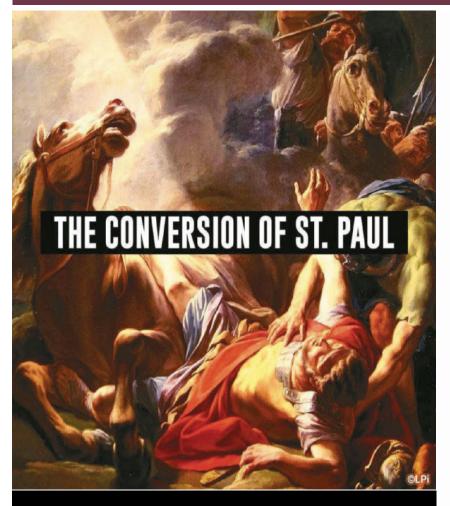


# Saint Paul Catholic Parish

#### JANUARY 30, 2022 | 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## OUR PARISH FEAST DAY

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### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 8:30am - 4:00pm Closed to public on Wednesdays.

### Mass Times

Monday - Friday | 7:15am Thursday | 6:30pm Saturday | 8:00am (Reconciliation following Saturday morning Mass) Saturday Vigil | 5:00pm Sunday | 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am 12:00pm Masses Livestreamed on our website:

Daily 7:15 am, Saturday 5pm & Sunday 10:30am

### Saint Paul Catholic School

(330) 494-0223 Principal: Mike Brown, Ext. 118 Secretary: Norma Payne, Ext. 119 Latchkey Director: Michele Kennedy, Ext. 120 Preschool: Jennifer Donnelly, 330-494-8793 jdonnelly@stpaulncanton.org

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**Prayer Chain** www.stpaulncanton.org/prayer-chain or call parish office

Bulletin Deadline Tuesday at noon - 12 days prior

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 29/30

5:00 PM	†	Roy & Mary Jane Huber
7:30 AM	†	For Our Parishioners
9:00 AM	+	Dwayne & Norma Bergert
10:30 AM	+	Ruth & Walter Bradshaw
12:00 PM	+	Alex & Irene Karolewski

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 31

7:15 AM † Andy Dansco

#### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

7:15 AM † Gertrude Haney

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

7:15 AM	†	Ursula VonLuhrte
8:15 AM	+	St Paul School Alumni
		- School Mass

#### **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3**

7:15 AM	+	Kermit Hiler
6:30 PM	+	Mary Bendetta

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4

7:15 AM	†	All Souls Memorial
10:00 AM	†	Peg Curtis at St Luke's

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5

8:00 AM	+	Prayer Box Intentions
5:00 PM	†	William DeGregorio 🎽

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6

7:30 AM	+	Christine Devore 📎
9:00 AM	+	James Schiavone 📑
10:30 AM	+	Carol Prazer
12:00 PM	†	For Our Parishioners

### BLESSING OF CANDLES ON THE FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

### **FEBRUARY 2**

This feast, known traditionally as Candlemas, includes the blessing of candles at the beginning of the Liturgy to signify that Christ is the light of all nations. If you plan to attend our 7:15 AM Mass that morning, please bring your own candles for home use and personal prayer. We will bless them at the same time in which we bless the candles used in Church throughout the year. Also blessed at this Mass are the candles used to bless throats on the Memorial of Saint Blaise.

### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

#### 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

How do I know if the Time, Talent and Treasure I offer God in grateful return is "enough?" What is the measure?

St. Paul tells us in the Second Reading today — the "measure" is the love that we put into each of these aspects of our lives. "If I have all faith so as to move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away everything I own and hand my body over so that I may boast but do not have love, I gain nothing." God is not after a particular number. What He wants us to give over to Him is our very selves.

Real love is not a sentiment. Real love is manifested in living a virtuous life. We read later in St. Paul's letter that real love takes strength: it is patient, kind, humble, other-centered, truth-seeking, and longsuffering. Love is the heroic giving of oneself even when it is uncomfortable; especially then. Love looks like Jesus. It lives like Jesus.

Sometimes, living like Jesus is difficult. We see this in the Gospel Reading today where we find Jesus in action, preaching in the synagogue in His hometown. He speaks truth to the people He loves, the ones He grew up with and shared His early days with. How do they respond? They are filled with fury and run Him out of town, intent on throwing Him from a cliff! Yet Jesus is undeterred. He passes right through them and presses forward with the mission His Father has entrusted to Him.

