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## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, MARCH 3RD –  
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 a.m. **BOB STABILE** by Papa Family  
11:00 a.m. at Mt. Carmel



## MONDAY, MARCH 4TH

8:30 a.m. at Mt. Carmel

## TUESDAY, MARCH 5TH

8:30 a.m. **CHARLES NADER, SR.** by Chuck & Mary  
(on what would have been his  
100th birthday)

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6TH

8:30 a.m. at Mt. Carmel

## THURSDAY, MARCH 7TH

8:30 a.m. **JOAN GALLAGHER**  
by Steve & Noeleen Miller

## FRIDAY, MARCH 8TH

3:00 p.m. **STATIONS** at St. Stephen  
7:00 p.m. **STATIONS** at Mt. Carmel



## SATURDAY, MARCH 9TH

9:00-10:00 a.m. **CONFESSIONS** at Mt. Carmel  
4:00 p.m. at Mt. Carmel

## SUNDAY, MARCH 10th – FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 a.m. **MARGUERITE KOVACH** by  
Loretta & Ron McHenry  
11:00 a.m. at Mt. Carmel



## THEME: HAVE ZEAL FOR THE DWELLING PLACE OF THE LORD.

Jesus has such reverence for the temple, God's dwelling place, that He overturns tables and drives away those who are abusing its true purpose. This place here, where we are gathered and will receive Jesus in the Eucharist, is God's dwelling place as well. Let us allow Jesus to cleanse our hearts and our minds, that He might renew us as His dwelling place, His temple.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, God delivers his commandments. Paul explains to the Corinthians that the challenge the Gospel poses to Jews and Gentiles is also the power and wisdom of God to those who receive it. In the Gospel, Jesus drives the money changers out of the temple. When questioned about this, Jesus says he would rebuild the temple in three days if it was destroyed. Later, his disciples understood this to be a prediction of his resurrection.

ETERNAL FLAME INTENTION  
WEEK OF MARCH 3RD

## IN MEMORY OF PAUL &amp; BETTY TIMKO

by John & Vicki Garland

## IN MEMORY OF FRANCES HAGER

by Mary Ann Hudzik



**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** continues on Thursdays following the 8:30 a.m. Mass until 10:00 a.m. Please join us to honor and glorify God for His most perfect gift to us. The Blessed Sacrament is never to be left alone during this time so if it is difficult for you to be here for 8:30 a.m. Mass, please consider coming between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. for a visit.



## SATURDAY LENTEN CONFESSION SCHEDULE

March 9 9:00-10:00 a.m. Mt. Carmel  
March 16 9:00-10:00 a.m. St. Stephen

**TRUMBULL COUNTY LENTEN COMMUNAL Penance SERVICE**  
will be held on Tuesday, March 5 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Rose Church, Girard. Several priests will be available.



## LENTEN REGULATIONS

All Catholics are encouraged to participate in the traditional Lenten practice of prayer, sacrifice, and almsgiving. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of **fast and abstinence** – one full meal and two smaller meals for persons 18 thru 59 years of age; no meat for persons 14 years and older. All Fridays during Lent are days of **abstinence** – no meat for persons 14 years and older. There is no obligation to fast during the weekdays of Lent; however voluntary acts of self-denial are encouraged.

## WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

FEBRUARY 25, 2024

Parish Goal: \$4,700 per Sunday

Attendance Sunday: 150

Envelopes: 92

SUNDAY ENVELOPES	\$ 3,841.00
MAINTENANCE	\$ 140.00
CEMETERY	\$ 113.00
EASTER FLOWERS	\$ 40.00
EASTER	\$ 20.00
HOLY LAND	\$ 20.00

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH

Sacristan	JOHN DAUBNER
Lector	CHARLENE RABEL
Eucharistic Minister of Bread	NORA HLAD
Eucharistic Ministers of Cup	LISA BURGESS/ JOHN CULLIVAN
Altar Server	LARKIN STANFORD
Greeters	MARY ANN McMAHON/ JEFF BURKE



## LUCK OF THE IRISH 2024 ~ MARCH 16, 2024

If you haven't attended in the past, we hope you will try to join us this year. It is a great night of fun and parish fellowship, as well as our only parish fundraiser. If you would like to help with the event, please let us know. Donations of cash, gift cards and baskets will be gratefully accepted. We ask that you turn in your baskets **as soon as possible** so that the committee can process them without doing it all at the last minute. Thank you for your cooperation on that request!

