### CHRIST OUR SAVIOR PARISH

#### **MARCH 17, 2024**



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**ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH** 764 Fifth St., Struthers, OH 44471

#### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Daily Mass Schedule Monday - Friday 8:30am - St. Nicholas

Weekend Mass Schedule
Saturday | 4:00pm - St. Nicholas
Sunday | 8:00am - Holy Trinity,
11:00am - St. Nicholas

Confession
Saturday | 3:00pm - 3:45pm
St. Nicholas Lower Church Chapel

#### St. Nicholas School

330-755-2128 stnickelem@youngstowndiocese.org stnicholasschool.com Betty McCullough, Principal Chrissy Goss, Secretary



## 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit." - Jn 12:23-24

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#### **GET IN TOUCH**

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#### Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday | 8:00am - 4:00pm

Rev. Philip Rogers, Pastor

Religious Education 330-755-6245 Ext. 114

#### **BAPTISM**

We baptize 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. Contact the Parish Office.

## Mass Intentions Worship

Saturday, March 16

4:00 pm: SN: Joseph E. & Mary McLandrich (Daughter, Shirley & John)

Donald & Rose Maizel (Daughters)

Benjamin & Josephine Pollo (Mike & Jackie Pollo)

Harry & Lillian Hollen (Dex, Rosie & Family) Sandra & Frank Bell (Ralph & Jane Genova)

Marcia Styranec (Family) Mary Beth Allshouse (Family) Eleanor Kozusko (Lori Swantek) Nicholas Giancola (Robert Pulaski) Dr. Joseph Crowe (Ruth & Regis Yurcich) Antonio & Adelina Pacella (Daughter, Emma)

Sunday, March 17

8:00 am: HT: Living & Deceased of Christ Our Savior Parish

11:00am: SN: Ann Melone (Paul Melone)

Monday, March 18

8:30 am: SN: Ann Jarvis (Patrick & Anita Jarvis)

Tuesday, March 19

8:30 am: SN: Ann Sabel (Dee Fisher)

Wednesday, March 20

8:30 am: SN: Joe Tonya (Cathy Kalenits) Anniversary J & J Walsh

Thursday, March 21

8:30 am: SN: Anthony Quattro (Helen Morocco)

Friday, March 22

8:30 am: SN: Alex Sepesy (Pat & Stan)

James & Josephine DeChellis (Family)

Helen White (Jack White)

1:00 pm: SN: Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm: SN: Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 23

4:00 pm: SN: Josephine Kostelnak (Family)

Andy & Kathryn Koval (Andrea High & Family) John & Helen Hamrock (Daughter, Cindy) JoJo Carabbia (Sister, Sally Almasy) Patrick Gaia (Mary Ann Gaia) Virginia R. Cifra (Husband & Family) Frances Maszczak (John Kramer Family) Constance & Dominic Iaconis (Family) Veronica Carrocce (Cheryl Janesh)

Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday

8:00 am: HT: Joseph M. & Diane Javorsky (Betty & Children)

John Zackasee (Jim & Janet Kristobak)

11:00am: SN: Living & Deceased of Christ Our Savior Parish

#### Memorial Candles for the week of March 24, 2024

David E. Davis (Diane Evans) SN John & Teresa Colista (Family) SN Florina Creaturo (Mary Giancola) SN Stephen Hamrock (Ron Hamrock) SN Phillip & Maryann Constantino (Doreen) HT

# **Prayer Requests**

#### **OUR SICK**

Judy Advey Patrick Minno Linda Agnew Joe Mogulich Catherine Armstrong Ashley Moody Jean Nock Ann Bobby Ed Bonilla Jr. Wendy Pakalnis Sally Branson Sebastian Pieton Linda Dallevalle **Sherry Pieton** Blake Doss Doreen Ponigar Melissa Ferro Elizabeth Quarm Dennis Fiddler Jeannette Rusu Stan Floryjanski Robert Skalada Kathy Grecko Jack D. Slifka Heather Hanlon Sgt. Robert Smith Jack Hart Kathy Tomko Hannah Tringhese Mary Jurina Tom Kolat Janet Will Shauntelle Lett Blake Wilson Dominic Lippillo Jr Larry Yates Michael Lombard Michael Yemma George S. Maczko Jr David Yost Ed Mahoney Betty Zebrowski Barb, Tony & Family James Marco Louis Mastroberardino Donny

Maria Meadors

#### **OUR HOMEBOUND**

Penny Barone

Christine Peluso Kinsley

#### THOSE IN NURSING HOMES or ASSISTED LIVING

Darlene Fox Ann Ponigar Norma Higgins Katherine Semonza Anna Leenheer Patricia Watt Jacqueline Mudryk Regina Yurick Irene Parker Amelia Zaluski

Marie Phillips



If you are homebound, unable to attend Mass, and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the Parish Office and we will make arrangements to come to your home.

