

# The Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

February 4, 2018

## Mass Intentions

February	5	8:00 AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
February	6	8:00 AM	<b>Alex Szeles requested by Jerry &amp; Karen Kupris</b>
February	7	8:00 AM	<b>Ruth Blair requested by John &amp; Mary Blair</b>
February	8	8:00 AM	<b>Andi Espenshade requested by Jerry &amp; Karen Kupris</b>
February	9	8:00 AM	<b>Alexander Szeles requested by Jeannie Ishman</b>
February	10	5:00 PM	<b>Leona McGourty requested by Dave &amp; Patty Suydam</b>
February	11	8:00 AM	<b>People Of The Parish</b>
		10:30 AM	<b>Leila Hoover requested by Joe &amp; Suzanne Matunis</b>

## Liturgical Ministries for the Week of February 10-11, 14

	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Extraordinary Ministers</b>	<b>Servers</b>
5:00 PM	Dave Suydam	Yvonne DePaulis	Denver & T.J. Hoffman
8:00 AM	Scott Sheaffer	Joan Dunkelberger	Noah & Owen Jenkins Julia Sheaffer
10:30 AM Ash Wed. 7 PM	Julie Richelderfer Bill Davies	Bill Davies Pat Pray	The Robinson Family The Morrison Family

## Schmidt Center Cleaning

**February 4**

The Durand Family

**February 11**

Madeline Rogers & Kathy Raugh

## Next Sunday's Readings

*Please prepare for Mass and the Homily by reflecting on these texts from the Sacred Scriptures*

**Leviticus** 13: 1-2, 44-46

**1 Corinthians** 10: 31 – 11:1

**Mark** 1: 40-45

## Christian Stewardship

**Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$3,679.00**

**The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$4,675.75**

**January Parish Contingency Amounted to: \$1,106.00**

**May God Bless you for your generous and responsible stewardship!!!**

## Church Weekly Calendar

### *Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup>*

Masses, 8:00 and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM (SC)

Knights of Columbus, 7:00PM (DH)

### *Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup>*

No Mass

### *Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>*

No Mass

RCIA, 6:45PM (DH)

### *Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>*

Mass, 8:00AM

Prayer Group, 8:30AM (C)

### *Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup>*

Mass, 8:00AM

### *Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup>*

Mass, 8:00AM

### *Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>*

Confession, 4:00PM

Mass, 5:00PM

K of C Valentine Dinner-Dance, 6:00PM

### *Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>*

Masses, 8:00 and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM (SC)

Coffee Corner, 9:00-10:00AM (DH)

“~~He~~ went to a lonely place to pray.”

## From the Pastor's Desk

Ever face that Monday morning mirror with the sinking feeling that you're living someone else's life? As coffee jumpstarts your brain, do you hear a voice muttering “this can't be all I'm meant to do”?

Take heart, oh weary soul – you're not crazy, you're right! So often Christians creep through our lives with a growing sense of daily



dissatisfaction, wondering why faith isn't enough. Why aren't we content? The answer is as plain as the entries on our daily planner, or rather the entries that aren't in our planners. Christians *need* to share God's love. The need to

reach out in compassion, to be God's hands is encoded into our very beings. And when we ignore that compulsion to help we're miserable. We're neglecting the purpose for which we were created. Jesus knew that. He told the disciples “for this purpose I have come” and kept his eyes steadily on the goal. As His children can we do any less? Stop ignoring the promptings of your spirit this week and find your true career: sharing God's love with the world. You'll be amazed at the benefits package!

**Remember the Sick of our Parish** in your charity and prayers: Beth Kingsborough, Sam Kingsborough, John and Martha Kapp, Katherine Fitzpatrick, Sue Jones, Marie Shreck, Mary Ellen Bielski, Joan Mathews, Gordon Stowell, Russel Montrose, Avielle Zerance, Patricia Hannon, Dennis Haag, Father Larry, Sue Cover, Alberta McAllister, Jennie Piskel, Charles Meehan, Lena Golden, Rose LaVia, and all the long-suffering in our community and at Perry Village.

