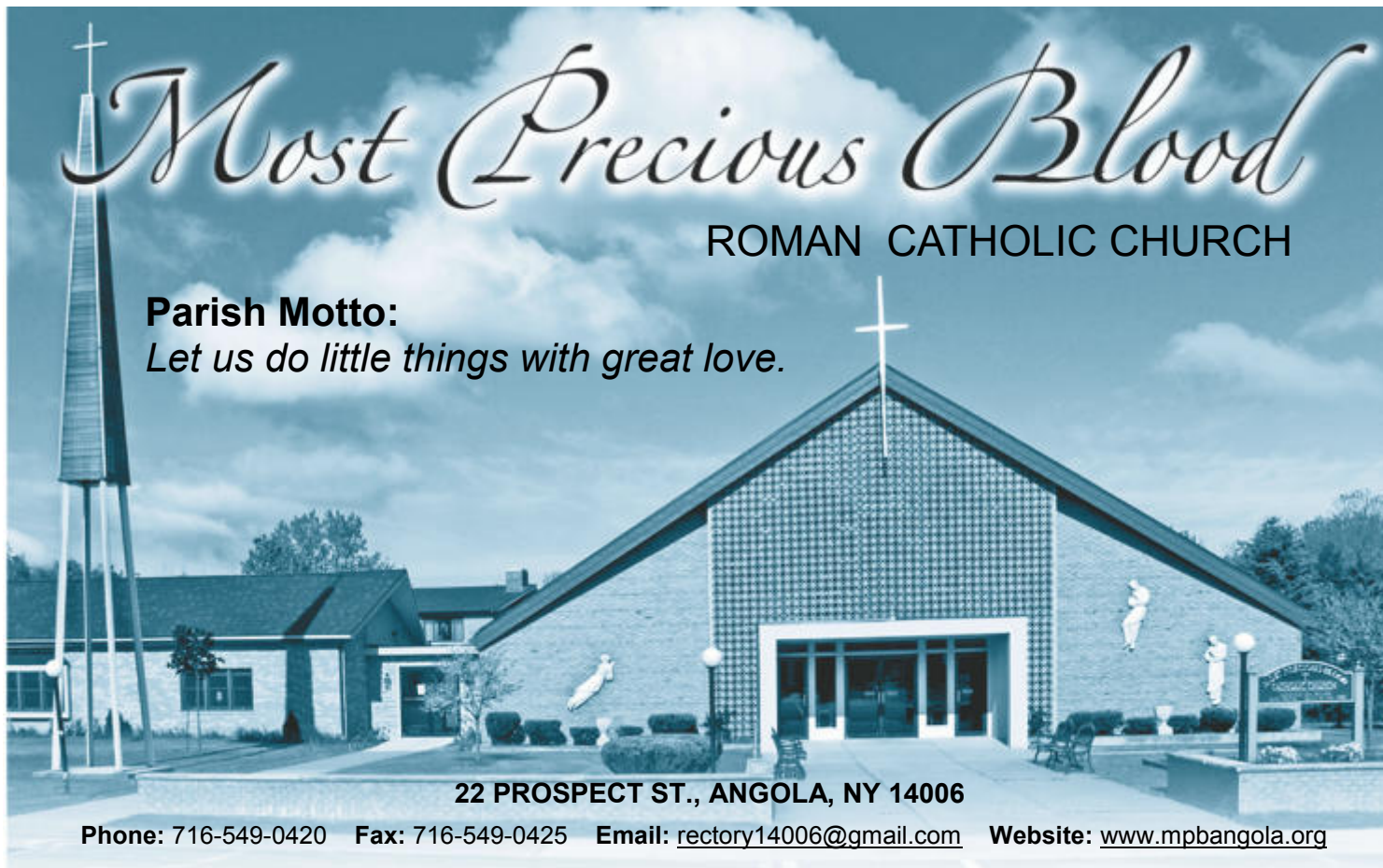


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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday
11:00 a.m. -- 1:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
9:00 a.m. -- 1:00 p.m.

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Tuesdays, 1:00–5:00 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday:..... 8:30 a.m.
Weekdays: Monday–Wednesday, Friday:..... 8:30 a.m.

SACRAMENTS

Infant Baptism: During weekend Masses. Parents must be practicing Catholics and attend a Pre-Baptismal Class. Call the rectory office to register.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): call the rectory office.

Reconciliation (Confessions): Upon request only.

Marriage: Couples contemplating marriage must make an appointment to meet personally with the Pastor before a definite wedding date may be scheduled. Church arrangements should be made at least 6 months prior to the wedding. No wedding date will be scheduled over the phone.

Anointing of the Sick: Anyone who is seriously ill is invited to contact the rectory to request the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion.

Parish Devotions (Cancelled until further notice).

Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration : Tuesdays: 1:00–2:00 p.m.
Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Wednesdays after 7:30 a.m. Mass. *Recitation of Rosary:* daily after 7:30 a.m. Mass.

Letters of Recommendation: Registered parishioners in good standing for a minimum of 3 months and active, who are confirmed, and if married, did so in accordance with the Church's regulations, will be issued letters on request. One week prior notice is required.