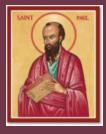
We are called to live with this same strength and determination, fueled by the power of love and by gratitude for all God has given us.

BLESSING OF THROATS ON THE MEMORIAL OF SAINT BLAISE

FEBRUARY 3 AFTER 7:15AM & 6:30PM MASSES and

### FEBRUARY 5 & 6 AFTER THE WEEKEND MASSES

We will be blessing throats on February 3 in honor of Saint Blaise following the 7:15 AM and 6:30 PM Masses and on the following weekend, February 5 and 6 following all of the Sunday Masses.



### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Do you get jealous? Do you focus more on the things that other people have than on the gifts that God has given to you? Are you pompous? Do you acquire more possessions to impress others? At times we are all guilty of these things. Pray for more humility. Humility helps us become less "self-centered" and become more "God-centered" for the sake of others.

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekly Offertory Report January 4 - January 10, 2022

\$ 11,345.00
\$ 4,509.00
<u>\$ 12,815.07</u>
\$ 28,669.07

Weekly Average for the Fiscal Year (July - June) - for 28 Weeks -

2021-22 \$ 34,753.48 2020-21 \$ 33,479.79

#### Helping Hands \$1,849.57

Thank you for your faithful offerings to Saint Paul Catholic Parish.

#### Memorial Donations to St Paul Parish

Donations to St. Paul Parish or School are an appropriate way to remember your loved ones. Donations totaling over \$1,000 are memorialized with an engraved leaf on the parish Legacy Tree. Please contact Renee Kessler, parish development director, or Fr. Keehner if you have any questions.

### PREPARING FOR ASH WEDNESDAY



Old palms from Palm Sunday are being collected now through the end of February. They will be burned to make the ashes used on Ash Wednesday. Please drop them off in the baskets at church entrances. Thank you.

### AN INVITATION TO JOIN US FOR ADORATION TUES, FEB 1 | 9AM-6:30PM | IN CHURCH

Most of us move through life, thinking of God; thanking Him; petitioning and Praising Him. But, we MOVE. We have busy lives and many urgencies.

Adoration days offer us a two-way blessing. We sit, face to face, with the Living Lord Jesus. We can give due Praise and Thanksgiving, and then just keep company with Him -quiet and intimate; thoughts of Love and allegiance.

Or, we can pour out strong emotions in a pent-up release of petitions, complaints, sorrow and tears.

He receives it all. He supplies more than we are aware. He opens His Heart to us.

Even if we spend "a full HOUR" with Him, it is but 1/700+ hours of that month. Small, but not trivial. It is "but, a glance to Him"--so brief in the monthly hours of work, sleep, dining, TV and internet.

However, let us consider ALL that can be communicated in "but, a glance" to our loved one or friends in a crowd! So much.

He's waiting with great anticipation.

Come experience why.

## FRIDAY, FEB 4 | 7PM | IN CHURCH

Your blessed privilege awaits you.

First Friday Eucharistic Holy Hour is February 4 th from 7-8pm. with prayers to the most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Cards, candy and decor show that St Valentine's Day is near, but nothing compares to the burning heart of Jesus for each one of us.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 3777 FREETHROW COMPETITION

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6

2PM TO 3PM IN ST PAUL SCHOOL GYM

This **FREE** event is open to all St Paul Parish boys and girls ages 9 years to 14 years. Winners will move on to district ,then regional and state. Any questions, please contact Jeff Weber at 330-575-5333.

### **CHURCH OVERSEAS COMBINED COLLECTION**

Last weekend, our diocese sponsored this collection for ministries to people in need. Thank you for your participation in this important collection. If you did not have the opportunity to respond last week, there is still time to contribute to this combined collection.

#### **THIS WEEK'S EVENTS**

### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK THIS WEEK!

This week our students and teachers will be celebrating the value of Catholic education. See page 6.

#### BLOOD DRIVE TUES, FEB 1 | 12:30-5:30PM IN NORTH ROOM

Walk-ins are welcome, or you may sign up for a specific time. Details can be found on page 5.

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

### 9:15AM - 6:45PM

Benediction starts at 6:30PM. Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered from 5:15 - 6:15 PM. during adoration.

### BLESSING OF CANDLES

FEBRUARY 2 AT MASSES and

### BLESSING OF THROATS

#### FEB 3 AFTER MASSES AND FEB 5/6 AFTER ALL WEEKEND MASSES

Page 2 has more information on these traditional blessings.

### THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

### FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR FRIDAY, FEB 4 | 7PM

**IN CHURCH** See page 3 for information.

### SPS NIGHT AT THE RACES SATURDAY, FEB 5 | 6PM Flyer & ticket info on page 9.

### UPCOMING EVENTS BASKETBALL FREETHROW COMPETITION SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6

2PM TO 3PM IN ST PAUL SCHOOL GYM Information on page 3.

### DOY CATHOLIC FUNERAL & CEMETERY PRESENTATIONS SAT/SUN, FEB 12 & 13

### AFTER MASSES IN THE SOCIAL HALL

A representative from our diocese will be here to discuss CFCS programs and services for Catholic funerals, burials, and cremations. There will be a short presentation and a question & answer session after each mass. See page 5.

### ST PAUL GIRL SCOUTS BIRTHDAY KIT PROJECT NOW THRU FEBRUARY 20

February

This service project will help make birthdays special for families in need. Can you donate an item to help? See flyer on page 7.

### MADE FOR MORE WED, MARCH 23 | 7PM AT WALSH UNIVERSITY

See the flyer on page 10 for information! This event is appropriate for ages 16 and up.

### PATRIOTIC ROSARY

#### WEDNESDAYS | 12:15PM ADORATION AT 11:45AM & WEDNESDAYS | 7:30PM ADORATION AT 7:00PM

We are again having Patriotic Rosary on Wednesday evenings here at Saint Paul's. Join us at either the 12:15PM or 7:30PM.

### CATHOLIC IN RECOVERY SATURDAYS | 6:30PM

### IN THE NORTH ROOM

Catholic sacramental recovery fellowship for those seeking freedom from addiction. Visit CATHOLICINRECOVERY.COM or contact Trevor at northcantoncir@gmail.com

### **HIGH SCHOOL** YOUTH MINISTRY

WEDNESDAY, FEB 2 | 7PM | CHURCH SOCIAL HALL All high school youth are invited to join this Wednesday! Join us also Sundays February 13 and 27 at 7pm.

**STEUBENVILLE CONFERENCE** 

Limited spaces available. \$100 non-refundable deposit due Jan. 31. **MISSION TRIP (JUNE 12-17)** \$100 non refundable deposit is February 6.

### YOUNG ADULTS AGES 18-39

All Stark County Young Adults are invited to a night of Adoration, an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and fellowship afterwards at St. Mary's in Canton on Monday, Feb. 7 at 7pm.

St. Paul's group will meet Monday, Feb. 21 at 7pm in the Parish Social Hall. Join us for fellowship and refreshments.

### SPONSORSHIPS NEEDED FOR YOUTH RETREAT

The Youth Group will have their annual retreat in March and are looking for prayerful and financial support. Please prayerfully discern how you can commit to support the Youth of our parish. Here's the link for more details: https://stpauIncanton.weshareonline.org/ws/opportunities/SponsoraYouthRetreat

### **BLOOD DRIVE**

#### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2022 | 12:30-5:30PM IN THE NORTH ROOM





BLOOD You can save lives and support our youth ministry at the same time! Mercy Medical Center's Vitalant and St. Paul Parish Nurses and volunteers will be on site. To donate, you must be at least 17 years of age, in good health, and have not donated blood within the last 56 days. Walk-ins are welcome or to schedule a donation time, call Tracey Merriman at 330-499-0076.

Masks required. Please bring your COVID vaccination card.

### GIVING TREE THANK YOU NOTES

#### Dear Friends at St Paul's.

Thank you so much for your generous support of our North Canton City Schools' families for Christmas. They were so appreciative & touched by the support of the community.

It's a pleasure to be making a difference in their lives, together with you!

Best wishes. Family Support at Hoover High School \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

#### Dear St Paul Members,

On behalf of the Help Me Grow program, I would like to thank the staff and parishioners of St Paul's parish for providing Christmas help to the families we serve. Our families were very grateful for the help, especially during these trying times. A true heartfelt thank you to St Paul's.

