

The Second Sunday Of Easter Of Divine Mercy

April 11, 2021

Mass Intentions

April	12	8:00 AM	NO MASS
April	13	8:00 AM	Joan Matthews requested by Dianne Conaway & Dorothy Andrews
April	14	8:00 AM	Intentions of Monica Robinson
April	15	8:00 AM	Joan Matthews requested by Tom & Louise Polcha
April	16	8:00 AM	Intentions of Athan Robinson
April	17	5:00 PM	Peg Carroll requested by Joyce Galic
April	18	8:00 AM	People Of The Parish
		10:30 AM	Donn White requested by Kathy Heller

Liturgical Ministries April 17-18

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
5:00 PM	Sue Guarducci	Dave Suydam	Not currently being utilized.
8:00 AM	Noah Jenkins	Intentionally not scheduled.	Not currently being utilized.
10:30 AM	Bill Davies	Nancy Stanton	Not currently being utilized.

Schmidt Center Cleaning

April 18	The Raugh Family
April 25	Jen Meek

Next Sunday's Readings

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

Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19

1 John 2: 1-5a

Luke 24: 35-48

Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$3,807.20

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: No Offering to report due to COVID 19

Easter Offering amounted to: \$2,826.00

Parish Contingency for March amounted to: \$2,087.00

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

Church Calendar

Sunday, April 11th (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

Divine Mercy Devotions, 2:45PM

Monday, April 12th

No Mass

Tuesday, April 13th

Mass, 8:00AM

RCIA, 6:30-8:00PM

Wednesday, April 14th

Mass, 8:00AM

Thursday, April 15th

Mass, 8:00AM

Friday, April 16th

Mass, 8:00AM

Saturday, April 17th

Confession, 4:00PM

Mass, 5:00PM

Sunday, April 18th

Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

**Jesus, I Trust
In
You!**

Reflect on the story of doubting Thomas. For a long time most people focused on the “doubting” part of his name, the fact that he demanded to place his fingers in the nail marks and his hand in Jesus’ side. However, when Jesus addresses Thomas, Thomas’ response is immediate and unqualified: “My Lord and my God!” Thomas has recognized the divine nature of Jesus; he sees him not just as the man he has followed, but as God. As Catholics, we may sometimes face questions about how the Church has come to believe and teach certain things. Thomas’ ultimate affirmation encourages us to be steadfast in our faith, and to be patient with any of our own and others’ questions. That is because Christ will come to meet us where we are. As the Incarnation of God’s divine mercy, Jesus Christ is the one who hears our doubts and insecurities, and he answers them: “Here I am. Look at me. Touch me. Feel my presence.” Thomas was not afraid, and we need not fear either. God’s mercy is upon us, “and the victory that conquers the world is our faith.” Let us witness to our faith as Thomas did to his.

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday, a day when we are reminded of God’s immense love and mercy for us.

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, 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!

From the Pastor’s Desk



Hear the words addressed to us today in the psalm: “Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting ... Let those who fear the Lord say, ‘His mercy endures forever.’” As we celebrate this Divine Mercy Sunday, and enter the second week of

Easter, let us give thanks for the gift of God’s great mercy, and pray for the grace to be as loving and merciful to others.

First Holy Communion: Parents are reminded that First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Saturday, May 1st at 10:00AM. There will be a short preparatory retreat/rehearsal on Friday, April 30th beginning at 3:00PM in the Parish Hall and church. Additional details will be sent home with your children as they become available.



“A dying man asked a dying man for eternal life; a man without possessions asked a poor man for a

Kingdom; a thief at the door of death asked to die like a thief and steal Paradise. One would have thought a saint would have been the first soul purchased over the counter of Calvary by the red coins of Redemption, but in the Divine plan it was a thief who was the escort of the King of kings into Paradise. If Our Lord had come merely as a teacher, the thief would never have asked for forgiveness. But since the thief's request touched the reason of His coming to earth, namely, to save souls, the thief heard the immediate answer:

'I promise thee, this day thou shalt be
With Me in Paradise'
(Luke 23:43)

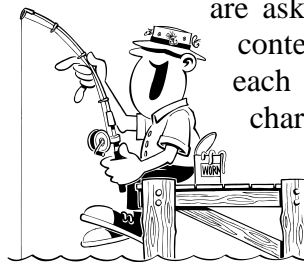
It was the thief's last prayer, perhaps even his first. He knocked once, sought once, asked once, dared everything, and found everything. When even the disciples were doubting and only one was present at the Cross, the thief owned and acknowledged Him as Savior.” — Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

The Sacrament of Confirmation for our CCD students will be celebrated on Saturday, April 24th at 10:00AM in our parish church. Father Sharman has been delegated by Bishop Gainer to confer this sacrament on our youth. A Rehearsal for all candidates and their sponsors (if sponsor can attend) will be on Thursday, April 22nd at 7:00PM in church.



Knights of Columbus Book Sale: The Knights are once again collecting books for their September **Book Sale**. You can drop books off in the Book Drop Box at the parish garage when you come to Mass. You can also call Ken Risner (275-2223) to arrange for pick up at your home. **No books will be accepted that have mold or mildew.**

Knights of Columbus Fishing Derby: On June 5, 2021 from 10AM to 2PM, at the Little Buffalo State Park, at the East end of the lake, the Knights of Columbus will hold their annual fishing derby. The Knights will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks, and chips. Families are asked to bring a dessert. The contest is for the longest fish in each age group, and there is no charge to participants.



Contestants should bring their own fishing gear and bait. An adult must accompany all contestants. Lunch will be served at noon. **Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board in the narthex.**

Divine Mercy Sunday: You are cordially invited to attend Divine Mercy Devotions on Sunday, April 11th beginning at 2:45PM. Confessions will be heard from 2:00 – 2:45PM. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at the three O'clock hour. Devotions will conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.



Just a Thought: The Church isn't supposed to blindly follow mainstream cultural trends – even powerful ones with massive elite support and financial backing. It is supposed to uphold and live out the counter-cultural ways of Christ's kingdom as salt and light in the midst of an increasingly dark and chaotic culture. Unless the Church pulls its foot out of the ideological social justice quagmire, and places them firmly on the solid ground of biblical [and magisterial] truth, the consequences will be devastating for both the Church and the nations we exist to [evangelize] bless and serve.