

SAINT BERNADETTE CATHOLIC CHURCH



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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 9 AM & 11 AM

Saturday: 5 PM

Tuesday: 9 AM

Wednesday: 9 AM & 6 PM

Thursday—Friday: 9 AM

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

1st Friday: Perpetual Adoration of the
Blessed Eucharist after 9 AM Mass
with Benediction at 5 PM

1st Saturday: 9 AM
Rosary immediately following

Confession

Wednesday: 5:20—5:50PM

Saturday: 4—4:45PM

Sunday: 8:15—8:45 AM
or by appointment

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March 6, 2022
First Sunday of Lent, Year C



Lk 4:1-13

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

REFLECTION

Theme: "Lent is a Time for Change"

Today we celebrate the First Sunday of Lent, Year C. On Ash Wednesday we began the Lenten season - a forty-day journey characterized by prayer, fasting and almsgiving that will end at sundown on Holy Thursday. Lent is a period of preparation for the celebration of the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. During Lent we seek God in prayer by reading, and meditating on the Bible, we serve Him by giving alms; and we practice self-control through fasting. In his message for Lent 2022 Pope Francis says that "Christians must persevere in generously doing good in the world, bolstered by prayer and by fighting evil in their own lives...." He goes on to say that: "Lent is a favorable time to seek out—and not to avoid—those in need; to reach out—and not to ignore—those who need a sympathetic ear and a good word; to visit—and not to abandon—those who are lonely". Lent allows us to grow closer to God, the church, and to one another.

Today's Gospel reading focuses on the temptation of Jesus. In preparation to start his ministry, Jesus departed to the wilderness where he stayed for forty days. He sought for aloofness from the world to make a solid preparation for the reason why he came, the salvation of the world. His departure from the people presented Him face to face with the devil, the very enemy of humankind that Jesus had come to salvage. There and then Satan approached the new man as he did the old (Gen. 3:1-13). Mark, who likes being succinct and direct, did not record the dialogue between Satan and Jesus. He only presented the contest as that between good and evil. And in this contest, good overcame evil; Jesus defeated Satan and began to proclaim the Kingdom of God. Hence, he declared: "The time has come; the Kingdom of God is at hand. Change your ways and believe the Good News". In solidarity with Jesus begin your journey to the desert; arm yourself with fasting, prayer and works of mercy. Get involved in the affairs of the Church. You will conquer!

In response to the call addressed to all of us by this Lenten season to make sacrifices, kindly consider in making a sacrifice of your valuable time on one of the Sundays programmed for discussions on 'SYNODALITY' to stay back after the 9 am Mass at the McFadden Hall and give your own input or contribution to this endeavor. 'Please, make your voice heard!' Let us pray dear sisters and brothers, that we will be more opened to receiving the grace of God during this Lenten Season and make use of it by purifying our hearts, detaching ourselves from worldly pleasures, focusing more on improving our relationship with God and our brothers and sisters and be more charitable with what God has blessed us with.

Fr Boh

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK

The Lord is good! Welcome, everyone to Saint Bernadette on this first Sunday of Lent Year C. A special welcome to those visiting with us for the first time. Thanks for choosing to come worship with us today. We hope enjoyed the celebration. Please come again. If you would want to become a member of this family of Saint Bernadette, please pick up a registration form at the back of the Church as you leave the church and return the filled form to the Parish Office or drop it in one of the collection baskets.

You can also register online by visiting www.stbernadettev.org or call the Parish Office. Thanks
Abstinence: We are reminded that according to the diocesan custom, all those between the ages of 14 and 59 years are asked to fast and abstain on all the Wednesdays and Fridays of Lent as a voluntary practice. Those who are sick are also exempt.

Some Spiritual titles recommended for your Lenten reading and spiritual nourishment: 'The Road to Spiritual Fitness' by Danny Abramowicz. He provides us with first class tools that have helped him down the spiritual road that will sustain you).

'Lenten Journey with Mother Mary' by Edward Looney This book invites you to walk with the world's singular model of faith and purity – the Virgin Mary herself – each day of our Lenten spiritual pilgrimage to Easter.

'The Thief Who Stole Heaven' by Fr Geoffrey Bliss, Raymond Arroyo

'The Pain of Christ and the Sorrow of God' by Fr Gerald Vann. In Seven chapters marked by originality and striking clarity, F Vann gets under the rind and into the heart of every aspect of Christ's Passion. Fr Vann emphasizes that in neither our spiritual lives nor our lives in the world can we ignore a crucial aphorism that will play a role in determining our destiny: "the importance of small things."

