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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, OCTOBER 31, 2022**

*Weekday*

8:00am – Joseph Cicero by Nancy and family  
Samuel Giangardella, Jr. by Michaelina Pruneski

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2022**

*All Saints*

**8:30am** – Mary Ann Miller by Dena  
Gloria Gray by children  
**6:30pm** – Nick and Peggy Erro by Bob and Becky Gatta  
Lawrence Gatta, Sr.  
by St. Vincent de Paul Society

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2022**

*The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed*

**6:00pm** – Liturgy of the Word Service with  
Communion Memorial Service

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2022**

*Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop*

8:00am – Paolo Parisi by Mary Montevideo

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2022**

*Vigil, Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

3:00-3:30pm – Confessions

4:00pm – Michael J. Malvasi by wife and family

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2022**

*Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00am – Samuel J. Giangardella, Jr. by Steve Spencer  
11:00am – Santo, Epifania and Carmelo Fallo  
by Roger and Maria Kelley

### Daily Mass During November:

Throughout November daily Mass will be celebrated on Monday, Wednesday and Friday except the week of November 1<sup>st</sup> with the Holy Day of Obligation. Check the bulletin for days and times. You are invited to attend daily Mass on Tuesday and Thursday at any of the neighboring parishes.

**Tuesdays and Thursdays**  
**at St. Rose, Girard at 8:30am**  
**at St. Stephen, Niles at 8:30am**  
**Tuesdays only**  
**at St. Mary and St. Joseph, Warren at 8:30am**

## FROM THE PARISH ADMINISTRATOR:

This weekend we hear the familiar story of Zacchaeus. We often look at Zacchaeus as the sinner who turned to Jesus that he might be saved. Zacchaeus is “seeking to see who Jesus was.” He’s curious and he endeavors to get a better look at the person who is causing such a fuss in Jericho. Instead of crying out for Jesus, or muscling his way through the crowd, he climbs up a tree to see what’s going on. It’s remarkably innovative and yet delightfully mundane. This bothers everyone who knows Zacchaeus because he is a religious sellout, working as a tax collector. However, if we focus on Zacchaeus’s sinfulness, we miss an important part of the story. When he climbs the tree, he puts himself in a position where he was readily available to Jesus. He sought out the Lord and did what was necessary to make himself present to God. At the end of the gospel when Jesus proclaims, “*the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost,*” we might also immediately think of sinfulness. To be lost, however, simply means to be in the wrong place. Zacchaeus was physically in the wrong place, so he did what was necessary to move towards Jesus. However, his promise to care for the poor and repay what he owed shows his conversion of heart. Zacchaeus, once lost, now finds himself in the right place –in relationship with Jesus. This relationship with God is not something new. In the reading from the book of Wisdom we hear that God loves all things he has made, making God’s relationship with us intimate. It is important to remember that just as God chooses his people and Jesus chooses Zacchaeus, God has also chosen each of us. Because Jesus knows the path to conversion, he honors Zacchaeus and enters his home. As a result, Zacchaeus has a total conversion experience. Jesus chooses to engage, and enters the space of a sinner, in order to invite him to seek better things. We might ask how do we, like Zacchaeus, avail ourselves to our relationship with God being offered to us through Jesus. And more importantly, how have we allowed our relationship to Jesus bring about conversion and change in our lives?

*Make it a great week! Father Balash*

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick of our parish community and for all who are in need especially: *Steve McDonnell, Katrina Marie, Laurie Bilovesky, Jan Elliot, Tina Breese, Merela Carrido and Joe Bottiglieri.*

**COMMUNITY SUPPERS** for the month of November will be held on Thursdays from 4:45-6:00pm at Niles First Christian Church, 33 North Arlington Avenue, Niles, Ohio.

**NILES COMMUNITY SERVICES** is collecting cereal in boxes during the month of November. Please give to one of the ushers at church at the beginning of Mass.

**ALL SAINTS DAY:** Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> is the Feast of All Saints. It is a holy day of obligation. Mass will be offered at 8:30 am and 6:30 pm on Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>.

## TRUNK OR TREAT

Please plan to join us this Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> from 3:00pm-5:00pm (after Niles Parade) for Trunk or Treat. Parking for the trunk sponsors will be located behind the church, Car set-up will begin at 2:30PM; candy, decorations and costumes are all welcome! Best decorated car wins a \$25 gift card!

**SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY** will meet on Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm in Holy Family Hall.

