

The Third Sunday Of Lent

March 12, 2023

Mass Intentions

March	13	8:00 AM	NO MASS
March	14	8:00 AM	Intentions Of Diana Prowell requested by Frank & Alice Vilk
March	15	8:00 AM	Beverly Winters requested by Kay Dorundo
March	16	8:00 AM	Special Intention
March	17	8:00 AM	Robert Filipelli requested by John & Mary Blair
March	18	5:00 PM	Deceased Of The Cover Family
March	19	8:00 AM	People Of The Parish
		10:30 AM	Giuseppe Gambino requested by The Rosselli Family

Liturgical Ministries March 18-19

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
5:00 PM	Dave Suydam	Gwen Pray	The Fordyce Family
8:00 AM	Trudi Heffley	Scott Sheaffer	The Morrison Family
10:30 AM	Nancy Stanton	Bill Davies	The Robinson Family

Schmidt Center Cleaning

March 19

Robin & Mike Chiccini

March 26

Madeline Rogers & Pat Harshberger

Next Sunday's Readings

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

1 Samuel 16:1b,6-7,10-13a

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41

Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$6,081.40

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$4,921.00

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

Church Calendar

Sunday, March 12th (Third Sunday of Lent)

Mass, 9:00AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

Monday, March 13th

No Mass

Parish Pastoral Council, 7:00PM

Tuesday, March 14th

Mass, 8:00AM

Wednesday, March 15th

Mass, 8:00AM

Prayer Group, 8:30AM

Thursday, March 16th

Mass, 8:00AM

Friday, March 17th

Mass, 8:00AM

Confessions, 6:00PM

Stations of the Cross and Benediction, 7:00PM

Saturday, March 18th

Confessions: 4:00PM

Mass, 5:00 PM

Sunday, March 19th (Fourth Sunday of Lent)

Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM

CCD Classes, 9:15-10:15AM

“O kind Creator, bow Thine ear
To mark the cry, to know the tear
Before Thy throne of mercy spent
In this Thy holy fast of Lent..”

From the Pastor's Desk

You've got ten minutes before the movie starts. You zip in and out of the dry cleaners, but as you're heading into the pizza place, a homeless



man crosses your path, begging for spare change. *Not now, you think, I don't have time for a speed bump in my schedule.* Maybe that's exactly why God put him there. Jesus was just such a speed bump in the Samaritan woman's life. She had a family to feed, animals to water, and here was this stranger asking for free handouts. But unlike most of us, the Samaritan woman stopped and listened. She let a foreigner,

a hated enemy no less, take a few minutes of her precious time and it changed her life. Jesus had such a precious gift to give, the truth of salvation, the eternal living water of life. But before she could taste such a delight, the Samaritan had to offer up her own time and attention. Only then was she quiet enough to hear God's voice. The next time your curse the speed bump God plants on your highway, ask yourself this: Is this an irritation or an invitation? Then act accordingly.

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, Pat Widdowson, 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: dcnrobin@ptd.net.

Online Information: You can access the weekly bulletin and information at our parish website at www.stbernardsnbp.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.

Hospitality Apostolate: This group would like to offer meals to parishioners just released from the hospital, new mothers, and shut-ins who need temporary care. If you can use their services or know someone who can, please contact Phyllis Krieger (kriegerkrew@aol.com/717-834-9433).

First Communion for our 2nd grade students is scheduled for Saturday, May 6, 2023. A retreat is planned for the First Communion Class on Friday, May 5th from 3:30-6:30PM in the hall

and church.

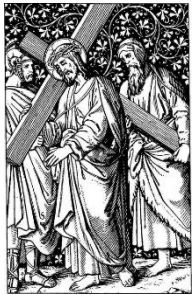
The Fran Hannon Educational Grant is being offered by the parish Knights of Columbus to any high school senior graduating in the spring of 2023 that plan to continue their education. The grant is for \$500. To apply you must be a practicing Catholic and a member of the parish, and submit an essay of 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 26th.



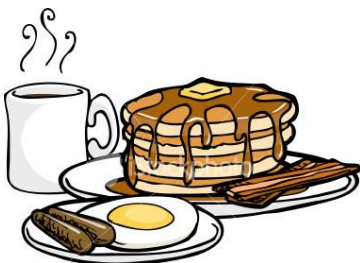
Retreat for our Confirmation Candidates: All candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation are reminded of a mandatory retreat on Saturday, March 25th from 9AM to 1PM in the Parish Hall.

Parish Pastoral Council will meet on Monday, March 13th at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall.

Lenten Stations of the Cross: Come and walk the way of the Cross with Jesus during Lent. Stations begin at 7:00 PM in the church and are followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. These beautiful Lenten devotions can help us spiritually prepare to celebrate the Easter Mysteries by meditating on the passion and death of Christ and the Paschal Mystery of His life, death, and resurrection. Confessions are available before stations at 6:00PM.



Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast: The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a Pancake Breakfast to benefit Lourdeshouse on April 23rd at 9:00AM. There will be a guest speaker from Lourdeshouse. CCD Students in 6th grade or higher are invited to attend at no cost with a signed parental permission slip. Breakfast will include pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, and drinks. The requested adult



donation for breakfast is \$8.00. We will also be collecting specific items for Lourdeshouse. A sign-up for the breakfast and a list of items needed are posted on the bulletin board.

Grounds Cleanup: On Saturday, April 1st, we will cleanup our parish property in preparation for Easter Sunday. We will start at 8:00AM and hopefully be finished by 11:00AM. Some trees and bushes need to be trimmed and mulch needs to be spread around the church, Schmidt Center, and rectory. If you can spare some time that day to assist us with this project, please sign up at the bulletin board.

Family Connections Easter Egg Hunt for children 9 years old and under will be hosted by Family Connections on Saturday, April 1st at 10:00AM. A signup sheet is posted on the bulletin board. Donations of pre-wrapped candy or treats and gift cards used as prizes would be appreciated. If you children would like to participate, please sign them up at the bulletin board.



Attention CCD Parents: Registration Procedure for the 2023-2024 school year has changed. During April and May 2023, you may come to the CCD Office during CCD hours (9:00 – 10:15) and register your children for the next year and pay the CCD fee. You will no longer have to complete a new registration form each year. However, if any of your personal information has changed, you will need to inform the CCD Office and the required changes will be made to your child’s record. If you are new to the parish or are enrolling your children in our program for the first time, please complete a CCD Registration form available in the church narthex or at the CCD Office in the Schmidt Center. Thank you for your cooperation!

Let Your gracious favor, we beseech You, O Lord, carry us through the fast which we have begun; that as we observe it by bodily discipline, so we may be able to fulfil it with sincerity of mind. (Gelasian Missal, Collect for Friday after Ash Wednesday, 5th Century)

“Create in me a clean heart, O Lord, renew in me a steadfast spirit.”