

We are the young and the old, rich and poor, men and women, saints and sinners. We are centuries old and found on every continent throughout the globe. We establish thousands of hospitals and orphanages for the poor. We are the largest charity on the planet. We educate more children than any other institution. We established the scientific method and created the university system. We defend all life Cities throughout the world are named after saints whom we revere. We have been guided for over two thousand years by sacred scripture and tradition. We Pray for and serve all people. And in a world that is often wrapped in chaos and pain, we offer hope and comfort, solace and direction. In every sense of the world, we are the Catholic Church SUNDAY LITURGIES Saturday: 4:00 PM Sunday: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM

<u>WEEKDAY LITURGIES</u> Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:30 AM

<u>CONFESSIONS</u> Saturday: 9:00 AM

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# MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday December 25th 9:00am<sup>+</sup>People of the Parish Sunday December 26th

7:00 am † Mary Santon 9:00 am † Gresko & McDermott Family

11:00 am

<sup>†</sup> Frank & Katherine Vaccaro

Monday December 27th 8:30 am<sup>+</sup> Ralph & Irene Reese Tuesday December 28th 8:30 am <sup>+</sup> Dominic & Adele Conti Thursday December 30th 8:30 am<sup>+</sup> Joseph Kubik Friday December 31st 4:00pm <sup>+</sup> People of the Parish

Saturday January 1st, 2022 9:00 am <sup>†</sup> People of the Parish Sunday January 2nd, 2022 7:00 am <sup>†</sup> All Soul's Daily Mass 9:00 am <sup>†</sup> Tom and son Tommy Koczwara (living) 11:00 am<sup>†</sup> James R. Kravec

## **OUR MISSION**

# **Ministry Schedule**

<u>Saturday January 1st, 2022</u> <u>9:00am Mass</u> Altar Server: H. Kennedy, V. Polkovitch Lector: J. Wolf Eucharisic Minister: S. Courtney, P. Courtney

Sunday January 2nd, 2022 7:00am Mass-Altar Server: W. Morgione Lector: M. Yeager **Eucharistic Minister: J. Scali** 9:00am Mass **Altar Server:** D. Olesh, L. Williams Lector: S. Olesh **Eucharistic Minister:** G. Fee, J. Rebraca 11:00am Mass **Altar Server:** G. Hauch, A. Tiberio **Lector: T. Macabobby Eucharistic Minister:** P. Leone, C. Sledd

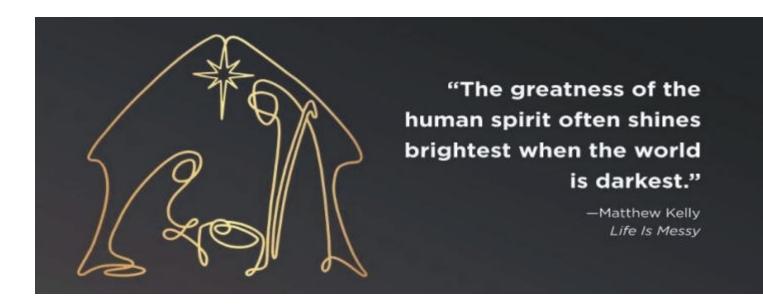
# **December 19th collection**

Regular Offertory\$12,407.00Online Giving5,223.57

Dorothy Day 1,827.00 Thank you for your generosity!

We are a Roman Catholic Community committed to extending the mission of Jesus Christ through relationship in word , sacrament and service to the people of the southwest corner of Youngstown

## DECEMBER 26, 2021



# HAVE YOURSELF A MESSY LITTLE CHRISTMAS

On behalf of Fr Jerek, the Parish Staff the Adult Faith Formation Team, we hope you'll stop by one of the vestibules after Mass and pick up our Christmas gift to you – a free copy of the book *"Life Is Messy"* by Matthew Kelly.

Life Is Messy is a book for everyone with a mess. A comeback story written in response to the question – *Can someone who is broken be put back together in a way that is more beautiful than ever before?* – it is ultimately a reflection on one of our deepest needs: *the need for redemption*.

Everyone loves a comeback story, hopes for second chances and yearns for new beginnings. Thankfully, our God has authored the greatest comeback story of all time, and it begins with the Christmas story we celebrate today – the story of a God who loves us so much He stepped directly into our mess – not to solve it, but to offer us redemption.