**TICKETS ON SALE NOW ~ AFTER MASS**

25TH, 40TH, 50TH AND OVER  
WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Diocese of Youngstown is sponsoring a **Wedding Anniversary Celebration** on **Sunday, May 5, 2:00 p.m. at St. Columba Cathedral in Youngstown**, honoring couples observing their 25th, 40th, 50th and over wedding anniversaries in 2024.

The Wedding Anniversary Celebration will include Mass with the Most Reverend David J. Bonnar, Bishop of Youngstown, renewal of marriage vows, a personalized certificate for each couple and a light reception for the couple and their families in the cathedral hall. Couples must make reservations in advance by contacting your parish office as soon as possible, but **no later than March 27**. Limited spaces are available.

## DIOCESAN-WIDE SURVEY ~ PLEASE PARTICIPATE!

St. Stephen Parish invites you to participate in a parish and diocesan-wide survey. St. Stephen Parish along with other parishes in the diocese are being asked to participate in a diocesan sponsored-parish survey about discipleship conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute. We ask that everyone in a registered parish household 18 years of age or older take a 10-15 minute online survey. The survey will be available from February 14-March 27, 2024, and will ask you to reflect on your spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow. All responses will be confidential, and the parish will only receive information from the diocese about the community as a whole. We are trying to get the highest response rate possible. This information will be invaluable to our parish and our various ministries as we plan for the future and strive to be the best disciples we can be. We will receive the results this coming spring/summer. Please take the time to share your feedback as it is very important to our parish and our community. The link to take the survey is <https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/b6dc85>. Thank you for your input and support.



**PRAYER LIST** We would like to offer everyone the opportunity to pray for our fellow parishioners and friends who are ill or in need of prayer for any reason. If you would like to add someone to the list, please call the rectory and leave a message and we will add the requested person. Please remember the following in your prayers: **Dorothy Bianco,**

**Don Donnelly, Alida Lendvay, Mary Beth Havasi, Janet Kandrak, Sue Kopetsky, John Wilson, Kathy DeCristofaro, Mitzi Malvasi, Lou Lukz, Jennifer Cable, Michelle Howard, Jo Medovich, Kevin Grafton, Mary Catherine Freil, Kara Stanford, June Dudinec, Arlene Wilson, Mary Miller, Bob Leonard, Mike Kozak, Bob Adler, Joe Smaltz, Sandy LaMonica, Karen & Richard Slanina & Family, Carri R., Pat Hines, Bill Smith, Debbie Kovell, Lois DiFrancesco, Jeff Burke, Jack DiTunno, Tammy C., Faith Harnack, Paul Lapolla, Jim Orsine, Connie Hake, Michael Edward Thompson, Pat Spisak, Chuck Durig, Tucker Paul Clark, Jim & Jo Villeco, Sr., Jim Nitzsky, Martha Williams, Marie Perfette, Denise Burke, Sue Mollis, Chuck & Bonnie Jorza, Connie Brandt, Rachel Tarr, Steve & Dee Cvengros, Rita Mae Dodasovich, Al Conti, Rosalie McGinnis, Dick Bedio, Gavin Lingle, Peg McGinnis, Larry Batovsky, Sr., Steven Medovich, Mary Jane Tripodi, Phil C., Roberta Williams, Mary Jane Hileman, Todd Beedy, Angela Marzullo, John Daubner, Father Murphy, Peter Ford, Pat Sylvester, Sr., Hudson Joseph (Janice Rayle's 4-year-old grandson), Nanette Ball, Rick Cool, Clair Darby Camp, Bridget Darby Flores, Eli Flores and all those who suffer any illness, especially those who have no one to pray for them.**



## 2024 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

In today's Gospel, zeal for His Father's house consumes Jesus. He single-handedly drives out those who are making the Temple into a marketplace. The Jews asked, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" (John 2:18) Jesus' reply is that He is God. He is going to rise from the dead! He holds

the power over life, death, and all things. His zeal for His Father's house is one of many manifestations of who God is to the world. (God, apparently, likes a clean house!)

