# EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH

JANUARY 23, 2022 | LITURGICAL SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



#### THANK YOU SARAH JO!

A special thank you goes out to Sarah Jo, who finished her last day here at Epiphany on Friday January 21st. After 7.5 years working together, Sarah Jo will be greatly missed in the Church office and at Church functions.

Join me in thanking Sarah Jo for her years of dedication and ministry to the Parish. She will be



greatly missed.

-Father Mitch Byeck

## PASTORAL STAFF

Parish Clergy Fr. Mitch Byeck In case of emergency call (716)703-4066

**Deacon Roy Dibb** Deacon

# Parish Staff

Tracy Tremblay- Faith Formation Kim Rausch- Organist Anna Stark- Cantor Teri Powenski- One Voice Mary Ann Gabel- Facility Coordinator Roger Powenski- Buildings & Grounds Dan Gabel & Bonnie Hohman- Trustees

### MASS SCHEDULE Weekend Mass

Weekday Mass Monday - Friday: 8:30a.m. in Church

#### Confession

30 Minutes before Weekend Masses, & everyday after Mass, or by appointment. Saturday: 4:00pm Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:00am

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**Parish Hall Rental** To reserve the hall for a function, please contact the Parish Office at 716-337-2686.

For Information on Registration, Baptism, Weddings, and Faith Formation please call the Parish Office (716-337-2686).

# Prayers and Reading weekly readings & observances

Sunday January 23rd

*Third Sunday in Ordinary Time* Readings-Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/1 Cor 12:12-30/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

**Monday January 24th** Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Readings- 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Mk 3:22-30

**Tuesday January 25th** *Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle* Readings- Acts 22:3-16/Mk 1:15-18

**Wednesday January 26th** Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops Readings- 2 Tm 1:1-8/Mk 4:1-20

#### Thursday January 27th

Weekday Readings- 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Mk 4:21-25

#### Friday January 28th

Saint Thomas, Priest, Religious and Doctor of the Church Readings- 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/ Mk 4:26-34

#### Saturday January 29th

*Vigil of the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time* Readings- 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Mk 4:35-41

#### IN OUR PRAYERS

Rebecca Allan, Vicky (Achtyl) Alessi, Lena Anzalone, Cindy Gabel Amacher, Ann Andzel, Paul Baker, Mary Bartz, Elaine Bauer, Carol Bloom, Ernest Bracikowski, Eileen Bunn, Mary Jane Butzer, Sharon Butzer, Don Caccioppo, Joey Crocker, Alyssa Cummings, Paula Czora, Norie Donhauser, John Duggan, Otto Duggan, Anne Edwards, Sandra Fellows, Laura Franchella, Mary Ann Gabel, Jason Gallaway, Frances Gardner, Olivia Gates, Mary Gattie, Phyllis George, Art Gernatt, Mike Gernatt, Patrick Grapes, Sylvia Grapes, Olivia Gullick, Bob Holbrook, Donna Holbrook, Jane Johnson, Tom Johnson, David Kerker, Susan Kester, Cindy Kohn, Rose Kohn, Daniel Kozub, Mark Kozub, Thomas Liis, Irma Martin, Lou Marconi, Kathleen Marshall, Diane May, Bob McNerney, Rob McNeight, Millie Muehlbauer, Dave Niefergold, Emily Niefergold, Marty Niefergold, Sue Niefergold, Jean Olsen, Dave and Connie Otteni, Jean Ott, Holly Pearce, Andrew Remero, Marland Schmitt, Wesley Schmitt, Ellen Schuster, Michael Spicola, Danielle Stark, Lorraine Stark, Ed Stemper, Donelle Thomas, Ron Timmons, Ed Urban, Gary Wentland, Mike Winter, Steffanie Wutz

# MASS INTENTIONS

WEEK OF JANUARY 23RD						
Sat, January 22nd	4:00 p.m.	†Betty Geiger By Ralph & Wende Mertle				
Sun, January 23rd	8:30 a.m.	†Cherie Hohman-Piniewski By The Family				
Sun, January 23rd	11:00 a.m.	† Helga & Rudolf Futterer By Hilde Werneth				
Mon, January 24th	8:30 a.m.	Vincent Gerard By Phil & Tracy Tremblay				
Tue, January 25th	8:30 a.m.	+Tom Powenski By Teri and Family				
Wed, January 26th	8:30 a.m.	†Patrick Dorn By Dave and Becky				
Thur, January 27th	8:30 a.m	+Sarah and Tony Boncore By The Fera Family				
Fri, January 28th	8:30 a.m.	Nick Gerard By Phil & Tracy Tremblay				
Sat, January 29th	4:00pm	†Michael Scott By Mary and Mike Gattie				
Sun, January 30th	8:30 a.m.	†Betty Dole By Pete & Cindy and Family				
Sun, January 30th (4th Sunday in Ordin	11:00 a.m. ary Time)	†Otto Werneth By Hilde Werneth				

The Sanctuary Candle in the Church is lit this week for Cherie Hohman-Piniewski as requested by the Family.

The Sanctuary Candle in the Rectory Chapel is lit this week for Helga & Rudolf Futterer as requested by Hilde Werneth.

Fiscal Year Total- \$46,589.75



Thank you to everyone for continuing to follow the State Mask Mandate.

