

# 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 Saturday: 9 AM Mass  
Rosary immediately following

Confession

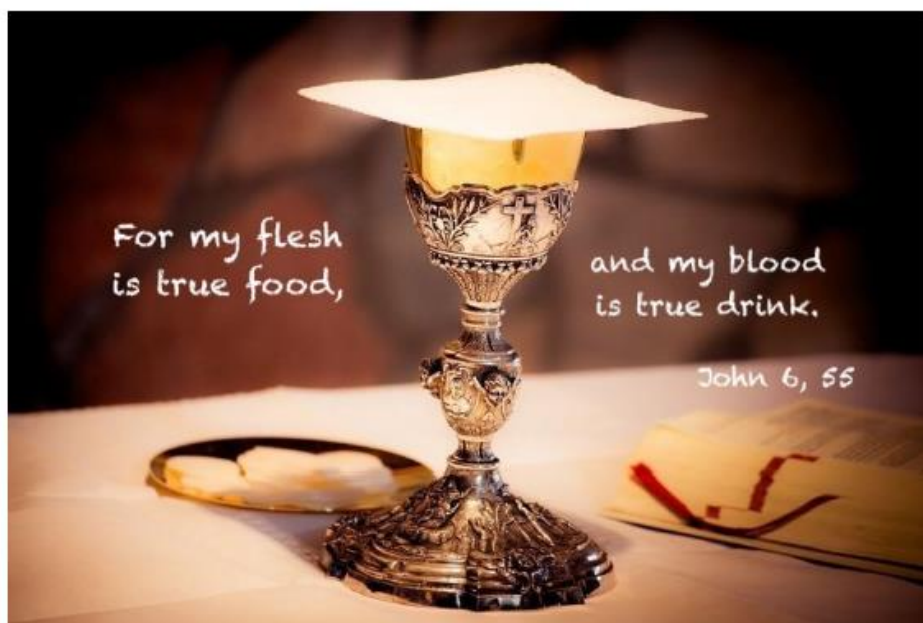
Wednesday: 5:20—5:50PM

Saturday: 4—4:45PM

Sunday: 8:15—8:45 AM  
or by appointment

## June 11, 2023

## Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ



### 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

I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever.

This weekend, dear brothers, and sisters, we celebrate another great liturgical feast, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). This feast focuses on what we Catholics do every day – the celebration of the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. It is, according to Can. 897 of the Code of Canon Law, a celebration of: “The most August sacrament in which Christ the Lord himself is contained, offered, and received and by which the Church continually lives and grows.” This feast was introduced in the late 13th century to encourage the faithful to give special honor to the Blessed Eucharist. The celebration of the feast of Corpus Christi this year is of great significance to us since it marks the beginning of the Parish Year of the National Eucharistic Revival. The National Eucharistic Revival, as we may recall, is an initiative by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) to renew the Church by rekindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. This goal or objective of the USCCB kind of reflects the reason that necessitated the introduction of this feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ in the late 13th century. God’s loving providence is always with us. For forty years God took care of His people in the desert giving them the basics they needed, water and bread, despite their stubborn and sinful ways. The Israelites were sustained during the forty years journey in the wilderness by the gift of the manna to show them that “not by bread alone does man live, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God” (Deut. 8:3). And the supreme Word of God became flesh in Jesus. That Word of God, gives Himself to us as the bread of life, stating clearly that we must eat His flesh and drink His Blood for us to have life: “... unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you.” It is easy to understand that all life needs food in some form if it is to continue to be, for example, food to build up, food to give strength, food to help fight sickness, etc. The life God gave us at Baptism, it too has its own special kind of food to sustain that life on our earthly journey through the many trials and temptations we encounter on this journey toward the Promised Land of heaven. Without this food, we will have no life in us, Jesus warns us in today’s Gospel reading.

