

Epiphany of Our Lord Church

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SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 16TH AND 17TH

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9am-12pm

Tuesdays and Thursday: 9am-12pm and 2pm-4pm

Please call the office if you need to make an appointment outside of Office Hours.

Saturday Vigil Mass- 4:00pm

Sunday Masses— 8:30am & 11:00am

Daily Mass: 8:30am

Monday-Friday and First Saturdays

(All Masses are Live-Streamed on our Facebook Page as well)

CONFESSIONS

Every Day after each Mass and by appointment (703-4066).

Please speak with Father if you would like to receive the sacrament of reconciliation.

To listen to Mass on the Radio from the Church Parking Lot:
88.5FM

PARISH STAFF

Pastor.....Rev. Mitch Byeck (703-4066)

DeaconRoy Dibb

Parish Business ManagerSarah Jo Schmitt

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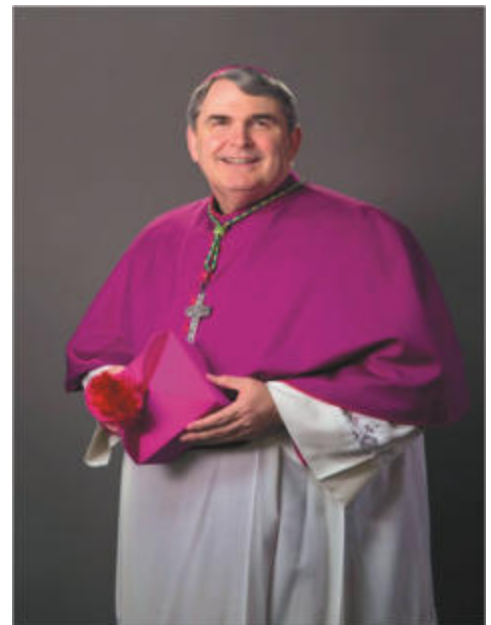
Compassion Ministry..... Anne Schmitz

Bereavement Contact Parish Office, 337-2686

PARISH HALL RENTAL: To reserve the hall for a function, please contact Mary Gattie at 337-3150.

For Information on Baptisms, Weddings, Faith Formation, Parish Registration, and other Church Activities, please call the Parish Office.

We welcome Bishop Michael William
Fisher as the 15th Bishop of Buffalo
Diocese.



**Mass Intentions
For the Week of January 17th
(C) Church**

Sat., Jan. 16th *Vigil of the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*
4:00pm (C) +Otto Werneth
By Hilde Werneth

Sun, Jan. 17th: *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*
8:30am (C) +Edwin Gabel
By Lucy Blaszc-Beiter
11:00am (C) +Rod Utley Sr.
By John and Annette Noto

Monday, Jan. 18th: *Weekday*
8:30am (C) For All Epiphany of Our Lord Parishioners
By Fr. Mitch Byeck

Monday, Jan. 18th: *Anointing Mass*
6:30pm (C) For All Sick and Suffering in Our Parish
By Fr. Mitch Byeck

Tues, Jan. 19th: *Weekday*
8:30am (C) Mary Gattie
By Her Friends

Wed, Jan. 20th: *Weekday*
8:30am (C) + All Souls
By Parish All Souls Intentions

Thur. Jan. 21st: *St. Agnes*
8:30am (C) +Deceased Bantle and Wittmeyer Families
By Carol Wittmeyer

Friday, Jan. 22nd: *Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of
Unborn Children*
8:30am (C) +Cherie Hohman Piniewski
By John and Annette Noto

Sat, Jan. 23rd: *Vigil of the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time*
4:00pm (C) +Rita Gabel
By Norbert Gabel and Family

Sun, Jan. 24th: *Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*
8:30am (C) +Cherie Hohman-Piniewski
By Jordan and Sydney
11:00am (C) +Maynard and Barbara Gamel
By Joyce and Family

*The Sanctuary Candle in the Church this week it lit for
Rita Gabel as requested by her grandchildren.
The Sanctuary Candle in the Rectory Chapel is lit this
week for the healing of Chris Enser as requested by
Norbert Gabel and Family.*

Readings for the Week of January 17th

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/
Jn 1:35-42
Monday: Heb 5:1-10/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday: Heb 7:25-8:6/Mk 3:7-12
Friday: Heb 8:6-13/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Mk 3:20-21



Weekly Collection (01/10): \$2,210.00

Collection Total for this Fiscal Year: \$45,354.60

2021 Collection Envelopes

The 2021 Collection Envelopes are available in the back of Church. If you do not currently receive collection envelopes and would like to, please contact the Parish Office.

