May the Light of Faith shine forth from our parish as a beacon to guide our community to the Lord. When life seems difficult and troublesome, may our faith offer us security and strength. When we come together to celebrate God's gifts may the Holy Spirit fill us with joy.

PARISH STAFF
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Mr. John Siracusa, Grounds Manager and
Ecumenical Food Bank 357-6714

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS
Nominated Members
Chair - Emily Siebert,
Tim Manross, Andrew Bernardo,
James Balog, Timothy Valentine
Appointed Members
Stephen Kristoff, Jennifer Takacs

FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS
Chair—Rick Gurley, Trevor Theobald,
Don Rochon, Joe Hawkins, Tom Langer,
Linda Hlebak (parish accountant)

MEETINGS/GROUPS
Parish Council 354-4525
Altar/Rosary 221-7140
1st Tuesday September - May
Parish Life Commission 354-4337
Finance Committee 354-4525
Music Ministry/Choir/Cantors 251-6820
Building/Maintenance 354-4525
Spiritual Blessing Card Ministry 354-3769
Good Samaritan Fund/Food Bank 357-6714
Aluminum Recycling/Paper Recycling/furniture/
clothes for the needy -
All items can be placed by the garage or call 354-4525
Spiritual/Liturgical Commission/Lectors/Eucharistic
Ministers/Acolytes/Ushers 354-4525
Bereavement 354-4525
Prayer Line Requests 352-7703
Jail Ministry / Dee Trepal 382-1889

AA Meetings Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR)
September-May
Steve Biro, Parish Catechetical Leader
Director of Junior High & High School Ministry
steve@stafh.org

Grades K-7 on Sundays 11:00a.m.-12:00 noon
Confirmation grade 8+ scheduled Sundays 6:00-8:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS
Please call the rectory to set up an appointment.

WEDDINGS
Six months notice is required.
December 7/ December 8

**ALTAR SERVERS**
- **4:00PM** Joe Hawkins/ Steve Kristoff
- **8:00AM** Andrew Zarbo / Robert Hlebak
- **10:00AM** Jana Vale / Nora Urban

**LECTORS**
- **4:00PM** Barry Sabol / Kathie Kristoff
- **8:00AM** Melissa Zarbo / Tim Manross
- **10:00AM** Pat Korenko / Laura Urban

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**
- **4:00PM** Deacon John / Steve Kristoff (cup)
  Mike Bonelli (ciborium) Phil Young (choir)
  Lisa Simodi (back row)
- **8:00AM** Deacon John (cup) / Dave Riningger (cup)
  Joe Vayo (back row)
- **10:00AM** Deacon John (cup) / Kathy Jonson (cup) / Natalie (choir) / Melissa Faranda (backrow)

**CROSS**
- **4:00PM** Rick Gurley
- **8:00AM** Steve Biro
- **10:00AM** Linda Grisez

December 14 / December 15

**ALTAR SERVERS**
- **4:00PM** Lou and Jim Balog
- **8:00AM** Dan Parker / Bill McCabe
- **10:00AM** Andrea and Lauren McKinney

**LECTORS**
- **4:00PM** Joan Lehman / Lisa Simodi
- **8:00AM** Bob Donovan / Karen Sarosy
- **10:00AM** Dee Trepal / Joe Wilkes

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**
- **4:00PM** Joe Hawkins (ciborium)
  Joe Tomasik (back choir)
  Mike Bonelli (backrow)
- **8:00AM** Deacon John / Bob Smith (cups)
  Lynn Marut (ciborium) Bill Marut (backrow)
- **10:00AM** Ben Bagdonas(ciborium)
  Barb Bagdonas (back row)
  Sherry Maruschak (choir)

**CROSS**
- **4:00PM** John Simodi
- **8:00AM** Robert Hlebak
- **10:00AM** Steve Wallace

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**Offertory Collection**

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**Mark Your Calendar**

Dec. 9  Mass at 8 am for Immaculate Conception
Dec. 10 Altar and Rosary Guild Christmas Luncheon at 2 pm at Perkins
Dec. 11 7pm Parish Council
Dec. 15 11am Sacrament of Reconciliation for First Communicants
Dec. 18 Communal Penance Service—St. Mary’s 7 pm
Dec. 24 Mass at 4pm and 6pm
Dec. 25 Mass at 9 am
Next Week’s Presider
December 14  4:00 PM  .................  Fr. Schaut
December 15  8:00 AM/10:00 AM  Fr. Mihalic

50/50 tickets are available each weekend in the foyer. Congratulations to Ernie Van Allen for winning $446 in the Nov. raffle.

Donations of Christmas Cookies for the home-bound are needed before Dec. 22nd. Thank you.

Giving Tree
There are tags on the Giving Tree for families in need in our community. There are also some tags for the Social Justice Committee of our Diocese used for the people being held in the Immigration Center in Youngstown. Many are taken in during the summer months and released again in the winter having only their summer clothes with them. All they are given when released is a bus ticket to get back home. They need warm clothes. Thank you for your generosity.

Our theme for Advent is;
“Mary” Christmas
Come journey with Mary. Through her song of joy and gratitude, Mary shows us that each of us, no matter how lowly, can bear Christ into the world. So imagine yourself walking with Mary this Advent. Share with her your reasons for rejoicing. Tell her also about the “lowliness” in your life right now that can reflect her humility. See if you can imitate Mary’s “lowliness” a little more in your family relationships, at work and in your parish.

Divorced or Separated and struggling with the holidays? Join us for a special 4-week mini support group for those having difficulty facing the holidays as a result of separation and divorce. This special program is intended to offer practical advice on building new holiday traditions, identifying and managing the emotions of divorce, opening opportunities for growth & new beginnings, and turning a corner and facing a new year. Attend one session, all four, or anything in between. We will meet Tuesday evenings from 7:00-9:00 pm, on December 3, 10, 17, 2019 and January 7, 2020, at St. Noel Church, 35200 Chardon Rd., Willoughby Hills. To register or for more info: call Karen @ 440-352-8282 or email: kjubeck@st-gabriel.org

Electronic giving is available on our website at www.stafh.org. Total online giving for Dec. 1 was $720. Thanks to all who use the online giving option.

Sincere thanks to everyone who donated items and gift cards for the Harbor Holidays raffle. Your generosity is much appreciated!

The Altar and Rosary Guild Christmas luncheon will be held on Dec. 10 at 2pm at Perkins.