

# ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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JANUARY 23, 2022

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY** *in ordinary time*

*"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me  
to bring glad tidings to the poor." - Lk 4:18a*

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#### **MASS SCHEDULE:**

**Saturday Vigil 4pm;**

**Sunday 8:30am and 11am**

**Weekdays 8:30am**

**Holy Days— see schedule inside bulletin**

**PASTOR** Father Raymond L. Paul  
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#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Cara Lipinski PCRE, DYM 330-412-1125  
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- CCD—Sunday 9:30am-10:50am
- Youth Ministry—Sunday 6:30pm

**CEMETERY** 330-833-4907

(\*PLEASE CALL FOR APPOINTMENT)

#### **RECONCILIATION**

Saturday 3:00pm, or call the rectory for  
an appointment

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 9am-2pm

Wednesday and Friday: 9:00am-noon

- Parish Office (330) 833-4907
- Fax (330) 833-3907
- School Hall (330) 832-5858

#### **MAINTENANCE / CHURCH GROUNDS**

330-832-5858

#### **SECRETARY**

LeeAnn Smith 330-833-4907

**SOUP KITCHEN** Mondays: noon-1pm

#### **AA/AL-ANON**

(meetings in the church basement)

- Sundays 3pm
- Wednesdays 8pm

**AA** meets in the church basement

- Monday-Friday 8pm
- Tuesday 10am

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

January 23, 2022 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is – the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainty of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

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### **Sunday, January 23 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sunday of the Word of God

•Church Overseas Combined Collection

### **Monday, January 24**

### **Tuesday, January 25**

### **Wednesday, January 26**

### **Thursday, January 27**

### **Friday, January 28**

•Eucharistic Adoration follows the 8:30am Mass; closing and Benediction 12:45pm.



### **Saturday, January 29**

•2nd collection benefits St. Vincent de Paul outreach

### **Sunday, January 30 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

•2nd collection benefits St. Vincent de Paul outreach



The second collection NEXT WEEKEND will be designated for our St. Vincent de Paul Society's outreach ministries within our local community.

## MISSION STATEMENT

*The community of St. Joseph is a parish dedicated to the mission of the Roman Catholic Church in proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We are centered in the Eucharist and committed to being the Body of Christ in the world around us. Under the patronage of St. Joseph, we strive to do the following: gather as a family worshiping together and supporting one another in spiritual growth; sharing our faith with others and providing continuing education in the faith to our members; be a community of love that responds with compassion to both the spiritual and corporal needs of those around us including the greater Massillon area; gather together as a family in a variety of spiritual, social, and community oriented events.*

## FROM THE OFFICE

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS** must be submitted by email (rpaul@youngstowndiocese.org) or by calling the office by NOON ON MONDAY prior to publication.

### NEW PARISHIONERS:

Welcome to St. Joseph! If you wish to join our parish family, please call the office at 330-833-4907.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER/STATUS:

If your address, phone number or marital status changes, please call the office so that we can update our records.

**BAPTISM** preparation class is mandatory prior to the sacrament. Call the office to make arrangements.

**MARRIAGE:** Diocesan policy directs couples to make arrangements at least 6 months prior to the intended wedding ceremony. Please call Fr. Paul to schedule an appointment.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK** will be celebrated 2 times a year during the weekend Masses. Call the parish office for a home visitation. Hospitals have a pastoral care department if you want to be anointed while in the hospital.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY TO THE SICK:** If you know of a parishioner who is homebound or in a nursing home who would like to receive Communion, please call the parish office.

### NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING MINISTRY

Please contact (330) 837-9702 for more information.

### PROJECT RACHEL OF NORTHEAST OHIO

Visit <https://hopeafterabortionneo.weebly.com/> or 330-360-0430.

### VOCATIONS FOR THE DIOCESE OF YOUNGSTOWN

*"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? Contact Father Scott Kopp at 330-744-8451, or email: [skopp@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:skopp@youngstowndiocese.org).

