

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
Nov. 19, 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.



First 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.

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This week's sponsor of the week:



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Masses For The Week



Monday - 11/28
 9:00 a.m. - Saint Joseph - Patricia Meinhart
 AND Guido Margida

Tuesday - 11/29
 9:00 a.m. - Saint Barbara - Donna Belak
 (Mary Jane and Steve Malich)

Wednesday - 11/30 - Saint Andrew, Apostle
 9:00 a.m. - Saint Mary - Mike Turkal (Wife, Julie and Daughters)
 AND Deceased Members of Walter Heckthorn Family

Thursday - 12/1
 9:00 a.m. - Mass at Holy Family/Saint Clement

Friday - 12/2
 9:00 a.m. - Saint Joseph - Betty Zelei

Saturday - 12/3 - Saint Francis Xavier, Priest
 4:00 p.m. - Mass at Saint Joseph - Robert and Jean Gulling
 AND Lucille, Christopher and Walt Ostapack

Sunday - 12/4 - SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
 8:00 a.m. - Mass at St. Mary - Carl & Catherine Hubiak (Family)
 AND Marilyn Kurtzman
 AND Bonk and Ertle Families (Tom and Jayne Bonk)

11:00 a.m. - Mass at Saint Barbara - Gabriel and Elvira Pelosi
 (Consolidani Family)
 AND Becky and Randy Els (Ray and Pat Halter)

November 20, 2022

<u>Weekly Budget</u>	\$ 12,621.00
Needy	\$ 185.00
Reg. Collection	\$ 4,719.75
Mail-in	\$ 4,368.00
On Line	<u>\$ 2,875.00</u>
Total	<u>\$ 11,962.75</u> (\$ 658.25)

Attendance: 1,015 - 4:00 - 290; 8:00 - 345; 11:00 - 380

St. Joseph \$7,320.00 Saint Mary (Report next week)

Lectors: 11:00 a.m. - 12/4/22 - R. Bossler, M. Carrothers
Sacristans: 11:00 a.m. - 12/4/22 - K. Mitchell, S. Brenner
Advent Wreath: 11:00 a.m. - 12/4/22 - Lucas Kuhn Family

IN MEMORIAM: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jonathon (Noah) Akbar Nikzad (son of Jane Leonard-Hathaway and step-son of Tom Hathaway) of our parish, son of Arsalan Nikzad, siblings Katherina, Michelle, Emily, Ryan, Olivia, Mercedes, and Dane.

The Sanctuary Candle – is prayerfully lit in memory of Bob Earl from June Earl.

Flowers on the Altar – The flowers on the altar are in memory of Catherine Boswell from Earl, Michael, Michelle, and Megan Boswell.

St. Philomena Mass; Please join us Saturday, December 3 at Holy Family Parish/St. Clement Church in Navarre to celebrate a First Saturday Mass in honor of St. Philomena. Sacrament of Reconciliation begins at 8:45 AM with rosary and chaplet at 9 AM, followed by Mass at 9:30 AM. A covered dish luncheon will follow Mass in St. Clement Hall.

CANDLELIGHT WALK & ADVENT & CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE: Information is located in the churches about the Massillon Candlelight Walk and the Advent and Christmas Schedule. Please pick up a copy or two and use for your reference. This is a handy tool to use for the holidays.

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

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.

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

YOUTH MINISTRY: Youth Ministry will meet at St. Joseph on Sunday, December 4th for the Candlelight Walk at 5:15pm. We will walk from 5:30 until 7:15. PLEASE NOTE: Students need to be dropped off at St. Joseph Church at 5:15 but picked up at St. Mary's Church at 7:30. There is a closing concert at 7:45 at St. Mary's. You are more than welcome to stay with your student for the concert but youth group will end at 7:30. Any student who drives themselves will have a ride back to their car at St. Joseph. Please direct any questions to Cara and watch the Remind for more details.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS FOR SAINT JOSEPH: We are taking donations for Christmas flowers at St. Joseph. There is NOT an envelope in your packet for this. Please place your donation in any of the offering baskets at Mass by December 11th. Please be sure your envelope is clearly marked, "St. Joseph Christmas Flowers" and that you include a note with who you would like the donation in memory of or in honor of. Please print the names clearly and include your name as well. The list of those remembered/honored will be published in the bulletin at a later date.

Vocations: "They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks" If you think that God is calling you to serve the Lord of the harvest as a priest, deacon, sister or brother, contact Fr. Chad Johnson at (330) 744-8451 or cjohnson@youngstowndiocese.org.

Musical Notes for our Parishes! Starting this week-end, we begin the liturgical season of Advent! With this change, we will use a different Mass Setting, called "Missa Emmanuel". A worship aid has been prepared for all three of our parishes to use during the Advent Season. The music is based on the beloved hymn, "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" and very easy to follow. The worship aids will be placed at the ends of each pew to use during Mass.

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.

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

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

A Note from Fr. Matthew

The Christmas card list

She keeps a copy of every Christmas card she and her husband and family sent out over the years, beginning with the first small postcard they bought as newlyweds for pennies at a discount store.



Then, with every Christmas, the cards became more elaborate. As their family grew, the little notes she would write in each card became a "letter" of family news. The cards soon were custom made to include photos of their growing family.

And the mailing list grew, as well — new friends and neighbors, business associates and acquaintances, the families of their children's friends. For several years, she and the older kids would set up an assembly line to sign the cards, address and stuff the envelopes and affix the postage. The computer made the process more efficient and less time consuming.

As the family dynamics changed, so did the cards. The kids married and had families of their own — and their own Christmas card lists. Mom continued writing cards; she always looked forward to corresponding with family and friends who lived a distance away, letting them know they were remembered and loved.

Not long after their 51st Christmas, Dad went to God. The card she sent out the following Christmas was simple and bittersweet. By then, her card list had become noticeably shorter as a result of deaths, divorces and simply losing touch. By her 80th Christmas, she had sold the big family house and moved to an assisted living facility. Despite the downsizing, she kept her box of family Christmas cards.

A few weeks before Christmas, she asked her daughter to take her shopping. When her daughter arrived to pick her up, her mother was sitting there waiting, with her shopping list and a handful of envelopes.

"Can we mail these?" she asked.

"Of course, Mom."

"Do you remember how we used to send out more than a hundred cards every Christmas?" she said quietly. "This year I'm sending out ten . . . All our friends are gone."

Her daughter hugged her mom.

"I know, Mom. I know."

Christmas serves as a marker for many families — milestones are remembered in terms of holiday celebrations (our first Christmas as husband and wife, our child's first Christmas, our last Christmas with Dad, the Christmas we spent in Canada). Like the timeliness of our greetings each year and the changes to our mailing lists, Advent confronts us with the reality that our lifetimes are precious and limited. These days before Christmas call us to behold and embrace God's presence in all that is loving, in all that is beautiful, in all that is life-giving and nurturing — in every moment of grace, in every Christmas card received and sent.

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

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