

Saint Bernadette Parish

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December 15, 2024 3rd Sunday of Advent

We are a community of faith, proud of our Catholic identity, welcoming people from all walks of life and from all over the world. We strive to be united as an example of Christ and His teachings, and to pass on our Christian experience from generation to generation. Our Parish is devoted to the Eucharist as it gathers, nourishes, and challenges us to live out the Gospel Message. We seek to grow in number and faith, working together in the hope that we will become what we receive—the Body of Christ.

CLERGY

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
10:00 am to 2:00 pm

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4:00 pm (English)
Sunday: 9:00 am (Vietnamese); 11:00 am (English)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday: 9:00 am (English); 6:30 pm (Vietnamese)
Thursday: 9:00 am (English)
Friday: 9:00 am (English); 6:30 pm (Vietnamese)

HOLY DAY MASSES

Vigil Mass: 7:00 pm (English and all)
Same Day: 9:00 am (English); 7:00 pm (Viet and all)

ADORATION (IN THE CHAPEL)

Thursday: 6:00 pm–7:30 pm (English and all)
7:30 pm–8:30 pm (Vietnamese and all)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:30 pm–3:50 pm
Sundays: 8:30 am—8:50 am (Vietnamese)

**PLEASE CHECK MASS SCHEDULE ON
1ST PAGE FOR CHANGES.**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

First Sunday: Baptism instruction at 12:00 pm
English: Second Sunday of the month at 12:00 pm
Vietnamese: Fourth Sunday of the month at 10:00 am
Please call the office in advance to register.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact Priest or Deacon at least six months prior to wedding date. Marriage Preparation Program required.

DIRECTOR OF RCIA AND ADULT CONFIRMATION

Deacon Thomas P. Burke
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VISITATION OF THE SICK

Parish Priest, Deacon, and Eucharistic Ministers will bring communion to the homebound. Please call the parish

We welcome all new members of our parish community! Parish registration forms are available in the church.

Masses this Week**Saturday, December 14**4:00pm English: **Jim Donahoe**, 17th Anniversary**Sunday, December 15**9:00am Vietnamese: **Tien Vu**, Memorial11:00am English: **Marilyn and Allan McIntyre**, Memorial**Wednesday, December 18**9:00am English: **David Drew**, 19th Anniversary6:30pm Vietnamese: **Special Intentions****Thursday, December 19**9:00am English: Ann Marie, Cleida & Toleme
Jean-Francois, Memorial**ADORATION:** 6:00 pm– 8:30 pm**Friday, December 20**9:00am English: **Mary T. Hoyt**, 15th Anniversary6:30pm Vietnamese: **Special Intentions****Saturday, December 21**4:00pm English: **Deacon Tom**—Special Intentions**Sunday, December 22**9:00am Vietnamese: **Mass for the Parishioners**11:00am English: **Joseph Marie Carole Perceval**, Birthday**Parish Support**

Thank you for bringing, mailing, or dropping off your weekly envelopes! We truly need and appreciate your support.

Last week's Offertory: \$4,565.00

Last weeks 2nd Collection: \$2,718.00

*This weeks 2nd Collection: Energy***CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE****Tuesday, 12/24 Christmas Eve**

3:30pm Christmas Carol (English)

4:00pm Christmas Eve Mass (English)

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6:30pm Christmas Carol (Vietnamese)

7:00pm Christmas Eve Mass (Vietnamese)

Wednesday, 12/25 Christmas Day

9:00am Mass Vietnamese

11:00am Mass English

As we prepare for Christmas, please think of the following . . .

Gift Cards, Socks, and Christmas Flowers ...Thank you!

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Envelopes are available for donations of any amount towards our beautiful Christmas Flowers in memory of our loved ones who have gone before us. Envelopes are located at the entrance of the church. You can place your envelopes in the collection basket.

**GIFT CARDS**

If you are able, please donate gift cards or cash in the decorated box labeled **"Gift Cards for the Needy"** located by the front doors as you enter the church so we will have time to give the gift cards out to families who request our help, and they will have time to buy gifts for their children before Christmas.

*Thank you in advance***SOCK DRIVE**

During Advent we are again collecting socks for the residents of **Main Spring Shelter in Brockton**. Please bring your donations of **NEW Men's Socks** and drop them in the box at the Church entrance.

Thank you for your generosity.

Key Aspects of the Advent Season Include:

The spirit of Advent is a time of expectation, hope, and preparation, marking the four weeks leading up to Christmas. Rooted in Christian tradition, Advent is a period to reflect on the coming of Christ—both His birth in Bethlehem and His promised second coming.

Key aspects of the Advent season include:

1. **Anticipation and Hope:** Advent is a time to cultivate hope, focusing on the fulfillment of God's promises and the light Christ brings into a world often filled with darkness.
2. **Preparation and Reflection:** It encourages believers to prepare their hearts and minds for Christ's coming. This might involve prayer, repentance, and acts of service to others.
3. **Joy and Peace:** The season also emphasizes joy in the promise of salvation and peace that transcends worldly challenges.
4. **Symbolism:** Many traditions include the lighting of the Advent wreath, with its four candles representing hope, faith, joy, and peace, and sometimes a fifth "Christ candle" lit on Christmas Eve.