May we find the courage to face the mess together, and may God make our broken selves more beautiful than ever before! As it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah: "Every valley shall be filled and every mountain and hill shall be made low. The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God." [Luke 3:4-6]

# THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday 12/26/2021	Feast of the Holy Family
Monday 12/27/2021	Mass at 8:30 AM
Tuesday 12/28/2021	Mass at 8:30 AM
Wednesday 12/29/2021	R.C.I.A.—6:00-8:00 PM
Thursday 12/30/2021	Movie Night 6-8:30 PM — "White Christmas"
	Rectory offices closed
Friday 12/31/2021	Mass at 4:00 PM, NO morning mass
	Rectory offices closed
Saturday 1/01/2022	Mass at 9:00 AM, NO MASS at 4:00 PM,
	NO Confessions

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, 12/23/21, Friday 12/24/21,Thursday, 12/30/21 and Friday, 12/31/21 in observance of the Christmas and New Year's holiday.

Readings for the week of December 26, 2021

- Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52 or
- 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52
- Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
- Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18
- Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35
- Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40
- Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18
- Saturday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-1297:1-2, 5 -6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

# MINISTRY CORNER

## <u>RENEWAL</u>

The past two years have profoundly changed each of us. We have experienced unprecedented change, loss and uncertainty. Yet...we continue to try and return to normalcy and the life we knew before Covid. In that spirit....Christ Renews His Parish will be returning to St. Christine in 2023. What this will look like is still be finalized. We know that our faith has taken a significant hit throughout Covid. Yet our church remains open and we look forward to safely gathering for a renewal weekend in 2023. Please continue to check the bulletin for further updates.. St. Christine School is hiring an aftercare leader. This person works outside of school hours. This person works closely with the school and other aftercare leaders to provide an enriching and educationally sound experience for the students. He/she will develop the structure of the program based on the needs and interests of the students and manage the program staff and operations. Applicants must complete VIRTUS training, BCI/FBI clearance, and be certified in CPR/First Aid. Please send resumes to : St. Christine Elementary School ATTN: Cara Pribula Or call 330-792-7877

stchristineelem@youngstowndiocese.org

# **Distinguished Alumni Search**

We are once again accepting nominations for The Saint Christine School Distinguished Alumni Award. One individual will be selected for this award and honored at our school Mass during Catholic Schools Week.

## **Qualifications:**

Person must be a graduate of St. Christine School, 21 years of age or older, and one who exemplifies the Gospel value in his or her life.

To nominate an individual, you must submit a short essay explaining the reasons why this person is deserving of this special award.

Please send your nominations by 1/10/22 to: Distinguished Alumni Search Committee St. Christine School 3125 S. Schenley Ave. Youngstown, OH 44511



## The St Christine Cinema Festival Presents Irving Berlin's WHITE CHRISTMAS THURSDAY, December 30

6:00 – 8:30 pm in the Parish Center Please join us for an evening of fun and fellowship as we gather together to view this all-time favorite Christmas classic, filmed in 1954 and starring Bing Crosby, Danny Kaye, Rosemary Clooney and Vera-Ellen. What better way to "ring out the old and cheer in the new" than by relaxing and unwinding with friends from the Parish in front of the big screen? No need to bring a thing, as the Parish will supply the meal: Pizza, salad, chips, punch, coffee, water and dessert! Questions? Contact Marianne Yeager at 330-533-4276. Sponsored by the Adult Faith Formation Team.

*"May your days be merry and bright And may all your Christmases be white!"* 

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St Christine All Sports Booster Club is excited to announce our 27<sup>th</sup> annual Reverse Raffle. This year you can join us in person or watch live streaming on Facebook! Mark your calendar, this event will take place on **Saturday January 15**, **2022** at St. Christine's Parish Center. We will have a banquet dinner, open bar, desserts, and offer 50/50 tickets, silent auction, auction baskets, mini board, wine pull, and <u>live music performed by RDNA</u>!

# In-person seating is limited to 200 guests, get your tickets quick!!

Not attending in person? Come from 4:30-5:30PM to purchase basket tickets!! Baskets will be on display in the front lobby of the Parish Center. Winners will be contacted by phone if not present.

