

# Saint Barbara Catholic Church

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## MASS SCHEDULE

**SATURDAY** - 4:30 pm

**SUNDAY** - 8:00 am, 10:30 am

**HOLY DAY:** See Bulletin

**WEEKDAY** - Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri. 9:00 am

**RECONCILIATION** - SATURDAY from 3:30 - 4:20 pm

### Weekday Masses

On weekdays when there is a funeral there will be no 9:00 am Mass

**LIVESTREAMING:** For those who are homebound or unable to attend Mass, our 10:30 am Mass is now being livestreamed.

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**Office Hours:** Monday, - Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm  
Closed Thursday

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## The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

### 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 and we will give you a call.

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*Thank You!*

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**Prayer Circle:** Sue Ziegelhofer - 330-832-1992  
**Infant Baptism** - Baptisms are scheduled on an individual basis and may be celebrated during Mass, or privately. 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.  
**Reconciliation** - The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered Saturday from 3:30 to 4:20 pm.  
**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.

**Masses For The Week**



**Monday - 6/20**

9:00 a.m. - Helen Halter (Ray and Pat Halter) **AND**  
Mary and Paul Halter (Ray and Pat Halter)

**Tuesday - 6/21 - Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious**

9:00 a.m. - Dave, Diane and Becky (Wife & Mom Agie)

**Wednesday - 6/22 - Saint Paulinus of Nola, Bishop**

**And Sts. John Fisher & Thomas More**

9:00 a.m. - Tom and Nancy Adley, Living (65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

**Thursday - 6/23 - The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist**

No Mass

**Friday - 6/24 - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**

9:00 a.m. - Jeanie and Robin Younker  
(John and Lora Popovich)  
**AND** David & Nancy Bressler  
(Wife Nancy on Anniversary)

**Saturday - 6/25 - The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin**

4:30 p.m. - Louise and John Drobney (Mary Beth Miller) **AND**  
Ann Weaver (Mary and Bob Kring)

**Sunday - 6/26 - THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

8:00 a.m. - Jeremy Lane (Weller Family)  
10:30 a.m. - James Pirrung (Donna, & Mr. and Mrs. Jack Close)  
**AND** James Cline  
(Fr. Matthew and Parishioners of Saint Barbara)

June 11-12, 2022

<u>Weekly Budget</u>	\$ 12,621.00
Needy	\$ 664.25
Reg. Collection	\$ 8,770.69
Mail-in	\$ 1,472.00
On Line	<u>\$ 1,585.00</u>
Total	\$ 11,827.69
	(\$ 793.31)
Mass Attendance: 368 - 4:30 - 119; 8:00 - 109; 10:30 - 140	

**Lectors - Saturday/Sunday**

4:30 p.m. - 6/25/22 - P. Brockmeier  
8:00 a.m. - 6/26/22 - V. Lorenz  
10:30 a.m. - 6/26/22 - C. Giltz

**Sacristans - Saturday/Sunday**

4:30 p.m. - 6/25/22 - P. Bishop  
8:00 a.m. - 6/26/22 - J. Wyman  
10:30 a.m. - 6/26/22 - B. Fath

The Sanctuary Candle – is prayerfully lit in memory of The Shade Family from Joanne Dixon.

Flowers on the Altar – Father’s Day Blessings to All Father’s and Happy Birthday Mom from Karen Crowe.

**NEW PARISH NAME:** When our three churches become one new parish we will need a new parish name. Each church will maintain it’s own unique name and become part of a new parish. We need your suggestions. It must be a name that is not being used in the Youngstown Diocese. It should reflect the spirit and community of the three churches in Massillon. Please write your suggestions down and put in an envelope. These should be put into the collection baskets. Only suggestions submitted this way will be considered. We are sensitive to the concerns and questions you may have about the new parish. If you have any questions, PLEASE ask. Please include your name and phone number so we can address your concerns. Thank You.

The Parish Councils of St. Barbara, St. Mary, St. Joseph and Father Matthew

**Vocations:** “They all ate and were satisfied.” Are you called to feed his flock as a priest? Call Father Scott Kopp at 330-744-8451 or email: [skopp@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:skopp@youngstowndiocese.org).

**JUNE – 90 PLUS BIRTHDAYS**

Helen Kobilarcski-June 18-91 yrs;  
Betty Kasunic-June 24-94 yrs.

**JULY – 90 PLUS BIRTHDAYS**

Nina Eaglowski – July 14 - 90 yrs.,  
Rose Maier – July 20 - 91 yrs.,  
Sofie Yost – July 23 - 99 yrs.  
Marian McCarthy – July 29 - 91 yrs.

**THANK YOU:**

Thank you for the cards on my 91<sup>st</sup> Birthday. I don’t get around as fast as I use to and late sending out this thank you but they were very much appreciated. Al Kerr

**FIRST STEP FOR CHANGE**

Thank you to all who have participated in Catholic Charities’ First Step for Change campaign thus far. As we celebrate Father’s Day, we pray that you will consider a donation to provide formula, diapers, wipes and other essential baby items to children and families in need! Envelope packets are located at each entrance to the church. Your check can be made out to Catholic Charities/First Step for Change, placed in the envelope provided and drop in the collection basket or return to the rectory. The campaign will end on June 30<sup>th</sup>.

