

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

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Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them.

- Mk 9:7-8

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 28, 2021

SUN 2/28 Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 [9]/Rom

8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

MON 3/01 Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9 11 and 13 [cf. 103:10a]/Lk 6:36-38

TUE 3/02 Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mt 23:1-12

WED 3/03 Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b]/Mt 20:17-28

THR 3/04 | Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Lk 16:19-31

FRI **3/05** Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 [5a]/Mt

21:33-43, 45-46

SAT 3/06 Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8a]/

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

SUN 3/07 Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/1

Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 or Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Rom

5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 28, 2021

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Lent

Wednesday: St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin

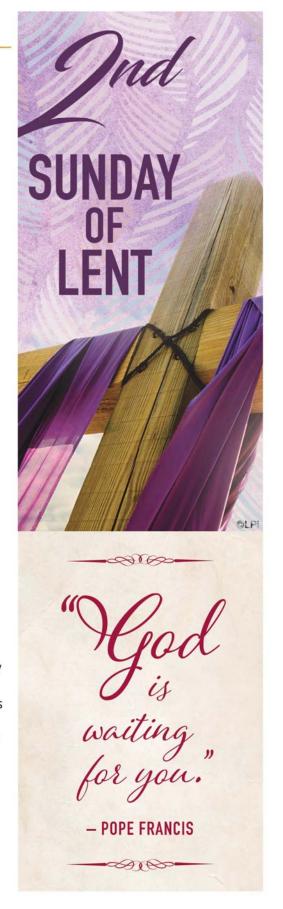
Thursday: St. Casimir

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Lent

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Inspiration for the week

How is your Lent going so far? In changing the circumstances and order of our lives a bit, perhaps we can hear God's voice more clearly and drink more deeply of graced moments we experience. Having God as a friend always involves several things. First, there is God's call. We become attuned to the echo of God's voice in the depth of our souls calling and beckoning us to listen. Second, there is a request. We begin to see that God asks us to do certain things, to order our lives a particular way, and become more intentional in the choices we make. Third, there is trust. Do we trust this call and request? Trust commits us to the relationship and makes a claim on who we are. Finally, we are asked to act. We find ourselves acting, not in the way we used to, but in a transformed, more enlightened way. Things seem clearer and all that is around us shines with the brilliance of God's presence. God's call came through a cloud, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him," This is the call and the request. Can we give God our trust and do as God asks?



Masses For The Week

Monday - 3/01

9:00 a.m. - Dwight Weaver (wife, Ann)

Tuesday - 3/02

9:00 a.m. - Rev. Ronald Klinger (Rev. Brian Cline)

Wednesday - 3/3 - St. Katharine (School Mass)

8:20 a.m. - Becky Scheetz (Judy Wellin)

Thursday - 3/4 - St. Casimir

6:00 p.m. - Marjorie Ray (Nancy Adley)

Friday - 3/5 - World Day of Prayer

9:00 a.m. - Michael Hatch (Anna Mae Hatch)

Saturday - 3/6

4:30 p.m. - Catherine Eaglowski (daughters)

Sunday - 3/7 - THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00 a.m. - Mary & Anthony Halter & Family (Ray & Pat)

10:30 a.m. - Tom Fichter (Evelyn & Family)

<u>The Sanctuary Candle</u> – is prayerfully lit in loving memory of Jim Parish from Carol & Joe Vilhosky.

Inclement Weather: - In case of school closing on Wednesday, Mass will be at 9:00 a.m. If Mass is cancelled it will be posted on Facebook.

With Communal Penance being cancelled this year, each of the parishes in our region are offering the Sacrament of Reconciliation at different dates and times. Below are times that St. Barbara and St. Mary's will be offering confessions.

St. Barbara

Saturdays from 3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.

Thursdays during Lent (with the exception of Holy Thursday) from 5:00 p.m. - 5:50 p.m. followed by Mass at 6:00 p.m.

St. Mary

Wednesday, March 10th from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 18th from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 25th from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Little Black Lenten Booklets

(There are still a few left)

The six - minute meditations on the Sunday Gospels of Lent begin on Sunday, February 14 and run through Easter Sunday, April 4, may be found at the west and east entrances of the church. We appreciate the generosity of a parishioner for making these booklets available.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES:

SATURDAY - 4:30 p.m. - SUNDAY - 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. HOLYDAY VIGIL - 7:00 p.m. - HOLYDAY - 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. WEEKDAY - Monday, Tuesday, Friday, 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, 8:20 a.m. (School Mass)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - SATURDAY - 3:30 p.m.

