



St. Bernadette Catholic Church

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ST. BERNADETTE MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday: 9 AM
Wednesday: 9 AM & 6 PM
Thursday—Friday: 9 AM
Saturday: 5 PM
Sunday: 9 AM & 11 AM

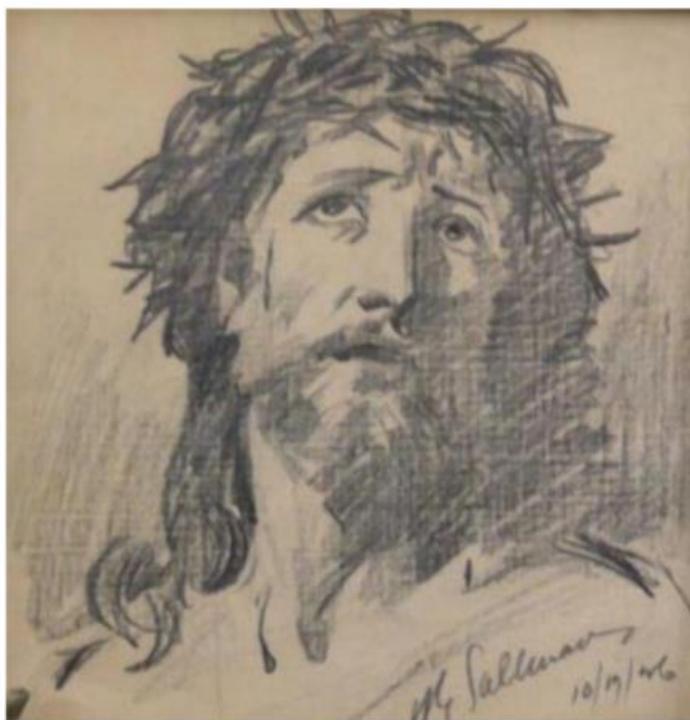
Adoration every Friday after 9 AM Mass
with Benediction at 12 NOON

1st Saturday: 9 AM
Rosary immediately following

Confession
Wednesday: 5—5:50PM
Saturday: 4—4:45PM
or by appointment

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October 17, 2021
29th Sunday of Ordinary Time



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

The Lord is good, all the time! All the time, the Lord is good!
Beloved brothers and sisters in Christ, Peace be with you.

Today we join our Catholic sisters and brothers all over the world to celebrate the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B.

Today’s readings afford us the opportunity to reflect on ‘redemptive suffering’. The first reading talks about the suffering Servant of God who gives his life to bring justification and forgiveness to sins of others. In Him, says our second reading from the Letters to the Hebrews, we have access to the Father. The reading warns against procrastinating, encouraging us to seek “timely help” from God. The Gospel tells us that Jesus came to give His life as a ransom for many. The readings point to the fact that we can lead a life of true greatness only by a life of humble service to our sisters and brothers.

Today, therefore, we are challenged and encouraged to take the lead that Jesus gives us to be of service to our sisters and brothers. “Do not lord it over others”, Jesus warns us, “like the rulers of the Gentiles.” We are not to seek a place of glory for ourselves. We are to love “justice and right”, as the psalmist says. We are to accept the baptism of suffering; becoming servants and slaves to our fellow brothers and sisters, and thereby emulating Christ, who came to serve, not to be served. To His Apostles and to us, Jesus explains that the place of glory in Heaven is won by leading lives of service to one another, aware that the seat of honor in Heaven is reserved only for “those for whom it has been prepared.” Jesus makes a clarion call to all of us to be co-redeemers of the world and not just recipients of the fruits of His redemption. “No sweat, no sweet.”

Fr. Boh

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR’S DESK

A hearty welcome to those visiting us for the first time and those who will sign up today to become members of this great St. Bernadette family. A special welcome to members of the newly-formed African Catholic Community of the Greater Eastern Panhandle. As authorized by our Parish Council, they will worship here every third Sunday of the month, beginning with Holy Mass today at 2:30 PM followed by an African welcome dinner to which all of us (members of St. Bernadette) are cordially invited.

October devotion continues. We encourage families to pray together during this month of the Holy Rosary. Pray for the intention of the Holy Father. We encourage families to pray for the success of the World Synod which was officially launched last Sunday in Rome. For the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, the opening Mass will take place this Sunday at Sacred Heart Co-Cathedral in Charleston.

A word of thanks and appreciation to all the volunteers/voluntous who sacrificed time to give our rectory a new facelift. Thanks for a job well done. A special thank you to those who donated furniture and kitchen items.

Some thoughts from our 2021 family life calendar to ponder on during the week.

For adults: When has the message of the cross seemed absurd to you and when have you seen its wisdom?

For children: What puzzles you in the gospel stories? Which story makes you the most hopeful?

Go outdoors and notice colors God created for us.

Computers and cell phones don’t connect, people do. Children and young people take special note.

Wishing you all a blessed Sunday and a fruitful week.

