



St. Bernadette Catholic Church

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Office Hours: Monday—Friday 10am—2pm

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January 30, 2022

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

ST. BERNADETTE DIRECTORY

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ST. BERNADETTE 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

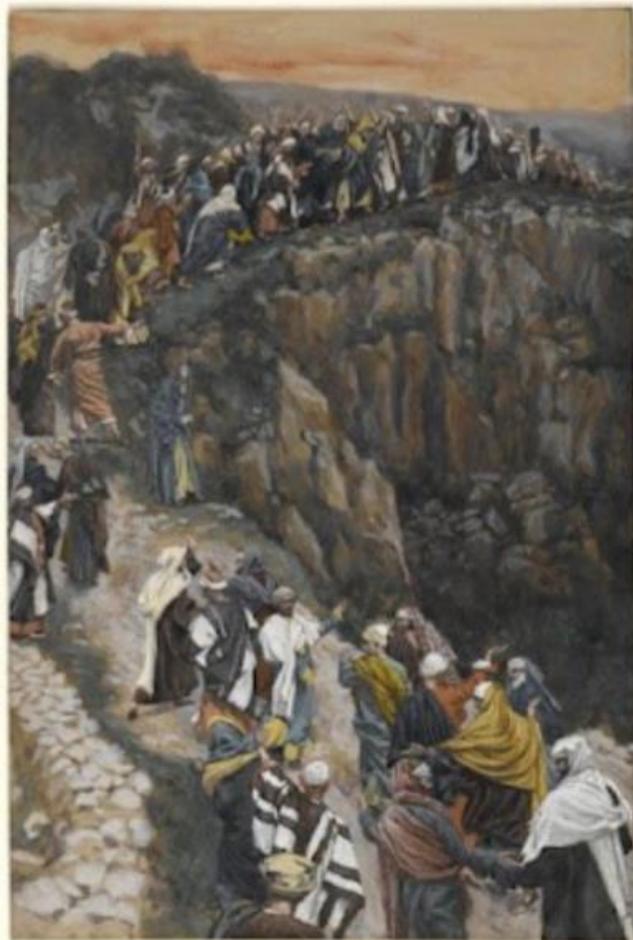
Confession

Wednesday: 5:20—5:50PM

Saturday: 4—4:45PM

Sunday: 8:15—8:45 AM

or by appointment



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

Life is God’s first gift to all humanity. And God has a plan for every life He created. The prophet Jeremiah in our first reading this Sunday says: “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born, I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you.” Effectively, the prophet Jeremiah is telling us that a person still in the womb is, in fact, an entity with a right to life. And that life has a purpose that began before you ever came to this earth. God sets us apart for the unique life he has called us to live – be it as a married person, as a priest, a religious or a single person. He plans us according to his purposes for us and his plans to glorify himself by our lives. By this we know that each one of us is unique. That is why He appointed Jeremiah and not you or me as a prophet to the nations. However, as baptized Christians, we are called to witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ by our words and deeds all for the glory of God. The life of Jeremiah was a very difficult one. As a prophet, you are God’s mouthpiece, and you see things through the eyes of God. This is evident from the way a prophet always begins when addressing the people to whom he has been sent: “Thus says Yahweh”. Appointed as prophet to the nations, Jeremiah was forced to denounce oppression, confront those who stole and treated the poor with violence. The people fought back, but God assures Jeremiah that the people will not prevail over him, “... for I am with you to deliver you”. Even with God’s assurance, Jeremiah wants to shy away from the purpose of his life: “Ah, Lord Yahweh,” he says, “you see, I do not know how to speak. I am only a child!”

Dear friends in Christ, we are the same as the prophet Jeremiah. We are afraid to speak out, and to denounce injustice especially against the right to life. Pope Paul VI in his Encyclical Letter “Humane Vitae” give us reason to condemn any acts that interfere with the right to life between conception and natural death: “God is the Author of Life, and the Lives He Creates are Sacred. ... To interfere with life between conception and natural death is in essence usurping God’s ultimate authority. ... defies God’s will for His creation and is strongly condemned by the Church.”

