

Christmas Eve/ Christmas Day

December 24-25, 2011

MONDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2011

12:05PM- No Communion Service

No Adoration / No Benediction

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2011

**12:05PM- Philip Ferro; Ferro family; Vendemia family
by John and Laura Vendemia**

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2011

12:05PM- Domenica Butto by Butto family

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2011

12:05PM- Communion Service

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2011

**12:05PM- Robert A. DeChristofaro, Jr.
by parents, Carmel and Bob DeChristofaro**

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2011

**5:00PM- Ralph, Emma Bianco; Judy Bianco Quigley;
Patrick and Fr. Richard Masciangelo
by Nick and Lillian**

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2012

**9:30AM- Mildred Marchese
by Members of Eastland Athletic Club
11:30AM- For our Deceased Parishioners especially:
Nicholas Windiuk, Angelo J. Brunelli, Danny J.
DeChristofaro, Sr., Betty L. Calderone, Theresa Mauro
by St. Vincent de Paul Society**

SANCTUARY LIGHTS THIS WEEK

IN MEMORY OF:

Domenica, Phillip and Carmen Butto

REST IN PEACE

Carmel Tricomi

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Second Time: Philip Zuzolo and Alyson Werner

BAPTISMS

Sophia Rose Beltran

Daughter of Ricardo Beltran and Chelsea Pascarella

December 31, 2011-January 1, 2012

5:00PM Mass

Lector: Cathy Lukasko

Servers: Connor Puet, Anita Bonneau, Adam Bonneau

EM's: Alec Lukasko, Cathy Lukasko, Debbie Barber, Trish Scarmuzzi

Ushers: Jerry Sacco, Jim Davis, Joseph Zuzolo, Dennis Youll, James D'Errico

9:30AM Mass

Lector: Diane Jamieson

Server: Tony Perrone, Ella Perrone, Anthony Palumbo

EM's: Rosemary Kalman, Mary Jane Mosca, Yvonne Toto, Gloria Theodore

Ushers: James Sandy, Joseph Sotak, Rocky Soriano, Ray Vennitti,
Robert Raschilla, Thomas Patrone

11:30AM Mass

Lector: Denise Holt

Servers: Alexxis Benko, Vinnie Dragos

EM's: Eleanor Sloban, Judy Schuller, Antoinette Nardo, Marge Iezzi

Ushers: Angelo Falcione, Sam Ragozine, Anthony Skiffey,
Anthony DeMaiolo, Jr., Michael Lastic, George Kaniclides,
Michael DeSantis

Niles Community Service is collecting Assorted Food during the month of December. Baskets are located in the back of the church.

NEW MEMBERS

Mr. Robert Parker

Community Suppers for the month of December will be held at First Methodist Church on Thursdays. Serving hours are 4:45-6:00PM.

December 17-18 collection.....	\$ 6026.25
St. Vincent de Paul collection.....	\$2,464.10
Religious Retirement Fund.....	\$ 2,450.35
Immaculate Conception collection.....	\$1,279.00
Christmas Flowers collection.....	\$ 3,280.00

We really appreciate it when you give us your contribution for the weekends you missed in addition to the contributions given when you are here.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Kathy Zuppo's email address:

kathyzuppo@yahoo.com

Religious Education Holiday Schedule:

January 1, 2012, Happy New Year!! No Religious Education Classes for grades K-8. **Classes resume on January 8, 10:30AM-12:00 noon in the Church Annex.**

We gladly publish in our church bulletin the names of family members and friends who are currently serving our country in the military. We pray for their safety and for an end to conflicts in the Middle East and elsewhere. Please call the parish office with the individual's name and branch of service.

Ryan Estes- Army; **Joshua Lewis-** Military Intelligence; **Nicholas Perrone-** Navy; **David Mickey-** Army; **Josh Nutt;** **Patrick Betteridge-** Army; **Robert Infante-** Navy; **Tim Zysk-** Navy; **Guy Martin Capito-** Marines; **Keith Sponseller-** Air Force; **Jonthan Augusta-** Army; **Ronald Ranalli-** Army; **Vito J. Abruzzino-** Army; **Danny Bennett-** Marines; **Curtis Coole-** Army; **Brad DeRubba-** Army; **Gary Lashley-** Navy; **Michael Loychik-** Air Force; **Paul Brown-** Air Force; **Brad Gordon-** Army; **Nicholas Marchese-** Marines; **Philip Ledbetter-** Army; **Mark A. Selak-** Marines; **Timothy Edwards-** Marines; **Benjamin Hicks-** Army; **David Piwinski-** Air Force; **Michael Walton-** Air Force.

Readings for December 31, 2011-January 1, 2012:

Numbers 6:22-27

Galatians 4:4-7

Luke 2:16-21

You may take the ornaments (angels) that were made for your loved one from the Christmas Tree near the front of church this weekend.

The Mount Carmel Society has been doing pizza for many years in the parish and we are always looking for anyone willing to donate a few hours at the monthly pizza sale. If you are interested in helping out, please call Geri at (330) 727-7843. All are welcome!

Due to the unforeseen future regarding booking of Masses with the new Pastor, his vacation schedule, days off, etc. we are unable to continue calling people about scheduling Masses at this time. As soon as time permits and situations are more stable, we will continue this process. Thank you for your patience in this matter.

Infant Jesus of Prague Guild will **not** have a meeting in January and February. See you in March!!!!

Lighthouse Catholic Media Display: The “Lighthouse Catholic Media” Display on the table in the main entrance of the church contains CD’s and brochures dealing with our Catholic Faith. Of special note is a CD by Dr. Edward Sri entitled “A Walk through the New Mass Translation.”

