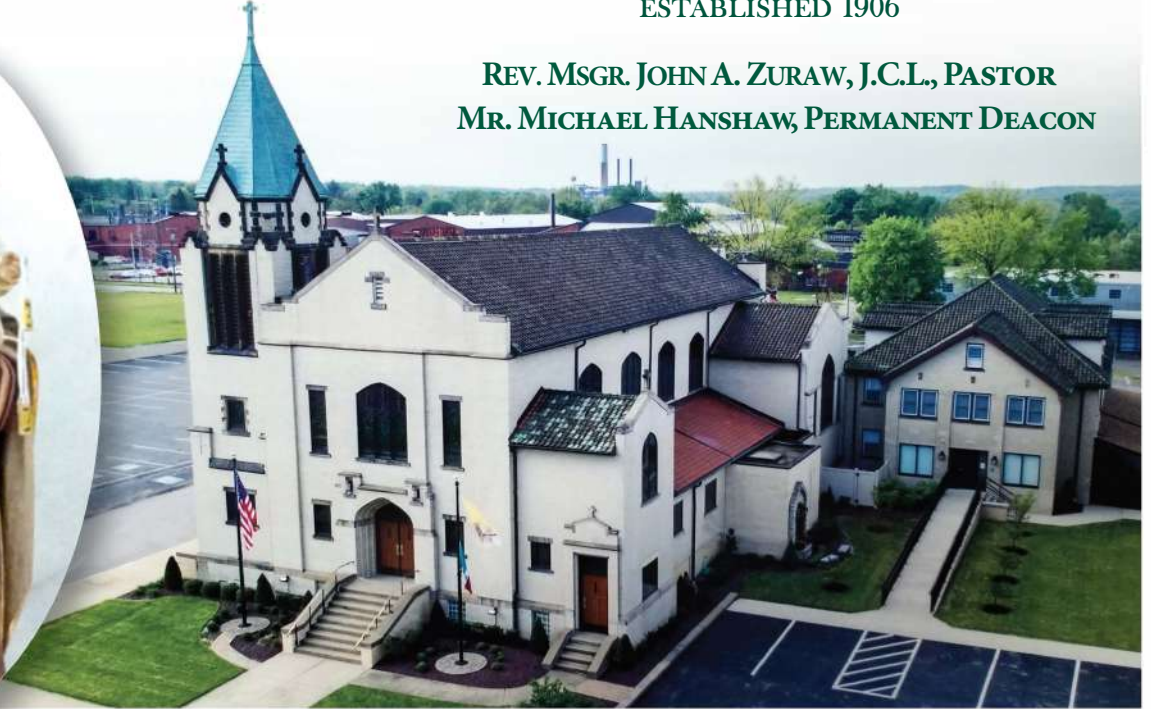


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PARISH MISSION

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:

Each year on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Church celebrates as the Sunday of the Word of God. On this day we are reminded of the role of the Word of God in our lives.

By setting aside this Sunday entirely to the word of God, we can appreciate the riches contained in the dialogue between the Lord and his people. Devoting a Sunday to the word of God, we can experience anew how the risen Lord opens for us the treasury of his word and enables us to proclaim its riches to the world in which we live.

In hearing of God's word the Church is built up and grows in the signs of the reading God's wonderful works in the history of salvation are presented anew as mysterious realities. The word of God proclaimed in the celebration of God's love does not only address present conditions, but looks back to past events and forward to what is yet to come. God's word shows us what we hope for with such a longing that in this changing world our hearts will be set on the place where our true joy lies.

May the Sunday of the Word of God help us to grow in religious and intimate familiarity with the sacred Scriptures.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another singing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.

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: *Jan Elliot* and *Tammy Garro*.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT: "Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared..." (NEHEMIAH 8:10)

Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need. Now here's the hard part – to share all we have without expecting anything in return.

VOCATION THOUGHT: "You are the body of Christ and individually members of it." Are you being called to strengthen His body through a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or the consecrated life? Call Father Scott Kopp at 330-744-8451 or email: skopp@youngstowndiocese.org.

TOWN HALL MEETING will be held next Sunday, January 30th beginning at 9:00am and ending at 10:00am in Holy Family Hall. All are welcome to attend.

NILES COMMUNITY SERVICES is collecting soup during the month of January. Please give to one of the ushers at church at the beginning of Mass.

TCAP WINTER CRISIS PROGRAM

Trumbull Community Action Program (TCAP) will be assisting households under the Winter Crisis Program from November 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022. The assistance includes gas and electric disconnections, new service, transfer of service, and those who have less than 25% bulk fuel (propane, fuel oil, wood, and coal). All by appointment due to COVID-19. All clients will be called by a caseworker at the date and time of their appointment. If you would like to call our automated service, you can call 330-951-0015 to schedule an appointment. Please provide a valid phone number and stay on the line until you receive a confirmation number. The confirmation number will secure your appointment date and time. We also have our call-in day on Monday and Wednesday every week. You can call 330-393-2507 ext. 225 starting at 8:00am. Space is limited. Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday are by appointment only. March 31, 2022 is the last day to apply for assistance.



PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Parish School of Religion January and February Calendar:

Sunday, January 23, 9:15-10:45am, Grades K-8

Sunday, January 23, First Eucharist Session (students only),
9:15-10:45am

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

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

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

Sunday, February 20, No PSR, Presidents' Day Weekend

Sunday, February 27, 9:15-10:45am, Grades K-8

2021 TAX STATEMENTS

We have finished the posting of the final contributions for 2021, including the many offertory gifts received for Christmas. As such, 2021 tax statements are now available. To obtain a statement, *please call* the office and it will be ready in two days. Statements will not be done while you wait.

CHURCH OVERSEAS COMBINED COLLECTION

This weekend the Diocese of Youngstown is holding the Church Overseas Combined Collection for ministries of the Church around the globe. These ministries of the **Catholic Relief Services (CRS)**, **Holy Father / Peter's Pence**, the **Church in Central and Eastern Europe** and the **Church in Latin America** assist the Church in serving people who are hungry, refugees, victims of natural disasters, and development projects. Please give generously to this collection which combines four collections in one.

SPECIAL TAX-FREE IRA GIFTS: For those ages 70 ½ or older, a total of up to \$100,000 a year can be transferred directly from traditional or Roth IRAs to qualified charities such as your parish, free from federal income tax. Amounts given in this way count toward required IRA minimum withdrawal amounts for the year of the gift. Many Catholics are taking advantage of this provision for their charitable giving. Please contact Luke Politsky at 330-744-8451 ext. 298 or lpolitsky@youngstowndiocese.org Diocesan Director of Development and Stewardship, for information and assistance.

JANUARY 22-23, 2022 – THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish continues to partner with Coates Car Care and Niles Community Services to bring some warmth to members of our community this winter. We have began collecting winter coats now through March 1st. The coats must be new or in nearly new condition. There will be clear bins in the back of the Church – please bring the coats in bags to help keep them clean. Once again, thank you for your assistance in helping to make our community a much warmer place for all to live.

WARM HEARTS FOR WARM HOMES

Catholic Charities created the Warm Hearts for Warm Homes (formerly Keep the Kids Warm) in 2008 in response to the economic recession impacting many local families. Unfortunately, the need for this annual campaign still exists 14 years later. Warm Hearts for Warm Homes aims to provide utility assistance during the cold winter months to families with children, working poor adults and older adults on fixed incomes. More information about Warm Hearts for Warm Homes, including ways to support this campaign with your prayers and financial support, can be found on our website (www.ccdoy.org) Donate online, give today in your parish; or mail checks to: Catholic Charities, 144 West Wood Street, Youngstown, Ohio 44503. Thank you for your generosity.



2022 FESTIVAL MEETING

Booth captains and all those interested in planning the 2022 Our Lady of Mount Carmel Festival are welcome to join us on Monday, February 7th at 6:30pm in the rectory.



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

(January 15-16, 2022)

Sunday collection:	\$	7,436.00
Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary:	\$	1,569.00
Christmas to date:	\$	29,654.00
Initial Offering:	\$	545.00

Mass Count for January 15-16, 2022

- 4:00pm – 144
- 8:00am – 96
- 11:00am – 84

Total 324 people out of 787 registered parishioners

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Ordinary Time

MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 2022

Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
 8:00am – Karen Guerra by husband, Phillip Guerra

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2022

Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle
 8:00am – Patricia Parks by Lawrence Parks

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2022

Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops
 8:00am – Foncine DeGennaro by Kathy McCreanor
 8:30-9:30am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 2022

Weekday
 8:00am – Guy Nori, Sr. by Nori family

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 2022

Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest,
Religious and Doctor of the Church
 8:00am – Samuel Giangardella, Jr. by wife

SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 2022

Vigil, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 3:00-3:30pm – Confessions
 4:00pm – Nunzio Merlo by Antoinette

SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 2022

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00am – Samuel Giangardella, Jr.
 by Saint Vincent de Paul Society
 11:00am – Connie Casamento Slanina
 and Yolly Segreto Patena by Denise Slanina Wheeler

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading: (Is 6:1-8). We hear the call of Isaiah to the ministry of prophecy.

Second Reading: (1 Cor 15:1-11). Paul energetically defends the doctrine of the resurrection from the dead.

Gospel: (Lk 5:1-11). This tells the story of a miraculous catch of fish and the call of Peter to share in the work of Christ.



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