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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)        |

## PARISH STAFF

Very Reverend John-Michael Lavelle, D.Min.  
*Pastor*

Marcy Fessler  
*Pastoral Associate*

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*Director of Music*

Maxine Gordon  
*Administrative Assistant*

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## SACRAMENTS AND CATECHESIS

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  
Friday: 8:30am – 3:00pm

## 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, May 12****Easter Weekday**

11:30am – In Thanksgiving

**Tuesday, May 13****Our Lady of Fatima**

8:00am – Joseph R. Webster

**Wednesday, May 14****Saint Matthias**

8:00am – Joyce &amp; John Haydu

**Thursday, May 15****Saint Isidore**

8:00am – In Thanksgiving

**Friday, May 16**

No Daily Mass

**Saturday, May 17****Vigil – The Fifth Sunday of Easter**

4:00pm – The People of the Parish

**Sunday, May 18****The Fifth Sunday of Easter**

9:00am – The People of the Parish

11:30am – The People of the Parish



The following young people were confirmed by  
Bishop Bonnar Wednesday, May 7, 2025, at  
Saint Columba Cathedral.

*Please continue to keep them in your prayers*

|                     |                    |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| Jolie Brinsko       | Joseph Minniti     |
| Luke Brose          | David Petrunia     |
| Jack Martin Cochran | Abigail Riblet     |
| Jordin Devine       | Seth Riley         |
| Tyler Dingman       | Emma Timko         |
| Nicholas Doss       | Stephen Toth       |
| Zachary Hlywa       | Abigail Tuscano    |
| Eva Kale            | Logan Whitman      |
| Mara Kale           | Benjamin Zielinski |
| Luke Kozlowski      |                    |

**FROM THE PASTOR**

As I write this portion of the bulletin, we are preparing for the College of Cardinal Electors to enter the Conclave and select the new Pontiff of the Universal Church. It could well be that by the time you read this, the new Pope has been chosen and presented to the world with the phrase “*Habemus Papam!*” – “*We have a Pope!*”. In preparation for a new Holy Father, we have invited the inspiration of the Holy Spirit upon the College of Cardinals. Whether we have a new Pope or not, the continued prayer for the guidance and inspiration of the Holy Spirit in the Church is a constant need. I am including the Litany in the bulletin for your prayers.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Father all powerful, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, Eternal Son of the Father,

Redeemer of the world, Save us.

Spirit of the Father and the Son,

boundless life of both, Sanctify us.

Holy Trinity, Hear us.

Holy Spirit, who proceeds from the

Father and the Son, Enter our hearts.

Holy Spirit, equal to the Father and the Son,  
Enter our hearts.

(Respond: **Have mercy on us** after each:)

Promise of God the Father,

Ray of heavenly light,

Author of all good,

Source of heavenly water,

Consuming fire,

Ardent charity,

Spirit of love and truth,

Spirit of wisdom and understanding,

Spirit of counsel and fortitude,

Spirit of knowledge and piety,

Spirit of the fear of the Lord,

Spirit of grace and prayer,

Spirit of peace and meekness,

Spirit of modesty and innocence,

Holy Spirit, the Comforter,

Holy Spirit, the Sanctifier,

Holy Spirit, who governs the Church,

Gift of God, the Most High,

Spirit who fills the universe,

Spirit of the adoption of the children of God,

(Respond **Hear Our Prayer** after each:)

Holy Spirit, come and renew the face of the earth.

Holy Spirit, inflame us with the flame of your love.

Holy Spirit, open to us the treasures of your graces.

Holy Spirit, teach us to pray well.

Holy Spirit, guide your Church now and always.

Holy Spirit, send us your gift of wisdom,

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world

Send us your Holy Spirit.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world

Pour down the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

Grant us your peace.



**SAINT MICHAEL MEN'S CLUB**  
**Mother's Day Breakfast**



The Men's Club is inviting Saint Michael Parishioners and their guests to our annual Mother's Day Breakfast in the Parish Hall.

**Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup> following the 9:00am Mass and serving until 11:15am.**

We will be featuring scrambled eggs French toast, sausage, donuts, champagne for the ladies, coffee, orange juice, etc.

Donation requests are \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for ages 5-10 and kids under 5 are free!

**FIRST STEP FOR CHANGE**

Catholic Charities will hold its annual *First Step for Change* campaign from Mother's Day through Father's Day, honoring the faith, humility and love it takes to raise a child, and recognizing that many parents lack adequate financial resources for their children. Funds raised through this campaign assist low-income expectant parents and families with food, formula, clothing, diapers, and other items essential to a child's health, safety and well-being.



Each family is asked to pick up a **FIRST STEP PACKET** which are located at the entrances to the church. Take the **FIRST STEP PACKET** home, learn about the program, prayerfully consider a gift, and return your envelopes to our parish by June 30.

All money collected by our parish will help to meet the needs of our own community!

*Thank you for joining us in supporting this pro-life campaign.*

**MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR MISCARRIED OR STILLBORN CHILDREN**

There will be a prayer service and a flower for the families that have suffered the tremendous loss of a child to miscarriage or stillbirth on **Sunday, May 18, 2025, at 2:00pm in the chapel at Calvary Cemetery**, 248 Belle Vista Avenue, Youngstown. Parents, family, grandparents and others are encouraged to attend.

Sponsored by the Diocese of Youngstown Office of Worship, Pro-Life, Marriage and Family Life and Catholic Funeral and Cemetery Services.

For more information call 330-799-1900.

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Monday, May 12**

9:00am – Fitness Fun

12:00pm – Young at Heart

6:30pm - OCIA

**Tuesday, May 13**

11:00am – Patriotic Rosary

**Wednesday, May 14**

8:20 – 9:00am -- Adoration

9:00am – Fitness Fun

**Thursday, May 15**

8:30am – Bible Study

8:30am – Scripture Sharing

**Friday, May 16**

9:00am – Fitness Fun

7:30pm – AA Meeting

**Saturday, May 17**

No Events Scheduled

**Sunday, May 18**

No Events Scheduled



**Parish Support**

**May 4, 2025**

|                              |                      |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Amount Received</b>       | <b>\$ 13,785.00</b>  |
| <b>Amount Budgeted</b>       | <b>\$ 15,000.00</b>  |
| <b>Surplus/ (Deficit)</b>    | <b>(\$ 1,215.00)</b> |
| <b>YTD Received</b>          | <b>\$653,379.51</b>  |
| <b>YTD Budget</b>            | <b>\$660,000.00</b>  |
| <b>YTD Surplus (Deficit)</b> | <b>(\$ 6,620.49)</b> |
| <b>Additional Easter</b>     | <b>\$ 1,255.00</b>   |



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

**SEMINARIAN SUPPORT**

The Seminarian Collection will take place this weekend, **May 10/11, 2025**, to assist with the cost of their tuition, room and board, books and with stipends for their summer ministry in parishes. During the year, they assist at diocesan events, speak at parishes and schools, and are involved in private tutoring in Spanish to help them in their ministry assignments. Your donations will be used to cover these costs.

Thank you all for your continued prayers and support of our seminarians and please continue to pray for an increase of all vocations.

**PLEASE BE GENEROUS IN SUPPORT OF OUR FUTURE PRIESTS!**

For more information about seminarians in our diocese visit <https://doy.org/seminarians/>

## The Third Annual BISHOP'S GOLF CLASSIC

*Supporting the Seminarians of the Diocese of  
Youngstown and the Office of Church Vocations*



### THE LAKE CLUB

1140 Paulin Road  
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**Monday, June 30, 2025**

**11:00am Registration & Buffet Lunch**

**1:30pm Shot Gun Start**

**\$200 Donation per golfer**

**\$800 per foursome/team**

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**Lunch buffet – Buffet Dinner – Drinks**

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### STEWARDSHIP – May 11, 2025

*"...The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit." (Acts 13:52)*

The disciples heard Our Lord's call and were able to spread the Gospel message with strength and vitality. We, too, can experience that same joy if we make room for the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts. When we use our gifts in the way that God intends, He fills us with supernatural joy. A joy that others notice and are attracted to!

