

# Blessed Sacrament Parish

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

[www.bspcc.org](http://www.bspcc.org)

Parish Office 330-372-2215

Fax: 330-372-6380

## A STEWARDSHIP COMMUNITY

*The Roman Catholic Community of Blessed Sacrament, centered in Eucharist and the Word of God, seeks to witness the love of Jesus Christ to one another, and to all the world through servant leadership, Christian formation, commitment to Catholic social teaching, and stewardship of time, talent and treasure.*

### PARISH STAFF

**Rev. Thomas C. Eisweirth, Pastor**

Rev. Thomas J. McCarthy,  
In Residence

Mr. Robert Green,  
Permanent Deacon

Pat Campbell,  
Director of Music and Worship

Brenda Antenucci,  
Director of Religious Education

Brooke Steines, Youth Minister

Joanne Gilbert, Business Manager

Nancy Higham, Administrative Assistant

Paula Pierce,  
Communications Director

John F. Kennedy Catholic School,  
Lower Campus: 330-372-2375

Web: [www.warrenjfk.com](http://www.warrenjfk.com)

Fax: 330-372-2465

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Bob Battison 330-856-4482

Jay Bice 330-307-2321

Mark Gorse 330-360-8719

Jim Lazor 330-856-1720

Jeff Lyda 330-766-0311

Sondra McGee 330-856-6558

Mary Pasternak 330-240-3728

Laura Stirling 330-472-0741

Bill Thompson 330-502-6212

Lisa Vennetti 330-609-6057

### MASSES

#### Regular Schedule:

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.; Sunday: 9:00 & 11:30 a.m.

Holy Days: 8:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.;

Weekdays: 8:30 a.m.

#### Summer Schedule: Saturday: 4:00 p.m.;

Sunday: 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. (Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend)

Spanish Mass, 3rd Sunday, monthly, 9:00 a.m. at Providence Center

### FAITH FORMATION:

Pre-K thru Grade 8,  
Sunday 10:10-11:20 a.m.

### SACRAMENT of PENANCE:

Saturdays, 3:00-3:30 p.m. or by appointment

Communal celebrations are held during Advent and Lent.

**Consolation Ministry:** Two times yearly. Fall – single session. Spring – a multi-week session. Call the Parish Office to register.

**Infant Baptisms:** (No Baptisms in Lent) Baptisms normally are celebrated the fourth weekend of the month during Mass. Parent preparation sessions are required and are held in January, March, May, July, September and November. Advance registration required.

**Marriages:** Contact the pastor at least six months in advance to arrange for a wedding date. Plan to attend the marriage preparation program.

**Christian Initiation of Adults:** Any adult or child interested in joining or learning more about the Catholic faith is invited to be a part of this process. For further information, contact the Parish Office.

### Ministry to the Sick and Aged:

**Eucharist:** Parish staff are available for visitation to the sick as requested. Lay ministers from the parish are also available to bring Eucharist to homes.

**Anointing of the Sick:** One weekend in the fall we celebrate the Anointing of the Sick during all weekend Masses. The sacrament is available following 4:00 p.m. Mass on the fourth Saturday of each month in the church.

**Visitation of the Sick:** Notify the Parish Office if you or a loved one is in the hospital.

**Altar Servers:** Students in grade four and up are encouraged to become weekend Mass altar servers for the parish. Training takes place in the fall. Adults are also welcome to become altar servers for weekend Mass or for funerals.

Adult server training takes place throughout the year. Contact the parish office for specific information.

**The Transportation Committee** provides volunteer transportation to persons who cannot drive, due to age, infirmity or economic restrictions. If you would like to help or know of someone in need of transportation to weekend Mass, contact Judy Stanfar at 330-369-4908.

**Registration:** New parishioners may register after all Masses on the third weekend of each month, in the Gathering Space. If preferred, please call the Parish Office for an appointment during the week to register your family.

**Nursery:** Parents are encouraged to take advantage of the nursery, which is available during the 9:00 and 11:30 a.m. (11:00 a.m.) Masses.

