

# The Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

November 17, 2024

## Mass Intentions

November	18	8:00 AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
November	19	8:00 AM	<b>Jeanne Metz</b>
November	20	8:00 AM	<b>Intentions Of Magdalene Fordyce requested by Her Family</b>
November	21	8:00 AM	<b>Elizabeth Herr</b>
November	22	8:00 AM	<b>Leonard Piskell</b>
November	23	5:00 PM	<b>Pat Wellock</b>
November	24	8:00 AM	<b>Wayne Reed</b>
		10:30 AM	<b>People Of The Parish</b>

## Liturgical Ministries November 23-24

	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Extraordinary Ministers</b>	<b>Servers</b>
5:00 PM	Sue Guarducci	Yvonne DePaulis	Dave Suydam
8:00 AM	Erin Jenkins	Bill Davies	Christopher Harlan Anna & Julia Sheaffer
10:30 AM	Julie Richelderfer	Roseann Wheatley	The Morrison Family Zoey Lowe

## Schmidt Center Cleaning

**November 24**

Kim Lane & Marion McCoy

**December 1**

The Raugh Family

## Next Sunday's Readings

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

**Daniel 7:13-14**

**Revelation 1:5-8**

**John 18:33b-37**

## Christian Stewardship

**Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$4,401.00**

**The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to: \$5,256.00**

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

## Church Calendar

### **Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>**

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

### **Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup>**

NO MASS

### **Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM

### **Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>**

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

### **Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM  
Parish Finance Council, 7:00PM

### **Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM  
Rough-Orfino Wedding Rehearsal, 5:00PM

### **Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>**

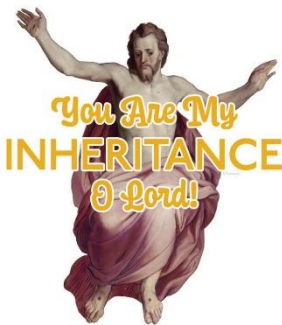
Rough-Orfino Wedding, 2:00PM  
Confessions, 4:00-4:45PM  
Sunday Vigil Mass, 5:00PM

### **Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>**

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

## From the Pastor's Desk:

We may not all have the same economic opportunities, but, as Christians, we are heirs of infinitely greater spiritual ones. *You are my inheritance, O Lord*, the psalmist says. This phrase reveals the tremendous goodness of God who not only created us but who, in baptism,



extended to us an invitation and a promise: provided we are faithful to him, we are heirs of eternal life. Nothing short of eternity will be sufficient to

express our thanksgiving to him for this gift.

Daniel's words in today's first reading remind us not only of the gratitude we owe to God but also of our responsibility to help souls who have gone astray from following him. Some shall

live forever, the prophet says, but others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace. The reality is that eternal life is not guaranteed us – not because God does not offer it freely, but because we are free to reject his offer. God's mercy is abundant; but we can nevertheless say “no” to God by choosing not to follow him. As Christians seeking (although imperfectly) to follow the Lord, we have the dignity of cooperating with God in order to draw the souls who have gone astray back to him. By word, example, prayer, and sacrifice, we can help others experience the joy of knowing God in this life and of living forever with him in the next.

The Church especially devotes the month of November to praying for the souls in Purgatory. These individuals died in a state of friendship with God but are still in need of purification. God is indeed their inheritance, but they experience pain because they do not possess him yet. One way to remember to pray for the Holy Souls is to conclude grace before meals in this way: “Bless us, O Lord ... May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.”

**Remember the Sick of our Parish** in your charity and prayers: Rosemary Anderson, Cathy Steiner, Marietta McQuaid, Marie Dishman, Suzanne Matunis, Pat Widdowson, Kay Dorundo, Gene Odato, Annetta Round, Joann Speis, Joni Lawrence, Shirley Scotta, Samantha Strazisar, Ellen White, Tara Smith, Dennis Haag, Louise Kline, Frances Kute, 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@analogypapologetics.com](mailto:deacon.robinson@analogypapologetics.com).

**Online Information:** You can access the weekly bulletin and other information at our parish website ([www.stbernardsnbpa.org](http://www.stbernardsnbpa.org)).

**Diocese of Harrisburg Seeks Your Opinion:** Our Diocese is coordinating with the Catholic Leadership Institute of Malvern, PA., to offer a Disciple Maker Survey of all parishioners in the 99 Catholic parishes and missions of central Pennsylvania. The survey will assist our Bishop and diocesan



leadership with forming a vision of what our diocese will need in the future to grow and thrive. You are asked to take a short survey online and contribute to this process so all voices may be heard. If you are a member of the parish and at least 18 years old, you can access the survey on the computer by going to <https://stbernardsnbpa.org/survey/>. Simply complete the survey and submit it to the Catholic Leadership Institute. You can also access the



survey by scanning this QR Code. The survey results will be collated and given to Bishop Senior so he can set priorities as we go forward in faith and hope. If you do not have computer access, a printed survey is available by asking Father Sharman for the printed copy. Please complete the survey by November 26, 2024.

**Thanksgiving Mass Reminder:** Our Parish will gather to celebrate Mass for Thanksgiving on Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM in the Church. As a Parish, we have so many things to give thanks to God for, especially His abundant blessings and graces.

**Advent Penance Service:** As we spiritually prepare during the Advent season to celebrate Christ's birth again in glory, please make the Sacrament of Penance part of your family's preparation. A penance service is scheduled for Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> beginning at 7:00 PM.



Four additional priests will be present to help us celebrate this Sacrament of God's mercy and love.

*“God has not need of our worship. It is we who need to show our gratitude for what we have received.”* (Saint Thomas Aquinas)

**Blood Donors Needed:** The Perry County Commissioners are sponsoring an American Red Cross Blood Drive on December 20<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM at Christ Lutheran Church at 38

West High Street, New Bloomfield, PA. To make an appointment, please visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter code: “PerryCo” or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) Blood donations help



people like Gene Odato, from our parish, and others. Questions may be directed to Kathy Odato, Red Cross Volunteer, at 717-275-7549. Thank you for your support!!

**Youth Group Christmas Widows/Widowers Dinner:**

The Saint Bernard's Youth Group will be hosting its annual dinner for widows and widowers of Saint Bernard's Parish on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>



**Christmas Dinner**

in the Parish Hall after the 5 PM Mass. The youth of our parish extend a warm invitation to all those who can attend. Please look forward to a night of fun, conversation, service, and entertainment given by our youth. We look forward to joining you that night and always in prayer for the souls of the faithful departed. *Please sign up at the bulletin board if you can attend. Please feel welcome to bring a friend or family member, especially if they are your means of transportation. Also, please note the number of people attending when you sign up.*

**Send a note or card of support:** If you have time this week, could you send a note of prayer and support to Kay Dorundo, who is now confined to bed and on hospice care. You will brighten her day and lift her spirits. Thank you.

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**Just a Thought:** We cannot reform Holy Mother Church by using worldly means. She can only be reformed by the authentic holiness of her members. The Church doesn't need reformers, but saints. Be a saint and change the world!!