Church, please contact the Parish Office.

Order of Christian Initiation of Young People: For young people ages 7 to 16. Classes designed for their age group are offered to help young people receive all Sacraments of Initiation. Please contact the Parish Office.

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.

PRAYING FOR OUR PEOPLE



We pray for all those who are sick in our parish, for: **Violet Azavedo, Anne Sinclair, Albertina Caruso, Maura D'Costa, and Sylvia Mondal.**

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Peter Dwyer, Kevin Castanheiro, and Anne Hausdorf.**

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our faithful parishioner,
Anne Hausdorf, who passed away on Monday November 9th. The Funeral Mass will be celebrated on **Monday November 23, at 11:00am** at St. Bernadette Parish, followed by a reception at Ajax Crematorium.

ANNIVERSARIES

If you are a registered member of St. Bernadette's, we would love to celebrate and witness the anniversary of your marriage as a parish community.

This month we celebrate with:

Nov 1	Margaret & Druce Ayres	(57 yrs)
Nov 8	Wilfred & Noreen Pierre	(57 yrs)
Nov 14	Dianne & Don Paulin	(56 yrs)
Nov 22	Saji Parapilly & Raina Varghese	(28 yrs)
Nov 25	Oishee & Peter Halder	(10 yrs)
Nov 27	Cheryl & Carlisle Gomes	(33 yrs)
Nov 27	Rui & Filomena Ribeiro	(55 yrs)
Nov 29	Joseph & Afra D'Lima	(40 yrs)
Nov 29	Joseph & Ida D'Souza	(57 yrs)

BAPTISMS

We welcome the newest members of St. Bernadette's, who with their family and friends, joined our Catholic Christian family through Holy Baptism on **Saturday November 14**.
We pray for them, their parents, and godparents as they begin their journeys of faith. Welcome **Riley H, Noah C, Athryn S, and Isabelle C.**

2026-2027 MISSALS

The 2026–2027 Sunday Missals will be available for purchase this weekend, **November 21/22**, at $7 each. They may be purchased after all weekend Masses at the Welcome Desk and during the week at the Parish Office.

COFFEE SUNDAY - SOUBIROUS CAFÉ



Join us this **Sunday, November 22**, after the 8:30am, 10:15am and 12 noon Masses in the Parish Hall. Let's take a little time to connect with one another, welcome new faces and enjoy the fellowship of our parish community as we prepare to enter Advent.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 21
5:00pm + Brian & Bernice Deckker

Sunday, November 22
8:30am + Mary Dang
12:00pm Missa Pro Populo
5:00pm + Rufina Kumuthini
7:00pm + Peter Dwyer

Monday, November 23
8:00am + Dylan Gilmour

Tuesday, November 24
8:00am + Erman Mazzarolo

Wednesday, November 25
7:30pm + Jesuraj Vyagulam
+ Jose Vagilidad
+ Peter Dwyer
+ Antonietta Falcone
~ The Mathews family

Thursday, November 26
8:00am + Peter Dwyer

Friday, November 27
8:00am + Shehla Farooqui

Saturday, November 28
9:00am + David Coates
+ Aloysius James
+ Deceased members of the Beattie family
+ Deceased members of the Kilgallon family
~ In Thanksgiving for Carlan Gay

SVDP CHRISTMAS GIVING

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul's annual Christmas Collection for our Neighbours in Need takes place this weekend, **November 21/22**. Envelopes will be available in the pews. Please remember to include your name on the envelope. Thank you for your continued generosity.

BLESSING OF THE CRÈCHE



Join us on **Friday November 27, at 10:30am**, for the Blessing of the Crèche as we begin the Advent season together as a parish community. Special thanks to the students at Archbishop Denis O'Connor Catholic High School for their time and effort in constructing the crèche. Everyone is invited to attend.

OCIA – Becoming Catholic

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) classes begin on **Sunday November 29**, from 1:30pm to 3:30pm in the Parish Hall. The OCIA group will meet weekly on Sundays, at this time until May 2027. Candidates and their sponsors are required to attend these weekly classes.

If you are interested in exploring your faith and have not attended one of our OCIA Information Sessions, please contact the Parish Office at office@stbernajax.com before classes begin.

Please keep our inquirers in your prayers as they get ready to begin this journey of faith.

OCIA – Help Share a Meal!

