

# The Twenty-Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time

October 12, 2025

## Mass Intentions

October	13	8:00 AM	NO MASS
October	14	8:00 AM	I/O Martha Havens requested by Sue Guarducci
October	15	8:00 AM	Special Intention requested by The Fordyce Family
October	16	8:00 AM	Nicholas Zarichansky requested by Faith Zarichansky
October	17	8:00 AM	I/O Ron Scheib requested by The Scheib Family
October	18	5:00 PM	Joseph Mastracchio requested by Reid & Judy Wilson
October	19	8:00 AM	Rachel Scheib requested by John & Mary Blair
		10:30 AM	People Of The Parish

## Liturgical Ministries October 18-19

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
5:00 PM	Gary Hilbolt	Patty Suydam	Dave Suydam
8:00 AM	Joe Dailey	David Pray	C. Harlan, H. Kreiger
10:30 AM	Christine Ticehurst	Olney Innerst	A. Hoffman, J. Innerst

## Schmidt Center Cleaning

October 19

Robin & Mike Chiccini

October 26

Madeline Rogers & Pat Harshberger

## Next Sunday's Readings

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

Exodus 17:8-13

2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:2

Luke 18:1-8

## Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$7,285.00

The Collection One Year Ago amounted to: \$4,560.00

The Collection for September 28, 2025 amounted to: 4,360.31

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

## Church Calendar

### **Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup>**

Masses, 8:00 and 10:30AM  
CCD Classes, 9:15-10:15AM

### **Monday, October 13<sup>th</sup>**

No Mass

### **Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM  
OCIA, 6:45PM

### **Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM

### **Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM  
Finance Class, 6:30PM

### **Friday, October 17<sup>th</sup>**

Mass, 8:00AM

### **Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>**

Confession, 4:00-4:45PM  
Mass, 5:00PM

### **Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup> (World Mission Sunday)**

Masses, 8:00 and 10:30AM  
CCD Classes, 9:15-10:15AM

**“The Lord has revealed to the nations  
His saving power.”**

### **From the Pastor’s Desk:**

After his healing in the Jordan river, Naaman returns to Elisha. It’s clear from their ensuing conversation that his miraculous healing had led to him recognizing the God of Israel as the one who had healed him. In thanksgiving, he desires to offer sacrifice, and pledges that he “will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any other god except the Lord.”



In the Gospel, we see the Samaritan returning to Jesus after his healing, falling at the Lord’s feet and “glorifying God in a loud voice.” It’s clear from both Scriptures that when we recognize what God has done for us, our first response is to worship. That’s why our central act of worship as a Christian community is called Eucharist – from the Greek word for thanksgiving. When we come to worship God, what is it that we’re grateful for?

If gratitude is the heart of worship, it’s a fruitful practice to intentionally spend some time considering God’s providence in our lives over the past week so we come to the liturgy prepared to offer thanks.

The one thing that should strike us about today’s Gospel is that Jesus heals all ten of the lepers, not only the one who returned to offer thanks. While we, as humans, can be tempted to withhold love when we know it will not be acknowledged or appreciated, Jesus heals all ten. God is good to us, even when we’re ungrateful. As Paul says, “If we are unfaithful, he remains faithful, for he cannot deny himself.” God can do only one thing: love. How powerful would it be if we worked to imitate the kind of gratuitous love we see in today’s Gospel? Think about opportunities to practice this kind of love. What a witness this would be to the world if we were to imitate God’s way of loving. As the Persian poet Hafiz wrote: “Even after all this time, the sun never says to the earth, ‘You owe me.’ Look what happens with a love like that. It lights the whole sky.”

Take some time before Mass each Sunday to do an examine-style prayer, reflecting on where you’ve seen God’s action in your life during the week. How has God provided for your needs? How has God accompanied you through challenges? How has the Spirit of God brought consolation and strength? Make a list of all the places you’ve experienced God’s presence and grace and prepare to offer thanks to God for these gifts at Mass.

