

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

July 31, 2022

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Parable of the Rich Fool



Lk 12:13-21

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

"Vanity of vanity, says Qoheleth, ... All things are vanity". Today's readings invite us to reflect on 'what makes life meaningful.' The readings from Ecclesiastes, and Luke's gospel in particular, give us pause to consider what we do with however much wealth we have. They warn us that life makes sense only if we can relate it to lasting values. If we seek only values that perish, then we will never be satisfied. The Bishop, Saint Basil the Great, has a beautiful sermon on charity which I think gives us some insight into today's readings. Here is Saint Basil's sermon in its entirety:

Man should be like the earth and bear fruit; he should not let inanimate matter appear to surpass him. The earth bears crops for your benefit, not for its own, but when you give to the poor, you are bearing fruit which you will gather in for yourself, since the reward for good deeds goes to those who perform them. Give to a hungry man, and what you give becomes yours, and indeed it returns to you with interest. As the sower profits from wheat that falls onto the ground, so will you profit greatly in the world to come from the bread that you place before the hungry man. Your husbandry must be the sowing of heavenly seed: Sow integrity for yourselves, says Scripture.

You are going to leave your money behind you here whether you wish to or not. On the other hand, you will take with you to the Lord the honor that you have won through good works. In the presence of the universal judge, all the people will surround you, acclaim you as a public benefactor, and tell of your generosity and kindness.

Do you not see how people throw away their wealth on theatrical performances, boxing contests, mimes and fights between men and wild beasts, which are sickening to see, and all for the sake of fleeting honor and popular applause? If you are miserly with your money, how can you expect any similar honor? Your reward for the right use of the things of this world will be everlasting glory, a crown of righteousness, and the Kingdom of heaven; God will welcome you; the angels will praise you, all men who have existed since the world began will call you blessed. Do you care nothing for these things, and spurn the hopes that lie in the future for the sake of your present enjoyment? Come, distribute your wealth freely, give generously to those who are in need. Earn for yourself the psalmist's praise: He gave freely to the poor; his righteousness will endure for ever.

How grateful you should be to your own benefactor; how you should beam with joy at the honor of having other people come to your door, instead of being obliged to go to theirs! But you are now ill-humored and unapproachable; you avoid meeting people; in case you might be forced to loosen your purse-strings even a

little. You can say only one thing: "I have nothing to give you. I am only a poor man." A poor man you certainly are, and destitute of all real riches; you are poor in love, generosity, faith in God and hope of eternal happiness. (Office of reading Tuesday Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time, pp 551-2)

Fr. Boh

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK

Welcome! We are so glad you decided to worship with us today. Thanks for coming. Saint Bernadette strives to provide a spiritual home where all are welcome, and the love of God is shared. For those who would like to become parishioners, please contact the Parish Office during office hours or you can also register online by visiting www.stbernadettewv.org

First Saturday of August 2022: We are reminded of the First Saturday Mass at 9 am. Please, be reminded of the Communion of reparation on the first Saturday of the month for five consecutive months. This is the promise of Our Lady to Lucia concerning the First Saturday of five consecutive month: "... I promise to assist at the hour of death, with the graces necessary for salvation, all who on the First Saturday of five consecutive months confess their sins, receive Holy Communion, recite five decades of the Rosary, and keep me company for fifteen minutes meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary, with the purpose of making reparation to my Immaculate Heart."

Parish Vocation Club: We shall be starting a Parish Vocation Club by fall this year. It is specifically for young people of our parish. Our focus will be on marriage, vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Consider joining this group.

Wednesday Evening Mass: Please be reminded of our Wednesday evening Mass at 6 pm. What a wonderful way to refresh yourself at the middle of the week as a Catholic Christian! This Mass is preceded by the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 5 pm to 5:45 pm.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for August 2022: We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.

Happy Sunday

PARISH SACRIFICIAL OFFERING
GIVING SUMMARY

Reg. Envelopes	\$ 1844.00
Online Giving	\$ 330.26
Capital Improvements.....	\$ 5.00
Poor Box.....	\$ 143.00
Diocesan Collection.....	\$ 50.00

THANK YOU FOR TAKING A STEP TOWARD A LIFE OF STEWARDSHIP

WHAT IS GOING ON?

