

# SAINT BERNADETTE CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5 PM  
Sunday: 9 AM & 11 AM  
Tuesday: 9 AM  
Wednesday: 9 AM & 6 PM  
Thursday: 9 AM  
Friday: 9 AM

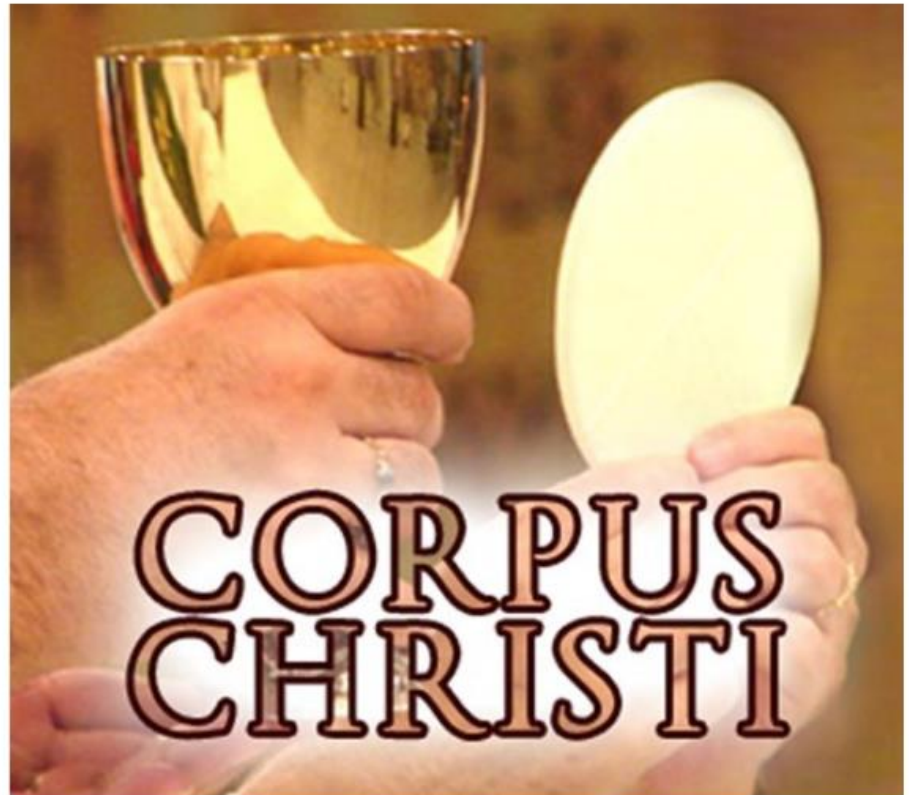
Adoration every Friday after 9 AM Mass  
with Benediction at 12 NOON

1st Saturday: 9 AM Mass  
Rosary immediately following

Confession  
Wednesday: 5—5:45 PM  
Saturday: 4—4:45 PM  
Sunday: 8:15—8:45 AM  
*or by appointment*

## June 2, 2024

### The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood



This is My Body, take and eat. This is My Blood, take and drink.

#### Mission Statement:

St. Bernadette Catholic Church is a Christian community in the Catholic tradition following the direction of the Holy Spirit in building the kingdom of God and the church in Hedgesville and beyond. Through Word, Worship, Ministry, and Service we celebrate our common faith given in baptism. Grateful for our faith, we seek to grow in love toward all. "It is by your love for one another that everyone will recognize you as my disciples." (John 13:35)

From a work by Saint Thomas Aquinas, priest. Since it was the will of God’s only begotten Son that men should share in his divinity, he assumed our nature in order that by becoming man he might make men gods. Moreover, when he took our flesh, he dedicated the whole of its substance to our salvation. He offered his body to God the Father on the altar of the cross as a sacrifice for our reconciliation. He shed his blood for our ransom and purification, so that we might be redeemed from our wretched state of bondage and cleansed from all sin. But to ensure that the memory of so great a gift would abide with us forever, he left his body as food and his blood as drink for the faithful to consume in the form of bread and wine.