#### A Note From the Pastor

We Have Included . . . a copy of the letter from Bishop Bonnar that I read at all of the masses this past weekend. If you were not there, this is your opportunity to review what the Bishop had to say. In summary, once again, when my replacement is named – don't know when that will be, hopefully soon – when the new pastor of Christ Our Savior Parish is named, he will also be named pastor of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Lowellville, at the same time; one pastor but two separate and distinct parishes. Our Lady of the Holy Rosary has already been in this model. For a number of years, they shared their pastor with Saint Paul the Apostle, New Middletown and for the past two years they have shared a pastor with Holy Family, Poland. There will be two separate Parish Councils, two separate Finance Councils and the like, so, this is not a merger. When the new pastor is named, all of the details of what Bishop Bonnar calls a "collaborative unit" will be worked out. Thank you for your patience as we await a new, young vibrant pastor – everything the outgoing pastor is not!!

If you are beginning to make your Easter plans, please take note of the schedule of masses for Easter. On Saturday, March 30, 2024, there is no 4:00pm mass. The Easter Vigil will begin at 7:00pm at Saint Nicholas Church. On Sunday, March 31, 2024, Easter Sunday masses will be at 9:00am at Holy Trinity Church – note the change from the usual 8:00am mass – and the second mass will be at 11:00am at Saint Nicholas Church. As the old saying goes, forewarned is forearmed. In this way, everyone can make their Easter arrangements knowing when to come to mass.

And a GREAT AND HAPPY SAINT PATRICK'S DAY TO ALL WHO ARE CELEBRATING WITH THE WEARIN' OF THE GREEN. For all of the Irish, by birth and by adoption, hope everyone enjoys a most celebratory day. . . Thanks, Father O'Rogers



#### **Safely Home**

Please remember in your prayers the soul and family of Anne Centofanti



"I will be their God and they shall be my people."-Jeremiah 31:33

What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbors and for people we don't know, just as God cares for each of us.

	Envelopes:	Online:
March 10 <sup>th</sup>	\$7,880.00	\$915.00
Easter: Easter Flowers: Holy Land: Rice Bowl:	\$155.00 \$645.00 \$40.00 \$70.00	

March Envelopes: Easter Flowers, St. Vincent de Paul



1:00pm & 7:00pm - St. Nicholas

Friday, March 22

Good Friday, March 29 - 12:00pm, Holy Trinity

ST. ANTHONY NOVENA
Tuesdays, March 19 - June 11, 2024
8:30am Mass
followed by prayer to the Saint



We celebrate the 13 Tuesdays, a Novena in honor of St. Anthony of Padua, the Miracle Worker.

A Novena is a specific time set aside on a regular basis to focus in prayer on specific intentions. Saint Anthony is our "partner" in prayer and a channel for God's wonders to bring about change and healing. Please come, one and all, and bring your needs to God's care.

#### Saint Nicholas School News

Saint Nicholas School is taking registrations for the 2024-2025 school year. Come and check out what our school has to offer. Edchoice Scholarship applications open up on February 1st, 2024. Students who are attending or would be attending an eligible school can apply for the EdChoiceTraditional Scholarship. A list of designated schools can be found on the Ohio Department of Education website under EdChoice Scholarships. EdChoice Expansion Full Scholarships are also available to all families who are at or below 450% of the federal poverty level. A decreasing prorated amount dependent on the family's economic status over 450% of the poverty level is then available. Call the school office at 330-755-2128 for more information about our school and scholarship information.

<u>Faculty, Staff and Students would like to thank the Mom's and Dad's Club for the St. Patrick's Day treat.</u>

<u>Saint Nicholas School will be closed Monday, March 18th,</u> <u>2024.</u>

**The 5th & 6th graders will be visiting Cardinal Mooney** on Friday, March 22nd, 2024. Students will fill their day going to classes at the high school level.

Stations of the Cross Friday, March 22, 2024 at 1:00pm.

St. Nicholas School Mom's and Dad's Club/ Christ Our Savior Parish Fish Fry Dinners February 16<sup>th</sup> through March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024. Dinners served from 4:00pm-7:00pm (or until sold out) in the Great Hall. Dinners are \$15.00. Dine In or Take Out

Saint Nicholas School Mission Statement: Saint Nicholas School of Struthers, Ohio in the Diocese of Youngstown, was founded in 1928 and exists to teach the Catholic Faith. Saint Nicholas School provides a learning environment committed to educating the whole child academically, spiritually and emotionally within a diverse environment in accordance with the Gospel values. We promote high standards in behavior and respect in a nurturing atmosphere that encourages success for all students in kindergarten through eighth grade.

