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## PARISH MISSION

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 Niles and the surrounding areas, all to the Glory of God!

## WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2023**

*Weekday*

8:30am – Dennis Salerno by Kathy McCreanor  
Choir of Angels

### **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2023**

*Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

8:30am – Jennie Strong by Evelyn Rice  
Patrice Lynch by husband, Tom  
9:00-10:00am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2023**

*Vigil, Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:00pm – Robert Lyell by Eleanor and Clark Bouch

### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2023**

*Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

11:00am – Bernard and Mark Helmick by family

## DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:

**OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL – NILES  
MONDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS AT 8:30AM**

**SAINT STEPHEN CHURCH- NILES  
TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS AT 8:30AM**

**OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP-  
MCDONALD  
FRIDAYS AT 8:30AM**

## RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

It is not too late to consider joining RCIA this year! The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process by which adults seeking answers in their lives are brought into full union with our parish community and the Catholic Church. The RCIA provides a spiritual opportunity to learn and discuss various aspects of the Catholic faith and its practices. If you or someone you know has: ...been worshipping with us but never officially took the step to become Catholic? ...been away from the Church...and now have returned but want to know more? ...yet to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation or Eucharist? ...joined us from a different background and would like to find out more about the Catholic Church? ...felt God leading you and want to find out where that might be? If any of the above applies to you, or if you know of anyone who could answer YES to any of these questions, we would love to help you on your journey! If you or someone you know might be interested in learning more, please contact the parish office at 330-652-5825 for more information.

## CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS

The celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation for adults will be held on Sunday, November 19, 2023 at the 4:00pm Mass at St. Columba Cathedral. This is a special opportunity for parishioners (age 18 or older) who have not received the sacrament to join with other adults of the diocese. Candidates must register with Mt. Carmel and be eligible to receive the sacrament by verifying baptism and marital status. A preparation program will be held at Mt. Carmel. Sponsors must be a baptized, confirmed practicing Catholic, and may not be the candidate's parent. Please contact Deacon Mike at 330-652-5825 at the parish office no later than September 21<sup>st</sup> for additional information.

**COMMUNITY SUPPERS** for the month of September will be held on Thursdays from 4:30-6:00pm at New Hope United Methodist Church, 21 Fairview Avenue, Niles, Ohio.

**NILES COMMUNITY SERVICES** is collecting peanut butter and jelly during the month of September. Please give to one of the ushers at church at the beginning of Mass or put in the clear bins in the entrance of the church.



Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick of our parish community and for all who are in need especially: **Katrina Marie, Tina Breese, Merela Carrido, Joe Bottiglieri, Andrea Colitte, Joe D'Amico, Joe Liguori, Steve McDonnell, Larry Brown, Patrick Sowers and Jim Grayson.**

**VOCATION THOUGHT:** "Where two or three are gathered in My name ..." The community who gathers in Christ needs leadership. Might He be inviting you to consider a vocation to the consecrated life or priesthood? Contact Fr. Chad Johnson at [cjohnson@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:cjohnson@youngstowndiocese.org) or 330-744-8451.

## CATHOLIC FUNERAL AND CEMETERY SERVICES

The Outreach Team from Catholic Funeral & Cemetery Services (CFCS), a Ministry of the Diocese of Youngstown at All Souls Cemetery will be at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Stephen Parishes next Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup> after each Mass to discuss our ministry and services and the spiritual and practical benefits for pre-planning Catholic burials, and cremations. After each Mass, there will be a short presentation and light refreshments along with a question and answer session in the Parish Hall. Please take advantage of this opportunity to hear this important information.

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT:** "For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's." – ROMANS 14:8

This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God, daily, and ask Him how He is calling you to live the life that He intended for you.



**JOHN F. KENNEDY CATHOLIC SCHOOL** is sponsoring the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Kennedy Kash \$25,000.00 raffle will be held on Saturday, October 7, 2023 at halftime of the JFK vs. St. Thomas Aquinas Football Game. Winners need not be present. Only 1,000 tickets will be sold and 21 significant prizes will be given away. The Grand prize is \$12,500.00 and five \$1,000.00 and fifteen \$500.00 cash prizes will be given away. Tickets are \$50.00 and can be purchased at the Kennedy school office or purchased online at [www.warrenjfk.com](http://www.warrenjfk.com). Twenty-one tickets will be drawn; the first ticket will be the Grand prize winner. Tickets can be purchased at the Kennedy School Office or purchased online at [www.warrenjfk.com](http://www.warrenjfk.com)



## PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

**Parish School of Religion September Calendar:**

Sunday, September 10, 9:15-10:45am, Grades K-8

Sunday, September 17, 9:15-10:45am, Grades K-8

Sunday, September 24, 9:15-10:45am, Grades K-8

Thank you to the following Catechists for the PSR 2023-2024 school year: **Shelly Lamb** – Kindergarten; **Karen Ciminero** – Grades 1 & 2; **Pam Lubich** – Grades 3 & 4; **Joanna Lukz-Gatta** – Grades 5 & 6; and **Andria Guerra** – Grades 7 & 8; Secretary – **Nikki Zapko** and PSR Coordinator – **Chrissy Lanham.**

## SEPTEMBER 9-10, 2023 – TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**BOSCOV'S FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS** is having a 25% off shopping pass for \$5.00 each on Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am-11:00pm. Passes are available in the parish office Monday through Thursday from 8:30am-4:00pm. 100% of your donation benefits Saint Vincent de Paul Society.



**SAINT VINCENT De PAUL** will meet on Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm in Holy Family Hall.

**BLESSED MOTHER SOCIETY** will meet on Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm in Holy Family Hall.

**BAPTISM CLASS** will be held on Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish. Parents must call the Parish Office of their respective church to schedule the class.



### YOUNG AT HEART GROUP

Welcome back to our Young at Heart group on **Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup>**. We will begin with the recitation of the Rosary at 11:00am for peace in Ukraine. The presentation will be "Trivia and Fun" at 12:00pm. A light lunch donation of \$6.00. All are welcome. Bring a guest. If you are planning to attend, please contact Annie at 330-719-5716 or Sandy at 330-652-8329 on or before Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup>.

### OHIO NIGHT FOR LIFE

What are the dangers of the proposed "Reproduction Freedom" amendment to the Ohio Constitution this November? Join us as Ohio Right to Life's CEO, Peter Range, explains how the amendment could allow abortion through all nine months of pregnancy, put women at risk and threaten parental rights. And join us as we pray for the Lord's help before the Blessed Sacrament on Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at St. Charles Borromeo Church, 7345 Westview Drive, Boardman, Ohio. Sponsored by Diocese of Youngstown Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family.



**CONGRATULATIONS** to *Randy and Celeste Falter* who are celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on September 15<sup>th</sup>!

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

**First Reading:** (Sirach 27:30-28:7). The first reading teaches that in order to be forgiven, one must forgive.

**Second Reading:** (Romans 14:7-9). In the second reading, Paul teaches that none of us lives and dies for oneself, but together for the Lord.

**Gospel:** (Matthew 18:21-35). In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the debtor who refuses to share with others the mercy he has been shown by his master.

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## STEWARDSHIP

*Managing God's Gifts To Us*

*(September 2-3, 2023)*

Sunday collection:	\$	10,078.00
Assumption:	\$	2,965.00
We Share for August:	\$	1,355.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

### Mass Count for September 2-3, 2023

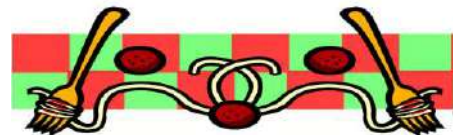
4:00pm – 180

11:00am – 169

Total 349 people out of 793 registered parishioners



**SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL** Friends of the Poor Walk/Run will be held next Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am-1:00pm in Perkins Park, Warren, Ohio. Join us for a fun day of fun and fellowship as we raise awareness and funds for those living in poverty in Trumbull County. Cost is \$15 for adults / \$10 for students. Includes event t-shirt, lunch, SVdP Swag Bag and live music. Register online at [www.SVdPTrumbull.org](http://www.SVdPTrumbull.org) or registration forms are in the parish office.



### SAINT MICHAEL BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH,

405 Robinson Road, Campbell is sponsoring a 3 Tier Chinese Auction on Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. Admission is \$7.00 per person and includes 25 tickets for the Tier 1 auction items and a pasta bowl lunch. Doors open at 12:00 noon and drawings begin at 2:00pm. Additional tickets can be purchased for all Tiers. There will be hundreds of prizes, themed baskets, gift cards, TV, electronics- all the wonderful prizes you could hope to win! In addition to the Auction, complete pasta dinners will be available for carry-out at \$12.00 per dinner and includes: pasta, meatballs, salad, bread, and dessert.

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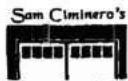
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