### MASS ATTENDANCE

Weekend of January 15/16, 2022

4:00pm 107      8:30am 126      11:00am 163

### WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT

**January 16, 2022**

Sunday offering \$5171.00  
second collection \$251.00

### Look us up on Facebook at:

"St. Joseph Church, Massillon Ohio"

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<http://bit.ly/stjosephsmassillon>

## STEWARDSHIP

*"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.

## RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

*Plant Your Works in the Word*

One of the things about Scripture is that even the smallest word and shortest phrase can be critical to the overall message. When you take a quiet moment to rest with the Word, you find how quickly the most mundane sentence can reach out and grab you, pulling you into a deeper contemplation of some truth you hadn't even considered until then.

But we often fail to act as the Israelites in the Book of Nehemiah, standing before the Water Gate "listening attentively." Whether it's at Mass during the Liturgy of the Word or at home poring over the Bible, time after time we find ourselves less mindful than we could be. Our ears accept the sounds of the words and our eyes glance over the shape of the letters.

### **But are we mindful – truly?**

The best answer is hopefully at least sometimes. There are always tasks to be completed, problems weighing on our minds that we can't quite give over to God. We lose ourselves in these things instead of in Scripture. We "clock in" with Bible reading instead of "diving in."

We can never forget that the words of the Lord are spirit and life. They are the soil that quickens the seed of all stewardship. There is no mindfulness, no prayer, no graciousness, no gratitude or accountability or sense of commitment unless there is the Word.

So let us pray today for mindfulness, that our every action will be grounded in the law of God – giving it true spirit and life. – Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



## CHAPTER CHAT SELECTIONS FOR FEBRUARY & MARCH:

February 3, *Lost Boy Found*, by Kirsten Alexander

March 3, *The Paris Library*, by Janet Skeslien Charles

\*Newcomers are always welcome! We meet in the parish center dining room at 7pm on the first Thursday of the month, with the exception of June, July, and August.

**WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE** will be celebrated in the Church on Wednesday, February 2. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

### **PROJECT RACHEL OF NORTHEAST OHIO**

After 45 years of legalized abortion, millions of women, men, families and friends are hurting from their regret. There is hope and healing available. For confidential help, text or call Project Rachel at 330-360-0430 or go to <https://hopeafterabortionneo.weebly.com/>.

### **LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

People can easily lose a sense of the sacred and transcendent. When we lose a sense of God's special presence, we need to be brought back. Ezra brought people back to the word of God and they realized what they were missing. Jesus proclaims God's word in the synagogue with true conviction and tells those gathered that he is the fulfillment of all that Isaiah taught. Even though people get lost, distracted, discouraged, and often journey down the wrong path, God's timeless law remains. When we allow ourselves to truly hear God's word and act on it, that living word slowly, over time, changes us. It has the power to soften and mold us, creating within us a joyful spirit. We realize the truth in what God speaks and become open to God's love. Gradually and gently God leads us back where we belong. We discover again the sacred character of life and the wonder of God's power. It is no wonder that Luke addresses his remarks to Theophilus. It is a name that means "beloved of God," a name that can be used by anyone who desires friendship with God. ©LPI

### **REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE**

#### **First Reading:**

Ezra and Nehemiah were the religious and political leaders of Judah in the mid-5<sup>th</sup> century BC. They grounded their leadership in Scripture ("the book of the law.") What role does sacred Scripture have in guiding your life?

#### **Second Reading:**

Paul used the human body as an analogy for the "many parts" of the Christian community in Corinth that should unite as the "one body" of Christ. In what ways do you find this a challenging vision for community?

#### **Gospel:**

Today's reading contains both the opening prologue to the Gospel of Luke and the initial reaction to Jesus' return to his hometown of Nazareth. Luke is the only Evangelist to provide us with a prologue outlining his motivation to write his Gospel. What details do you find most interesting from Luke's prologue?



### **MARRIAGE PREPARATION SESSIONS**

will be held on February 6 and February 20 from noon to 6pm in the parish center. Engaged couples must attend both sessions. Engaged couples must also make arrangements to meet with Father Paul to complete the necessary paperwork. Please call him at 330-833-2607 before the first session next month.