**Prayer Chain:** Please contact Roselyn Spano at 330-372-4370 with your prayer requests.

**Bulletin Deadline: Monday 12:00 Noon**

*Scripture Insights*

Today's readings speak to us about why God chose to come to us in human form in the person of Jesus. The First Reading is part of a very long speech presented as if given by Moses before the Israelites prepared to enter the Promised Land after their Exodus from slavery and their long journey. In the verses we hear today, the author is describing the role of the prophets in the land of Israel. They will be the mediators between God and the people, mediators whom God will raise up from among the people at the appropriate time, and they will speak God's Word to the people. Thus the prophet is given to humans as an accommodation, since the people cannot endure regular, direct encounters with God like the ones they experienced in the Exodus. Christians later reinterpreted this idea of a "prophet like Moses" as fulfilled in Jesus, the prophet par excellence.

In today's Gospel, we hear of Jesus' first miracle as told in Mark's Gospel -- the story of Jesus driving an unclean spirit out of a man. Ancients believed that certain diseases were caused by unclean spirits inhabiting the person. Mark shapes the meaning of this story by giving it a rather lengthy introduction and conclusion. "What is this? A new teaching with authority?" (Mark 1: 27). The story prompts us to ask about the source of Jesus' authority both in speech and in action. Notice the irony -- that the unclean

**PASTOR'S COLUMN**

spirit is the one who reveals Jesus' true identity! Why is that?

*Practice of Faith*

"Quiet!" This is the word Jesus speaks to the unclean spirit before commanding it to depart. It is the same word Jesus later uses to command the storm to "be still." In the face of our own demons, both internal and external, perhaps the command "Quiet!" is the one we first need to obey in faith. Only when we become quiet can God's words of direction, mercy, and healing enter our lives. from *At Home with the Word* 2018



Beginning today and through this entire week, we celebrate Catholic Schools Week across the nation. The JFK Lower Campus hosts an Open House this afternoon from 1-3pm. **Bishop George V. Murry, S.J., will lead the liturgy this Tuesday at 9:30am** with the faculty, staff and students of the school. All are welcome to join in this celebration! Information about Catholic Schools Week can be found at [ncea.org/csw/](http://ncea.org/csw/) ... learn *A Dozen Reasons to Choose Catholic Schools*, and more!

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

- Saturday, January 27**  
4:00 p.m. Zita Jazorak (Eva Flaviani);  
All Parishioners Living & Deceased
- Sunday, January 28**  
9:00 a.m. Jennie D. Rossi (Family)  
11:30 a.m. James & Shirley Broadbent (Susan Broadbent)
- Monday, January 29**  
8:30 a.m. Constance Ciolli (Jay & Joyce Austin)
- Tuesday, January 30**  
9:30 a.m. Kenneth J. Furniss (Bob Cassidy)
- Wednesday, January 31**  
8:30 a.m. Special Intentions
- Thursday, February 1**  
8:30 a.m. Joan Morgan (Family)  
10:00 a.m. Signature  
Dominic White (Gerda White)
- Friday, February 2**  
8:30 a.m. Special Intention (Ely Salero)
- Saturday, February 3**  
4:00 p.m. Richard R. Norton (John & Connie McCarthy)
- Sunday, February 4**  
9:00 a.m. Daniel Parise (Parise Family);  
All Parishioners Living & Deceased  
11:30 a.m. Joseph Flaviani (Chester Dovidio, Jr.)

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER  
ALL THOSE ON OUR PRAYER CHAIN**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

**JB 7: 1-4, 6-7 / 1 COR 9: 16-19, 22-23 /  
MK 1: 29-39**

**IN MEMORIAM**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Donald James Parise Jr.**, son of Don and Marilyn; of **Patrick M. Migliozi**, father of Stacie DelliQuadri, and son-in-law of Lois Miller; of **Patricia DiLoreto**, wife of John; and of **Mary L. Petiya**. May they rest in peace.

**BAPTISMS**

This weekend, we welcome **Alessia Giada Williams**, daughter of James and Brittany, and **Leo Rocco Tisone**, son of Anthony and Krystle, through the Sacrament of Baptism. Please keep these and their families in your prayers.

**BAPTISMAL PREPARATION SESSION  
SUNDAY, March 11, 1 pm IN THE PARLOR  
REMEMBER THAT WE DO NOT BAPTIZE DURING LENT**

**VOCATIONS**

**"Let each of you lead the life that the Lord has assigned, to which God has called you."** Do you think that the Lord is calling you to the consecrated life or priesthood?

**Come & See Weekends --**

**St. Mary Seminary, Cleveland -- Feb 9-11 and Apr 6-8  
Pontifical College Josephinum -- Mar 15-17**

Contact Fr. Christopher Luoni to discuss vocations, 330.744.8451, or at [cluoni@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:cluoni@youngstowndiocese.org).

**THE WEEK AHEAD****Saturday, January 27**

- 9:00 a.m. AA Meeting (Providence Center)
- 9:30 a.m. Scout Troop 101 Pinewood Derby (RH)
- 11:00 a.m. AA Meeting (Providence Center)
- 4:00 p.m. Williams Baptism
- 5:00 p.m. Anointing of Sick follows 4pm Mass

**Sunday, January 28**

- 9:00 a.m. Tisone Baptism
- 10:15 a.m. FFS (JFKCS-LC classrooms)
- 10:15 a.m. Coffee & Donuts (HFH)
- 1:00 p.m. JFKCS-LC Open House (Campus)
- 6:30 p.m. Kairos Mini-Retreat (HFH/Chapel/Church)

**Monday, January 29**

- 9:00 a.m. JFKCS-LC Spelling Bee (RH)
- 10:30 a.m. AA meeting (Providence Center)
- 5:30 p.m. Zumba (Reagan Hall)
- 6:30 p.m. Disability/Inclusion support mtg (Library)
- 6:30 p.m. Scout Troop 101 meeting (RH / Prov Ctr)

**Tuesday, January 30**

- 9:30 a.m. Mass with JFKCS-LC community (Church)
- 1:30 p.m. Chair Yoga (Library)
- 5:30 p.m. Valley Voices United for Change (RH)
- 7:00 p.m. Evening Prayer (Chapel)
- 7:30 p.m. Scripture Study (Parlor)
- 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting (Providence Center)

**Wednesday, January 31**

- 5:30 p.m. Zumba (Reagan Hall)

**Thursday, February 1**

- 9:00 a.m. AA meeting (Providence Center ML)
- 6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Troop 101 mtg (RH / PC)
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice (Parish Library)

**Friday, February 2**

- 1:00 p.m. JFKCS-LC Talent Show (Gym)
- 2:00 p.m. JFKCS-LC Prince/Princess Ball (RH)

**Saturday, February 3**

- 9:00 a.m. AA Meeting (Providence Center)
- 11:00 a.m. AA Meeting (Providence Center)
- 5:00 p.m. EPIC teens / Souper Bowl collection (GS)

**Sunday, February 4**

- 9:45 a.m. Pancake Breakfast (RH/Covelli K)
- 10:15 a.m. FFS (JFKCS-LC classrooms)
- 10:15 a.m. EPIC teens / Souper Bowl collection (GS)
- 12:30 p.m. EPIC teens / Souper Bowl collection (GS)

**CHURCH OVERSEAS COMBINED COLLECTION**

This weekend the Diocese of Youngstown is holding the Church Overseas Combined Collection for ministries of the Church around the globe. These ministries of the **Catholic Relief Services (CRS), Holy Father/Peter's Pence, the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, and the Church in Latin America** assist the Church in serving people who are hungry, refugees, victims of natural disasters, and development projects. Please give generously to this collection which combines four collections in one.

**RETURN PYX TO PARISH OFFICE**

Have you used a parish pyx to take Holy Communion to someone at home? If so, and you have not returned this vessel to the parish, please return it as soon as possible.

**THE LITURGY OF THE HOURS****Evening Prayer at Blessed Sacrament**

Evening Prayer will next be prayed this **Tuesday, January 30, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the chapel.** Join with others to pray this beloved prayer of the Church. The prayer, including Scripture, song and petition, takes less than a half an hour. *Next week, Evening Prayer will be prayed on Tuesday, February 6 at 7 p.m. to mark the memorial of St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs.*

**AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRAY FOR PEACE**

Join us the first Tuesday of the month – **February 6** – to pray the Stations of the Cross for peace. Simply meet in the church at noon. (We'll meet near the bell tower and pray the outside stations if the weather is warm!) This prayer will involve spoken prayer along with simple singing. Here is a way to join with others to give voice to your desire for peace in this complicated world.