February 20-21, 2021

Weekly Budget	\$ 12,621.00
Needy	\$ 388.00
Reg. Collection Mail-in On Line Total	\$ 3,612.00 \$ 1,502.00 \$ 1,320.00 \$ 6,434.00
Deficit	\$ 6,187.00)

Mass Attendance

239 - 4:30 - 88; 8:00 - 53; 10:30 - 98

Lectors - Saturday/Sunday

4:30 p.m. - 3/6 - M. Carrothers

8:00 a.m. - 3/7 - D. Anderson

10:30 a.m. - 3/7 - R. Bossler

Sacristans - Saturday/Sunday

4:30 p.m. - 3/6 - S. Ziegelhofer

8:00 a.m. - 3/7 - J. Wyman

10:30 a.m. - 3/7 - P. Martin

In Memoriam:

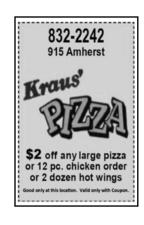
Please pray for the repose of the soul of Susan Mastrianni, beloved parishioner and Sister of Janet and David Mastrianni, and Jack Eshelman former parishioner, husband of Georgia. Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and may they rest in peace.

Vocations

"If God is with us, who can be against us?" Is the Lord strengthening you to consider the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life? Call Father Scott Kopp at (330) 744-8451 or email skopp@youngstowndiocese.org.

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent at 7pm

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Dear Parishioners,

The Most Reverend David J. Bonnar, Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Youngstown has issued his first Pastoral letter entitled "Testify to the Light."

Through this pastoral letter Bishop Bonnar seeks to acknowledge the darkness of this time, revisit the importance of our Sacramental life, highlight the value of parish life and offer five priorities for our Journey into the future together.

These five priorities include, Prayer, Healing, Communication, Service, and Joyful Witness. Bishop Bonnar's Pastoral Letter has been inserted in the bulletin.

Have a Great Week, Fr. Brian

Prayer for the Bishop's Appeal

Loving and gracious God,
you gave us your Son, Jesus Christ.
He gave of himself, not only on the cross,
but in every moment of his life.
Jesus saw the hungry; he fed them.
Jesus saw the lame; he cured them.
Jesus saw the sick; he healed them.
Jesus saw the discouraged; he encouraged them.
Jesus saw the dying; he gave them new life.
Jesus gave.
In this way, he taught us to give.

Loving and gracious God, open our hearts to the many ministries offered throughout our Diocesan Church.

Strengthen our resolve to be like your Son, Jesus Christ, to give of ourselves in every moment of our lives.

Amen

Monthly Rosary

The Evangelization Committee will be resuming the praying of the Rosary one half hour before Mass one Sunday per month. We will begin in March .

March 6, 2021 at 4:00 pm. April 11, 2021 at 7:30 am. May 9, 2021 at 10:00 am.

NOTICE

Due to the rising number of cases of COVID-19, and in an effort to keep our staff and parishioners safe, the parish office will be closed to visitors. The staff will still be available to answer phone calls and assist with any questions. If you need to drop something off for a staff member, please do so in the locked mailbox next to the front door. We apologize for the inconvenience, but safety must be our priority during these uncertain times.

Office Hours:

Monday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Tuesday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Wednesday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Thursday CLOSED

Friday 10:00 am - 4:30 pm

RIGHT TO LIFE OF STARK COUNTY: Canton Forty Days for Life will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 17th and end on Palm Sunday, March 28, 2021. We will pray for an end to abortion on the sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood, 2663 Cleveland Avenue NW, Canton. We will pray from 8 am-6pm seven days a week. If you would like to participate by praying for one hour or have any questions, please contact Linda at 330-705-8814 or fortydayscanton@gmail.com. You may also go to www.40daysforlife.com. You may like to make this a family time of prayer with your husband, wife, and children. We also ask that you encourage your friends, church youth group or your church to become involved. Planned Parenthood in Canton provides abortion referrals. There were 501 Stark County preborn children aborted in 2019 and many of these came from Planned Parenthood referrals. Please prayerfully consider helping us to fill our calendar during Canton 40 Days for Life.

K of C Council 554 Right to Life: Please join the K of C Massillon Council 554, Stark County K of C Members, Massillon Catholic Churches along with Pro – Life Christians that will be conducting its yearly public prayer vigil during Lent to be held every Sunday starting Feb. 21st at 2 P.M. focused on the 40 Days for Life outside the Canton Planned Parenthood , 2663 Cleveland Avenue NW, Canton.

The Rosary will be recited every week and we will conclude on Palm Sunday with The Stations of the Cross.

REMINDER: Please remember that masks are to be worn at all times and should only be removed to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. We are so blessed to be able to hold Masses in person, so we must be strict in following the health department guidelines in order to remain open. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding in this matter.

*Note: We have asked liturgical ministers to remove their masks whenever they have a speaking role in the Mass in order to be better heard and understood.

Thank You!

Catholic Exponent

We hear Moses, in the first reading from Leviticus, explain to the Hebrews the commandments of the Lord and urge them to "observe them with all your heart and all your soul."

