



St. Bernadette Catholic Church

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ST. BERNADETTE MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday: 9 AM

Wednesday: 9 AM & 6 PM

Thursday—Friday: 9 AM

Saturday: 5 PM

Sunday: 9 AM & 11 AM

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

1st Saturday: 9 AM

Rosary immediately following

Confession

Wednesday: 5—5:50PM

Saturday: 4—4:45PM

or by appointment

November 14, 2021
33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time



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

Today is the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B. It is the last Sunday before the Feast of Christ the King. The Feast of Christ the King marks the end of the Church’s Liturgical year. Today’s readings speak of heavenly battles and the need for us to be prepared. The first reading introduces the belief in a resurrection of the dead and in retribution after death. According to the Prophecy of Daniel, the wise and the righteous will shine like stars. The psalm reminds us that God will not abandon our soul to the netherworld. Saint Paul in the second reading encourages us with the news that Jesus Christ by his singular sacrifice on the cross, has sanctified all of us and obtained for us the key to heaven. And in the Gospel, Jesus reminds us that the Son of Man will come in the clouds with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky.

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ, today’s readings invite us to meditate on the end of the world and on our own death. With these readings, especially the first reading and the gospel, the Church wants to remind us of the need to remain prepared, not in worry or fear, but in the love of God and in charity and compassion towards the needy. We are also reminded that everything in this world comes to an end. “Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.” We will die. May God give us the strength to prepare for our own death, by living in such a way that that moment will not take us by surprise.

Fr Boh

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR’S DESK

“The Lord is good. All the time. All the time. The Lord is good”. Dear sisters and brothers in Christ, welcome to Saint Bernadette. A special welcome to those visiting us for the first time. For those who intend to register as members of this great Saint Bernadette family, forms are available at the back of the church. Catholic Sharing Appeal: Dear Parishioners, as we begin to approach the celebration of Thanksgiving, I ask you to call to mind the many wonderful gifts God has given us. Even through the most trying times, we still have so much to be grateful for. On November 30th, our parish will join in the celebration of ‘Giving Tuesday’, a Global Day of Kindness and Generosity. You can join the celebration in a variety of ways - by signing up for a new ministry, by volunteering, by praying, or by donating funds. Please consider supporting our parish by making a gift of the Catholic Sharing Appeal on ‘Giving Tuesday’. Because we are already over 50% of our parish Catholic Sharing Appeal goal, your full donation will come back to our parish to support our continued maintenance needs. You and your family are in my prayers, and I hope that I remain in yours. May your family have a safe and wonderful Thanksgiving! Sincerely yours in Christ, Parish Administrator

African Catholic Community: Our sisters and brothers of the African Catholic Community shall be having their second monthly Mass next Sunday November 21, 2021, at 2:30 pm. All are invited.

RETREAT FOR SURVIVORS OF ALL FORMS OF ABUSE

Survivors of all forms of abuse across the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, WV are invited to attend a special retreat entitled, “The Way.” The Way is 3-day guided meditation and prayer program for men and women crafted around the Stations of the Cross. It is an opportunity for healing and prayer and for survivors to reflect on God’s plan for their lives through prayer and sacraments. There will be opportunities for individual counseling and spiritual direction. Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Washington, the retreat is free of charge and will be held November 19-20, 2021, for men and February 18-20, 2022, for women. The location of the retreat is not being publicized to protect the privacy of survivors.

For more information on the retreat, visit <https://adw.org/the-way-retreat>. To learn more and to register, please contact Deborah McDonald at mcdonaldd@adw.org or 301-853-4466.

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday November 15th—1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Ps 119; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday 16th—2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3; 1 Jn 4:10b

Wednesday 17th—St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17; Lk 19:11-28

Thursday—18th 1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50; Lk 19:41-44

Friday—19th 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Ps 1 Chronicles; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday—20th 1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9; Lk 20:27-40

Sunday 21st—The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING SUMMARY OFFERING

Reg. Envelopes.....	\$ 2550.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 935.00
Online Giving.....	\$
Diocesan Collection—Human Development	\$ 25.00
Diocesan Collection—Military Services.....	\$ 275.00
Poor Box.....	\$ 82.00
Loaves & Fishes.....	\$ 375.00

THANK YOU FOR TAKING A STEP TOWARD A LIFE OF STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, November 14th

9:00 AM Mass
For the People of the Parish
 10:30-11:45A Religious Education
 11 AM Mass

