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| The Second Sunday In Ordinary Time | January 19, 2025 |  |

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| **Mass Intentions** |
| January | 20 | 8:00 AM | **Susan Strohl requested by The Galgon Family** |
| January | 21 | 8:00 AM | **Intentions of Magdalene Fordyce req. by The Fordyce Family** |
| January | 22 | 8:00 AM  | **Charles H. King** |
| January | 23 | 8:00 AM | **Intentions Of Mary Staub requested by Emma Kazor** |
| January | 24 | 8:00 AM | **Andy Missenda** |
| January | 25 |  5:00 PM | **Carl DePaulis requested by Yvonne DePaulis** |
| January | 26 | 8:00 AM | **People Of The Parish** |
|  |  | 10:30 AM | **Rosemary Anderson requested by Carol Swanson** |
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| Liturgical Ministries January 25-26 |
|  | **Lectors** | **Extraordinary Ministers** | **Servers** |
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|  5:00 PM | Dave Suydam | Mary Zimmerman | Terry Meek |
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| 8:00 AM | Scott Sheaffer | Pat Pray | Anna & Julia Sheaffer |
|   |   |   | Christopher Harlan |
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|  10:30 AM | Nicole Wood | Nancy Stanton | The Hoffman Family |
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| Schmidt Center Cleaning |
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| **January 26** | Robin & Mike Chiccini |  |
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| **February 2** | Robin & Mike Chiccini |  |
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| Next Sunday’s Readings |
| *Please prepare for Mass and the Homily by reflecting on these texts from the Sacred Scriptures* |
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| **Nehemiah** 8:2-4a, 5-6,8-10 | **1 Corinthians** 12:12-30 | **Luke** 1:1-4; 4:14-21 |

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| Christian Stewardship  |
| **The Collection for 1/5/25 amounted to:** $7,770.00 |
| **Last Sunday’s Collection amounted to:** $4,274.00 |
| **The Collection on this date one year ago amounted to:** $3,945.00 |
| May God Bless you for your generous and responsible stewardship!!! |

 From the Pastor’s Desk:

What was the name of the bride and groom at the wedding in today’s Gospel? If you’re unsure, you’re not alone; the bridegroom is mentioned only in passing and the names of the newlyweds are not recorded at all in Scripture. Instead, the most prominent man in the account is Jesus; the most prominent woman is his mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary. In light of today’s first reading, this apparent omission begins to make sense. “As a young man marries a virgin,” the prophet Isaiah writes, “your Builder shall marry you.” Jesus is the “Builder” of the universe, the Word through whom all things were created. Mary, whom Jesus calls “Woman,” stands as a representative of the Church. This image of God as Bridegroom of his people, common throughout the Old Testament, thus takes on its full significance in Christ. He is the Bridegroom who will “wed” himself to his Church irrevocably when he offers his life for her on the cross.

Church Calendar

***Sunday, January 19th***

Confessions, 7:00-7:45AM

Masses, 8:00 and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

***Monday, January 20th***

Mass, 8:00AM

Parish Pastoral Council, 7:00PM

***Tuesday, January 21st***

Mass, 8:00AM

***Wednesday, January 22nd***

Mass, 8:00AM

***Thursday, January 23rd***

Mass, 8:00AM

***Friday, January 24th***

Mass, 8:00AM

***Saturday, January 25th***

Confessions, 4:00-4:45PM

Sunday Vigil Mass, 5:00PM

***Sunday, January 26th***

Confessions, 7:00-7:45AM

Masses, 8:00 and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

“His mother said to the servers: ‘Do whatever he tells you.’”

It is clear that the Scriptures give us many “stories behind the stories” – a sort of “visible invisible” as we see with today’s Gospel of the Wedding at Cana. What we think is happening, and who we assume are the main characters, are important and yet also diminished beside the infinite and eternal, self-sacrificing love of God. How much of our own lives contains such stories of God’s immense and great love for us, behind the scenes that play out day to day? The Lord gives us all good gifts, and he uses them to help us see, know, understand and love him. The smallest moment, or the most important detail, may not be recorded or remembered, but the generosity and irrevocable love of God will never fade and will always sustain us.

Although God’s love for us never diminishes, we sometimes struggle to maintain the enthusiasm of our earliest encounters with him. This week, create a spiritual “photo album” you can use to remind yourself of God’s blessings in your life. Recall pivotal moments in your spiritual life, write them down in a notebook, and return to them with praise and thanksgiving whenever you feel your heart drifting from the Lord.

Remember the Sick of our Parish in your charity and prayers: 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.

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

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

Parish Contribution Statement for your church contributions will be available in early January. If you would like to have a statement emailed to you, please contact the parish office (info@stbernardsnbpa.org) and request one. Paper statements will also be available upon request.

Parish Pastoral Council: Our Parish Pastoral Council will next meet on Monday, January 20th at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall. If you have any commendations/recommendations for Council, please call Bill Davies (717-582-0191) to include them on the agenda.

Hospital Patients: If you or a family member are in the hospital and would like a pastoral visit, please call the parish office. Remember, some privacy rules prohibit hospitals from contacting pastors with any information concerning patients. Your pastor and parish would certainly like to remember you prayerfully in times of illness, so please let us know that you are hospitalized.

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.

First Penance will be celebrated for our second graders on Saturday, March 1st at 10:00AM.

Rest in Peace: In your charity and prayers remember the soul of ***Rosemary Anderson***, our oldest parishioner. Rosemary would have been 100 years old on January 14. She has resided for the past few years in Massachusetts to be near her daughter. The Lord called her home on Saturday, December 21. Rosemary’s funeral Mass will be celebrated in Massachusetts and her burial will be at Fort Indiantown Gap National Cemetery on Friday, January 31st at 11:30AM. You are welcome to attend the service at the cemetery.

Confirmation Retreat: Our 8th Grade students who are being prepared for the Sacrament of Confirmation are reminded of their retreat scheduled for ***Saturday, February 8th from 9:00AM to 1:00PM*** in the church hall. This retreat is mandatory for all confirmands. Bishop Senior will celebrate this sacrament with our parish youth on Sunday, March 9th at the 10:30AM Mass.

Soup Bowl Fundraiser: St. Bernard’s Youth Ministry will be holding a Soup Bowl Fundraiser Saturday, February 8th, from 6:00-8:00pm in the Parish Hall. Proceeds will benefit the Interfaith Family Homeless Shelter in Harrisburg. Bowls cost $15, Children 10 and under $10.00, 2 and under $5 and entitles you to unlimited soups, bread, salad, beverage, and dessert. Keep the bowl as a reminder to pray for the homeless. Participants are limited to 100, please sign up on the bulletin board. Donations also accepted. For more info contact Phyllis Krieger 717-379-1135.

Some thoughts on cultivating the virtue of silence:

• In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends. ...

• Silence is a true friend who never betrays. ...

• We need to find God, and He cannot be found in noise and restlessness, but only in silence.

• He who does not understand your silence will probably not understand your words.

• God comes to us in the silence of our hearts.

• Never miss an opportunity to keep quiet.

Baptized in Christ: The following children were baptized in our parish church on January 5th: Phoebe Lobb, infant daughter of Ryan and Marissa Lobb; Kolbi, Gentri, and Eliot Zimmerman, the children of Spenser and Kimberly Zimmerman. May God grant these children an abundance of graces as they grow and mature in the faith!