

The Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

February 11, 2024

Mass Intentions

February	12	8:00 AM	Kathy Brennan requested by Kathy Landis
February	13	8:00 AM	Mike Landis requested by Jerry & Karen Kupris
February	14	8:00 AM	Diana Prowell requested by Joseph & Suzann Meyer
		7:00 PM	People Of The Parish
February	15	8:00 AM	Mike Landis requested by Kathy Landis
February	16	8:00 AM	Don Shaeffer requested by John & Mary Blair
February	17	5:00 PM	Steve Lockard requested by The Raugh Family
February	18	8:00 AM	Sister Augustine Marie Molnar requested by John & Mary Blair
		10:30 AM	People Of The Parish

Liturgical Ministries February 17-18

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
5:00 PM	Dave Suydam	Mary Zimmerman	Terry Meek
8:00 AM	Joe Dailey	Scott Sheaffer	Helena Krieger Joe Morrison
10:30 AM	Jeff Aro	Nancy Stanton	The Hoffman Family

Schmidt Center Cleaning

February 18

The Raugh Family

February 25

Jim DiPofi & Tonya Sands

Next Sunday's Readings

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

Genesis 9:8-15

1 Peter 3:18-22

Mark 1:12-15

Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$7,069.00

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$4,387.00

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

Church Calendar

Sunday, February 11th

Confessions, 7:00-7:45AM
Masses, 8:00 and 10:30AM
CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

Monday, February 12th

Mass, 8:00AM

Tuesday, February 13th

Mass, 8:00AM

Wednesday, February 14th (Ash Wednesday)

Mass, 8:00AM
Prayer Group, 8:30AM
Mass, 7:00PM

Thursday, February 15th

Mass, 8:00AM

Friday, February 16th

Mass, 8:00AM
Confessions, 6:15PM
Stations of the Cross, 7:00PM

Saturday, February 17th

Confessions, 4:00-4:45PM
Mass, 5:00 PM
K of C Valentine Dinner/Dance, 6:00PM

Sunday, February 18th

Confessions, 7:00-7:45AM
Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM
CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

*“Remember you are dust and
unto dust you shall return.”*

From the Pastor's Desk:

While leprosy as found in Biblical times is now rare and very treatable,



it is not hard to imagine the tragic consequences it had on those who were affected. They suffered physically, but also socially and emotionally: Levitical priests declared lepers unclean, banishing them from the religious

community. Jesus, as he did so often, would upend these conventions in his encounter with the leper in today's Gospel. "Moved with pity," Jesus healed him, telling him to return to the local priest for readmittance to the community. Jesus' model of compassion for the man is meant for us to embody. Modern culture continues to stigmatize people perceived as different – those suffering

from depression and other mental illnesses, the homeless, perhaps those who struggle with cognitive disabilities – shunning them in different ways from full participation in community. To imitate Christ, as Paul alludes, is to have compassion for the needs of others – to “be moved with pity.” Let us pray for the grace to put on the mind and heart of Christ, and dignify the presence of all our brothers and sisters in our community. Not only were lepers banished from the religious community, but they had to announce themselves by crying out “Unclean, unclean!” Jesus changed all that. He healed the leper, encouraging him to return to the priest for readmittance. I am struck by how the leper approached Jesus. He did not demand a cure, but asked, “If you wish, you can make me clean.” Although it is unlikely that any of us in the developed world will experience leprosy, we ourselves or people we know may carry inner struggles that have led to separation from the Church or a sense of isolation. In our humanity, we do not have the power to heal these maladies on our own. Instead, let us come to Jesus as the leper does, asking him, if he wills it, to heal us and our wounded world. Let us pray with confidence, knowing that Jesus in his compassion can and will make us clean and whole.

Who are lepers today? What are the inner struggles or wounds that may keep us from fully participating in our parish community or have left us estranged from members of our own family? Bring these before Jesus in your own words. Call a family member you have fallen out of touch with. Invite a person who has left the Church to lunch and listen with compassion.

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, Pat Widdowson, Kay Dorundo, Mike Brennan, Gene Odat, Annetta Round, Marian Shatto, Joann Speis, Joni Lawrence, Shirley Scotta, Linda Toomey, Samantha Strazisar, 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.

K of C Valentine Dinner/Dance: Our Knights of Columbus are sponsoring their annual Valentine Dinner/Dance on Saturday, February 17th at 6:00PM in the



Parish Hall. The menu includes a a meat course, 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!



Aluminum Tabs for Ronald MacDonald House: Carol Minns is collecting tabs from aluminum cans to help support the MacDonald House of Hershey Hospital. You can drop off tabs at the kitchenette.

Thank you for your support!

Ash Wednesday, February 14th, begins the holy season of Lent. Masses will be celebrated at 8:00AM and 7:00PM with the distribution of ashes after the sermon. Every Catholic 14 years of age or older is asked to abstain from meat (and items made with meat)



on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent. Every person between the age of 18 and 59 (beginning of 60th year) must fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Rite Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

Lenten Confessions will be heard daily, Tuesday through Friday, from 7:15 – 7:50AM. Confessions on Saturday begin at 4:00PM until 4:45PM. Sunday morning confessions are

available from 7:00AM to 7:40AM and from 9:45 to 10:10AM.

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.



Update Your Parish: If your address, email, or telephone numbers have changed in the past few months, could you please call the parish office and update your records. This is important so our records are correct when we try to contact you! Also, please contact the parish office if you are going into the hospital, so a pastoral visit can be made.

The **Fran Hannon Educational Grant** is being offered by the parish Knights of Columbus to any senior graduating in the spring of 2024 and who will continue their education after high school. The grant is for \$500. To apply you must be a practicing member of the parish, and must submit an essay of 500 words or less on the theme “What My Catholic Faith Means to Me.” Deadline is March 17th. Applications are available at the bulletin board in the narthex.



Report Abuse: to report suspected abuse of a minor, call the toll-free PA Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-932-0313. To Report suspected abuse of a minor by a church official, employee, or volunteer, also please call the Diocese of Harrisburg Youth Protection toll-free number: 1-800-626-1608.

Create a clean heart in me,

O Lord,

renew in me a steadfast spirit!!