Questions? Call Pat Campbell at the parish office.

**LENT IS FAST APPROACHING****Ash Wednesday is February 14! Yes, Valentine's Day!**

Lent begins in just a couple of weeks.

Check the table in the gathering space beginning next week for booklets to assist you on your Lenten journey. There will be our regular fare of Little Black Books and Pax Christi Reflections. You will also find many other daily reflection booklets available. Plan to stop by the table before or after Mass beginning February 3 and 4 to see what appeals to you.

**WELCOME!**

A warm Blessed Sacrament Parish welcome is extended to our new parishioner, **Ellen S. Ford**. See you at Coffee & Donuts!

**2017 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS CAN BE PICKED UP AFTER MASSES, OR STOP BY THE PARISH OFFICE, M-F, 9am-4pm.**

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

**"Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties."** *1 Cor 7: 32*

How much anxiety do we bring upon ourselves by constantly worrying about not having enough or attaining more things? God won't necessarily give you everything you want, but He will provide everything you need. Try this -- use the word "pray" instead of the word "worry" in the future.

**Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary**

*In gratitude for the gifts we have received from God, parishioners and visitors made a joyful return to the Lord of \$13,674.20 in the Offertory for the weekend of January 20 & 21, 2018.*

**Fiscal Year-to-date Information (7/2/17—6/24/18):**

|                               |               |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Goal for Fiscal Year-to-date: | \$ 482,880.00 |
| Amount Collected:             | \$ 478,766.49 |
| Amount short of needed goal:  | \$ 4,113.51   |
| Children's Stewardship:       | \$ 28.25      |

**SPECIAL MINISTERS' SCHEDULE**

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <p><b>Saturday, January 27</b> 4:00 p.m.<br/> <b>Readers:</b> M. Shader, D. Zock<br/> <b>E.M.H.C.:</b> J. Crawford, S. Campbell, K. Mariani, T. &amp; A. Hostetler, L. &amp; L. D'Amore, P. Mangiarelli<br/> <b>Altar Servers:</b> F. Pishotti, M. Seikel, L. Wilson<br/> <b>Greeters:</b> G. Baran, P. Pierce<br/> <b>Baptism Assistant:</b> A. Hostetler</p> | <p><b>Saturday, February 3</b> 4:00 p.m.<br/> <b>Readers:</b> J. Weston, L. Lowman<br/> <b>E.M.H.C.:</b> D. Timko, L. D'Amore, J. &amp; L. Sanders, S. &amp; J. Delaquila, R. Green, P. Mangiarelli<br/> <b>Altar Servers:</b> D. Carey, B. Shanovich<br/> <b>Greeters:</b> C. &amp; J. Potashnik</p>  |
| <p><b>Sunday, January 28</b> 9:00 a.m.<br/> <b>Readers:</b> J. Lyda, R. King<br/> <b>E.M.H.C.:</b> C. Faulk, S. Bungo, B. Lyda, A. McLeod, M. Bugos, M. Lytle, L. Amadei<br/> <b>Altar Servers:</b> A. Lytle, B. Faulk, C. Clark<br/> <b>Greeters:</b> G. &amp; D. Woolensack<br/> <b>C.L.O.W.:</b> C. Morrison<br/> <b>Baptism Assistant:</b> D. Laux</p>     | <p><b>Sunday, February 4</b> 9:00 a.m.<br/> <b>Readers:</b> J. Sylvester, J. Hamilton<br/> <b>E.M.H.C.:</b> C. Faulk, D. &amp; J. Falcione, S. Letson, J. Gabele, D. Lazor, C. Hosack, B. Lyda<br/> <b>Altar Servers:</b> A. Lytle, A. Birmingham, J. Birmingham<br/> <b>Greeters:</b> S. &amp; K. Bungo<br/> <b>C.L.O.W.:</b> A. Birmingham</p> |
| <p>11:30 a.m.<br/> <b>Readers:</b> A. Economos, B. Steines<br/> <b>E.M.H.C.:</b> E. Economos, M. Gray, G. Gray, A. Steines, P. Orsinelli, J. Sabat, K. Gray<br/> <b>Altar Servers:</b> S. Brown, B. Wilson, A. Daley<br/> <b>Greeters:</b> L. Bright, A. Pagano<br/> <b>C.L.O.W.:</b> K. Sylvester</p>   | <p>11:30 a.m.<br/> <b>Readers:</b> G. Quinones, M. Schaefer<br/> <b>E.M.H.C.:</b> E. Economos, M. Schaefer, M. Schaefer, C. Kloboves, D. Crockett, J. Sabat, P. Orsinelli<br/> <b>Altar Servers:</b> N. Muscarella, C. DelliQuadri, C. DelliQuadri<br/> <b>Greeters:</b> J. &amp; J. Satterfield</p>   |