New Parishioners: We welcome you warmly. Please register at the rectory office as soon as you arrive

**Saturday, January 8****Vigil: The Baptism of the Lord**

4:00 PM - Colleen Jimenez - req. Mom Arlene Vail

Sunday, January 9 - The Baptism of the Lord

8:30 AM - Rosella Morgano - req. Scaglione Family

Monday, January 10

8:30 AM - Janet Kaczmarczyk - req. Cousin Pat

Tuesday, January 11

8:30 AM - People of the Parish

Wednesday, January 12

8:30 AM - David Hosler - req. Wife Diann & Family

Friday, January 14

8:30 AM - Florence Graf - req. Connors/Erickson Families

Saturday, January 15**Vigil: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 PM - Jack Geidel - req. Wife & Family

Sunday, January 16 - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM - Louis Catalano - req. Maiorana Family

In your prayers, please pray for the deceased of the parish, and especially for H. Edward Sanders and Joseph F. Cosentino.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 9**ISAIAH 40:1-5, 9-11****PSALM 104****TITUS 2:11-14; 3:4-7****LUKE 3:15-16, 21-22****READINGS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 16****ISAIAH 62:1-5****PSALM 96****CORINTHIANS 12:4-11****JOHN 2:2-11****A Message from the Pastor**

"You are my beloved son in whom I am well pleased."

Today we celebrate the Baptism of Jesus -- the end of the Christmas Season and, in essence, the First Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Feast of the Baptism of Jesus might be considered a transition in this sense, but it has an important, direct role to us.

Scripturally today, John's authenticity of "a voice crying in the wilderness" is made by Jesus going to John. John recognizes Jesus as the one who is to come and publicly proclaims it. Jesus proclaims his oneness to sinners by accepting John's Baptism of Repentance (which he doesn't need). Jesus' baptism will bring forgiveness for sinners through the death and resurrection of Jesus.

This event from the Lucan version is the perfect reveal of the Triune God. The Trinity is at work in Jesus; fulfilled eventually through Jesus' command to baptize all in the Trinity. The focus today, therefore, is upon us, our own baptism. We now are sharing in the divine life in our baptism. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

In communion with the theology of the Trinity, we are anointed at our Baptism as priest, prophet and king. You can check it out. It's in the rite. A "priest" is someone who makes sacrifices for the people to God, prays to God on their behalf, is a mediator between God and man. Wouldn't that mean we are by our Baptism a person of prayer interceding for others -- parents, children, spouses? Are we involved fully in the central prayer of the Church -- Mass? And we offer it up to God for others. We offer up the sacrifice for others (this includes our offertory gifts).

A prophet speaks the words of God. All prophets suffered for it. Jesus died for it. But, speaking the Word of God should see in whom we are a Catholic. Can young people learn from our words and actions a way to God? Do we seek out some theological works? Listening to or reading my homilies are not enough. Each of us by our Baptism should be seeking knowledge (an update) of our faith. Maybe a Bible study or retreat is due!

A King orders the gifts of the Spirit to bring the people to God. In our families or place of work, do we help each person's gift charisms to God. We don't have to pester, we shouldn't judge or belittle, but we can help all people's gifts (charisms) work toward the Glory of God, our Baptismal call.

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Fr. Tim



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Bible Study at St. John Paul II

St. John Paul II Parish, Lakeview, invites you to participate in its six-session Bible Study that will take place Fridays from January 14 through February 18. The series, entitled "The Creed," will utilize a video and readings from Sacred Scripture. You are asked to bring a bible.

For more information, please call Jonathan at 716-627-2910 or email media@jp2parish.org.

Consider ACH Direct Payment For Your Church Contributions

During this time when many are not able to attend Mass regularly, ACH may be the answer to making weekly contributions.

ACH is a process for automatic donations to be made from your checking or savings account to Most Precious Blood Church. This allows the withdrawal of contributions on a weekly, bi-weekly or monthly basis.

If interested in the ACH payment, please fill out the form below and mail it to MPB Rectory Office, 22 Prospect St., Angola, NY 14006.

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ACH Form is also available on MPB's website: <http://www.mpbangola.org/contact.htm>

Faith Formation Sessions

Faith Formation classes for grades K-11 take place Sundays in the Parish Hall. Grades K-8 report to class at 9:15 a.m. and Grades 9-11 at 7:00 p.m. To register, contact the Rectory Office (549-0420). All who attend are to be masked and are to enter the hall at the gym entrance. Students K-8 must be signed in and picked up by a parent or guardian. More information is available on the parish website: [MPB Faith Formation \(mpbangola.org\)](http://mpbangola.org).

Chesterton Society Plans Presentation

The Southtowns Chesterton Society invites you to its meeting Saturday, January 29 at 6:30 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church, Eden. There will be a special showing of EWTN's original two-part play "Chesterton Station: The Golden Key." Its synopsis states:

"Known as the 'prince of paradox' English writer, philosopher and lay theologian, G.K. Chesterton, is the perfect foil for an intellectual adventure through space and time. Arriving early to a deserted train station, Chesterton reflects on his life, the saints, and his wonder and gratitude for God's many gifts. As mysterious events unfold while waiting, his spiritual observations set the stage for a journey through history to encounter some of the most fascinating individuals the world has ever seen."