Zeal consumes Jesus for our parish. We are God's house. Each of us is a Temple of His Holy Spirit. The way we handle money matters to God. Our parish needs your help for our Annual Diocesan Appeal to succeed. Help us use the gifts He gives to beautify His house, adorning it with prayer and good works, and improve the lives of those entrusted to us. Jesus is zealous for us all to have the abundant life He offers—not a life suffocated by this world. Join us in living a better life—His life. **Our first report from the Diocese shows 10 families have pledged \$2,080.00 towards our goal of \$26,900.**

## OTHER NEWS



## NILES COMMUNITY SERVICES FOOD COLLECTION ~ CANNED FRUIT

**COMMUNITY SUPPERS – MARCH – NILES FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH – 608 North Crandon, Niles.** Suppers are free and open to the public on Thursday from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m.



**FISH DINNERS AT MOUNT CARMEL,** Fridays thru March 22 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. for dine-in or carryout. Baked or fried fish \$13.00 for adults, Children 12 and under \$9.00.

## FISH DINNERS AT ST. WILLIAM PARISH~ 5411 MAHONING AVENUE, NW, CHAMPION

**FRIDAYS THRU MARCH 22, 2024 ~ 4:00-6:30 p.m.~ \$13.00 per person.** Dinner includes Baked or Fried Fish, Three (3) Sides: Coleslaw or Applesauce, French Fries or Green Beans & \*Macaroni & Cheese/\*Haluski (\*Served on alternate weeks) and Dessert.

**COCKEY CARES PINT PROGRAM** From now until March 31st, 100% of the proceeds from pints of Love Thy Neighbor (fresh strawberry puree super premium ice cream with chocolate covered strawberries, brownies and dark chocolate chunks) sold at our scoop shop and restaurant (1805 Parkman Road NW, Warren) will be donated to St. Vincent de Paul to help their mission: Bring hope to those in need, so they may achieve stability and move toward self-sufficiency. A member of our St. Vincent de Paul Society tried it and highly recommends it! Do something sweet for yourself... and your neighbor!



## JFK "JUST FOR KICKS" AUCTION

Plans for the 34th Annual John F. Kennedy Catholic School "Just For Kicks" Live and Silent Auction are in full swing! The event will be held on Saturday, March 23, 2024 at the Eastwood Event Centre. Tickets are \$90.00 and include an open bar; doors open at 6:00 p.m. This evening features a live and silent auction, raffles, and one-of-a-kind experiences and gift items. "Just For Kicks" is the premier fundraiser for Catholic Education in Trumbull County and all proceeds directly benefit our students, grades K-12. Please consider joining us and take a moment to view our items up for bid. Complete details are in our Giving Center: <http://bidpal.net/jfk2024> or call 330-369-1804, ext. 1105 for more information.

**COME SOAR WITH US!** John F. Kennedy Catholic School Lower Campus will host a Meet & Greet for families with incoming students in grades K-5 on Friday, March 22nd at 2:15 p.m. Come and learn about our academics, environment, generous tuition assistance for all Ohio students, and more! Meet & Greets will be held at our Lower Campus, 3000 Reeves Road, Warren, Ohio 44483. Families are asked to preregister by calling or emailing Mrs. Judi LaPolla, Director of Admissions, at 330-369-1804 or [jlapolla@warrenjfk.com](mailto:jlapolla@warrenjfk.com). We can't wait to meet you!



*Lord Jesus Christ, You are the true King of peace. In You alone is found freedom. Please free our world from conflict, especially in the Middle East and Ukraine. Bring unity to troubled nations. Let Your glorious peace*

*reign in every heart. Dispel all darkness and evil. Protect the dignity of every human life. Replace hatred with Your love. Give wisdom to world leaders. Free them from selfish ambition. Eliminate all violence and war. Glorious Virgin Mary, Saint Michael the Archangel, every angel, and saint: Please pray for peace. Pray for unity amongst nations. Pray for unity amongst all people. Pray for the most vulnerable. Pray for those suffering. Pray for the fearful. Pray for those most in need. Pray for us all. Jesus, Son of the Living God, have mercy on us. Jesus, hear our prayers. Jesus, I trust in You! Amen.*



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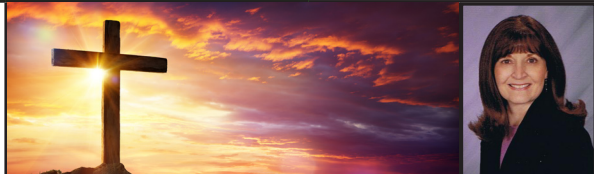
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