

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 6, 2022

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Maccabees—Mother with Seven Sons



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

The readings for this 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Church Year C, focus on the resurrection and how we need to lead our lives, including giving up those lives, if we aspire for eternal life. The first reading from the Second Book of Maccabees tells the story of the seven brothers and their mother who accept to die rather than to violate the laws of God. The story of the seven brothers in the gospel passage who, one after another, married the same wife, opens our eyes to what we are going to be like in the life to come. Saint Paul, in our second reading, teaches us to pray to remain steadfast in the pursuit of goodness if we are to hope for eternal life.

The woman and her seven sons, in our first reading, go against the orders of the king. They choose to die excruciating deaths, drawing their strength from faith in the resurrection of the just. They are confident that they will be raised up by God to the glory of heaven. In Heaven, we will be like Angels, the gospel passage teaches us. We will have no need to marry or to be given in marriage because the things of the flesh would have passed.

These reminders of the importance of defending what is right – even at the cost of our own lives – and praying for God’s protection against the evil one - could not come at a more appropriate time. We just celebrated Halloween on Monday; All Saints Day on Tuesday; and All Souls Day on Wednesday. Halloween wants us to think that when we die, we become ghosts. On All Saints Day, we celebrate those who led a holy life and are in Heaven but are not listed among the canonized saints of the church. On All Souls Day last Wednesday, we celebrated and prayed for all our loved ones who have died. During the rest of November, we are encouraged to pray and make sacrifices for the holy souls in purgatory.

The extraordinary courage of the seven brothers, who accept death rather than to disobey God, invite us to accept our own fate. Like them, we are to be uncompromising about the truth. We should be willing to disobey the kings, the presidents, the senators and congress men and women of this world, to uphold the laws of God. The seven brothers paid the ultimate price, confident in the promise of the resurrection. The Sadducees who tried to embarrass Jesus with their question in the gospel did not believe in the resurrection. They thought of eternal life as a continuation of life in the flesh. This is the kind of lack of education in the resurrection that misleads suicide attackers into waging war or detonating themselves in bomb attacks in the hope that if they die in a holy war, they will inherit seven virgins in Heaven. In answering the question of the Sadducees, Jesus dismisses the illusion that we live in the flesh in the resurrection. The only way we will enjoy the resurrection is that we are willing “to die rather than transgress the laws” of God. We must be willing give up our lives in defense of the truth and what is right. Obviously, this is easier said than done.

We live in a time when, in many countries, people are more willing to give up the truth in favor of what is convenient. Next Tuesday, millions of Americans will go out to vote in the mid-terms. As Christians, we are called upon to make an informed decision as you cast your vote; to vote for jus-

tice; to vote for what is right. If doing the right thing involves crossing party lines, then so be it. The seven brothers in our first reading were not only crossing party lines. They made the choice of giving up their lives to defend the truth. The question for all of us this Tuesday and every day is: will we do what is convenient or will we do what is right?

If we uphold the truth, then the only thing the kings of this world; the presidents of this world; the senators and congress men and women of this age can do to us is “deprive us of this present life”. If we give up our human lives for God, we will gain everlasting life. Saint Paul urges us to lead lives that could put us in God’s favor and grace. Let us pray, as we prepare to vote next Tuesday, that God will strengthen and guard us from the evil one. May He help us to know that “death is not the enemy who puts an end to everything but the friend who takes us by the hand and leads us into the Kingdom of eternal love,” says Flor McCarthy (cf. New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies by Flor McCarthy, SDB).

Fr Boh
Happy Sunday

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR’S DESK

Welcome to Saint Bernadette. Whether you are visiting or looking for a spiritual home, we welcome you home to Saint Bernadette Parish! Please consider registering as a member of our parish family at the Parish Office during office hours. Registration forms are also available in the Narthex, and you can also register on our Parish Website. Welcome Home!

National Vocation Awareness Week: This week will run from November 6 – 12, 2022. God has created each one of us for a special purpose. He has committed some work to you which He has not been committed to another. You have a mission. What is that mission? National Vocation Awareness Week is an opportune moment to discern what that mission is. Put this question to God in prayer during this week especially during our parish Eucharistic Adoration next Friday from 9:30 am to 12 noon. Ask Him to help you make the right decision for your life.

Quiz for this week: Write down the pros and cons of Marriage and Priesthood. There is a prize for the top three answers and prizes for all those who will participate in the quiz (ONLY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE).

PARISH SACRIFICIAL OFFERING
GIVING SUMMARY

Reg. Envelopes.....	\$ 4207.00
Online Giving.....	\$ 1138.51
Capital Improvements	\$ 10.00
All Soul’s Day.....	\$ 230.00
Diocesan.....	\$ 612.00
St. Vincent Mission.....	\$ 1121.00
Outreach.....	\$ 150.00

THANK YOU FOR TAKING A STEP TOWARD A
LIFE OF STEWARDSHIP

WHAT IS GOING ON?

Social Concerns Ministry will have a meeting on Wednesday, November 9th after the 9 AM Mass. All are welcome to attend.

Hospitality Ministry will have a meeting on Thursday, November 10th after the 9 AM Mass. All are welcome to attend.

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

Reminder for 3rd grade Religious Education students, on November 13th you will have your scheduled class wide confession before the 9 AM Mass.

Please pray for our RCIA candidates and their sponsors as we welcome them at the “Rite of Acceptance” this weekend. Dennis Conley, Andrew Britner, Barbara Lepley, Beri Mbuwir, Isabella Blackshear, and Laurence Kao.

