

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 Divine Mercy & Benediction at 3 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

November 20, 2022

The Solemnity of The Universal Kingship of Christ



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 thirty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C. It is also the Solemnity of Christ the King or the Universal Kingship of Christ. For our reflection on today's readings, I thought I should share with you some thoughts by Flor McCarthy, titled "Scripture Note".

David had already been anointed king of Judah by his own people at Hebron. Now we hear how the northern tribes also acknowledge him as their king. Thus, David became king of a united country. His kingship prefigured the universal kingship of Christ. The second reading is essentially a liturgical hymn of praise of Christ. The first part speaks of his role in creation; the second of his role in redemption. On this feast we acclaim Christ as head of the Church and ruler of the universe. In the Gospel we see how the inscription over the cross, and all those who witnessed the crucifixion (the crowd, the rulers, the soldiers, and the thieves) unwittingly proclaim the true identity of Jesus. The irony is that the titles which are pronounced in mockery are true: Jesus is both Messiah and King. (From "New Sunday and Holy Day Liturgies, by Flor McCarthy, SDB, Year C, pp 356-357).

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ, today feast reminds of two things: first, that we must give the Lord our undivided loyalty and second, that we have opportunities to share in Christ's Kingship by rendering selfless service to people around us.

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK

The relics of Blessed Carlo Acutis' heart and St. Manuel Gonzalez Garcia, special intercessors of the Eucharistic Revival, will be in our parish from Thursday, November 24 – Friday, November 25, 2022. The relics will be available for veneration as from 6-7 PM on Thursday and immediately after 9 AM Mass till NOON on Friday.

Why are these relics visiting our parish? It is within the context of a three-year National Eucharistic Revival, an initiative of the U.S. bishops to ignite love for the Eucharist. They are inspirational to us and especially to the young people with regards to the Blessed Eucharist

What is a relic? It is a part of a deceased holy person's body or belongings kept as an object of reverence.

Blessed Carlo was a young millennial fascinated by the Eucharist. He loved playing video games, but loved Jesus



more, using his computer skills to create a website to teach others about the Eucharist. Since his First Communion, he attended Mass daily and brought his family back to the faith. He died in 2006 at age 15 of leukemia, offering up his suffering for the Pope and the Church.



St. Manuel is known as the Apostle of the Abandoned Tabernacles. St. Manuel was a priest and sent by the Archbishop to Palomares del Rio, a village, but upon his arrival no one came to meet him. The church was greatly abandoned: filled with dust and dirt, cobwebs inside the tabernacle, and torn altar cloths. Upon seeing this situation, he

knelt before the altar and thought about the many abandoned tabernacles in the world. He devoted his life and ministry to teaching people about the Eucharist and cared deeply for youth.

Thanksgiving Holiday Food Basket November 24th, 2022: Dear parishioners of Saint Bernadette, you are reminded to bring the food and drink you will share with family and friends for a special blessing to the 9 a.m. Mass on Thanksgiving Day.

Sunday November 27, 2022: The new Liturgical season Year A begins next Sunday with the First Sunday of Advent. Advent is the season of reflective preparation for the Nativity of Christ at Christmas and the expected return of Christ in the Second Coming.

Eucharistic Adoration: We are reminded that we have Eucharistic adoration every Friday immediately after morning Mass. Father John Hardon says that Eucharistic Adoration is "... More Powerful Than You Can Possibly Imagine". He notes; "When a parish adores the Blessed Sacrament day and night, the entire city is transformed". "It is impossible", he continues, "in human terms to exaggerate the importance of being in a church or chapel before the Blessed Sacrament as often and for as long as our daily duties ... allow... That sentence is the talisman of the highest sanctity." (Father John Hardon) Please, squeeze 10 – 15 minutes of your time every Friday and be with Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament and exposed every Friday in our parish Church for adoration. When we leave our Lord alone, we are cheating ourselves of his presence and gaze.

WHAT IS GOING ON?

The Christmas Wreath project is underway. Help bring joy to a child in need by taking one or more stars and purchasing the requested gift. Return the gift unwrapped, in a gift bag, with the tag attached. Please return gifts to McFadden Hall or the office by December 1st.

Religious Education is in need of substitute teachers. Please contact Deb Mackesy at 304-754-7830 for more information.

Pierogi and Kielbasa fundraiser for the Ukrainian Fund and Cameroon St Bernadette's will be taking orders for pierogis and kielbasa for the Christmas season. Get your order and money in before November 20th. Pieorgis and kielbasa will be available for pick up after all Masses the weekend of December 17th and 18th.

Warm clothing drive for Ukrainian Children We are seeking clean jackets, coats, gloves, hats, and other items to help keep children under the age of eighteen warm this winter. The drive will run through November. Clothing can be placed in the provided box in McFadden Hall. Checks to support the drive can be made out to St. Bernadette with "Ukraine clothing drive" in the memo line.

Stitches from the Heart crafters have been very busy. They have emptied their cabinets and have donated over 80 hat/scarf sets, over 150 hats, and over 70 scarves to the homeless. These items have been made from the donations of the crafters. Monetary donations are always welcomed for the m to be able to continue this much needed ministry.



