

The Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

September 5, 2021

Mass Intentions

September	6	8:00 AM	NO MASS
September	7	8:00 AM	NO MASS
September	8	8:00 AM	Intentions of Bridget Robinson
September	9	8:00 AM	Craig Pugh requested by The Pugh Family
September	10	8:00 AM	Salvatore DeCarlo requested by The Rosselli Family
September	11	5:00 PM	Sharon Fordyce requested by The Fordyce Family
September	12	8:00 AM	People Of The Parish
		10:30 AM	Megan Moyer Seiber requested by The Moyer Family

Liturgical Ministries September 11-12

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
5:00 PM	Joe DeFrancesco	Yvonne DePaulis	Terry Meek
8:00 AM	Joe Dailey	Scott Dunkelberger	Dominic Failor
10:30 AM	Bill Davies	Nancy Stanton	Andrew Aldrich

Schmidt Center Cleaning

September 12

Jim DiPofi & Tonya Sands

September 19

The Rickard Family

Next Sunday's Readings

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

Isaiah 50:4c-9a

James 2:14-18

Mark 8:27-35

Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$4,400.85

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$3,817.00

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

Church Calendar

Sunday, September 5th

Mass, 9:00AM

Monday, September 6th

No Mass

Tuesday, September 7th

No Mass

Wednesday, September 8th

Mass, 8:00AM

Thursday, September 9th

Mass, 8:00AM

K of C Book Sale, 9:00AM-7:00PM

Friday, September 10th

Mass, 8:00AM

K of C Book Sale, 9:00AM – 7:00PM

Saturday, September 11th

K of C Book Sale, 9:00AM – 2:00PM

Confession, 4:00PM

Mass, 5:00PM

Sunday, September 12th

Masses, 8:00 and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15 – 10:15AM

“Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom?”

From the Pastor's Desk

As we hear in this weekend's Gospel, Saint Mark spares no detail in describing Jesus' encounter with the deaf man who had a speech impediment.



Jesus places a finger in his ear and spits, touching his tongue, then utters the word “Ephphatha!” (“Be opened”)

Immediately, the man can hear and speak clearly. When listening to this reading, I often

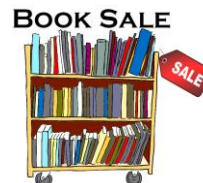
focus on the man's hearing. But Jesus also cured the man's speech impediment, which I think indicates we're not supposed to just hear God's word, we are to speak to it, and speak of it. Once we allow Jesus to open our ears and hearts to the Good News, sharing it will begin to come naturally. There may still be times when our Catholic tongues feel tied, but “Be strong, fear not!” Jesus will give us the words.

Next time you take a drive, listen to the day's Scripture readings. Ask Jesus to open your ears and hearts to his words and show you how best to share them with others. And most teachers would agree: The more senses we engage, the more we take in. If you have trouble following the readings at Mass, open your missalette and read along silently.

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, Suzanne Matunis, 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



Knights of Columbus Book

Sale: The Knights are planning for their annual book sale in September on the following dates:

September 9th from 9AM to 7PM; September 10th from 9AM to 7PM; and September 11th from 9AM to 2PM. 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!

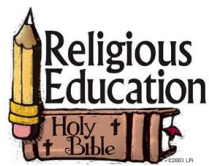
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) to begin in the Fall of 2021:

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.



CCD School Year begins on Sunday, September 12th

from 9:15AM to 10:15AM in the Schmidt Center for all registered students. To ensure the safety of our children during the continuing pandemic, children are urged to sanitize their hands before coming into the classroom. If they are not feeling well, have a fever or cough, they are to stay at home. At this point, masks are optional at the direction of the parents. Every effort will be made to socially distance your children in the classroom. If parents believe their children would be safer at home, you can also home-school your child this year. The parish will supply the textbooks and other materials you child will need to complete the requirements and advance to the next grade.



The Fall Schedule of Masses will begin the weekend of September 11th and 12th. Mass on Saturday evening will begin at 5:00PM and confessions will be heard from 4:00 to 4:45PM. Masses on Sunday morning will be celebrated at 8:00 and 10:30AM. Confessions will be heard before each of the Masses.

Online Bible Study Available: Good Shepherd Church in Camp Hill is offering a study on Saint Paul's Letter to the Ephesians. Register by September 9 for the online course that begins on September 20 at 6:30PM. You can also do an online streaming self-study. The cost of the materials is \$27, and you can call 717-761-1167 to register.

Parish Pastoral Council

will meet on Monday evening, September 13th at 7:00PM in the hall. It is important that all members are present for the election of officers. The Council meets every other month and parishioners are welcome to submit commendations and recommendations in the Suggestion Box in the narthex.



Youth Group News: The Youth Group is hosting a luncheon for youth members and their families in the Parish Hall at 11:30 on Sunday, September



19th. Any family with students in grades 7-12 is welcome to attend to meet other members and learn about the program. Pizza and drinks will be provided and families are welcome to bring snacks, salads, or desserts. It is important that you RSVP by Sunday, September 12th to Matthew Morrison (717-636-2145, emorrison0527@gmail.com.) so sufficient food can be ordered. Thank you.

Listening for God's voice: God wants to speak to your heart. Through His Holy Spirit, God reveals His divine will to you in your prayerful communication with Him. If you want to hear His voice, reflect on the following: *Believe God desires to speak with you; cultivate quiet and silence; read the bible as a conversation with God; rely on the Holy Spirit to be your helper, teacher, and guide; pray over God's word and reflect upon it; ask God questions in prayer; and lastly, keep a spiritual journal.*

Knights of Columbus Book Sale in church hall:

Thursday, September 9th 9:00AM – 7:00PM
Friday, September 10th 9:00AM – 7:00PM
Saturday, September 11th 9:00AM – 2:00PM

Pray the Rosary to end abortion,
increase vocations,
and for peace in our world!!