On the weekends of August 6/7 and 13/14, Social Concerns Ministry is **raffling off 2 tickets to the Crab Feast** hosted by the Hedgesville Volunteer Fire Dept to be held Thursday, August 18th. These tickets are highly sought after but are sold out! Just **\$5 per ticket!** Proceeds will benefit Fr. Boh's archdiocese in Cameroon.

Registration for Religious Education for Grades 1-6 and First and Second Year Confirmation ends August 7, 2022.

Substitute Religious Education Teachers are needed for grades 5, 6, & 8. Please contact the Parish Office to volunteer. If you have any questions, you can contact Deb Mackesy at the Parish Office.

All Parishioners: Mark your calendars for our **Parish Picnic on September 11, 2022.** We are collecting items for **BINGO PRIZES.** Look through your home for items that you want to regift and bring them to McFadden Hall!

We have a **lightweight wheelchair** available for those that need help getting around the church. Please speak with an usher if you would like to use this wheelchair.

Saint Joseph School is seeking someone to work in its after-care program for ages 1 to 4. The hours are 2:30 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. We are seeking someone who is friendly, hardworking and loves working with children. Job responsibilities include ensuring the daily care of every child by following all licensing guidelines and the school's standards of care. Aides also help maintain a fun and interactive environment that is clean and organized. Job requirements include: —Must be at least 21 years old and have a high school diploma —Ability to meet state licensing requirements —Scheduling flexibility —Experience working in a child care setting preferred. Please send a resume to Allison Ferrell at afferrell@sjswv.org.

Saint Joseph School is seeking a middle school math teacher for the 2022-23 school year. Candidates must hold or be eligible to hold West Virginia professional teaching certification. A long-term substitute with a bachelor's degree or first-class permit may be considered if there is a lack of fully qualified candidates. Morning duties will be part of this part-time job. Hours are 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday. Applicants should be driven to promote high moral standards and academic excellence. If you are looking for a joyful and faith-filled community, you are invited to apply! Email résumés and three letters of reference to mbyrd@sjswv.org.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, July 31st

9 AM Mass
Intention for Thomas Dihn Duy Thang and Maria Dihn Thi Nhu
 11 AM Mass
Intention for the People of the Parish

Tuesday, August 2nd

9 AM Mass
 10 AM Stitches from the Heart

Wednesday, August 3rd

9 AM Mass
 5:20—5:50 PM Confession
 6 PM Mass

Thursday, August 4th

9 AM Mass

First Friday, August 5th

9:00 AM Mass
 Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Eucharist after 9 AM Mass
 3 PM Divine Mercy & Benediction

First Saturday, August 6th

9 AM Mass
 Rosary immediately following
 4—4:45 PM Confession
 5:00 PM Mass
Intention for Cathy Hannon

Sunday, August 7th

9 AM Mass
Intention for the People of the Parish
 10 AM Welcome Social
 (Donut Sunday)
 11 AM Mass

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, Ernie Montano, Christine D'Angelo, Monica Straley, Beth Sclama and her unborn baby

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.

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**), will begin Saturday, August 27, 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 28, 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.

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 Guttman, and Neil Shanholtzer

St. Bernadette Finance Ministry: 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. 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 1st—St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119; Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday 2nd—Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102;

Wednesday 3rd—Jer 31:1-7; (Ps) Jer 31; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday 4th—Mem of St. John Vianney, Priest; Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51; Mt 16:13-23

Friday 5th—Na 2:1, 2; 3:1-3, 6-7; (Ps) Dt 32; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday 6th—Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord; Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36

Sunday 7th—Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or Heb 11:1-2, 8-12; Lk 12:32-48

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.



Crab Feast Benefit Raffle for Cameroon

Tickets sold after masses: 8/6, 8/7, 8/13 and 8/14

**\$5.00 per Chance/Ticket
each ticket may help you win two tickets
to the
Hedgesville Vol. Fire Co. Station 30
All You Can Eat Crab Feast**

These tickets are valued at \$50.00 for each adult ticket!

**The meal includes all you can eat MD Blue Crabs, Steamed
Shrimp plus Chicken, Corn on the Cob, Hush Puppies
Coleslaw, desserts and Beverages(non-alcoholic)**

**August 18, 2022
5pm-9pm
4217 Hedgesville Road 25427**

**St. Bernadette's Raffle will benefit Fr. Boh's previous Archdiocese
in Cameroon. This area is in desperate need of medical and other
personal health care items.**