In Jesus’ Body and Blood, we have the great food, that is, the Holy Eucharist, that changes us, strengthens our faith, protects, and help us, and gives us energy and courage to be another Christ in our world today. We are to hold this great gift, “...in highest honor, taking an active part in its celebration, receiving this sacrament most devoutly and frequently, and worshipping it with the highest adoration” (Canon 898).

Dear friends in Christ, may the celebration of the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, help us to understand and appreciate better just how great and good Jesus is in giving us His Precious Body and Blood as food for our earthly journey towards the Promised Land of heaven. We are pilgrims and we need the best food we can. And we have it in the Blessed Eucharist. May we become what we eat. May it be a source of unity for us as Saint Paul warns us in the second reading; we cannot be sitting at the same table and dipping our hand in the same dish while we continue to hate each other. May this Sacrament of love teach us to live in our world the love we receive from this most August Sacrament.

God bless you!

May Saint Bernadette Soubirous, pray for us.

Fr. Boh, Pastor

## FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK

Welcome to St Bernadette! This weekend we gather to celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. According to the National Calendar for the Eucharistic Revival, today we are beginning the Parish Year of the National Eucharistic Revival to end in July 2024. What are some of the practical things we can be doing as a parish community and as individuals?

**As a parish community:** Exposition and adoration of the Blessed Eucharist every first Thursday of the month from 8:15 am to 8:45 am.

**Two days of “Upper Room Experience”** during the season of Advent and Lent.

**First Thursdays and Fridays of the month:** Reception of Holy Communion under both kinds.

**What can I do?** Chose at least a day within the week and commit to attending Mass besides the Sunday obligation (think seriously about the Wednesday 6 pm Mass); Commit to spending some time with the Lord present in the Blessed Eucharist at least once a month; Commit to reading the Word of God daily; “God ask us to bring something to the Eucharist table”, says Jared Staudt, think of donating towards the purchase of a bottle of mass wine (\$7.50).

**Fr. Martin Holler** will be visiting our parish on behalf of the “Unbound” next weekend June 17 – 18.

## PARISH SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

General Fund .....	\$ 4494.00
Online Giving .....	\$ 810.77
Capital Improvements .....	\$ 2085.00
Diocesan Collections .....	\$ 175.00

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

## WHAT'S GOING ON?

There will be a Social Concerns Ministry meeting this Wednesday in McFadden Hall immediately following the 9 AM Mass. This meeting is open to everyone, and we are always looking forward to having new members join us.

There will be a Parish Council meeting on Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM. We will be discussing the Parish Eucharistic Revival. This meeting is open to any parishioner who would like to attend.

For those that made their confirmation on May 20th, a flash drive with the pictures taken by Jeff McCoy is available in the narthex.

Please register your children for Religious Education for the 2023 – 2024 school year to begin in September as soon as possible so that arrangements for teachers can be made.

The Diocesan collection for this weekend is for Peter's Pence. The Peter's Pence Collection enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to requests to aid the neediest throughout the world—those who suffer as a result of war, oppression, and natural disasters. It likewise provides the faithful with a tangible opportunity to not only empower the weak, defenseless, and voiceless, but also sustain those who suffer.

If you know of someone who is **sick or homebound**, please call the Parish Office at 304-754-7830 so that we can bring them communion and send them a bulletin.

Emmaus Ministry and the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston are offering a day-long, spiritual retreat for grieving parents, on Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023. It will be held at St. Vincent de Paul Parish, at 2244 Marshall Avenue, Wheeling, WV 26003. Any grieving parent whose child of any age has died by any cause, no matter how long ago, is welcome to attend. The cost is \$25 for an individual and \$40 for a couple. The day will go from 9:30 AM to 7:30 PM, and lunch and dinner will be provided. For more information and to register, please go to [www.emfgp.org](http://www.emfgp.org) or call (800) 919-9332.

St. Joseph School is in need of a full-time, experienced maintenance worker. Responsibilities include sweeping; mopping; dusting; emptying trash cans; cleaning restrooms, doors and windows; vacuuming; cleaning out flower beds; shampooing carpets; and stripping floors. The hours are 4 to 11 p.m. Monday through Friday. Please email a letter of introduction and résumé to Principal Maria Byrd at [mbyrd@sjsv.org](mailto:mbyrd@sjsv.org).

