

The Solemnity Of Corpus Christi

June 11, 2023

Mass Intentions

June	12	8:00 AM	NO MASS
June	13	8:00 AM	Intentions Of Deacon Michael Pray
June	14	8:00 AM	Carl DePaulis requested by Butch & Maureen Flickinger
June	15	8:00 AM	Clement LaVia requested by John & Mary Blair
June	16	8:00 AM	Special Intention
June	17	5:00 PM	Catherine Chiccini requested by Robin & Mike Chiccini
June	18	9:00 AM	People Of The Parish

Liturgical Ministries June 17-18

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
5:00 PM	Joe DeFrancesco	Gwen Pray	Terry Meek
9:00 AM	Noah Jenkins	Nancy Stanton	The Morrison Family

Schmidt Center Cleaning

June 18 Gabby Brandt & Jen Meek

June 25 Kim Lane & Marian McCoy

Next Sunday's Readings

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

Jeremiah 20:10-13

Romans 5:12-15

Matthew 10:26-33

Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$6,602.00

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$4,459.77

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

Church Calendar

Sunday, June 11th (Feast of Corpus Christi)

Mass, 9:00AM

Monday, June 12th

No MASS

Tuesday, June 13th

Mass, 8:00AM

Wednesday, June 14th

Mass, 8:00AM

Prayer Group, 8:30AM

Thursday, June 15th

Mass, 8:00AM

Friday, June 16th

Mass, 8:00AM

Saturday, June 17th

Mass, 5:00 PM

Sunday, June 18th

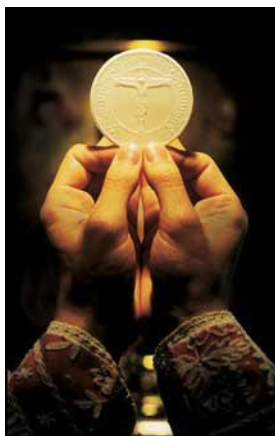
Masses, 9:00AM

**“Down in adoration falling,
Lo! the Sacred Host
we hail.”**

From the Pastor's Desk

Standing at the crowded table in the dim candlelight of the Upper Room during the Last Supper, Jesus Christ did not hand out Bibles to the Twelve Apostles and solemnly tell them, “Take this, all of you, and read it. This is my book, written for you.” Jesus gives us Himself, not a book. On today’s Feast, we commemorate God’s greatest gift to mankind, the person of Jesus Christ.

God gives us His Son, and then Christ gives us Himself, body and blood, soul and divinity, under the accidents of bread and wine in the Holy Eucharist. Gift, gift-giver, and receiver meld into one in this sacrament of sacraments.



In the era of the early Church, it was customary for an excess of bread to be consecrated at Mass so that the Eucharist could be carried to the sick who had been unable to attend the Holy Sacrifice. This practice led to the adoption of the pyx as the first sacred vessel for reservation of the Eucharist. Some modern churches pay homage to these Eucharistic origins by hanging an oversized pyx on their wall to use as a tabernacle, imitating the early Church custom. Permanent reservation of the Eucharist led, over the centuries, to enthroning the Lord amidst the greatest splendor in churches. By the early medieval period, the time had long passed when the Eucharist was reserved merely to be brought to the sick. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, street processions, chants, confraternities, songs, flowers, and all the splendid trappings of a feast day covered this dogma in glory by the High Middle Ages, and continue to wrap it in honor today. The consecration of the Sacred Species at Mass continues Christ’s physical presence among us, while adoration of the Blessed Sacrament suspends the consecration of the Mass, stretching it out into hours, days, months, and years.

We naturally desire to leave a part of ourselves to our loved ones. We send photos, solemnly pass on a cherished memento, or give a baby a family name. Soldiers used to carry a locket holding a few strands of their wife’s or girlfriend’s hair. We need to be close, physically close, to those we love in concrete, tangible ways. Jesus desired the same, and, not being constrained by the limitations of human nature, He did the same, and more. He has left us Himself! That dogma processing down the street is a person! And that dogma behind the golden doors of the parish’s tabernacle is the same person! So bend that body low and set that heart on fire, for the Saving Victim opens wide the gate of heaven to all below. We stand as close to Christ in the Holy Eucharist as the Apostles ever did on Mount Tabor.

Remember the Sick of our Parish in your charity and prayers: John Kapp, Rosemary Anderson, Cathy Steiner, Marietta McQuaid, Marie Dishman, Suzanne Matunis, Jeanette Fasick, Mike Landis, Reid Wilson, Pat Widdowson, Kay Dorundo, Sara Zettlemoyer, 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. Youth Group also meets periodically throughout the summer months.

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).

Saint Bernard's Garden Club: If you signed up to keep a parcel of parish grounds during the summer, please remember to weed/trim every three or four weeks to keep our parish property looking its best during the summer months.

BOOK SALE



Knights of Columbus Book Sale:

The Knights are planning for their annual book sale in September. 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!

Parish Picnic: Mark your calendars now for our Parish Picnic. It is scheduled for Sunday, August 6th from 1:00 to 4:00PM at the parish pavilion.



Families are asked to bring a vegetable dish, salad, or dessert. Our gracious Knights of Columbus will provide the meat course and drinks. It is a fun time for everyone and early

enough in August for our college bound youth to enjoy before heading off to school. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you plan to attend!

Vacation Bible School: Our Parish Vacation Bible School is scheduled for July 24 – 28 from 6:00PM to 8:00PM. The theme this year is “Amazing Apostle’s Creed.” If your child is age 3 to entering 7th grade and would like to attend, please complete a registration form (found on the bulletin board). For further information, please contact Jen Morrison at 717-462-4556 or email at Morrisonfam10@gmail.com.

Thoughts of Saint Pope John Paul II on the Holy Eucharist:

“Yes, it is from the Eucharist that all of us receive the grace and strength for daily living--to live real Christian lives, in the joy of knowing that God loves us, that Christ died for us, and that the Holy Spirit lives in us. We cannot live on the glories of our past Christian history. Our union with Christ in the Eucharist must be expressed in the truth of our lives today--in our actions, in our behavior, in our lifestyle, and in our relationships with others. For each one of us the Eucharist is a call to ever greater effort, so that we may live as true followers of Jesus: truthful in our speech generous in our deeds, concerned, respectful of the dignity and rights of all persons, whatever their rank or income, self-sacrificing, fair and just kind, considerate, compassionate and self-controlled--looking to the well-being of our families, our young people, our country, and the world.”

*“We adore You, O Lord,
In the Sacrament of Your Love!”*