#### First Friday Club of Greater Youngstown

Meetings are held at Avion on the Water Banquet Center 2177 W. Western Reserve Road in Canfield on the First Thursday of each month from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm. Join us on **Thursday, April 4, 2024** as we welcome **Sr. Melanie Svoboda, SND,** Retreat Director. Topic: "Mary: One of Us, A Woman of Hope" Please contact Pat Floryjanski @ 330-755-1108 by March 29 if you would like to attend.

#### **Religious Education**

**EMAIL:** gland@youngstowndiocese.org **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FACEBOOK:** @COSRelEd

#### Bible Study

Bible Study continues on Thursday nights at 6:30 pm in the parish office conference room, and on Friday mornings after morning mass in the lower church. All are welcome.

#### Book Club

Christ Our Savior Book Club is reading *Killing Jesus, A History* by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard, St. Martin's Griffin Reprint edition, March 2017. We will meet on March 20, 2024 at 630 pm in the conference room.

#### Parish Survey

Don't forget to share your feedback on the Disciple Maker Index! The Survey is LIVE and will be open until March 27, 2024. Copies are also available in the back of church, and at the office.



The Religious Education Department will be having an Easter Egg Hunt for the kids up to age 12. It will be held on Sunday March 24, 2024 at our Holy Trinity Site starting at 1:30 pm.

We are asking for donations of candy, plastic eggs, or monetary gifts for the event that can be dropped off at the office. Any questions concerning the Easter Egg Hunt can be directed to Jerry at the office.

#### Thank You To Last Week's Pirohy Workers

Carol Grimm, Mary Helen Accattato, Karen Ewsichek, Jackie Blake, Mike Clemente, Kathy Zackasee, Joe & Michele Restivo, Kathy Ramun, Linda Zappia, Mary Ann McCloskey, Michele Liggett, Bill Ulicny, John Vidman, Ann Zajac, Jim Kavaky, Sue & Tony Martucci, Cheryl Ranshaw, Barb Micco, Bob Sepesy, Faye & Stephen Tarajcak, Chris Maker, Deacon John Geri Marino, Marty Oravec, Paulette Marks, Virginia Bartos, Dorothy Popio, Diane Rubino, Mary Narducci, Pauline Chrapcynski

#### Group Meetings

#### Centering Prayer Group

The Centering Prayer Group meets from **4 - 5pm** on the **2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays** of the month in the **St. Nicholas Lower Church Chapel**.

#### Chapel Crochet & Knitting Group

This group meets the **1**<sup>st</sup> **Monday** of the month at **6:30pm** in the **St. Nicholas School library**. All skill levels are welcome. Contact Virginia Bartos at 330-406-0364 for more information.

#### Quo Vadis AA Meetings

Meetings are open to anyone seeking recovery from alcohol addiction. Meetings are held on **Fridays** at **8pm** in the St. Nicholas Lower Church Hall.

#### Knights of Columbus

**KofC Council #4471** meetings are held on the *first and third* **Monday** evenings of the month beginning at **6:30 PM** in the St. Nicholas Lower Church.



Christ Our Savior Parish March 18 - April 7, 2024

One Ticket Drawn Each Day

#### **\$50.00 WINNERS**

March 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, April 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

#### \$100.00 WINNERS

March 24, 31, April 7

#### \$500.00 WINNER

April 1 (Easter Monday)

\$10.00 per Ticket

For Additional Tickets please contact the Parish Office 330-755-9819.

All proceeds will be used for Christ Our Savior Parish building repairs at St. Nicholas Church, Holy Trinity Church and St. Nicholas School.

#### Bus Trip to:

#### **PRESQUE ISLE CASINO**



#### SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024

Sponsored By: COSP St. Nicholas Church Altar & Rosary

COST: \$40.00

Coffee & Donut at 7:00am St. Nicholas Church Basement

Bus leaves church at 8:00am Leaves Casino at 4:00pm

Seats assigned when checks are received First paid, first seated.

#### **CHECKS PAYABLE TO:**

St. Nicholas Altar & Rosary Society Mail: c/o Priscilla Carlucci 169 Harvey St., Struthers, OH 44471

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

We need your Name, Address,
Phone #, Date of Birth & Presque Isle Card #

\*MUST BRING LEGAL PHOTO ID ON TRIP\*

#### For more information please contact:

Priscilla 330-755-9966 Bev Pack 330-727-2244 (c) or 330-755-7274 (H)

Proceeds to benefit the Saint Nicholas School Sports Club



The COSP FOOD PANTRY at HOLY Pantry TRINITY CHURCH is open from 9:30 AM - 11 AM on MONDAYS for anyone in need of assistance.

Please park your car and pick up your box at the stained glass doors.

Food pantry donations can be dropped off at the parish office or in the St. Nicholas Lower Church.

