

# SAINT BERNADETTE CATHOLIC CHURCH



## ST. BERNADETTE DIRECTORY

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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

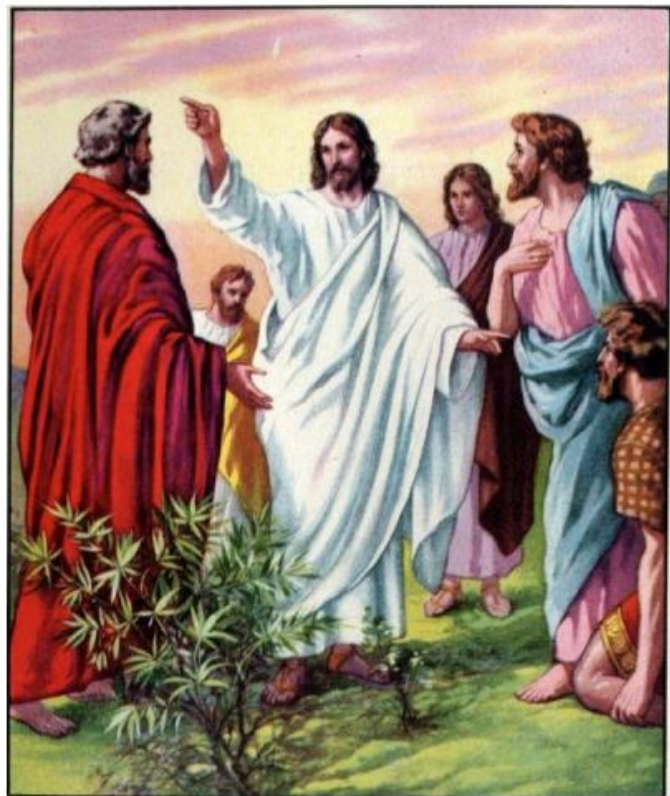
1st Saturday: 9 AM  
Rosary immediately following

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

## July 3, 2022

## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Disciples Chosen and Sent Out



### 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



**Short commentaries on the readings**

**First Reading:** God reigns in the world and in the Church. He nourishes us His children and He consoles and comforts us. In Him we find love, peace, and joy. (Isaiah 66:10-14)

**Second Reading:** Paul refers to what he had to suffer as a missionary. Much of his pain was caused by his fellow Jews who did not accept his vision of the new Israel of God which is the Church. (Galatians 16:14-18)

**Gospel:** Jesus appoints and sends out seventy-two disciples to preach the Word in every town and place where He Himself would later visit. Their mission was very successful.

**REFLECTION**

Good morning, everyone! Hope that you all had a wonderful week. We thank God almighty for the gift of another week and I pray that you can enjoy the blessings of this day. We have heard the news that some churches in seven states here in the United States have been vandalized by angry crowds over the Supreme Court's decision to overturn *Roe v. Wade*. When we hear news like this, a few days after reports of mass shootings in schools, hospitals, and shopping centers, it reminds us that we are clearly not in heaven. And that we Christians still have a lot of work to do. It is our collective responsibility as Christians to make this world a better place. By virtue of our baptism, we have been called and sent into the world to preach the Good News.

Last Sunday we were reminded of the importance of discipleship and our commitment to Jesus and his way. Today we see that discipleship does not only involve "following" but also "being sent." The gospel focuses on the sending out of seventy-two disciples with very clear and precise instructions on what to do and what not to do. We are told that they were sent two by two. This is to symbolize that the proclamation of the Gospel is not a private affair, but the work of a community. All the baptized have a role in the mission of Christ. The mission of the seventy-two was important. No dilly-dallying here. They are not to worry about those things one will normally need while going on a journey. Those things are not nearly important as the mission. The disciple is to rely on the goodwill of those to whom he/she is sent and, on the Master. If we do not have courage to do without human security, and to trust in the protection of the Shepherd, we will never become worthy witnesses of the Kingdom that is coming. Jesus notes that care for the people to whom one is sent takes precedent to the proclamation of the Kingdom. The care represents Jesus' care for all people especially those in need. This was a difficult mission given the fact that it was their first mission ever. However, the gospel relates that the seventy-two had a successful mission: "The seventy-two returned rejoicing, and said: 'Lord, even the demons are subject to us because of your name.'"

Given what is happening in our society today, I wonder whether we can also return like the disciples rejoicing that even the demons are subject to us. Dear friends in Christ, Christians who take a life of Christian witness seriously may be frustrated with what he/she sees happening in society – disregard for human life, hatred, injustice, young people who are critical of what the Church has failed to do and are turning away from it, etc. Even some religious, after years of dedicated service in the center city, may also feel disappointed. Today's readings preach optimism nevertheless. The gospel message will not and has never been welcome by all. We must accept that our message will not always be accepted. It may come back to us like the echo of our own voice. This is the warning Jesus gives His disciples as He sends them out: "Whatever town you enter and they do not receive you, go out into the streets and say, 'The dust of your town that clings to our feet, even that we shake off against you.' We must go to those to whom we have been sent. Ours is a big challenge because we have been called and sent into a world torn apart by rivalry, anger, and hatred, this is where we are to be living signs of love that can bridge divisions and heal wounds. Here, we are to be a sign of hope to those in despair. May God renew our enthusiasm to be faithful messengers of His gospel of hope, reconciliation, love, and peace. God bless you all.

