Christ Our Savior

Roman Catholic Parish

Holy Trinity Church
& St. Nicholas Church

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Religious Ed: 330-755-6245 ext. 114
St. Nicholas School: 330-755-2128

Ministry Team

Pastor: Reverend Marian Babjak
Deacon: Deacon John V. Terranova
Coordinator of Religious Education: Jamie Miller
Leader of Prayer: Rosie Hollen
Director of Music: Matthew White
Young Adult Ministry: Pam Tarajcak
Youth Ministry: Jamie Miller
Social Media Minister: Paul Brenner
School Principal: Mrs. Betty McCullough
School Secretary: Chrissy Goss
Asst. Office Managers: Lisa Hill, Patty Payne
Secretaries: Joyce Centofanti, Rose Radilovic
Altar & Rosary: Priscilla Carlucci (SN)
Holy Name: Jeff Janci
Infant of Prague Guild: Ann Bobby
Knights of Columbus: Steve Vernarsky
Moms & Dads: Brent Hanni
Parish Nurses: Donna Carchedi
St. Vincent de Paul: Joann Burgmyer

Pastoral Council

Ray Delost (Chair)
Rosie Hollen (VCh.)
Marie Pavlicko (Sec)
Doris Almasy
Jaclyn Blake
Joann Burgmyer
Joanne Eiselstein
Benita Fisher
Alison Kovach
Betty McCullough
Jamie Miller
Deacon John Terranova
Bev Yurcisin

Finance Council

Jerry Morell, (Chair)
Marie Belloto
Anthony Quahliero
Dexter Hollen
Suzette Jackson
Tony Modarelli
Dan Yemma

Mass Schedule

Daily Mass
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
9 AM - Consult Bulletin for Location
Saturday
4:30 PM - Consult Bulletin for Location
Sunday
8 AM - Consult Bulletin for Location
11 AM - Consult Bulletin for Location

Confessions

Saturday 8:30—9:30 AM
St. Nicholas Lower Church

Baptism

We baptize on the 2nd & 4th Sundays each month. A preparatory class is required. Contact the Religious Education Office to schedule your baptism and class.

Visiting or Anointing the Sick or Homebound

Contact Parish Office to make your request.

Matrimony

Arrangements need to be made at least 6 months in advance. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Mission Statement

Following our Savior Jesus Christ, we are committed to life in communion with God and God's People, to engaging our gifts to share God's love and Christ's saving grace with others, and to nurturing the life of God – Father, Son and Spirit – in ourselves and others through God's Word, our Worship of God, and our Service to others.

MASS INTENTIONS & DEVOTION

Saturday, August 22 Great Hall
4:30 pm: SN: Michael Evanson (Evanson Family)
John, Eva & David Reves (Donna Lynn Reves)
Patricia Costello (Steve & Charlotte Higgins)
Agnes Lisko (Daughters & Sons)
Nancy Hermez (Amelia Zaluski)
Ann Siciliano (Husband & Family)
Jacqueline Zupko (Gornet Family)
Rose Marie Nudo (Nudo Family)
Michael Globun
(Michael & Caroline Roseman Family)
Sunday, August 23 Great Hall
8:00 am: SN: Living & Deceased of Christ Our Savior Parish
11:00am SN: Harry & Lillian Hollen (Dex, Rosie & Family)
Monday, August 24 Lower Church
9:00 am: SN: Lawrence & Darrold Carroll (Children)
Tuesday, August 25 Lower Church
9:00 am: SN: Jack Witherow (Altar & Rosary Society)
Wednesday, August 26 Lower Church
9:00 am: SN: Peter Mraulak (Richard Zoldak)
Thursday, August 27
No Communion Service
Friday, August 28 Lower Church
9:00 am: SN: Jane Ringer (Amelia Zaluski)
Saturday, August 29 Great Hall
4:30 pm: SN: Mary Jane McCormick (Family)
Eileen Eusino (Ann Bobby)
Jean Rucci (Sepesy Family)
Helen Martinko (Agnes Puhala)
Pete Mraulak (Debbie & Pat Palumbo)
Albert Toth Sr.
(Shirley Terranova & Jayne Kapics)
Sunday, August 30 Great Hall
8:00 am: SN: Mary Delost (John & Shirley Terranova)
11:00am SN: Living & Deceased of Christ Our Savior Parish