**BLESSED PALMS**

Blessed palms may be brought to church and placed in the baskets in the gathering space through Tuesday, February 13. The palms will be burned and their ashes used on Ash Wednesday, February 14. This year we will hold Evening Prayer on Tuesday, February 13 at 7pm, and will include the burning of the palms. We'll begin prayer in the chapel at 7pm, and, weather permitting, will move to the Memorial Brick Garden to burn the palms. **Plan to join us!**

**CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES**

**RICE BOWLS AVAILABLE FEBRUARY 1!**

Join nearly 14,000 faith communities in 180 dioceses around the U.S. in prayer, fasting and almsgiving this Lent. Together, we will serve our brothers and sisters most in need around the world while forming families and faith communities in global solidarity. Take action to build the culture of encounter as missionary disciples with Catholic Relief Services (CRS) this Lent.

- Through **prayer**, we encounter Christ, present in the faces of every member of our human family, so often still walking that long road to Calvary.
- Through **fasting**, we encounter our own obstacles, those things about ourselves that prevent us from loving God and neighbor.
- Through **almsgiving**, we encounter our brothers and sisters around the world, asking what we can give up so that others might have life to the fullest.

**CRS HELPING HANDS**

Interested in hearing about a "hands on" meal packaging project, taking place on Sunday, March 11, sponsored by Catholic Relief Services and Stop Hunger Now? **Please**

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

JAN & FEB 2018

(<https://www.secure.rotundasoftware.com/l/web-terminal/login/ReevesRoad>)

The ministry schedule that runs through February 2018 is on the Ministry Schedule Pro site. You can access it via Ministry Scheduler Pro. If you do not have internet access, you should have received your scheduled serving dates and, should you have questions, contact Pat Campbell at the parish office.

**If you cannot remember how to log in, please contact Pat Campbell at the parish office. She will re-send the log-in info so that you can be sure**

**you are scheduled according to your needs.**

**PLEASE continue to request subs when you cannot serve in your assigned place. PLEASE REMEMBER:** If you are scheduled for a Mass, PLEASE be sure to arrive more than **ten minutes** before the Mass is scheduled to begin.

**DEADLINE FOR OUR NEXT SCHEDULE – Mar/Apr/and May 2018**

**will be Tuesday, FEBRUARY 13, 2018. Remember that you can put your "cannot serve" dates in at any time!**

**PLEASE NOTE: MINISTERS NEEDED FOR ASH WEDNESDAY (Feb 14) and for TUESDAY, 5:45pm Masses during February – the 20 and 27 – and for our Lenten 4:00pm Sunday afternoon Masses (Feb 18 and 25).**

**ALL OF THIS OCCURS BEFORE THE NEW SCHEDULE IS PREPARED, so please offer your services, if you are available!**

come to Reagan Hall today, January 28, between Masses, for a video presentation! This project brings Catholics together from our Trumbull County parishes. Call Brenda or Brooke in the parish office for more information!

## FAITH FORMATION NEWS SUPPORT GROUP FOR PARENTS

**OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL AND VARYING NEEDS**  
We are forming a support group for parents of children with special, varying needs. Please call the parish office to express an interest and/or invite others to do the same.

