

The Third Sunday Of Lent

March 8, 2026

Mass Intentions

March	9	8:00 AM	NO MASS
March	10	8:00 AM	I/O Louise Kline requested by Jerry & Karen Kupris
March	11	8:00 AM	Cathy Steiner requested by Irene Horn & Family
March	12	8:00 AM	Colette Landis requested by Kathy Landis
March	13	8:00 AM	Diana Prowell requested by Joe & Sue Meyer
March	14	5:00 PM	Amber Lawrence requested by The Wilkinson Family
March	15	8:00 AM	Mary Odatto requested by Gene & Kathy Odatto
		10:30 AM	People Of The Parish

Liturgical Ministries March 14-15

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
5:00 PM	Gary Hilbolt	Reed Kreider	Intentionally Blank
8:00 AM	Scott Sheaffer	William Aldrich	H. Kreiger, J. Morrison
10:30 AM	Kathy Dubois	Bill Davies	The Robinson Family Noah Aldrich

Schmidt Center Cleaning

March 15	Kim Lane & Marian McCoy
March 22	The Raugh Family

Next Sunday's Readings

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

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a	Ephesians 5:8-14	John 9:1-41
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Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$8,558

The Collection One Year Ago amounted to: \$6,074.59

The Parish Contingency for February amount to: \$2,248.00

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

Church Calendar

Sunday, March 8th

Masses, 8:00 and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

Sacrament of Confirmation, 10:30AM

Monday, March 9th

No Mass

Parish Pastoral Council, 7:00PM

Tuesday, March 10th

Mass, 8:00AM

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, 6:45 PM

Wednesday, March 11th

Mass, 8:00AM

Prayer Group, 8:30AM

Thursday, March 12th

Mass, 8:00AM

Friday, March 13th

Mass, 8:00AM

Confessions, 6:00PM

Stations of the Cross, 7:00PM

Saturday, March 14th

Confession, 4:00-4:45PM

Mass, 5:00PM

Sunday, March 15th

Masses, 8:00 and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

*“If today you hear His voice,
harden not your hearts.”*

From the Pastor's Desk:

As the Israelites wandered in the desert, Moses heard their cries and recognized their deeper need, not simply for water, but for hope. And so Moses calls upon the Lord, who gives them water in the desert, revealing his trustworthiness. In the big



and little ways that we ask the same question – “Is the Lord in our midst or not?” – our loving and generous Father reminds us that he has not abandoned us and that his goodness will ultimately prevail. It’s easy to become disgruntled

like the Israelites when there is great pain and suffering around us.

But through the ways that we care for one another and the peace that we find in prayer, the Father reminds us that he stands with us, granting us sustenance and grace.

When Christ told the woman at the well that those who drink the water he gives will never thirst again, she thought he was offering literal water. Christ was instead revealing his own identity as the Son of God. This woman, who hears the words of Christ and knows God’s promise of a Messiah, is filled with hope as she comes to recognize that the Lord indeed was in her midst. And I find it interesting that when she told people in town of her encounter with Christ, she told them of how he saw the mistakes of her past. Jesus loved her, and called her to step into the fullness of who she could be by turning away from the past that she clung to. We live in a world where we have very real physical needs, like the Israelites who thirsted, and the need to be seen in love, like the Samaritan woman. Ultimately, at the core of both of these needs is the desire for the hope that only God can give. When we serve our neighbors and look upon others with love, we can also be the vessel through which the presence of God is made known.

In our world, people are constantly asking the question, “Is the Lord in our midst or not?” Reflect on one way that you can share the Good News of the Gospel through word or action to make the presence of God known to those in your community.

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.



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).

Parish Pastoral Council: Our Parish Council will meet on Monday, March 9th at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall. If you have recommendations or commendations to share with the Parish Council, please submit them to Bill Davies.

Diocesan Annual Campaign: Through the Diocesan Annual Campaign, your compassion and charity will be assisting individuals and families who seek shelter and guidance at the Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families. You will be helping mothers with



children recover from dependency on drugs and alcohol at Evergreen House. Your gifts will enable the Diocesan-wide Counseling Services to offer professional counseling to those who need emotional healing. You will be supporting Specialized Foster Care and Adoption Services in their efforts to find homes for children, and you will bring the Word of Christ to young people through Youth and Campus Ministries. These and so many other ministries are directly supported by your Lenten charity. ***Our parish goal this year is \$32,500.00.*** You can make your pledge in the narthex on March 8/9th. As Jesus humbly served the needs of God’s people and performed the menial work of a simple slave in washing the Apostle’s feet at the Last Supper, so we should follow His example and find ways to serve the “least ones” of the Lord.

Soup Bowl Thanks: Thank you to everyone who supported the Soup Bowl Fundraiser for the Interfaith Family Homeless Shelter. Because of your generosity, we raised \$1,800 which will be used to purchase gift cards to help meet the shelter’s ongoing needs. The Youth Group is excited to share the news that beginning this year, the Soup Bowl Fundraiser will be held in the fall. Be sure to look for details about our upcoming fall event! Thank you for your continued support of this important ministry.

Have mercy on me, O Lord, in Your kindness!