MEMORIAL CANDLES FOR THE WEEK OF August 30, 2020

Mary Jane McCormick (Family) SN
Dennis Becker (Family) SN
Dorothy Vitale (Eleanor Gentile) SN

The following groups will **NOT** meet until further notice:

- Parish Council & Finance Council
- Altar & Rosary Society
- Centering Prayer Group
- Bible Sharing & Discussion
- Crochet & Knitting Group
- AA Meetings
- Miraculous Medal Novena
- Eucharistic Adoration

The following events have been **CANCELLED**:

- Community Meal
- Bingo - until further notice
- Pirohy - until further notice

Stewardship

OUR RETURN TO GOD FOR BLESSINGS

Are you worthy to share your gifts with Christ and his people? We all know that Peter ultimately denied knowing Christ three times, but he was still given a monumental task of carrying Christ's church on his shoulders. Peter made mistakes like we all do, and like Peter, we are also called upon to give life to the Church through sharing of our unique gifts.

	Envelopes	Online Giving
August 16th Collection:	$8,168.00	$305.00
Assumption:	$908.00	
Energy:	$60.00	
School:	$55.00	

Budget: $12,500.00

Safely Home

Please remember in your prayers the soul and family of

George Siciliano

PARISH NEWS

- Weekend Masses will continue to be celebrated in the Great Hall.
- We are following our regular Weekly Mass schedule: 9 am Mass on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday at St. Nicholas Lower Church.
- Saturday Vigil Mass 4:30 pm at the Great Hall
- Sunday 8 am & 11 am Mass at the Great Hall
- St. Nicholas Lower Church will be open for private prayer Monday - Friday from 8 am - 2 pm.
- **Confessions:** Saturday 8:30 - 9:30 am St. Nicholas Lower Church Chapel

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

- The Parish Office is **CLOSED** to the public until further notice.
- The office staff is available by phone @ 330-755-9819 Monday thru Friday 8am - 4pm.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING *Isaiah 22:19-23*

Thus says the LORD to Shebna, master of the palace: “I will thrust you from your office and pull you down from your station. On that day I will summon my servant Eliakim, son of Hilkiah; I will clothe him with your robe, and gird him with your sash, and give over to him your authority. He shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to the house of Judah. I will place the key of the House of David on Eliakim’s shoulder; when he opens, no one shall shut when he shuts, no one shall open. I will fix him like a peg in a sure spot, to be a place of honor for his family.”

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8*

R. **Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.**
I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with all my heart, for you have heard the words of my mouth;
in the presence of the angels I will sing your praise; I will worship at your holy temple.
R. **Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.**
I will give thanks to your name, because of your kindness and your truth:
When I called, you answered me; you built up strength within me.
R. **Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.**
The LORD is exalted, yet the lowly he sees, and the proud he knows from afar.
Your kindness, O LORD, endures forever; forsake not the work of your hands.
R. **Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.**

SECOND READING *Romans 11:33-36*

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways!
For who has known the mind of the Lord or who has been his counselor? Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid?
For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**
You are Peter and upon this rock I will build my Church
and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.
R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL *Matthew 16:13-20*

Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi and he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” They replied, “Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”
He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?”
Simon Peter said in reply, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”
Jesus said to him in reply, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” Then he strictly ordered his disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

Pray for Our Sick: Donna Leone, Blake Doss, Marcia Styranec, Robert Arnoto, Regina Graygo, Julia Skalada, Robert Skalada, Tom Kolat, Wendy Pakalnis, Jeannette Rusu, Michael Lombard, Linda Agnew, Heather Hanlon, Carmella Bokros, Hannah Tringhese, Tom Wasko, Dominic Lippillo Jr., Kathy Tomko, Ulisse Sevi, Eleanor Sandy, Anna Leenheer, Loretta Cioci, James Marco, Barb, Tony & Family, Helen Runyon, Irene Parker, Betty Campbell, Theresa Margala, Mary Ann Colaneri, Blake Wilson, Stephana Liptak, Michael Yemma, Agnes Puhala, Brett Mann, Sgt. Robert Smith.

