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www.firstfridayclubofgreateryoungstown.org

If you would like to become a speaker sponsor, please call 330-720-4498.

The First Friday Club of Greater Youngstown is a Catholic organization that sponsors a monthly speaker series featuring distinguished speakers who explore the spiritual, theological, moral, and social issues of our time through the lens of the Catholic faith.

Our mission is to inspire faith, foster thoughtful discussion, and encourage the integration of Catholic values into our daily lives through engaging presentations and meaningful fellowship.

First Friday Club of Greater Youngstown Season Table Sponsors

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Location & Schedule

The First Friday Club of Greater Youngstown
meets at

Avion on the Water Banquet Center,
2177 W. Western Reserve Road
Canfield, OH 44406.

Luncheons are held on the first Thursday of
each month from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.,
unless otherwise noted.

* Indicates a meeting date other than the
first Thursday of the month.
Evening Programs begin at 6:00 p.m.

First Friday Club of Greater Youngstown 2026-2027 Speaker Series

*Integrating the principles
of religious faith
into our everyday lives and work.*

Thursday
* Meets the First ~~Friday~~
of Every Month

**For Reservations Call:
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A BRIEF OVERVIEW

The origin of First Friday goes back to the tradition and practice of Sacred Heart devotion which calls for a monthly renewal of one's faith to a more lively and personal response to God's love realized in both worship and mission; to live more fully in the awareness of God's love and presence in our daily lives and to answer our baptismal call of being sent on mission to proclaim the good news of God's love, the Gospel.

First Friday Clubs are often scheduled as such in keeping with this long standing Catholic cultural tradition of Sacred Heart devotion, while raising an awareness of the spiritual, theological, moral and social issues of the times.

In his apostolic exhortation on Evangelization in the Modern World Pope Paul VI stated, "the split between the Gospel and culture is the drama of our times."

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2026-2027 Speaker Series

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Thursday, September 10, 2026*

"A View from the Bench: A Look Back at the Last 30 Years"

Judge John M. Durkin

Mahoning County Court of Commons Pleas

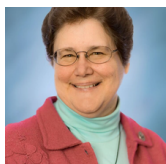


Thursday, October 1, 2026

"Wandering in Wonder: Cultivating Awe in an Age of Uncertainty"

Sr. Colleen Gibson, SSJ

Coordinator of Pastoral Care at St. John- St. Paul Catholic Collaborative



Thursday, November 5, 2026

"How is the Bible True?"

Lisa Marie Belz, OSU

Professor,
John Carroll University



Thursday, December 3, 2026

"Teaching for Peace and Justice"

Sr. Joanne Caniglia, PhD.

Professor,
Kent State University



Thursday, January 7, 2027

"Give Them Something to Eat: Called as Missionary Disciples to Nourish a World Hungry for Christ"

Miguel Chavez, MBA

Senior Vice President of Mission & Ministry, Sisters of Charity Health System, Cleveland



Thursday, February 4, 2027

"Called to be Witnesses of Hope: The Conclave, the Pope, and the Future of the Church"

Denise Utter, Speaker & Writer
Families Living Faith



Thursday, March 4, 2027

"Human Trafficking: What Can We Do to Stop It?"

Sr. Anne Victory, HM, RN, MSN



Thursday, April 1, 2027

"Building a Culture of Vocations"

Rev. William Wainio

Vocations Director,
Diocese of Youngstown



Thursday, May 6 2027- Evening

Presentation

"Our American Pope: How Did It Happen and Where is Leo Taking the Church"

Christopher White

Initiative on Catholic Social Thought & Public Life, Georgetown University



Thursday, June 3, 2027- Evening

Presentation

"Growing Up with Vatican II: Reflections of a Pastor and Liturgical Musician"

Rev. Edward P. Noga & James Johnson

Pastor Emeritus St. Patrick Church, Youngstown; Music Minister



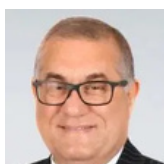
Thursday, July 1, 2027- Evening

Presentation

"My Walk on the Camino de Santiago"

Bishop John Keehner

Bishop, Diocese of Sioux City



Thursday, August 5, 2027- Evening

Presentation

"My Career in the Valley"

Gerry Richiutti

Public Information Office, Mahoning County Sheriff & Prosecutor

2026-2027 Speaker Series

Registration Form

Price includes Meal

☐ Individual- seating for one (1) person \$25
Please choose the month you want to attend below.

☐ Table- Seating for eight (8) people \$200
Please choose the month you want to attend below.

☐ Individual Season Pass- One seat for \$275
all 12 programs for one person

Season Pass individuals receive a savings of \$25 off the regular admission price for the year.

☐ Group Season Pass- One table for all \$2,200
12 programs for eight (8) people.

Best Value. Admission to all 12 Programs, up to 8 people, for the price of 11.
A savings of \$200 off regular admission price for the year.

	Table \$200	Seats \$25	Subtotal
☐ Thursday, Sept. 10, 2026*	___ x \$200	___ x \$25	___
☐ Thursday, Oct. 1, 2026	___ x \$200	___ x \$25	___
☐ Thursday, Nov. 5, 2026	___ x \$200	___ x \$25	___
☐ Thursday, Dec. 3, 2026	___ x \$200	___ x \$25	___
☐ Thursday, Jan. 7, 2027	___ x \$200	___ x \$25	___
☐ Thursday, Feb. 4, 2027	___ x \$200	___ x \$25	___
☐ Thursday, March 4, 2027	___ x \$200	___ x \$25	___
☐ Thursday, April 1, 2027	___ x \$200	___ x \$25	___
☐ Thursday, May 6, 2027**	___ x \$200	___ x \$25	___
☐ Thursday, June 3, 2027**	___ x \$200	___ x \$25	___
☐ Thursday, July 1, 2027**	___ x \$200	___ x \$25	___
☐ Thursday, Aug. 5, 2027**	___ x \$200	___ x \$25	___

☐ Gluten-Free Meal Request
☐ Vegetarian Meal Request

Total _____

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* Denotes second Thursday of the month
** Denotes evening program that begins at 6pm.

Name

Church/Organization

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Phone Number

Registration with Check Payable to:
First Friday Club of Greater Youngstown
P.O. Box 11146
Youngstown, OH 44511