The Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

September 4, 2022

Mass Intent	ions		
September	5	8:00 AM	NO MASS
September	6	8:00 AM	NO MASS
September	7	8:00 AM	Joe Barbaretta requested by The Dixon Family
September	8	8:00 AM	Beth Kingsborough requested by The Matunis Family
September	9	8:00 AM	Joseph Marsicano requested by Tom & Louise Polcha
September	10	5:00 PM	People Of The Parish
September	11	8:00 AM	Sharon Fordyce requested by The Fordyce Family
_		10:30 AM	Dr. Philip Cook requested by Joe & Maureen Mullen

	Lectors	Liturgical Ministries September 10-11 Extraordinary Ministers	Servers	
5:00 PM	Dave Suydam	Yvonne DePaulis	Terry Meek	
8:00 AM	Joe Dailey	Scott Sheaffer	Helena Krieger	
10:30 AM	Bill Davies	Nancy Stanton	The Robinson Family	

Schmidt Center Cleaning

September 11 Jim DiPofi & Tonya Sands

September 18 Robin Chiccini & Bill Seymore

Next Sunday's Readings Please prepare for Mass and the Homily by reflecting on these texts from the Sacred Scriptures

Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14 **1 Timothy** 1: 12-17 **Luke** 15:1-32

Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$4,110.09

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$4,511.00 August Parish Contingency Collection amounted to: \$1,308.00

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

Church Calendar

Sunday, September 4th

Mass, 9:00AM

Monday, September 5th (Labor Day)

No Mass

Tuesday, September 6th

No Mass

Wednesday, September 7th

Mass, 8:00AM

Thursday, September 8th

Mass, 8:00AM

Friday, September 9th

Mass, 8:00AM

Saturday, September 10th

Confessions, 4:00-4:45PM

Mass, 5:00PM

Sunday, September 11th

Masses, 8:00 and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple."

From the Pastor's Desk

You've been offered your dream life: the perfect house, millions to spend, wonderful clothes, gourmet foods. All you have to do is



move in empty-handed. Leave everything behind, absolutely everything and step into a guaranteed paradise. Wouldn't you do it?

Today's gospel has an even better offer. As Christians we're offered heaven, eternal

peace and joy in God's presence. But like all precious things, it comes with a price tag. Not a large figure, just one small word: everything. Heaven is ours. The cost: Every single item we

possess, every cent in the bank, our stock certificates, retirement funds, property, vehicles, residences. A pretty high price for some of us, when you calculate by currency. But really, the price is just one word: Trust. Jesus says the first step for believers is trusting Him to provide for *all* our needs. He will be our security here on earth and in His kingdom to come. It's a scary bargain, but worth every cent.

Remember the Sick of our Parish in your charity and prayers: John Kapp, Jane and Dennis Haag, Bill Sharman, Kay Dorundo, Joni Lawrence, Cathy Steiner, John and Sue Cover, Bill Selle, Diana Prowell, Marietta McQuaid, Tom Mellis, Marie Dishman, Suzanne Matunis, Judy and Joe Rich, Jeanette Fasick, Mike Landis, Greg Nye, 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 September on September 8-9-10 from 9AM to 7PM (Saturday sale

ends at 2PM). They will also offer artwork from Perry County's resident artist, Joanna Buck, for sale. 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 do not leave your books in the Narthex! You can drop all books in the marked plastic trunk by the parish garages. Please no moldy or musty books! Thank you!

Religious Education: Our School of Religious



Education (CCD program) begins on Sunday, September 11th. Classes begin in the Schmidt Center at 9:15AM and conclude at 10:15AM. Parents are reminded to have

their children in class and ready to begin at 9:10AM so classes are not delayed in starting. Please watch your speed in driving through the parking lot since many of our students exit Mass and walk to the Schmidt Center between the cars. Staff will be available as your children enter the building to direct them to their classrooms.

Fall Schedule of Masses begins the weekend of September 10/11th with Saturday evening Mass celebrated at 5:00PM and Sunday morning Masses at 8:00 and 10:30AM.

Parish Historical Pictures Needed: As we prepare to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of our parish in October 2023, we need historical pictures from the 1980's, 1990's, and the 50th Anniversary of our parish, which took place in 1998. If you have pictures you would like to share, please put them in an envelope, clearly marked with your name and address. Once scanned, they will be returned to you. Our parish is trying to create a data base of pictures for use on our narthex video display. They will be grouped together and presented throughout the anniversary year. Some pictures may also be used in a commemorative booklet. It would help if you can identity the event or persons depicted on the back of the picture. You can deposit your photos in the box in the narthex. Thank you for your assistance with this project!

PA Pro-Life March: Make plans to join the 2nd annual Pennsylvania March for Life on Monday,



September 19th! The main events include a huge rally at 11 AM followed by the march around the PA State Capitol at 12 noon. March for Life's Jeanne Mancini is one of the confirmed speakers

along with His Excellency, the Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez, Archbishop of Philadelphia. More speaker announcements are coming soon! This is an excellent opportunity for anyone to learn about the principles of effective lobbying, the specific and current issues Pennsylvania is facing, and what you can do right now to champion pro-life policies to your PA elected representatives. More details to come!

Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Monday, September 12th at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall. We will hold the election of new Council officers and discuss some issues important to the life of our parish. If there is a commend or concern you want to bring to the Council's attention for the good of our parish, please feel free to place a *signed* note in the "Suggestion Box" by the front door in the narthex.

Parish Anniversary Committee will meet on Thursday evening, September 15th at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall. All members are asked to be present as we begin to prepare for next year's 75th Anniversary of our Parish.

Pro-Life: Pledging to work for protection of the "inviolability of human life from conception to natural death," Pope Benedict XVI stated: "Freedom to kill is not true freedom but a tyranny that reduces the human being to slavery." Let us continue to pray for the end of abortion, especially in this land of freedom, and for the perseverance of all who work in the Pro-Life cause around the world!

Change in morning Mass schedule this week: Morning Mass will be celebrated this week on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday at 8:00AM. Please note that Mass will not be celebrated on Monday or Tuesday.

A Eucharistic Thought: "Does any unbeliever profess that the changing of bread and wine into the Body and Blood of the Lord is impossible? Then let him consider God's omnipotence. Admit that nature can transform one thing into another, then with greater reason should you admit that God's almighty power, which brings into existence the whole substance of things, can work, not as nature does, by changing forms into the same matter, but by changing one whole thing into another whole thing." (St. Thomas Aquinas)

A Christian is called to eternal salvation by doing all things... in holiness of spirit and in fidelity to truth.