O precious and wonderful banquet, that brings us salvation and contains all sweetness! Could anything be of more intrinsic value? Under the old law it was the flesh of calves and goats that was offered, but here Christ himself, the true God, is set before us as our food. What could be more wonderful than this? No other sacrament has greater healing power; through it sins are purged away, virtues are increased, and the soul is enriched with an abundance of every spiritual gift. It is offered in the Church for the living and the dead, so that what was instituted for the salvation of all may be for the benefit of all. Yet, in the end, no one can fully express the sweetness of this sacrament, in which spiritual delight is tasted at its very source, and in which we renew the memory of that surpassing love for us which Christ revealed in his passion.

It was to impress the vastness of this love more firmly upon the hearts of the faithful that our Lord instituted this sacrament at the Last Supper. As he was on the point of leaving the world to go to the Father, after celebrating the Passover with his disciples, he left it as a perpetual memorial of his passion. It was the fulfillment of ancient figures and the greatest of all his miracles, while for those who were to experience the sorrow of his departure, it was destined to be a unique and abiding consolation.

(cf. Office of Readings for Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, pp. 610-611)

**FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK**

Beloved brothers and sisters in Christ, welcome! Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. It is the celebration of the greatest act of love of all time - the Gift of His only Begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to us to be our Redeemer, our Savior. We see a manifestation of this love in the words spoken by Jesus at the Last Supper: “Take it; this is my body.” “This is my blood of the covenant which will be shed for many.”

**The National Eucharistic pilgrimage - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Route has begun! Follow Christ – Walk with Jesus!** From four corners of America, Catholic faithful will walk with Christ in Eucharistic processions stretching a two-month timeline culminating in Indianapolis, July 16th, for the National Eucharistic Congress – a milestone within the Eucharistic Revival and a historic moment for the Church in the U.S. The processions began the weekend of Pentecost, May 17–May 19, 2024.

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston is part of the pilgrimage’s St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Route. There are 13 dioceses along this east to west journey. The procession will arrive with Our Lord on June 20th in St. Joseph the Worker Parish in Weirton. Mass will be celebrated at the church at 8 AM. All are invited to the Mass. Following the celebration, the faithful will then join a Eucharistic Pro-cession from St. Joseph to Sacred Heart of Mary Church a mile down the road with exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament and benediction. More in our subsequent Parish Sunday Bulletins.

**Preparing for Christian Marriage Retreat**

Did you know that as an engaged couple preparing for Sacramental Marriage you could get away to a quiet place to learn the Catholic understanding of the Sacrament of Marriage? The diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, WV offers a FREE weekend retreat at Saint John XXIII Pastoral Center, Charleston, WV. It is focus on faith, communication, sexuality, and stewardship. It is recommended that the retreat be scheduled early during your engagement and completed at least one month prior to your wedding date. Register online at least 1 month prior to the start of the chosen week.

**UPCOMING DATES**

July 13-14, 2024, at St. John XXIII  
November 16-17, 2024, at St. John XXIII

**The 2024 Diocesan Quo Vadis Camp:** This camp is scheduled to hold at the Priestfield Pastoral Center from June 17th to June 20th! It is open to boys from 6th to 8th grade. Purpose: to help them discern future vocation while having a blast at the same time. Seminarian Nathan Schmidt and Linda Abrahamian are the focus persons in our parish for this event.

**PARISH SACRIFICIAL OFFERING**

General Fund.....	\$ 1917.00
Online Giving.....	\$ 550.39
Maintenance .....	\$ 25.13
Outreach .....	\$ 381.00

**THANK YOU FOR TAKING A STEP  
TOWARD A LIFE OF STEWARDSHIP**

**Summer Seminarian:** Seminarian Nathan Schmidt will arrive our parish tomorrow, Monday June 3rd, and his last day with us is Thursday July 25th, 2024. We'll welcome him as a parish community on Tuesday, June 11th, at 6 PM in McFadden Hall with a meet and greet pizza party.