PARISH SACRIFICIAL OFFERING GIVING SUMMARY

Reg. Envelopes	\$ 2900.00
Online Giving	\$ 852.51
Capital Improvements	\$ 270.00
Diocesan	\$ 20.00
Outreach.....	\$ 150.00

THANK YOU FOR TAKING A STEP TOWARD A LIFE OF STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Linda Guy, Bernie Guy, Mary Cordelli, Rose Stefanko, Sharee Buberl, Bonnie Hart, Margaret Kistner, Angela Ramsey, Kathy Skane, Msgr. Patrick Fryer, Randy Bookwalter, Kathy Weaver, Ginger Spice, Ernie Montano, Monica Straley, Joe Schlegel, Vicki Lowery, Walter Shenk, Isabella Horning

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, November 20th

9 AM Mass—Fr. Boh
Intention for the People of the Parish
 10:15—11:30 AM Religious Education
 11 AM Mass—Fr. Boh
Intention for Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, November 22nd

9 AM Mass—Fr. Boh
Intention for Laura Samford
 10 AM Stitches from the Heart
 6 PM Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, November 23rd

9 AM Mass—Msgr. Ansgar
Intention for Souls of Purgatory
 5—5:45 PM Confession
 6 PM Mass—Fr. Boh

Thursday, November 24th

Office Closed
 9 AM Mass—Fr. Boh
 Blessing of the Food
Intention for Jimmy Dickerson
 6-7 PM Relics available for Veneration

Friday, November 25th

Office Closed
 9:00 AM Mass—Fr. Boh
Intention for Roger & Mark Keyser
 9:30 AM—NOON Relics available for Veneration
 Adoration following the 9 AM Mass
 12 NOON Benediction
 4—5 PM Confession

Saturday, November 26th

9—10:30 AM RCIA
 5:00 PM Mass—Fr. Pucciarelli
Intention for Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, November 27th

9 AM Mass—Fr. Boh
Intention for the People of the Parish
 10:15—11:30 AM Religious Education
 11 AM Mass—Fr. Boh
Intention for Lillian Willis Key

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: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA—15 years or older) and the Rite of Christian Initiation of Children (RCIC—7 to 14 yrs. of age), begins in August and ends during the Easter Vigil. 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.

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 Guttmann, and Neil Shanholtzer

St. Bernadette Finance Ministry: Paul Guttmann, 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 21st—Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday 22nd—St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr; Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday 23rd—Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday 24th—Thanksgiving Day; Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

Friday 25th—Rv 20:1-4, 11-21:2; Ps 84; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday 26th—Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95; Lk 21:34-36

Sunday 27th—First Sunday of Advent; Is 2:1-5; Ps 122; Rom 12:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

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 under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.



PLEASE
JOIN US FOR A

Celebration

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS

FOR

DECEMBER 4TH

DATE

at

11 AM MASS

TIME

ST. BERNADETTE CATHOLIC CHURCH

LOCATION

CALL APRIL AT 304-995-7745 IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP
WITH LUNCH THAT WILL FOLLOW IN MCFADDEN HALL



St. Bernadette Christmas Star Project

Did you notice the beautiful Christmas wreaths hanging on the doors of McFadden Hall? The wreaths have stars with a child's name, age, and what he or she would like for Christmas. Please help bring joy to a child in need by taking one or more stars and purchasing the requested gift.

Do not wrap your gift but put it into a gift bag.

Please return your gift with the star tag attached.

If you select a "**cash**" tag, please put the cash or check (*made payable to St. Bernadette*) in an envelope with the star attached. The cash is used for any stars not taken, or any gifts not returned.

Any extra cash will be used to buy items for Bethany House.

**PLEASE RETURN GIFTS TO MCFADDEN HALL BY
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1st**

You may return your gift earlier if you wish. It is important that the committee have the gifts by December 1st so they can shop for gifts that have not been returned.

Please drop gifts off in McFadden Hall on the tables to the left of the hall.

Thank you for helping bring the joy of the Christmas season to others.

November & December Calendar of Events

November 24th

Happy Thanksgiving

9 AM Mass Blessing of the Food

6 – 7 PM Relics available for Veneration

November 25th

9 AM Mass with Fr. Boh

Adoration following the 9 AM Mass

9:30 AM – NOON Relics available for Veneration

12 NOON Benediction

4—5 PM Confession

November 26th

No Confession

5 PM Mass with Fr. Pucciarelli

December 4th

9 AM Mass

Welcome Sunday with Donuts

December 4th

11 AM Mass to Celebrate 40 Years – Lunch to Follow

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December 7th

6 PM Vigil Mass for Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

December 8th

Holy Day of Obligation

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

9 AM Mass

December 11th after 9 AM Mass

Gaudete Sunday

Tree Lighting & Decorating by the Children

December 24th

5 PM Nativity of the Lord Vigil Mass – Family Mass

7 PM Nativity of the Lord Nighttime Mass

December 25th

9 AM Nativity of the Lord Daytime Mass