#### **HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?** To place someone on the prayer list, please complete and return a card available at the Church entrances, or call the Parish Office. Individuals will remain on the list for 4 weeks unless the rectory is noticed otherwise. If someone on the list passes away, please let the parish office know.

### HOMILY

As people made in the image and likeness of God, we have an innate dignity that derives not from what we do or from our outward appearance but from our relationship with God. Knowing this truth, it is no surprise that Paul chooses the image of the body to flesh out his theology of the baptized. For just as the body is made up of many parts, so, too, is the body of Christ, the Church.

We know that when the human body is working well, without aches and pains, we feel fine. But even the smallest ache or discomfort can undermine that feeling of well-being. So also, for the body of Christ, the seemingly smallest thing can cause much distress. In our reading from Corinthians, Paul reminds us: If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part is honored, all the parts share its joy. In other words, the struggle of one is the struggle of all.

Therefore, as believers, we can never be unmoved by the struggle of another. At its very heart, the Gospel witnesses to God's deep and intimate identification with humanity through the mystery of the Incarnation. So to be Christian is to be a witness to this intimacy. Just as Christ identifies with humanity in all its struggles, we are called to reach out to all in need just as we would rejoice and give thanks with all who are happy.

As Christians, we share in Christ's ministry so beautifully summarized for us in the words of Isaiah found in our Gospel today. Just as Jesus knew himself to be the one anointed by God to bring glad tidings to the poor and recovery of sight to the blind, proclaim liberty to captives, let the oppressed go free, and proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord, we are anointed to do the same.



#### Secretary and Bookkeeper Needed!

If interested in either of these positions please contact the Parish Office. Job descriptions and more information available upon request.

Tuition Assistance for Private Grammar Schools.

New families can now apply for scholarships for the 2022-23 school year. To start the process, families can complete a pre-application form online at http://bisonfund.com/our-scholarships. The BISON Fund provides tuition assistance to economically eligible children in K-8th grade. If selected, the scholarships can be used at any private grammar school in WNY. The deadline to apply is February 28th. The average scholarship is \$1,500 and the maximum award is \$2,500. For more information, call Cindy McDonald at 716-854-0869 ext. 1

"God's Son, My Son": St. Joseph, a one-man play on Monday February 7th at 7pm at Our Lady of Pompeii Church, 129 Laverack Ave, Lancaster; presented by Michael Sacilowski, Director of Religious Education of Queen of Martyrs Parish, Cheektowaga. Through this theatrical presentation, accompany St. Joseph as he fulfills his call to be a human father to Jesus and how he strived to protect Mary and Jesus. Listen to the Patron Saint of Workers who taught our Lord the carpenter's trade and how work can be a path to holiness.

# Upcoming Events

The Men of the Challenge

We're a group of regular guys who, deep in our hearts, know we're not yet the boyfriends/husbands, fathers, or men that we know we can be.

We gather on the 2nd Saturday of each month to EAT, to LEARN more about our faith, & to be CHALLENGED to live as men of God each day.

Join us for our upcoming gathering: February 12th from 8am-9:15am in the Epiphany of Our Lord Parish Hall RSVP to Deacon Jeff (call/text) 716-432-8717

#### 2022 Grand Raffle

The 2022 Grand Raffle is under way! The Raffle tickets are available in the back of church, at the side door, or in the rectory during office hours. The early bird drawing for \$250 will take place on February 6th. The Grand Raffle drawing and Reception will take place Saturday March 19th. Over \$10,000 in prizes! Sellers have the chance to win as well! 1st Prize- \$4,000.00

2nd Prize- \$1,000.00 3rd Prize- \$1,000.00 4th-6th Prizes- \$500.00 7th-10th Prizes- \$250.00 11th-20th Prizes- \$100.00 21st-30th Prizes- \$50.00 Over 260 tickets have been sold already!

Youth Ministry Pizza Sale January 29th & 30th (Pre-sale order forms are available in the back of Church and from the Rectory Office) Frozen Pizzas from "Tim and Bonnies" One Pizza: \$8 Two Pizzas: \$15 Three Pizzas: \$23 Four Pizzas: \$30 Five Pizzas: \$37

Do you feel you are called to serve Christ in a deeper way? Do you want to know something about the Permanent Diaconate? If you are a male between the ages of 30 and 55 and have asked yourself this question, please join us on Saturday February 12 from 9am – 12 noon to talk, pray, and discover more about the Permanent Diaconate with no commitment. We will gather at St. Rose Retreat Center, 217 Winston Rd. Buffalo, NY 14214 - Please RSVP to Deacon Howard Morgan at hmorgan@buffalodiocese.org and let him know you are coming. God is calling you, will you follow? -

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A Note from Sarah Jo Thank you to the entire Epiphany Parish Community for being such a joy to work with over the last 7.5 years. I will miss working with all of you, and wish you best in the future! Sincerely, Sarah Jo Schmitt

Ministry Schedule for January 29-30					If you are on the Ministry
	EMOHC	Lector	Altar Server	Greeter	schedule and unable to
4pm	Janet Eimiller	Mary Gattie	n/a	Mary Richmond	serve, please use the
8:30am	David Bunn	Paul & Robin	n/a	Marge Gallaway	contact sheets to find a
11am	Peg Siegle	Bern Folts	n/a	Cheryl Quiter	substitute.

