



Passion of the Lord

March 29, 2026

# 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, we gather with palms in our hands, celebrating Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. The crowds cry out, "Hosanna!"—full of joy and expectation. And yet, we know how quickly that celebration will turn. The same voices will soon fall silent as Jesus makes His way to the Cross. Palm

Sunday is a bridge. It calls us to move from praise into the mystery of Holy Week—from celebration into sacrifice. This is where it becomes personal.

It's easy to follow Jesus when everything is going well. But Holy Week asks us: *Will I remain with Him when the path is difficult? Would I stay with Him at the table, in the garden, and at the Cross?*

Jesus enters Jerusalem on a donkey—showing us that His kingship is marked by humility, surrender, and love. We enter Holy Week with a desire for the same virtue. Let's all walk with the Lord. Be present with Him. Stand at the Cross with Him - and allow our "Hosanna" to become a faithful love that endures.

Yours in Christ,

*Fr. Chris*

## Sacraments

**Baptisms** - A mandatory Baptism class must be attended and required registration forms completed. Please call the Parish Office or email [office@stbernajax.com](mailto:office@stbernajax.com)

**First Confession/Communion** - Please speak to Robert or email [LPA@stbernajax.com](mailto:LPA@stbernajax.com)

**Confirmation** - Please speak to Robert or email [LPA@stbernajax.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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  
Father Sean Jacob  
Deacon Ron Vaz  
Aquila D'Costa  
Robert LeBlanc  
Monika Matelski  
Marva Thomas  
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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, and Albertina Caruso.**

We pray for the repose of the souls of **John Early, and Chitra Shanthi Pregasem.**

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 & lanessa 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 20	Lalu Sebastian & Sumi Laly	(17 yrs)
Apr 25	Christian Mendoza & Girlie Gomez	(11 yrs)

## Praying for The Elect

Please continue to pray for the Elect of our Parish who will be fully received into the Church at the Easter Vigil.

Omolola Adeyeye	Allan North
Ruth Apata	Hyeji Park
Jennifer Barriage	Camille Sardath
Vanessa Doiron	Natasha Taylor
Elie Ifitamaboko	Tara Trotman
Isioro Jaboro	Keziah J.
Julie Jacob	Emmanuel J.
Min Kim	Samuel J.
Yuseon Kong	Kylie L.
Melanie Lewis	Amelia M.
Michael Luke	Kinsley M.
Jaheim Marshall	Kale M.
Natasha Marshall	Elizaburon M-I.
Michaela Mathurin	Eliyanah M-I.
Andrew Mattson	Jacob N.
	Joseph N.

## Mass Intentions

### **Sunday March 29 - Palm Sunday**

### **Monday March 30 -Holy Week**

800am + Philip Malolos

### **Tuesday March 31**

800am + Manuel Branco

### **Wednesday April 1**

730pm + Raul Unay  
+ Noria & Faraj  
+ Nenita Lactao  
+ Reynaldo Dimaandal  
~ The Jamil Family

### **Thursday April 2 - Holy Thursday**

### **Friday April 3 - Good Friday**

### **Saturday April 4 - Easter Vigil**

## No Confessions on Wednesday

**There will be no confessions this Wednesday April 1.**

## Stations of the Cross

Join us for Outdoor Stations of the Cross on **Good Friday at 9:00am**, rain or shine. Booklets will be provided; kindly return them to the pews for future use.

## Livestreaming Masses

The livestreaming schedule of our Masses **during Holy Week and Easter** is as follows:

- Palm Sunday 12:00pm
- Holy Thursday 8:00pm
- Good Friday Service 3:00pm
- Easter Vigil 8:00pm
- Easter Sunday 12:00pm

[Click here to view the Masses.](#) Special thanks to our Livestream Ministry members for their dedication and service.

## Coffee Sunday



We invite everyone to join us for **Coffee Sunday, April 12**, after 8:30am, 10:15am, and 12:00pm Masses in the Parish Hall. Stop by to enjoy coffee, light refreshments, and good conversation. All are welcome!

## Divine Mercy Sunday



On Sunday, **April 12 at 2:00 pm**, you are invited to join us for an afternoon of prayer and reflection led by the Knights of Columbus. We will begin in the Parish Hall with a short video, *Love and Mercy: Faustina*. At 3:00pm, we will gather in the Church to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Refreshments will follow in the Parish Hall.