#### Warm regards,

Home Visiting Supervisor of Help Me Grow

### **Catholic Funeral and Cemetery** Services of the Diocese of Youngstown

Saint Paul Parish Presentation Saturday, February 12, and Sunday, February 13



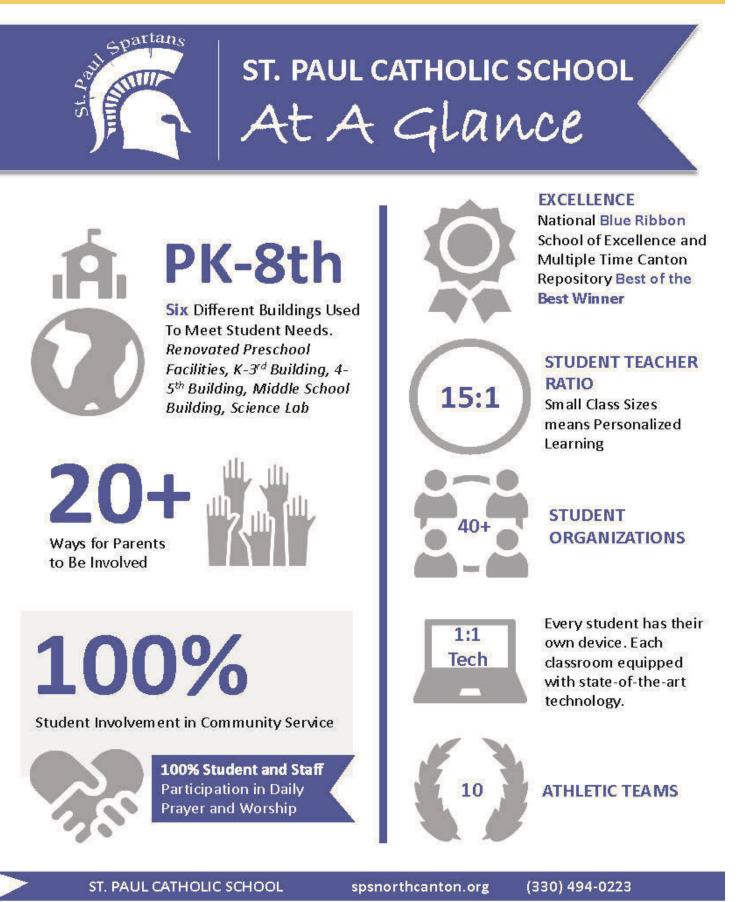
Join us for a discussion on the spiritual and practical reasons for learning about end of life programs and services.

Presentations will be held in the social hall immediately following all masses.

Take advantage of this opportunity to better understand the importance of a Catholic funeral and burial.

James Stein, Outreach Manager

cfcsyoungsown.org



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## Birthday Kit Donations for the St. Paul Girl Scouts Service Project Now until February 20, 2022

Food Pantries provide families the food they need. But oftentimes families do not have a way to celebrate a child's birthday. Birthday Kits would supply the cake pan, mix, frosting, plates, napkins, and candles to make a child's birthday special. This would be a new item that the food pantry could hand out to the families seeking their services.

Please place your items in the bins located in the Gathering Area:

### Cake Mixes, Canned Frosting, Candles, Disposable Aluminum Pans, Birthday Plates, Birthday Napkins, Party Hats, and Balloons

Thank you for your generous support! Your St Paul Girl Scouts

### ST. PAUL'S WOMEN'S GUILD 1987-2022

Dear Women's Guild Members,

January 2022

For the past thirty-five years St. Paul's Women's Guild has been a well established non profit organization in our parish community. The founding women wrote a Charter Constitution that guided the organization, which included an elected Executive Board, appointed Board members and committee chairs. Women's Guild provided us with the opportunity to live our faith in service to our parish community and to share our gifts of time, talent and treasure. However, in the last few years we have seen a dwindling membership which has left us with the difficult task of filling leadership positions. With the introduction of Covid -19, meetings and events were postponed like many other organizations. Little did we know that the Ladies' Day of Reflection on February 29, 2020 with Fr. Keehner as our presenter, would be our last event for the next two years. As the seasons change, so must we.

On Sunday, January 9, 2022, twelve women gathered for an organizational meeting, previously announced in the bulletin, with Fr. Keehner as the facilitator. The immediate need was to discuss the future of the organization with elected leadership. After much discussion it was motioned, seconded, and approved by majority vote to disband the formal organization known as the St. Paul's Women's Guild.

Treasurer, Nancy Thurman, reported that there was \$2,448.23 in the checking account. It was discussed and voted on to donate the funds in the following way:

\$1,000.00 to the Tuition Assistance Fund for St. Paul School (our yearly donation for 2021),

\$1,000.00 to The Legacy Fund at St. Paul Parish,

\$308.23 the Adopt-A-Student Fund at St. Paul School,

\$100.00 to establish Memorial Masses for deceased members of the Guild for 10 years,

\$40.00 for current Memorial Masses for Dennis Schafer, husband of Mary Rita, Julie Keller, Marilyn Looby, and Kathy Batista (past president 1991-1992).