Tuesday, November 16th

9 AM Daily Mass
 10 AM Stitches from the Heart

Wednesday, November 17th

9 AM Daily Mass
For Donald Calogero
 5—5:50 PM Confession
 6 PM Daily Mass

Thursday, November 18th

9:00 AM Daily Mass

Friday, November 19th

9:00 AM Daily Mass
For William Nara
 *Adoration following the 9 AM Mass
 12 NOON Benediction

Saturday, November 20th

4—4:45 PM Confession
 5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, November 21st

9:00 AM Mass
For the People of the Parish
 10:30-11:45 AM Religious Education
 11 AM Mass
 2:30 PM African Mass

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 6—7 PM and before Saturday Mass. 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. 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, Donna White, Carol Sloan, Deb Mackesy, 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.

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.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Margaret Kistner	Chris Ridley	Doug & Mary Blow	Bernie Guy	Mary Cordelli
Kathy Skane	John Bennett	Bonnie Hart	Harry Skouras	Deb Nichols
Sharee Buberl	Kathy Sloan	Rose Stefanko	Angela Ramsey	

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. Names will be published for four weeks and then removed.

HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED?

Come celebrate ***Anthony and Dillon Lathwell*** as they receive their ***First Holy Communion*** on Sunday November 28th at the 11 AM Mass. Light lunch is being provided by the family in McFadden Hall directly following.

Sign up today! ***Paint and Craft Night Fundraiser*** will be held Friday, December 3rd @ 7 PM and Sunday, December 5th @ 1 PM to support the continued efforts of the Social Concerns Committee and the less fortunate in our community. Project examples are on display and a sign-up table is located in the Narthex. Projects are \$35 each or bring a friend and get 2 for \$60. Project designs and seating are limited, so sign up early.

Loaves and Fishes is seeking donations for Thanksgiving and Christmas food pantry distributions. This year they will be providing the regular food box in addition to the special holiday boxes. *They are still in need of stuffing, instant potatoes, yams, and cranberry sauce.* If you have any questions, contact Karen at 301-992-1368 or Bill at 571-216-9320.

Christmas flowers and decorations for St. Bernadette Church are supplied through donations given by parishioners in memory of deceased loved ones or in honor of the living. If you wish to make such a memorial, please complete a Christmas Flower Offering envelope (located in the Narthex) and place it the collection basket or turn it in to the office.

We will have a ***Children's Choir*** for the 5 PM Christmas Eve Mass only. The choir is open to children K—5th grade. Practices will be held the five Sundays before Christmas beginning on Sunday, November 21st from 4—4:45 PM. Please call or email Linda Abrahamian at 304-279-2315 or linda.abrahamian@gmail.com to sign your child up.

Cantors Needed—It has been said when you sing, you pray twice! We are in need of some more cantors. Even if you can only volunteer as a substitute once in awhile, we would appreciate your gift and talent. Please contact Linda Abrahamian, (304)279-2315 or linda.abrahamian@gmail.com for more info.

Looking for ***Adult Choir Members for Christmas***—Love to sing, but cannot make a long term commitment to the choir? Then join us only for Christmas! Practice will be conveniently scheduled between the two Sunday Masses. Please contact Linda Abrahamian, (304)279-2315 or linda.abrahamian@gmail.com for more information.

We are starting a ***Teen Choir*** that will sing about once a month at the 11 AM Sunday Mass. The choir will practice after the 11 AM Mass from 12:00 PM-12:30 PM the Sunday before they are scheduled to sing. Our first scheduled practice is Sunday, Nov. 7th, and the choir will sing on Sunday, Nov. 14th. Teens are excused from CCD the Sunday that they are scheduled to sing, but they must contact their teacher beforehand to get any assignments that need to be completed. Please call or email Linda Abrahamian at (304)279-2315 or linda.abrahamian@gmail.com for more information or to sign your teen up.

Thanks to your generous support, Saint Joseph School earned \$1,087 from the ***Sweet Rollers fundraiser!*** We sold 396 chocolate chip cookies, 196 Nana's Pantry oatmeal cookies, 74 bags of coffee and 347 cinnamon rolls. Those who placed an order after the kickoff sale that recently followed Masses at St. Joseph, St. James and St. Bernadette Catholic churches may pick up their items on Nov. 17 throughout the school day. Thank you so much!

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.