## RETURN OF COMMUNION FROM THE CHALICE:

The Norms for the Distribution and Reception of Holy Communion Under Both Kinds states: “*by reason of sign value, sharing in both Eucharistic species reflects more fully the sacred realities that the Liturgy signifies.*” (#11). The practice of offering the Precious Blood of the Lord at Mass during Holy Communion will return on November 5<sup>th</sup> -6<sup>th</sup>. Please remember that reception of the Precious Blood of the Lord remains an option. *The act of receiving Holy Communion is an act of faith. The person makes this act of faith in the total presence of the Lord whether in receiving Holy Communion under one form or under both kinds.* (#14-15 Norms for the Distribution of Holy Communion Under Both Kinds). See today’s bulletin insert about receiving the Precious Blood from the chalice.



**PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION** is looking for a 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade Catechist for part of the 2022-2023 school year. If you are interested, please call the parish office at 330-652-5825 Monday through Thursday from 8:30am-4:00pm.

## PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

### Parish School of Religion October and November Calendar:

Sunday, October 30, 9:15-10:45am, Grades K-8

Sunday, November 6, 9:15-10:45am, Grades K-8

Sunday, November 13, 9:15-10:45am, Grades K-8

**Sunday, November 13, First Reconciliation Session  
(student and parents) 9:15-10:45am**

Sunday, November 20, 9:15-10:45am, Grades K-8

Sunday, November 27, No PSR, Thanksgiving Weekend

**BLESSED MOTHER SOCIETY** will meet on Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm in Holy Family Hall. Donations of baking and paper supplies for 3 Thanksgiving baskets that they will be donating to 3 families in need. Look for Geri in a blue van in the parking lot behind the church to drop off your donations at 12:30pm before the meeting. The ladies who volunteered to bring an item for the raffle basket are asked to bring them to the meeting also.

## NILES COMMUNITY SERVICE

Niles Community Services, 401 Vienna Avenue, Niles is accepting applications for the food and toy program on November 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 from 9:00am-5:00pm. Applicants need to bring the following: photo ID, proof of residency, proof of income, and medical cards for children.

**NIGHT AT THE RACES** will be held on Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at Ciminero’s Banquet Centre, 123 N. Main Street, Niles. Doors open at 6:00pm with the 1<sup>st</sup> race at 6:45pm. Every \$30 horse that is purchased gives you one free admission ticket which includes a pizza, pasta and salad buffet. If your sponsored horse wins you get \$50. The evening is BYOB and snacks are welcome! There will also be a 50/50 and gift raffle. If you don’t purchase a horse it is \$15.00 for admission. For more information, call Tom at 330-720-2518.

## OCTOBER 29-30, 2022 – THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Saint Vincent de Paul Society will have a Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup> from 12:00-4:00pm. This will be a drive thru only in the back of the church by the garage doors. Cost is \$12.00 per person. Menu includes: Spaghetti, 2 meatballs, salad, bread and butter. Proceeds to benefit Our Lady of Mount Carmel Project 20/20. Tickets will be available in the back of church after Mass this weekend October 29/30 or you may stop by the parish office Monday through Thursday from 8:30am-4:00pm. Last day to purchase tickets is Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. You will need to purchase a ticket(s) to get a dinner(s).

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

#### Tuesday, November 1, 2022

##### 8:30AM Mass

**Reader:** Dennis Youll  
**Server:** Jack Martin  
**EM:** Yvonne Toto  
**Usher:** Bill Lackey

##### 6:30PM Mass

**Reader:** Cathy Lukasko  
**Server:** Kelly Lukasko  
**EM:** Alec Lukasko  
**Ushers:** Barbara Frank, Maurice Candio, Joseph Zuzolo, Pete Toto

#### Wednesday, November 2, 2022

##### 6:00PM Memorial Service

**Readers:** Diane Jamieson, Sandy Bilovesky  
**Servers:** Debbie Kelley, Jack Martin, Ray Smith  
**EM's:** Deacon Michael Hanshaw, Nancy DeGood

#### Saturdays, November 2022

##### 4:00PM Mass

**Readers:** Cheryl Garbus, Caroline Matzye  
**Servers:** Tom Rossi, Thomas Rossi, Elizabeth Rossi  
**EM's:** Patricia Scarmuzzi, Debbie Barber, Pam Sowers, Alec Lukasko  
**Ushers:** Jim Davis, Joseph Zuzolo, Dennis Youll, James D'Errico, James Sandy, Maurice Candio, Barbara Frank

#### Sundays, November 2022

##### 8:00AM Mass

**Readers:** Cindy Cuchna, Laura Vennitti  
**Servers:** Cecelia Gatta, James Matig, Andrew Strader  
**EM's:** Kevin Weeks, Eileen Patrone, Yvonne Toto, Mary Ann Davis  
**Ushers:** Thomas Patrone, Pete Toto, Silvio Restaino, Bill Lackey, Michael Krakora, Donald Andres

##### 11:00AM Mass

**Readers:** Bob Swauger, Marijane Parry  
**Servers:** Emma Merlo, Gio Merlo, Antonio DeGennaro  
**EM's:** Connie Klaben, Mike Klaben, Jamie Aulet, Nancy DeGood  
**Ushers:** Michael Lastic, Ray Muche, Anthony DeMaiolo, Jr., Ed Bugos, George Kaniclides, Harry Salapata, Sam Ragozine, Jr., Bob Shade

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### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

**First Reading:** (2 Macc 7:1-2, 9-14). This tells (in part) the story of the martyrdom of a mother and her seven sons. They drew their strength from their faith in the resurrection of the just.

