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MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday Vigil: 5pm
Sunday: 9am & 11am
DAILY MASS
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 8am
HOLY DAYS
8am & 7pm

CONFESSION
Saturday: 4pm
OR CALL PARISH OFFICE

BAPTISM
Call parish office to
schedule

WEDDINGS
Arrangements to be
made 6 months in
advance

ANOINTING OF THE SICK
For those with serious
illness, or in danger of
death - call parish office

St. Hilary Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00am & 5:30pm
Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri 7:00 & 9:30am
Wed. 7:00am ONLY Holy Days: refer to website
Confession: Saturday 3:00-3:45pm

St. Victor Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:45 & 11:30am
Memorial Day - Labor Day 9:00 & 11:00am
Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri 7:30am
Confession: Saturday 3:00-3:45pm

DECEMBER 26, 2021 | HOLY FAMILY



OUR PARISH



Mass Intentions

Prayers This Week

- Monday December 27 | 3rd Day of Christmas
8:00 am Kathleen Beskitt
- Tuesday December 28 | St. John the Apostle/Evangelist
8:00 am Madeline Vincent
- Wednesday December 29 | 5th Day of Christmas
NO MASS
- Thursday December 30 | 6th Day of Christmas
8:00 am Andrew Lehnert
- Friday December 31 | 7th Day of Christmas | New Year's Eve
8:00 am John Pierce
- Saturday January 1 | Solemnity of Mary | New Year's Day
9:00 am Msgr. Robert C Wolff
5:00 pm Betty Farquhar—birthday intention
- Sunday January 2 | Epiphany of the Lord
9:00 am Dolores Blazewicz
11:00 am Joyce family & friends—living intention

COLLECTION

REGULAR OFFERTORY (WEEKLY & ONLINE) Due to early bulletin submission deadlines,

SPECIAL GIFTS these collections will be reported next week.

Thank you for your continued support!

Parishioners: If you are interested in switching to online giving or want to make a one-time offering, you may set up automated contributions & change the timing or amount of your offering. The online giving portal is located at <https://copleyangels.org/support-our-parish>

If you prefer to write a check for your offering, please make checks payable to "Guardian Angels"

LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week

It was the best of times and it was the worst of times. Our families can bring out the best and the worst in us. This is true of our families of origin, the current family of which we are a part, the family of our church, our society, and the like. In all of our family experiences, what stands out as our most challenging memory? Everything human can be found on the pages of family life. But there is also a Divine story to be discovered as well. When life gets difficult and perplexing, today's Feast of the Holy Family stands to remind us that it is not just by human effort that we tread treacherous waters. We have to remember and learn from the Divine effort too. We need this perspective if our love lessons are going to be learned completely and well. We are all works in progress and we all come from homes that are broken by imperfection. In whatever life brings us and in whatever family we find ourselves, may the promptings we feel toward faith and hope lead us to greater love.

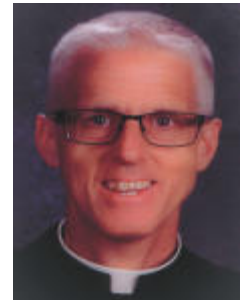
SPIRITUAL PROGRESS RATHER THAN SPIRITUAL PERFECTION

What happens to a young child when they cannot solve a problem—they get frustrated. This is what happens to us when we cannot figure out the world around us—we get frustrated. Step by step—no matter how tiny those steps may be, God has a way of showing us the answers we seek in life. The only task He leaves us with is to wait—wait: until more is revealed to us. Waiting requires patience—**God give us the strength to wait!** *Fr. Chris*



Words for the Week—*Fr. Chris*

Once again, Merry Christmas! I want to send out a huge thank you to those who offered a gift for our Giving Tree—what a wonderful witness of generosity! Thanks also to everyone who decorated our Sock Tree. Socks are the #1 requested item in most shelters and agencies. So your sock donations were just what the Dr. ordered!



You may also have noticed the new barn for our outdoor Nativity scene—this was made possible by our **Angels in Blue Jeans** Ministry and it looks great! Thanks!

