

The Third Sunday Of Lent

March 1, 2026

Mass Intentions

March	2	8:00 AM	NO MASS
March	3	8:00 AM	Henrietta Heckert requested by John & Mary Blair
March	4	8:00 AM	Mary Everett requested by Irene Horn & Family
March	5	8:00 AM	Joni Lawrence requested by Judy Wilson
March	6	8:00 AM	Annamarie Casner requested by Mark & Ginny Ticehurst
March	7	8:00 AM	Dennis Haag requested by Judy Wilson
		5:00 PM	Edward DeMichele requested by Jerry & Karen Kupris
March	8	8:00 AM	Cathy Musselman requested by Pat Harshberger
		10:30 AM	People Of The Parish

Liturgical Ministries March 7-8

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
5:00 PM	Dave Suydam	Patty Suydam	Terry Meek
8:00 AM	Derek Puchalsky	Shelby Adrich	J. Sheaffer, J. Morrison
10:30 AM	David Pray	Intentionally Blank	Intentionally Blank

Schmidt Center Cleaning

March 8	Gabby Brandt & Jen Meek
March 15	Kim Lane & Marian McCoy

Next Sunday's Readings

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

Exodus 17:3-7

Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

John 4:5-42

Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$4,476.00

The Collection One Year Ago amounted to: \$7,146.00

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

Church Calendar

Sunday, March 1st

Masses, 8:00 and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

Monday, March 2nd

No Mass

Parish Lenten Penance Service, 7:00PM

Tuesday, March 3rd

Mass, 8:00AM

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, 6:45 PM

Wednesday, March 4th

Mass, 8:00AM

Prayer Group, 8:30AM

Thursday, March 5th

Mass, 8:00AM

Confessions (6:15PM) and Holy Hour (7PM)

Friday, March 6th

Mass, 8:00AM

Confessions, 6:00PM

Stations of the Cross, 7:00PM

Saturday, March 7th

Mass, 8:00AM (BVM)

Confession, 4:00-4:45PM

Mass, 5:00PM

Sunday, March 8th

Masses, 8:00 and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

Sacrament of Confirmation, 10:30AM

From the Pastor's Desk:

What should strike us when we first read this passage from the Book of Genesis, in which the Lord speaks to Abraham, is God's proclamation that it is through **his will** and **his work** that the blessings and goodness of Abraham's future will come about. It is not a vague statement, in which the subject is omitted. God clearly says, "I will make your name great." Abraham



was a faithful servant of God and sought to obey God's will, but that is not what made his name memorable. It is due to God's will and generosity that Abraham's blessings came about. I sometimes struggle with giving up credit for the good things in my life. I want to believe that my work, my talents, and my dedication have brought about these good things.

But the reality is that all of who I am and the skills that I have is a gift. I was created by God and formed by others to hone certain dispositions and talents that have led to my accomplishments. When we come to realize that all we have is a gift, we are able to offer our lives back to be transfigured and glorified by God, who creates and gives all things.

Many scholars identify this moment of the Transfiguration as the climax of the narrative arc of the Gospels, after which Christ's actions lead to his suffering and death. In his passion, Christ demonstrates the ultimate submission to the will of God, taking on the weight of human sin in order to redeem us. In this moment of Transfiguration on the mountain, we glimpse the beauty of the glorification that will result from this perfect obedience to God's will. We, too, are called to surrender ourselves fully to God. Following Jesus' model of humble submission to the Father's will does not involve false humility, in which we are self-deprecating or overly critical of ourselves. Instead, we are called to acknowledge and celebrate our gifts and accomplishments, while also recognizing that who we are and the gifts that we have come from our generous and loving God.

Reflect on the gifts and talents you have been given, as well as the accomplishments that have come about because of these gifts. Take a moment to thank God for all that he has given to you, and ask him to reveal how you can be a witness to his goodness through the prudent use and celebration of these gifts.

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, Jeff Galgon, Dawn Lowe, Mary Schoedel, Matt Morrison, 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).

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

The Fran Hannon Educational Grant is being offered by the parish Knights of Columbus to



any high school senior graduating in the spring of 2026 that plan to continue their education. The grant is \$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.”** The application deadline is March 29th, and they are available on the bulletin board in the narthex.

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. Confession precedes the Stations.



Lenten Parish Penance Service: Our Parish Penance Service will be celebrated for the season of Lent on Monday evening, March 2nd at 7:00PM in the Church. Additional priests will be available to help with confessions. Please plan to attend with your family to spiritually prepare for Easter.



Bingo for Babies: This fundraiser for the Carlisle Area Family Life Center, Carlisle’s only crisis

pregnancy and family resource center, will be hosted by the Knights of Columbus #4057. It will be held Friday, March 6, 2026 at St. Patrick Church, Carlisle-Parish Activity Center- 87 Marsh Drive, Carlisle. The doors open at 5:30 pm, a light dinner will be served at 6:00pm and games begin at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$25 and include dinner. They can be purchased at the center, which is located at 200 North Hanover Street, by calling 717-243-1918 or online at www.carlisleareafamilylifecenter.org. Prizes include a fabulous array of gift cards, tickets and certificates from local and area businesses and attractions. There will also be 2 black-out games with cash prizes up to \$500. Please join us for a fun, family evening!

The Art of Pysanky – Ukrainian Easter Eggs: Faith Zarichansky will present an adult workshop on the **“Art of Pysanky,”** the traditional Ukrainian



Easter Eggs made during Lent. Come learn the history, the legends, and the spiritual meaning of these beautiful eggs. You can also create your own pysanka. All supplies will be provided, and the cost is \$30 for ages 12 and older. Class

size is limited to 12 individuals and will be conducted at Faith’s home in two sessions on Saturday, March 7th and March 21st (9AM and 12PM). If you would like to attend, please sign up at the bulletin board.

Planning for Vacation Bible School 2026: This year’s VBS is scheduled for June 22-26 with the theme of the theological virtues. If you would like to be part of the planning process, please call Jen Morrison (717-254-0280).

Pray this week for our Confirmation Candidates: Next Sunday, March 8th, seven of our youth will receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation. Bishop Ronald Gainer will celebrate the 10:30 Mass and seal our youth with the oil of Chrism and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Please pray this week for their spiritual preparation.

“From the shining cloud the Father’s voice is heard: This is My beloved Son, hear Him.”