**Remember the Sick of our Parish** in your charity and prayers: Marietta McQuaid, Marie Dishman, Suzanne Matunis, Pat Widdowson, Gene Odato, Annetta Round, Shirley Scotta, Samantha Strazisar, Ellen White, Louise Kline, Emerson Zahn, Virginia Klug, Ron Scheib, Camilla Fordyce, Duane Moringred, 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](mailto:deacon.robinson@analogyapologetics.com).

**Notification of Hospitalization:** If you or a family member are hospitalized or if you know of someone homebound who would like to be visited, please notify the parish office so Father Sharman can make a pastoral visit. Each month Holy Communion is brought to our homebound parishioners.

**Caregivers' Annual Day of Prayer and Care** will take place on Saturday, October 25, from 9:00AM to 3:30PM at Saint Katharine Drexel Church in Mechanicsburg. This day is for all family/friend caregivers and support people and for those who recently lost someone under their care. Reservations are required by 10/18/25 at [www.caregiversdayofprayerandcare.org](http://www.caregiversdayofprayerandcare.org). For more information, you can also call Theresa Magg at 717-697-8716(x223).

**Financial Planning Workshop:** Join us for a powerful 6-week financial workshop series designed to renew your mindset, equip you with practical tools, and empower you to be a wise steward of your money. The Wise Steward Workshops, Thursdays, October 9th -November 13th, 6:30-8:30pm. Classes include Money Transformation, Budgeting & Planning for emergencies, Tackling Debt, Benevolence, Fraud and Scams and Legacy planning. Know others that would benefit? Please invite your friends and family. Free to Saint Bernard Parishioners, Guests \$20 for all 6 sessions. Sign up to register on bulletin board or for questions call or text Phyllis Krieger (717) 379-1135

**Trunk or Treat:** As an alternative to the traditional house to house "Trick or Treat," our parish is hosting a "Trunk or Treat" on Sunday evening, October 26<sup>th</sup> from 6-7 PM.



This is a fun time for our children, and all are welcome to participate –

with or without children. Cars will be parked in the lot with the trunks open so candy or treats can be given out to the children. You can decorate your trunk or dress yourself if you desire. Parents (and trunkers) are asked to sign-up their children at the bulletin board so the "trunkers" will know how many children to anticipate. If you are unable to attend, you can still donate candy or treats by dropping them off in the narthex over the

next three weeks. *Children should seriously consider dressing up as "saints or Catholic historical figures" to keep the Christian spirit of the holiday.*



**Catholic Radio Channel for Harrisburg**

**Area:** Holy Family Radio is broadcast in Central Pennsylvania. You can find it on AM channel 720. There are many excellent Catholic programs scheduled throughout the day – so give it a try!!

**World Mission Sunday:** Next Sunday, we celebrate



World Mission Sunday in the universal Church. It is our opportunity to grow in an awareness of our missionary vocation as Christians to proclaim Christ "to the ends of the earth." Through prayer and sacrifice, we also assist missionaries in their work of bringing the love of Christ to

people who long to hear of God's love and salvation. There will be a second collection this weekend so we can financially support the work of missionaries in over 1150 mission dioceses throughout the world. Please be as generous as your means allow!

**Parish Pastoral Council Leadership:** The Parish Pastoral Council has elected the following members:

- Bill Davies: Chairman
- Terry Meek: Vice-Chairman
- Yvonne DePaulis: Recording Secretary

If you have concerns you want to bring to Council's attention, please contact one of the members of Parish Council. The next Parish Pastoral Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 10, 2025, at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall.

**Welcome, Father Francline:** The diocesan annual Priest's Education Conference will take place from Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup> to Friday, October 17<sup>th</sup> in Maryland. Father Francline has graciously agreed to celebrate the Masses at Saint Bernard, as well as cover any pastoral emergencies. Please pray this week for all our priests, so the Lord will grant them the graces they need to fulfill their sacred ministry!!