Advent invites both individuals and communities to slow down amidst the busyness of the season, focusing on spiritual renewal and the deeper meaning of Christmas.

Grand Annual Collection

*Note: If you do not want your name posted please let us know or write ANONYMOUS on the envelope.

As of now we have 92 families contributed to the 2023-2024 Grand Annual for the total of \$35,632

1. Do Quang Huy
2. Roberta Fitzgerald
3. Mr. & Mrs. Tanh Le
4. Thúy Hương Nguyễn
5. Cong Van Tran



ANNOUNCEMENT

Please respect holy silence in the church

1. Please put your phone on silence during the Mass.
2. Avoid walking back and forth during Mass.
3. For your safety and the safety of others:
 - **Please Do Not Stop** your car at the entrance to the church.
 - Respect the car behind you.
 - Pull all the way into the parking lot before dropping people off.

December 15 ~

Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)

“Rejoice!” “Rejoice” in the Lord always.” The response to the psalm text is even clearer, “Cry out with joy and gladness for great among you is the Holy One Israel.” The message this week is clear. It is time to wake up to the fact that our God is among us and has been for ages past and for ages to come. This rejoicing has that we do have everything to do with our faith, and on the very belief that “the Lord is near.” In the remaining days of Advent make time each day to reflect on the times and places where you felt that the Lord was with you, and then rejoice and give thanks that the Holy One is near.

2025 Church Calendars

are located at the entrance of the church.
Limited amount.

*The calendars have been donated by
Cartwright Funeral Home*

Brown Bag Lunch Dates

If you would like to help put together the Brown Bag Lunches, they meet in the Church Hall at 10:00 am, dates are as follows:

Saturday, December 7, 2024	Saturday, March 1, 2025
Saturday, January 4, 2025	Saturday, April 5, 2025
Saturday, February 1, 2025	Friday, April 18, 2025



Memorial Offerings in memory of a deceased relative or friend are available.

Donations

Candle for the Week \$20
Host and Wine for the week \$25

Please call the Parish Office to book or for further
Information call: 781.963.1327

Grand Annual Appeal SUCCESS

Thank you Everyone. We are very GRATEFUL!



SAINT BERNADETTE CATHOLIC CHURCH
1031 NORTH MAIN STREET – RANDOLPH, MA 02368

2024-2025 GRAND ANNUAL APPEAL

October 27, 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is such a privilege for me to serve God and you at Saint Bernadette parish. Together as a community of faith we continue to build the Kingdom of God and vibrant parish. I want to thank each one of you for always praying and supporting our Church toward this wonderful goal.

Our parish is growing and getting stronger. The numbers of mass attendees, Baptisms, First Communions, Confirmations, Holy Matrimony, and CCD students have been increasing every year. With God's blessing and your continued support, we believe our parish will continue to grow in the Love of God and One Another.

Last year, through your contributions and efforts, the parish was able to achieve the followings:

Installed 26 double hung glass windows in the church hall (\$31,000 windows and labor cost)

Repainted and renovated the Church Sanctuary, 4 stairways, the church hall's wall, ceiling, doors (\$3,500)

Installed the drop ceiling (with LED Panel Lights) to reduce the anti-echo sound in the church hall.
(\$12,500)

Landscaped around the church and the chapel (\$7,000)

Upgraded all white boards and TV Projectors in the CCD classrooms (\$8,000)

Started the process of putting up the new church sign (donated by an anonymous family)

There are still other projects that need to be address in the coming year:

Plan to install new church hall floor; the current floor is old and torn in some places.

Plan to install a new sound system in the church hall.

Plan to do new landscaping to the area around the Blessed Virgin Mary Statue.

Plan to install new windows, drop ceiling and repaint outside the CCD Building.

Plan to install HVAC units in the church and church hall. This is a 3-5 years project.

I feel truly blessed as your Administrator, as so many of you respond generously to our parish needs throughout the year. We are the stones that God want us to build the Kingdom of God and to sustain our physical church. I am appealing to every family to consider contributing **\$500** to our Grand Annual Appeal which will run from November 2024 to March 2025. As always, I totally understand and sympathize with some families who are dealing with financial difficulties, but any contribution will be appreciated. However, if you are able to be a little more generous, a greater gift would be most appreciated.

Please use the Grand Annual Appeal 2024-2025 envelopes attached or in the Church for your convenience. You can return it to us or put it in the collection basket. Please make check payable to: *St. Bernadette Grand Annual Appeal*.

Thank you for your generosity, and may God continue to bless and protect you and your family in his love.

In Christ's Love and Peace,

M. Tienhoa

Rev. Mark Hoa Tien Le, CRM
Administrator of Saint Bernadette Catholic Church



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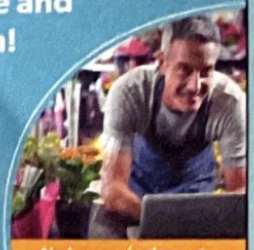
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