Our challenge today and every day of our life, is to love and respect every life. To seek out God’s purposes for us, be about his business for us and to trust that He is always with us to fight for us as He did for Jeremiah.

Fr Boh

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR’S DESK

The Lord is good!

Welcome, everyone to Saint Bernadette. A special welcome to those visiting with us for the first time. Thanks for choosing to come worship with us today. We hope that you feel right at home and please come again. For those who would want to become members of this family of Saint Bernadette, please pick up a registration form at the back of the Church as you leave the church and return the filled form to the Parish Office or drop it in one of the collection baskets. You can also register online by visiting www.stbernadettewv.org

Tuesday, February 2nd: Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, it is also the Feast of Candlemas. Candles for the liturgical year are blessed at the start of the Mass.

Wednesday, February 3rd: Memorial of Saint Blaise – Blessing of throats.

First Friday, February 4, 2022: Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament immediately after morning Mass. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3 pm, Evening Prayer and Benediction at 5 pm.

Happy Birthday and Wedding Anniversary Wishes to all those whose anniversaries occur during this month of January. Congratulations on your anniversary.

Wednesday Evening Mass: We are reminded that we have Mass every Wednesday at 9 am and at 6 pm. Attendance at the 6 pm Mass is still very low.

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING SUMMARY OFFERING

Reg. Envelopes.....	\$ 2183.00
Online Giving.....	\$ 662.63
Capital Improvements & Maintenance.....	\$ 110.00
Poor Box.....	\$ 51.00

THANK YOU FOR TAKING A STEP TOWARD A LIFE OF STEWARDSHIP

WHAT IS GOING ON?

The Diocese is updating parish reports for *Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion*. We currently have the following people on the list for our parish:

Betty Benoit, David Brown, Anna Ciancarelli, Marie Coffey, Lori Felice, Jim Fritzgus, Martha Glover, Brenda Inclima, Bob & Bobbie Kucharek, Dan & Sylvia Montgomery, Mary Smith, Bernice Sullivan, and Vici Trauger. If you would no longer like to serve this ministry or if you should be on this list, please call the Parish Office at 304-754-7830 before February 9th.

Loaves and Fishes is seeking donations to fill their food pantry. Monetary donations can be made to St. Bernadette with Hedgesville Loaves and Fishes in the memo line. If you have any questions, contact Karen at 301-992-1368 or Bill at 571-216-9320.

St. Maria Goretti Catholic High School in Hagerstown, MD is currently accepting applications for transfer students for this school year and for next school year (2022-2023). They are known for being both academically challenging as well as helping to guide their students in their faith. If you have children in 7th or 8th grade who would be interested in St. Maria Goretti, contact Makayla Solomon at 301-739-4266 or at admissions@goretti.org to schedule a time to meet.

Men's Priestly Discernment Retreat

Do you desire a life of sacrifice and faithful service to God and His People? Do you desire to give yourself completely to God in a life of consecration and commitment to building up the kingdom of God here in West Virginia? Perhaps the Lord is calling you to be a Priest of Jesus Christ in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston! The annual diocesan Men's Priestly Discernment Retreat will be held on March 5-6 at the Priest Field Pastoral Center (4030 Middleway Pike, Kearneysville, WV 25430). This event is open to men 18 years and older who are simply open to reflecting on God's will for them in their lives. The weekend will consist of Holy Mass, prayer, reflections on the diocesan priesthood, and the opportunity for the Sacrament of Confession. For any men interested in attending, please sign up at wvpriests.org.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, January 30th

