

# The Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

July 11, 2021

## Mass Intentions

July	12	8:00 AM	Eileen McCullough requested by John & Mary Blair
July	13	8:00 AM	Lisa Winters requested by Elsie Reilly
July	14	8:00 AM	Crystal Groff requested by Joe & Judy Rich
July	15	8:00 AM	Alphonzina Avitas requested by John & Mary Blair
July	16	8:00 AM	William Davies, Sr. requested by Joe Oltheten
July	17	5:00 PM	People Of The Parish
July	18	9:00 AM	Deceased Of The Finazzo Family requested by The Tripoli Family

## Liturgical Ministries July 17-18

### Lectors

### Extraordinary Ministers

### Servers

5:00 PM	Sue Guarducci	Karen Kupris	Helena Krieger
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9:00 AM	Joe Daley	Nancy Stanton	Owen Jenkins
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## Schmidt Center Cleaning

July 18

The Rickard Family

July 25

Phyllis Krieger & Gabbie Brandt

## Next Sunday's Readings

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

2 Kings 4:42-44

Ephesians 4:1-6

Mark 6:1-15

## Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$4,661.97

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$5,519.00

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

## Church Calendar

**Sunday, July 11<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 9:00AM

**Monday, July 12<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM

**Tuesday, July 13<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM

**Wednesday, July 14<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM

**Thursday, July 15<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM

**Friday, July 16<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM

**Saturday, July 17<sup>th</sup>**

Confession, 4:00PM

Mass, 5:00PM

**Sunday, July 18<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 9:00AM

**“The Twelve [Apostles] drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.”**

### From the Pastor's Desk

It is striking what Jesus tells the Apostles when he sends them on their mission to share the Good News: “He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick – no food, no sack, no money in their belts.” While it may be hard for us to imagine striking out with only the sandals on our



feet, this reading is more about what the Apostles did have than what they went without: They had a companion (Jesus sent them two by two) and the spiritual blessings Saint Paul refers to, including a relationship with Jesus and absolute trust in him. Today's readings remind us to set aside distractions and spend time deepening our

relationship with Jesus through prayer, reading the Scriptures, and participating in the sacramental life of the Church. In doing so, we, too, can join in the mission of the early disciples by giving our lives to Jesus and sharing his message with others.

The phrase “the new evangelization” somewhat ironic. After all, evangelization is not new, it goes back to the earliest days of the Church, which would not exist had it not been for the disciples. The “new” part reminds us that we today also share in this mission. The U.S. Catholic bishops describe it succinctly: “The New Evangelization calls each of us to deepen our faith, believe in the Gospel message and go forth to proclaim the Gospel.” This call is both simple, and challenging, but we do not have to be perfect. After all, just as God called Amos, a humble shepherd, and Jesus called the Twelve, a simple group of fishermen, he calls us. Like them, our first “task” is not a task at all – it is placing God and our relationship with Christ at the center of our lives. Only then can we effectively share the Gospel with others, inviting others to a life in Christ – to become part of God’s adopted family.

At the end of Sunday Mass, we often hear the words: “Go in peace, the Mass has ended.” As we are sent forth, let us ask God to show us how we can share the Gospel with others during the week ahead. Then pay attention to where the Spirit leads us in answering our prayer.

**Remember the Sick of our Parish** in your charity and prayers: Beth Kingsborough, John Kapp, Jane Haag, Dennis Haag, Bill Sharman, Kay Dorundo, Joni Lawrence, Cathy Steiner, John Cover, Bill Selle, Diana Prowell, Sharon Ford, Marietta McQuaid, Elizabeth Quigley, Chip Luciano, Tom Mellis, 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](mailto:dcnrobin@ptd.net).

**Online 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!

### 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:** Mark your calendars now for our Parish Picnic. It is scheduled for Sunday, August 1<sup>st</sup> from 1:00 to 4:00PM at the parish pavilion.



Families are asked to bring a vegetable dish, salad, or dessert. Our gracious Knights of Columbus will provide the meat course and drinks. It is a fun time for everyone and early

enough in August for our college bound youth to enjoy before heading off to school. Please sign up at the bulletin board if you plan to attend!

**Food Cards** for Karns, Giant, and Weiss Markets are available from the Knights of Columbus after all weekend Masses. It is an easy way to support the Knights in gratitude for all the ways they serve our parish family.

**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:**



are asking for your help with the Ice Cream Stand at the Perry Co. Fair, August 17<sup>th</sup> thru 21<sup>st</sup>.

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.

**Welcome Father Roache for the Missionary Cooperative Program:**

This weekend, July 10/11<sup>th</sup>, Father Dermot Roache, SMA will be with us to preach for the Society of African Missions. The primary aim of the Society is to bring the Gospel, the message of Christ, to those who have not heard it. These missionaries to Africa also devote themselves to help provide for the basic needs of the people they serve through funds raised from preaching in first world countries. We welcome Father Roache warmly and support the missionary cause generously.

**Morning Mass this week:** Father Avitus, a missionary Apostle of Jesus, will be here this week to celebrate the daily Mass and cover any pastoral emergencies. We are grateful to have Father Avitus with us. Have a blessed week!

**Welcome Father Augustine Idra, AJ:** Next weekend we warmly welcome Father Augustine of the Apostles of Jesus Community of priests and brothers. Father will be here to celebrate the Masses and hear confessions for Father Sharman, who is on vacation with his family. Let us warmly welcome Father Augustine!

*“The essence of America is not revolution, but the recognition of the sacredness of the human person.”* (Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen)