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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass	4:00pm
Sunday Mass	9:00am & 11:30am
Weekday Mass	8:00am (Monday – Thursday)
Holy Day Mass	12:15pm & 6:00pm
Reconciliation	3:00pm (Saturday)

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To register your child(ren) for Youth Faith Formation (YFF), to inquire about the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA), to begin the Annulment process, schedule a Baptism Prep session, or discuss the preparation and celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, First Eucharist (and Reconciliation), and Confirmation, please contact Marcy Fessler, our Pastoral Associate at 330-533-6839. Thank you.

PARISH INFORMATION

To register in the parish, begin planning for the Sacrament of Marriage, discuss a Mass of Christian Burial, request Letters of Suitability to serve as Godparents or Sponsors, or seek any other parish-related information, contact Maxine Gordon, our Administrative Assistant at 330-533-6839. Thank you.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Thursday: 8:30am – 4:00pm
Closed on Friday

CONTACT US

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MISSION STATEMENT

We are a faith community of Roman Catholic Christians dedicated to lovingly extending the mission and ministry of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, through Word, Sacrament, and Christian Service to the People of God, both in our parish and the surrounding areas, all to the Glory of God!

PARISH HALL & FAMILY LIFE CENTER RENTALS

Parishioners: please call Audrey Geskey at 330-533-3181



Monday, November 9
The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
11:30am – Healing for Barbara Guilano

Tuesday, November 10
Saint Leo the Great
8:00am – Joseph Maxin

Wednesday, November 11
Saint Martin of Tours
8:00am – In Thanksgiving

Thursday, November 12
Saint Josaphat
8:00am – Lavern Schraf, Karl & Karen Sleight

Friday, November 13
Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini
No Daily Mass

Saturday, November 14
Vigil - Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00pm – The People of the Parish

Sunday, November 15
The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00am – Ella Mae Serenko
11:30am – Betty & George Beelen
70th Wedding Anniversary



There is a need for at least 2 more leaders and 3-5 more helpers for Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 9:00am Mass on Sundays. We have reached the sad reality that without additional volunteers, Children's Liturgy of the Word will only be possible twice a month, starting in January 2027.

New volunteers will receive training, support and resources. All adult volunteers are required to be in compliance with the Diocesan Safe Environment Policy.

Please consider giving your time to help keep this ministry alive for our younger children. Call or email Marcy at the Parish Office: 330-533-6839, or mfessler@saintmichaelparish.net for more information and to become a part of the team for Children's Liturgy of the Word.

FROM THE PASTOR . . .

DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

Most Catholics think of the Basilica of Saint Peter as the pope's main church, but they are wrong. Saint John Lateran is the pope's church, the cathedral of the Diocese of Rome where the Bishop of Rome presides. The first basilica on the site was built in the fourth century when Constantine donated land he had received from the wealthy Lateran family – the name John is actually in honor of Saint John the Baptizer. That structure and its successors suffered fire, earthquake, and the ravages of war, but the Lateran remained the church where popes were consecrated. In the 14th century when the papacy returned to Rome from Avignon, the church and the adjoining palace were found to be in ruins. Pope Innocent X commissioned the present structure in 1646. One of Rome's most imposing churches, the Lateran's towering facade is crowned with 15 colossal statues of Christ, John the Baptist, John the Evangelist, and 12 doctors of the Church. Beneath its high altar rests the remains of the small wooden table on which tradition holds Saint Peter himself celebrated Mass. The celebration of the basilica is this Monday, November 9th, and is celebrated universally, due to the great importance as the Holy Father's own Church.

SAINT FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI

This Friday, November 13, the Church celebrates the feast of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini. Mother Cabrini was born in Lombardy, Italy in 1850, but died here in the United States in Chicago in 1917. A naturalized citizen of this country, she is the first U.S. citizen to become a Saint in the Catholic Church. In arriving in this country, she entered through the port in New York City and now serves the Church as a Patron Saint of Immigrants.

Mother Cabrini initially requested the pope's permission to establish missions in China, but he urged her to "go west, not east". She founded 67 missionary institutions, orphanages, schools, and hospitals, serving the most vulnerable. In 2020, Mother Cabrini become the first woman to have a paid state holiday in her honor here in the United States. The Colorado General Assembly established the holiday on the first Monday of October (replacing Columbus Day in Colorado).

As we continue in this month of All Saints and All Souls', it is important to recall the various men and women who have served here in our nation and have already been called to serve the Universal Church as Saints in the Kingdom. Over the next few weeks take some time and Google "American Saints of the Catholic Church" and reflect on the beauty of their lives and their ministry.

Saints of God, Come to our Aid., Father Lavelle

VOCATIONS – November 8, 2026
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour." (Matthew 25:13)

Jesus calls us to be ready, attentive, and faithful to His invitation. Priesthood and consecrated life ask for hearts that remain vigilant, prepared to serve God and His people with generosity and love. Pray for guidance and clarity in discerning how He may be calling you to serve.

Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 330-744-8451 or via email at vocations@youngstowndiocese.org.

STEWARDSHIP – November 8, 2026
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour." (Matthew 25:13)

Many of us have put off doing something because we think we are too busy. We've all said, "I'll do it later when I have time." Unfortunately, too many of us apply this attitude to our Faith. Jesus' call is urgent, in the here and now, in your current circumstances. How is God calling you to use your gifts today? Don't delay. None of us is guaranteed tomorrow.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING


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There will be a training for any young person **3rd grade and up who has received 1st Communion.** The training will take place on **Monday, November 9 at 6:00pm in the church.**

If you are interested and have not already filled out a form, please call Marcy at the parish office (330-533-6839) prior to November 6.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Dante DeAngelo	Tim Kneen	Mike Roussos
Milton Deichman	Bridget Dunn Leonard	Janice Rovnak
Matt Faltisco	Patricia Lesho	Charles Slivkoff
Jim Fisher	Barbara Dunn Lowe	Katherine Smith
Marilyn Fisher	Terry Martin	Charlene Stein
John Hahn	JoAnn Mortimer	Walt Sweeney
Betty Hawco	Shirley Morvay	Caroline Zeigler
Dale Hynes		

Readings for November 15, 2026
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
1 Thessalonians 5:1-6
Matthew 25:14-30

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH



Monday, November 9
12:00pm – Young at Heart
6:00pm – Altar Server Training

Tuesday, November 10
11:00am – Patriotic Rosary
6:00pm – OCIA

Wednesday, November 11
Veteran's Day
8:20am – Adoration

Thursday, November 12
8:30am – Bible Study
10:00am – Scripture
1:00pm – Monthly Bible Study
7:00pm – Men's Club

Friday, November 13
Parish Office Closed
7:30pm – AA Meeting

Saturday, November 14
3:00pm – Reconciliation

Sunday, November 15
9:00am – Children's Liturgy
10:05-11:20 – Youth Faith Formation



CHRISTMAS GIVING PROGRAM

Our **Christmas Giving Wreaths** are up at all entrances to the Church. Like the past few years, we will again be asking for **donations of either cash or check.** The agencies will, in turn, use the financial donations to secure what each family is requesting.

The **Angel Ornaments** on the wreaths are for you to keep. We ask that when you prepare your home for Christmas that you hang the ornament on your tree and during the holidays, when you see that ornament, you keep in prayer the family your generosity enabled to have a more joyful Christmas. All the angel ornaments have an envelope attached. The suggested donations are: light green - $25; light pink - $50; gold - $100. Any amount you can offer is acceptable. We ask that if you wish to make more than one donation, that you take one ornament, and also take other envelopes from the basket near the bulletins. Donations may be dropped off in the secured donation boxes located near the wreaths, in the offertory basket or by mail to the parish office. We are extremely thankful for the overwhelming support our parish family has shown in past years. We are very hopeful that the same generous support will continue this year. God bless you all!

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING MONTH
Preferential Option for the Poor & Vulnerable

A basic moral test is how our most vulnerable members are faring. In a society marred by deepening divisions between rich and poor, our tradition recalls the story of the Last Judgment (Mt. 25:31-46) and instructs us to put the needs of the poor and vulnerable first..

MILITARY LIST

Abby Cruz – Navy Pilot
Ryan Cruz – Captain, Marine Corp.
Colonel Gerald Nunziato
Lt. William "Bill" Sweeney", Battalion Surgeon, 6th Marines, US Navy
Capt. Lisa Sukenaga - Army

THE WORD AMONG US

The Word Among Us is a monthly Catholic publication that contains daily Mass readings, reflection meditation, and other articles. If you are interested in receiving this for a reduced cost, you can join fellow parishioners who do so. The first issue will be January 2027, and the cost should be about $20 -$25 for the entire year.

A gentle reminder that during the Mass, one should be focused on the celebration. As we are reminded in the documents governing our Catholic liturgy – we are to offer full, active, and conscious participation. Any materials such as a missal or readings and prayers are for before or after Mass, not during the liturgy itself.

If interested in ordering, please call
Joe Schesler at 3 30-507-0583.
Requests must be received by November 17.

ATTENTION LECTORS: WORKBOOKS FOR 2027 ARE AVAILABLE IN THE SACRISTY. PLEASE PICK YOURS UP AFTER MASS.

Parish Support

November 1, 2026

Amount Received	**$ 18,245.76**
Amount Budgeted	**$ 15,000.00**
Surplus/(Deficit)	**$ 3,245.76**
EFT October	**$ 11,995.00**
YTD Received	**$ 292,905.76**
YTD Budget	**$ 270,000.00**
YTD Surplus/(Deficit)	**$ 22,905.76**

Thank you for your continued support of our *parish and all our ministries! God Bless.*

Young at Heart

Young at Heart will meet this coming **Monday, November 9, 2026**. We will begin with Mass at 11:30am followed by lunch at 12:00 and then a presentation by Father Wainio on Vocations. The cost for the lunch is $5.00.

