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We are a faith community of baptized Roman Catholics who feel called to build our lives in the image of Christ through Word, Sacrament and Christian service. Together we draw the people of Niles, Ohio and the surrounding areas to a closer relationship with God and each other. We serve in humility and love imitating his Holiness, Pope John XXIII.

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, APRIL 7, 2025 (OLMC)

Lenten Weekday

8:30am – Rose Vince by Rita Wolfe

TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2025 (SS)

Lenten Weekday

8:30am – Bill Bradley by Rose Bradley family

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9 2025 (OLMC)

Lenten Weekday

8:30am – Joseph Caicco

by Dianne Minneman and Jerry Santagata

9:00-10:00am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2025 (SS)

Lenten Weekday

8:30am – Loretta Agresta by Stephen and Diane Ferro

9:00-10:00am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 2025

Lenten Weekday

8:30am – at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in McDonald

3:00pm – Stations of the Cross (SS)

7:00pm – Stations of the Cross (OLMC)

SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 2025 (OLMC)

Vigil, Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

4:00pm – James and Velma Coates by Coates family

SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

9:00am – Leonard, Feorene and Tock families

by Thomas and Lucy Leonard (SS)

11:30am – Patrick Caraway by Caraway family (OLMC)

FROM OUR PAROCHIAL VICAR:

Lent: A Time for Deep Spiritual Renewal and Growth

As we are almost reaching the end of the Lenten Season, it will be as if it came and went quickly. Let us grab an opportunity to recall the objective of the season of Lent and how far we have achieved our goal.

Lent is one of the most profound and spiritually enriching times, it is a sacred journey that invites us to reflect on our relationship with God, renew our hearts and prepare ourselves to fully embrace the glory of Easter.

The whole purpose of Lent has been – Conversion, Renewal and Transformation which is directed to achieve through the practice of external sacrifices. Through the practices of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving we experience an inner transformation guiding us to align our hearts more closely with Christ, allowing Him to purify us and strengthen our faith. It is an experience of detachment from worldly distractions and cultivating a deeper hunger for God.

The three pillars of Lent – Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving, therefore, are not mere practices but are rooted in the very fabric of Christian life. They are meant for

- Deepening our relationship with God
- Detach for a greater freedom and for
- Love in Action.

The Lent becomes, through these practices, an experience of Journey toward holiness, a time to realign our hearts, detach from worldly distractions and draw closer to God.

As we journey through this Holy and Profound Season, let us remember that the goal is not just to “get through Lent” but to be transformed by it, so that when Easter comes, we can truly celebrate Christ’s victory over sin and death with renewed hearts.

AS WE ARE ALL PILGRIMS OF HOPE IN THIS YEAR OF THE JUBILEE, MAY THIS LENT BE A SEASON OF PROFOUND GRACE AND RENEWAL.

Reverend Bala P. Marneni



It’s so easy to condemn the shortcomings of others, to point the finger outward instead of looking inward. Jesus doesn’t condemn. He invites us in. He doesn’t exclude.

The people in the Gospel, those with stones in their hands, reflect on Jesus’ simple but powerful statement: “Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.” They saw in themselves guilt. But they also recognized that in stoning the adulteress they’d add yet another sin, judgement, to their list of existing wrongdoings. When they listen to Jesus, they avoid compounding sin.

The path Jesus lays out is a path of salvation, for all of us. All of us need His mercy. All of us need His redemptive love. We can be a bearer of this mercy and love to others when we support programs that draw others to Christ, such as the Annual Diocesan Appeal. The Annual Diocesan Appeal for Saint Pope John XXIII Parish is \$84,100.00. To date, \$28,503.00 has been pledged from our parish with 120 donors pledging. We still need the support of all of our parishioners to make our goal.

NILES COMMUNITY SERVICES is collecting canned fruit during the month of April. Please give to one of the ushers at church at the beginning of Mass or put in the clear bins in the entrance of the church.

COMMUNITY SUPPERS for the month of April will be held on Thursdays from 4:30-6:00pm at New Hope United Methodist Church, 21 Fairview Avenue, Niles, Ohio.

MASS Intentions

There are weekday dates available and a few weekend dates for Masses for 2025 at Saint Stephen Church. If you are interested in booking Masses, please stop by the parish office between 8:30am – 4:00pm Monday through Thursday. If you are unable to do so, you may contact the parish office at 330-652-5825. The Mass will be scheduled once the office receives the information & stipend. Thank you.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY will meet on Tuesday, April 8th at 6:00pm in the Social Hall.

BLESSED MOTHER SOCIETY will meet on Wednesday, April 9th at 1:00pm in the Social Hall to talk about the Easter Bread Sale.



Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick of our parish community and for all who are in need especially: *Katrina Marie, Merela Carrido, Steve McDonnell, Dennis Liebert, Debbie Bindas, Joyce Cunningham, Joseph Russo, Beverly Jones, Karen Battin-Vitale, Dorothy Bianco, Alida Lendvay, Mary Beth Havasi, Janet Kandrac, Sue Kopetsky, John Wilson, Kathy DeCristofaro, Mitzi Malvasi, Lou Lukz, Jennifer Cable, Michelle Howard, Jo Medovich, Kevin Grafton, Mary Catherine Freely, Kara Stanford, Arlene Wilson, Mary Miller, Bob Leonard, Mike Kozak, Bob Adler, Sandy LaMonica, Carri R., Pat Hines, Debbie Kovell, Lois DiFrancesco, Jeff Burke, Jack DiTunno, Tammy C., Faith Harnack, Paul Lapolla, Jim Orsine, Connie Hake, Michael Edward Thompson, Pat Spisak, Martha Williams, Marie Perfette, Denise Burke, Sue Mollis, Chuck and Bonnie Jorza, Connie Brandt, Rachel Tarr, Steve and Dee Cvengros, Rita Mae Dodasovich, Al Conti, Rosalie McGinnis, Gavin Lengle, Peg McGinnis, Todd Beedy, John Daubner, Father Murphy, Peter Ford, Hudson Joseph, Nanette Ball, Rick Cool, Clair Darby Camp, Bridget Darby Flores, Eli Flores, Paul Saban, Sr., Debbie Schimley, Lois Hockenberry, Bobbi Wilson, Gloria Nitsky, Lola L., Tom Scarnecchia, Timothy Childress, Jim and Josephine Villecco, Marie Vross, Larry Batovsky, Sr., Carrie Trybus, Tamie Ezzo, Slanina family, Donald Augustine and all those who suffer any illness, especially those who have no one to pray for them.*

APRIL 5-6, 2025 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass Count for March 29-30, 2025

4:00pm – 177 (OLMC)

9:00am – 193 (SS)

11:30am – 188 (OLMC)

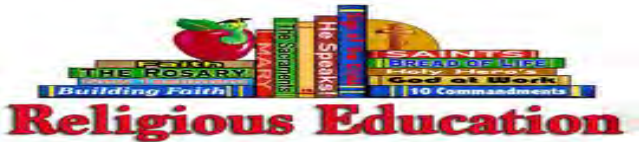
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(We are in the process of updating our active records)



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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Parish School of Religion March and April Calendar:

Sunday, April 6, PSR Session, 10:10-11:25am, Grades K-8

**Sunday, April 6, First Eucharist Session (students only),
10:10-11:25am**

Sunday, April 13, Last PSR Session, 10:10-11:25am,
Grades K-8

**Saturday, April 27, First Eucharist Practice, 12:30pm
in Church**

Congratulations to the following students who celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, March 29th at Saint Columba Cathedral: *Antonina Augustine, Jackson Case, Santino Ciminero, Benjamin DeLong, Giovanne Merlo, Nolan Nicastro, Emily Pappada, Natalie Pappada, Lucas Williams.*

INTERFAITH DINNER

The Thomas Murphy Interfaith Scholarship Dinner will be held on Sunday, April 27th at Ciminero's Banquet Centre. Tickets are now available in the parish office Monday through Thursday from 8:30am-4:00pm. Last day to purchase tickets is Thursday, April 17th. Tickets are \$20.00. Doors open at 12:30pm and Brunch is at 1:00pm. Any questions, please contact Rosella at 330-980-9367.



Anyone interested in learning to make Palm Crosses are invited to Holy Family Hall on Wednesday, April 9th from 6:00-8:00pm.



REMINDER deadline for Easter Flowers for the Easter bulletin is Thursday, April 10th by 3:00pm in the parish office.



LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 12, 2025

4:00PM Mass (OLMC)

Readers: Cathy Lukasko, Barbara Sauvelpahkick

Servers: Ave Ciolli, Pia Ciolli, Mike Ciolli

EM's: Donna Nellis, Shawn Bertilacci, Alec Lukasko, Debbie Barber

Ushers: Jim Davis, Joseph Zuzolo, Dennis Youll, Maurice Candio, Barbara Frank, Anna Zysk

Sunday, April 13, 2025

9:00AM Mass (SS)

Sacristan: Tom Fricker

Reader: Mike Sylvester

Extraordinary Minister of the Bread: Sherrie Sylvester

Extraordinary Minister of the Cup: Mary Kay Nicolas
Julie Abraham

Altar Server: John Daubner

Greeter: Anna Marie Granny, Jeff Burke

11:30AM Mass (OLMC)

Readers: Matt Marrara, Laura Vennitti

Servers: Dante DeGennaro, John Marco DeGennaro

EM's: Mike Klaben, Connie Klaben, Ben DeGennaro, Yvonne Toto

Ushers: Michael Lastic, Ray Mucche, Anthony DeMaiolo, Jr., Ed Bugos, George Kaniclides, Harry Salapata, Michael Krakora, Don Andres, Sam Ragozine



BRUNCH WITH THE EASTER BUNNY will be held on Sunday, April 13th at 12:30pm (Directly after 11:30am Mass) at Saint Pope John XXIII Parish in the Social Hall. Register now by calling 330-652-5825.