**The Pope's Prayer Intention for June 2024:** For migrants fleeing their homes; that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

**WHAT'S GOING ON?**

**Pilgrimage to Italy:** Please join Fr. Timothy Huffman, from the Diocese of Steubenville, on a pilgrimage to Italy! Highlights include the Sistine Chapel, the Vatican Museums, the Holy House of Loretto, San Giovanni Rotondo (home of St. Padre Pio), Assisi and so much more! November 1-11, 2024. \$4299/per person based on double occupancy. Registration deadline is June 28, 2024. For more information, please visit [www.QoHTours.com](http://www.QoHTours.com) or call us at 1-800-213-4295.

Don't forget to register for Vacation Bible School to be held August 5—9th from 5—8 PM. Register now so that arrangements can be made for a fun week!

**June Birthdays** Below is a list of those celebrating birthdays in June. If you see them when you are out and about, wish them a Happy Birthday!

Elaine Guttman	Adam Gulbranson	David Paluch
Delia Kesecker	Samuel Huntsberry	Nathan Rihn
Frank Machin	David Gentile	Gracie Cumley
Cindy Welsh	Matthew Keller	Jim Sabol
Heather Stritch	Michele Atha	Zachary Hudy
Christopher Gearity	Crystal Ortiz	Gloria Kempter
Lynne Blackshear	Kaitlyn Strzemieczny	Robin Marlin
George Folk	Seraphina Stritch	Gianna Rivera
Ashlyn Nichols	Mary Beutler	Alex Ferrell
Margaret Todas	Hannah Beutler	Kelly Wakelin
Colton Hey	Michael Folk	Sharon Rose
Sarah Donato	Jeff McCoy	Michele Tost
Elaine Renner	Isabel Wakelin	Y. Marie-Francoise Kao
Cynthia Rusten	William Humbert	Catherine Kusmitch
Karolyn Pelletier	Elvin Rivera	Madelyn Pelletier
Gianna Heredia	Victoria Wakelin	Alex Weaver
Cleo Dunn	Darin Wilburn	Sylvia Hudy
Matthew Gentry	Emma Cumley	Martha Melnick
Jerry Hott	Tom Foley	Maureen Zaycosky-Null
David Lopez	Keaton Gearity	Kenneth Coppi

**PRAYERS REQUESTED**

Mary Cordelli, Sharee Buberl, Bonnie Hart, Kathy Skane, Msgr. Patrick Fryer, Randy Bookwalter, Ginger Spice, Walter Shenk, Robin Marlin, Betty Foley, Beverly Barrett, Tim Umrysz, Theresa Comer, Betty Beniot, Hank Chase, Linda & Bernie Guy, Jackie Crouse, Kevin Lathwell, Dorothy Knipe, Rebecca Ramsey, Abby & Libby Conley, Shane Terry, Linda Spiker, Vicki Lowery, Eric Heartley, Michael Huey, Patricia Baker, Isabelle Horning

*Please keep the sick and homebound, and those that have no one to pray for them, in your thoughts and prayers. You may call the Parish Office at 304-754-7830 to add a name to our Prayer List.*