### VOCATIONS – May 11, 2025

*World Day of Prayer for Vocations*

*"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me." (John 10:27)*

Let's unite as a Church to ask the Lord to inspire more hearts to hear His call and to follow Him in the priesthood and consecrated life. Trust that He knows each of us by name and will lead the right hearts to their vocation.

Talk to your priest or reach out  
to Father Chad Johnson at 330-744-8451 or  
[cjohnson@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:cjohnson@youngstowndiocese.org).

### Readings for May 18, 2025

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

Acts 14:21-27

Revelation 21:1-5a

John 13:31-33a, 34-35

## Young at Heart

Our final Young at Heart gathering until September will be this coming **Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**. We will begin with Mass at 11:30am followed by lunch and a presentation in the parish hall. The topic for this month's presentation is *"Faith, Hope and Love – the lasting legacy of Popes John Paul II, Benedict XVI, and Francis"* (and possible directions of a new Pope if one has been named).

Please call the parish office (330-533-6839) to make a reservation. The cost of the gathering is \$5.00.

*Thank you, and we hope to see you on the 12<sup>th</sup>!*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

|                 |                      |                  |
|-----------------|----------------------|------------------|
| Debbie Cancio   | Jay Gettemy          | Shirley Morvay   |
| Mindy Cline     | John Hahn            | Theresa Morvay   |
| Dante DeAngelo  | Dale Hynes           | Bill Myers       |
| James Dunn, Sr. | Christopher King     | Janice Rovnak    |
| Arlene Dyman    | Jack LeBrun          | Jack Slifka      |
| Jim Fisher      | Bridget Dunn Leonard | Caroline Zeigler |
| Marilyn Fisher  | Patricia Lesho       |                  |
| Dorothy Furden  | Barbara Dunn Lowe    |                  |

### Prayer for Vocations

*God our Father, we thank you for  
calling men and women to serve in your  
Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and  
consecrated persons.*

*Send your Holy Spirit to help others to  
respond generously and courageously to  
your call.*

*May our community of faith support  
vocations of sacrificial love in our youth  
and young adults.*

*Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives  
and reigns with you in the unity of the  
Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.*

*Amen.*

*from USCCB website*

### MILITARY LIST



|                                   |
|-----------------------------------|
| Abby Cruz – Navy Pilot            |
| Ryan Cruz – Captain, Marine Corp. |
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## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

*Remember the Lord is our Shepherd.  
He will not abandon us.*

### SACRED HEART SOCIETY

For the "Sacred Heart Society", you may enroll an individual, couple or family name in the society of \$100 each (example: *John Smith; John and Mary Smith; the Smith family or the Smith & Jones families*). A Sunday Mass each month and a Christmas and Easter Mass will be celebrated for all enrolled in the society. Please complete the "Sacred Heart Society Enrollment" form below and return it to the parish office via the offertory collection. May the Sacred Heart of Jesus lead us ever closer to the joy of the Kingdom.

#### SACRED HEART SOCIETY ENROLLMENT

enrolled name \_\_\_\_\_

enrolled name \_\_\_\_\_

enrolled name \_\_\_\_\_

your name \_\_\_\_\_

telephone number \_\_\_\_\_

# of names \_\_\_\_\_ X \$100 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
total \$ enclosed

## Mother's Day Blessing

*Heavenly Father, You have given each person the precious gift of having a mother.*

*Throughout the ages, mothers have been the unsung heroes of our lives, content with little things; a smile, a thank you, a token remembrance.*

*May all mothers learn from the example set by Jesus' mother, Mary, our Mother in Heaven.*

*Let us always remember our mothers as a treasure which You have given us, whether she is still here or in heaven.*

*Pour down Your grace on all mothers today and every day and help each one of us to live our lives based on the good examples, love and devotion which we have learned from them. Amen*



Wishing you the  
very best this  
Mother's Day!



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