

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

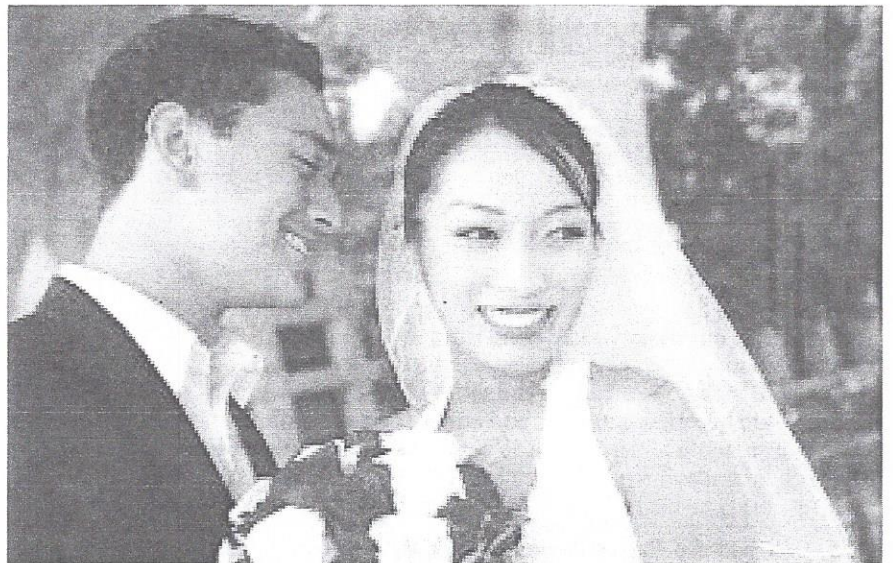
Wednesday: 5—5:50PM

Saturday: 4—4:45PM

or by appointment

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Office Hours: Monday—Friday 10am—2pm

October 3, 2021
27th 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

We are still in ordinary time, but the month of October is an extraordinary time in the Catholic Church. Not only is it “Respect for Life Month”, but it is also the month of the Rosary—two traditions that reflect the beauty and distinctiveness of Catholic Christianity, and so do the lives of the Saints.

During this month we shall honor and celebrate four Catholic saints; **October 1st:** St. Thérèse of Lisieux - commonly known as “the Little Flower.” She believed every soul is like a flower. St. Thérèse of Lisieux sought to do small acts of charity and kindness with great love. **October 2nd:** Feast of the Guardian Angels. Let’s pray to them and seek their intercession. **October 4th:** Saint Francis of Assisi. He is world’s most popular saint. **October 7th:** Our Lady of the Rosary. The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. This primarily, is because the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated every year on October 7th. The purpose of the rosary is to help us meditate on the great mysteries of our salvation. That is, the birth, life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The Pope’s Prayer Intention for the Month of October 2021: **Missionary Disciples:** We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR’S DESK

Today’s first reading and the gospel focus on the Sacrament of Marriage. The readings remind us that marriage was instituted by God and not man. God intended it for companionship; “It is not good for man to be alone. I will make a suitable partner for him” (Gen. 2:18). It is a life-long commitment between one man and one woman; “... what God has joined together, no human being must separate” (Mk. 10:9b). When people say that the Church’s teaching on marriage and the family are old, it is clear they do not know what the Sacrament of Marriage really is. The Sacrament of Marriage is for life unless nullity is shown which means there never was in fact a marriage.

When we see and hear what is happening to the Institution of Marriage in our society today, one is left with only one conclusion; that now, as at the time of Jesus, our society has wandered from God’s plan for marriage and family. Today, the readings invite us to question ourselves and our society and to look for ways to strengthen marriage once again and to strengthen the Christian family.

Fr. Boh and the Parish Council would like to extend a sincere welcome to the African Catholic Community of the Greater WV Panhandle to officially register with St. Bernadette Catholic Church. We look forward to learning about your culture and traditions and anticipate you joining us in our parish traditions and activities. All are invited to join the African Catholic Mass every 3rd Sunday of the month at 2:30 PM.