Since it's inception in 1987, the purpose of the St. Paul's Women's Guild was to increase involvement and further the growth of women in St. Paul Parish with spiritual, social, and service projects. Any monies raised will benefit St. Paul Parish or outside of St. Paul's at the discretion of the Board to benefit others in the Christian community.

Well done ladies! I believe that the St. Paul's Women's Guild has accomplished its purpose these last 35 years! Let us celebrate our current members and those that came before us.

Please remember in your hearts the friendships developed, camaraderie for a common goal, prayers offered, the fun, laughter, tears, and our time and talents given to accomplish our faithful service to our parish.

I hope you smile as you recall our First Tuesday of the month meetings, the President Tea's welcoming members, the Christmas Social's with wonderful entertainment, the Ladies' Day of Reflection's with spiritual speakers. Remember our fundraising events which included Style Shows, Gala's, Rigatoni Dinners, Taste of St. Paul Dinners, St. Paul Cookbooks, Christmas Cookie Sales, Silent Auctions, 50/50 Raffles, Church ornaments, Cat's Meow wooden replicas, and more. The times we hosted receptions for priests, deacons, church, and parish events, Memorial Masses, Thanksgiving community services, and Donut Sunday's. We spent hours preparing food and baking cookies for events and luncheons such as Stark Deanery, YDCCW (Youngstown Diocese Council of Catholic Women - which gave us membership in the National Council of Catholic Women). We hosted children's events which included Halloween parties, a Storyteller, the Wilderness Center, and many more. We made a Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey, Ohio where we needed two tour busses to drive us and others from surrounding parishes. We made donations to seminarians, Eagle Scout projects, families in need, St Paul School, and other organizations.

You can see the fruits of our endeavors that we funded or contributed to as you look around our parish: the sign in front of the church, the refrigerator in the kitchen, the south stained glass widow installation, the tables and chairs in the Parish Life Center and Social Hall, the stage curtain, First Communion Prayer Books, Deacon stoles, communion dishes, kitchen supplies, the new window in the choir loft, the baptismal font, the new organ, just to name a few.

Thank you to all who have been involved in the St. Paul's Women's Guild throughout all these years. Your countless volunteer hours have been invaluable to fulfilling our purpose. The vision from 1987 could not have been realized without the commitment of members, support through prayer, parish support from priests, staff, parishioners, and our community. Our sincere gratitude to all those who have been involved in and contributed to St. Paul's Women's Guild. Your generosity with your time, talents, treasure, and prayers have been invaluable in our faith filled service the past 35 years.

With Sincere Gratitude, *Loretta A. Craig* Parliamentarian 2018-2022



ST. PAUL SPARTANS CLUB PROUDLY PRESENTS \* A NIGHT AT THE RACES \*

## SAVE THE DATE

### Saturday, February 5, 2022. 6PM

St. Paul Church Social Hall Join us for an evening of friends, food and friendly wagers! This is a fundraising event with all proceeds supporting the St. Paul Athletics!

### Tickets: \$40 per person \$75 a couple Staff Pricing: \$65 Couple \$35 Single

### VIP: \$500 (8 person table with VIP perks)

Includes: Admission, dinner, beer/wine &

### refreshments

Please bring cash! Sideboards, 50/50 & raffle

Name a horse for \$25. Available to first come, first serve. Only 100 horses available.

Detach the bottom form and return to the school office.

### St. Paul Spartan Club Night at the Races

Name:

Phone & email:

Please enclose the following: Number of tickets (\$40/person; \$75/couple:\_\_\_\_\_

Horse Name (\$25): \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED:

Tickets for this event are limited. Tables of 8 can be reserved. Please note the names of people attending with these tickets or if you wish to be seated at a specific table.

CHECKS PAYABLE TO: St. Paul Spartans Club. Contact: Tom McDonald: 330-268-8414

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Tickets: \$25 Tickets available at the parish office or online at: CANTONM4M.EVENTBRITE.COM





**Walsh University** 2020 E Maple St. North Canton, OH 44720 **7:00 - 9:30PM** 

For More Information Contact: Ben Walther (330-490-7345) bwalther@walsh.edu

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