Doors for the Reverse Raffle open at 5:30PM Dinner served at 6:00PM First Number Pulled at 6:00PM RDNA will play from 7:30-10PM

Please contact Jo-Lynn Campbell at 330-942-4712 or jolynn@dccgc.com with any questions. If you would like to make any donations towards the raffle baskets, contact Shannon Jones at 330-261-5906

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Return this portion with payment to the school labeled BOOSTERS REVERSE RAFFLE or mail to 3125 S. Schenley, Youngstown OH 44511 ATTN: Booster Reverse Raffle

Name	Phone
Address	email

Please indicate quantity you are purchasing:

\_\_\_\_\_\_ \$ 50.00 (One number only- watch live on-line)

- \_\_\_\_\_ \$100.00 (One Number and one dinner)
- \_\_\_\_\_\$150.00 (One Number and two dinners)
- \_\_\_\_\_\$200.00 (Two Numbers and two dinners)

\_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ Amount enclosed Check #\_\_\_\_\_ or Cash

\_\_\_\_ I would like number(s) \_\_\_\_\_\_ (if it is available for purchase)

If possible, please seat me with the following families\_\_\_\_\_

IF WE SELL OUT OF IN-PERSON SEATING, DO YOU WANT A FULL REFUND OR TO PAY FOR NUMBER(S) ONLY AND WATCH LIVE?

YES/I WANT A FULL REFUND (Will not participate or buy number(s)) NO/BUY NUMBER(S) AND WATCH ONLINE (Remaining balance will be refunded)

Make checks payable to St. Christine Booster Club/Reverse Raffle, Thank you!



# *If you would like a print-out of your annual contributions, please contact the Parish office at 330-792-3829.*



# Christmas flowers decorating our church were given in loving honor/ memory of :

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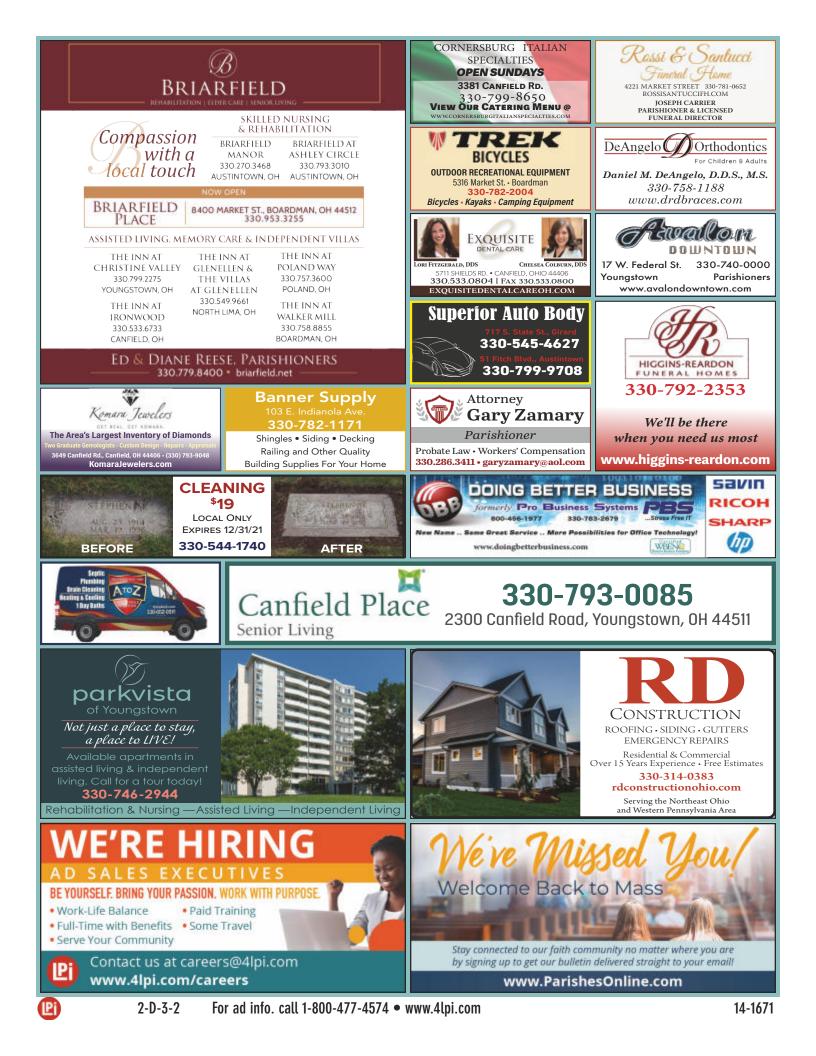
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