The suggested donation is \$3.00 for CD’s and .50 for brochures. To make a donation, please use the envelopes with the display.

Attention Young People: Help Feed the Hungry: On Tuesday, December 27 (during Christmas break) youth of our parish can help serve a meal to the needy at St. Vincent de Paul Dining Hall at 2355 Niles Rd. (St. Rt. 169) in Warren. We need volunteers for the following shifts: 9:00-11:30AM for set-up and preparation; 11:30AM-2:00PM for serving and clean-up. NOTE: Young people under age 18 need a signed Parental Permission/Emergency Authorization Form. For more information or to volunteer contact Dave Schmidt at (330) 652-5825 or dschmidtcofc@neo.rr.com

Dave Schmidt, Pastoral Associate, Will Be Taking a New Position
As of January 1, 2012, I will become the Pastoral Associate at Regina Coeli (Alliance) and St. Joseph (Maximo) parishes in Stark County. These parishes are only about 15 minutes from my home. Presently, I live 50 miles away from Niles and drive an hour one way in order to serve at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish.

This change is unrelated to Fr. Larry Frient’s recent transfer. The timing is purely coincidental. In other words, I would have accepted this new position even if Fr. Larry was still pastor at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish.

Transitions are exciting and sad at the same time. While I look forward to working with the parishioners of Alliance and Maximo, I regret leaving the people of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. My prayers are with you all, especially as you await the arrival of a new pastor. And I ask you to pray for me, that I may be effective at Regina Coeli and St. Joseph parishes.

May God bless you, Dave Schmidt

The parish office will be closed on Monday, December 26 for Christmas. The office will reopen on Tuesday, December 27 at 9:00AM. **The parish office will be closed on Friday, December 30 and Monday, January 2 for New Year’s.** The office will reopen on Tuesday, January 3 at 9:00AM.

Reporting Child Abuse in the Diocese of Youngstown and the State of Ohio

The Diocese of Youngstown *Child Protection Policy* states: Persons who feel that they have been a victim of child abuse by a priest, deacon, seminarian, religious, diocesan employee or volunteer, and persons who have reason to suspect that someone they know has been a victim, shall bring the allegation to civil authorities and diocesan officials.

To assist in the reporting process, the Chancery Office has created a booklet with information about who needs to report, how to report, phone numbers and references.

Each parish has received a quantity of the reporting booklet. You are encouraged to take a copy and keep for your reference. The booklet may be found in the back of the church on the table.

If you have any questions on reporting procedures, please contact Nancy Yuhasz at the Chancery Office, (330) 744-8451.

Take Advantage of the Parish Lending Library! Over 400 items are available in Parish Lending Library, found in cabinets in Marian Hall. Stop by and sign-out a book, CD or video.

The Benedictine Monks of St. Andrew Abbey in Cleveland, Ohio invite single men 18-45 years of age who seek to know God’s will for their life and vocation to participate in a “Living with Benedict” weekend February 10-12, 2012. Contact Fr. Finbar, OSB at finbar@cbhs.net or (216) 721-5300 ext. 273.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 4500 Norquest Blvd., Austintown will have a Blood Drive on Thursday, December 29 from 1:00-6:00PM in the Msgr. Prokop Center.

The Catholic Tour, a 30 year old Catholic Pilgrimage Apostolate is pleased to announce a departure to the Holy Land, following the footsteps of Our Lord. The pilgrimage is being done to introduce all to “The Beginnings of Our Catholic Church” at prices that include all land arrangements, superior tourist hotel throughout the Holy Land, most meals, deluxe motor coach, tour guide, and Airfare from JFK airport in New York. The price does not include taxes, airline surcharges, lunches, or table drinks besides tap water. Call 1-877-627-4268 toll free for further information, reservation forms, etc. First-come; first-served with only 35 seats available. Also available: Paris, France; Rome, Italy; and Fatima, Portugal at below cost pricings.

Congratulations to *Nicholas and Lillian Masciangelo* who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary this week!

Villa Maria Education and Spirituality Center will have Coffee and Contemplation: “Christian Response to Violence” on Tuesday, January 10, 2012 from 9:30-11:30AM. Cost is \$7.00. Lunch is available for an additional \$5.00. Registration is required. To register call (724) 964-8886 or www.villaprograms.org

A culture of *life*, not death...This *vision* our creator planted in the depth of every human person, as part of our normative law: that *life* is sacred; that, once God breathes it into us, it lasts forever; that to take innocent *life* is so inimical to a righteous society that its protection is mandated in the very middle of the ten commandments; that the more innocent and fragile the more it begs protection; that, indeed, to protect *life* is the most noble of vocations.

~Archbishop Timothy Dolan, Archbishop of New York, Homily at St. Patrick’s Cathedral, October 3, 2010

A Family Perspective

Today’s gospel reminds us God chose to enter human history in a family. By Divine design the salvation of the world began in a family. Jesus is our first Christmas gift.

By Bud Ozar

Catholic Cruise to the Exotic Western Carribean

Come and sail away on a 7 night Catholic Exotic Western Carribean Cruise with Fr. Martin Jones May 6-13, 2012 on the Carnival Legend out of Tampa, FL. Ports of Call: Cozumel (Mexico), Belize, Mahogany Bay (Isla Roatan), Grand Caymen (Caymen Island). Prices begin at \$1,326 for two passengers which includes all port fees and taxes. Daily Mass and Rosary offered. Deposits of only \$50 per person will reserve your cabin. Space is limited. For further information or to register, contact Doug or Eileen at 1-860-399-1785 or dpayttc@aol.com