

The Twenty-Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time

October 11, 2026

Mass Intentions

October	12	8:00 AM	NO MASS
October	13	8:00 AM	Michael Matunis requested by The Matunis Family
October	14	8:00 AM	Karen Peters requested by Frank & Alice Vilk
October	15	8:00 AM	I/O Father Sharman requested by Deacon Robinson
October	16	8:00 AM	Michael Matunis requested by The Everett Family
October	17	5:00 PM	Joanna Buck requested by Sue Guarducci
October	18	8:00 AM	Deceased Of The Montrose & Harshberger Families
		10:30 AM	People Of The Parish

Liturgical Ministries October 17-18

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Servers
5:00 PM	Gary Hilbolt	Reed Kreider	Intentionally Blank
8:00 AM	Erin Jenkins	Scott Dunkelberger	Joe Morrison
10:30 AM	Nicole Wood	Mark Ticehurst	Jacob Innerst

Schmidt Center Cleaning

October 11	The Raugh Family
October 18	Tonya Sands

Next Sunday's Readings

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

Isaiah 45:1, 4-6	1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b	Matthew 22: 15-21
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Christian Stewardship

Last Sunday's Collection amounted to: \$5,516.00

The Collection One Year Ago amounted to: \$3,747.50

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

Church Calendar

Sunday, October 11th

Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

Monday, October 12th

No Mass

Tuesday, October 13th

Mass, 8:00AM

OCIA, 6:45PM

Wednesday, October 14th

Mass, 8:00AM

Prayer Group, 8:30AM

Thursday, October 15th

Mass, 8:00AM

Friday, October 16th

Mass, 8:00AM

Saturday, October 17th

Confession, 4:00-4:45PM

Mass, 5:00PM

Sunday, October 18th (World Mission Sunday)

Masses, 8:00AM and 10:30AM

CCD, 9:15-10:15AM

K of C Pancake Breakfast, 9:00AM

**“May the Father of our Lord Jesus
Christ enlighten the eyes of our
hearts...!”**

From the Pastor's Desk

Today's Gospel comes from the latter chapters of Matthew, in which Jesus repeatedly speaks about our readiness for the end times and the coming judgment. This parable concludes with the striking image of a man being thrown out of the king's feast because he was not dressed in



a proper wedding garment. While Tradition has often used this passage to communicate the importance of being properly disposed when approaching holy Communion, we ought not forget its other sense. To find a place at both the earthly and the heavenly wedding feast of the Lamb, we must strive to clothe ourselves with righteous deeds (see Rev. 19:7-9), cooperating with the grace the Lord has given us in baptism.

Our readings today reveal God's astonishing invitation to all humanity. Isaiah tells us that God “will provide for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines.” The king in Jesus' parable announces this same divine invitation: “Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast.” In his letter *Desiderio desideravi*, Pope Francis wrote: “The world still does not know it, but everyone is invited to the supper of the wedding of the Lamb (Re: 19:9).” But when the invitation arrives, we must be clothed and ready to enter the feast. As disciples of Jesus, our task is to be like the servants of the king in today's Gospel. So, too, the Lord sends us out to bring whomever we find to the feast. And, as Pope Francis said, “We must not allow ourselves even a moment of rest, knowing that still not everyone has received an invitation to this Supper or knowing that others have forgotten or have got lost along the way.” This is the missionary heart of the Church – inviting all to the Supper of the Lamb.

Immediately following baptism, infants, children, and adults are clothed in a white garment as an outward sign of the grace just received in the sacrament. In the prayer that accompanies this part of the baptismal rite, the celebrant exhorts the newly baptized to bring this garment unstained before the judgment seat of Christ. Take a moment this day to pray for all the newly baptized in your community, and indeed, for all the baptized – that together, we may strive for the holiness that is fitting for those who have “put on Christ” (Gal 3:27) and so come to share in his heavenly feast.

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, Glenn Harshberger, Joe Rich, Yolanda McMillan, Lois Morningred, Maureen Mullen, Kathy Dubois, 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@analogypologetics.com.

Prayer Group meets each Wednesday morning at 8:30AM in church. If you have prayer intentions for your loved ones or family members, for sick co-workers or people in the community, please give them to the Parish Office for prayer and spiritual support!

Soup Bowl Fundraiser: Our Youth Group will host its annual Soup Bowl on Saturday, October 24th 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, 2 and under \$5. This entitles you to unlimited soup,

bread, salad, beverage, and dessert. Keep the bowl as a reminder to pray for the homeless. Seating limited to the first 100 participants. For more information, please call Phyllis Krieger at 717-379-1135.

Knights of Columbus Pro-Life Pancake Breakfast will take place on Sunday, October 18th at 9:00AM in the Parish Hall. Proceeds from the breakfast will benefit Lourdeshouse Maternity



Home and Carlisle Area Family Life Center. Speakers for Lourdeshouse and Carlisle Area Family Life will be there. CCD

Students 6 through 12 Grade attend at no cost with a parental permission slip. There is a suggested donation of \$10 for adults and free for children under 12. Menu will be posted on the bulletin board. The Knights are also collecting baby items to be donated with a list of suggested items available at the Pack and Play in the vestibule. Thank you.

Caregivers' Annual Day of Prayer and Care will take place on Saturday, October 24, 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 10/18/26 at www.caregiversdayofprayerandcare.org. For more information, you can also call Theresa Magg at 717-697-8716(x223).

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

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!

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 25th 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 wear a costume, if you desire. Parents (and trunks) 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.*