**BINGO HELP:** We are always looking for volunteers to help out at Bingo. Please support our School and parish. If you are able to volunteer, your help would be greatly appreciated! NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED! 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 Mary at the parish office at (330) 833-6898. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

**Summer Flowers:** Thank you to all the volunteers who came out to trim shrubs, edge, weed and plant flowers. You may notice that a tree in front of the Rectory had to be removed as it had died. Mulching will be done in the next few weeks. It is not too late to contribute to the grounds keeping fund if you have not done so. Thank You!

**Hospitality Weekend:** Since the weekend of June 25/26<sup>th</sup> will be the last of our three regular Masses, we feel it would be nice to have donuts and coffee after each of these Masses. Many parishioners may wish to worship at different times and churches in the future and this will give everyone the opportunity to visit and socialize.

#### ANNUAL DR. JOHN SCOTT MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

This golf outing will benefit Boy Scout Troop 16 sponsored by St. Joseph Church, Canton and held Sunday, August 14, 2022 at 1:30 pm at Sable Creek Golf Course, 5942 Edison St., Hartville. Four-somes: \$300 (includes dinner). Prizes, 50/50, and raffle. Sponsorships available. Contact Jim DiCola at 330-418-5105 or [jvdicola@gmail.com](mailto:jvdicola@gmail.com) or Fred Scott at 330-806-8894 or [89rockne92@gmail.com](mailto:89rockne92@gmail.com) Checks payable to BSA Troop 16 to 344-23<sup>rd</sup> Street NW, Canton, OH 44709.

**Monthly Rosary:** The Evangelization Committee will be praying the Rosary one half hour before Mass one Sunday per month.

July 17, 2022

August 21, 2022 – September 18, 2022 – 10:30 AM

**URSULINE SISTERS:** The Ursuline Sisters of Youngstown are still in need of hiring a full-time housekeeper for their Motherhouse, 4250 Shields Road Canfield. Call Linda at 330-792-7636x343.

**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:** *"They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets."* (Luke 9:17)

The story of the Loaves and Fishes shows us that when you share what you have, even if it doesn't seem like that much, miracles can happen! Do not think that your gift is too small or insignificant! Each of us has a role in God's plan; you just need to place your trust in the Lord. Nothing is impossible with God. You may be the answer to someone else's prayer.

#### A Note from Fr. Matthew



##### "The Beauty of Dusk"

New York Times Opinion writer Frank Bruni woke up one morning several years ago with "freakishly" blurred vision. Doctors discovered that Bruni had suffered a rare stroke that ravaged the optic nerve behind his right eye. The stroke has left him with a "permanent fog over the right edge of my vision" and "out of whack" depth perception.

His adjustment to his condition has left Bruni with a new appreciation of how we see — not just the physical faculty of sight but how we perceive and understand ourselves and others. He tells the story of his new appreciation of sight and perception in his new book **The Beauty of Dusk**.

His experience has left him "seeing" with more kindness and understanding — and listening more with empathy and compassion. Bruni writes:

"Imagine that our hardships, our hurdles, our demons were spelled out for everyone around us to see. Imagine that each of us donned a sandwich board that itemized them.

*"Single parent, child with special needs, nowhere near enough help. A woman I know would be wearing that, and her acquaintances would rightly find her ability to hold down a full-time job and her unflagging professionalism in it not just admirable but heroic. They'd instantly forgive her any tiny lapses of memory, any fleeting impatience, because they'd understand what a miracle it was that the lapses were only tiny and the impatience merely fleeting.*

*"Road accident, broken bones, reconstructive surgeries, can no longer fully feel a kiss. A man I am acquainted with would be wearing that, the shorthand for an ordeal that lasted years and forever altered his appearance. He'd be the object of wonder at his optimism and cheer. He'd be an example and admonishment to the defeatists in his orbit.*

*"Plane crash, prosthetic leg, dead 8-year-old son. A fellow writer who used the same Manhattan workout space that I did would be wearing that, the succinct summary of a harrowing story. Flying was a hobby of his, and he was piloting the aircraft when it went down, killing his lone passenger, his only child. He almost lost his second leg and spent the next five months in treatment centers. I learned all of this not from him but from other acquaintances of his and only after many upbeat, spirited chats with him that gave no hint of it. I was stunned and humbled . . .*

*"Some of these sandwich boards were legible to me because I was now reading the world differently and some were presented to me by people who knew what my own sandwich board said. (Eyesight compromised, could go blind.) I didn't have to compel the people in question to share what they were going through. It would dribble out in asides and unguarded moments, and I just had to be sensitive enough to hear and hold on to the details. I now was."*

We are all "Legion": we all carry hurts and burdens known only to us; we have our "demons" of fear and despair that plague us; we are all "entombed" by our pain and struggles that most people do not see or understand. But as Frank Bruni has discovered, we also possess the ability to see ourselves and one another in the light of God's compassion. Today's Gospel challenges us to refocus our vision to look beyond the behaviors we see in order to discern what compels those behaviors and so "unshackle" ourselves and others from the brokenness and hurt that prevent us from living our lives to the full as God created us to live them. In the light of the healing Jesus, may we bring the "dead" in our lives back to "life" and may we find our own way into the light beyond the tombs in which we bury ourselves.