**Our next meeting is scheduled for  
MONDAY, JANUARY 29, at 6:30pm  
in the parish library.**

The goal is to provide support for families and encourage inclusion for all in our parish at liturgy and all our programs. The two adult leaders behind this effort are Patrice Robinson-Norwood and Cori Morrison.

Perhaps you are a special educator or parent who could provide insight and become involved in some way with this group. Please call the parish office at 330.372.2215 or talk with Patrice or Cori and let us know you are interested.

## FIRST FRIDAY CLUB OF GREATER YOUNGSTOWN -- LUNCHEON SPEAKER SERIES

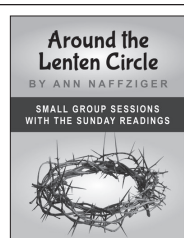
Join us on Thursday, Feb. 1, 2018 for lunch and the opportunity to hear Bishop George V. Murry, S.J., PhD.! His talk is entitled "The Church."

"Christ My Light" is the Episcopal motto of the Most Reverend George V. Murry, S.J. Upon his appointment, Bishop Murry stated: "I am honored to accept the Holy Father's appointment to serve as Bishop of Youngstown and I look forward to meeting and working with the priests, deacons, religious and laity of the diocese." Later, during Mass in the Cathedral, he preached about remaining in God's love by holding on to Jesus and walking with Him.

Our location for the luncheons is The Georgetown, 5945 South Ave., Boardman, OH 44512, Ph 330-758-0811.

The luncheon costs \$16, begins at 11:30am and ends promptly at 1:00pm. If you'd like to car-pool we leave the church at 10:45am and return by 1:45pm. Please RSVP to Brenda in the parish office by Monday, January 29!

Brochures for the entire 2017/2018 speaker series are available in the gathering space, OR at [firstfridayclubofgreateryoungstown.org/](http://firstfridayclubofgreateryoungstown.org/)



### Around the Lenten Circle

BY ANN NAFFZIGER

SMALL GROUP SESSIONS  
WITH THE SUNDAY READINGS

Join a small group for Lent to read and reflect on the Sunday Scripture readings. Group meeting days, times and places will be published next week in the bulletin, or may be discovered in the gathering space next weekend, as we encourage everyone to take part.

Would you like to be part of the group without leaving your home? We will happily include you in the e-mails (or mailings) that go out with the materials, even if you cannot physically join a group. You will receive the materials and reflect on them each week. The homily we hear on the weekend will further "Break Open" the Word!

## FAMILY IN NEED OF A REFRIGERATOR!

We have received word that a local family is in need of a refrigerator. If you have one that might benefit this family, please contact Joanne Gilbert in the parish office...or contact Sr. Jean at Emmanuel Community Care Center at 330.545.4301.

## YOUTH MINISTRY / E.P.I.C. TEENS

**Get connected! -- Paper Trail:** Schedules in the Gathering Space \*\*\* **E-mail:** [bsteines@bspcc.org](mailto:bsteines@bspcc.org) \*\*\* **Phone:** 330-372-2215 x104; **Social Media:** **Facebook:** Blessed Sacrament Parish E.P.I.C. Youth Ministry; **Instagram:** BROOKLYN\_CYM\_BSP; **Twitter:** brooklyn\_cymbps  
**YOUTH MINISTRY — UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Jan. 28 Warren Area Catholic Teens (Grades 9-12) -- Kairos Mini Retreat (Grades 9-12) @ BSP @ 6:30-8pm.**

**Please bring registration forms TODAY!!**

**Feb. 3-4 BSP EPIC Teens (Grades 7-12) -- Souper**

**Bowl of Caring Collections after all Masses --**

All proceeds will benefit our St. Vincent de Paul Society. T-shirts will be provided; please bring a soup pot and ladle to collect change. Call Brooke to sign up, 4pm Mass Saturday, after 9 & 11:30am Masses Sunday.

**Feb. 4 Confirmation Class / Pancake Breakfast**

**(Grade 8) at 9:45am-11:30am. See insert!**

All proceeds will benefit our St. Vincent de Paul Society. Co-chairpersons are Mrs. Ann Gebhardt and Mrs. Denise Mijavec & Chef Mark Mijavec.

