

# Saint Barbara Catholic Church

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## MASS SCHEDULE

**SATURDAY VIGIL** - 4:00 pm at St. Joseph  
4:00 pm at Holy Family/Brewster

**SUNDAY** - 8:00 am at St. Mary  
8:30 am at Holy Family/Navarre  
11:00 am at St. Barbara  
11:00 am at Holy Family/Navarre

**HOLY DAY:** See Bulletin

**WEEKDAY** - Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri. 9:00 am  
Thurs., 9:00 am at Holy Family/Navarre  
(**Adoration** 9:30 am thru 8:30 pm)

**RECONCILIATION** - SATURDAY 3:00 pm at St. Joseph  
Other Locations Upon Request

**LIVESTREAMING:** For those who are homebound or unable to attend Mass, our 11:00 am Mass is now being livestreamed.

Pastor: ..... Very Rev. Canon Matthew 'Maciej' Mankowski, D.Min.  
Deacon Brook Benedict  
Diocesan Pastoral Associate.....Pattie Condello  
Faith Formation: ..... Amy Davis  
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**Office Hours:** Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 pm

**Church Office:** Phone: 330-833-6898

Fax: 330-833-5164

Email: office@saintbarbaraparish.com

**SAINT BARBARA FOOD PANTRY** Distribution is on Saturday, from 9 - 10 am  
Jan. 21, Feb. 18, March 18.

**Prayer Circle:** Sue Ziegelhofer - 330-832-1992

**Infant Baptism** - Baptisms are scheduled on an individual basis and may be celebrated during Mass, or privately. Baptism Preparation for parents is required. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

**Marriage** - Please call the parish office for information. Arrangements must be made at least six (6) months prior to the wedding.

**Sick Calls** - If your loved one is in the hospital, Nursing Home or homebound and you would like a visit from our pastor, please call the Parish Office.

**Adult Baptisms, Confirmation, or Adults Considering Becoming Catholic** - Please call the Parish Office. Persons or families, new to the parish may register also by calling the Parish Office.

**Vocations** - Please contact the parish office about a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life.

**Funerals** - Please contact the parish office before scheduling with the funeral director or the announcement is published in the newspaper.

**Bulletin News Deadline** - Tuesday at noon in writing.



## SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

### Welcome!

Are you interested in parish membership at St. Barbara?  
If so please call the parish office at 330-833-6898 to register or drop a note in the offering basket with your name and phone number and we will give you a call.

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This week's sponsor of the week:



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You!*

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**Masses For The Week**

**Monday - 1/2 - Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen**  
NO MASS

**Tuesday - 1/3 - The Most Holy Name of Jesus**  
9:00 a.m. - Saint Barbara - Katie & Dillon Stoia  
(Mark & May Sweany)  
AND Cletus and Barb Peters (Ray and Pat Halter)

**Wednesday - 1/4 - Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious**  
9:00 a.m. - Saint Mary - Barb Chapis (Ron and Jane Sibila)  
AND John and Amelia Higgins (Daughter)  
AND Walter Peters, Sr. (Walt and Andrea)

**Thursday - 1/5 - Saint John Neumann, Bishop**  
9:00 a.m. - Holy Family/Navarre

**Friday - 1/6 - Saint Andre Bessette, Religious**  
9:00 a.m. - Saint Joseph - Poor Souls in Purgatory

**Saturday - 1/7 - Saint Raymond of Penyafort, Priest**  
4:00 p.m. - Mass at Saint Joseph - Charles Scharver

**Sunday - 1/8 - THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**  
8:00 a.m. - Mass at St. Mary - Andrew Paul (Jim and Sue Seifert)  
AND Virginia Roth (Roth Family)  
AND Mary Lou Loudiana (Family)  
11:00 a.m. - Mass at Saint Barbara - Jonathan Nikzad  
& All Souls in Purgatory (Les and Aurora Waltz)  
AND James Hamel (Janie Egan)

**Sanctuary Candle** – For January 1 - is prayerfully lit in memory of Coral and Louis Rich from June Earl and Family.  
(Correction For December 25) - was prayerfully lit in memory of Elizabeth Maylor with Love, from Earl, Mike, Michelle, and Megan Boswell.

