

The Solemnity Of The Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

August 15, 2021

Mass Intentions

August	16	8:00 AM	NO MASS
August	17	8:00 AM	Rudolph & Bernadine Potetz requested by Patti Gravante
August	18	8:00 AM	Intentions Of Henry Robinson
August	19	8:00 AM	Jackie Miller requested by The Pray Family
August	20	8:00 AM	Intentions Of Mary Robinson
August	21	5:00 PM	John Fordyce requested by The Fordyce Family
August	22	9:00 AM	People Of The Parish

Liturgical Ministries August 21-22

Lectors

Extraordinary Ministers

Servers

5:00 PM Dave Suydam Yvonne DePaulis Terry Meek

9:00 AM Kathy Dubois Nancy Stanton Owen Jenkins

Schmidt Center Cleaning

August 22

The Raugh Family

August 29

Jen Meek

Next Sunday's Readings

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

Joshua 24:1-2a.15-17, 18b

Ephesians 5: 21-32

John 6:60-69

Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$5,307.00

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$4,035.00

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

Church Calendar

Sunday, August 15th (Assumption of the BVM)

Mass, 9:00AM

Monday, August 16th

No Mass

Tuesday, August 17th

Mass, 8:00AM

Wednesday, August 18th

Mass, 8:00AM

Thursday, August 19th

Mass, 8:00AM

Friday, August 20th

Mass, 8:00AM

Funeral Mass for Susan Jones, 1:00PM

Wedding Rehearsal, 5:00PM

Saturday, August 21st

Wedding, 2:00PM

Confession, 4:00PM

Mass, 5:00PM

Sunday, August 22nd

Mass, 9:00AM

**“I am the handmaid
of the Lord...
Let it be done to me
as you have said.”**

From the Pastor's Desk

There are very few things in this world that are perfectly united, and most attempts on the human



level fail. But there is one example, and that is the Blessed Virgin Mary is perfectly united with Jesus' life and redemptive work. Though fully human, she is completely without sin – she is, as we pray in echoing God's angel, “full of grace.” Thus, she shares, as we do, in Christ's heavenly destiny but with an immediacy that we do not have. Upon her death she was instantly assumed into heavenly glory,

level fail. But there is one example, and that is the Blessed Virgin Mary is perfectly united with Jesus' life and redemptive work. Though fully human, she is completely without sin – she is, as we pray in echoing God's angel, “full of grace.” Thus, she shares,

body and soul, as the first of all the faithful who will eventually join with Christ in eternity upon death and purification. In celebrating this great Solemnity, the Church celebrates what lies ahead for those of us who imitate Mary's total trust in God. She had complete faith in God and his promises, and is a living example of the power and generosity of our God. We can follow her lead, engaging in a life of witness (proclaiming God's greatness) and gratitude (have a rejoicing spirit) for the sake of the world.

Thankfully, Mary's “yes” to God was far more than just an acquiescence to a small request – it was the commitment of her entire self to the choice God had placed before her. And she was rewarded with a special seat in heaven near her Son. In today's Gospel, Elizabeth immediately recognizes the true meaning of Mary's fiat: “Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled.” What can we learn from Mary's example? We can learn trust. We don't need to sign up for every volunteer opportunity (though volunteering is a great and worthwhile thing to do), but we can say “yes” to what God is asking of us according to the gifts and graces he has given us. Through daily prayer and seeking the intercession of Mary and Jesus, we can grow closer to the Lord and prepare ourselves for the day we meet Jesus and Mary face to face.

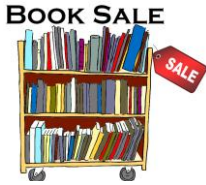
A lot of misunderstanding surrounds Catholic devotion to Mary. We do not worship Mary – that is reserved for God alone. Yet we do revere her and honor her unique and important role in God's saving plan. Pray the Magnificat or the Rosary, paying close attention to their scriptural foundation and what was happening in the “stories” within those Scriptures.

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!



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!

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!

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.

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.



Autumn-Fest 2021-The Carlisle Area Family Life Center

invites you to join us for our annual Autumn-Fest on Friday, September 17th from 6-9 pm at the pavilion behind the LeTort View Community Center on Carlisle Barracks. Come and enjoy a pulled pork dinner, listen to the Bluestone Bluegrass Band and visit with friends under the stars! You can also have fun bidding on silent and live auction items! Tickets are \$35 each and can be purchased at CAFLC, by calling 717-243-6544 or online at www.carlisleareafamilylifecenter.org. Ticket price includes dinner and two drinks.