

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
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SAINT BARBARA FOOD PANTRY Distribution is on Saturday, from 9 -10 am
Dec. 17, 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.



The Second Sunday of Advent

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.

Our bulletins are made possible by our sponsors.
This week's **sponsor of the week:**



*Thank
You!*

Masses For The Week



Monday - 12/5

9:00 a.m. - Saint Mary - Heitger Sr. Family (Family)
AND Mary Alice Miller (Carole Sumption)

Tuesday - 12/6 - Saint Nicholas, Bishop

9:00 a.m. - Saint Barbara - James Hamel (Daughter, Janie)
AND Joe and George Schiller (Kay)

Wednesday - 12/7 - Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor

9:00 a.m. - Saint Mary - Tom and Martha Seifert (Family)
AND The People of St Barbara, St Joseph, St Mary

Thursday - 12/8 - The Immaculate Conception of the BVM

9:00 a.m. - Saint Mary - Virginia Schmidt (Jim and Julie)

12:10 p.m. - Saint Joseph - Paul J. Spataro

6:00 p.m. - Saint Barbara - Barb Nemeth (Mary & Bob Kring)

Friday - 12/9 - Saint Juan Diego

9:00 a.m. - Saint Joseph - Roseanne Rambo (Ray & Pat Halter)
AND Joseph & Maryann Mysza
AND Dudley Webster

Saturday - 12/10 - Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

4:00 p.m. - Mass at Saint Joseph - Dave Bressler (Wife, Nancy)
AND Joseph Zeglen

Sunday - 12/11 - THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00 a.m. - Mass at St. Mary - Dave Lustig (Sheila Schayders)
AND Arthur and Dorothy Rastetter (Lee, Billi, Debbie)
AND Timothy Casapini (Hella)

11:00 a.m. - Mass at Saint Barbara - Shirley A. Majors (Staff and Parishioners of Saint Barbara Parish)
AND Dave Bressler (Wife, Nancy & Children)

Sanctuary Candle – is prayerfully lit in memory of Joe and George Schiller from Kay Schiller.

Flowers on the Altar – The flowers on the altar are for Mary and Bob Kring on the occasion of their 54th Anniversary.

COMMUNAL PENANCE SCHEDULE

Tuesday, December 13th - Holy Family/Saint Clement - 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 14th - Saint Joseph - 1:00-2:30 p.m.

Friday, December 16th - Saint Barbara - 6:00-7:30 p.m.

December - 90 PLUS BIRTHDAYS

Gloria Forgan – Dec. 3 – 90 yrs., Kathleen Jones – Dec. 3 – 93 yrs.

Mildred Walsh – Dec. 5 – 92 yrs., Richard Repp – Dec. 21 – 95 yrs.

SAINT BARBARA'S CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE: PLEASE remember that the Angel gifts are due back **NO LATER** than **NEXT WEEKEND, DECEMBER 11, 2022** following the 11:00 Mass. Please remember to follow the directions on each angel as some say **DO NOT WRAP**, while others request an activation slip. Otherwise please wrap your gift and attach the angel to the outside of the gift. Any questions? Call Karen Cox @ 330-830-9620. Thank you for making Christmas brighter for those in need!!

FOOD PANTRY: The next Food Pantry distribution will be on Saturday, December 17th from 9-10 a.m.

Food Pantry Item of the Month: Cake Mix, Icing, Brownie Mix

November 27, 2022

Weekly Budget	\$ 12,621.00
Needy	\$ 280.00
Reg. Collection	\$ 4,620.94
Mail-in	\$ 780.00
On Line	\$ 2,365.00
Total	\$ 7,765.94
	(\$ 4,855.06)

Attendance: 930 - 4:00 - 210; 8:00 - 350; 11:00 - 370

St. Joseph \$4,125.00

Saint Mary (\$11,394.00-11/20/22) \$9,284.00 11/27/22)

Lectors: 6:00 p.m. - 12/8/22 - Immac. Conception J. Shrider, M. Soehnlen

11:00 a.m. - 12/11/22 - C. Giltz, B. Howe

Sacristans: 11:00 a.m. - 12/11/22 - J. Wyman

Advent Wreath: 11:00 a.m. - 12/11/22 - Dan Sirgo Family

IN MEMORIAM: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jonathan (Noah) Akbar Nikzad (son of Jane Leonard-Hathaway and step-son of Tom Hathaway), grandson of Father Samuel Leonard of Saint Barbara's parish, son of Arsalan Nikzad, siblings Katherina, Michelle, Emily, Ryan, Natalie, Olivia, Mercedes, and Dane. Eternal rest grant to him, O Lord, and may he rest in peace.

IN MEMORIAM: Please pray for the repose of the souls of James (Ann) Rohr, father of Phillip, Marie, Marcella, James F., and Marlene AND Joseph (Theresa) Check, step-father of James (Paulette) Martin of our parish. Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and may they rest in peace

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Information is located in the churches about the Advent and Christmas Schedules. Please pick up a copy or two and use for your reference. This is a handy tool to use for the holidays.