Compassion Ministry

To place someone on the prayer list, please complete and return a card available at the entrances of the church, or call the rectory. Individuals will remain on the list for 4 weeks unless the rectory is notified otherwise. *If you have a loved one on our list and they pass away, please let the parish office know.*

Vicky (Achtly) Alessi, Lena Anzalone, Cindy Gabel Amacher, Tony Andolina, Ann Andzel, Elaine Bauer, Romie Lee Bettinger, Ernest Brackowski, Christine Brown, Mary Jane Butzer, Joey Crocker, Paula Czora, Esther Dittenhofer, Norie Donhauser, John Duggan, Otto Duggan, Anne Edwards, Christine Enser, Mary Gattie, Art Gernatt, Norm Grapes, Patrick Grapes, Sylvia Grapes, Mark Grugel, Ashley Haettich, Bob Holbrook, Robert Hogan, Jeanne Hutchings, Daniel Kozub, Rose Kohn, Mark Kozub, Irma Martin, Sara Mackey Dunn, Andrew Marconi, Lou Marconi, Diane May, Bob McNeerney, Millie Muehlbauer, Marty Niefergold, Jean Ott, Holly Pearce, Andrew Remero, Pat Ricotta, Levi Rothfuss, Wesley Schmitt, Kathy Smith, Sr. Lucina Stang, Danielle Stark, Lorraine Stark, Donelle Thomas, Trisha Weiss, Ed Urban, Gary Wentland, Mike Winter.



2021 Grand Raffle

Our 13th Annual Grand Raffle will take place on Tuesday, March 23rd 2021. Each ticket is \$20; there will be 30 winners and the prizes are:

1st Prize: \$4,000
2nd Prize: \$1,000 3rd Prize: \$1,000
4th-6th Prizes: \$500 7th-10th Prizes: \$250
11th-20th Prizes: \$100 21st-30th Prizes: \$50

Our goal is to sell 1,000 tickets to make the Grand Raffle a success. That means we need everyone to help. Tickets have been mailed out to all registered parishioners. If you need more tickets, they are available at Church or in the Rectory. They can make great gifts! Please return any tickets you are unable to sell.

Due to the ongoing pandemic, we will not be having the reception this year. We will draw the tickets with a small audience, possibly at a Pastoral Council Meeting, and all winners will be posted in the parish bulletin as well as on our Parish Facebook Page.

So Far 275 Have been sold!

Mass Intentions and Sanctuary Candle Requests

To schedule a mass please contact the parish office!
A Mass is a sacrifice of Jesus on the cross, brought forward in time to the present. At Mass you could say that a "time warp" is opened in which the sacrifice of Jesus is mystically brought forward to be present to us. When we are present at a celebration of the Eucharist, we are not merely turning our attention to the past, we are actually bringing forward into the present the most pivotal moment of human history. Masses can be offered for a number of intentions: for the deceased, to invoke the Lord's special graces for a friend or loved one, for a successful surgery and recovery, or for an anniversary. A \$15 donation is asked for each Mass requested.

If you would like to request the Sanctuary Candle to be lit, please contact the Parish Office. A \$10 donation is asked per week of the Sanctuary Candle being lit.

Virtual Wine Tasting

Sponsored by St. John the Baptist, Kenmore, on Saturday February 13th at 7pm. Bundles include: three 750ml bottles of wine; sommelier-led seminar (via Zoom); blind tasting with bottle reveal and a special gift from our host, Addy Wine & Spirits. To learn more about this special event and to RSVP, contact Michelle Salemi at 716-877-6401 or malemi@stjohnskenmore.com.



Youth Ministry Pizza Sale

It's that time of year again for our Youth Ministry Pizza Sale! Pizzas can be preordered before January 25th.

- Prices:
- One: \$8
- Two: \$15
- Three: \$23
- Four: \$30
- Five: \$37

Pre-ordered pizzas will be available for pick-up January 30th and 31st following Masses. There will be a limited number of pizza available that are not pre-ordered. Pre-payment is not required on pre-orders, but encouraged. To pre-order, contact the parish office, or fill out an order form located at the entrances of Church and from the Rectory.



