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**Catholic Charities Bulletin Inserts
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The following intercessions are provided for your use to support Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Youngstown. They are keyed to the liturgical calendar for placement in your weekly bulletin. Your support is most appreciated.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 1, 2026

“Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.” (Matthew 5:4) Christ does not abandon those who suffer; rather He is the comforter of the broken, the poor, and those in despair. He promises us that for all of our sufferings here on Earth, we shall receive consolation all the more from His overflowing grace.

For all those who suffer from poverty, that Catholic Charities can aid in easing their pains; let us pray to the Lord.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 8, 2026

“Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father.” (Matthew 5:16) The Lord calls out to us, seeking disciples to send out into the world bearing His Good News. To fulfill the Gospel call, we must go out from our homes and into the community, to build it and serve it.

For the leadership of the Church and Catholic Charities, who did not shy away from responsibility but have given of themselves without reserve; let us pray to the Lord.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 15, 2026

“Before man are life and death, good and evil, whichever he chooses shall be given him.” (Sirach 15:17) In each of our lives, we must choose the path we are to follow; be that the path of righteousness or the path of wickedness. By witnessing to Christ through corporal and spiritual works of mercy, Catholic Charities hopes to exemplify the path of righteousness God has demanded of us.

For all those whose hearts have been hardened to the suffering of others, that the witness of Catholic Charities may soften them; let us pray to the Lord.

The First Sunday of Lent – February 22, 2026

“It is written: The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve.” (Matthew 4:10) Through Christ we share in a common Priesthood and each of us is called to serve our brothers and sisters in whatever way we can. And we should do this not in hope of reward, but for the joy of service.

For the silent servants of Catholic Charities and all those who provide help and create hope without reward; let us pray to the Lord.