

# 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—5:45 PM

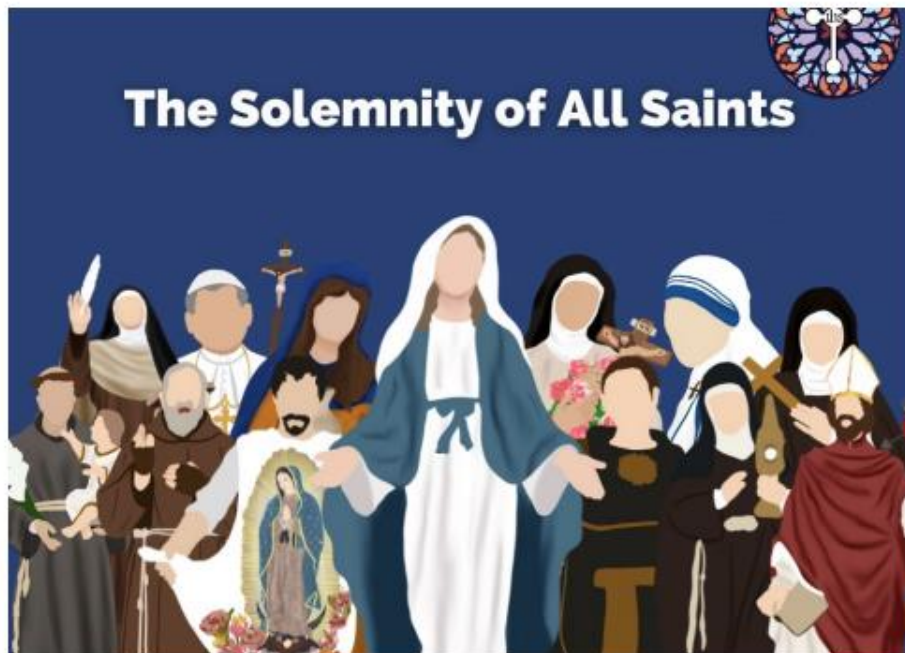
Saturday: 4—4:45 PM

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

## October 29, 2023

## 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## The Solemnity of All Saints



Wednesday, November 1st

### 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

"All you will need to know about "All Saints Day" and "All Souls Day".

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, welcome!

How time flies! Today we celebrate the 30th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A. We are four Sundays away from the end of the Church's Liturgical Calendar Year A with a new year starting the First Sunday of Advent. The month of November is upon us. We begin the month of November this Wednesday with the celebration of the solemnity of All Saints. It is a Holy Day of obligation for Catholics. All Saints Day is a day on which we commemorate all the Saints both the known and the unknown. We shall celebrate two Masses in the parish church at 9:00 am and 6:00 pm. The Catholic Church dedicates the entire month of November, the month of Remembrance, to praying for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. On Thursday November 2nd we commemorate All Souls Day as we pray for all the faithful departed. We shall celebrate two Masses at 9:00 am and 6:00 pm. The prayers offered are particularly directed for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The Church teaches us that praying for the dead is a spiritual work of mercy. Praying for the dead is recommended by Scriptures: It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from their sins" (2 Macc. 12:46). The greatest prayer we could ever offer for the dead is the prayer of the Mass. At Mass we unite our own personal prayers to that of Christ. Pope Francis teaches us: "Church tradition has always urged prayer for the dead, by offering the celebration of the Eucharist for them: it is the best spiritual help that we can give to their souls, particularly to the most abandoned ones. The foundation of prayers in suffrage of souls is in the communion of the Mystical Body." (cf. "Why pray for the dead?" Article in Catholic News Service, 11/19/19). All Souls envelopes with the names of your beloved dead will be placed at the altar for prayers at each daily mass in November. However, we are encouraged to continue to offer Masses for their repose, for this is truly an act of love, charity, and faith.

In addition to having Masses offered and praying for the dead, you can obtain indulgences by visiting a cemetery and/or a church. If you devoutly visit a Cemetery and pray each day from November 1-8, you will be granted a plenary indulgence and a partial indulgence on other days of the year. This is applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory.

Visiting a Church on November 2: A plenary indulgence, applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, is granted to the faithful, who on the day dedicated to the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed [November 2 {as well as on the Sunday preceding or following, and on All Saints' Day}] piously visit a

church. In visiting the church, it is required that one Our Father and the Creed be recited.

There are three requirements for obtaining a plenary indulgence: Sacramental Confession, Eucharistic communion, and prayer for the intention of the Holy Father while being detached from sin.

Dear sisters and brothers, pray daily in November this prayer of St. Gertrude. She was a great 13th century Benedictine nun and mystic, to whom Jesus had revealed this prayer promising that every time it was devoutly prayed it would help 1,000 souls in Purgatory:

"Eternal Father, I offer you the most precious blood of your dearly beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the Universal Church, those in my own home, and within my own family. Amen."

Let us remember to pray for the dead during this month of November as it is a spiritual work of mercy. Eternal rest grant unto them and may perpetual light shine upon them. Don't forget to attend Mass on Wednesday November 1, Solemnity of All Saints, day of obligation.

Have a blessed week ahead of you!

May Saint Bernadette Soubirous, pray for us.

