

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

May 1, 2022 Third Sunday of Easter

Miracle of the Draught of Fish

Peter's Confession of Love



Jn 21:1-19

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

Our Gospel passage for this Third Sunday of Easter, is built around Peter and his confession of Love at the bank of the sea a few days after the resurrection of Jesus Christ. When Christ was arrested Peter denied him three times and he even disappeared. Three times Peter rejected knowing Jesus, and today he professes three times that he loves Jesus. This declaration of love is an opportunity Christ gives to Peter to 'erase' the denial. What he did out of fear and weakness, he now takes away out of love and God's merciful love which knows no boundary. You and I can experience this transformative power of God's love. In many ways and different places, we too, might have rejected Christ in what we say, think, or do or fail to do. And this constitutes sin which is essentially a denial of love. Certainly, we all need to work on our love, and that is why this passage should be so significant to us. We should hear Jesus asking us this question three times also. We should realize that He is not satisfied with a simple, "Lord, I love You." He wants to hear it again, and again. He asks us this because He knows we need to express this love in the deepest way. Let our response not be a faithless copy-work of Peter's answer but an ascent of faith; "Lord, You know everything, You know that I love You!" This must be our ultimate answer.

Fr Boh

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK

"Welcome, everyone to Saint Bernadette Parish! We extend a special welcome to those who are visiting with us for the first time. We are so glad you have chosen to join us today as we worship the Lord together and have fellowship! We hope that you feel right at home." If you would like to register in the parish, you can pick up a registration form at the back of the Church. You can either place the completed form in the collection basket or stop by the Parish Office and drop it off with our Parish Secretary. If you have any question, you can please contact the Parish Office at (304) 754-7830.

"Donut Sunday": We are reminded that after 9:00 am Mass on every Sunday of the month donuts, coffee, or tea are served at McFadden Hall. You are invited. We thank the Hospitality Committee for arranging this monthly get-together.

Thank you, CCD teachers: Another Religious Education school year has drawn to an end. I want to thank Deb Mackesy, the director of our program, for all her hard work in steering the program through the year. And thank you to Keri Givens and Allison Ferrell for their many years as teachers here at St. Bernadette's. I am grateful for all our teachers who give of their time to share the Faith with our young people. It is not an easy task, but it is rewarding and important—so, Thank You! We are in need of 4 teachers for our program next year. Please pray about serving in this very important ministry. Thank you to our parents for taking seriously the responsibility you assumed on the day of your child(ren)'s baptism to educate your child(ren) in the Catholic Faith. I

encourage all our parents to register your child(ren) for CCD next year.

Marian Month: May is traditionally dedicated in a special way to honoring and seeking the intercession of Mary as the Mother of God and Mother of the Church. Our first communicants will process out to the Grotto, and each will place a rose the foot of Mary. This "Crowning" is a traditional Roman Catholic ritual that occurs in the month of May. You are encouraged to make time during this month for your Heavenly Mother and take a few minutes to say just a decade of the rosary. You are also encouraged to visit a shrine dedicated to Mary this month.

This is a busy month in our parish community with First Holy Communions, Confirmations, Wedding, and Graduations. We congratulate the First Communicants, the Confirmandi, Francis Donato and Sarah Housel, and the Graduates.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for May 2022: We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest. May they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

THANK YOU: Permit me use this opportunity to thank you all for the warm Easter wishes. A special thanks to all those who sent me Easter cards, gifts, and the sumptuous dinner. You made my day complete. I pray for your happiness and peace in your heart and homes during this Easter Season and always!

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

For the adults: Let's reflect during this Octave of Easter with short 4-5 minute daily reflections at <https://watch.formed.org/formed-daily-reflections>.

For the kids: Watch a family friendly cartoon at <https://watch.formed.org/ryan-defrates-secret-agent>

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

PARISH SACRIFICIAL OFFERING
GIVING SUMMARY

Reg. Envelopes.....	\$ 2945.00
Online Giving.....	\$ 280.51
Easter Offering.....	\$ 20.00
Capital Improvements & Maintenance.....	\$ 40.00
Diocesan Collections.....	\$ 20.00
Poor Box.....	\$ 35.00

THANK YOU FOR TAKING A STEP
TOWARD A LIFE OF STEWARDSHIP

WHAT IS GOING ON?

Quilt Raffle sales will take place after all Masses on April 30th, May 1st, 7th, & 8th. Tickets are 2 for \$5. Fr. Boh will draw the winning ticket after the 11 AM Mass on May 8th. (Need not be present to win.) Proceeds will be used to purchase sleeping bags and tents for the homeless.

THANK YOU! Thank you to all who participated in the collection of blankets, sheets and various other items. Your generosity is overwhelming. We collected three car loads of items which will be distributed to the homeless and the outreach program. Again, thank you.



Quilt made by Sharon Rose

The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** (RCIA—15 years or older), will begin Saturday, August 20, 2022, from 9 AM to 12 NOON at the Religious Education Building. The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Children** (RCIC—7 to 14 yrs. of age), will begin Sunday, August 21, 2022, from 12:30—2 PM at the Religious Education Building. These classes are for members who wish to enter in full communion with the Catholic Church. If you need to receive Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Communion and/or Confirmation, and are interested in attending RCIA/RCIC, please call the Parish Office at 304-754-7830.

Catholic Radio in the Eastern Panhandle!

The effort to bring Catholic Radio to the Eastern Panhandle continues. We will have an informational meeting Saturday, May 14th. The meeting will be held after the 8:00 am Mass in the St. James Parish Library (49 Crosswinds Drive, Charles Town). Our special guest is Mr. Bob Carubia of Light of Life Catholic Radio in Central West Virginia and the Northern Panhandle. To RSVP or for questions, please contact Shaun Perkows at shaun.perkowski@gmail.com or 304-283-1038.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, May 1st

9 AM Mass
Intention for the People of the Parish
 Donut Sunday
 11 AM Mass
 1st Communion

Tuesday, May 3rd

9 AM Mass
 10 AM Stitches from the Heart

Wednesday, May 4th

9 AM Mass
 5:20—5:50 PM Confession
 6 PM Mass

Thursday, May 5th

9 AM Mass

First Friday, May 6th

9:00 AM Daily Mass
 Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Eucharist
 5:00 PM Benediction

First Saturday, May 7th

9 AM Mass
 9:30 AM Rosary
 4—4:45 PM Confession
 5:00 PM Mass
 Quilt Raffle Sales after Mass

Sunday, May 8th

9 AM Mass
Intention for the People of the Parish
 Quilt Raffle Sales after Mass
 11 AM Mass
 Quilt Raffle Drawing

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Bernie Guy, Mary Cordelli, Rose Stefanko, Sharee Buberl, Chris Ridley, Bonnie Hart, Margaret Kistner, Angela Ramsey, Kathy Skane, Msgr. Patrick Fryer, Randy Bookwalter, Kathy Weaver, Jerry Wargo, Nancy Barnholt, Isabella Blackshear, Ginger Spice, Colleen O'Neill, and Ernie Montano

*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 is 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, Jean Ridley, Linda Abrahamian, Maureen Sabol, Joe Comer, Paul Guttman, and Neil Shanholtzer

St. Bernadette Finance Committee: Paul Guttman, 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.

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday, May 2nd—St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; Acts 6:8-15, Ps 119; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday 3rd—Sts Philip and James, Apostles; 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19; Jn 14:6-14

Wednesday 4th—Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday 5th—Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66; Jn 6:44-51

Friday 6th—Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday 7th—Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116; Jn 6:60-69

Fourth Sunday of Easter, May 8th—Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100; Rev 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

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.

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.