In the Gospel reading from Matthew, Jesus calls us to grow in our understanding of what God calls us to and to deepen our commitment to follow His ways. As the world we live in goes through changes, that challenge to grow in our understanding of what God's commandments becomes more complex.

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Stewardship:

" 'Here I am!' he answered." - GENESIS 22:11

It is easy to say, "Here I am, Lord," when we are kneeling in church. But how easy is it to say "Here I am, Lord," when a neighbor needs our help, when we are invited to join a parish ministry, or when we are asked to provide financial support? Often times we are called when it's not convenient for us. Discipleship is not always easy, most of the time it will make us uncomfortable and vulnerable.

Catholic Charities: Many of the people who come to Catholic Charities for assistance are families with children or older adults on fixed incomes asking for help – help to keep their homes warm during the cold winter months. Catholic Charities' Warm Hearts for Warm Homes campaign (formerly Keep the Kids Warm) provides tangible assistance and peace of mind to individuals and families in need of utility assistance. Please visit www.ccdoy.org to learn more and to make a gift online. Thank you for your consideration and generosity.

A Prayer for Pregnant Mothers: O Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties. Guide us as we strive to make our parish communities places of welcome and assistance for mothers in need. Help us become instruments of God's love and compassion. Mary, Mother of the Church, graciously help us build a culture of life and a civilization of love, together with all people of good will, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life. Amen

Lenten Suggestions - February 17 - April 4

(From the Evangelization Committee)

- (1) Ash Wednesday Mass
- (2) Daily Meditations found in the Little Black Book
- (3) Attend Daily Mass
- (4) Attend Eucharistic Adoration (See Handout)
- (5) Give up Television and/or internet for one or more days
- **(6)** Go for a walk and give thanks for your many blessings
- (7) Pray the Rosary Daily
- (8) Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation
- (9) Do an act of kindness
- (10) Use your Lenten and Easter Handout

St. Barbara School has an open position for a PT custodian for afternoons. This position would include: General cleaning: Vacuuming, mopping, sweeping, dusting of floors, hallways, bathrooms etc. Able to use a floor scrubber

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Mids Lids: At this time, we are not able to accept Mids Lids for the school due to the pandemic. For the time being, if you would still like to save your lids, please keep them at home, and we will notify you when we can accept them again.

Bingo: We are always looking for volunteers to help out at Bingo, which is currently the ONLY fundraiser we can have for the school and the parish. If you are able to volunteer, your help would be greatly appreciated! NO EXPERIENCE NEED-ED! Areas to help could be anything from working the kitchen (taking money and serving food/coffee) to walking around selling instant tickets to players during the game and breaks (\$1.00 per ticket, you take the money and hand them the tickets). If you are able to help, please call either Jennifer at the parish office at (330) 833-6898 or Lisa at the schools office (330) 833-9510. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

PATRIOTIC ROSARY

Come join us for the Patriotic Rosary on Saturday March 13th at St. Barbara's at 12 noon on the east side of the sanctuary. Thank you to all who have attended in the past. Bring your friends for a beautiful Rosary experience. Wishing you all well and hope you can make it. Thank you, Verla Lorenz, Any questions, call me at **330-833-1125**



DIOCESE OF YOUNGSTOWN 2021 ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL

This week our parish will be joining parishes throughout the Diocese of Youngstown in asking every Catholic family to support the 2021 Annual Bishop's Appeal. The Appeal is the primary funding source for Catholic Charities in the six counties of our diocese. Especially as we continue to weather the effects of the pandemic, there has been an increase in the number of needy persons coming to Catholic Charities for help, and they depend on our support of the Bishop's Appeal.

The Bishop's Appeal also helps to support our diocesan ministries including seminarian formation and the Office of Vocations, the Office of Catholic Schools, Religious Education, Youth and Young Adult Ministries, and the Catholic Television Network of Youngstown (CTNY).

Our parish was given an Appeal goal of \$61,000.00 to contribute towards the diocesan goal of \$4 million. Bishop Bonnar is counting on our support of the 2021 Bishop's Appeal to reach our goal.

Thank you to those members of our parish who responded early to the Appeal. Please be aware that if you made a gift to last year's Bishop's Appeal, you will receive your letter from Bishop Bonnar near the end of the month. If you did not make a gift last year, you will receive a letter from Bishop Bonnar at the beginning of next month.

Please prayerfully consider how you can best respond when asked to make a commitment to this years Bishop's Appeal.

Thank you.

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(Lenten Fish Fry)

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Dinner choices:

2 piece Fried fish dinner, macaroni and cheese, coleslaw, roll & butter - \$11.00 Shrimp dinner, macaroni and cheese, coleslaw, roll & butter - \$11.00 Macaroni and cheese dinner, coleslaw, roll & butter - \$10.00 Baked Fish macaroni and cheese, coleslaw, roll & butter - \$11.00 Extra piece of fish - \$3.00 ea.

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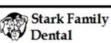
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