CHURCH CLEANING will be on Friday, April 11th at 9:00am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel campus. If you have a few hours, please stop by the church to help!

APRIL 5-6, 2025 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

(March 29-30, 2025)

Sunday collection:	\$ 8,136.00
Monthly Dues:	\$ 427.00
Parish Projects:	\$ 21.00
St. Vincent de Paul (SS)	\$ 60.00
St. Vincent de Paul (OLMC)	\$ 30.00
Ash Wednesday:	\$ 40.00
Easter Flowers:	\$ 735.00
Good Friday:	\$ 10.00
Easter:	\$ 50.00
Mothers' Day:	\$ 183.00

Thank you for your generosity!

LAST FISH DINNER!

The Last Fish Dinner will be held on Friday, April 11th from 4:00-7:00pm for dine-in, carry-out or curbside. Cost is \$13.00 for adults; \$9.00 (children 12 and under). Choice of: Baked, Breaded or Fried Fish; (1) side choice of: Macaroni and Cheese, French fries, green beans or pierogies. Coleslaw, bread and butter, dessert included. Coffee and punch available. You can order ahead on our website or Facebook www.saintpopejohnxxiiiniles.com For curbside service call 330-652-2811 before 3:00pm on Fridays.



Thank you to the following people who graciously paid for the cakes for the fish dinners: John and Connie Migliozi.

SAINT STEPHEN CEMETERY has asked that all Fall, Christmas and any old items be removed by May 1st. Any that remain after that date will be discarded. New spring arrangements will not be removed. The new season will begin Memorial Day.



25th, 40th, 50th and over Wedding Anniversary Celebration

The Diocese of Youngstown is sponsoring a Wedding Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, May 18th at 2:00pm at the Cathedral of Saint Columba in Youngstown, honoring couples observing their 25th, 40th, 50th, and over wedding anniversaries in 2025. The Wedding Anniversary Celebration will include Mass with the Most Reverend David J. Bonnar, Bishop of Youngstown, with the blessing of couples celebrating significant anniversaries. Each couple will receive a personalized certificate. Following the Mass, there will be a reception for the couples and their families in the parish hall. You must make advanced reservations for this event by contacting your parish office and obtaining your pastor's signature before Thursday, April 17, 2025.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 17th at 7:00pm (OLMC)

Friday, April 18th at 3:00pm (OLMC)

Saturday, April 19th at 8:00pm (OLMC)

Sunday, April 20th at 9:00am (SS)

Sunday, April 20th at 10:30am (OLMC)



EASTER BREAD ORDERS

The Blessed Mother Society of Saint Pope John XXIII Parish, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Campus is currently taking orders for the homemade **Italian Easter Bread**. The breads will be baked and made available for pickup on **Tuesday, April 15th** or **Wednesday, April 16th** from 3:00pm – 6:00pm. All orders must be received by **Thursday, April 10th by 5:00pm**. The telephone number for orders is 330-652-2811 or 330-652-5825. The cost of each loaf of bread is as follows: \$11.00 for plain and plain with icing; \$12.00 with raisins and with raisins and icing. Orders can be picked up in the Social Hall. Celebrate Easter with this wonderfully tasty treat. Volunteers are needed to help with Easter Bread on Monday, April 14th at 10:00am in the social hall to set up for Easter Bread, make frosting, packaging frosting and sprinkles and on Tuesday, April 15th and Wednesday, April 16th at 8:30am to help make Easter Bread.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY DINING HALL SERVING DAYS:

April 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th,
 April 12th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th,
 April 21st, 22nd, 24th, 26th,
 April 28th, 30th

at 2355 Niles Road SE, Warren from 11:30am-1:00pm. Up-to-date Dining info at 330-369-1030.

Need Assistance? Please call the Saint Vincent de Paul Admin office at 234-223-2933 if you have any questions about SVdP programs and services or need help finding other resources in the community.

SVdP Special Events:

Cares Clothing Program open every Tuesday from 10:00am-2:30pm at the Cares Building, 2415 Niles Road SE, Warren.

Harnett Pet Food Distribution on Wednesday, April 16th from 11:30am-1:00pm during Dining Hall Meal Service.

Wellness on Wheels on Wednesday, April 16th from 11:30am-1:00pm at SVdP Thrift and Furniture Store, 540 Main Avenue SW, Warren.

Trumbull County Mobile Market on Wednesday, April 16th from 11:30am-1:00pm at SVdP Thrift and Furniture Store, 540 Main Avenue SW, Warren.

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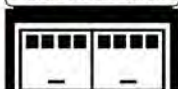
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