

The Fifth Sunday Of Easter

May 3, 2026

Mass Intentions

May	4	8:00 AM	NO MASS
May	5	8:00 AM	I/O Everly Wilson requested by The Nedrow & Wilson Families
May	6	8:00 AM	Bill & Marie Hodge
May	7	8:00 AM	Kay Dorundo requested by Rich & Madeline Rogers
May	8	8:00 AM	Cathy Steiner requested by Dale Steiner
May	9	5:00 PM	Dennis Haag requested by Pat & Family
May	10	8:00 AM	Ron Scheib requested by Kathy Scheib
		10:30 AM	People Of The Parish

Liturgical Ministries May 9-10

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
5:00 PM	Dave Suydam	Reed Kreider	Terry Meek
8:00 AM	Joe Dailey	Scott Sheaffer	C. Harlan, J. Morrison
10:30 AM	Nancy Stanton	Rose Wheatley	The Robinson Family Noah Aldrich

Schmidt Center Cleaning

May 10

Robin & Mike Chiccini

May 17

Madeline Rogers & Pat Harshberger

Next Sunday's Readings

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

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

1 Peter 3:15-18

John 14:15-21

Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$3,939.25

The Collection One Year Ago amounted to: \$6,355.72

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

Church Calendar

Sunday, May 3rd

Masses, 8:00 and 10:30AM

First Holy Communion, 8:00AM

May Crowning of BVM Statue, 9:00AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

Monday, May 4th

No Mass

Tuesday, May 5th

Mass, 8:00AM

Wednesday, May 6th

Mass, 8:00AM

Prayer Group, 8:30AM

Thursday, May 7th

Mass, 8:00AM

Friday, May 8th

Mass, 8:00AM

Saturday, May 9th

Confession, 4:00-4:45PM

Mass, 5:00PM

Sunday, May 10th (Mother's Day)

Masses, 8:00 and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

**“Lord, let Your mercy be on us, as
we place our trust in You.”**

From the Pastor's Desk:

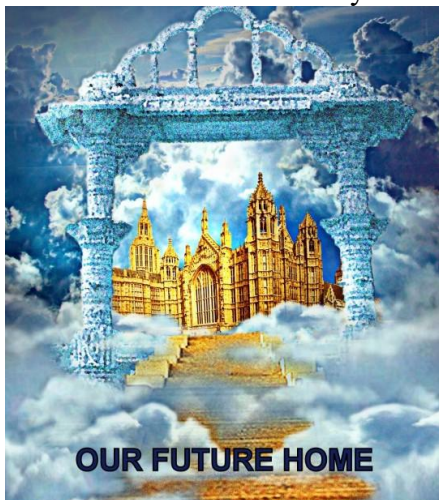
When the needs of ministry became overwhelming, the Apostles did not say they would sleep less or pray less in order to have more time to serve others. Instead, they appointed leaders from the community to help so they could

continue to devote themselves to prayer and preaching.

This should remind us of a story about Saint Teresa of Calcutta, in which the sisters of the

Missionaries of Charity

asked to be excused from the mandatory daily Holy Hour because the needs of the poor were so overwhelming. Saint Teresa is said to have



responded that the sisters should then spend not one, but two hours in prayer each day. She knew that the foundation of a life of service was a life of prayer. We are asked in all that we do to rely not on our own abilities, but to humbly recognize that all we have to give comes from God.

The cornerstone of our lives – the piece that gives strength to everything else that grows within us – is our relationship with God. The works of our vocation are meant to flow from that relationship. And so, coming to know Jesus through prayer is at the core of serving others. In whatever vocation we have, we sometimes get consumed in completing tasks and only realize at the end of the day that we have not prayed. But even Christ, the Son of God, tells us in the Gospel that “the Father who dwells in me is doing his works.” Life in the Trinity means that the love of the Father flows through the Son. If Jesus does not rely on his own being to preach and serve, we certainly cannot respond to God’s call to fully live our vocation to love others from Him. As we complete the daily tasks of our vocations, we must remember that the ultimate call of a life of holiness is to allow God’s love to flow forth through us.

