

SAINT MICHAEL PARISH

A ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN THE DIOCESE OF YOUNGSTOWN



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

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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
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, May 11**

11:30am – Joseph R. Webster

Tuesday, May 12**Saint Nereus****Saint Achilleus**

8:00am – Frank Rocca

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

8:00am – Tim Mikes

Thursday, May 14**Saint Matthias**

8:00am – The DeLuca Family

Friday, May 15**Saint Isidore**

No Daily Mass

Saturday, May 16**Vigil – The Ascension of the Lord**

4:00pm – Ann & John Pitzulo

Sunday, May 17**The Ascension of the Lord**

9:00am – The People of the Parish

11:30am – Jim Kagarise

FROM THE PASTOR . . .



THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

We come to the final week of the Easter Season where we simply count the weeks. Next week, we will gather and commemorate the Ascension of our Lord, and then, conclude the following week with Pentecost. Each week, we have been challenged to select one of the three possible ways of living out the example of the First Believers in our own journey toward the joy of the Resurrection. As we prepare for these great feasts of the Church, let us one more time look at the early Church in the Acts of the Apostles, and connect with them through an act of Time, Talent, or Treasure for the week.

“...Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed the Christ to them. With one accord, the crowds paid attention to what was said... There was great joy in that city”. *Acts of the Apostles*

If we recall the story of the “Good Samaritan”, there was a long-standing division between Jews and Samaritans. But we now see the conversion and growth that occurs as the Church begins to flourish. What can we do to make sure this great sense of conversion, or in many cases, reconversion, can take place?

TIME: Take time to reflect about someone who has stopped participating in Mass, and with great sensitivity, invite them to come to Church with you sometime over the coming weeks.

TALENT: One of our shared talents is the ability to talk about God – but also to speak to him. Spend some time this week praying for others, especially our recently Confirmed students, and those who have received the Eucharist for the first-time.

TREASURE: Consider offering a Mass intention for someone who has passed away that you think might not have many people praying for them, not just a family member, but someone who maybe didn’t have many relatives to keep them in remembrance.

“Then they (the Apostle) laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit”.



YEAR OF SAINT FRANCIS

May 10, 2026

Saint Clare of Assisi

“Love Him who gave Himself totally out of love for you.”

Saint Clare wrote these words in a letter to her friend, Saint Agnes of Prague. They are a roadmap for how she lived her life. Born into a wealthy Italian family in 1194, Saint Clare was inspired by Saint Francis’ preaching and eventually founded the “Order of the Poor Ladies.” Saint Clare sought to love Christ as He loved her; totally and freely. What changes do you need to make in your life in order to do the same?

Readings for May 17, 2026

The Ascension of the Lord

Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11

Ephesians 1:17-23

Matthew 28:16-20

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH



Monday, May 11

12:00pm – Young at Heart

Tuesday, May 12

11:00am – Rosary

Wednesday, May 13

8:20am - Adoration

Thursday, May 14

8:30am – Bible Study

10:00am – Scripture

1:00pm – Monthly Bible Study

7:00pm – Men's Club

Friday, May 15

Parish Office Closed

7:30pm – AA Meeting

Saturday, May 16

3:00pm – Reconciliation

Sunday, May 17

9:00am – Children's Liturgy of the Word

25th, 40th, 50th, 55th, 60th and over Wedding Anniversary Celebration



The Diocese of Youngstown is sponsoring a Wedding Anniversary Celebration on **Sunday, June 28th at 2:00pm at the Cathedral of Saint Columba in Youngstown** honoring

couples observing their 25th, 40th, 50th, 55th, 60th, and over wedding anniversaries in 2026.

The Wedding Anniversary Celebration will include Mass with the Most Reverend David J. Bonnar, Bishop of Youngstown, with the blessing of couples celebrating significant anniversaries. Each couple will receive a personalized certificate. Following the Mass, there will be a reception for the couples and their families in the parish hall.

You must make advanced reservations for this event by contacting your parish office and obtaining your pastor's signature before May 22, 2026.

MILITARY LIST



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

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

Registration is under way for the 2026-2027 Faith Formation year. Returning families should have their registration packet. If you are new to the parish or have a child entering Kindergarten or First Grade call Marcy at the parish office for information about YFF and to request a registration packet.