**Second Reading:** (2 Thess 2:16-3:5). Paul prays for the Thessalonians that they may remain steadfast in the pursuit of goodness.

**Gospel:** (Lk 20:27-38). Jesus deals with a question posed by the Sadducees about the existence of an afterlife.



## STEWARDSHIP

*Managing God's Gifts To Us*

*(October 22-23, 2022)*

Sunday collection: \$ 5,839.00  
Mission Sunday collection: \$ 873.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

### Mass Count for October 22-23, 2022

4:00pm – 120

8:00am - 99

11:00am – 143

Total 362 people out of 793 registered parishioners



Mrs. Jean Lemaster  
Mrs. Kathleen Ciminero

### NATIONAL COLLECTION FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE MILITARY:

Next weekend our parish will take up the Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA. Established by Saint John Paul II in 1985, the AMS is the only U.S. diocese responsible for providing pastoral care to men and women serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, enrolled at a U.S. Military Academy, being treated as a patient at any of the 153 U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers or working in the federal government beyond U.S. borders – including those from our own parish and diocese. Including families, AMS priests and deacons serve approximately 1.8 million Catholics who hail from 50 states and U.S. territories. While the salaries and retirement of Catholic military chaplains are paid by the U.S. Government, the AMS does not receive any funding from the government or military for programs and administrative costs. To learn more about the AMS, go to [www.milarch.org/nationalcollection](http://www.milarch.org/nationalcollection). Envelopes are in the November / December packet that you should receive soon. Please give generously.



## The Reception of Holy Communion at Mass Return of Holy Communion from the Chalice

On June 5, 2022, the Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday, parishes within the Diocese of Youngstown returned to the practice of offering the Precious Blood of the Lord from the chalice at Mass after a two-year hiatus and after consultation with appropriate medical professionals. "While the heart of the celebration of the Eucharist is the Eucharistic Prayer, the consummation of the Mass is found in Holy Communion" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal* #5). To the best of their ability, parishes should return offering both species at celebrations of the Eucharist when it can be done with reverence and dignity.

### 6 Frequently Asked Questions about Receiving Holy Communion from the Chalice

References: *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* = GIRM ~ *Norms for the Distribution of Holy Communion Under Both Kinds* = NDHC

**1. Is receiving from the chalice a common practice?** From the first days of the Church's celebration of the Eucharist, Holy Communion consisted of the reception of both species in fulfillment of the Lord's command to "take and eat...take and drink." The practice continued until the late 11<sup>th</sup> century when the custom of only receiving the bread began to grow. In 1415 it was decreed that Holy Communion under the form of bread alone would be distributed only. The Fathers of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vatican Council restored Holy Communion under both kinds and became allowed in 1970. (NDHC #17-18).

**2. Is it safe to receive from the chalice?** The risk for infectious disease transmission by a common Communion chalice is considered low when appropriate safeguards – that is wiping the interior and exterior rim and rotating the cup – are maintained. As always when not feeling well, a person should refrain from receiving from the chalice.

**3. Do I have to receive from the chalice?** The opportunity to receive the Precious Blood from the chalice always remains the choice of the communicant as an option and is not a requirement. (GIRM #284 – NDHC #46).

**4. If I receive the host only and not from the chalice is my reception of Holy Communion full and complete?** "The real presence of Christ in the eucharistic elements, whole and entire – is in each element of consecrated bread and wine" (NDHC #25). The doctrine of concomitance states that since Christ is indivisible, no part of Christ's substance can be divided. Thus, Christ's body can not be separated from his blood which means that Christ's full presence is in each element fully.

**5. Can't I just dip the host in the wine?** The normative way to receive the Precious Blood of the Lord is by taking a sip from the chalice. The practice of intinction (*dipping the host in the wine*) is not the ordinary way of receiving. Likewise, an individual is not permitted to intinct on their own. It must always be done by a minister. Furthermore, to receive in this way also eliminates the option to receive in the hand. (GIRM #287 – NDHC #49-50).

**6. Why can't we use individual cups?** The Lord himself gave us the Eucharist at the Last Supper and it is directed toward the intimate union of the faithful with Christ through Communion. The practice of sharing a chalice mirrors and remains more faithful to the command and action of the Lord at the Last Supper. (NDHC #6).



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