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



June 19, 2022

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

As we embark on a new journey aimed at creating a collaborative model for the three Catholic parishes in the city of Massillon, namely; St. Barbara, St. Joseph and St. Mary, I would like to invite all of you to please be open-minded to the diocesan regionalization plan. This plan needs to be implemented in order to secure the future of our diocese. With the declining number of active priests and a limited number of priestly ordinations we must implement this plan as soon as possible. We can either act now or watch our parishes die a slow and agonizing death as it has already happened in some of our parishes in the diocese.

We must also follow the law of the universal Church which states: "that the maximum age of pastors considered for a retirement is seventy-five (75) years old. When a pastor reaches seventy-five (75) years of age he is asked to submit his resignation to the bishop." (Canon 538 §3) A diocesan bishop can accept it or reject it. Additionally, it is worth noticing that priests in our diocese can retire at 70 years of age. While we may have many different opinions regarding priests' retirement age, we must never forget that we are members of the Body of Christ and we do need to work together for the benefit of the entire diocese.

As members of the Roman Catholic Church, we must rise above our prejudices, biases and sometimes misconceptions based on hearsay. Before we form any opinion about each other let us all learn about one another and learn from each other about the kind of a parish community we wish to become. For far too long our society has pressured us to focus only on ourselves and placed **me** before **we**. We have been told over and over again that one person's desires and opinions are more important than an interest of a larger community. We must never forget that **ecclesia** means a church community – those who have been called out to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. You and I proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ every single day of our life by living a life of an authentic disciple and giving our witness to the faith we profess with our lips.

Sometimes there are many mixed emotions when changes and adjustments affecting a church community are being announced. Sometimes there is distrust among some people who do not feel that their voice has been heard. We can feel anyway we want to about this process. However, we can not live in denial that things will remain the same. We must let go of the "Pollyanna syndrome" and have a reality check. Please, ask yourself: Are you the same person today as you were 20, 30, 40, 50, or more years ago? Of course not. We change – all of us do.

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Sometimes we change in small ways and sometimes in big ways. However, we always evolve, and change is a part of our life and existence.

When the winds of change come our way, we must always keep an open mind and treat each other with respect. We are not *barbarians* and we do not need to treat each other with disrespect. All and any issues of worry or concern need to be brought up in a civilized way. We are all in this together! Most people do not like change. We hear the word “change” and we become worried and skeptical. A change in the life of a church community can be life giving or life taking. However, sometimes change is absolutely necessary for the survival of a church community into the future.

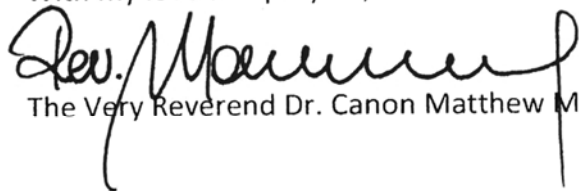
As the three Catholic parishes in Massillon move toward more collaboration and address the most dire needs for the future – we must remember that we are all Catholic Christians living our lives in the light of the Gospel and teachings of the Church. We are not master builders nor are we Messiahs. We are called to become true missionary disciples of Jesus Christ. As we embark on this new journey, I ask that everyone makes an effort to be on the same page for the sake of a greater good – which is the entire Diocese of Youngstown. We can no longer live in “our own private Idaho,” because being a diocesan church means that we are all linked together.

We are embarking on a new chapter in the history of the Diocese of Youngstown. While we may not have all the answers to our questions at this point, we trust that the Holy Spirit will guide our efforts towards a more unified diocesan church. This important endeavor requires full cooperation from the lay and the ordained members of our diocesan church. Change is never easy. However, sometimes change is absolutely necessary for the future survival of our parish communities which proves that we are a living and breathing organism formed by God. Nothing stays the same. The church of today is very different in comparison with the church of the 1950s. We are quite different today as believers, as Catholics and as citizens of this great nation.

The Church is changing, and she needs our full involvement and active participation in her mission. Jesus Christ commended his apostles, disciples, and us to go into the world and to proclaim his Gospel. You and I are living and breathing witnesses to his teachings. We must rise above our pre-conceived notions of one another and start working together for the benefit of all our Catholic sisters and brothers in Christ.

Please, give this process a chance and pray for me as your pastor to bring the three Catholic churches in Massillon together so that “all may be one” as Bishop Bonnar reminds us.

With my love and prayers,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rev. Mankowski". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline that extends below the text.

The Very Reverend Dr. Canon Matthew Maciej Mankowski, Pastor



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