Fr Boh

**FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK**

The Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston has submitted the Final Synthesis Report to the US Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) as part of the Holy Father's Synod on Synodality. You can read the report at: <https://dwc.org/synod/>

**Wednesday Evening Mass:** We are reminded of our Parish Wednesday evening Mass which begins at 6 pm. The Holy Mass is preceded by the celebration of the Sacrament of Confession at 5 pm. So far, the attendance has not been encouraging. Please, try to insert this into your Wednesday schedule.

**PARISH SACRIFICIAL OFFERING  
GIVING SUMMARY**

Reg. Envelopes .....	\$ 1868.00
Online Giving .....	\$ 372.13
Maintenance.....	\$ 625.00
Poor Box .....	\$ 32.00
Mary's Refuge .....	\$ 160.00
Craft Night.....	\$ 30.00
Loaves & Fishes .....	\$ 200.00

**THANK YOU FOR TAKING A STEP TOWARD  
A LIFE OF STEWARDSHIP**



## WHAT IS GOING ON?

**Register for Vacation Bible School** before July 10th. Totally Catholic VBS will take place July 25—29th nightly from 5:30 PM—8 PM. Register online at [www.stbernadettewv.org](http://www.stbernadettewv.org) or [www.facebook.com/stbernadettewv](https://www.facebook.com/stbernadettewv).

There will be a **special collection this week, July 2nd and 3rd, to help offset the expenses of Vacation Bible School.** We want to be able to offer this free to all families and your donation will help us do that.

**Registration for Religious Education** for Grades 1-6 and First and Second Year Confirmation ends August 7, 2022. If you are transferring from another parish, please attach a copy of the Baptism and First Communion Certificate to the registration form. Registration forms can be mailed to St. Bernadette, dropped off in the collection basket, or emailed to the Religious Education Director at [reled@stbernadettewv.org](mailto:reled@stbernadettewv.org).

**Religious Education Teachers are needed** for Grades 2 and 7. Substitute teachers are also needed. Please contact the Parish Office to volunteer. If you have any questions, you can contact Deb Mackesy at the Parish Office.

**The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA—15 years or older)**, will begin Saturday, August 20, 2022, from 9 AM to 12 NOON at the Religious Education Building. **The Rite of Christian Initiation of Children (RCIC—7 to 14 yrs. of age)**, will begin Sunday, August 21, 2022, from 12:30—2 PM at the Religious Education Building. 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.

All Parishioners: Please mark your calendars for our **Parish Picnic on September 11, 2022.** There will be a planning **meeting on Thursday July 7, 2022.** We will begin with Mass at 9:00 am followed by light refreshments and our meeting. Please join us as we need your input and assistance in making this a fun day for all. Looking forward to seeing you on July 7th.

The **Catholic Sharing Appeal, (CSA)** is an annual appeal that offers funds to a variety of ministries, services and programs throughout our diocese, as well as the needs of our parishes. To make a gift or learn more about this important appeal, please visit the CSA website, [www.dwc.org/CSA](http://www.dwc.org/CSA), to donate to our parish today.

**Volunteer to be a Court-Appointed Special Advocate of the Eastern Panhandle.** Volunteers are needed to advocate for children in foster care. Volunteers are assigned to abuse and neglect cases by a judge. They routinely meet with the child or youth, advocate for needed resources, prepare court reports on their well-being, and work to promote and protect their best interests. This is a very trying, tumultuous, and uncertain time for a child and in many cases CASA volunteers are the one constant adult providing needed support and hope for a better future. Learn more at [www.mycasaep.org](http://www.mycasaep.org) or contact Nicki Kuboveik at [nicki@mycasaep.org](mailto:nicki@mycasaep.org) or call 304-263-5100.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

**Sunday, July 3rd**

9 AM Mass

*In Thanksgiving for Lynette Kammerer*

10 AM Donut Sunday

11 AM Mass

**Monday, July 4th**

OFFICE CLOSED

**Tuesday, July 5th**

9 AM Mass

*Intention for Terrence Muir*

10 AM Stitches from the Heart

**Wednesday, July 6th**

9 AM Mass

5:20—5:50 PM Confession

6 PM Mass

**Thursday, July 7th**

9 AM Mass

9:30 AM Hospitality Committee Meeting

**Friday, July 8th**

9:00 AM Mass

*Intention for Fr. Bill Kuchinsky**Adoration following 9 AM Mass*

12 NOON Benediction

**Saturday, July 9th**

4—4:45 PM Confession

5:00 PM Mass

*In Thanksgiving for Beth Shanholtzer***Sunday, July 10th**

9 AM Mass

*Intention for the People of the Parish*

11 AM Mass

*In Thanksgiving for Anjanette & Wayne Montano*

## PRAYERS REQUESTED

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, Nancy Barnholt, Isabella Blackshear, Ginger Spice, Colleen O'Neill, and Ernie Montano

*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 is also available by appointment at anytime. Please call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

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**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](http://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 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.

**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 4th—Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22; Ps 145; Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday 5th—Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 115; Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday 6th—Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps 105; Mt 10:1-7

Thursday 7th—Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9; Ps 80; Mt 10:7-15

Friday 8th—Hos 14:2-10; Ps 51; Mt 10:16-23

Saturday 9th—Is 6:1-8; Ps 93; Mt 10:24-33

Sunday 10th—Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37

### 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](http://www.dwc.org) under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.