

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 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

June 19, 2022

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes



Lk 9:11b-17

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

Today is Corpus Christi Sunday, also called Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. It was first celebrated in 1246 at the behest of Robert de Torote, Bishop of Liege, and in keeping with the vision experienced by St. Juliana (1222–58), prioress of Mont Cornillon near Liège. In 1263, while on a pilgrimage to Rome, Fr. Peter of Prague, a German priest, stopped in Bolsena, Italy, to celebrate Mass at the Church of St. Christina. At the time, Fr. Peter doubted that Jesus is truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. As he said the prayer of Consecration during Mass, blood started to seep from the consecrated host and onto the corporal. Fr. Peter reported this miracle to Pope Urban IV, who sent delegates to investigate. The host and the blood-stained corporal were then placed in the Cathedral of Orvieto, where they remain to this day. Soon after this miracle, Pope Urban IV commissioned St. Thomas Aquinas to compose the liturgy for this solemnity. St. Thomas had earlier proposed a feast solely emphasizing the joy of the Eucharist being the Body and Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ. In August of 1264, Pope Urban IV instituted the Feast of Corpus Christi for the Universal Church.

Dear friends, today's celebration gives us an opportunity to reflect on the meaning and value of the Holy Eucharist. All our readings today focus on the Eucharist - God giving Himself to us in love. In our second reading, St. Paul reminds the Corinthians and us of the depths of love our Lord has shown us in the gift of the Eucharist from the very first Eucharistic celebration. "The Lord Jesus... took bread, and, after he had given thanks, broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for you.'" In that moment, and at every celebration of the Mass thereafter, Jesus gives us His very Self in an act of complete humility and perfect love. Padre Pio says we do not show enough appreciation for Eucharistic celebration: "If men only appreciated the value of a Holy Mass, they would need traffic officers at church doors every day to keep the crowds in order."

Sadly, a majority of Catholics do not appreciate the value of Holy Mass, according to a Pew study. The survey results are jarring. Sixty-nine (69) percent of all self-identified Catholics believe the bread and wine used at Mass do not become the body and blood of Jesus, but instead are "symbols of the body and blood of Jesus Christ." Reacting to these findings, the Auxiliary Bishop of Los Angeles, Robert Barron, directed his anger inward: "I'm blaming myself, bishops, priests and anybody" responsible for transmitting the faith, he said. "We're all guilty" (Posted Aug. 6 on Twitter). This has necessitated the National Eucharistic Revival which began June 16, the feast of Corpus Christi and culminates with the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis in 2024. Our "God is not just some distant someone who is not engaged. He is alive and real and can be encountered in the Eucharist, source, and summit of the faith. ... This is where God is with us" (Tim Glemkowski, speaking to Catholic News Service April 5).

Today's celebration challenges us Catholics to show our gratitude for such a wonderful gift. Let us receive this gift of the Eucharist with the greatest possible reverence and

love. And, following our Lord's example, we can give ourselves generously to others in the week ahead.

Happy Solemnity of the Most Precious Body and Blood of Christ.

Fr Boh

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK

Beloved sisters and brothers in Christ, welcome to our Sunday celebration of the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). A special welcome to all those visiting us for the first time. You are always welcome to join us for Mass or for any of our many parish events. We are a small, friendly, gracious, welcoming parish community where you will feel comfortable. If you want to become a member of this parish community, please feel free to call our Parish Office during office hours or you can also register online by visiting www.stbernadettewv.org.

Welcome again! God bless you!

Father's Day: It celebrates the contribution that fathers and father figures make for their children's lives. This is an occasion to mark and celebrate the contribution that your own father has made to your life. The father figures can include fathers, stepfathers, fathers-in-law, grandfathers and great-grandfathers and even other male relatives.

Happy Father's Day all fathers.

Are you heading off to college this fall? West Virginia college campus ministries is there to help you foster your integral growth. It focuses especially on the personal, spiritual, and moral development of its students, thereby pursuing the mission of Jesus Christ.

Religious Freedom Week June 22—29, 2022: In our Parish we shall have Masses for this intention on Wednesday, 22nd, Feast of Sts. John Fisher and Thomas More, Friday, 24th, Nativity of St John the Baptist, and ends Wednesday, 29th, the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul.

PARISH SACRIFICIAL OFFERING
GIVING SUMMARY

Reg. Envelopes.....	\$ 3379.00
Online Giving.....	\$ 649.63
Diocesan Collection—CSA	\$ 1000.00
Poor Box	\$ 56.00
Mary's Refuge.....	\$ 10.00
Yard Sale	\$ 4.00
Craft Night.....	\$ 90.00

**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 or www.facebook.com/stbernadettewv.

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.

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.

We are still in need of a **Coordinator for Immanuel's House Dinners**. St. Bernadette's prepares 6 meals a year for the poor in our area. We are looking for someone, or a team of people, to plan the meal and be sure that it is delivered on time to Immanuel's House every 2nd Monday of every other month. Call the Parish Office if you have any questions.

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, to donate to our parish today.

Volunteer to be a Court-Appointed Special Advocates 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 or contact Nicki Kubovcik at nicki@mycasaep.org or call 304-263-5100.

Celebrate the World Meeting of Families at St. Leo Catholic Church on Thursday, June 23rd at 6 PM. Speakers and reception to follow. Speakers include Joyce Bibey, Tim Bishop, Nick Chancey, Tyler and Sydney Kilbane. Scan the QR code for more information.



Scan the QR Code or visit www.dwc.org/world-meeting-of-families to Register.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Sunday, 19th

9 AM Mass
Intention for the People of the Parish
 11 AM Mass
 2:30 PM African Mass

Tuesday, June 21st

9 AM Mass
 10 AM Stitches from the Heart

Wednesday, June 22nd

9 AM Mass
Intention for Pearl Brumbaugh
 5:20—5:50 PM Confession
 6 PM Mass

Thursday, June 23rd

9 AM Mass
Intention for Fr. Pucciarelli

Friday, June 24th

9:00 AM Mass
 Adoration following the 9 AM Mass
 12 NOON Benediction

Saturday, June 25th

4—4:45 PM Confession
 5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, June 26th

9 AM Mass
Intention for the People of the Parish
 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, 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.

Rite of Christian Initiation: 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.

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 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 20th—2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Ps 60; Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday 21st—Memorial of St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious; 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Ps 48; Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday 22nd—2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Ps 119; Mt 7:15-20

Thursday 23rd—Solemnity of the Nativity of John the Baptist; Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17

Friday 24th—Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus; Ez 34:11-16; Ps 23; Rom 5:5b-11; Lk 15:3-7

Saturday 25th—Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Ps 74; Lk 2:41-51

Sunday 26th—1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21; Ps 16; Gal 5:1, 13-18; Lk 9:51-62

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.