Dinner and drinks will be provided at no charge. Those 21 and older may attend. Please RSVP and dinner will be ready when you arrive.

Questions and RSVPs may be sent to Brady Webb at stchestertonsociety@gmail.com.

MPB CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, January 9

- 8:30 a.m. - Sunday Mass
- 9:15 a.m. - Faith Formation (K-8)
- 7:00 p.m. - Faith Formation (9-11)

Tuesday, January 11

- 1:00 p.m. - Operation Good Neighbor: Parish Hall
- 7:00 p.m. - Respect Life meeting: Chapel

Sunday, January 16

- 8:00 a.m. - Rosary & Altar Society (Rosary); Meeting following Mass
- 8:30 a.m. - Sunday Mass
- 9:15 a.m. - Faith Formation (K-8)
- 7:00 p.m. - Faith Formation (9-11)

Drive-Thru Spaghetti Dinner at MPB



MPB Parish will have a Drive-Thru Spaghetti Dinner Sunday, January 23 from 12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. by way of the Hall driveway/parking lot.

Although not required, reservations may be made by calling the Rectory Office at 549-0420.

In addition to the spaghetti, the dinner includes meatballs, salad, bread and dessert. The cost for each dinner is \$10, payable at the time of pick up.

‘Thanks’ from St. Anthony’s Parish

Members of St. Anthony’s Parish sent the following message to MPB parishioners who participated in their recent program:

“Thank you for joining us in our Advent Miniseries at St. Anthony’s in Farnham and making it so special. May God bless you and protect you and your families in 2022.”

Kathy Brachmann & Kathie Barreca

Catholic Charities

Our Kids Parent Education and Awareness Program (OKPEAP) is provided by Catholic Charities and is available to parents and caregivers who have experienced conflict regarding custody and/or access issues related to their children.

OKPEAP helps parents develop a “business” relationship and encourages co-parents to refrain from putting the children in the middle of conflict.

Topics covered include: the impact of separation/divorce on children; child development and the implications for parenting after separation/divorce; cooperative and parallel approaches to parenting; an overview of family law as it affects custody and visitation; and conflict management and problem solving.

Groups meet throughout Western New York. Call 716-896-6390. For more information on Catholic Charities and other services and programs, visit www.ccwny.org.

January 15 & 16	MPB Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors
4:00 p.m.	J. Sack, F. Dybdahl, N. Preischel, Volunteer	P. Pinto
8:30 a.m.	L. Feider, K. Young, J. Barone, D. Hosler	R. Scaglione

Project Keep Evans Warm and Fed -- Update

MPB’s clothing and food drive committee, along with Operation Good Neighbor (OGN), thanks all who donated to or supported this year’s **Project: Keep Evans Warm and Fed** during the Christmas Season. The project assisted Evans town residents in need. Because of the ongoing pandemic, the challenge continues.

Over 700 items of warm winter clothing were donated, including over 550 coats, snow pants, hats, gloves/mittens, and boots. Many clothing items were purchased new or homemade with heartfelt intentions.

The food drive collected 465 pounds of canned/dry goods that included three frozen turkeys along with many other items.

Although **Project: Keep Evans Warm and Fed** is officially over, the need for clothing, dry/canned food, and paper goods still exists. Please save the following phone numbers and feel free to call 481-4480 or 507-6703 for any donations to be picked up during the coming year. Donations placed in the red bin placed near the Chapel will still be accepted.

According to OGN, once holidays end, support for those requiring assistance decreases. But soon there will be more notices with details promoting the upcoming Easter Season’s **Project: Keep Evans Warm and Fed**.

Pray For the Healing of the Sick

Kathy Duerr, Mary Angela Richir, Kathy Nolan, Amy Jezioro Crawford, Lily Schwietzer, Sandy Clark, Cassie Rizzuto, Miya Wardlaw, Lynn Sellick, Linda A. Hogg, Ryan O’Meara, Jean Francis, Deborah Schiedel Downs, Mason Joseph Reynolds, Patricia Jasinski, Ann Marie Collura, Fred Gugino, Josephine Prisco, Jonah Delang, Robert Catalino, Michele White, Cheryl Kendall, Eryn Ramirez, Sandra Stevens, Jenna Place, Renee Perez-Quinn, Bonnie Hyman, Mark Faraci, Jackie Francisco, Eleanor Rathgeber, Eugene Frometa, Richard Riley, Jane Granville, Jessie Keith, Diane Cooke, Michael Rizzuto, Sr., Pauline Landes, Anna Marie Kirsch, Stephen Rodler, Karen Schiavone, Joseph Newland, Linda Muscato, Lucille Zoda Galfo, Anthony Genovese, Dorothy Genovese, Patricia Latimore, Kimberly Borkowski, Jeannie DiChristopher, Christine Radwan.

2022 Mass Intentions

Requests for 2022 Mass intentions may be made at the rectory during office hours or by mail. Please do not phone in requests.



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