

Mahoning River Catholic Pastorate,  
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**Mass of the Lord's Supper**

**Thursday, April 2**  
 7:00 p.m.

**Dave Bailey**

Lectors

**Rich Patnode**

**Nancy Patnode**

Extraordinary Minister

**Lynn Oblinger**

Server

**Easter Vigil Saturday, April 4**

8:00 p.m.

**Tina Thompson**  
**Rachel Hrbolich**  
**Joe Thiry**  
**Pat Benitis**

Lectors

**Sandy Mason**

Extraordinary Minister

**Nathan Kren**

Server

**The Passion of the Lord**

**Friday, April 3**

3:00 p.m.

**Lyn Sonnenlitter**

**Joe Thiry**

**Lorraine Confoey**

**Vickie Takacs**

**Easter Sunday, April 5**

10:00 a.m.

**Georgia Dungan**

**Vickie Takacs**

**Lynn Oblinger**

**Gary Lippert**

**Our Lady of the Lakes Parish**

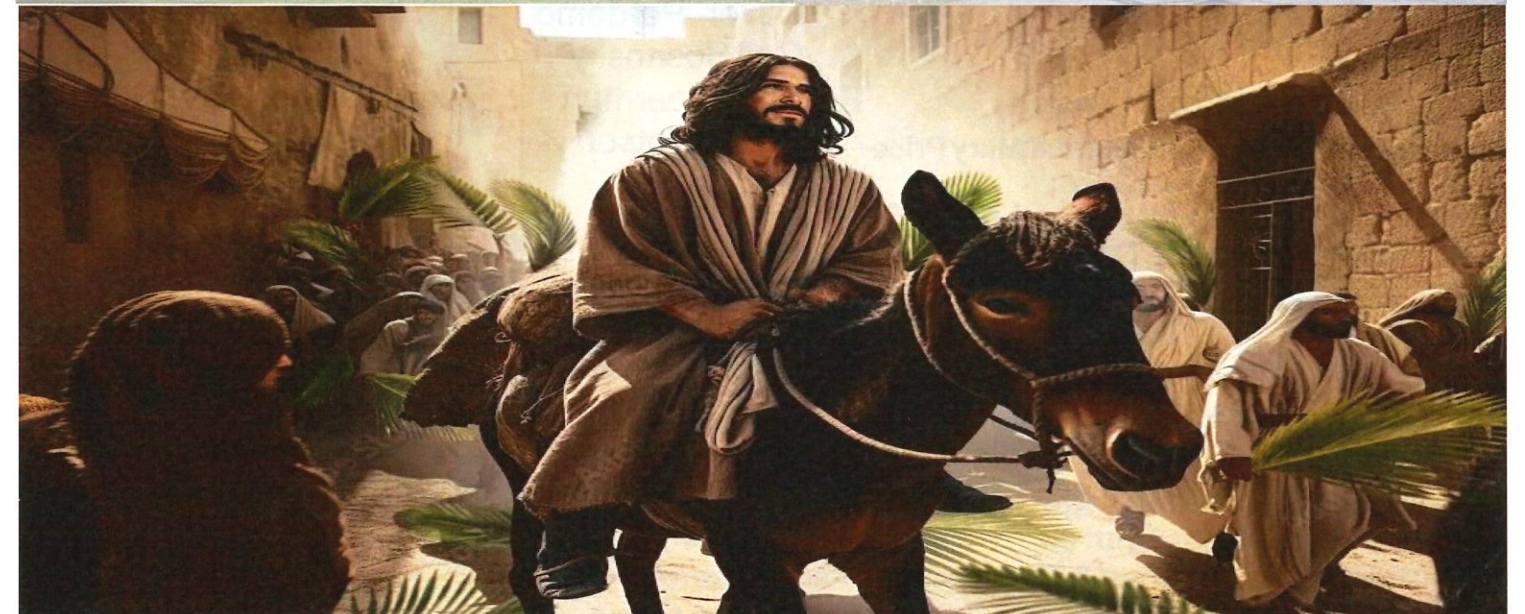
**St. James Church and Office**  
 50 Rosemont Rd, North Jackson, OH 44451

**St. Catherine Church**  
 1254 Grandview Rd, Lake Milton, OH 44429

**St. Mary & St. Joseph Parish**

**St. Joseph Church**  
 131 W. Quarry St., Newton

**St. Mary Office**  
 120 Maple Dr., Newton Falls 44444



**The Easter Triduum**

Holy Thursday, April 2 Mass 7:00 p.m. at St. Catherine Church

Good Friday, April 3 Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3:00 p.m. at St. James Church

Holy Saturday, April 4 Easter Vigil Mass 8:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Church

Easter Sunday, April 5 Mass of the Resurrection 10:00 a.m. at St. Catherine

**Staff**

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Monday- Thursday

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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Our Lady of the Lakes Parish

**Mass Schedule & Intentions**

**Saturday, March 28 Palm Sunday Vigil**  
4:00 p.m. **St. Joseph Church**  
Pam Cook Rowe -Tina Thompson & Family

**Sunday, March 29 Palm Sunday**  
10:00 a.m. **St. James Church**  
John & Catherine May -Kathy Wetzl

**Monday, March 30**  
9:00 a.m. **St. Joseph Church**  
Matthew Stimac - Elizabeth Yura

**Tuesday, March 31**  
9:00 a.m. **St. Joseph Church**  
Howard Price -Richard & Mary Price

**Wednesday, April 1**  
6:30 p.m. **St. Catherine Church**  
Danny Price -Richard & Mary Price

**Thursday, April 2 Mass of the Lord's Supper**  
7:00 p.m. **St. Catherine Church**  
People of the Pastorate

**Friday, April 3- The Passion of the Lord**  
3:00 p.m. **St. James Church**

**Saturday, April 4 Easter Vigil**  
8:00 p.m. **St. Joseph Church**  
Barb Wittenauer -Michael & Theresa Harnichar

**Sunday, April 5 Easter**  
10:00 a.m. **St. Catherine Church**  
Alex Wasylychyn -Allen & Phyllis Wasylychyn

**Our Lady of the Lakes Women's Guild**  
The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 1, at 10:30 a.m. at St. James Social Hall.