Our Sick and Homebound: Christine Peluso Kinsley & Rose Maizel.

For those in Nursing Homes: Dorothy Petro, Patricia Watt, Mary Brenner, Theresa Pitlik, Marie Anos, John Myers, Don Micenjko.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS: Council 4471 is again conducting face-to-face meetings on the ***first and third*** Monday evenings of the month. Meetings begin at 7:00 PM. Meetings are now being held in the Great Hall where social distancing can more readily be practiced. Brother knights are required to wear masks during the meetings and hand sanitizer is being made available.

MOBILITY ON LOAN UPDATE: Through the generosity of the parishioners of Christ Our Savior Parish the Knights of Columbus' Mobility on Loan ministry has a nice inventory of wheelchairs, potty chairs, walkers, and crutches available for loan. We take this opportunity to thank all of you that have made donations to this ministry. Please know, we cannot perform this ministry without your generosity.

Since the needs of the parish community are always changing, our inventory can never be "large enough". Please continue to remember us when you have a spare wheelchair etc., to donate. Some have offered us hospital beds, please note that we cannot accept these.

Our wheelchairs, walkers, crutches, and potty chairs are available for temporary loan, at no cost to the parishioners and immediate families of Christ Our Savior Parish and the brother knights and their families of Council 4471.

We welcome brother knight, Bob Sepesy to our ministry, therefore any parishioner having a need for one of the above listed devices or having one to donate, may contact brother knights **Joe Wilkos at 330-782-6858, Bob Sepesy at 330-770-9543,** or **Andy Brincko at 330-782-2400**.

PLEASE NOTE: In response to the current Covid-19 pandemic we are sanitizing our equipment prior to delivery, but we strongly suggest that anyone receiving one of our pieces of equipment re-sanitize them upon receipt before use.

We welcome our newest Saints, baptized into Christ Jesus by water and the Holy Spirit:

Dontae Hubbert, Angelia Ramunno, Vincent Santucci

PRAYER FOR OUR NEW PRIEST

Lord, we ask for your blessing upon our new priest, Fr. Marian.

We thank you for the gifts and talents that you have bestowed upon him to fulfill his mission, OPUS CHRISTI, Christ's work.

May we be generous in our welcome and ever grateful for his ministry.

May we and our new *Companion on the Journey* grow evermore deeply spiritually, socially and in service to one another to Christ our Lord.

Amen

FR. BABJAK RECEIVES BRONZE PELICAN AWARD

At a recent presentation Fr. Marian Babjak received the Bronze Pelican Award from the Catholic Committee on Scouting. The award is presented to individuals who inspire and encourage young scouts to pursue and learn more about their faith. In this case, their Catholic faith. Each year the Catholic Committee on Scouting recognizes those individuals who assist our scouts in learning about their "Duty to God".

Presenting the award were JoAnn Pratt, Michael Kolp and Patrick Nudo; Diocese of Youngstown Catholic Committee on Scouting members.

The CCOS wishes Fr. Marian all the best in the world as he takes on his newest responsibilities. May God continue to guide and protect him while at Christ Our Savior Parish.

The **Christ Our Savior FOOD PANTRY at HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,** sponsored by our Parish St. Vincent de Paul Society, is **open from 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM on MONDAYS** for anyone in need of assistance living in Struthers, Campbell or Lowellville.

Until further notice we are asking everyone to open their trunks and remain in their cars. Our food pantry volunteers will load your groceries. Thank you for your cooperation.

ST. NICHOLAS SCHOOL NEWS

Saint Nicholas School is taking registrations for the 2020-2021 school year. Come and check out what our school has to offer: Therapy through Art, Virtual Reality classroom, STEM program, and much more. A second chance to apply for the EdChoice Scholarship opens July 15th, 2020. Students who are attending or would be attending an eligible school can apply for the EdChoice Scholarship. A list of designated schools can be found on the Ohio Department of Education website under EdChoice Scholarships. Call the school for more detailed information to complete the registration process 330-755-2128.