**Deacon Robinson's Contact Information:** You may contact Deacon Robinson at his cell phone (602-6298) or through his email: [dcnrobin@ptd.net](mailto:dcnrobin@ptd.net).

**On Line Information:** You can access the weekly bulletin and information at our parish website at [www.stbernardsnbpa.org](http://www.stbernardsnbpa.org).

**Prayer Group** meets each Wednesday morning at 8:30AM in church. If you have prayer intentions for your loved ones or family members, for sick co-workers or people in the community, please give them to Marie Dishman for prayer and spiritual support!

**Parish Choir** rehearses on Wednesday evenings at 7:00PM. We are in need of all voices, especially yours, and you are most welcome to come and join us. Call Suzanne Reed (567-7787) for further information.

**Parish Youth Group:** Our Parish Youth Group meets monthly. For more information on activities, meeting dates, and location of meetings, please contact Deacon Robinson at 602-6298.

The **Fran Hannon Educational Grant** is being offered by the parish Knights of Columbus to any senior graduating in the spring of 2018 and who will continue their education after high school. The grant is for \$500. To apply you must be a practicing member of the parish, and must submit an essay of 500 words or less on the theme "What My Catholic Faith Means to Me." Deadline is March 25<sup>th</sup>. Applications are available at the bulletin board in the narthex.



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**Youth Group Prayer Vigil** for the beginning of the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Diocese of Harrisburg will be held on Friday, March 2 at 7:00PM at Holy Name of Jesus Church, Harrisburg. The event includes a live enactment of the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary by young people of the Diocese. This spiritual event will replace the traditional Palm Sunday Youth Mass and Gathering for 2018. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Please RSVP Phyllis Krieger (717-834-9433) by February 26<sup>th</sup> if you plan to participate.

**2018 Diocesan 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Men's Conference** will take place on Saturday, March 10 at Bishop McDevitt High School, Harrisburg. The theme this year is "Men of Mary, Mercy, and the Eucharist. The conference includes a key note speaker, 34 workshops, Adoration the Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy Chaplet, and Benediction. Priest will be available for confessions. A concluding Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Gainer. The Diocese would love to welcome you to this event! To register, please go online at [www.hbgdiocese.org/men](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/men).

**Membership Sunday for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith:** This weekend we will have an opportunity to join the *Society for the Propagation of the Faith* through our membership appeal. Your charity will assist countless missionaries to spread the Gospel and continue their mission of bringing God's good news throughout this year. You can enroll yourself,



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your family, or a deceased loved one in all the spiritual benefits of the Society, especially a remembrance in 15,000 Masses celebrated each year for members.

**Your Sacrificial offering at Holy Mass:** "And what do we ourselves offer when we offer our bodies and blood with Jesus at Mass? We offer what Jesus offered: life and death. By "body" we offer all that actually constitutes our physical life: time, energy, ability, sentiments, that only a spirit living in a body can give. By "blood", we express the offering of our death; meaning our humiliations, failures, sickness that cripples us, limits due to age or health, everything that "mortifies us." We offer to God along with the bread and wine at Mass our entire selves, body, soul, mind, and heart. As Saint Paul wrote: "Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you might know what is God's will, what is good and acceptable and perfect." (Rom 12:2)



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**Soup Sunday:** The second Sunday of the month is Soup Sunday. Please remember to bring a non-perishable food item to donate to the Perry County Food Bank to assist families in our area.

**Free Blood Pressure Screenings** will be offered in the Children's Chapel next weekend after all the Masses.

**Time to think about Lent:** Ash Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, begins the holy season of Lent. It is time to think about your spiritual life and the goals you hope to achieve this Lenten season. Lent is about change of heart and change of life. What in your life stops you from growing spiritually in your relationship with God? What habit or vice clings to you and weighs you down? What is it that you can give up or take up that will help you change your life by changing your habits? Make a firm resolution now to reflect on how this lent can and will make a difference in your Catholic life and spirituality!