**SSMJ Ladies Guild**  
Our next meeting has been moved to Wednesday, April 8, due to Holy Week.

Pastorate Prayer Intentions  
Please call the office with your prayer intention that you would like to share with the parishes. Let us pray for:

Mary Pat Juhasz	Mike & Margaret Bajnok
Pat & Carol Quinlan	Theresa St. Julian
Barb Hilliard	Sister Celeste Linda Dietz
Susie Miller	Shirley Dyer David Gersper
Lucy Young	Tony Sparks Mary Ann S.
Don Keener III	Alberta Sabo Monica Holliday
Karen Matoka	Denny Hoover Noah Root
	Amelia Johnson
Ben Melnykovich	Laurie Kramer
Michelle Moore	Theresa Saxton
	Betty Schilling
Nancy Patnode	Lenny Sobetsky
Oliver Perdomo	Stephanie Szoke
Gail Sosnosky	Maureen Walsh
Jim Upperman	Margaret Zeleny
Wyatt Watson	

The Williamson Family

Pray for us



**Mass Attendance**

4:00 p.m.....	58
9:00 a.m.....	62
11:00 a.m.....	95

**Collection**

<b>Our Lady of the Lakes.....</b>	<b>\$2,564.21</b>
<b>Online Giving.....</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>
<b>Easter Flowers.....</b>	<b>\$285.00</b>
<b>St. Mary &amp; St. Joseph.....</b>	<b>\$2,292.00</b>
<b>Online Giving.....</b>	<b>\$125.60</b>
<b>Candles.....</b>	<b>\$55.00</b>
<b>Easter Flowers.....</b>	<b>\$107.00</b>
<b>Immaculate Conception.....</b>	<b>\$15.00</b>
<b>St. Joseph Hall Rental.....</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>

**Parish Offices**

The offices of both parishes will be closed on Holy Thursday, April 2 and Easter Monday, April 6.

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St. Mary & St. Joseph Parish

**Palm Sunday Prayer**

Heavenly Father, we come together today as a family that has received palm branches from Your Church - signs that we, too, welcome Your Son as our Lord and King. We know that the days ahead are holy, and we want to observe them as such - not only in the liturgies we attend, but in the way we speak to one another, the patience we extend, the distractions we lay aside. Help us this week to be attentive: to the readings, to the silence, to the story. You tell in these days that is the deepest story of all. We pray for those in our family and among our friends who are suffering, for those who have drifted from faith, and for all who will encounter the cross this week without knowing what it means. May this Holy Week bring them closer to You. And may it bring us closer to one another. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" (Matthew 21:9)**

As we enter Holy Week, we honor Christ's sacrifice. Priesthood, consecrated life, and holy matrimony mirror this self-giving love, offering one's life for others. Could God be calling you to serve? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at (330) 744-8451 or via email at vocations@youngstowndiocese.org

**Stewardship Reflection**

"As they were marching out, they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; this man they pressed into service to carry his cross." MATTHEW 27:32  
The Lord calls us to love God and to love our neighbor. Every day we are presented with opportunities to love our neighbor and help him. "carry his cross." These opportunities aren't usually big events; they are usually ordinary occurrences like helping someone carry their groceries or holding the door open for them. The key is putting the other person's needs before our own and not expecting anything in return.

**The Yost Food Pantry**

On Saturday, March 21st, Yost Community Food Pantry served 96 households. A total of 250 adults and children visited the pantry.

**Diocesan Appeal**

God so loves us that He sends His Son to die for us. God so wants to have a personal relationship with us, that He shares Jesus with us. When we experience pain and suffering, though, we wonder how this can be God's plan for us. Where is God in illness, violence, betrayal, economic hardship, natural disaster and cruelty? Why does God, who desires intimacy with us, seem so far away? We may feel like God is far away, but he isn't. God reminds us: "When you call me, and come and pray to me, I will listen to you" (Jeremiah 29 :12). Relying on God during difficult times draws us closer to Him. And if, during times of trial, we open ourselves up to God, we can be instruments of His love and grace, just as Christ was to those witnessing his passion. As we enter this holiest time of the liturgical year, please consider ways you can pick up the cross and follow Jesus into greater intimacy with God. Please pray for the continued success of the Annual Diocesan Appeal, and please consider supporting the appeal to help lighten the crosses others are bearing.

**First Friday Club**

The First Friday Club will host Kerry Alys Robinson, President of Catholic Charities, USA, Washington, DC, on Thursday, April 9th at Avion on the Water Banquet Center, 177 W. Western Reserve Road in Canfield. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. with the presentation beginning at noon. The cost is \$25.00. Reservations are required and must be postmarked 10 days prior to date of the event (by March 30th). For more information, please call 330-720-4498 or visit: www.firstfridayclubofgreateryoungstown.org.

**Stations of the Cross**

I would like to thank the beautiful group of people that came out and prayed the Stations of the Cross with me each Friday of Lent. Stations has always been a special part of my Lenten observance, and it's always extra special when I have a nice group of people to pray with as I did this year! May you all have a Blessed Easter season! Joe Thiry