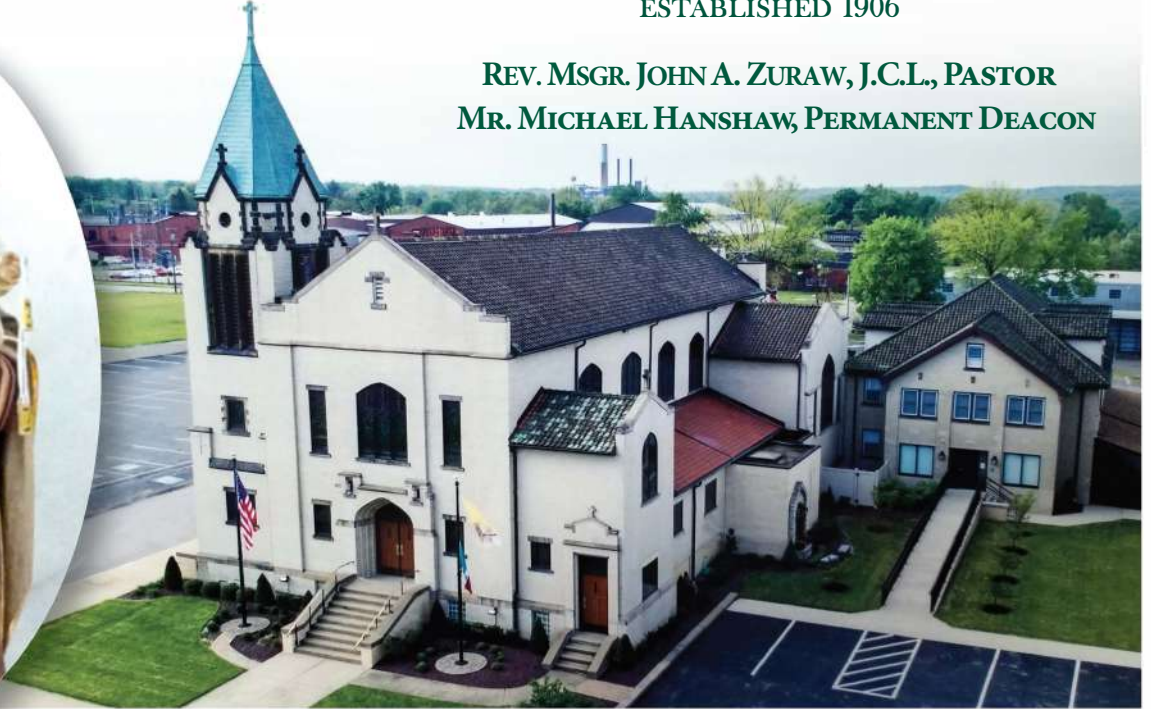


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PARISH MISSION

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!

CELEBRATION OF SACRAMENTS

Baptism: The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated at Sunday Mass. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements. At least one parent must be an active registered parishioner of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish for a minimum of six months. Godparents (one male and one female) must be active registered members of a Church (with at least one being Catholic). Parents must participate in a Baptismal Preparation Session. Baptisms are not celebrated during Lent, except in danger of death.

Marriage: The Sacrament of Marriage is celebrated on Saturdays at 1:00pm. At least one person must be an active registered parishioner of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish. Please contact the parish office at least six months prior to a desired date for the wedding to begin making arrangements. Weddings are not celebrated during Lent.

First Eucharist and First Reconciliation: These sacraments are normally celebrated in the second grade. Classes and preparation are directed by the Parish Coordinator of Religious Education. The Sacraments are celebrated in the parish and are not celebrated in a particular school of attendance.

Confirmation: This sacrament is normally celebrated in the eighth grade. Classes and preparation are directed by the Parish Coordinator of Religious Education. The Sacrament is celebrated in the parish and is not celebrated in a particular school of attendance.

FROM THE PASTOR:

Today the Church begins the season of Advent, a time of waiting in hope. There was a time in the history of the Church when Advent was seen primarily as a penitential season. Although this characteristic is not entirely set aside, the nature of Advent allows for a time having a certain feel of joyful anticipation of the Feast of Christ's Birth. This does not mean that Advent succumbs to the over exuberant festivity that is evident in the commercial displays of Christmas decorations, nor does it mean that Advent takes on the more sober tone of Lent. The time of Advent is somewhere in between.

Today as we begin Advent the pages of sacred scripture center on the end. While the world soothes us with serene Christmas images, we are warned of the days when people will die of fright. By starting the Advent focus on the end of the world, we prepare for more than Jesus's birth. We ready ourselves for Christ's coming in the fullness of time. Advent calls us to a conversion that each day should never be taken for granted, but to live each day bringing forth God's reign. *Msgr. Zuraw*

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: *Michael Melillo, Jan Elliot, Carolyn Lee, Nancy Snider, Tammy Garro and Jeff Preston.*

VOCATION THOUGHT: "They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks...." If you think that God is calling you to serve the Lord of the harvest as a priest, deacon, sister or brother, contact Father Scott Kopp at 330-744-8451 or email: skopp@youngstowndiocese.org.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT: "*But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand.*" (Luke 21:28)

We celebrate Advent each year in preparation for the birth of Jesus, His first coming, as we await His second coming. What will you do differently this Advent season to grow in friendship and love with Jesus? How will you inspire others to do the same? Start by sharing your God story with others, especially those closest to you. Invite and accompany them on their faith journey this Advent.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

From Catholic Schools and hospitals – to parishes, retreat centers, and works of mercy – elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have prayerfully served our Church and world. Most ministered for little pay. Now, without enough retirement savings, many religious communities are struggling to care for aging members. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide nursing care, medicine, and other necessities. Please be generous. Retirement for Religious envelopes can be found in your envelope packet. Thank you.

COMMUNITY SUPPERS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER: Our Lady of Mount Carmel will be hosting **drive-thru** Community Suppers for the month of December. The dinners are held on Thursdays from 4:45-6:00pm. We are in need of individually wrapped store bought desserts. Due to Covid we cannot accept homemade desserts at this time.



PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Parish School of Religion November & December Calendar:

Sunday, November 28, No PSR, Thanksgiving Weekend
Sunday, December 5, 9:15-10:45am, Grades K-8
Sunday, December 12, 9:15-10:45am, Grades K-8
Sunday, December 12, 9:30am, Grade 2 First Reconciliation
Sunday, December 19, 9:15-10:45am, Grades K-8
Sunday, December 26, No PSR, Christmas break

PIZZA SALE: The Blessed Mother Society will be selling pizza on Friday, December 3. The deadline for orders for pizza is **Sunday, November 28 at 6:00pm** to 330-652-2811. Choices include:

Traditional Red: \$7.00
Spinach, Potato and Combo
Calzones: \$10.00

Orders are to be picked up between 11:00am and 4:00pm on Friday, December 3.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to help count the Sunday collection. Please call Msgr. Zuraw at 330-652-5825. The collection is counted on Monday morning at 9:00am in the rectory. In accord with Diocesan policy each parish **must** have enough money counters so that there is a rotation of counters each week. With enough counters, individuals will only have to count once a month.



If you were unable to take a gift tag, but would like to participate, please consider a cash gift or a Target gift card (increments no larger than \$20). Please place them in the offertory in an envelope marked "Christmas Giving". This will assist greatly with last minute requests for gifts which were not included in the initial sign-ups. If you did take a gift tag, please bring it no later than **Sunday**, December 12th. Once again, thank you so very much for your fantastic response to our Christmas Giving program. Your kindness will make Christmas all the brighter for many children throughout our community. God bless you!