First Grade is required in order to prepare for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist in second grade. It is expected that grades three through seven are completed before entering eighth grade and Confirmation preparations.

Kindergarten is not required but highly encouraged. We limit the kindergarten class to 10 children. If you are considering registering your child for Kindergarten YFF, be sure to get your registration packet in early to ensure a spot for your child.

Parish Support

May 3, 2026

Amount Received	\$ 14,539.00
Amount Budgeted	\$ 15,000.00
Surplus/ (Deficit)	(\$ 461.00)
EFT April	\$ 10,255.00
YTD Received	\$670,066.61
YTD Budget	\$630,000.00
YTD Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 40,066.61
Easter to Date	\$ 27,656.00



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

Young
at *Heart*

Young at Heart will meet on **Monday, May 11th**, with Mass at 11:30am and lunch and a program to follow. For this month's program, Father will answer questions you may have on Liturgy and Theology.

Hope to see you there!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Dante DeAngelo	Dale Hynes	JoAnn Mortimer
Jim Fisher	Bridget Dunn Leonard	Shirley Morvay
Marilyn Fisher	Patricia Lesho	Janice Rovnak
John Hahn	Barbara Dunn Lowe	Charles Slivkoff
Betty Hawco	Sharon Mangapora	Caroline Zeigler

Congratulations to all who have received the sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist!

Confirmation April 18, 2026

Domenic **John** Angiuli
Megan **Thérèse** Cochran
Luke **Patrick** Conroy
Noah **Francis** Elton
Quinn **Madeleine** Gaffney
Jacen **Sebastian** George
Sophia **Gabriella** Gorby
Maxwell **Sebastian** Hopkinson

Ava **Adelaide** Klingensmith
Cameron **Sebastian** Koenig
Joseph **Michael** Maszczak
Natalie **Isadore** McMullen
Willow **Thérèse** Miller
Caroline **Maria** Pfau
Andrew **Luke** Restaino

Chase **Matthew** Senn
Michael **Michael** Skrobola
Michael **Sebastian** Smallwood
Jacob **Sebastian** Smith
Cade **Lorenzo** Taylor
Eli **Sebastian** Tice
Andrew **Francis** Tuscano



First Eucharist

On the weekend of May 2-3, 2026

Owen Baird
Eleanor Barone
Josephine Barone
Travis Bartholomew
Evelyn Brogan
Eva Budd

Lucia Carrera
Evelyn Cupp
Vincent Fusco
Lola Garcia
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Monday, June 22, 2026

7:00am Registration

Breakfast, Lunch,
 Dinner & Drinks

9:00am Shot Gun Start

\$200 Donation per golfer

\$800 per foursome/team

*** Register at doy.org/golf

MONTHLY BIBLE STUDY

"Women in the New Testament" will be the topic of 2026-2027 monthly afternoon Bible Study Program beginning September 10, 2026, at 1:00pm in the Family Life Center. If interested, contact Barb Spencer (330-503-4756) or come May 14 at 2 – 3 pm in the Family Life Center large classroom to hear more about it. A textbook is involved.

SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB URSULINE CENTER

Beginning September 14, but normally the first Monday of the month until May, at 1:00pm at the Ursuline Center, the Spiritual Book Group will start the book: "Desperately Seeking Spirituality" by Meredith Gould, facilitated by Barb Spencer (330-503-4756). The book is currently on sale for \$4.24 at Liturgical Press. Please contact Barb for further information.

A Prayer for Mothers

All-loving God, we give you thanks and praise for mothers young and old.

We pray for young mothers, who give life and count toes and tend to our every need; May they be blessed with patience and tenderness to care for their families and themselves with great joy.

We pray for our own mothers who have always nurtured and cared for us. May they continue to guide us in strong and gentle ways.

We remember mothers who are separated from their children because of war, poverty, or conflict; May they feel the loving embrace of our God who wipes every tear away.

We pray for women who are not mothers but still love and shape us with motherly care and compassion.

We remember mothers, grandmothers, and great-grandmothers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen.

From "Our Sunday Visitor"



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