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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

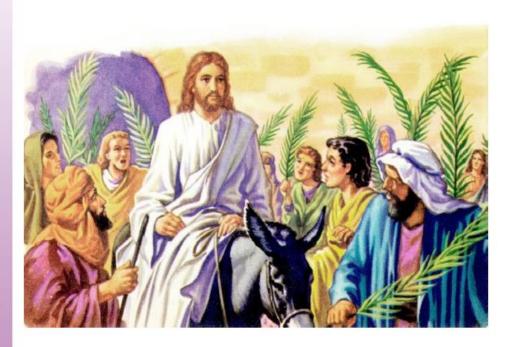
Adoration every Friday after 9 AM Mass with Benediction at 12 NOON

> 1st Saturday: 9 AM Mass Rosary immediately following

Confession
Wednesday: 5:20—5:50PM
Saturday: 4—4:45PM
Sunday: 8:15—8:45 AM

or by appointment

# April 2, 2023 Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion



#### 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

PALM SUNDAY APRIL 2, 2023

## REFLECTION

Today is Palm Sunday! It marks the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem in a modest way. This triumphal entry into Jerusalem was preceded by him raising Lazarus from the dead, causing a large crowd to believe in his claim as the Messiah. As he entered Jerusalem, the admiring crowd shouted various words of praise, including "Hosanna!" (Hebrew for 'save us') and "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the lord!" This event was a fulfilment of the prophecy of Zechariah 9:9: "Behold: your king is coming to you, a just savior is he, Humble, and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.. "Yet, just five days later, Jesus was executed. Today also marks the first day of Holy Week, the most serious and solemn week in the church year. This week is called Holy because it commemorates the saving events of Christ's suffering, death, and resurrection. This week we journey with the Lord from recalling His triumphal entry into Jerusalem, the Institution of the Holy Eucharist and Holy Orders on Holy Thursday, His Passion, and Death on Good Friday to the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night on Holy Saturday. The events we remember this week are ones that have transformed our lives, and they allow us to live as people of new life and hope.

We pray that these events may help us to welcome Jesus into our hearts and to be willing to follow him. May this Holy Week be one of hope and new life for all of us and for our parish.

HAPPY PALM SUNDAY!!

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Welcome! As we gather to worship on this Palm Sunday, may we share and experience the love of Jesus; find healing for our hurts and answers to our prayers. To all those worshipping with us for the first time or are coming back after a long absence, we are especially glad that you are here with us today. Please join us for the Holy Triduum - Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday this week to commemorate the Passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. We invite you to worship with us again whenever you are in the area. Thanks again for joining us. If you are new in the area and you are looking for a parish community you can call your home, consider joining Saint Bernadette. To know more about Saint Bernadette, please call the parish office on the phone number (304)-754-7830, Monday thru Thursday 10 AM-2 PM or online by visiting www.stbernadettewv.org.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Thursday, April 6th from 8:15 — 8:50 AM. If you know someone who has not yet been for confession in preparation for Easter, please let them know of this opportunity.

Chrism Mass: Our annual Chrism Mass shall be held on Monday April 03rd at the Sacred Heart Co-Cathedral, Charleston, and Tuesday April 04th at St Joseph Cathedral, Wheeling. Both Masses begin same time – 4 PM. Bishop Mark Brennan shall preside at these Masses during which the sacred oils are blessed and distributed to all the local parishes. Oil of the Infirm – to anoint the sick; Oil of Catechumens – to anoint all who are about to be baptized; Oil of Chrism – used to seal Baptism, Priesthood, and Confirmation. Also, the priests of the diocese renew their commitment to the Bishop during this Mass.

God bless always.

Holy Thursday—April 6th

7 PM - The Mass of the Lord's Supper. At this Mass, we shall receive the sacred oils that the Bishop blessed at the Chrism Mass.

Good Friday—April 7th

12 NOON—Stations of the Cross around the parking lot. Weather permitting.

6 PM-Passion of the Lord

Pontifical Good Friday Collection—Pope Francis has asked our parish as well as every parish in the diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to support the Pontifical mission in the Holy Land. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. Please be Generous!

Holy Saturday—April 8th

8 PM – Easter Vigil with Baptisms, Confirmation and First Holy Communion

Easter Sunday—April 9th 9 AM & 11 AM

PLEASE NOTE MASS TIMES

Eucharistic Minister Training—We'll have a training session for both new and old Eucharistic Ministers this week on Wednesday, April 5, 2023, from 6—6:45 PM in McFadden Hall.

Pope's Prayer Intention for April 2023: As the Church marks 60 years since Pope St. John XXIII published his encyclical Pacem in Terris, Pope Francis is calling on Christians to pray and work for a non-violent culture which promotes peace. (The Pope recalled that "war is madness" which is "beyond reason". "Any war, any armed confrontation, always ends in defeat for all," he recalled).