This week, consider how you can develop or strengthen a habit of prayer as the first act of your day. You might be able to pray in silence, or you might choose to incorporate prayer into the activity of your morning. However, you are able to establish this routine and be intentional about how you recognize prayer as the cornerstone of all that you do.

Remember the Sick of our Parish in your charity and prayers: Marietta McQuaid, Marie Dishman, 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, Ron Utzig, Glenn Harshberger, Joe Rich, 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.

Red Cross Blood Drive: The American Red Cross will be holding a blood drive at our Parish



on May 13, 2026, from 1:00-6:00PM. This drive will honor our parishioner, Gene Odato, a former blood donor, two-time bone marrow transplant recipient (2004/20025), and

Leukemia survivor. For an appointment, please visit redcrossblood.org and enter code:

StBernard or call 1-800-733-2767. Donors receive a t-shirt. Please call Kathy Odato (717-275-7549) with questions. Together we can save lives. Thank you!

Quo Vadis Days: Might Jesus be calling you to priestly ministry in the Church? Quo Vadis Days are sponsored by the Diocese to help men (15-25 years old) discern where the Lord might be calling you in your vocation. These days take place at Mt. St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland from June 21-25. If interested in attending, please contact Father Sharman.

Saint Bernard's Garden Club: To keep our parish property looking its best during the summer months, families are asked to assist by taking a portion of our property and keeping it weeded and trimmed throughout the summer. It only takes a little of your time (a few times a month) to keep our parish looking well kept the whole summer long. A sign-up form is posted in the narthex hallway, and our parish is most grateful for your assistance.



Knights of Columbus Fishing Derby: On June 6, 2026, from 10AM to 2PM, at the Little Buffalo State Park, the Knights of Columbus will hold their annual fishing derby. The

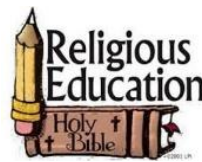


Knights will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks, and chips. Families are asked to bring a dessert. The contest is for the longest fish in each age group, and there

is no charge to participants. Contestants should bring their own fishing gear and bait. An adult must accompany all contestants. Lunch will be served at noon. **Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board in the narthex.**

CCD Catechist Needed: We need catechists to team-teach in our CCD program. Are you interested in working with the children to teach our Catholic faith? Just your willingness to pass along the faith to children is one of the most important characteristics of a good catechist. All classes are teamed with two catechists, and the younger classes also have an aide. I will meet with any interested person to discuss our program, the text we use, and the duties/responsibilities of our teachers and aides. Please contact Alice Vilks at alicevilks4@gmail.com. It takes many caring individuals to educate the students of our parish - so come join us!

Attention CCD Parents: Registrations are now open for the 2026-2027 school year. During the month of May 2026, you may come to the CCD Office during CCD hours (9:00 – 10:15) and register your children for the next year and pay the CCD fee.



You will no longer have to complete a new registration form each year. However, if any of your personal information has changed, you will need to inform the CCD Office, and the required changes will be made to your child's record. **You will also be asked to complete a medical record for each of your children and sign the Parish/Parent Covenant Agreement.** If you are new to the parish or are enrolling your children in our program for the first time, please complete a CCD Registration form, the Medical Record, and Covenant Agreement forms available in the church narthex or at the CCD Office in the Schmidt Center. Thank you for your cooperation!

Farewell to the Richelderfers: This past week, Bill and Julie Richelderfer moved from Newport to Maryland. They wanted to be nearer to their son, Christopher, and his family. Julie and Bill were very involved with parish life for the past 32 years and will be missed. If you would like to send them a card or note, you can address it to:

Mr. and Mrs. William (Julie) Richelderfer
2304 Forest Hill Road
Marriottsville, MD 21104

Parish Pastoral Council will meet Monday, May 11th at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall.