



St. Robert Bellarmine Church



DECEMBER 26, 2021

THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

VISION

The loving community of St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church is a sanctuary for spiritual growth. We will continue to evolve as a family of faith, touching our parish family, our community and our world through God's love.

VALUES

Loving Community

- The people who make up St. Robert Bellarmine's Parish
- An atmosphere of welcoming acceptance and forgiveness
- A belief in sharing
- An ever present love, compassion and understanding

Spiritual Growth

- The presence of God in of our knowledge and understanding of our Catholic faith everything
- The continuing development
- The enhancement of faith, education and inspiration

Social Responsibility

- The respect and caring for all life
- The tolerance, generosity and compassion to the world community
- The pursuit of justice for people everywhere

MISSION

To use our Vision, Values and Planning Process as a guide to minister to the needs of our Parishioners and Global Community.

MASS SCHEDULE

September–April: Saturday: 5:30 p.m. • Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 12(noon)

May–August: Saturday: 5:30 p.m. • Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Holy Days: 7:00 p.m. (Eve before), 9:00 a.m. (on the day)

Christmas: Schedule inside bulletin

Weekdays: 9:00 a.m. (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)

RECONCILIATION: Saturday, after 5:30 p.m. Mass and anytime by appointment. Communal celebrations are scheduled during Advent & Lent.

MARRIAGE: Notify the rectory six months in advance
Carol Swart, Wedding Consultant at 330-442-8583

BAPTISM: Contact the rectory for arrangements.

PRAYER CHAIN: For prayer requests please contact Jennifer Soloman at 330-637-3483 or e-mail Jennifer.soloman@championlocal.org

BULLETIN NEWS: Written & submitted by Monday at noon.

NEW MEMBERS: WELCOME!!! Call the rectory.

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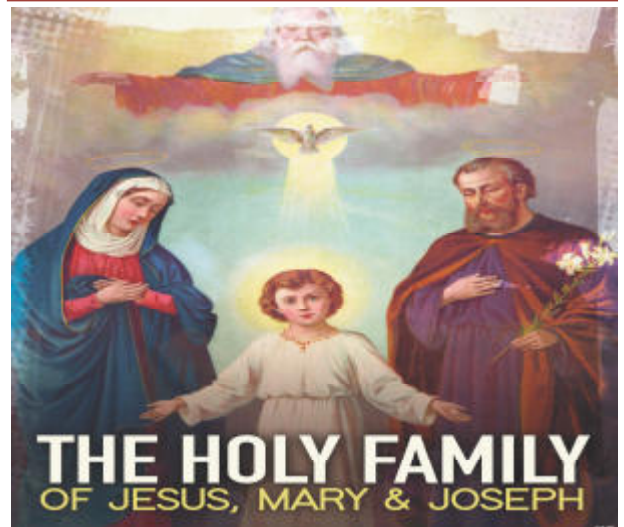
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and Rachel Campolito**



Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 25-Christmas Day
10:00am All Parishioners-Living and Deceased

Sunday, December 26
9:00am Doug Planitz (Planitz Family)

Monday, December 27
9:00am No Mass

Tuesday, December 28
9:00am No Mass

Wednesday, December 29
9:00am John Olenik

Thursday, December 30
9:00am No Mass

Friday, December 31-New Year's Eve
9:00am No Mass

Saturday, January 1-New Year's Day
5:30pm Bishop George Murry

Sunday, January 2
9:00am Corinne Hewitt (Marty & Camille
Hancharenko)

12Noon Joe & Nellie Gesue (Sr. Rita Gesue)

**Merry Christmas to You and Yours
from the parish staff.**

*May you and your loved ones experience the peace,
joy and love of Christ during this holy season and
throughout the year.*

*"Joy to the world! The Lord is come....
Let every heart prepare him room."*

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 1
5:30PM Mass

Sunday, January 2
9:00AM Mass
12NoonMass

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We are approaching the new year with the Covid Pandemic still upon the universal world. We thank God for the gifts He has given to us during this difficult time. These gifts have inspired us to give one another in this new year those unwrappable gifts that do not break, need batteries, wear out or go out of style. One of these gifts is the gift of time, generously given with love and friendship. There is also, the gift of our talents, willingly spent for the well-being and joy of others. Another treasure gift, is the gift of caring, our compassion and prayers. In this new year, it is the unwrappable gifts of the heart that will help us to be attuned to God who keeps on giving.

*The future starts today not tomorrow.
St. John Paul II*

The Week Ahead


SUN 12/26 Mass: 9:00AM
No CCD

WED 12/29 Quilters-10AM-Noon
RCIA-6:30PM

SAT 01/01 New Year's Day-Mass-5:30pm

SUN 01/02 Mass: 9:00AM and Noon

**MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR**

 *A warm Welcome to all who have come to
worship with us this Christmas Season.
Christmas presents all of us with the opportunity to
renew friendships, to celebrate with family and to give
thanks to our God who has blessed us so richly.*

MANY THANKS TO A GENEROUS PARISH
Many children in our community and their families will be happy on Christmas because of your generous response to the 'Angel Tree'. Special thanks to **Margie Petrunia** for organizing the 'Angel Tree' Thank You!

CCD resumes on Sunday, January 9th.

ST. NICHOLAS PARTY was lots of fun! We thank all those who came to see Santa Claus, sing some Christmas carols and have hot cocoa and treats! We also want to thank **Mrs. Kelsey Quinlan, Mr. Kevin Quinlan** for their work in organizing the event and **Mrs. Kate Pavlansky** for helping with decorating and trouble shooting. Many thanks to **Jake Wilms, Anthony Zoccali, Tommy Pavansky, Michael Horn, Molly Stuart, Hailee Hoover, Rachel Campolito, and Jane Bronson** decorating, helping with refreshments and making the spirit of Christmas come alive for the boys and girls who participated.

MANY THANKS to **Suzanne Papp** for creating and maintaining the beautiful banners that you see upon entering the driveway to the church, at the drive that leads to the back of the church and in front of the church doors. They allow us to carry our seasons and message into our outdoor environment.

ST.ROBERT CHURCH WEBSITE

We hope you check out our new Website at strobertcortland.org. **The Special Ministry schedule has been added. The schedule can also be printed with this link.** If you are traveling during the holiday season, you can still view the bulletin on-line,

Spreading God’s Love as disciples of Jesus:

Our catechists, children and their families have been very busy this past year learning and being Christ’s light to the world. Our kindergarteners, first, fourth and fifth graders worked on cards for Veterans. Our fifth graders have been delving further into the mystery of the sacraments. Specifically, they explored the Sacrament of Holy Orders and wrote thank you notes to Father Kish and Deacon Bob for their service to the Church. Third graders explore God through music, activities and discussions and what it means to be a community of believers. Sixth graders are exploring Old Testament heroes and heroines by detailing Jesus’ Family Tree called the Jesse Tree. Seventh graders are investigating the Trinity, the early life and public life of Jesus and how His presence is with and for them. *They are the first class to have a Class Mass this year and they did a great job reading and participating! We look forward to other classes taking part in the coming months.*

In addition, second graders have explored God’s continuous love and mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation *celebrated* on November 10th. They move forward to further learn about the Great Mystery we call God in the Sacrament of Eucharist.

Moreover, our eighth graders have examined early Church History and how Vatican II captures the essence of discipleship from the initial followers of Jesus: self-giving for the sake of others, one definition of love. For Confirmation the teens have participated in activities which enhance the meaning of the elements of the Rite itself; that being holy water, laying-on of hands and anointing with holy oil. Our experiences will continue on our **Retreat Day on Saturday, January 8th from 10:00am to 2:00pm.**

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

This feast emphasizes the unity and love that marked the family of Joseph, Mary & Jesus and the unity and love that we all long for in our own families. Today’s gospel passage from Luke depicts the Holy Family going to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover when Jesus was 12 years old. The core of this gospel can be found in the last line: The child Jesus, who was born in a manger and who learned the law as a young man, **“advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man.”** This feast reminds us that we are all part of God’s Holy Family. We, too, are invited to grow in wisdom, in our understanding of the sanctity of human love and the value of family life. Our challenge is not to live like the Holy Family but to live as a Holy Family, to the best of our ability. Love and patience were key to Joseph and Mary and also so needed by us.

Joy to the World”

The popular Christmas song, “Joy to the World,” was not initially composed as a Christmas carol

The hymn (*based on Psalm 98*) was written in 1719 by Isaac Watts, the pastor of an independent Church. As a lyricist who would write more than 750 hymns, Watts wanted to translate the Psalms in the everyday language of his congregation. He wrote “Joy to the World” to proclaim the good news of the eventual second coming of Christ. He tried to show the same passion for the Lord that King David displayed when he wrote the Psalm 98.


The universal Church has been celebrating **WORLD DAY OF CONSECRATED LIFE** since 1997. Most Rev. David J. Bonnar Bishop of Youngstown, invites our diocesan church to celebrate the gift of Consecrated Life with him and the religious of our Diocese on **Sunday, January 23, 2022** at St. Columba Cathedral at the 4:00PM liturgy. All are welcome. Please mark your calendars.

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Lector		E. Delahunty M. DeToro	C. Brumit J. Antonchak
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