



# The Seventeenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

July 25, 2021

## Mass Intentions

July	26	8:00 AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
July	27	8:00 AM	<b>Richard Walton requested by Joe &amp; Maureen Mullen</b>
July	28	8:00 AM	<b>Special Intention</b>
July	29	8:00 AM	<b>Intentions Of Deacon Robinson</b>
July	30	8:00 AM	<b>Marcia Potter requested by John &amp; Mary Blair</b>
July	31	5:00 PM	<b>People Of The Parish</b>
August	1	9:00 AM	<b>William Davies, Sr. requested by Tom &amp; Louise Polcha</b>

## Liturgical Ministries July 31-August 1

	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Extraordinary Ministers</b>	<b>Servers</b>
5:00 PM	Dave Suydam	Yvonne DePaulis	The Hoffman Family
9:00 AM	Lillian Otstott	Rosanne Wheatley	The Morrison Family

## Schmidt Center Cleaning

<b>August 1</b>	Phyllis Krieger & Gabby Brandt
<b>August 8</b>	Kim & Kiki Lane, Marian McCoy

## Next Sunday's Readings

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

**Exodus** 16:2-4, 12-15                      **Ephesians** 4: 17, 20-24                      **John** 6:24-35

## Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$4,820.74

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$3,146.60

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

## Church Calendar

**Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 9:00AM

**Monday, July 26<sup>th</sup>**

No Mass

Vacation Bible School, 6-8:30PM

**Tuesday, July 27<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM

Vacation Bible School, 6-8:30PM

**Wednesday, July 28<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM

Vacation Bible School, 6-8:30PM

**Thursday, July 29<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM

Vacation Bible School, 6-8:30PM

**Friday, July 30<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM

Vacation Bible School, 6-8:30PM

**Saturday, July 31<sup>st</sup>**

Confession, 4:00PM

Mass, 5:00PM

**Sunday, August 1<sup>st</sup>**

Mass, 9:00AM

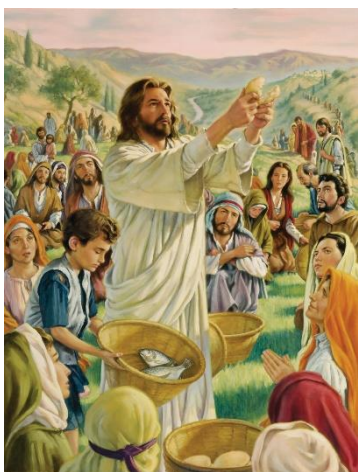
Parish Picnic, 1:00-4:00PM (Pavilion)

**“I ... urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love...”**

(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 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, Marie Dishman, 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!

**Aluminum Tabs for Ronald MacDonald House:** Carol



Minns is collecting tabs from aluminum cans to help support the MacDonald House of Hershey Hospital. To date, Carol has collected over 200 pounds of tabs. You can drop the tabs in the plastic canister in the kitchenette. Thank you for your support!

**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:**

The Knights of Columbus 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.



**CCD Registrations:** If your child is new to our CCD program for this coming year, please call Alice Vilck (717-497-8260) or Olney Innerst (717-448-0746) so class rooms 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.

**Thank you from the Robinson Family:** “The Robinson family would like to thank all the members of the parish for their prayers as well as those offered after the death of Mary’s mother, Crit Charlton. Thank you also for the masses and the meals. The outpouring of support was overwhelming and much appreciated.”