

The Third Sunday Of Easter

April 18, 2021

Mass Intentions

April 19 8:00 AM **NO MASS**
April 20 8:00 AM **James Tschudy requested by The Harshberger Family**
April 21 8:00 AM **Intentions Of Jasmine Aldrich requested by The Robinson Family**
April 22 8:00 AM **Intentions Of Deacon Robinson**
April 23 8:00 AM **Maria LoBrutto & Antonino Sferraza req. by The Rosselli Family**
April 24 5:00 PM **Kevin Penn requested by The Penn Family**
April 25 8:00 AM **People Of The Parish**
10:30 AM **Donn White requested by Tom & Louise Polcha**

Liturgical Ministries April 24-25

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
5:00 PM	Dave Suydam	Mary Zimmerman	Not currently being utilized.
8:00 AM	Scott Sheaffer	Scott Dunkelberger	Not currently being utilized.
10:30 AM	Kathy Dubois	Mark Ticehurst	Not currently being utilized.

Schmidt Center Cleaning

April 25	Jen Meek
May 2	Gwen Pray

Next Sunday's Readings

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

Acts 4: 8-12

1 John 3: 1-2

John 10: 11-18

Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$5,351.62

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$9,181.00

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

Church Calendar

Sunday, April 18th

Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

Monday, April 19th

No Mass

Tuesday, April 20th

Mass, 8:00AM

Wednesday, April 21st

Mass, 8:00AM

Thursday, April 22nd

Mass, 8:00AM

Friday, April 23rd

Mass, 8:00AM

Saturday, April 24th

Confirmation, 10:00AM

Confession, 4:00PM

Mass, 5:00PM

Sunday, April 25th

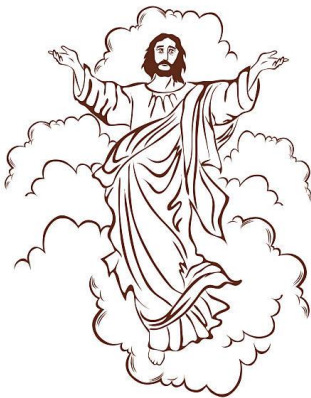
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**Just a thought!
Your future success
lies hidden in your daily routine.
If you want to change your life,
change your daily habits.**

From the Pastor's Desk

In each of our lifetimes, we can look back to a time when we witnessed history. Depending on our generation, it's likely we remember exactly what we were doing the day JFK was assassinated, on 9/11 or, more recently, when our school or workplace shut down because of the coronavirus pandemic. Even these far-reaching events pale in



comparison to what the disciples witnessed when the risen Christ appeared to them. Assuring them he was not a ghost, Jesus “opened their minds to understand the Scriptures,” and reminded them that they were witnesses to a different kind of history – salvation history: “Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name.” Let us pray that we, too, may have our minds open to the eyewitness accounts in Scripture and our hearts open to repentance, so that “[our] sins may be wiped away.”

Look at the disciples’ reaction when they realized Jesus really was in the room. They were “incredulous for joy” and “amazed.” After this encounter with Jesus, they could not help but share the Good News. Just as the disciples in the early Church testified to Christ’s resurrection, today’s readings challenge us to share the Good News in a similar way. For many Catholics, this isn’t at the top of our skill-set. However, the joy of the Gospel comes from the encounter with Jesus. When we meet the Lord, we are inundated by that love of which he alone is capable. This love transforms our whole life, and the need to announce it arises spontaneously, it becomes irrepressible. These words challenge us first to deepen our relationship with Jesus, then to allow it to transform us, and finally to share Christ’s love through our words and actions.

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!

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.

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.*



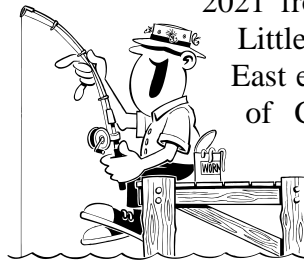
“If I were not a Catholic, and were looking for the true Church in the world today, I would look for the one Church which did not get along well with the world; in other words, I would look for the Church which the world hates. My reason for doing this would be, that if Christ is in any one of the churches of the world today, He must still be hated as He was when He was on earth in the flesh. If you would find Christ today, then find the Church that does not get along with the world. Look for the Church that is hated by the world, as Christ was hated by the world. Look for the Church which is accused of being behind the times, as Our Lord was accused of being ignorant and never having learned. Look for the Church which men sneer at as socially inferior, as they sneered at Our Lord because He came from Nazareth. Look for the Church which is accused of having a devil, as Our Lord was accused of being possessed by Beelzebub, the Prince of Devils. Look for the Church which the world rejects because it claims it is infallible, as Pilate rejected Christ because he called Himself the Truth. Look for the Church which amid the confusion of conflicting opinions, its members love as they love Christ, and respect its voice as the very voice of its Founder, and the suspicion will grow, that if the Church is unpopular with

the spirit of the world, then it is unworldly, and if it is unworldly, it is other-worldly. Since it is other-worldly, it is infinitely loved and infinitely hated as was Christ Himself. ... the Catholic Church is the only Church existing today which goes back to the time of Christ. History is so very clear on this point, it is curious how many miss its obviousness...” — 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 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.*

New Parish Website: If you are looking for the weekly bulletin or information about our parish and its many activities, you can now go to our new parish website (stbernardsnbpa.org). We are most grateful to our fellow parishioner, Mary Zelenky Rice, who spent many hours designing, constructing, and implementing our new website. Mary is a graphic designer who designs wedding invitations and marketing materials for individuals and companies. If you can use her services, she can be reached at mary@maryzdesigns.com or 717-602-6629.