After reflection and consultation with some parishioners, I want to announce the new Mass and Confession schedules in our Parish **beginning October 1st** ****Confession always available by appointment.****

New Mass Times as of 10/1	New Confession Times as of 10/1
Tuesday: 9 AM	
Wednesday: 9 AM & 6 PM	Wednesday: 5—5:50 PM
Thursday & Friday: 9 AM	
Saturday: 5 PM	Saturday: 4—4:45 PM
Sunday: 9 AM & 11 AM	
1st Saturday Every Month	9 AM

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday 18th—Feast of St. Luke, evangelist
2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145; Lk 10:1-9

Tuesday 19th—Memorial of Sts. John de Bréfeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, Companions, Martyrs
Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40; Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday 20th—St. Paul of the Cross, Priest
Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124; Lk 12:39-48

Thursday 21st—Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1; Lk 12:49-53

Friday 22nd—St. John Paul II, Pope Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119; Lk 12:54-59

Saturday 23rd—St. John of Capistrano, Priest
Rom 8:1-11; Ps 24; Lk 13:1-9

Sunday 24th—30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING SUMMARY OFFERING FOR SEPT 11-12TH

Reg. Envelopes.....	\$ 1613.00
Hurricane Ida.....	\$ 150.00
Poor Box.....	\$ 61.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 20.00
Immanuel’s House.....	\$ 105.00
Online Giving.....	\$ 378.00

THANK YOU FOR TAKING A STEP TOWARD A LIFE OF STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, October 17th

9:00 AM Mass
 10:30-11:45A Religious Education
 11 AM Mass
 2:30 African Mass

Tuesday, October 19th

9 AM Daily Mass
For Deb Mackesy
 10 AM Stitches from the Heart

Wednesday, October 20th

9 AM Daily Mass
For Phillip Rossetti
 5—5:50 PM Confession
 6 PM Daily Mass

Thursday, October 21st

9:00 AM Daily Mass
For Marie Kline

Friday, October 22nd

9:00 AM Daily Mass
For Fr. William Kuchinsky
 *Adoration following the 9 AM Mass
 12 NOON Benediction

Saturday, October 23rd

4—4:45 PM Confession
 5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, October 24th

9:00 AM Mass
For the People of the Parish
 10:30-11:45 AM Religious Education
 11 AM Mass

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 6—7 PM and before Saturday Mass. Confession also available by appointment at anytime. Please call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.

Rite of Christian Initiation: RCIA (for children 15 and older and adults) or RCIC (for children 7-14 yrs of age). For more information call the Parish Office at 304-754-7830. Preparation for receiving First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation, 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. 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, Donna White, Carol Sloan, Deb Mackesy, 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 for assistance.

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.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Margaret Kistner	Joe Schlagal	Doug & Mary Blow	Bernie Guy
Kathy Skane	John Bennett	Bonnie Hart	Mark Mackesy
Sharee Buberl	Kathy Sloan	Dorothy Foley	Harry Skouras
Rose Stefanko	Chris Ridley		

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. Names will be published for four weeks and then removed.

HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED?

We are in need of **Lectors for all Masses**. If you are interested in learning more about this ministry, please contact Donna White at 304-240-7840 or javalady911@comcast.net.

Great opportunity for our parishioners. Vintage, Baldwin, **Baby Grand Piano for sale**. Donated in 2016 and kept in temperature controlled location in the Religious Education Building. Last tuned in April 2021. \$1000, must pay to move. Kramer Piano will provide a 10% discount for our parishioners to move it.

Saint Joseph School is hosting their **Sweet Rollers Fundraiser**. Volunteers will be available after Masses 10/23 and 10/24 to sell items and take orders for fresh cinnamon rolls, cookies, and 10-ounce bags of coffee through Sweet Rollers (www.thesweetrollers.com). Orders are due Friday, Nov. 5. The rolls will be distributed Wednesday, Nov. 17, at the school. The cookies sell for \$2 each; the rolls sell for \$5 each; and bags of coffee sell for \$10 each. For more information, email Meg Partington at mpartington@sjswv.org.

The **Land of Peace Mission** will have Holy Articles for sale after Masses next Sunday, 10/24.

We are starting a **Teen Choir** that will sing about once a month at the 11 AM Sunday Mass. The choir will practice after the 11 AM Mass from 12:00 PM-12:30 PM the Sunday before they are scheduled to sing. Our first scheduled practice is Sunday, Nov. 7th, and the choir will sing on Sunday, Nov. 14th. Teens are excused from CCD the Sunday that they are scheduled to sing, but they must contact their teacher beforehand to get any assignments that need to be completed. Please call or email Linda Abrahamian at (304)279-2315 or linda.abrahamian@gmail.com for more information or to sign your teen up.

We will have a **Children's Choir** for the 5 PM Christmas Eve Mass. The choir is open to children K—5th grade. Practices will be held the five Sundays before Christmas beginning on Sunday, November 21st from 4—4:45 PM. Please call or email Linda Abrahamian at 304-279-2315 or linda.abrahamian@gmail.com by Sunday, November 7th, to sign your child up.

Loaves and Fishes is seeking donations for Thanksgiving and Christmas food pantry distributions. This year they will be providing the regular food box in addition to the special holiday boxes. See a list of items needed in the bulletin insert. If you have any questions, contact Karen at 301-992-1368 or Bill at 571-216-9320.

All middle and high school teens are welcome to join the **Youth Group!** We have fun and fellowship as we continue to actively learn and live our Catholic faith by participating in many events and charitable service projects for our community. Upcoming events for October include Back from the Dead Cemetery Walk at the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Shrine, and the NET Retreat. For more information, please call or email Linda Abrahamian at 304-279-2315 or linda.abrahamian@gmail.com.

During the 2020-2021 school year, St. Joseph School earned \$400 through the **Weis 4 School rewards program**. Just by registering your Weis Preferred Shoppers Club card you will help support this cause. This is a great no-cost way for you to help your local Catholic school. Register your card online at www.weismarkets.com.

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.

Loaves & Fishes Donations Needed



201 South Mary Street
Hedgesville, WV

As we prepare for the food pantry distributions for Thanksgiving and Christmas, we need help with the following donations:

Instant Mash Potatoes
Stove Top Stuffing
Gravy
Yams (28 oz)
Brownie Mix
Oatmeal
Cranberry Sauce

Monetary Donations for the turkeys and hams

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