

# The Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

January 24, 2021

## Mass Intentions

January	25	8:00 AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
January	26	8:00 AM	<b>Kevin Penn requested by The Penn Family</b>
January	27	8:00 AM	<b>Kevin Penn requested by Joe &amp; Maureen Mullen</b>
January	28	8:00 AM	<b>Lorraine Carroll requested by The Pugh Family</b>
January	29	8:00 AM	<b>Donn White requested by Mark &amp; Ginny Ticehurst</b>
January	30	5:00 PM	<b>Bill Zimmerman requested by Mary Zimmerman</b>
January	31	8:00 AM	<b>People Of The Parish</b>
		10:30 AM	<b>Donn White requested by Frank &amp; Alice Vilk</b>

## Liturgical Ministries January 30-31

	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Extraordinary Ministers</b>	<b>Servers</b>
5:00 PM	Dave Suydam	Not currently being utilized.	Not currently being utilized.
8:00 AM	Scott Sheaffer	Not currently being utilized.	Not currently being utilized.
10:30 AM	Christine Ticehurst	Not currently being utilized.	Not currently being utilized.

## Schmidt Center Cleaning

**January 31**

Kim & Kiki Lane, Marian McCoy

**February 7**

The Durand Family

## Next Sunday's Readings

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

**Deuteronomy 18:15-20**

**1 Corinthians 7: 32-35**

**Mark 1: 21-28**

## Christian Stewardship

**Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$3,638.00**

**The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$4,352.00**

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

## Church Calendar

### **Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup>**

Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

### **Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>**

No Mass

### **Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM

RCIA, 6:30-8:00PM

### **Wednesday, January 27<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM

### **Thursday, January 28<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM

### **Friday, January 29<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM

### **Saturday, January 30<sup>th</sup>**

Confessions, 4:00-4:45PM

Mass, 5:00PM

### **Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup>**

Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

**Jesus proclaimed:**

**“This is the time of fulfillment.**

**The Kingdom of God is at hand.**

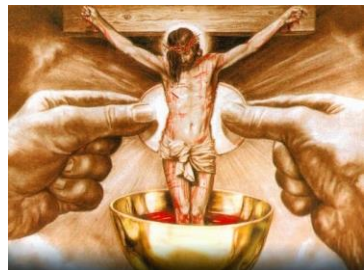
**Repent, and believe in the gospel.”**

(Mark 1:14)

### **From the Pastor's Desk**

The Eucharist IS Christ really present Body and Blood, together with His Soul and Divinity under the appearance of bread and wine. At Christ's words of consecration offered through the priest, the bread and wine become substantially the Body and Blood of

Christ. The Catechism of the Catholic Church reiterates in paragraph 1376 that this change of substance is called transubstantiation.



After the consecration, the bread changes into Christ's risen Body and the wine changes into Christ's Blood but the appearance of bread and wine remain. Although a person's senses perceive only bread and wine, the Council of Trent (1560) declared that it is "the whole

Christ," Who "is truly and substantially" present on the altar. This reality is called the Real Presence of Christ. Eucharistic miracles throughout the centuries have supernaturally manifested Christ's sacred humanity in the Eucharist and are still occurring today.

The Eucharist is one of the seven sacraments but is also called the Blessed Sacrament because it not only imparts the grace of Christ but is itself, Christ. The Eucharist is called the Holy Sacrifice of the Altar, for Christ as high priest offers Himself as the Eucharistic Victim to the Eternal Father in atonement for sin. He does this through the ordained priesthood, who act in what's called "*in persona Christi*" (in the person of Christ.)

The Eucharist is also called Holy Communion because both priests and laity receive Christ and are united to Him in this manner. The Eucharist is, furthermore, reserved in the tabernacle after Mass, whereby Christ allows Himself to be adored by the faithful. The term Eucharist comes from the word *eucharistia* meaning to give thanks, which is what Christ did at the Last Supper.