Cash For Cans – This is for aluminum beverage cans. No plastic, glass, newspapers, etc. (Cans cannot be crushed). Please save your cans over the summer. Thank you to all who support the Cash for Cans program.

Saint Nicholas School Mission Statement: *Saint Nicholas School is a Catholic elementary school, founded in 1928 and serving families with students in grades kindergarten through eight. The school exists to provide an academically excellent Catholic education and promote high standards in behavior and respect. Saint Nicholas School serves the church and Struthers communities as well as the Mahoning Valley bonded together as a family in faith. We are deeply committed to nurturing our students through the teaching of the scriptures and promoting and modeling of service in accordance to the Gospel values.*

WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED

Pregnant and parenting moms in need are in our parishes and our neighborhoods. As Pope Francis reminds us, our parishes need to be "islands of mercy in the midst of a sea of indifference." Everyone in a parish community should know where to refer a pregnant woman in need.

This year, as the Church celebrates the 25th anniversary of *Evangelium Vitae (The Gospel of Life)* by Pope St. John Paul II, we are invited to assess, expand, and communicate resources to pregnant moms and families in need. This nationwide effort entitled "Walking with Moms in Need: A Year of Service" is sponsored by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Committee on Pro-Life Activities.

To learn more about how your parish can take part in this effort contact our diocesan Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family at dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org or330-744-8451 ext. 272, or visit www.walkingwithmoms.com.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE IN CANTON AND YOUNGSTOWN

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion businesses. (Go to https://www.40daysforlife.com/). The Fall 2020 campaign takes place September 23 through November 1. There are two 40 Days for Life campaigns in the Diocese of Youngstown:

- Canton, at 2663 Cleveland Ave. NW, in front of the Planned Parenthood. Contact Linda at 330-826-1885 or fortydayscanton@gmail.com.
- Youngstown at 77 E. Midlothian Blvd, in front of the Planned Parenthood. Contact Don and Mary at 330-372-6147 or mgoffos@hotmail.com.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FACEBOOK: ccd_cos
PHONE: 330-755-6245 ext. 114 & 104
EMAIL: jamie.miller@youngstowndiocese.org

CCD: Please return your registration and surveys as soon as possible to help us better prepare for next year.

Please check out our Religious Education Facebook page for Children's bulletins and fun summer activities.

FIRST COMMUNION: all first communion **packets** and **banners** need to be delivered to the St. Nicholas Lower Church this **Sunday, August 23rd**, after the 11:00 am Mass.

We know that this is a difficult time and can be especially difficult for our children to understand. There are resources available at catechistcafe.weebly.com to help parents talk to their children about the coronavirus.

What Children Need to Know
It is important to reassure children, address their fears, and communicate what we believe from a faith perspective. Here are some guidelines for how to approach the conversation:

- **Keep it truthful.** Don't mislead your child, pass on rumors, or make promises that you can't keep. Don't tell them that they (or you, or grandma) won't catch COVID-19. Instead, explain that very few kids get bad symptoms, very few people get seriously sick, and that there is medical help for those who do.
- **Keep it age-appropriate.** Share only what is helpful for your child at their developmental level. Going beyond that will confuse them.
- **Keep it simple.** In general, let your child guide the conversation with their own questions and concerns. Don't volunteer too much information or try to be comprehensive. Because the crisis is affecting all aspects of life and there is ongoing news, it can be easy to talk about it all the time and throughout family meals, but this can make our children anxious.

FAITH & FAMILY FESTIVAL CANCELED FOR 2020, BUT 2021 DATE SET

Although the Eleventh Annual Faith & Family Festival of the Diocese of Youngstown will not be taking place this year because of COVID-19 the new date has been set for September 26, **2021** at Walsh University. The featured presenter will be Fr. Leo Patalinghug, the "cooking priest" from Plating Grace. For more information contact Dave Schmidt at 330-744-8451 ext.272 or dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org.