Hope to see you on Monday!

THE TURKEY CONNECTION



If you have been a parishioner of Saint Michael for some amount of time, you know of the Turkey Connection. Each year we are asked to supply turkeys and all the "fixins" like stuffing, pies, potatoes, yams, rolls, etc. for a Thanksgiving meal to serve at the three soup kitchens we facilitate – Saint Vincent DePaul Dining Hall, The Rescue Mission and The Community Kitchen of Youngstown. Please bring these items (please use disposable containers) to our Parish Hall on:

Tuesday, November 24, 2026
Between 8:30am and 4:00pm

Thank you and God bless you for this and all you already do to bring the face of Christ to this small corner of the world.

VETERANS DAY
HONORING ALL THOSE WHO SERVED

Lord, God, Almighty Father, creator of mankind and author of peace, as we are ever mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess, we ask you to bless the members of our armed forces. Give them courage, hope and strength. May they ever experience your firm support, gentle love, and compassionate healing. Be their power, and protector, leading them from darkness to light. To you be all glory, honor and praise, now and forever. Amen.

Pope Benedict XVI



Pope Benedict XVI (1927-2022) served as pope from 2005 until his resignation in 2013. His pontificate was marked by theological emphasis, Church reform efforts, and global engagement.

First papal resignation in nearly 600 years

On 28 February 2013, Benedict XVI announced his resignation due to health reasons, becoming the first pope to step down since Pope Gregory XII in 1415. This unprecedented act set the stage for Pope Francis's reforms.

Promotion of "God back to the center" and faith–reason dialogue

Benedict stressed restoring theological depth and Catholic tradition, articulating the link between faith and reason in landmark speeches such as his 2006 Regensburg address, his 2008 Paris address, and his 2011 Bundestag speech. His first encyclical, *Deus Caritas Est* (2005), emphasized love as central to Christian life.

Major Church reforms and canonical actions

He summoned four synods (two ordinary, two extraordinary), promulgated *Summorum Pontificum* (2007) to allow wider use of the 1962 Roman Missal, and issued *Amoris Laetitia*'s predecessor *Pastoral bonus* to address pastoral care. He also created 84 cardinals and beatified 855 souls, canonized 45 saints.

Addressing the clerical sex abuse crisis

Benedict confronted the abuse scandal early, condemning "the filth" in the Church and calling for purification. He established mechanisms for victim support and transparency, laying groundwork for later reforms.

Global pastoral engagement and interfaith dialogue

He undertook 24 apostolic visits, participated in three World Youth Days and a World Meeting of Families, and engaged in interreligious dialogue, meeting leaders from Judaism, Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism, and indigenous traditions. He also promoted cultural and intellectual exchange, linking Catholic teaching with global cultural leaders.

Reflection Questions *(may take some research work for these)*

Pope Benedict resignation, setting in place some changes from the usual observances for a papal funeral and election. What do you know about the process for electing a new pontiff?

Pope Benedict was the first pope whose entire pontificate was after the emergence of the sex abuse scandal and subsequent charter in the Church. What is your familiarity with the policy of the diocese to protect children and vulnerable adults?

Pope Benedict was a pope who had many writings published prior to becoming pope. What are some of the areas of interest he brought with him into the papacy that later shaped our Church?

YOUNGSTOWN VOCATIONS

A NIGHT AT THE RACES

An evening in support of our seminarians!



FRIDAY
November, 20th
2026

6:00 PM

Join our seminarians in a race to the finish line!

Saint Michael Parish
Family Life Center
340 North Broad Street
Canfield, OH 44406

Details

- $20 per person
  - includes refreshments
- $150 Event table
  - includes 8 tickets together
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Giving Tuesday

JOIN US FOR A BREAKFAST WITH THE MOST REVEREND DAVID J. BONNAR BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF YOUNGSTOWN

This event will include:

- **Mass at Saint Michael Parish at 8:00am**
- **Breakfast Buffet**
- **Collection of Goods:** *Bring a non-perishable or taxable pantry item to donate, and receive a token of appreciation from Catholic Charities.*
- **Education Stations:** Learn about Catholic Charities' ministries and services.
- **Basket Raffle**
- **Holiday Bake Sale** (Seeking Volunteer Bakers), *prices will vary.*
- **Breakfast provided by A La Cart Catering**

All proceeds to benefit Catholic Charities Basic Needs Assistance Programs.

When: **Tuesday, December 1, 2026**
Where: **Saint Michael Parish Family Life Center, Canfield**
Time: **8:30am – 10:30am**
Tickets are $35/person – To get your tickets visit www.ccdoy.org
Please RSVP by November 16!

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