Fr Boh (Pastor)

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Some upcoming events during the month of November:

**The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for November 2023:** For the Pope; We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

**Blessing of Thanksgiving Day Food Thursday November 23rd, 2023:** We shall offer a blessing of food at the Thanksgiving Day Mass. You are invited to bring the bread and wine that you will later share with family and friends for a special blessing to the 9 a.m. Mass on Thanksgiving Day.

**40 Hours Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** in preparation for the Feast of Christ the King and part of our activities for the Eucharistic Revival at Parish level.

## PARISH SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

General Fund .....	\$ 2050.00
Online Giving .....	\$ 516.15
Maintenance .....	\$ 15.00
Outreach .....	\$ 75.00
Diocesan Collection .....	\$ 315.00

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



## WHAT'S GOING ON?

**Social Concerns is asking for tarp donations** for our outreach program (preferably 8 x 8). They will be distributed to the homeless living in the fields. This will be a great help to them with keeping their sleeping bags off the ground and dry. They can also use them to make a lean-to shelter (tent). Thank you for always being so generous in helping others.

A volunteer from the Catholic Daughters will be here for the next 2 weeks taking orders for their **Annual Homemade Chocolate Candy Fund-raiser**. Orders placed by November 13<sup>th</sup> will be guaranteed to pick up by November 18<sup>th</sup>, in time for Thanksgiving.

Celebrate **Mary's Refuge with at their second annual Gala** on November 9<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM at the Hilton Garden off of exit 12 in Martinsburg. Along with a dinner, guest speakers, and a silent auction, there will be opportunities to learn more about our work throughout the year. Doors open at 5 pm with a cash bar available. The event start time is 6 pm. Dress will be cocktail attire with black tie optional. Tickets are still available at [www.marysrefuge.com/gala](http://www.marysrefuge.com/gala).

If you would be interested in attending a free **CPR and AED certification training**, please call the Parish Office at (304) 754-7830 or Paul Guttman at (304) 274-2984 or drop a note in the collection basket with your name, phone number, and email address. Please call even if you have expressed interest in the past so that we can put together a proper list. We must have a count of interested participants in order to obtain a quote for the training.

**Saint Joseph School is seeking a teacher's aide for a classroom of 2-year-olds.** Aides support teachers in planning and implementing daily programs. 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. If you are interested, please send a résumé to Katie MacKinnon, PK director, at [kmackinnon@sjswv.org](mailto:kmackinnon@sjswv.org).

**Together in Holiness Marriage Conference** – Married and engaged couples are invited to the third annual *Together in Holiness* marriage conference on February 10, 2024 from 10:45 am - 6:00 pm at St. James the Greater Catholic Church in Charles Town, WV. This one-day conference will help you strengthen your relationship with your spouse and discover God's plan for your family. Registration: \$32/couple and \$5/child for on-site childcare. An Early Bird discount is available through December 11, 2023 as well as scholarships upon request. This conference is presented by the St. John Paul II Foundation and the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. For more info, visit [togetherinholiness.org/wheelingcharleston](http://togetherinholiness.org/wheelingcharleston) or email [cameron@forlifeandfamily.org](mailto:cameron@forlifeandfamily.org).

## PRAYERS REQUESTED

Mary Cordelli, Sharee Buberl, Bonnie Hart, Kathy Skane, Msgr. Patrick Fryer, Randy Bookwalter, Ginger Spice, Walter Shenk, Robin Marlin, Betty Foley, Beverly Barrett, Tim Umrysz, Theresa Comer, Bob Baker, Betty Beniot, Hank Chase, Freddy Highlands, Linda & Bernie Guy, Carol Bogacz, Jackie Crouse, Kevin Lathwell

*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, October 29th**

8:15—8:45 AM Confession

9 AM Mass—Fr. Boh

*Intention for the People of the Parish*

10:15—11:45 Religious Education

11 AM Mass—Fr. Boh

**Tuesday, October 31st**

9 AM Mass—Fr. Boh

10 AM Stitches from the Heart

**Wednesday, November 1st**

**Holy Day of Obligation—All Saints Day**  
Office Closed

9 AM Mass—Msgr. Ansgar

6 PM Mass—Fr. Boh

**First Thursday, November 2nd**

**All Souls Day**

9 AM Mass—Msgr. Ansgar

6 PM Mass—Fr. Boh

**First Friday, November 3rd**

9:00 AM Mass—Fr. Boh

*Intention for those who have no one to pray for them*

Adoration following the 9 AM Mass

12 NOON Benediction

**First Saturday, November 4th**

9 AM Mass—Fr. Boh

Rosary immediately following

*Intention for those who are persecuted*

9—10:30 AM OCIA

4—4:45 PM Confession

5 PM Mass—Fr. Boh

*Intention for the People of the Parish*

**Sunday, November 5th**

8:15—8:45 AM Confession

9 AM Mass—Fr. Boh

*Intention for Stitches from the Heart*  
*Ministry Members*

10—11 AM Donut Sunday

10:15—11:45 Religious Education

11 AM Mass—Msgr. Ansgar

*Intention for Nestorine Boh*



**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 30th—Rom 8:12-17; Ps 68; Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday 31st—Rom 8:18-25; Ps 126; Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday 1st—Solemnity of All Saints; Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

Thursday 2nd—Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed; Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23; Rom 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40

Friday 3rd—Rom 9:1-5; Ps 147; Lk 14:1-6

Saturday 4th—St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop; Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Ps 94; Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sunday 5th—Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10; Ps 131; 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13; Mt 23:1-12

### 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.