### **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 for development projects. Please give generously to this collection which combines four collections into one. \*\*If you did not bring your designated envelope this weekend, you are encouraged to do so next weekend, or simply mark an envelope **CHURCH OVERSEAS**.

### **WARM HEARTS FOR WARM HOMES**

Many people come to Catholic Charities for assistance to keep their homes warm during the long, cold winter months here in Ohio. The WARM HEARTS CAMPAIGN provides tangible assistance and peace of mind to individuals and families in need of utility assistance.

Please visit [www.ccdoy.org](http://www.ccdoy.org) to learn more or to make a gift online. You may also mail checks to Catholic Charities (note Warm Hearts for Warm Homes on the memo line) and mail to Catholic Charities, 144 West Wood St., Youngstown, OH 44503. Thank you for your generosity.

### **THREE SAINTS CURBSIDE DINNER**

St. George Romanian Catholic Cathedral  
1123 44th St. NE, Canton 44714  
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Paul and Sarah Schroedl have generously donated a new five-book set of Lectionaries for use at all of our Masses. Thank you, Paul and Sarah, for your wonderful gift!

# MASS INTENTIONS



## Saturday, January 22

4:00 pm + Family and friends of our parish family who died in the month of December

## 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 23

8:30 am +Mary Painter  
11:00 am +Mary E. Barbari

## Monday, January 24

**St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

8:30 am +Anna Briggs

## Tuesday, January 25

**The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle**

8:30 am +Kathryn Russ

## Wednesday, January 26

**Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops**

8:30 am Living and deceased members of our parish

## Thursday, January 27 St. Angela Merici, Virgin

8:30 am +Amelia and Edward Kozar

## Friday, January 28

**St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

8:30 am +Patricia Meinhart

## Saturday, January 29

4:00 pm +Gene and Gladys Harding

## 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 30

8:30 am +Wanda Farris  
11:00 am +Joseph and Jeff Pedro

*Pray For...* the souls of Dudley Webster and Catherine Haubert. May they rest in peace.



The Holy Father's prayer intention for January:  
For true human fraternity... We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

For all men and women called by Jesus to teach the Gospel as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, that the joy of the Lord will remain their strength during their discernment, formation and mission, we pray to the Lord.

Please pray for the seriously ill members of our parish family; those in nursing homes or who are homebound; those who are hospitalized; and those undergoing treatments/tests.

## LITURGICAL ROLES January 22/23, 2022

	4:00pm	8:30am	11:00am
<b>E. M.:</b>	Deacon Don J. Harding J. Mysza M. Mays C. Hatfield	Deacon Don R. Heck M. Revlock J./J. Holsinger	Deacon Don J. Dewald M. Galinec S. Elliott R. Daugintis
<b>Lector:</b>	J. Harding	R. Heck	J. Dewald
<b>Servers:</b>	C. Roberts B. Roberts D. Caldwell	J. Hoffner N. Hatheway	I. Paul L./C. Paul
<b>Greeters:</b>	S. Harding B. Danna	J. Zeglen D./K. Lance M. Ody M./J. Viront	K. Lega C./C. Gorkos A. Manderine



## LITURGICAL ROLES January 29/30, 2022

	4:00pm	8:30am	11:00am
<b>E. M.:</b>	T./J. Ferrero K. Massarelli M. Gozdan	Deacon Steve R. Mamone M./K. Ruppert	A. Palaski J./J./I. Paul
<b>Lector:</b>	R. Berens	R. Mamone	J. Paul
<b>Servers:</b>	P. Findley M. Findley C. Roberts	F. Hatheway S. Wise	F. Palaski P. Palaski D. Minocchi
<b>Greeters:</b>	J. Serra B. Starcher	R. Lackey J. Patton J. Brunner	P. Fisher M. Ford J./J. Roth M./E. Juhasz

## Readings for the week of January 23, 2022

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21  
Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30  
Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/ Mk 16:15-18  
Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/ Mk 4:1-20  
Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/ Mk 4:21-25  
Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34  
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/ Mk 4:35-41  
Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31-13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30



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