BLESSING OF THE BAMBINELLI

This Advent, we will continue with the beautiful tradition begun a few years back, with the *Blessing of the Bambinelli* (the baby Jesus statues). This blessing will take place at all the Masses the weekend of December 11th & 12th - *Gaudete Sunday (the 3rd Sunday of Advent)*. Please bring the baby Jesus figurine from your family nativity scene to Mass. At the time of the blessing, Father will ask everyone to lift up their statue for the blessing. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to share in the one Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, in all our homes during the coming season of Christmas. May God continue to pour forth the blessing of his Son into our hearts & homes this Christmas.



NOVEMBER 27-28, 2021 – FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

Saturdays, December 2021

4:00PM Mass

Readers: Cathy Lukasko
Servers: Kelly Lukasko, Emily Marino, Andrew Strader
EM's: Alec Lukasko, Debbie Barber, Bernie Profato
Ushers: Jim Davis, Joseph Zuzolo, Dennis Youll, James D'Errico, Joseph Infante, James Sandy, Maurice Candio, Barbara Frank

Sundays, December 2021

8:00AM Mass

Readers: Debbie Bottiglieri
Servers: James Kover, Kelli Kover, Holland Svirbly, Madison Svirbly
EM's: Yvonne Toto, Mary Jane Mosca, Eileen Patrone
Ushers: Thomas Patrone, Pete Toto, Silvio Restaino, Bill Lackey, Michael Krakora

11:00AM Mass

Readers: Marijane Parry
Servers: Eric Lanham, Ryan Lanham, Ben DeLong
EM's: Chrissy Lanham, Jamie Aulet, Nancy DeGood
Ushers: Michael Lastic, Ray Muche, Anthony DeMaiolo, Jr., Ed Bugos, George Kaniclides, Harry Salapata, Sam Ragozine, Jr., Bob Shade

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

A reminder to please fill out your Christmas flower envelope with the names of loved ones to be prayed for during the Christmas season. A listing of names in memoriam will appear in the bulletin the weekend of the Feast of the Holy Family. In order to have names listed in the bulletin, we must receive the envelopes by Thursday, December 16th. Again, thank you for your kindness. May God bless us all with joyful hearts and loving remembrance during this coming Christmas season.

BLESSED MOTHER SOCIETY will have a lunch meeting on Wednesday, December 8th after the 12:05pm Mass at Giorgio's Ristorante, 1231 Youngstown Warren Road, Niles.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY will meet on Tuesday, December 14th at 6:00pm in Holy Family Hall. Saint Vincent De Paul Society would like to thank the parishioners for their generous contributions from the envelopes recently.

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The request form and the stipend of \$10.00 per Mass Intention must be sent in together for the Mass to be scheduled. Please send your request to the parish office [1] by way of the Sunday offertory, [2] by mailing them to the office, [3] by dropping them off at the parish office. Please do not call the parish office to schedule a Mass.

PLEASE PRINT

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2021

Advent Weekday

8:00am – Chester Mientkiewicz by Walter and Darlyne Mientkiewicz

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2021

Saint Andrew, Apostle

8:00am – Philip Gumino by Antoinette

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2021

Advent Weekday

8:00am – Minnie and Phil Butto by Marianne and family
8:30-9:30am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2021

Advent Weekday

8:00am – Richard Dando by Joe and Debbie Barber

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2021

Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

8:00am – Lillian Rusonis by Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bianco

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2021

Vigil, Second Sunday of Advent

3:00-3:30pm – Confessions
4:00pm – Michelina Gargano by John and Pam Gargano

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021

Second Sunday of Advent

8:00am – JoAnne Varga by Joan Foglesong
11:00am – Wendy Lavelle by family

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading: (Bar 5:1-9). Jerusalem is told to forget the sufferings of the past because God is going to bring back her exiled children to her.

Second Reading: (Phil 1:3-6, 8-11). Paul urges his fellow Christians to prepare for the second coming of Christ by pure and blameless lives.

Gospel: (Lk 3:1-6). John the Baptist urges the people to prepare a way for the Lord through repentance.



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