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. Pierogis are dumplings popular in Eastern Europe that contain a variety of fillings such as potato and cheese, sauerkraut, mushrooms, prunes, or spinach. The pierogis will be made by the parishioners of Ukrainian Catholic churches in the Pittsburgh area. The pierogis will sell for \$14 a dozen. Kielbasa (Polish sausage) comes in one-pound links that are “fresh style” or smoked and will be provided by a family butcher shop in Pittsburgh. The sausages will sell for \$7.50-8.00 a pound depending on the style. We will only accept pre-orders. 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

Winter is fast approaching and the Russian army is targeting the Ukrainian power grid. It gets cold in the Ukraine (think “Canada” cold). In conjunction with the parishes of St. Joseph and St. James, St. Bernadette will be having a 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 Wednesday, November 16. Clothing can be placed in the provided box in the narthex. The clothing will be sent to the Ukrainian Catholic churches in Pittsburgh to be shipped to Ukraine. Checks to support the drive can be made out to St. Bernadette with “Ukraine clothing drive” in the memo line.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, November 6th

9 AM Mass
Intention for the RCIA candidates
 10:15—11:30 AM Religious Education
 11 AM Mass
Intention of the People of the Parish
 2 PM Boh Family Memorial Mass

Tuesday, November 8th

9 AM Mass
Intention for Tom Mackesy
 10 AM Stitches from the Heart

Wednesday, November 9th

9 AM Mass
Intention for Walter Shenk
 9:30 AM Social Concerns Meeting
 5—5:45 PM Confession
 6 PM Mass

Thursday, November 10th

9 AM Mass
Intention for All Souls in Purgatory
 9:30 AM Hospitality Meeting

Friday, November 11th

9:00 AM Daily Mass
Intention for William James Sullivan
 Adoration following the 9 AM Mass
 12 NOON Benediction

Saturday, November 12th

9—10:30 AM RCIA
 4—4:45 PM Confession
 5:00 PM Mass
Intention for Jimmy Dickerson

Sunday, November 13th

9 AM Mass
Intention for Walter Shenk
 10:15—11:30 AM Religious Education
 11 AM Mass
Intention for the People of the Parish

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Linda Guy, 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, Ginger Spice, Ernie Montano, Monica Straley, Joe Schlegel, Vicki Lowery, Walter Shenk

Please keep the sick and homebound, and those that have no one to pray for them, in your thoughts and prayers.

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, 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.

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 7th—Ti 1:1-9; Ps 24; Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday 8th— Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37; Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday 9th—Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome; Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Thursday 10th—St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church; Phmn 7-20; Ps 146; Lk 17:20-25

Friday 11th—St. Martin of Tours, Bishop; 2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119; Lk 17:26-37

Saturday 12th—St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr; 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112; Lk 18:1-8

Sunday 13th—Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

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.



201 South Mary Street, Hedgesville, WV

Donations Needed

As we prepare for the food pantry distributions for Thanksgiving and Christmas, last year we provided boxes to over 150 families each month. We need help with the following donations:

Stove Top Stuffing

Gravy

Yams (28 oz)

Brownie Mix

Oatmeal

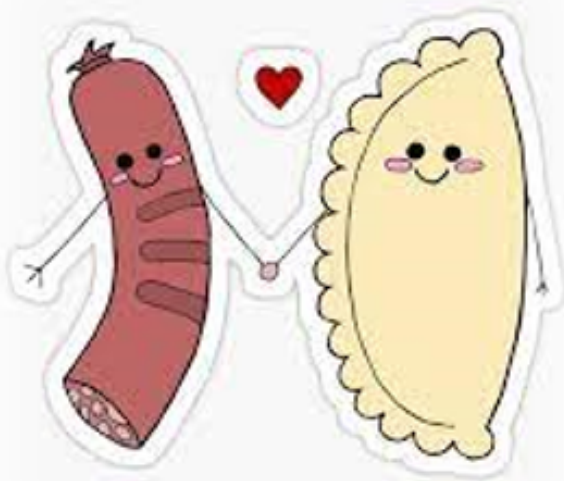
Cranberry Sauce

**Monetary donations for the Thanksgiving turkeys, Christmas hams, eggs, and rolls.
Donate your grocery store turkey coupon.**

If you have any questions, contact:
Karen 301-992-1368 or Bill 571-216-9320

Pierogis and Kielbasa Fundraiser

St. James is organizing a fundraiser to benefit Ukrainian families. St Joseph's and St. Bernadette's have been invited participate in this fundraiser. Proceeds earned at St. Bernadette's will be split 50/50 between Cameroon and the Ukrainian families.



Pierogis

Made by Ukrainian Catholic
Parishes in Pittsburgh, PA

Kielbasa

Made by a family-owned butcher shop
in Pittsburgh and Shenandoah, PA

Return the order form on the reverse side of this form in the envelope provided.

Orders can be dropped in collection basket or brought to the Parish Office.

Pierogis and Kielbasa Order Form

Name:

Phone:

Email:

Type	Quantity	Price	Amount Due
Potato & Cheese		\$14/dozen	
Mushroom		\$14/dozen	
Bacon/Chive/Potato		\$14/dozen	
3 Cheese Spinach		\$14/dozen	
Prune		\$14/dozen	
Jalapeño		\$14/dozen	
Sauerkraut		\$14/dozen	
Sauerkraut & Potato		\$14/dozen	
Loaded Baked Potato		\$14/dozen	
Fresh Kielbasa		\$7.50/lb	
Smoked Kielbasa		\$8/lb	
Smoked Kielbasa Grillers w/ Jalapeño		\$7.50/lb	
ORDER TOTAL			

** Pre-orders only

** Orders due by November 20th

** Cash or Check (make checks payable to St. Bernadette Catholic Church)

** Pick up dates December 17th & 18th in McFadden Hall