**Flowers on the Altar** – The flowers on the altar are in memory of Living and Deceased of Saint Barbara, Saint Joseph, and Saint Mary Parishioners.

**St. Mary & St. Joseph:** We have now opened the books up for Mass Intentions and Sanctuary Lamp Intentions for 2023. Please contact the office to get yours scheduled.

**January - 90 PLUS BIRTHDAYS**  
**SAINT BARBARA'S**

Barbara Draime – Jan.10 - 94 yrs., Bonnie Annen – Jan.16 –90 yrs.,  
Evelyn Fichter – Jan.22 - 90 years

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR/SANCTUARY CANDLE**

**Saint Barbara:** The altar flowers and sanctuary candle schedules for 2023 are now on the table in the Narthex at the west entrance. Flowers are \$40.00 and the sanctuary candle is \$10.00.

**Vocations:** "God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts." If the Spirit of Jesus is prompting you to love and serve Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, contact Fr. Chad Johnson at (330) 744-8451 or [cjohnson@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:cjohnson@youngstowndiocese.org).

**December 25, 2022**

<b>Weekly Budget</b>	\$ 12,621.00
<b>Needy</b>	\$ 105.00
<b>Reg. Collection</b>	\$ 6,879.38
<b>Mail-in</b>	\$
<b>On Line</b>	\$ 1,535.00
<b>Total</b>	\$ 8,414.38
	(\$ 4,206.62)

Attendance: St.Barb-460 & 151; St.Joe's-270 & 257;  
St.Mary-568 & 185

Saint Joseph Collection \$5,547.00 - Saint Mary Collection 10,415.60

**Lectors:** 11:00 a.m. - 1/8/23 - J. Sell, J. Shrider  
**Sacristan:** 11:00 a.m. - 1/8/23 - P. Martin

**IN MEMORIAM:** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Jo Snider, Mother of Pam (Gary) Moody and grandmother of Abigail, Eleni, and Liam of our parish. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and may she rest in peace.

**COMMUNICATIONS COLLECTION**

A new collection for 2023, the Communications collection will be taken up on January 7-8, 2023 (The Epiphany). Envelopes are **not** in your packets but are in the pews this weekend. Please take one and be generous to this collection.

This collection supports the new initiatives of the Diocese of Youngstown's Communications Office, including The Catholic Echo - a new magazine and multimedia website - along with a contemporary social media studio that will help us produce videos, podcasts and more. Your gift will help us reach out to younger Catholics and support critical services to the homebound, including the recorded Sunday Mass and radio and television ministry.

**SAINT JOSEPH Chapter Chat:** Our next discussion will be on January 5th at 7pm in the St. Joseph Parish Center. The book is "Waiting for the Moon" by Kristin Hannah. All are welcome to join us!

**Youth Ministry:** Youth Ministry will NOT meet on Dec 25th or Jan 1. We will return with our big Christmas PARTY on Jan 9th in the youth room at St. Joseph's from 6:30-8pm. Please bring a \$5 WRAPPED gift for an exchange. We will have food, fun, games, and our gift exchange. You don't want to miss this event, a kick off for our second semester! All teens in grades 7 through 12 are welcome and ENCOURAGED to attend!

**GAME NIGHT FOR BOYS AGES 10 TO 17!!!!** Join us at St. Joseph's School from 6:30-8:30 PM on Wednesday, January 18 for an evening of card games, board games, and snacks! Sponsored by the Columbian Squires, a Catholic Youth organization designed to forge young men in their faith, service, and fellowship - always having fun in the process! For more information, call or text Mike Szillat (330) 268-9879.

**CHRISTMAS 50/50 DRAWING WINNER:**  
Divine Mercy Parish; Saint Barbara Campus - Paulette Martin

**HNS MEN'S GROUP**

All men of the parish are invited to the HNS Men's group dinner at the Nut House, January 9th, 2023. Social hour 5-6 with dinner served at 6 pm. Cost for 10 oz strip steak meal is \$15.00 or you can order from the menu. Call Eric for reservations at 330-933-3322.

