

The Second Sunday Of Lent

February 28, 2021

Mass Intentions

March	1	8:00 AM	William Davies, Sr. requested by St. Bernard K of C
March	2	8:00 AM	Int. Of Father Donald Raila, O.S.B. requested by Teresa Warlow
March	3	8:00 AM	Veronica Stowell requested by Carl & Yvonne DePaulis
March	4	8:00 AM	Intentions of The Molnar Family requested by Reid & Judy Wilson
March	5	8:00 AM	Cheryl Bogdan requested by The Fordyce Family
March	6	8:00 AM	Douglas Sheaffer requested by Linda Myers
		5:00 PM	Kevin Penn requested by The Penn Family
March	7	8:00 AM	LaVaughn Dixon requested by John & Mary Blair
		10:30 AM	People Of The Parish

Liturgical Ministries March 6-7

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
5:00 PM	Pat Pray	Not currently being utilized.	Not currently being utilized.
8:00 AM	Joe Dailey	Not currently being utilized.	Not currently being utilized.
10:30 AM	Kathy Dubois	Not currently being utilized.	Not currently being utilized.

Schmidt Center Cleaning

March 7

Jim DiPofi & Tonya Sands

March 14

The Rickard Family

Next Sunday's Readings

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

Exodus 20: 1-17

1 Corinthians 1: 22-25

John 2: 13-25

Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$4,804.00

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$4,721.50

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

Church Calendar

Sunday, February 28th

Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

Monday, March 1st

Mass, 8:00AM

Tuesday, March 2nd

Mass, 8:00AM

RCIA, 6:30-8:00PM

Wednesday, March 3rd

Mass, 8:00AM

Thursday, March 4th

Mass, 8:00AM

Confession, 6:00PM

Sacred Heart Holy Hour, 7:00PM

Friday, March 5th

Mass, 8:00AM

Exposition of MBS after Mass until Noon

Stations of the Cross, 7:00PM

Saturday, March 6th

Mass in honor of IHM, 8:00AM

Confessions, 4:00-4:45PM

Mass, 5:00PM

Sunday, March 7th

Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

“Renew in me a steadfast spirit”

From the Pastor's Desk

The gospel this week highlights the transfiguration of the Lord. Imagine what the Transfiguration provided for the disciples who witnessed it? “His clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them.” And even though they were so terrified, the voice of God came from a cloud, conveying comfort and truth: “This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.” The disciples did not know what lay ahead, but this vision of Jesus and the Father’s presence in their midst would give them hope and foretell Jesus’ glorious resurrection. As we continue on our Lenten journey, we can turn to God, who will one day transfigure us in the same way Christ was, to strengthen us through the gray days ahead. And St. Paul’s powerful words that “God is for us” add solace and

encouragement.

As Catholics, we are likely very familiar with the four Gospels and the letters of Saint Paul. Like a good coach, Paul encourages us to dig deep and trust God. In today’s reading, he reminds the Romans that God loves us so much that he did not spare his own Son. I’m struck by his assurance that Jesus not only died and was raised for us, but “indeed intercedes for us.” Lent is an ideal time to turn to Jesus in prayer, asking that he give us the grace to grow in faith and turn away from sin. At the same time, we can offer intercessory prayer for others, just as we do at every Mass. Perhaps as we continue our Lenten journey, we can make an extra effort to pray for the needs of other people: Those we know personally, such as friends and family members; and those whom we do not know, such as government leaders or Christians experiencing persecution in other countries.

Remember the Sick of our Parish in your charity and prayers: Beth Kingsborough, John Kapp, Jane Haag, Bill Sharman, Kay Dorundo, Joni Lawrence, Cathy Steiner, John Cover, Bill Selle, Nancy Stanton, Diana Prowell, Dave/Shirley Jenkins, Charlotte Smith, Marietta McQuaid, 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: dcnrobin@ptd.net.

On Line Bulletin: 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 Phyllis Krieger (kriegerkrew@aol.com/717-834-9433).

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 7th. Applications are available at the bulletin board in the narthex.

Lenten Stations of the Cross: Come and walk the way



of the Cross with Jesus during Lent. Stations begin at 7:00 PM in the church and are followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. These beautiful Lenten devotions can help us spiritually prepare to celebrate the Easter Mysteries by meditating on the passion and death of Christ and the Paschal Mystery of His life, death, and resurrection. You can also pray the stations through our Facebook access.

Lenten Confessions will be heard daily, Tuesday through Friday, from 7:15 – 7:50AM. Confessions on Saturday begin at 4:00PM until 4:45PM. Sunday morning confessions are available from 7:00AM to 7:40AM and from 9:45 to 10:10AM.

2021 Diocesan Annual Campaign: Through the Diocesan Annual Campaign, your compassion and charity will be assisting families who seek shelter and guidance at the Interfaith Shelter for Homeless



Families. You will be helping mothers with children

recover from dependency on drugs and alcohol at Evergreen House. Your gifts will enable the diocesan-wide counseling to offer professional counseling to those who need such services. You will be supporting Specialized Foster Care and Adoption Services in their efforts to find homes for children, and you will bring the Word of Christ to young people through Youth and Campus Ministries. **Our parish goal this year is \$28,000.00.** You can make your pledge on February 27/28th or March 6/7th in the church. Pledge cards will be distributed by the ushers to

you at Mass. You will then be given an opportunity to complete the pledge card and place your check in the envelope provided and return it to the basket in the narthex after Mass. As Jesus humbly served the needs of God’s people, and performed the menial work of a simple slave in washing the Apostle’s feet at the Last Supper, so we should follow His example and find ways to serve the “least ones” of the Lord. Thank you for your Lenten generosity to this appeal each year.

Come Visit Me! Please remember that after Mass on First Fridays the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration until noon. Spend some time with our Lord or stop in for a visit.

Rest in Peace: In your charity and prayers remember the soul of **Crystal Groff** of our parish. May the Lord grant Crystal the rewards of her faithfulness and love and bring healing and consolation to her family!

A Lenten thought from Archbishop Fulton Sheen:

“Evil works in us. Love declines. And then we hesitate about changing. St. Thomas says we can hate truth and fear goodness. We can hate truth because it means a change. For that reason we often resent the truth that is told about ourselves. We rationalize what we have done. We will stay away from a doctor, lest he find



cancer. We do not want to know the truth. We like to hear about social action and political-moral problems, but we’re not too keen on hearing the truth about ourselves. Truth hurts. We fear goodness because we like to keep our own standard. We have moved away from the standard of Christ to the standard of the world. We do not ask ourselves, Does this please Christ?, but, Does this please the world? So I will dress and act in such a way that I will not be separate from the world; I want to be with it. We marry this age, and we become a widow in the next one. We take on its verbiage, its fashions. This is one reason for so much instability in the Church today: the sand on which we are walking is shifting. We’ve given up the rock which is Christ.”

Renew in me a steadfast spirit, O Lord!