**Find us on Facebook! Check out our parish  
Facebook page and give us a 'like!'**  
<https://www.facebook.com/bspcc/>

## CATHOLICISM Book Available for Purchase

During the Lenten Season, we will be offering three Tuesday sessions (the first three Tuesdays of Lent: Feb 20, Feb 27, Mar 6) on the wonderful series by Bishop Robert Barron, "Catholicism." The book is NOT a requirement for those who wish to take part in the video/reflection presentations for those three weeks, but it does add to the story! Fr. McCarthy shared that each priest of the diocese received a copy of this book from Bishop Murry at Christmas, so well written did the Bishop find the book. Fr. McCarthy recommends the book and looks forward to the three parts of the DVD series we will be looking at during Lent. The paperback book is \$12.86 and the Kindle book is \$12.99. We will have a few copies of the paperback when the series begins. If you would like us to order a copy for you, please call the parish office. Lent seems like a great time to delve more deeply into our faith.

*"What I propose to do in this book is to take you on a guided exploration of the Catholic world, but not in the manner of a docent, for I am not interested in showing you the artifacts of Catholicism as though they were dusty objects d'art in a museum of culture. I want to function rather as a mystagogue, conducting you ever deeper into the mystery of the incarnation in the hopes that you might be transformed by its power."*  
—Father Robert Barron

## WHITE MASS FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

Bishop George V. Murry, S.J., will preside at this liturgy on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 4pm., at St. Columba Cathedral. Reception follows. Info 330.744.8451, ext 272.

**THE SPIRITUAL MEANING OF THE LITURGY**

Words of Wisdom to Ponder from the Book by Goffredo Boselli ...  
Liturgical Press, Collegeville, MN, ©2014

**We reflect on "Mystagogy of the Presentation of the Gifts"**

*This week we conclude the current chapter. Boselli's book contains information and reflections that inspire as he opens up the Presentation of the Gifts.*

*We cut to the conclusion where we are challenged to transform the world!*

In concluding this reflection, we must ask ourselves: Are Christians today aware of the relationship that exists between our eucharistic praxis and the praxis of charity offered to people in need? Do they understand the Eucharist as a source of social transformation?

Every Sunday, Christians are called to carry out the rite of the presentation of the gifts with ever-greater awareness that the Eucharist is the foundation of a still unfulfilled hope: the communion of all humanity in its social, ethnic, and cultural diversity. It is impossible for believers truly to celebrate the Eucharist without an awareness of being part of a system that is not only economic and political but also cultural and religious, a system of values and behaviors, of choices and judgments that has for centuries now created poverty and oppression in the world and robbed people not only of bread but of justice and dignity. Challenged by the situations of millions of men and women, Christians who live in the West are called to reconsider the way in which, from the end of the Second World War up to our own day, they have celebrated and adored the Eucharist, which is *nutrimentum caritatis*, "the food of charity."

...Are Christians aware of the gap that still very much exists between sacramental practice and the practice of justice?

The liturgy offers a challenge to the church in the world that makes Christians, perhaps more today than ever before, debtors before all humanity. In a society dominated by the strongest among us, the Eucharist is a real threat. In a society where individualism triumphs, the Eucharist reminds us of the common destiny of all humanity. In a society where waste prevails, the Eucharist is a call to share. The Eucharist forges a theology of charity, for charity is a mystery that is both sacramental and prophetic. The Eucharist is a reality that is as social as it is theological. It is the crucible of an ethic of service of humanity.

**PASTA COOK-OFF CANCELLED**

The committee, that for 15 years successfully coordinated the Annual Pasta Cook-Off and Wine Tasting which has benefitted the American Heart Association, has elected to discontinue this event. High praise to this ambitious group of volunteers for years of hard work in planning and coordinating this event!! THANK YOU to the core team, and to the many volunteers who helped to make the event a success from year to year!!

Be on the lookout for important educational information from the AHA -- because although the event will be no more, vigilance where our heart health is concerned will remain a very high priority!!

**PRAYING FOR THOSE  
SERVING OUR COUNTRY**

Thank you for continuing to pray for our service people and for their families, especially during the recent holiday season. Please continue to hold them in prayer.