8:15—8:45 AM Confession

9:00 AM Mass

Intention for People of the Parish

10:30-11:45 AM Religious Education

11 AM Mass

*Intention for Jean Ridley***Tuesday, February 1st**

9 AM Daily Mass

Intention in memory of Mary Skane

10 AM Stitches from the Heart

Wednesday, February 2nd

9 AM Mass

Intention in memory of Lois Stitely

5:20—5:50 PM Confession

6 PM Mass

Thursday, February 3rd

9:00 AM Daily Mass

Blessing of the Throats

Intention in memory of John Lucas

6:00 PM Synod meeting for Parish Council members

First Friday, February 4th

9:00 AM Daily Mass

*Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Eucharist

5:00 PM Benediction

First Saturday, February 5th

9:00 AM Mass

Rosary

4—4:45 PM Confession

5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, February 6th

8:15—8:45 AM Confession

9:00 AM Mass

Intention for the People of the Parish

10:30-11:45 AM Religious Education

11 AM Mass

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Kathy Sloan, Bernie Guy, Mary Cordelli, Rose Stefanko, John Bennett, Sharee Buberl, Chris Ridley, Bonnie Hart, Harry Skouras, Margaret Kistner, Angela Ramsey, Kathy Skane, Deb Nichols, Tommy Mackesy, Joe Hermosillo, Msgr. Patrick Fryer

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 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, Carol Sloan, Deb Mackesy, Linda Abrahamian, Maureen Sabol, Joe Comer, Paul Guttmann, and Neil Shanholtzer

St. Bernadette Finance Committee: 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 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.

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday 31st—St. John Bosco, Priest 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3; Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday 1st—2 Sm 18:9-10, 14B, 24-25a, 30-19:3; Ps 86; Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday 2nd—Feast of the Presentation of the Lord Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Thursday 3rd—1 Ks 2:1-4, 10-12; Ps 1 Chr; Mk 6:7-13

Friday 4th—Sir 47:2-11; Ps 18; Mk 6:14-29

Saturday 5th—St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119; Mk 6:30-34

Sunday 6th—Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138; 1 Cor 15:1-11 or 1 Cor 15:3-8, 11; Lk 5:1-11

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.

Hope Scholarship Program

West Virginia

Catholic Schools Gear up for Application/Re-enrollment Period

Hope Scholarship Program Creates Opportunity for New Families

Catholic schools throughout the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston are preparing for the 2022-23 school year with their common application and re-enrollment period beginning in February. Schools are also preparing to welcome new students taking advantage of the HOPE Scholarship—with its application period set to open by March 2022.

The Hope Scholarship, formerly House Bill 2013, was passed last Spring by the WV Legislature. Hope Scholarship is set up to provide funds for families enrolling in private school, alternative instruction programs, or home schools. This education savings account is managed through the West Virginia Treasurer Riley Moore's office and not by the Diocese.

According to the Treasurer's website, hopescholarshipwv.com, students are eligible for the program if they are:

- A resident of West Virginia
- Entering kindergarten for the first time in the Fall of 2022
- Current K-11 student enrolled full time (or at least 45 days during the time of application) in a public elementary or secondary school in West Virginia in 2021-2022.

The site also states that under the current school aid formula, each eligible student would receive \$4,600 annually that can be used toward private school, alternative instruction programs, or home school. The funds awarded can only be spent on education expenses such as tuition and fees, extracurriculars, tutoring, materials, supplies, textbooks, transportation, etc. Please visit the site to learn more about the program and receive updates from the Treasurer's office.

The application and re-enrollment period for the 24 Catholic schools in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston begins in February:

- February 4, 2022 (1st Friday of Catholic Schools Week) – Re-enrollment for current families begins.
- February 11, 2022- Application period opens for parishioners new to the school begins.
- February 18, 2022-General public application period begins.

If you haven't already done so, schedule a tour or shadow day for your child or grandchild. For information or to find a school in your area go to WVCatholicSchools.org.

SOUP SALES



Name: _____ Phone: _____

	<u>How Many</u>	<u>Total</u>
Ham & Bean - \$8 per quart.....	_____	_____
Vegetable - \$8 per quart.....	_____	_____
Ham & Bean and Vegetable.....	_____	_____
buy 2 for \$15		
Taco - \$10 per quart.....	_____	_____
<u>Total</u>	_____	_____

Kindly pay when you pick up after Mass on 2/12 or 2/13