BAPTISMS: Congratulations to the newest members of the Catholic Church who were baptized during the month of November. We pray for God's blessing upon all of the newly baptized. Welcome to our parish family! Ellie Mae Frank, daughter of Brian Frank and Becky (White) Frank, Lewis Ridley Jones, son of Anthony Jones and Katrina (Levy) Jones, Anderson Matthew Mays, son of Matthew Mays and Emily (Hornyak) Mays, Elliott Joel McCaulley, son of Shaun McCaulley and Amber (Jones) McCaulley, and Brody Michael Scassa-Tonn, son of Brody Tonn and Anjolena Scassa.

SAINT RAPHAEL AND SAINT DYPHNA SHRINE: Please consider St. Raphael and Saint Dymphna Shrine Gift Shops for the Advent and Christmas seasons. Many beautiful items are available.

Vocations: Are you called to be "A herald's voice in the desert" preparing the way of the Lord in the hearts of His people? If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact Fr. Chad Johnson at (330) 744-8451 or cjohnson@youngstowndiocese.org.

CHRISTMAS 50/50 DRAWING: The tickets are \$10.00 each or 6 for \$50.00. Sorry the envelope did not include the amount. Each parish will have a 50/50 raffle to be drawn on Christmas Day. Please return your tickets in the collection basket or Parish Office by December 23, 2022 at the latest. Thank you for your support.

FAITH AND LIGHT FORUM: Father James McKarns will be speaking on "Saint Joseph's Amazing Dream Journey" on Thursday, December 8, 2022 at Saint Michael Parish, Canton. The luncheon will be at 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$16.00 with lunch or \$8.00 without lunch. Pay at the door. Call 330-649-1231 for luncheon reservations.

CHRISTMAS OF REMEMBRANCE

Calvary Cemetery - Massillon invites you to attend their Christmas of Remembrance Event and hang an ornament on their Christmas Tree in remembrance of your dearly departed loved one on The Feast Day of Saint Nicholas, Tuesday, December 6th from 5-7:00 pm. Call 330-792-4721 for more information.

POSITION OPENING: Executive Director Right to Life of Northeast Ohio is seeking a mission-driven, pro-life experienced non-profit business leader. Public speaking and fundraising skills are also a plus. The Executive Director shall also demonstrate a vibrant personal faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and be an active member of a local church. This is a full-time position in Akron, Ohio. For a job description, [e-mail director@rtlofneo.com](mailto:director@rtlofneo.com). Please submit a cover letter and resume to employment@rtlofneo.com and use the subject: RTL Exec Director Job.

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.

Stewardship: *"Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire." Matthew 3:10* — Do you bear good fruit for Jesus? Do you spend time in prayer or do you waste it with mindless activity? Do you use your talent to help others or are you too busy? Do you use your treasure to support the Church or do you buy more things that go unused. Our time, talent and treasure are gifts from God. What we do with these gifts is our gift back to Him. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas season?

Monthly Rosary: The Evangelization Committee will be praying the Rosary at 10:30 am before Mass on Sunday, December 18th .

A Note from Fr. Matthew

Little Amal

She has been pelted with stones in Greece, blessed by the pope at the Vatican, and danced with children from Paris to New York.



The center of such attention: a 12-foot-tall puppet.

The puppet's name is Little Amal. Amal depicts a 10-year-old Syrian refugee. She's the creation of the renowned Handspring Puppet Company. Handspring created Amal to highlight the plight of millions of displaced people, especially children, who have been forced to flee their homes because of violence and persecution.

Operated by four puppeteers, Little Amal began her walk across Europe in the summer of 2021, shortly after the Taliban takeover in Afghanistan that spurred a migration crisis in Europe. Since then, Amal has traveled to Turkey, Greece, Rome and France, as well as meeting with Ukrainian refugees in Poland. This September, Amal spent 19 days touring New York, before going on to Germany, Belgium and the United Kingdom.

Amal has been seen by more than one million people in 85 cities in 12 countries and has covered almost 6,000 miles. Wherever Amal appears, thousands of people, especially children, come to walk and dance and have their pictures taken with her. Amal has also raised thousands of dollars for food, shelter, medical services and educational opportunities for refugee children.

A few places would not let Amal in their community, protesting the presence of a "Muslim doll from Syria" (Amal's religion has never been specified). At a few of her appearances, people pelted Little Amal with eggs and fruit — and even stones. But for the most part, Amal is welcomed with song and gifts for the most vulnerable among us.

Her presence is an invitation to embrace the meaning of her name — "Amal" is Arabic for *hope*.

[The New York Times, September 15 and 24, 2022; CNN, September 28, 2022.]

"Amal" and her creators are "John the Baptizers" in these days of war and violence against innocent children; Amal reminds us of our responsibility to the displaced and marginalized. In our Advent care of others, we "proclaim" (the Greek word for "prophet") the presence of God in our midst in our simple and ordinary acts of compassion, mercy and justice. This Advent calls us all to be signs of hope, revealing God's presence in the darkest times, enabling miracles of resurrection to take place here and now.

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

PATRIOTIC ROSARY: Dear Parishioners, Come join us at St. Barbara's on the east side of the church on Saturday, Dec. 10th for the Patriotic Rosary at 12noon. The Blessed Mother, under her title of the Immaculate Conception, as Patroness of the United States of America loves to hear from her children. The feast day of her Immaculate Conception is December 8th. Let us give her special honor as we place our trust in her intercession for our nation and our world. Any questions contact Verla Lorenz at 330-833-1125. Thank you and may you have a Blessed Advent.

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