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING SUMMARY
OFFERING FOR SEPT 11-12TH

Reg. Envelopes	\$	2299.00
Diocesan Collection—Catholic University	\$	21.10
Capital Improvements	\$	200.00
Immanuel’s House	\$	20.00
Online Giving	\$	483.00

THANK YOU FOR TAKING A STEP TOWARD A LIFE OF STEWARDSHIP

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 4th—St Francis of Assisi, Jon 1:1-2, 11; Ps Jon 2; Lk 10:35-37

Tuesday 5th—Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130; Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday 6th—St Bruno, Priest; Blessed Mary Rose Durocher, Virgin (USA) Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday 7th—Our Lady of the Rosary Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1; Lk 11:5-13

Friday 8th—Jl 1:13-15; 2 1-2; Ps 9; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday 9th—St Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; St John Leonardi, Priest Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97; Lk 11-27-28

Sunday 10th—28th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90; Heb 4:12-13 Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

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.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, October 3rd

9:00 AM Mass
For Vincent Gentile

10:30-11:45A Religious Education

11 AM Mass
For Thanksgiving

Tuesday, October 5th

9 AM Daily Mass

10 AM Stitches from the Heart

Wednesday, October 6th

9 AM Daily Mass

5—5:50 PM Confession

6 PM Daily Mass

Thursday, October 7th

9:00 AM Daily Mass

Friday, October 8th

9:00 AM Daily Mass

For Fr. William Kuchinsky

*Adoration following the 9 AM Mass

12 NOON Benediction

Saturday, October 9th

4—4:45 PM Confession

5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, October 10th

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. Please note: Mass and Confession times are changing effective 10/1/2021.

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 Guttmann, and Neil Shanholtzer

St. Bernadette Finance Committee: Paul Guttmann, 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	Rugena Bell	Mark Mackesy
Kathy Skane	John Bennett	Bonnie Hart	
Sharee Buberl	Kathy Sloan	Dorothy Foley	
Rose Stefanko	Harry Skouras	Doug & Mary Blow	

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?

Join us for *Donut Sunday*! Donuts and coffee are available for you to enjoy after the 9 AM Mass every first Sunday of the month. **This will be the snack for the Religious Education students.

Pie Sales will be after all Masses this weekend.

This Sunday, from 2—3 PM, the Youth Group will attend a *Life Chain* event in front of St. Joseph Catholic Church. All are welcome to join this national event to come together and pray for an end to abortion.

There will be a *2nd collection* at all Masses this weekend for Hurricane Ida Recovery.

Heritage Day is October 9th. We are looking for volunteers to assist in selling candied apples and drinks, donating bake sale items, and parking lot attendants. Bring donated bake sale items by Friday. Volunteers are needed between the hours of 7 AM and 5 PM. Please consider helping for this event. Call April Canby at 304-995-7745. **Without new volunteers, this event fundraiser will be canceled.**

On Saturday, October 9th, *Altar Server Training* will be held in the church from 10:00AM-12:00PM. An Altar Server must be between the ages of 9 and 17 and have received the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Reconciliation. If you are interested in joining this ministry, please plan to attend this training regardless of past experience. Register by emailing the Parish Office at office@stbernadettewv.org or calling 304-754-7830. **All Altar Servers who were active prior to COVID restrictions and wish to be scheduled as Altar Servers are required to attend the training.** **Parents – Altar Servers will generally be scheduled to serve one to two weekend Masses per month and could be Saturday or either Sunday Masses. Please contact Donna White for additional information at 304-240-7840 or javalady911@comcast.net.

A reminder that Sunday, October 10th is the scheduled time for *confession for those in 3rd grade Religious Education class*.

Monday, October 11th, is our scheduled bi-monthly meal for *Immanuel's House*. We are always looking for new volunteers for meal prep and monetary donations. Please contact Lynette Kammerer at 301-992-5608 or kamnet513@hotmail.com if you are interested in joining this ministry to help the poor.

The *Social Concerns Committee* focuses on outreach to those in our community who are most in need. We are meeting on Thursday October 14 after the 9:00 AM mass and would love to have new members join us. Your assistance in growing our outreach efforts is needed. Please consider joining, even if you can't attend the meeting. Please contact Donna White for additional information at javalady911@comcast.net or 304-240-7840.

Stitches from the Heart Outreach Ministry is continuing to meet every Tuesday morning at 10 AM. All skill levels are welcome to help knit and crochet prayer shawls, hats, and scarves for the sick and homeless. For more information, please call Ella Bell at 304-350-1097 or elliebell48@comcast.net.

Would you like to help beautify the Parish grounds? Join the *Gardening Committee*. No experience necessary. Set your own schedule during the growing season between April – October. Please contact Elaine Comer at veunone@gmail.com or 304-261-9230 for more information.

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 our annual coat drive, praying at the Life Chain event, 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.

Substitute School Nurse needed. Saint Joseph School is in need of a West Virginia –licensed RN to serve as a substitute school nurse, as needed. If you are interested, please email acarter@sjsvw.org or call the school office at 304-267-6447.

Saint Joseph School is seeking a *certified elementary school teacher for first grade*, as well as a *pre-kindergarten aide*. If you are interested in working in a rewarding, faith-filled environment as an aide, please email a résumé and cover letter to Allison Ferrell at aferrell@sjsvw.org. If you are interested in the teaching position, please email a résumé and cover letter to Principal Pat Blanc at pblanc@sjsvw.org.