**MASS FOR LIFE:** Sunday, January 22, 2023 at 4:00 pm Most Rev. David J. Bonnar, Bishop of Youngstown will celebrate Mass at 4:00 pm at St. Columba Cathedral, 154 West Wood Street, Youngstown. All expectant mothers, fathers and families in attendance and Pilgrims returning from the National March for Life will be invited to receive a blessing for their unborn children. Following Mass a Reception including information on "Walking with Moms in Need" will be held. Donations will be accepted.

**MARCH FOR LIFE:** The March for Life in DC will be held on Friday, January 20, 2023.

**Monthly Rosary:** The Evangelization Committee will be praying the Rosary at 10:30 am before Mass on Sunday, January 15th.

**TABLES IN THE NARTHEX**

If you have items that you would like to have put out on the tables or items to have put on the bulletin boards, please drop them off at the parish office and Father Matthew will look them over and have the office staff place them on the tables or bulletin boards.

**SAINT BARBARA FOOD PANTRY:** The next Food Pantry distribution will be on Saturday, January 21, 2023 from 9-10 a.m.

**Food Pantry Item: Bar Soap and Body Wash**

**Saint Barbara, Saint Joseph, and Saint Mary:** All councils will now meet together on the following dates and at any time as called by Father Matthew:

**Combine parish councils** on Monday January 9, 2023 at 7 PM at Saint Barbara campus.

Monday March 6, 2023 at 7 PM at Saint Mary campus.

Monday May 1, 2023 at 7PM at Saint Joseph campus.

**Combine Finance councils** on Monday January 16, 2023 at 7 PM at Saint Barbara campus.

Monday April 3, 2023 at 7 PM at Saint Mary campus.

Monday June 19 2023 at 7 PM at St Barbara campus.

**Combine Liturgy councils** on Monday January 23, 2023 at 7 PM at Saint Barbara campus.

**No councils will meet during July and August.**

*A Note from Fr. Matthew***Mary's "treasures"**

An American Mennonite minister, Isaac Villegas, writes in the December issue of **The Christian Century** of volunteering last year at a migrant shelter in Tijuana, Mexico.

One day a woman arrived from the Mayan region of Guatemala. She was pregnant, within weeks of her due date. She came to the shelter asking for a pair of shoes.

Together, the woman and Villegas rummaged through the shelter's store of donated clothing. As they poked around, she began to giggle: there was a huge pile of high heels — stilettos and platform shoes. Villegas laughed, too, trying to explain that they were donated by well-meaning Americans who had no idea what it was like to walk through the desert in stilettos. The two eventually found a pair of Nikes that fit her.

Later that evening, Villegas and the other volunteers decided to throw a baby shower for the soon-to-be mom. They sorted through the boxes of clothes, picking out the cutest onesies and baby outfits; they pitched in to purchase a cake and party supplies. The next evening they celebrated the mother-to-be and her child about to be born, Villegas realizes, into a world and society "that couldn't care less about her life or her child's."

A week later, back home in the United States, Villegas received a text from a friend at the shelter with pictures of the newborn. Both mother and child were doing well. The folks at the shelter would care for her until she was ready to try to cross the border with her child for a new life in the United States.

For Isaac Villegas, his encounter with the Mayan mother was an experience of the Christmas mystery:

"This is the world into which Jesus is born, with Mary and Joseph far away from their home, in a neglected corner of society, left to celebrate with strangers. The shepherds from the fields offer the only gifts they have, words: the words of the angels, the promises of God, news of hope. And 'Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart . . .'"

"The Christmas gospel is this," Villegas writes, that despite the bewilderment and exhaustion of our lives, "there is joy, there are celebrations, there are baby showers in shelters and people who look out for each other and strangers who do what they can with what they have. The world is held in God's care, every life held by God."

**In the course of this New Year, we will encounter Mary and Joseph and their Child in the poor, the fearful, the broken, the despairing and the hurting we will meet. May we resolve this New Year's Day, a day dedicated to the Mother of God, to speak the word of God's compassion and peace readily and gratefully in the generosity and respect we will be called upon to extend to others. May the "holy families" we meet "treasure" in their hearts whatever we are able to provide to them as we would offer to Mary and her Child.**

*Have a great week and I'll see you in church. Fr. Matthew*



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