Please pray in a special way for all of our service people who are deployed to areas in the Middle East:

**PRESENTLY DEPLOYED TO MIDDLE EAST**

**Lt Col Robert Cole (Kansas National Guard)**

*Nephew of Steve and Pat Campbell*

**CPT Daniel Maselli (Army)**

*Brother of Monica Pishotti*

**SPC James Wollet (National Guard)**

*Son of Jeff Renee Wollet*

**Father Jonathan Morse, Army Chaplain**

*Friend of Pat Rogan*

PLEASE ALSO PRAY FOR OUR LOVED ONES WORKING IN AREAS OF CONFLICT, whether for the government or for non-government agencies.

Our list of parishioners and relatives of parishioners who serve our country each day is listed on our "Service Person Board" in the gathering space near the flag.

Please continue to pray for them and for their families. If you know of a parishioner or the family of a parishioner who is serving in the military, be sure to remind them to keep the office (Pat Campbell) updated. Let us keep them in prayer in a special way should they be deployed. Also, keep our list of service people current by updating the list when their rank is changed.

**JANUARY IS POVERTY AWARENESS/  
KEEP THE KIDS WARM MONTH**

"Keep the Kids Warm" provides utility assistance to working poor families with children who do not qualify for government assistance. Visit [ccdoy.org](http://ccdoy.org) to donate online. For more info, contact Nikole Kelley, Grants & Projects Coordinator, at 330-744-8451, ext. 323 or [nkelley@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:nkelley@youngstowndiocese.org).

**PROJECT RACHEL OF NORTHEAST OHIO**

After 45 years of legalized abortion, millions of women, men, families and friends are hurting from their regret. There is Hope and Healing available. For **CONFIDENTIAL** help, call Project Rachel of N.E. Ohio at 888.259.4806 or visit [support@projrachneo.zohosupport.com](mailto:support@projrachneo.zohosupport.com).

**HOSPICE OF THE VALLEY  
NEW HORIZONS GRIEF SERIES**

A new group is forming and will meet for an eight-week session beginning Tuesday, January 30, from 5:30-7pm, at Hospice of the Valley, 5000 E. Market Street, Suite 19, in Warren. Call Kim 330.549.5901 for info, to register.

**VILLA MARIA SEASONAL LAND SERIES**

Join Barbara O'Donnell, HM, and Frank Romeo in a contemplative spirit to explore the Villa grounds as God's gift. This seasonal series will include presentations, discussion, time for personal reflection and ritual. 2-4pm on SUN, 2/11, Winter Wisdom. \$10. Visit [vmesc.org](http://vmesc.org) or call 724.964.8886 for details.

IN THE COMMUNITY ...

**St. Christine Parish** ... "End of Life Issues" Seminar, SUN, 1/28, 1-3pm, at Parish Center. Rev. Zachary Coulter, Dr. Medford Mashburn, Lori Pugh. Free. By St. Christine Health/Wellness Ministry, co-sponsored by DOY Ofc Pro-Life, Marriage, Family Ministry.

**Christ Episcopal Church** ... 7th Annual Beatles Mass, SAT, 2/3, at Atlantic St. location. Gather 3:30pm, Service with Rev. Jeff Baker, 4pm and music by Mainstreet Lions, Fellowship, 5pm. Bring family & friends, wear tie-die shirt/bell bottoms, instrument to join Open Mic at fellowship. Info 330.372.4998 or [christchurchwarren.org](http://christchurchwarren.org).

**St. Paul Parish, N. Canton** ... Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide, 6-week series for men/women seeking healing from divorce, WED, beginning 2/7. Helping you find peace, power, and passion. Register with Dave Schmidt at 330/744.8451, ext 272. Free (book available \$15). (*DivorceCare Support Group forms 3/3 for 12-wks at Immaculate Heart of Mary, Austintown*).

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter** ... Marriage Encounter Weekend, FEB 16-18, Days Inn, Richfield, OH. Visit [GreatMarriagesOhio.org](http://GreatMarriagesOhio.org) or call 330.305.9963 for application/more info.

\*\*\*\*\*  
\*  
\*  
\*  
\*  
\*\*\*\*\*  
***PLEASE SUPPORT OUR BULLETIN ADVERTISERS!!***  
\*\*\*\*\*

