## The Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

## **February 5, 2023**

Mass Intenti	ions		
February	6	8:00 AM	NO MASS
February	7	8:00 AM	Clement LaVia requested by Mark & Ginny Ticehurst
February	8	8:00 AM	Karen Centini
February	9	8:00 AM	Anthony Balanquit
February	10	8:00 AM	Allan Nowak
February	11	5:00 PM	<b>Emory Galic requested by The Galic Family</b>
February	12	8:00 AM	Deceased Of The Paraneo & LoBrutto Families
		10:30 AM	People Of The Parish

	Lectors	Liturgical Ministries February 11-12 Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
5:00 PM	Dave Suydam	Yvonne DePaulis	Terry Meek
8:00 AM	Scott Sheaffer	Scott Dunkelberger	Helena Krieger
10:30 AM	Bill Davies	Rosanne Wheatley	Jacob Innerst, Pat Pray

#### **Schmidt Center Cleaning**

February 12 Madeline Rogers & Pat Harshberger

February 19 Gabby Brandt & Jen Meek

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

**Sirach** 15:15-20 **1 Corinthians** 2:6-10 **Matthew** 5:17-37

#### **Christian Stewardship**

**Last Sunday's Collection amounted to:** \$5,151.46

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$3,940.00

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

#### Church Calendar

Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup> Mass, 9:00AM CCD, 9:15-10:15AM Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup> No Mass Tuesday, February 7th Mass. 8:00AM Wednesday, February 8th Mass, 8:00AM Prayer Group, 8:30AM Thursday, February 9th Mass, 8:00AM Friday, February 10th Mass, 8:00AM Saturday, February 11th Confessions: 4:00PM Mass, 5:00 PM Sunday, February 12th Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM CCD Classes, 9:15-10:15AM

"I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life."

#### From the Pastor's Desk



today's Gospel In reading, Jesus continues Sermon on the the Mount. telling the disciples: "Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." We, too, can be others light for through good deeds large and small,

ordinary and extraordinary. As we go about our days, we can ask the Lord to show us how to serve others. We will have days when we don't feel up to the task but, like St. Paul, we can ask the Holy Spirit to light the way.

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus used images that resonate with us as much as they did with his followers 2,000 years ago: salt and light. Salt serves many purposes, preserving our food and giving it flavor, for example. And of course, we cannot live without light. In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the disciples: "You are the salt of the earth ... You are the light of the world." Like the disciples we, too, can be salt and light for others by giving witness to our faith. What that involves will be different for each of us. For ideas, we can turn to today's reading from Isaiah, which calls us to share our bread, shelter the oppressed and clothe the naked. In doing so, our light "shall break forth like the dawn."

We all know people we'd call "the salt of the earth." Who are those people in your life? Make a list of the characteristics they exhibit or actions they take that you can learn from and try to imitate. Ask God for the grace to see and do likewise for his glory.

Remember the Sick of our Parish in your charity and prayers: John Kapp, Rosemary Anderson, Cathy Steiner, Diana Prowell, Marietta McQuaid, Marie Dishman, Suzanne Matunis, Jeanette Fasick, Mike Landis, Jerry Ford, Reid Wilson, 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 (602-6298) or through his email: <a href="mailto:denrobin@ptd.net">denrobin@ptd.net</a>.

**Online Information**: You can access the weekly bulletin and information at our parish website at 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 the Parish Office for prayer and spiritual support!

**Parish Youth Group** meets monthly and offers a variety of programs and activities. If you are interested in attending and being part of this lively faith-filled group of young Catholics, please call Matt or Liz Morrison.

Membership Sunday for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith: This weekend we will have an opportunity to join the Society for the

Propagation of the Faith through our membership appeal. Your charity will assist countless missionaries to spread the Gospel and continue their mission of bringing God's good news

throughout this year. You can enroll yourself, your family, or a deceased loved one in all the spiritual benefits of the Society, especially a remembrance in 15,000 Masses celebrated each year for members.



#### K of C Valentine Dinner/Dance:

Our Knights of Columbus are sponsoring their annual Valentine

Dinner/Dance on Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM in the Parish Hall. The menu includes a choice of chicken or beef brisket, appetizers, various vegetable sides, salad, and a variety of desserts. Bring a bottle of wine to enjoy and share with your table guests. Music will be provided. If you would like to attend, please sign up at the bulletin board and pay (\$20 per person) at the door before the dinner. Proceeds will benefit Lourdeshouse Maternity Home and Carlisle Area Family Life Center!

**The Fran Hannon Educational Grant** is being offered by the parish Knights of Columbus to any high



school senior graduating in the spring of 2023 that plan to continue their education. The grant is for \$500. To apply you must be a practicing Catholic and a member of the parish, and submit an essay of 500 words or

less on the theme "What My Catholic Faith Means to Me." Applications are available on the bulletin board and are to be returned by March 26<sup>th</sup>.

**First Penance and First Holy Communion**: There are 10 parish youth who are preparing to make their First Confession on Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM and receive First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM. Please remember them in your prayers as they spiritually prepared

to meet the merciful Jesus in the Sacrament of Penance and come to the altar for the first time to receive our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

**Retreat for our Confirmation Candidates**: All candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation are reminded of a mandatory retreat on Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. Students should arrive in the church by 9:00AM and will be dismissed after lunch at 1:00PM. Deacon Robinson will lead our candidates in the spiritual preparation needed to receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

#### Eucharistic Reflection: "The Church and



the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet him in adoration, in

contemplation full of faith, and open to making amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease." (1380) (Catechism of the Catholic Church)

**Welcome Father Dubois**: This coming week, we are pleased to welcome home Father Dubois, who will give pastoral coverage and celebrate the daily Masses. May God continue to bless and make fruitful his ministry among the people of God in the Diocese of Harrisburg.

**Consider Joining the Knights of Columbus**: In conjunction with St Bernadette Council, the Knights of Columbus are holding a Degree Ceremony on Saturday, February 25th at St. Bernadette Church, located at 901 North High St. in Duncannon. The degree ceremony will start at 11:00AM with a report time of 10:30. If you are a Knight candidate, please contact Kevin Gray, kgray000@ptd.net. If you would like to join this fraternal organization of Catholic men, please ask a Knight or check out our poster on the bulletin board. All members who have not obtained the third degree are invited to attend to advance to the Third Degree. Family and guests are welcome, and refreshments will be served after the ceremony.

Be a light to our world!!

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