'The Last Hours of Jesus and Holy Thursday Set' by Fr Ralph Gorman, Francois Mauriac. Begin your Lent by reflecting on the permanent and sacrificial love that was portrayed by Jesus's last hours during his crucifixion.

Women's Day: March: We wish all the women of our Parish Happy Women's Day as they join the rest of the women intentionally to celebrate this year's Intentional Women's Day under the campaign theme: "BreakTheBias".

I wish all of you a prayerful and grace-filled Lent 2022. Happy Sunday.

This week's suggested learning on **FORMED**

Symbolon: Session 1: The Journey of Faith: Trinity, Faith & the God Who Is Love

Find this week's post on our Facebook page and leave your review in the comments. Links for videos can be found on there as well. www.facebook.com/StBernadetteWV

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING SUMMARY OFFERING

Reg. Envelopes	\$ 2878.00
Online Giving	\$ 202.01
Capital Improvements & Maintenance.....	\$ -80.00
Church in the Developing World	\$ 20.00
Mary's Refuge	\$ 3965.00

THANK YOU FOR TAKING A STEP TOWARD A LIFE OF STEWARDSHIP

WHAT IS GOING ON?

Our annual **Easter Egg Hunt** needs eggs and small individually wrapped candy. Please leave donations in the basket in McFadden Hall from now until April 4th. If you would like to help, egg stuffing will happen after the 9 AM Mass on April 4th and egg hiding will happen on April 17th at 8:15 AM. The Easter Egg Hunt will be after the 9 AM Mass on Easter Sunday, April 17th.

Return your **completed SYNOD packet** to the basket in the Narthex by March 13th.

Don't forget about our weekly **Lenten Fish Fry Lunch**. Lunch includes your choice of 8 oz Fried Cod Platter & Fresh Coleslaw OR Fish Taco with Cabbage Slaw, Pico de Gallo, and Aioli Sauce. Both include fries, dessert, and a drink. See bulletin insert for more details.

Social Concerns Committee is in need of a volunteer to coordinate the bi-monthly meal that we provide to Immanuel's House in Martinsburg. This job entails Please call Lynette at the Parish Office with any questions.

Loaves and Fishes is seeking donations to fill their food pantry. Monetary donations can be made to St. Bernadette with Hedgesville Loaves and Fishes in the memo line. If you have any questions, contact Karen at 301-992-1368 or Bill at 571-216-9320.

Priests' Health and Retirement Association (PHRA) Collection A special second collection is scheduled for March 19-20, 2022, to support the Priests' Health and Retirement Association (PHRA), a fund that provides health insurance and retirement benefits to retired priests of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. Please take a moment to reflect on the many years of service by our priests and how we can take this opportunity to thank them in a very particular way with a gift to the PHRA collection.

Diocesan Year of St. Joseph Concludes March 19

Make plans now to join fellow faithful from around the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston in Charleston March 18-19 to celebrate the conclusion of the Year of Saint Joseph. The festivities in honor of the Guardian of the Redeemer and Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary will begin with an Evening of Music and Prayer to Saint Joseph at 7 pm, Friday, March 18, at the Saint John XXIII Pastoral Center, 100 Hodges Road, Charleston. The events will move to the Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, 1032 Virginia Street, Charleston, on Saturday, March 19, beginning at 9:30 am, and concluding with a Closing Mass with Bishop Mark Brennan at 3pm. "May our faith in God and our devotion to His great servant, St. Joseph, bring us closer to Jesus Christ and one another," Bishop Mark Brennan said. Highlights for Saturday include prayer, Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament, Confession, presentations focusing on Saint Joseph, tours of the Basilica, reflections, and more. Registration for the events is required and can be made by visiting <https://dwc.org/pilgrimage/>. A light reception will be held after Friday's special evening, and a boxed lunch will be provided on Saturday. Overnight accommodations are available at the St. John XXIII Pastoral Center, 100 Hodges Road, Charleston. Contact the facility at 304-342-0507 or visit <http://johnxxiiipc.org>