**Remember the Sick of our Parish** in your charity and prayers: Beth Kingsborough, John Kapp, Dennis Haag, Bill Sharman, Kay Dorundo, Joni Lawrence, Mark Whitmoyer, Cathy Steiner, John Cover, Bill Selle, Nancy Stanton, Diana Prowell, Crystal Groff, Frank Penn, Dave/Shirley Jenkins, 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 (717-602-6298) or through his email: [denrobin@ptd.net](mailto:denrobin@ptd.net).

**On Line Bulletin:** [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!

**Hospitality Apostolate:** This group would like to offer meals to parishioners just released from the hospital, new mothers, and shut-ins who need temporary care. If you can use their services or know someone who can, please contact Crystal

Groff (tcgroff94@yahoo.com/717-385-1747) or Phyllis Krieger ([kriegerkrew@aol.com](mailto:kriegerkrew@aol.com)/717-834-9433).

**Parish Youth Group:** Our Parish Youth Group meets several times each month. For more information on activities, meeting dates, and location of meetings, please contact Phyllis Krieger (717-834-9433 [[driegerkrew@aol.com](mailto:driegerkrew@aol.com)]) or Matthew and Elizabeth Morrison (717-254-3468 [[emorrison0527@gmail.com](mailto:emorrison0527@gmail.com)]).

**Rest in Peace:** In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of *Vincenzo Mazzamuto, brother of Mima Tripoli*. May God give Vincenzo eternal rest with all the angels and saints and grant consolation to his family!

The **Fran Hannon Educational Grant** is being offered by the parish Knights of Columbus to any senior graduating in the spring of 2021 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 28<sup>th</sup>. Applications are available at the bulletin board in the narthex.



**2020 Church Contribution Statement:** If you itemize your contributions to the Church on your tax records and need a statement of your donations for last year, please email the parish with the request and we will email your statement to you. Thank you. ([stbernardcatholicchurch@embarqmail.com](mailto:stbernardcatholicchurch@embarqmail.com))

**Annual Soup Bowl:** Each year our parish youth sponsor a soup bowl to help raise much needed funds for the Interfaith Shelter in Harrisburg. Because of the continuing effects of the Covid virus, we cannot gather for our traditional dinner of soup and salad. However, St. Bernard's Youth Group will be taking up a free-will collection at the church doors after all masses February 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> for the



Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families. If not using cash, your checks can be made payable to “Saint Bernard Church.” Thank you for your support.

**Some thoughts on the Gospel:** As we learn at the beginning of today’s Gospel reading, Jesus preaches the Kingdom of God in continuity with the preaching of John the Baptist. Like John the Baptist, Jesus’ pronouncement of the kingdom is a call to repentance. Yet Jesus’ preaching is greater than John’s. Jesus begins the time of fulfillment; the Kingdom of God is already here. This will be demonstrated again and again, both in Jesus’ words and in the actions that follow. Jesus’ healings and forgiveness of sins are signs of the Kingdom of God that he announces in his teaching. Jesus first called four fishermen—Simon, Andrew, James, and John. Simon and Andrew are brothers. Jesus promises that he will make them “fishers of men.” James and John are also brothers. Mark does not report Jesus’ words of invitation to them, but he does report that they left their fishing immediately; their father, Zebedee, was left behind in the boat. Mark’s Gospel is told with a great sense of urgency and immediacy. Jesus is a person of action, and events occur in rapid succession. We see this in today’s Gospel. Time is of the essence; the fishermen immediately put aside their livelihood to become Jesus’ disciples. The Kingdom of God is here and now. The time of fulfillment is at hand. How might our lives be different if we more fully shared this sense of the immediacy of God’s kingdom?



**Mass for the Intentions of the Unborn:** On Friday, January 29<sup>th</sup> at 8:00AM, Holy Mass will be celebrated for the intentions of the unborn. Since the March for Life is virtual this year, we will gather as the faithful to give thanks to God for the precious gift of Life and offer prayers and supplications that innocent human life, especially in the womb, will be served and protected. Let us join together and continue to pray for an end to abortion in our nation and around the world. After Mass you are invited to stay and pray the rosary.