Cemetery Closure

As of November 12th, 2020, both St. Martin's and St. Mary's Cemeteries are closed to burials until approximately April 1st, 2021, dependent on the weather.

Any questions should be directed to the Parish Office.

Cemetery Roads are also closed to traffic. They will not be maintained during the Winter Months.

Tuition Assistance for Private Grammar Schools

The BISON Children's Scholarship Fund provides tuition assistance to economically eligible children entering Kindergarten-8th grade throughout the eight counties of Western New York. The BISON Fund's scholarship application process is now open for new families. The deadline to apply is February 28, 2021. Scholarship amounts vary depending on the family's income, household size and the school's tuition cost. The highest scholarship amount for 2021-22 school year is \$2,500 per child. Families will be expected to contribute partial tuition towards their child's education.
Website: www.bisonfund.com



What is Ordinary Time?

Christmas Time and Easter Time highlight the central mysteries of the Paschal Mystery, namely, the incarnation, death on the cross, resurrection, and ascension of

Jesus Christ, and the descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. The Sundays and weeks of Ordinary Time, on the other hand, takes us through the life of Christ. This is the time of conversion. This is living the life of Christ.

Ordinary Time is a time for growth and maturation, a time in which the mystery of Christ is called to penetrate ever more deeply into history until all things are finally caught up in Christ. The goal, toward which all of history is directed, is represented by the final Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Homily

Samuel is the first in a long line of prophets in biblical Israel. He lived in the 11th century B.C., at a time when the Ark of the Covenant was kept in a tabernacle at Shiloh. Dedicated to the Lord's service by his parents, the boy Samuel had been living at the shrine since he was a toddler.

In today's reading, Samuel hears a voice calling to him in the night and thinks it is Eli, but it turns out that God is calling him. Eli tells Samuel to answer the Lord, so that God may give him whatever message he intends.

Samuel does as Eli instructs, and the Scriptures go on to say that, *Samuel grew up, and the Lord was with him, not permitting any word of his to be without effect.* As a prophet, his role was not so much to predict the future but to speak God's word to the people and to offer advice to Israel's first two kings.

Saint Paul also spoke God's word to his people. Today we heard part of his message to the Corinthians, reminding them that *The body... is not for immorality, but for the Lord.* The Church in Corinth was dealing with several cases of public immorality, and they wrote to the Apostle seeking advice. He reminds them, and us, that the body *is a temple of the Holy Spirit.* It is these very bodies that God will transform and raise on the Last Day. So we should treat them with the dignity they deserve.

In the Gospel today, two followers of John the Baptist, including Andrew, hear John refer to Jesus as *the Lamb of God.* And so they leave John and follow Jesus. As Samuel was led to God's voice by Eli's directions, so, too, are Andrew and the other disciple led to Jesus by John's words.

When he sees them, Jesus asks them, *What are you looking for?* Their response is simply to ask where he is staying and he invites them to *come, and you will see.* The evangelist tells us that *they stayed with him that day.* We don't know what transpired during their time together, but it was enough to lead Andrew to go and tell his brother Simon, *We have found the Messiah.* He, too, goes to Jesus. When Jesus meets Simon he gives him the name Cephas, *which is translated Peter.*

As God called Samuel and as Jesus called his disciples, so have we been called. We are temples of the Holy Spirit, made for the Lord. Here we take the Lord into our bodies, so that we might become more like him, and that we might ourselves be prophets of the Good News of our Lord.

Faith Formation January Calendar

- S 17 B 9:40 – 10:50 AM FFF Family Classes***
& All 9th and 10th Grade **Teens**
 - M 18 Monday 4-6 PM CGS II (2nd & 3rd Grade)
 - T 19 Tuesday 4-6 PM CGS II/III (4th – 6th Grade)
 - S 24 C 9:40 – 10:50 AM FFF Family Classes***
& All 9th and 10th Grade **Teens**
 - M 25 Monday 4-6 PM CGS II (2nd & 3rd Grade)
 - T 26 Tuesday 4-6 PM CGS II/III (4th – 6th Grade)
 - S 31 A & C 9:40 – 10:50 AM FFF Family Classes***
& All 9th and 10th Grade **Teens**
- Families with last name ending in:
A: A - H B: I - N C: O - Z

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