## Feast of St. Bernadette Soubirous



On **Thursday, April 16**, we will gather as a parish community to celebrate the feast day of St. Bernadette Soubirous, the patron saint of our parish.

**Mass will be celebrated at 7:00pm**, followed by a social with light snacks in the Parish Hall. Everyone is invited to attend.

## Faith Studies

*Book Club - The Cross and the Beatitudes*

Join us on **Monday, April 13 at 9:30am** in the Parish Hall, for a 3-session book study on Fulton J. Sheen's *The Cross and the Beatitudes*. Discover the connection between the beatitudes and Jesus' last words on the cross. Cost: \$15 for the book. To register, contact [susangkennedy@gmail.com](mailto:susangkennedy@gmail.com)

## Daughters of St. Paul Book Fair

The Daughters of St. Paul will be visiting our parish on the **weekend of April 25 and 26**, before and after all Masses. Meet the sisters and explore a selection of Catholic books and faith-formation resources for all ages.

Based in Toronto, the Daughters of St. Paul carry out their mission of evangelization through print and media. For more information or to place orders, check out their online store at [www.paulinestore.ca](http://www.paulinestore.ca) or call 416-781-9131.

## Your Parish Needs Your Talents!

We are seeking volunteers to serve as Ministers of Hospitality, Eucharistic Ministers, and Lectors for the **Saturday 5:00pm and Sunday 5:00pm and 7:00pm Masses**. These ministries play an important role in our liturgies.

If you feel called to share your gifts, please contact the Parish Office or Welcome Desk. Training will be provided.

## Parish Office Update



The Parish Office will be **closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday**. Regular hours will **resume on Tuesday, April 7**.

**Easter Monday** morning Mass will be celebrated at **9:00am**.

**Stay Connected**



## For Our Young People

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

**Monday April 13 - Secret Identity (The LEGO Movie)**

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

**Friday April 10 - The Fuel**

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

**Sunday April 12 - I am the Resurrection & the Life**

## 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.



**Edge Camp**  
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### EDGE CAMP (Grades 5-8)

**Dates: Wednesday August 19 - Sunday August 23**

Where: Camp White Pine, Haliburton, ON

Early-bird \$500 until April 30, then \$575. Registration closes May 31. Use the link to register. Select "Edge Camp East" and then "St. Bernadette's, Ajax"  
<https://edgecamp.campbrainregistration.com/>

# *Easter Parish Schedule*

## **Palm Sunday Masses**

Saturday March 28 - 5pm

Sunday March 29 - 8:30am | 10:15am | 12:00pm | 5:00pm | 7:00pm

## *Holy Week & Easter*

### **Holy Thursday (Mass of the Lord's Supper)**

**Thursday April 2 at 8:00pm**

Procession of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration  
in the Chapel of Repose - Parish Hall (until midnight)

### **Good Friday - Friday April 3**

**Outdoor Stations of the Cross - 9:00am (rain or shine)**

**Good Friday Services - 11:00am | 1:00pm | 3:00pm**

### **Holy Saturday - Saturday April 4**

**Blessing of Easter Baskets - 9:00am SHARP in the Parish Hall**

Easter Vigil Rehearsal - 9:30am

Church Decorating - 11:00am (Church closed to public)

### **Easter Vigil - Saturday April 4 at 8:00pm**

(come early for seating and Parish Hall overflow)

### **Easter Masses - Sunday April 5**

Masses 9:00am | 10:30am | 12:00pm

# Around the Parish

## **Sunday, March 29**

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

10:15am Children's Liturgy (Hall)

## **Monday, March 30**

8:00am Mass

## **Tuesday, March 31**

8:00am Mass  
1:45pm Legion of Mary (Council Room)

## **Wednesday, April 1**

7:00pm Marriage Prep Course (Hall Stage side)  
7:30pm Mass

## **Thursday, April 2**

8:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

## **Friday, April 3**

9:00am Outdoor Stations of the Cross  
11:00am Good Friday Service  
1:00pm Good Friday Service  
3:00pm Good Friday Service

## **Saturday, April 4**

9:00am Blessing of Easter Baskets (Hall)  
9:30am Easter Vigil Rehearsal (Church)  
11:00am Church Decorating  
8:00pm Easter Vigil

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