#### SUGGESTED DONATIONS FOR MARCH:

Cereal, Oatmeal, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Soup, Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Rice, Boxed Potatoes, Macaroni & Cheese, Canned Vegetables & Fruit, Jello, Pudding Mix, Cake Mix, Frosting, Pancake Mix, Syrup, Baby Wipes, Diapers, Baby Food, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Soap, Shampoo, Toothpaste.

# STRUTHERS BASEBALL LEAGUE NIGHT AT THE RACES

Friday, April 5, 2024 • Doors open 6:00pm
Dinner served at 6:15pm • Races start at 7:00pm
St. Nicholas Great Hall
\$30 ticket / \$200 table of 8
Dinner provided • Cash bar • 21 and over

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Invite you to be a part of the:

#### "MATTHEW 25 EASTER MINISTRY"



"Once Again We Have Been CALLED To Help The Needy"

Please bring your filled bags to the St. Nicholas Lower Church this weekend.

Food Bags will be distributed to those in need of assistance on Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> after the 11am Mass.

Thank you in advance for your kind generosity!



Facing death, Jesus said in today's Gospel, "'I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? "Father, save me from this hour"? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour"" (John 12:27).

When was the last time you had to face something difficult? Christ's perspective sheds new light on life's trials: "If [a grain of wheat] dies, it produces much fruit" (John 12:24-25). As each of us follows Christ, we face trials. Our parish, like Christ, desires that our trials bear much fruit. Our Annual Diocesan Appeal is a time when we ask for your help. There is a sacrifice behind each gift: a dying to the other possibilities one might have used the money, time, or resource for. As you give, you can participate in Christ's sacrifice. You honor us with your gift, and we honor you, as we honor Christ's sacrifice for us! In advance, we thank you for helping us bear fruit and for all the souls entrusted to us. God bless you!



Scan the QR code to donate to the 2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal

DOY.org/Appeal





# Diocese of Youngstown

March 8, 2024

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Very Reverend Philip Rogers Christ Our Savior Parish 764 Fifth Street Struthers, OH 44471

Dear Father Rogers and Christ Our Savior Parishioners,

As you know, since 2019 our diocese has been engaged in a regional plan centered on living the mission of the Church. Upon my arrival in 2021, I affirmed this plan, and in the past three years we have all worked together to embrace what Pope Francis calls a "missionary option," that is, "a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything, so that the Church's customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channeled for the evangelization of today's world rather than for her self-preservation." (Joy of the Gospel, #27).

I am grateful for the ways that your parish has embraced this vision in various ways. I know each parish community has been stretched as everyone has needed to share priests, coordinate Mass schedules and parish programs, navigate times of uncertainty and explore new unfolding possibilities for missionary activity and a sense of being one family in Christ. Throughout the diocese, almost all of our parishes are now part of a collaborative unit or exist as a multi-site parish.

Recently, I have received additional consultation and guidance from the Diocesan Presbyteral Council, Clergy Personnel Board, Diocesan Pastoral Council, Diocesan Finance Council, and regional priest deans. They have recommended to me that I form several new parish collaborative units, in which parishes will continue to function as distinct entities but share a limited number of priests and other personnel. These collaborative units will also foster collaboration through coordinated Mass times and additional shared parish programs and activities, some of which are already occurring.

Among these recommendations is that your parish of Christ Our Savior and Our Lady of the Holy Rosary exist as a collaborative unit. I have accepted this recommendation. Your parishes will share a priest and some pastoral activities, while still remaining distinct parishes effective July 1, 2024. Even when parishes have their own identity, parish partnerships remind us that we all share in a common mission as the Church. This partnership and others throughout the diocese help us be intentional about staffing our parishes and responding to the shortage of priests.

Thank you again for your patience and participation as we move forward in pastoral planning. In your collaboration with one another, you are living the mission of the Church. As I pray for you, I also ask for you to pray for me and for all our priests, deacons, and lay ecclesial ministers, that we grow deeper in missionary discipleship. Above all, let us trust in the Spirit, who leads us into deeper mission, "That All May Be One".

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend David J. Bonnar

+ David John

Bishop of Youngstown

DJB/rs



Sponsored by:
St. Nicholas School Moms' & Dads' Club
Christ Our Savior Parish

Friday, March 22
dine in or take out

4 - 7 PM

(or until sold out)

St. Nicholas Great Hall, 762 Fifth Street, Struthers

Dinner: \$15

Includes: Fried or Baked Haddock, 3 Sides (Macaroni & Cheese, Green Beans, Coleslaw)

Dinner Roll, Dessert & Drink

All Proceeds benefit St. Nicholas School & Christ Our Savior Parish

50/50 Raffle Tickets Every Friday





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(Limit of 3 dozen)

Lekvar - \$10.00 per dozen
(Limit of 1 dozen)

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