## The Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time

June 23, 2024

| Mass Intentions |    |         |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------|----|---------|--|--|--|--|
| June            | 24 | 8:00 AM | NO MASS  |  |  |  |
| June            | 25 | 8:00 AM | Betty Rhodes requested by Frank & Alice Vilk                   |  |  |  |
| June            | 26 | 8:00 AM | <b>Intentions Of Magdalene Fordyce requested by Her Family</b> |  |  |  |
| June            | 27 | 8:00 AM | <b>Edward Love requested by Frances Pugh</b>                   |  |  |  |
| June            | 28 | 8:00 AM | Don & June Shaeffer requested by Tom Hayden                    |  |  |  |
| June            | 29 | 5:00 PM | People Of The Parish   |  |  |  |
| June            | 30 | 9:00 AM | Don & June Shaeffer requested by The Shaeffer Family           |  |  |  |

|         | Lectors         | Liturgical Ministries June 29-30<br>Extraordinary Ministers | <b>Servers</b> Dave Suydam            |
|---------|-----------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| 5:00 PM | Joe DeFrancesco | Patty Suydam  |                                       |
| 9:00 AM | Sean Romano     | Scott Dunkelberger  | Joe Morrison<br>Anna & Julia Sheaffer |

#### **Schmidt Center Cleaning**

June 30 Jim DiPofi & Tonya Sands

July 7 Robin & Mike Chiccini

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

**Wisdom** 1:13-15; 2:23-24 **2 Corinthians** 8:7,9,13-15 **Mark** 5: 21-43

#### Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$3,515.22

The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$3,767.39

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

### **Church Calendar**

Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> Confessions, 8:00-8:45AM Mass, 9:00AM Monday, June 24th No Mass Tuesday, June 25th Mass, 8:00AM Wednesday, June 26th Mass, 8:00AM Prayer Group, 8:30AM Thursday, June 27th Mass, 8:00AM Friday, June 28th Mass, 8:00AM Saturday, June 29th Confessions, 4:00-4:45PM Sunday Vigil Mass, 5:00PM Sunday, June 30th Confessions, 8:00-8:45AM Mass, 9:00

"Give thanks to the Lord, His Love is everlasting."

#### From the Pastor's Desk:

St. Boniface, an English Benedictine monk who died in the 8th century, wrote in a letter: "In her



voyage across the ocean of this world, the Church is like a great ship being pounded by the waves of life's different stresses. Our duty is not to abandon ship but to keep her on her course." Oceans and seas, lakes and

rivers, baptism. The role of water in daily life and its use as a metaphor are woven throughout our Scriptures. In today's readings, we hear two references to the sea. First, we have God talking to Job out of a storm, reminding the prophet that he – the Lord – is the one who created the seas and keeps them firmly in their place. The Gospel

passage provides us with a stark reminder of that truth. As the disciples and Jesus cross the sea, a storm crops up and threatens to sink their boat. But one command from Jesus and the water is still. St. Boniface had it right. We really all are on that ship with Jesus on its voyage across the ocean of this world, and trusting in him to keep us on course and safe from harm ensures we reach the destinations he intends for us.

How to do our part to keep this great ship that is the Church on course? Trust in Christ, trust that he is present within us and guiding us each day. No one is immune from stormy seas, and like the disciples, we can turn to Jesus in times of peril. He asked the disciples: "Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?" Like the disciples, we must experience the change of heart that is necessary to place complete trust in Jesus to replace our fear and anxiety. God has things under control. Of course, that is what can be so scary sometimes. I know God will take care of everything, but what if I don't like how he does it? What if I want him to answer my prayers one way and he answers them a different way? This is where Jesus might ask me: "Do you not yet have faith?" And I would have to reply, "I'm working on it."

We are assured throughout Scripture that God loves us, cares for us, and sustains us. But how do we move from knowing that in our heads to feeling it in our hearts? Prayer. If we center our life on Jesus and his commands, trusting in him will become second nature. Take time this week and pray with today's Psalm (107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31), which praises God for his love for us and gives voice to trusting in his providence.

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, Gene Odato, Annetta Round, Joann Speis, Joni Lawrence, Shirley Scotta, Samantha Strazisar, Ellen White, and all the long-suffering in our community and at Perry Village.

**Deacon Robinson's Contact Information**: Contact Deacon Robinson at his cell phone (**602-6298**) or deacon.robinson@anologyapologetics.com.

Online Information: You can access the weekly

bulletin and other information at our parish website (www.stbernardsnbpa.org).

**Saint Bernard's Garden Club**: To keep our parish property looking its best during the summer months, families are asked to assist by taking a portion of our property and keeping it weeded and trimmed throughout the summer. It only takes a little of your time (a few times a month) to keep our parish looking well kept the whole summer long. Thank you for all you do for our parish family.

**Vacation Bible School**: St Bernard's will host a VBS program about the Holy Eucharist for children



aged 3 to entering the 6th grade from July 22 through July 26, 2024, 6 PM - 8:30 PM. Registration forms are available from CCD or the bulletin board in the

narthex. Please complete them and return as soon as possible. Older students are welcome to join us and assist with the activities - this is a great way to complete service hours. If you have any questions, please contact Jen Morrison @ 717-462-4556, morrisonfam10@gmail.com, or 717-254-0280 (text).

**CCD Teacher/Catechist Opportunity:** Are you interested in working with the children in our religious education classes as a teacher or aide but unsure of your ability to teach or if you possess enough knowledge of our Catholic faith? Just your willingness to pass along a living faith to the youth of our parish is one of the most important characteristics of a good catechist. Our classes are teamed with 2 catechists and the younger classes also have an aide. We need aides in grades 1st and 4th and a teacher in 5th. Alice Vilk will meet with any interested persons to discuss our program, the text we use, and the duties and responsibilities of our teachers and aides. If interested, please email Alice Vilk at alicevilk4@gmail.com. It takes many caring individuals to educate the students of our parish, so come join us!

**Parish Picnic**: Mark your calendars now for our Parish Picnic. It is scheduled for Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup> 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 at the bulletin board if you plan to attend!

A sense of decorum in dressing for Church: The summertime can be hot and humid and often calls for clothing that is more comfortable. There is, however, a proper decorum to be used when considering the clothing we wear for Mass and church. While fancy Sunday-best dresses/hats or suit and tie may not be the attire we wear in the "causal" atmosphere of today's society, there is always a need to monitor closely what we wear because it reflects on us, our values, and the importance we place on our respect for God and our neighbor. We have no church dress codes we can look to except the one dictated by the virtue of modesty and good taste. In general, we should avoid the following when dressing for church: Spaghetti straps/tank tops, bare backs or shoulders, sleeveless shirts or plunging necklines, tubes, skimpy skirts or shorts, low waist pants, Jersey shorts/gym wear, caps or flipflops. Thank you for your consideration!

**Rest in Peace**: In your charity and prayers, remember of soul of Jon Ford, son of Sharon Ford. May God grant Jon a merciful judgment and give healing and consolation to his family! Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.

**Knights of Columbus Parish Council Picnic** is scheduled for Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup> (12 noon) at the parish pavilion. Contact Grand-Knight Joe Oltheten with accepts or regrets.