#### PARISH SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

General Fund\$	
Online Giving\$	368.50
Capital Improvements\$	80.00
Diocesan\$	20.00
Outreach\$	1359.00

THANK YOU FOR TAKING A STEP TOWARD
A LIFE OF STEWARDSHIP

## WHAT'S GOING ON?

Join us for our **Annual Easter Egg Hunt** after the 9 AM Mass on Easter Sunday.

"Believe what Christ said at the Last Supper, 'This is my Body.
This is my Blood!" This has been Bishop Mark Brennan's emboldening message to the faithful during his ministry.

Spanning from the 2022 Feast of Corpus Christi – the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ to Pentecost 2025 the faithful in the United States will celebrate the National Eucharistic Revival.

Our diocese will host three regional Eucharistic Congresses to gather all the faithful to celebrate Christ's real presence in the Eucharist. Each will feature Mass, Adoration, dynamic national presenters, and inspiring break out session focused on the Eucharist, and fellowship. The dates and locations of the 2023 regional events are:

April 21-22 St. James Catholic Church, Charles Town April 28-29 Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Wheeling June 2-3 Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Charleston

April Birthdays Below is a list of those celebrating birthdays in April. If you see them when you are out and about, wish them a Happy Birthday!

Jonathon Gautreaux
Mary Jane Drummond
Jennifer Fretz
Bella Blackshear
Herbert Boh
David Cumley
Nicholas Lathwell
Maria Domich
Clara Gulbronson
Michael Kesecker
Katherine MacKinnon
Nestorine Boh
Carolyn Farabaugh
Sophia Maria Heredia
Eamonn MacKinnon

Joshua Welsh
Burrie Takwa
Lena Miller
Robert Folk
Ezekiel Rivera
Grace McCoy
Celeste Stotler
Phillip Heerd
Alexander Robertson
William Kesecker
Ivo Zamora
Olivia Gould
Bernie Guy
Gene Podeszwa
Samson Bland

Tara Cumley
Lisa Keller
Rachel Popelka
Mary MacKinnon
Nancy Landreville
James Wynkoop
Reid Boswell
Michael Huntsberry
David Symuleski
Tommy Todas
Treyvon Boh
Prenam Kao
Laura Rihn
Ryker Swisher
John Wakelin

#### 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, Ginger Spice, Joe Schlegel, Walter & Helena Shenk, Isabella Horning, Robin Marlin, Betty Foley, Wayne Montaño, Beverly Barrett, Cathy Poplawski

Please keep the sick and homebound, and those that have no one to pray for them, in your thoughts and prayers. You may call the Parish Office at 304-754-7830 to add a name to our Prayer List.

## **WEEKLY CALENDAR**



## Palm Sunday, April 2nd

8:15—8:45 AM Confession 9 AM Mass—Fr. Boh

Intention for Those on Our Prayer List 10:15—11:30 AM Religious Ed

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# Tuesday, April 4th

9 AM Mass—Fr. Boh Intention for Clarence Franko 9:30 AM Stitches from the

Heart

# Wednesday, April 5th

9 AM Mass—Msgr. Ansgar Intention for Herold Watkins

## Holy Thursday, April 6th

8:15—8:50 AM Confession
9 AM Morning Prayer
7 PM Lord's Supper
12 AM Night Prayer

## Good Friday, April 7th

9 AM Morning Prayer NOON Stations of the Cross

(weather permitting)

6 PM Lord's Passion—Fr. Boh

#### Holy Saturday, April 8th

9 AM Morning Prayer 8 PM Easter Vigil—Fr. Boh Intention for the People of the Parish

#### Easter Sunday, April 9th

9 AM Mass—Fr. Boh Intention for June Williams

11 AM Mass—Msgr. Ansgar

Intention for Deb Licino

**PALM SUNDAY APRIL 2, 2023** 

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 Tuesday 4th—Is 49:1-6; Ps 71; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38 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 some-

#### WEEKLY READINGS

Monday 3rd—Is 42:1-7; Ps 27; Jn 12:1-11

Wednesday 5th—Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69; Mt 26:14-25

Holy Thursday 6th—Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

Good Friday 7th—Is 52:13-53:12; Ps 31; Heb 4:14-16, 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42

Holy Saturday 8th—Easter Vigil; Gn 1:1-2:2; Ps 104; Gn 22:1-18; Ps 16; Ex 14:15-15:1; (Ps) Ex 15; Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4; Ps 19; Rom 6:3-11; Ps 118; Mt 28:1-10

Easter Sunday 9th—The Resurrection of the Lord; Acts 1-:34a, 37-43; Ps 118; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 10:1-9

one 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.

## 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.