As we prepare to welcome those exploring the Catholic faith through OCIA, we are looking for parishioners willing to help prepare (ahead of time) or donate easy-to-serve meals, such as pasta dishes, casseroles, quiche, soups, or sandwiches for our weekly Sunday OCIA gatherings. Nothing elaborate is needed. If you are able to help, we would love to hear from you! Please contact the Parish Office office@stbernajax.com



Sunday, December 6 | Parish Hall

After the 8:30am, 10:15am, and Noon Masses

Our Parish Vitality Ministry invites all parishioners to attend our annual Christmas Bake Sale for delicious homemade treats, perfect for gifting or enjoying with your family and friends. Parishioners are also welcome to bake and donate items for the sale. For more information, please contact Julia Beattie: 905-683-1373 or Linda Sarang: 416-523-2062, Linda4791@gmail.com

Road Closure - Santa's Parade



Please note that portions of Bayly Street West and Harwood Avenue South will be closed on **Saturday November 28**, from 5:30pm to 9:00pm.

Youth Ministry

JUNIOR EDGE |Grades 1-4 | Click here to register!
2nd & 4th Monday, 6:30-8:00PM | NEXT Session: Nov 23
EDGE | Grades 5-8 | Click here to register!
2nd & 4th Friday, 6:30-8:30PM | NEXT Session: Nov 27
SUMMIT | Grade 9-12 | Click here to register!
1st & 3rd Thursdays, 6:30-8:30pm | NEXT Session: Dec 3
For more info, contact Stacey at youth@stbernajax.com

Looking Ahead to Advent

As we approach the beginning of Advent, we 'change gears' liturgical as well. Here are a few changes you will notice in the liturgical and sacramental celebrations as of the First Sunday of Advent (we begin Year B in the readings again):

- No Gloria will be sung at Mass
- An Advent Penitential Rite will be used at Mass
- Our Memorial Acclamation will be **"Save us Saviour of the World, for by Your Cross and Resurrection, You have set us free"**
- Our Altar and Sanctuary will be adorned simply
- We welcome families from the parish for the Advent Family Mass on Thursday December 10, at 7:00pm
- We will gather as a community for the Pre-Dawn Novena Masses at 5:30am each morning, starting Wednesday December 16 with the last Mass on Christmas Eve
- We will gather for our Advent Day of Recollection on Saturday December 19, starting with Mass at 9am and concluding at 3pm

May the Lord continue to bless you all.

Fr. Chris

Christmas & New Year's Mass Times

Thursday, December 24
Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord
4:00pm | 7:00pm | 10:00pm |12:00 (Midnight Mass)

Friday, December 25
Nativity of the Lord
9:00am | 11:30am | 1:00pm

Thursday, December 31
Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
5:00pm | 7:00pm

Friday, January 1
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
10:00am | 12:00 Noon

Advent Family Mass & Social



We warmly invite all parishioners to join us on **Thursday December 10**, for our Advent Family Mass and Social. Mass will begin at 7:00pm, followed by a social gathering with light refreshments in the Parish Hall. It promises to be a wonderful evening for all ages. We look forward to celebrating with you!

AROUND THE PARISH

Sunday November 22

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

Coffee Sunday & Soubirous Café after the 8:30am, 10:15am, and 12:00pm Masses

10:15am Children's Liturgy (Hall)

Monday November 23

8:00am Mass
9:30am Faith Studies (Hall)
11:00am Funeral - Anne Hausdorf
6:30pm Junior EDGE (Hall)

Tuesday November 24

8:00am Mass
1:45pm Legion of Mary (Council Room)
5:30pm Confirmation Sacramental Tues. Session 4 (Hall)

Wednesday November 25

9:30am Bible Study (Hall)
6:00pm FHC Sacramental Wed. Session 6 (Hall)
6:15pm Confession
7:30pm Mass

Thursday November 26

8:00am Mass
6:30pm Vitality Ministry Meeting (Council Room)
7:00pm Finance Council Meeting

Friday November 27

8:00am Mass
8:30am Adoration
8:30am Confession
9:45am Archbishop Denis O'Connor CSS Grade 12 Retreat (Hall)
10:30am Blessing of the Crèche (At the front of the Church)
2:30pm Mass at Harwood
6:30pm EDGE (Hall)

Saturday November 28

7:30am That Man Is You (Hall)
9:00am Mass
10:00am FHC Sacramental Sat. Session 6 (Hall)
10:00am Quo Vadis (Council Room)
11:00am Baptisms
11:30am Confirmation Sacramental Sat. Session 4 (Hall)
3:45pm Confession
5:00pm Mass
6:00pm Altar Server's Christmas Dinner (Hall)

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Advent Family Mass

Thursday December 10

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Social in the Parish Hall after Mass

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