

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

June 26, 2022

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

... go and spread the news of the kingdom of God



Luke 9: 60

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

From today's Gospel passage we learn that Jesus resolutely took the road to Jerusalem knowing this is where he will suffer and die. In this gospel passage we learn that three would-be disciples who expressed desire to follow him, all three gave excuses why they could not follow him immediately. And to the three Jesus said, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

Every Christian is called to proclaim the Gospel. This mission is entrusted to us by Christ himself at the right time and in the way he considers best. Our lives, our problems, our convictions, our parents can be obstacles to our being able to carry out the evangelizing mission entrusted to us in a prompt and faithful manner. Accepting this mission leads us to a series of sacrifices that can reach the supreme sacrifice, the gift of life. Jesus' statement: 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God,' is to highlight the need for sacrifice and commitment, and that there could be no turning back. If you wish to plough a straight furrow, or you are doing your lawn and want it to look pretty, you must give your undivided attention to what you are doing. If you keep on looking back, you won't do a good job. You need dedication and commitment. If you begin such a task, you should give it your all.

Dear sisters and brothers, all of us have put our hand to some "plough" or other. Young people to their studies, husbands and wives to their marriage, priests to their ministry, to mention just a few. And in baptism we have put our hands to another plough – the following of Christ, or discipleship. Accepting to put our hand on this plough, whatever it may be, calls for our undivided and complete attention. It entails giving our all. If we keep looking back, we will be half-hearted. We are likely to lose time, to lose sight of our goal, and be tempted to turn back or even quit altogether. Luke tells us that Jesus resolutely took the road to the City of Jerusalem, it is the same kind of resoluteness that he requires from his followers. Putting one's hand to the plow but looking back makes one unfit for the Kingdom of God.

How strong is your commitment to Christ, and where are you incline to take the easy way?

Fr Boh

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK

Join Pope Francis Today!

Transform the world through prayer and action. July 2022 Prayer Intention. We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of the people. May their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

Small Group Reflection: What a rich gift we have in the experiences and wisdom of our elderly brothers and sisters. These people are our parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, friends, teachers, coaches, and more. They are those who have witnessed shifts in culture and the endurance of the human spirit. They have experienced hardships, and they have welcomed joy. They have made mistakes. They have found better ways. Their perspective and insights are a gift that cannot be duplicated, and these must not be lost. And yet so often we younger people do not care for the elderly as we should. We focus on the moment and neglect the reality that what has come before plays a role in what is to come. We strive to stay youthful ourselves, rather than appreciate the gray hair that Proverbs calls "a crown of glory . . . gained by a life that is just" (Proverbs 16:31). What's more, the older people in our communities remain sons and daughters of the living God. Proverbs tells us, "The glory of the young is their strength, and the dignity of the old is gray hair" (Proverbs 20:29). The dignity of the elderly is our responsibility. We pray for a shift in our individual and communal priorities. May we make time to sit with the elderly, to pray with and for them, to listen to their stories, and to help heal what remains broken in them. Through the Sacraments of the Church, may we tend to the spaces in our elderly brothers and sisters that yearn for mercy. May we together experience hope and deepen our faith. In doing so, may we teach our children to respect and honor the senior members of our families and communities.

PARISH SACRIFICIAL OFFERING
GIVING SUMMARY

Reg. Envelopes.....	\$ 2796.00
Online Giving.....	\$ 753.39
Maintenance	\$ 125.00
Diocesan Collection—CSA & Peter's Pence	\$ 420.00
Poor Box	\$ 76.00
Mary's Refuge.....	\$ 100.00
Craft Night.....	\$ 150.00

**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.

There will be a **special collection next 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.

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, 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 or contact Nicki Kubovcik at nicki@mycasaep.org or call 304-263-5100.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, June 26th

9 AM Mass

Intention for the People of the Parish

11 AM Mass

Tuesday, June 28th

9 AM Mass

10 AM Stitches from the Heart

Wednesday, June 29th

9 AM Mass

5:20—5:50 PM Confession

6 PM Mass

Thursday, June 30th

9 AM Mass

*Intention for June Williams***First Friday, July 1st**

9:00 AM Mass

Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Eucharist after 9 AM Mass

3 PM Divine Mercy & Benediction

First Saturday, July 2nd

9 AM Mass

Rosary immediately following

4—4:45 PM Confession

5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, July 3rd

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.

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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. 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 27th—Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 50; Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday 28th—St Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr; Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Ps 5; Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday 29th—SS. Peter and Paul, Apostles; Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

Thursday 30th—Am 7:10-17; Ps 19; Mt 9:1-8

Friday July 1st—Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Ps 119; Mt 9:9-13

Saturday 2nd—Am 9:11-15; Ps 85; Mt 9:14-17

Sunday 3rd—Is 66:10-14c; Ps 66; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20

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.



It's that time.

The Rite of Christian Initiation
for Adults (RCIA) is about to
begin!!!!

Saturday August 27, 2022

9:00 am to 12 noon

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, about what we believe and why we believe it, or to become Catholic and receive the sacraments, RCIA may be for you.

If you are seeking a deeper understanding of Christ and His one, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church and a deeper experience with Jesus in the Sacraments, RCIA may be for you.

Whether you are seeking to deepen your understanding or to enter into full communion with Jesus Christ in the Catholic Church, RCIA is open to all who would like to explore the Faith.

**For more details,
Contact the Parish Office at 304-754-7830.**