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, March 6th

8:15—8:45 AM Confession

9:00 AM Mass

Intention for Angela Gentile

10:30-11:45 AM Religious Education

11 AM Mass

Tuesday, March 8th

9 AM Mass

Intention for Rosalie Gallegher

10 AM Stitches from the Heart

Wednesday, March 9th

9 AM Mass

5:20—5:50 PM Confession

6 PM Mass

*Intention for Pat Brown***Thursday, March 10th**

9:00 AM Mass

Friday, March 11th

9:00 AM Daily Mass

Intention for Bill Mulvey

Adoration following the 9 AM Mass

12 NOON Benediction

11—2 PM Fish Fry Lunch

6 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 12th

4—4:45 PM Confession

5:00 PM Mass

*Intention for Blaine Brumbaugh***Sunday, March 13th**

8:15—8:45 AM Confession

9:00 AM Youth Mass

Intention for the People of the Parish

10:30-11:45 AM Religious Education

11 AM Mass

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Kathy Sloan, Bernie Guy, Mary Cordelli, Rose Stefanko, John Bennett, Sharee Buberl, Chris Ridley, Bonnie Hart, Harry Skouras, Margaret Kistner, Angela Ramsey, Kathy Skane, Deb Nichols, Tommy Mackesy, Jammie Mackesy, Joe Hermosillo, Msgr. Patrick Fryer, Anna Greist, Randy Bookwalter, Kathy Weaver

*Please keep the sick and homebound in your thoughts and prayers.
You may call the Parish Office at 304-754-7830 to add a name to our Prayer List.*

Sacrament of Baptism: Parents must be registered with the Parish Office and must have regular attendance at Sunday Mass for at least six months and are required to attend a Preparation Class 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 also available by appointment at anytime. Please call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

Rite of Christian Initiation: RCIA (for children 15 and older and adults) or RCIC (for children 7-14 yrs of age). For more information call the Parish Office at 304-754-7830. Preparation for receiving First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation, 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. 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, Deb Mackesy, Linda Abrahamian, Maureen Sabol, Joe Comer, Paul Guttmann, and Neil Shanholtzer

St. Bernadette Finance Committee: Paul Guttmann, Kacie Morrell Humbert, 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 for assistance.

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.

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday 7th—Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday 8th—Is 55:10-11; Ps 34; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday 9th—Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday 10th—Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138; Mt 7:7-12

Friday 11th—Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday 12th—Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday 13th—Second Sunday of Lent; Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27; Phil 3:17-4:1; Lk 9:28b-36

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 one of the Bishop's designees at 888-434-6237 or 304-233-0880: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Fr. Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304-230-1504. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.



Parish Lenten Pilgrimage

Saturday April 2, 2022

National Shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes

On the campus of Mount St. Mary's University
16330 Grotto Road, Emmitsburg, MD

Prayer and departure from our parking lot at 9:30 AM

Activities envisage:

A Talk on Forgiveness

Stations of the Cross

Confessions and Rosary and Holy Mass at 2:30 PM

This is being offered to you free of charge by St. Bernadette's.
Please bring your own lunch.

Parish Lenten Pilgrimage, Saturday, April 2nd

National Shrine Grotto to Our Lady of Lourdes
Please return this form by March 19th

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

How many people will be attending? _____

Will you meet at the church or meet us at the Shrine? _____

Will you be going to confession while visiting the Shrine? YES NO

St. Joseph's Catholic Ministry Mary's Refuge -- Days of Caring

Where: Mary's Refuge, 111 East Stephen St, Martinsburg, WV

When: Saturdays - March 19th, and 26th. 1st shift 10:00am-1:00pm, 2nd shift 12:00pm-3:00pm, 3rd shift 1:00pm-4:00pm. Volunteers are welcome to stay the whole day.

What will we be doing? It is now time to start sprucing up the interior of Mary's Refuge. Specifically, we will be removing the old furniture, preparing the interior walls for painting, and the overall clean-up of the property. We will have a small crew remove all the sink fixtures that do not have a cabinet under them. We will also clean and prepare the common rooms and the bedrooms that are located on the third floor. We will need a crew to help demolish the area designated for the installation of the washers and dryers on the second floor.

How do I sign up? Please complete the form below and return to church either this week or next week. If you have any questions, please contact Colleen Furman at colleenfurman.marysrefuge@gmail.com or at 571-643-4297.

Mary's Refuge - Days of Caring Sign-up Sheet

Name: _____

Cell: _____ other phone: _____

Email: _____

Adult _____ Youth _____ (15 and up)

Circle one or more shifts and dates below:

1st shift 10am-1pm / 2nd shift 12pm-3pm / 3rd shift 1pm-4pm

Dates: March 19th / March 26th

____ Please check if you would like to sign up for a different type of volunteer with Mary's Refuge.

Please drop this slip off in the Mary's Refuge basket or give to representative.