# The Fourth Sunday Of Lent

# March 19, 2023

Mass Intentions					
March	20	8:00 AM	NO MASS		
March	21	8:00 AM	Carl DePaulis requested by Louise Kline		
March	22	8:00 AM	<b>Intentions Of Magdalene Fordyce requested by The Fordyce Family</b>		
March	23	8:00 AM	Intentions of Marie Dishman requested by Frank & Alice Vilk		
March	24	8:00 AM	Clement LaVia requested by Frank & Alice Vilk		
March	25	5:00 PM	Carl DePaulis requested by Brian & AnnMarie Bocklage		
March	26	8:00 AM	People Of The Parish		
		10:30 AM	Mary Howe requested by Reid & Judy Wilson		

	Lectors	Liturgical Ministries March 25-26 Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
5:00 PM	Sue Guarducci	Mary Zimmerman	Terry Meek
8:00 AM	Noah Jenkins	Scott Sheaffer	The Robinson Family
10:30 AM	Jeff Aro	Mark Ticehurst	Andrew Aldrich Jacob Innerst, P. Pray

#### Schmidt Center Cleaning

March 26 Madeline Rogers & Pat Harshberger

April 2 Gabby Brandt & Jen Meek

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

**Ezekiel** 37:12-14 **Romans** 8:8-11 **John** 11:1-45

### **Christian Stewardship**

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$6,479.00

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$4,853.45

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

## **Church Calendar**

Sunday, March 19th (Fourth Sunday of Lent)

Mass. 9:00AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

Monday, March 20th

No Mass

Tuesday, March 21st

Mass. 8:00AM

Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>

Mass, 8:00AM

Prayer Group, 8:30AM

Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>

Mass, 8:00AM

Friday, March 24th

Mass, 8:00AM

Confessions, 6:00PM

Stations of the Cross and Benediction, 7:00PM

Saturday, March 25th

Confirmation Candidate Retreat, 9AM-1PM

Confessions: 4:00PM Mass, 5:00 PM

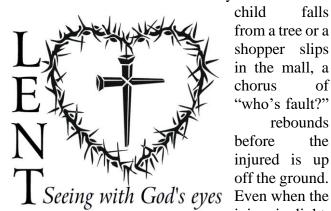
Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup> (Fifth Sunday of Lent)

Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM CCD Classes, 9:15-10:15AM

> "Not as man does God see... man sees the appearance, but God looks into the heart."

## From the Pastor's Desk

There are no accidents anymore. When a



child falls from a tree or a shopper slips in the mall, a chorus "who's fault?" rebounds before the injured is up off the ground. injury is slight,

we're still focused on blame, retribution. Today's scripture shows us this blame game was just as popular in Jesus' day. When Jesus heals a blind man, the crowd wants to know who sinned, who caused the blindness. Odd, isn't it? You'd think their focus would be praising the miraculous

healing. Instead, the crowd's eyes were as blind as the man had been, darkened by blame, blame, blame. And that image hits home for us today. When hard times come along it's easy to be blinded by anger and resentment. We're so busy glaring at the source of our troubles, we can't see God's mercy pouring down on us. We see the sorrow and miss the miracle. Take a moment and check your sight this week. If you find your eyes blinded by anger or blame, ask God to restore your sight. He's right there waiting with a clearer view for you.

**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.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.

**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 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students is scheduled for Saturday, May 6, 2023. A retreat is

planned for the First Communion Class on Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> 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 26<sup>th</sup>.

**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> from 9AM to 1PM 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 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00AM. There will be a guest



Lourdeshouse. CCD Students in 6th grade or higher are invited to attend at no cost with a signed parental permission slip.

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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 1<sup>st</sup>, 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 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00AM. A signup sheet is posted on the bulletin board. Donations of prewrapped 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!

Were you married in 1973? In honor of your 50th Wedding Anniversary, there will be a special Mass and reception on Sunday, July 9, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. at Good Shepherd Parish in Camp Hill. Bishop Ronald W. Gainer will be the celebrant. To receive an invitation, please contact the parish office at 717-582-4113.

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