## PRAYERS REQUESTED

Mary Cordelli, Sharee Buberl, Bonnie Hart, Angela Ramsey, Kathy Skane, Msgr. Patrick Fryer, Randy Bookwalter, Ginger Spice, Joe Schlegel, Walter Shenk, Isabella Horning, Robin Marlin, Betty Foley, Beverly Barrett, Cathy Poplawski, Tim Umrysz, Theresa Comer, Victoria Porter

*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

**Sunday, June 11th****Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ**

8:15—8:45 AM Confession

9 AM Mass—Fr. Boh

*Intention for the Tom Ivory*

11 AM Mass—Fr. Boh

*Intention for the People of the Parish*

**Tuesday, June 13th**

9 AM Mass—Fr. Boh

*Intention for Jack & Regina Zapf*

9:30 AM Stitches from the Heart

**Wednesday, June 14th**

9 AM Mass—Msgr. Ansgar

9:30 AM Social Concerns

Ministry Meeting

*Intention for Tom Jacobs*

5—5:45 PM Confession

6 PM Mass—Fr. Boh

**Thursday, June 15th**

9 AM Mass—Fr. Boh

**Friday, June 16th**

9:00 AM Mass—Msgr. Ansgar

Adoration following the 9 AM Mass

12 NOON Benediction

**Saturday, June 17th**

4—4:45 PM Confession

5 PM Mass—Unbound Priest

*Intention for Chester Poplawski*

**Sunday, June 18th**

8:15—8:45 AM Confession

9 AM Mass—Unbound Priest

11 AM Mass—Unbound Priest



**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.

**Order of Christian Initiation:** The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults begins in August and ends in April. These classes are for members who wish to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church. If you need to receive Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Communion, and/or Confirmation, and are interested in attending OCIA, 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](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 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 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 12th—2 Cor 1:1-7; Ps 34; Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday 13th—St. Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church; 2 Cor 1:18-22; Ps 119; Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday 14th—2 Cor 3:4-11; Ps 99; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday 15th—2 Cor 3:15-4:1, 3-6; Ps 85; Mt 5:20-26

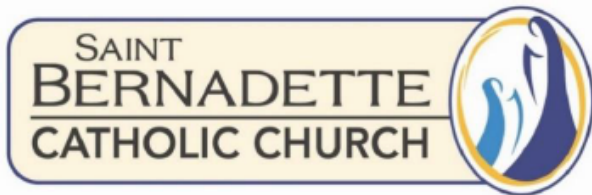
Friday 16th—Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus; Dt 7:6-11; Ps 103; 1 Jn 4:7-16; Mt 11:25-30

Saturday 17th—Immaculate Heart of Mary; 2 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103; Lk 2:41-51

Sunday 18th—Ex 19:2-6a; Ps 100; Rom 5:6-11; Mt 9:36-10:8

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



# Yard Sale

**and Bake Sale**

**Saturday, July 8th - 8 AM - 2 PM**

**Rain or Shine**

**Money raised goes to the  
Social Concerns Ministry**

**Call Lynette at the office at  
(304) 754-7830 to rent your space today!!!**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to rent a parking space at a cost of \$10 on July 8, 2023 from 8 AM - 2 PM.  
Additional parking spaces are available for an additional \$10.  
*You may set up any time on Friday, July 7th.*

Total number of parking spaces rented \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to rent a table at a cost of \$10 per table on July 8, 2023 from 8 AM - 2 PM.  
Note: Limited number of tables available.

Total number of tables rented \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to rent a canopy tent at a cost of \$10 per tent on July 8, 2023 from 8 AM - 2 PM.  
Note: Limited number of canopy tents available.

Total number of canopy tents rented \_\_\_\_\_

Please bring a baked good to sell at the bake sale.

**You may donate a portion of your profits to the Social Concerns Ministry.**

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