

The Eighteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

August 1, 2021

Mass Intentions

August	2	8:00 AM	NO MASS
August	3	8:00 AM	Gary Herman requested by John & Mary Blair
August	4	8:00 AM	Intentions Of Noah Aldrich req. by The Robinson Family
August	5	8:00 AM	Sister Kate Carroll requested by John & Mary Blair
August	6	8:00 AM	Intentions Of The Robinson Family
August	7	8:00 AM	George R. Smith requested by The Dunkelberger Family
		5:00 PM	Sister Kate Carroll requested by Joyce Galic
August	8	9:00 AM	People Of The Parish

Liturgical Ministries August 7-8

Lectors

Extraordinary Ministers

Servers

5:00 PM Sue Guarducci Karen Kupris Terry Meek

9:00 AM Scott Sheaffer Scott Dunkelberger The Robinson Family
Alexander Fordyce

Schmidt Center Cleaning

August 8

Kim & Kiki Lane, Marian McCoy

August 15

The Durand Family

Next Sunday's Readings

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

1 Kings 19:4-8

Ephesians 4:30- 5:2

John 6:41-51

Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$3,595.74

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$3,462.00

July Parish Contingency amounted to: \$1,261.00

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

Church Calendar

Sunday, August 1st

Mass, 9:00AM

Parish Picnic, Noon to 4:00PM

Monday, August 2nd

No Mass

Tuesday, August 3rd

Mass, 8:00AM

Wednesday, August 4th

Mass, 8:00AM

Thursday, August 5th

Mass, 8:00AM

Confessions, 6:00PM

Sacred Heart Holy Hour, 7:00PM

Friday, August 6th

Mass, 8:00AM

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until Noon

Saturday, August 7th

Mass for First Saturday IHM, 8:00AM

Confession, 4:00PM

Mass, 5:00PM

Sunday, August 8th

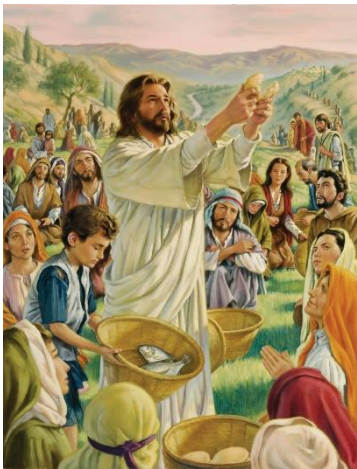
Mass, 9:00AM

**“I declare and testify in the Lord that
you must no longer live as the Gentiles
do, in futility of mind... but be renewed
in the spirit of your minds
and put on Christ.”**

(Ephesians, chapter 4)

From the Pastor's Desk

Tony Melendez is a musician born without arms.



He had the rare opportunity to play his guitar for the Pope John Paul II on one of his pastoral visits to the United States.

The congregation knew they were

witnessing something

exceptional. Tony played the guitar

with his feet. We may be feeling the same way about some of the Olympic performances taking place right now. But however amazed Tony

Melendez or an Olympic medal performance might make us feel, it is hard to imagine what it must have been like to experience Jesus taking a few barley loaves and fish, blessing them, and somehow feeding more than 5,000 people. How Great Thou Art, indeed! Participating in this miracle was life-changing for those who realized what Jesus had done. They were convinced, on the spot, that Jesus was a prophet, and were ready to carry him away as a king. But Jesus did not come to be an earthly king, he came to give his life for us, that we might have life with him in abundance. One boy gives up his lunch and Jesus feeds thousands – and there were twelve wicker baskets with fragments left over! Think of how God can multiply our gifts. Perhaps there are times we fail to share what we have, thinking it is too small to make a difference; thinking that what we bring to feed others cannot possibly be worth anything. Sure, what usually happens with us is not on a scale like today's Gospel passage, and our offering may not be “Olympic” in nature. But in offering our gifts as Jesus calls us to – to love our neighbor and to do “small things with great love” as St. Teresa of Calcutta is purported to have said – there is no such thing as a gift or talent too small. Ask the Holy Spirit for fortitude as you strive to share your gifts.

Perhaps it is time to contact someone who has been on your mind lately. A seemingly small gesture of concern may be just the support they need right now. With the help of the Holy Spirit, perhaps you may be a source of affirmation for them, providing a catalyst that helps them discern their path more clearly.

Remember the Sick of our Parish in your charity and prayers: Beth Kingsborough, John Kapp, Jane and Dennis Haag, Bill Sharman, Kay Dorundo, Joni Lawrence, Cathy Steiner, John and Sue Cover, Bill Selle, Diana Prowell, Sharon Ford, Marietta McQuaid, Tom Mellis, Marie Dishman, Cathy Dishman, Jim Oakley, 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.

Online 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!

BOOK SALE



Knights of Columbus Book Sale:

The Knights are planning for their annual book sale in September. If you would like to donate your used books to the sale,

you can leave them in the book box at the garage. You can also call Ken Risner (717-275-2223) if you want him to pick them up at your home. *Please no dirty, mildewed, or damaged books or encyclopedias.* You can drop all books in the marked plastic trunk by the parish garages. Thank you!



Parish Picnic: Our Parish Picnic is scheduled for this Sunday, August 1st from 1:00 to 4:00PM at the parish pavilion. It is a fun time for all our parishioners each year. So, please feel free to

join us even if you did not sign up to attend. There is always plenty of food for everyone!!

A Summer Reminder: A sense of decorum in dressing for Church:

The summertime can be hot and humid and often calls for more comfortable clothing. There is, however, a proper decorum to



be used when considering the clothing we wear to Mass and church. While fancy Sunday-best dresses/hats or suit and tie

may not be the attire we wear in the “causal” atmosphere of today’s society, there is always a need to monitor closely what we wear because it reflects on us, our values, and the importance we place on our respect for God and our neighbor. We have no church dress codes we can look to except the one dictated by the virtue of modesty, respect, and good taste. In general, we should avoid the following when dressing for church: *Spaghetti straps/tank tops, bare backs or shoulders, sleeveless shirts or plunging*

necklines, tubes, skimpy skirts or shorts, low waist pants, Jersey shorts/gym wear, caps or flip-flops. Thank you for your consideration!

Knights of Columbus need Help for Ice Cream Stand at the Perry County Fair:



The Knights of Columbus are asking for your help with the Ice Cream Stand at the Perry Co. Fair, August 17th thru 21st. The stand provides the major source of income for the K of C projects for the year. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. The Knights thank you for your support.

CCD Registrations: If your child is new to our CCD program for this coming year, please call Alice Vilk (717-497-8260) or Olney Innerst (717-448-0746) so classrooms can be assigned, books and materials ordered, and a seat reserved for your child. You should also complete a CCD Registration form which can be found on the parish bulletin board. Thank you for your prompt attention.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) to begin in the Fall of 2021:



This fall, Saint Bernard’s Parish will begin another RCIA program, a series of basic instructions in the Faith. This program of prayer and study is designed to assist you in growing in your knowledge and love for the Lord and His Catholic Church. We will open our RCIA year with an inquiry evening on Tuesday,

September 14th. For more information, call Father Sharman (717-582-4113). You can also complete a registration form (found on the bulletin board) and place it in the offertory collection or send it to the parish office.

Schmidt Center Cleaners: We need volunteers who will commit to two hours (every 7/8 weeks) to assist in cleaning the Schmidt Center. You will be placed on a “Team” to help keep the Schmidt Center clean during the CCD school year. If interested, please sign up at the bulletin board or call the parish office. Thank you.

“Let them innovate in nothing, but keep the Traditions.”
(Pope St. Stephen I)