New Year's Day is not a Holy Day of obligation this year since it falls on a Saturday. However, we will be celebrating Mass on January 1 - New Year's Day at 9am if you would like to begin 2022 with Mass!



Have a safe and blessed 2022!





2021 YEAR-END TAX PLANNING

All contributions for 2021 needed to be received in the church office and/or postmarked by Dec. 31, 2021. Any gift received or post-marked on or after Jan. 1, 2022 will now be credited to 2022. Your 2021 Contribution Statement will be sent via email on file. If the address has changed please email updates no later than *Friday, January 21, 2022* to: office@copleyangels.org. We will process these statements beginning *Monday, January 24, 2022*. If you prefer snail mail, please provide a legal size, self-addressed, stamped envelope to the parish office at: **1686 S. Cleveland-Massillon Road, Copley, Ohio 44321.**

Synod 2021 - 2023

For a synodal Church: communion, participation and mission

Our parish will be participating in listening sessions as part of the diocesan synodal process! Synodality means journeying together & gathering in assembly as the People of God to proclaim the Gospel. Pope Francis has invited EVERYONE to participate in a dialogue with the worldwide Catholic Church. Join us! We hope you will participate in the conversations that will take place in January. Each individual matters, each of our experiences is valid and in need of ears to listen. Nobody is excluded – all are welcome. We are all on this journey of faith together! This is an opportunity to listen to one another in a spirit of prayer and dream about the Church we are called to be. The information gathered from the listening sessions will not only help us discern how we can move forward together as a parish community, but also as a diocesan and universal Church. To learn more, please visit the website: dioceseofcleveland.org/synod



SAINT OF THE WEEK

The Acts of the Apostles tells the story of St. Stephen, the first Christian martyr. A man filled with grace and power, he worked great wonders among the people. Some Jews debated with St. Stephen but could not match his wisdom and spirit. Eventually, a charge of blasphemy was brought up against him, and the local population demanded that he be tried and sentenced. He was seized and carried before the Sanhedrin.

Despite the danger he faced, in front of the Sanhedrin and his accusers, St. Stephen gave a long speech about the history of Israel and the blessings that God had given upon His chosen people. He talked about how Israel had become disobedient despite God's abundant mercy. This enraged his accusers, and eventually the crowd dragged him out of the city and stoned him to death.

Even in his final moments, St. Stephen displayed great forgiveness and even asked God not to hold the sins of his attackers against them. Hundreds of years after his death, he is still a role model for us to follow.



Thanks so much to all of those from Guardian Angels who participated and supported the Giving Tree and the Sock Tree. The response was amazing! God bless you for your generosity!

SPONSOR A REFUGEE FAMILY ON THE RUN FROM THE TALIBAN FOR BEING FRIENDS OF THE USA: Local Catholics formed a nonprofit group to help Afghans who are in *urgent need* of rescue and resettlement. Our first family is an elderly couple, the wife having worked with the U.S., a young mom in her 20's with 3 and 4 year old girls. Their father who worked with U.S. forces is missing, they don't know if he is dead or alive. Predictions of mass starvation this winter are looming for the Afghans under the Taliban. If interested in this life saving work, please make out a check to Follow Me Home Resettlement Services, Inc., for a *tax deductible gift* and mail to 3242 Dowling Dr., Fairlawn, OH 44333. Thank you!

THE HOLY FAMILY

After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. - Lk 2:46-47
Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1976 CCC

Today's Feast of the Holy Family serves to help us understand that there is a Divine Story being told as well. It is a story of perseverance in the face of hardship, determination in the face of despair, healing when we see nothing but wounds, and light where there is darkness. Do we believe that God is always working, guiding, restoring, and leading? Unless we do, we will never be free from the imperfections and wounds that bind us and never be able to understand what it really means to forgive. Pope Francis tells us that the "light which comes from the Holy Family encourages us to offer human warmth to other families."

The Holy Family persevered and radiated warmth because they knew they were not alone. We can too.



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