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**



**Sunday, June 2nd**

**Corpus Christi**

9 AM Mass—Fr. Boh

*Intention for Alex Ferrell*

11 AM Mass—Msgr. Ansgar

*Intention for Stephanie Gonzalez*

**Tuesday, June 4th**

9 AM Mass—Fr. Boh

10 AM Stitches from the Heart

**Wednesday, June 5th**

9 AM Mass—Msgr. Ansgar

5-5:45 PM Confession

6 PM Mass—Fr. Boh

**Thursday, June 6th**

9 AM Mass—Fr. Boh

**First Friday, June 7th**

9:00 AM Mass—Fr. Boh

Adoration following the 9 AM Mass

12 NOON Benediction

**Saturday, June 8th**

10:30 AM Book Club

4—4:45 PM Confession

5 PM Mass—Msgr. Ansgar

*Intention for the People of the Parish*

**Sunday, June 9th**

9 AM Mass—Fr. Boh

*Intention for Thaddeus Reeser*

11 AM Mass—Fr. Boh

*Intention for Silas Gonzalez*

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Parents must be registered with the Parish Office and are required to attend a Preparation Session before the Baptism can be scheduled. To register for the Preparation Class, please call the Parish Office at 304-754-7830.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Will be held Wednesday evening from 5:20—5:50 PM, Saturday 4—4:45 PM, and Sunday 8:15—8:45 AM. Confession is also available by appointment at anytime. Please call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

**Order of Christian Initiation:** The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults begins in August and ends in April. These classes are for members who wish to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church. If you need to receive Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Communion, and/or Confirmation, and are interested in attending OCIA, please call the Parish Office at 304-754-7830.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Engaged couples planning to marry at St. Bernadette Catholic Church should be practicing Catholics, participating in Sunday Eucharist regularly. Also they must participate in a Marriage Preparation Program. Call the Parish Office for information. At least six months notice is required. No date for a wedding will be set over the phone.

**Holy Communion to the Sick and Homebound:** When a Parishioner is confined to home or hospital because of illness or advanced age, call the Parish Office. We will be happy to make arrangements to bring Holy Communion.

**Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:** Upon request and Communally as scheduled.

**Parish Membership:** We give a heartfelt welcome to all new people moving into our Parish. You can get a registration form from the Parish Office or you can register on our website at [www.stbernadettewv.org](http://www.stbernadettewv.org). Those who plan to move from our Parish Community are asked to inform us.

**St. Bernadette Pastoral Council:** Pat Winkelman, Chairperson; Cindy Lathwell, Secretary; Members: Tom Bibby, Lynette Kammerer, Carol Sloan, Sara Struemke, Jean Ridley, Linda Abrahamian, Maureen Sabol, Joe Comer, Paul Guttman, and Neil Shanholtzer

**St. Bernadette Finance Ministry:** Paul Guttman, Neil Shanholtzer, and Jeff Ferrell

**Ministries:** If you are interested in training for any of the following ministries: Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Lector, Altar Server, or Usher, please contact the Parish Office.

**Hospital Visits:** Because of the HIPPA regulations, we are not notified when someone from our Parish is in the hospital. If you want a Priest to visit you, please contact the Parish Office yourself, have a close family member contact us, or ask someone at the hospital to contact us. Friends and neighbors do not make the decision for a Priest to visit the sick. It must be at the request of the family. If you are local, we can make the visit. If you are in Winchester, please let the hospital know that you want a priest or contact the local parish.

## WEEKLY READINGS

Monday 3rd—St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs; 2 Pt 1:2-7; Ps 91; Mk 12:1-12

Tuesday 4th—2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Ps 90; Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday 5th—St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr; 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 123; Mk 12:18-27

Thursday 6th—2 Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25; Mk 12:28-34

Friday 7th—Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus; Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; (Ps) Is 12; Eph 3:8-12, 14-19; Jn 19:31-37

Saturday 8th—Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary; 2 Tm 4:1-8; Ps 71; Lk 2:41-51

Sunday 9th—Gn 3:9-15; Ps 130; 2 Cor 4:13-5:1; Mk 3:20-35

## SAFE ENVIRONMENT CARING FOR GOD'S CHILDREN

To report an incident of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800-352-6513. In addition to civil authorities, to report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact the Diocese at 888-434-6237 or 304-233-0880. Please visit [www.dwc.org](http://www.dwc.org) under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.